



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

07/01/2017 to 09/30/2017

Chugach National Forest

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Chugach National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)	R10 - Alaska Region
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Chugach Forest Plan Revision EIS	- Land management planning	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 07/09/2014 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 07/2017	Expected:09/2018	09/2018	Denise Downie 530-543-2683; 907 743-9426 dedownie@fs.fed.us
Description: The Chugach National Forest is revising and updating its 2002 Land and Resource Management Plan (Forest Plan).					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/chugach/landmanagement/planning/?cid=stelprdb5408185					
Location: UNIT - Chugach National Forest All Units. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Anchorage, Kenai Peninsula, Valdez-Cordova. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Chugach National Forest.					

Chugach National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)	R10 - Alaska Region
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Two Thousand Firewood and Habitat Improvement Project EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Fuels management - Watershed management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 04/18/2017	Expected:09/2017	09/2017	Jessica Ilse 907-754-2322 jilse@fs.fed.us
Description: Spread out across a wide area, firewood will be generated while increasing browse for moose, reducing fuels along roads and campgrounds, and adding structure to streams to improve watershed condition.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47534					
Location: UNIT - Glacier Ranger District, Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Activities will occur at select areas near Ingram Creek, Granite Creek, and communities of Hope, Moose Pass, and Cooper Landing.					

Chugach National Forest Cordova Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R10 - Alaska Region
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Chugach National Forest Cordova Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
Chugach Alaska Corporation Mineral Estate Development in Port Gravina EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	Completed	Actual: 05/23/2017	06/2017	Michael Johnson 907-743-9443 mwjohnson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal from CAC to access and develop their mineral estate near Secret Cove in Port Gravina. The FS will evaluate surface-disturbing activities proposed by CAC.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47206				
Location: UNIT - Cordova Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Valdez-Cordova. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Secret Cove in Port Gravina.					
Moose Habitat Enhancement Project CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/03/2017	Expected:09/2017	12/2017	Melissa Gabrielson 907-424-4743 melissalgabrielson@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service, Chugach National Forest, Cordova Ranger District is seeking public comment on a moose habitat enhancement project to occur on the Copper River Delta (CRD).				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51151				
Location: UNIT - Cordova Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Valdez-Cordova. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The targeted areas occur between the Scott River Basin (mile 9) and Saddlebag Recreation area (mile 26) on the west Copper River Delta. This proposal is limited to US Forest Service lands.					
Northern Sun, Inc. Proposal to provide outfitting/guiding services EA	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Debra Srb 907-424-4726 dsrb@fs.fed.us
	Description: Northern Sun, Inc. dba Anderson Island Lodge is proposing to provide outfitting/guiding services such as hiking and canoe/kayaking on the West Delta and canoe/kayaking and sports fishing in Port Gravina and Sheep Bay, Prince William Sound.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49509				
Location: UNIT - Cordova Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Valdez-Cordova. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Guided canoeing/kayaking on the Alaganik River and hiking on the West Delta and canoeing/kayaking and sports fishing in Port Gravina and Sheep/Simpson Bay.					

