



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

04/01/2019 to 06/30/2019

Tongass National Forest

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R10 - Alaska Region, Regionwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Region)

Alaska Roadless Rulemaking EIS	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 08/02/2018 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 07/2019	Expected:06/2020	07/2020	Robin Dale 907-586-9344 rdale@fs.fed.us
	Description: Alaska specific roadless rule that will establish a land classification system designed to conserve roadless area characteristics on the Tongass National Forest.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54511				
	Location: UNIT - R10 - Alaska Region All Units. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Juneau, Ketchikan Gateway, Prince of Wales-Outer, Sitka, Wrangell-Petersburg, Yakutat. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Tongass National Forest.				

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

R10 - Alaska Region

Tongass National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan Amendment - Moderate Vulnerability Karst CE *UPDATED*	- Land management planning - Minerals and Geology	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 03/2019	Expected:08/2019	09/2019	Susan Jennings 907-789-6238 sjennings@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Tongass National Forest proposes to amend the 2016 Tongass Land and Resource Management Plan (Forest Plan). The amendment will focus on Standard S-YG-KC-02 related to commercial timber harvest on lands identified as moderate vulnerability karst.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55198				
	Location: UNIT - Tongass National Forest All Units. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan Gateway, Prince of Wales-Outer, Sitka, Skagway-Hoonah-Angoon, Wrangell-Petersburg, Yakutat. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Tongass National Forest, Forest-wide.				

Tongass National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)

R10 - Alaska Region

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Tongass National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)					R10 - Alaska Region
Central Tongass Project EIS *UPDATED*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recreation management - Heritage resource management - Special area management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Watershed management - Minerals and Geology - Special use management - Road management 	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 08/09/2018 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 06/2019	Expected:08/2020	09/2020	Carey Case 907-772-3871 ccase@fs.fed.us
	Description: The CT Project will consider potential young- and old-growth timber harvest, opportunities for sustainable recreation, watershed restoration, fish/wildlife habitat improvements and other forest management activities of local community interest				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53098				
Location: UNIT - Wrangell Ranger District, Petersburg Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Wrangell-Petersburg. LEGAL - Not Applicable. All National Forest System lands and lands of other ownership within the Petersburg and Wrangell Ranger Districts.					
Prince of Wales Landscape Level Analysis Project EIS *UPDATED*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recreation management - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Watershed management 	Completed	Actual: 03/16/2019	06/2019	Delilah Brigham 907-828-3232 dbrigham@fs.fed.us
	Description: The POWLLA Project will be an integrated analysis combining timber sale, watershed and stream restoration/improvement, recreation, wildlife habitat, and transportation components into one document, with 10 to 15 years' worth of projects.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50337				
Location: UNIT - Craig Ranger District, Thorne Bay Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Prince of Wales-Outer. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Prince of Wales Island and surrounding outer islands.					

Tongass National Forest Admiralty National Monument (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R10 - Alaska Region
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Tongass National Forest Admiralty National Monument (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
2019 Greens Creek Surface Geotechnical Site Investigations - Mine Site CE *NEW LISTING*	- Minerals and Geology	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 03/2019	Expected:06/2019	07/2019	Matthew Reece 907-789-6274 matthewareece@fs.fed.us
	Description: Hecla Greens Creek Mining Company (HGCMC) requests approval for a 2019 Site Investigation program for continued evaluation of geotechnical and hydrological conditions and to install long-term monitoring instrumentation.				
	Location: UNIT - Admiralty National Monument. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Juneau. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Greens Creek Mine, Admiralty Island.				
2019 Greens Creek Tailings Area Geotechnical Investigations CE *NEW LISTING*	- Minerals and Geology	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 03/2019	Expected:06/2019	07/2019	Matthew Reece 907-789-6274 matthewareece@fs.fed.us
	Description: Drilling and geophysical investigation program for continued evaluation of geotechnical and hydrologic conditions and installation of long-term monitoring instrumentation to support advancement of modifications to the Plan of Operations.				
	Location: UNIT - Admiralty National Monument. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Juneau. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Around and adjacent to the existing Tailings Disposal Facility at Greens Creek Mine, Admiralty Island.				
Angoon-Mitchell Bay Ecotourism Environmental Assessment (formerly Outfitter and Guide EA) EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Kevin Hood 907-789-6220 kehood@fs.fed.us
	Description: We aim to strike a balance between subsistence use resources, wilderness resources, tourism, and the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA), Section 506 (a)(3)(E). We propose allocating 2388 service days to outfitters and guides.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=46208				
Location: UNIT - Admiralty National Monument. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Juneau. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project includes all National Forest System lands within the village of Angoon and Mitchell, Kanalku and Favorite Bays.					

