



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

10/01/2020 to 12/31/2020

Allegheny National Forest

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Projects Occurring Nationwide

Locatable Mining Rule - 36 CFR 228, subpart A. EIS	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 09/13/2018 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 11/2021	Expected:12/2021	12/2021	Nancy Rusho 202-731-9196 nancy.rusho@usda.gov
Description: The U.S. Department of Agriculture proposes revisions to its regulations at 36 CFR 228, Subpart A governing locatable minerals operations on National Forest System lands. A draft EIS & proposed rule should be available for review/comment in late 2020					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57214					
Location: UNIT - All Districts-level Units. STATE - All States. COUNTY - All Counties. LEGAL - Not Applicable. These regulations apply to all NFS lands open to mineral entry under the US mining laws. More Information is available at: https://www.fs.usda.gov/science-technology/geology/minerals/locatable-minerals/current-revisions .					

Allegheny National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)

R9 - Eastern Region

Gypsy Moth Suppression EA *NEW LISTING*	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 09/12/2020	Expected:04/2021	04/2021	Glenn Howard 814-728-6186 gdhoward@fs.fed.us
Description: To suppress gypsy moth populations, Btk, a naturally occurring native bacterium, would be applied aeriially to the crowns of overstory trees as early as April 2021. Implementation would continue in future years as needed.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58772					
Location: UNIT - Allegheny National Forest All Units. STATE - Pennsylvania. COUNTY - Elk, Forest, McKean, Warren. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Allegheny National Forest.					

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Japanese Stiltgrass Treatment Project CE *UPDATED*	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Completed	Actual: 09/23/2020	09/2020	Glenn Howard 814-728-6186 gdhoward@fs.fed.us
	Description: We are proposing to treat infestations of Japanese stiltgrass (<i>Microstegium vimineum</i>) on the Allegheny National Forest along roads and trails and near recreation and administrative sites.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57820				
Location: UNIT - Allegheny National Forest All Units. STATE - Pennsylvania. COUNTY - Elk, Forest, McKean, Warren. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Allegheny National Forest.					

Allegheny National Forest Bradford Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
Bradford Wildlife Habitat Improvement Project CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Completed	Actual: 08/04/2020	08/2020	Stephen Rutkowski 814-363-6098 stephen.rutkowski@usda.gov
	Description: This programmatic CE covers several wildlife enhancement activities including aspen regeneration; daylighting rock outcrops and boulder fields; and apple, fruit, mast shrub and tree pruning and release.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58270				
Location: UNIT - Bradford Ranger District. STATE - Pennsylvania. COUNTY - McKean, Warren. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Districtwide.					
Oil Creek Energy Special Use Permit CE *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	Completed	Actual: 08/27/2020	08/2020	Lori Elmquist 814-728-6286 lori.elmquist@usda.gov
	Description: Oil Creek Energy has requested a special use permit for a gas pipeline along an oil and gas road and across FR 205.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58273				
Location: UNIT - Bradford Ranger District. STATE - Pennsylvania. COUNTY - McKean. LEGAL - Not Applicable. FR 205.					

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Tracy Ridge Oak Ecosystem Conservation CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special area management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/10/2020	Expected:03/2021	03/2022	Richard Hatfield 814-363-6098 rhatfield@fs.fed.us
	Description: We are proposing to reintroduce periodic fire to approximately 2,000 acres in Tracy Ridge to improve the long-term sustainability of oak forests.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58647				
Location: UNIT - Bradford Ranger District. STATE - Pennsylvania. COUNTY - McKean, Warren. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Tracy Ridge National Recreation Area. In the vicinity of Sugar Bay and Handsome Lake.					
Yette Project EA *UPDATED*	- Land management planning - Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Watershed management	Completed	Actual: 09/29/2020	06/2021	Richard Hatfield 814-363-6098 rhatfield@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service, Allegheny National Forest (ANF) proposes the Yette Project to improve forest health, streams and fisheries, recreation opportunities and wildlife habitat within the 29,410 acre project area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57537				
Location: UNIT - Bradford Ranger District. STATE - Pennsylvania. COUNTY - Warren. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Located near Westline, PA In Hamilton, Hamlin, Lafayette and Wetmore Townships, McKean County, PA.					

Allegheny National Forest Marienville Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
Beaver Meadows Campground Decommissioning EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/19/2019 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 10/2020	Expected:02/2021	03/2021	Kevin Treese 814-927-5759 ktreese@fs.fed.us
	Description: To decommission the Beaver Meadows Campground removing all infrastructure, decommissioning all roads within the campground, and plugging water wells.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57181				
Location: UNIT - Marienville Ranger District. STATE - Pennsylvania. COUNTY - Forest. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Warrant 3185, Jenks Township, Forest County.					

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East Branch Tionesta Creek EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Watershed management - Road management	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 08/24/2020	Expected:11/2020	12/2020	Kevin Treese 814-927-5759 ktreese@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposed management activities include vegetation treatments, timber harvesting, wildlife habitat improvements, non-native invasive plant species treatments, transportation activities, and recreation improvements.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57175				
Location: UNIT - Marienville Ranger District. STATE - Pennsylvania. COUNTY - Elk, McKean. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Hamilton and Wetmore Townships, McKean County; Highland And Jones Townships, Elk County15579.					
Howard Drilling Special Use Permit MRN388 Reissue Project CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 07/29/2020	07/2020	Kevin Treese 814-927-5759 ktreese@fs.fed.us
	Description: Issue a new special sue authorization to replace a currently expired authorization for a buried pipeline.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58346				
Location: UNIT - Marienville Ranger District. STATE - Pennsylvania. COUNTY - McKean. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Lots 186 and 219, Wetmore Township.					
Marienville ATV Connector and Wetland Restoration CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/19/2019	Expected:11/2020	12/2020	Kevin Treese 814-927-5759 ktreese@fs.fed.us
	Description: Construct approximately 17 miles of 2 way ATV trail from Township Road 356 in Warrant 3184 Jenks Township, Forest County to the Marienville ATV Trailhead on State Route 66 in Warrant 2464, Howe Township, Forest County and restore an adjacent wetland.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52264				
Location: UNIT - Marienville Ranger District. STATE - Pennsylvania. COUNTY - Forest. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Warrant 3184, Jenks Township and Warrants 2464, 2808, 2878, 2882, 2977, 3186, 3187, 3802, and 4545, Howe Township.					

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South Branch Kinzua Creek Supplemental Environmental Assessment EA *UPDATED*	- Forest products	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/19/2019 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 11/2020	Expected:03/2021	04/2021	Kevin Treese 814-927-5759 ktreese@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposing to add shelterwood removal cuts and associated reforestation treatments to 11 stands within the project area. The proposed shelterwood removal cuts and associated reforestation treatments would ensure timely removal of their overstories.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57331				
	Location: UNIT - Marienville Ranger District. STATE - Pennsylvania. COUNTY - McKean. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Wetmore and Hamlin Township.				

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