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Prince William Sound Zone Terrestrial Invasive Plant Treatment Project EA	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/25/2017 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 07/2017	Expected:09/2017	10/2017	Kate Mohatt 907-754-2348 kmohatt@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Proposed Action is to treat terrestrial invasive plants using integrated methods including chemical (herbicides and adjuvants) and physical treatments (mechanical and manual treatment). Analysis will include both existing and future infestations.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50709				
Location: UNIT - Cordova Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Valdez-Cordova. LEGAL - Not Applicable. All terrestrial lands in the Prince William Sound Zone spanning from Whittier to the Eastern Copper River Delta and including State, Native, private, and municipal landownerships.					
Saddlebag Firewood Project EA *UPDATED*	- Forest products	Completed	Actual: 05/15/2017	06/2017	Milo Burcham 907-424-4759 mburcham@fs.fed.us
	Description: Establishing an area for free use firewood harvest on the Cordova Ranger District to help meet the local need for this resource.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=48791				
Location: UNIT - Cordova Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Valdez-Cordova. LEGAL - 60.442625°N - 145.135505°W. The analysis area is located either side of the road to the Saddlebag trailhead (i.e. Saddlebag Road), which is located on mile 24.75 of the Copper River Highway.					
San Juan and Quadra Creek Habitat Improvement CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/08/2017	Expected:11/2017	06/2018	Kate Mohatt 907-754-2348 kmohatt@fs.fed.us
	Description: Crowded stands in clearcut and uplifted areas would be thinned to accelerate tree growth and old-growth forest conditions. Canopy openings would be created to improve wildlife habitat for the marbled murrelet, a species injured in the oil spill.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=44331				
Location: UNIT - Cordova Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Valdez-Cordova. LEGAL - Quadra Creek: Seward meridian, Blying Sound D1-2 quadrangle, R10E, T3S, section 25. The San Juan watershed: Seward meridian, Blying Sound D-3 quadrangle, R9E, T4S, sections 22 and 27. The two watersheds are located on the southern end of Montague Island, roughly 60-75 miles southwest of Cordova, AK.					

Chugach National Forest Glacier Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)

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Chugach National Forest Glacier Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
CDK Mining Plan of Operations EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Michael Johnson 907-288-7729 mwjohnson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to approve a mining plan of operations for suction dredging and access on Bertha Creek in Turnagain Pass Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=44644				
	Location: UNIT - Glacier Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Section 26, Township 8 North, Range 1 East, Seward Meridian. Bertha Creek in Turnagain Pass on the Glacier Ranger District.				
Chugach Electric Association - Distribution lines renewal CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Katherine Van Massenhove 907-754-2315 kvanmassenhove@fs.fed.us
	Description: The special use authorization for Chugach Electric's distribution lines that cross national forest lands needs to be renewed to continue to authorize the powerline in their present location.				
	Location: UNIT - Glacier Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. Distribution Lines for Portage Valley and Hope Highway, various other location on the Forest.				
Main Bay Fish Hatchery Permit Renewal EA *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 05/08/2017	06/2017	Teresa Paquet 907-754-2314 tpaquet@fs.fed.us
	Description: Renewal of a multi-year special use permit to Alaska Department of Fish and Game for continued use & maintenance of the Main Bay Fish Hatchery located in Main Bay, Prince William Sound. Managed by PWS Aquaculture Corp. EIS/ROD 1980. Constructed 1981. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=40367				
	Location: UNIT - Glacier Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Valdez-Cordova. LEGAL - NW1/4 SE1/4 SE1/4 Sec. 17, T. 5 N, R. 8 E. Seward Meridian. Head of Main Bay, western Prince William Sound, approx. 40 miles southeast of Whittier.				

Chugach National Forest Seward Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R10 - Alaska Region
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Chugach National Forest	Seward Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R10 - Alaska Region
City of Seward Renewal of Powerline Permit CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Katherine Van Massenhove 907-754-2315 kvanmassenhove@fs.fed.us
	Description: The powerline permit for the City of Seward will expire at the end of 2013 and will need to be renewed to continue authorization to allow the right-of-way for the powerlines to cross National Forest Lands.				
	Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - City of Seward Transmission Line: Dave Creek to Lawing is 115 KV and Lawing to Seward is 69 KV. Seward Highway from Mile 5 to mile 25.5.				
Cooper Creek Stream Restoration EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	John Lang 907-288-7719 jslang@fs.fed.us
	Description: Stream restoration work on the lower 0.75 miles of Cooper Creek, from the mouth of the canyon to the confluence with the Kenai River.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/projects/chugach/landmanagement/projects				
	Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Township 05N, Range 03W, and section 34. Mile post 51.5 Sterling Highway.				
Cooper Creek Stream Restoration/Mineral Materials Project EA	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/04/2017 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 05/2017	Expected:09/2017	06/2018	Michael Johnson 907-288-7729 mwjohnson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Stream restoration work in conjunction with mineral materials extraction on about 2500 feet of Cooper Creek in an approximately 16 acre area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51696				
	Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Cooper Creek near the confluence with the Kenai River near Cooper Landing, Alaska.				