Tongass National Forest Hoonah Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R10 - Alaska Region
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Tongass National Forest Hoonah Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
Seal Creek Rock Pit EA	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/10/2015 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 06/2019	Expected:08/2019	10/2019	Terry Fiske 907-945-1217 tfiske@fs.fed.us
	Description: Expand existing rock pit up to ten acres and 250,000 tons of aggregate material.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=46178				
Location: UNIT - Hoonah Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Skagway-Hoonah-Angoon. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Seal Creek bulkhead off Freshwater bay.					
Whitestone Harbor Rock Pits EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/02/2016 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 07/2019	Expected:10/2019	11/2019	Terry Fiske 907-945-1217 tfiske@fs.fed.us
	Description: Expand two existing rock pits.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49106				
Location: UNIT - Hoonah Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Skagway-Hoonah-Angoon. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Whitestone harbor.					

Tongass National Forest Juneau Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
2019 Herbert Gold Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Minerals and Geology	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 03/2019	Expected:04/2019	05/2019	Richard Dudek 907-789-6275 richarddudek@fs.fed.us
	Description: The proposed work will consist of up to 15,000 feet of diamond core drilling, geologic mapping, and geochemical sampling.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55624				
Location: UNIT - Juneau Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Juneau. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project area is located on patented lode claims which consist of about 20.67 acres.					

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Tongass National Forest Juneau Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
Kensington Gold Mine Plan of Operations Amendment 1 EIS *NEW LISTING*	- Minerals and Geology	Developing Proposal Est. NOI in Federal Register 04/2019	Expected:05/2021	05/2021	Matthew Reece 907-789-6274 matthewareece@fs.fed.us
	Description: Coeur Alaska has proposed an expansion of their tailings and waste rock storage facilities at the Kensington Gold Mine located near Berners Bay on the Juneau Ranger District of the Tongass National Forest.				
	Location: UNIT - Juneau Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Juneau. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Kensington Gold Mine, located north of Berners Bay on the Juneau Ranger District.				
Mendenhall Glacier Visitor Facility Improvements EA	- Recreation management - Special area management - Facility management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Brad Orr 970-887-4135 borr@fs.fed.us
	Description: Constructing facility improvements within the Mendenhall Glacier Recreation Area to accommodate anticipated visitor growth.				
	Location: UNIT - Juneau Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Juneau. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Mendenhall Glacier Recreation Area is located 12 miles from downtown Juneau, in Mendenhall Valley.				

Tongass National Forest Ketchikan - Misty Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
Margaret Creek Watershed Restoration and Enhancement Project EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/17/2017 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 04/2019	Expected:08/2019	08/2019	Kristin Whisennand 907-228-4114 kwhisennand@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service is proposing a multiyear project to improve stream health, enhance recreation opportunities, treat invasive plants, and improve wildlife habitat within the Margaret Bay Watershed.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51782				
Location: UNIT - Ketchikan - Misty Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Ketchikan Gateway. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Margaret Watershed, Revillagiedo Island. Ketchikan Gateway Borough, Ketchikan Alaska.					

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Tongass National Forest Ketchikan - Misty Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
South Revilla Integrated Resource Project EIS *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Watershed management	Developing Proposal Est. NOI in Federal Register 04/2019	Expected:10/2020	03/2021	Kristin Whisennand 907-228-4114 kwhisennand@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service is proposing a multi-year project involving a variety of timber harvest, road construction, watershed restoration and recreation activities.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53477				
Location: UNIT - Ketchikan - Misty Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Ketchikan Gateway. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Carroll Inlet, Alaska.					

Tongass National Forest Sitka Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
Corner Bay Administrative Facility Decommission and Stream Restoration EA *NEW LISTING*	- Watershed management - Facility management - Road management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 03/13/2019	Expected:07/2019	07/2019	Michelle Putz 907-747-4278 mputz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Remove old, oversized administrative facilities and associated utilities, and restore the administrative site and the stream at the Corner Bay Administrative Facility. The end of Road 75511, which was used to access the site, would be closed				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55535				
Location: UNIT - Sitka Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Sitka. LEGAL - T48S R63E S12. Corner Bay Administrative Facility on the south side of Tenakee Inlet on Chichagof Island.					
Deer Lake Coho Rearing Facility Permit Re-Issuance (NSRAA) CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Annemarie LaPalme 907-747-4209 alapalme@fs.fed.us
	Description: Re-issue special use permit for coho rearing facility- run by NSRAA				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=33581				
Location: UNIT - Sitka Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Sitka. LEGAL - T62S, R69E Section 5 and T61S, R69E section 5. Deer Lake, Baranof Island, Alaska.					

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Tongass National Forest Sitka Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
Hidden Falls Fish Hatchery Alaska Department of Fish and Game EA	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Annemarie LaPalme 907-747-4209 alapalme@fs.fed.us
	Description: Re-Issue of special use permit for a salmon hatchery run by Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=32910				
	Location: UNIT - Sitka Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Sitka. LEGAL - Township 54 South Range 66 East Section 2. Hidden Falls, Baranof Island 25 miles NW of Sitka.				
Northern Tongass Integrated Weed Management (formerly Integrated Pest Management Plan) EA *UPDATED*	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/21/2016 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 04/2019	Expected:08/2019	09/2019	Michelle Putz 907-747-2708 mputz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Establish an integrated weed management plan that includes manual and mechanical treatments, and herbicides to eradicate, contain, or control existing and new weed infestations. Project area includes the 5 northern management units on the TNF.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49999				
	Location: UNIT - Sitka Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Juneau, Sitka, Skagway-Hoonah-Angoon, Yakutat. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project area includes Admiralty National Monument and Sitka, Hoonah, Juneau and Yakutat Ranger Districts.				
Outfitter/Guide Allocation on Sitka Area National Forest System Trails and Roads EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/07/2017 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 04/2019	Expected:07/2019	08/2019	Michael Mullin 907-747-4274 mmullin@fs.fed.us
	Description: Determine an appropriate level of commercial use of Sitka area recreation and transportation facilities while considering several factors, including social, ecological, and facility capacities as well as continued economic viability of the community.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52033				
	Location: UNIT - Sitka Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Sitka. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project area includes National Forest System trails, roads and campgrounds in the Sitka area.				

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Tongass National Forest Sitka Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
Sitka Ranger District Lakes Outfitter/Guide Access Project EA	- Recreation management - Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/01/2017 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 04/2019	Expected:08/2019	01/2020	Mary Emerick 907-747-4219 memerick@fs.fed.us
	Description: Determine if outfitting and guiding services could be authorized on National Forest System lands on the Sitka Ranger District accessed by interior lakes on Baranof and Chichagof Islands using fixed-wing aircraft.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52790				
Location: UNIT - Sitka Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Sitka. LEGAL - Not Applicable. National Forest lands accessed by interior lakes (more than a half mile from the shoreline) on Baranof and Chichagof Islands within the Sitka Ranger District.					
Sitkoh Lake Trail Reconstruction CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/01/2017	Expected:03/2019	05/2020	Michael Mullin 907-747-4274 mmullin@fs.fed.us
	Description: The proposed project would fully reconstruct the entire length of trail from saltwater to the East Sitkoh Lake recreation cabin along the existing trail prism.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52292				
Location: UNIT - Sitka Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Sitka. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The 4.5 mile hiking trail is located on southeast Chichagof Island. The east end of the trail starts at Sitkoh Bay and the west end terminates at the East Sitkoh Lake recreation cabin.					
Stream Restoration using Hand Tools on Sitka Ranger District EA *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/22/2019 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 04/2019	Expected:06/2019	07/2019	Christopher Leeseberg 907-747-4343 cleeseberg@fs.fed.us
	Description: The objective is to help restore anadromous (Class I) and resident (Class II) fish streams that have been impaired by past forest management practices. Hand tools will be used to place log structures in stream channels and floodplains.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55290				
Location: UNIT - Sitka Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Sitka. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The proposed action targets over 40 watersheds and their riparian areas throughout Sitka Ranger District that were harvested prior to the Tongass Timber Reform Act.					