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Gold Digger production mining plan of operations EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	Completed	Actual: 04/26/2017	07/2017	Michael Johnson 907-288-7729 mwjohnson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposed mining plan of operations. Small scale mechanical placer mining on Quartz Creek near Moose Pass, Alaska.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50758				
Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Quartz Creek near Moose Pass, Alaska.					
HMC Palmer Creek Mining Plan of Operations EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Michael Johnson 907-288-7729 mwjohnson@fs.fed.us
	Description: seasonal suction dredging and high-banking, sampling, road repair, and use of a seasonal camp consisting of tents or campers. Access will be by ATV or snowmobile, road vehicles, or small excavation equipment on roads currently closed to the public				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=41917				
Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Township 9 North, Range 1 West, Section 30 and, Township 8 North, Range 1 West, Section 7, Seward Meridian. Several existing mining claims located in the Palmer Creek road area near Hope, AK.					
Kenaitze Tribe Storage Shed Construction CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 06/15/2017	06/2017	Monika Adam 907-288-7720 mcadam@fs.fed.us
	Description: Construction of a 16 X 24 storage shed, from pre-built construction kit. Storage shed will be placed on an existing gravel pad adjacent to the RV parking lot at the K'Beq interpretive site, on the Seward Ranger District.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51862				
Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - NW 1/4 of Section 35, T5N, R4W, Seward Meridian. K'Beq Interpretive site, located at mile marker 52.5 of the Sterling Hwy, on the north side of the highway.					

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Resurrection Pass Trail-- Commercial Recreation Special Uses EA	- Recreation management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Bobbie Jo Skibo 907-288-7739 bobbiejoskibo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Determine the appropriate level and variety of commercial recreation uses compatible with non-guided uses along the Resurrection Pass Trail system. Resolve the 1991 "freeze" on issuance of new special use permits for the trail system.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=45769				
Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Commercial recreation use along the Resurrection Pass Trail between the communities of Hope and Cooper Landing.					
Russian River Trail Improvement CE	- Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/27/2017	Expected:05/2017	05/2017	David Pearson 907-288-7716 davidpearson@fs.fed.us
	Description: The proposed action is to improve approximately 300 feet of trail extending the Russian River boardwalk. The user made native tread trail will be improved with a constructed raised hardened trail utilizing rubber matting.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51789				
Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Along the Russian River Angler Trail, Just upstream of where the power lines cross the trail.					
Snug Harbor Road and Palmer Creek Road culvert replacements CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management - Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/13/2016	Expected:03/2017	06/2017	Angela Coleman 907-288-7728 ajcoleman@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project includes replacing three undersized, fish barrier culverts with new structures which will allow fish passage (Aquatic Organism Passage structures).				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50743				
Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. approximately MP 5.3 on the Snug Harbor Road along Kenai Lake near Cooper Landing (Section 13, T04N, R03W) (Figure 1), and MP 7.2, at the Couer D%u2019Alene campground, on the Palmer Creek Road near Hope, Alaska (Section 19, T09N, R1W) (Figure 2).					

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TelAlaska Fiberoptic Cable Installation CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 06/15/2017	07/2017	Monika Adam 907-288-7720 mcadam@fs.fed.us
	Description: Installation of aerial fiber-optic telecommunications cable between Moose Pass and Seward. Aerial cable would be installed onto and along the existing City of Seward pole line/ corridor within USFS parcels.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51448				
	Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - T3N, R1W. Sections 25, 36 Seward Meridian. T3N, R1E. Section 31 Seward Meridian. T1N, R1W. Section 1 Seward Meridian. Utility corridor right of way between Moose Pass, AK and Seward AK. (See legal description).				

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