Tongass National Forest Thorne Bay Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R10 - Alaska Region
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Tongass National Forest Thorne Bay Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
2019 Alaska Coastal Aggregates Kake runway rehabilitation CE *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/05/2019	Expected:04/2019	05/2019	Richard Dudek 907-789-6275 richarddudek@fs.fed.us
	Description: The proponent will conduct drilling, blasting, and crushing up to 5,000 cubic yards of rock from an existing rock quarry in Thorne Bay.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55162				
Location: UNIT - Thorne Bay Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Prince of Wales-Outer. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project area will be located in an existing quarry in Thorne Bay. The material removed from the quarry will be utilized for the Kake, Alaska runway rehabilitation.					
Sal Creek Cabin and Trail EA EA	- Recreation management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Katie Rooks 907-826-1639 krooks@fs.fed.us
	Description: Construct a cabin with young growth and access trail in the Sal Creek area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=36637				
Location: UNIT - Thorne Bay Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Prince of Wales-Outer. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Sal Creek. approximately 5 mile north of Thorne Bay on the Beach Road.					

Tongass National Forest Wrangell Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
Continuation of Burnett Inlet Hatchery Special Use Permits CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 03/2019	Expected:04/2019	05/2019	David Rak 907-874-7566 drak@fs.fed.us
	Description: Continued authorization for facilities on the National Forest at the Burnett Inlet Hatchery for the next 20 years.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55473				
Location: UNIT - Wrangell Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Wrangell-Petersburg. LEGAL - Sections 29 & 30, Township 66 South, Range 84 East, Copper River Meridian. Burnett Inlet, Etolin Island.					

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Tongass National Forest Wrangell Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
Wrangell Island Aquatic Organism Passage Culvert Replacements CE *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management - Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/14/2019	Expected:04/2019	06/2019	Jeremy Powell 907-874-7516 jeremyjpowell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Remove failing culverts and replacing with AOP designed culvert pipe, road resurfacing, riprap to stabilize/control erosion, reestablish ditches, and excavation.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55378				
Location: UNIT - Wrangell Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Wrangell-Petersburg. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Wrangell and Zarembo Island road systems.					
Zarembo Minerals Exploration 2019-2020 CE *NEW LISTING*	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/04/2019	Expected:07/2019	08/2019	David Rak 907-874-7566 drak@fs.fed.us
	Description: Continued authorization for Zarembo Minerals LLC; exploratory surface drilling and sampling.				
	Location: UNIT - Wrangell Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Wrangell-Petersburg. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Exploration activities are located on federal mining lode claims located by Zarembo Minerals Company, LLC in the northwest part of Zarembo Island south of St Johns Harbor.				

Tongass National Forest Yakutat Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
Yakutat Ranger District 5 Year Precommercial Thinning Project CE *UPDATED*	- Forest products	Completed	Actual: 03/19/2019	07/2019	Terry Fiske 907-945-1217 tfiske@fs.fed.us
	Description: Precommercial tree thinning of approximately 2284 acres over a 5 year period. Enhance timber and wildlife habitat values by improving diameter growth and vigor of residual trees and promoting greater understory development.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50102				
Location: UNIT - Yakutat Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Yakutat. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Yakutat Ranger District.					

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