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Welcome to the Fall 2004 edition of the quarterly Schedule of Proposed Actions (SOPA) for the Kootenai National Forest. Four times a year, this SOPA is updated, published and made available on our website ([www.fs.fed.us/r1/kootenai](http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/kootenai)).

We invite your active participation in project planning. Contributing your comments, suggestions, and site-specific information about these projects early in the planning process can help our Forest make better decisions.

Here is how the SOPA can be best used:

1. Look through the list of projects and decide what projects you would like to know more about.
2. Call the contact person and let them know you would like to be on the mailing list for the given project. The phone number for that person is on the SOPA.
3. Once you are placed on a project mailing list, you will then be notified about opportunities for public participation and you will receive information concerning that project as it is developed.

We will continue to provide this SOPA to you unless you ask us to remove your name from our mailing list. If you would like to save paper and postage, we will be happy to send you an e-mail when the new SOPA is available on our website.

In the Winter of 2004 our forest will join all forests across the country in contributing to a national database identifying projects and disclosing project status. The Kootenai will continue to publish a quarterly Schedule of Proposed Actions (SOPA) on our Forest, which will be posted on our website and will be mailed to those who prefer paper copies.

If you have comments or suggestions on making this SOPA more useful, would like to receive the SOPA electronically, or have any questions, contact John Carlson, Acting Forest Environmental Coordinator, at 406-293-6211 or [jwcarlson01@fs.fed.us](mailto:jwcarlson01@fs.fed.us).

Sincerely,

**BOB CASTANEDA  
Forest Supervisor**

Enclosure

## **INFORMATION ABOUT THE QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED ACTIONS (SOPA)**

The enclosed SOPA provides information about projects for which we have a specific proposal and are in the process of analyzing, as directed by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

Projects on the SOPA are arranged in a table format and are sorted by Ranger District, by type of project, and by date expected for each decision for each project. There are several points in the planning process during which you can be the most helpful and influential, but exact steps and timing may vary depending on the type and complexity of the project. For example, the whole planning process may only take a few days for small, non-complex projects, or several years for large complex projects such as a major mining proposal. The enclosure labeled "Project Planning Process and Where You Fit In" describes these steps and identifies what you can do to be involved.

### **DEFINITIONS USED FOR THE SOPA**

If you've received previous editions of this list you'll notice that some projects don't appear anymore. That's because we've finished the analysis, made the decision, and the appeal period (if applicable) has ended. In other cases, we've removed the projects from the list because we're unable to pursue them for various reasons (lack of funding, conflicts with other forest priorities, etc.). Please contact the person listed as the "contact" for a project anytime you have a question or would like to be included on the mailing list for the given project.

This list is not inclusive. Some projects may come up after publication that requires our immediate attention, and we may complete the decision document before the next edition.

At the top of each table we have listed the Ranger District, their address, and the "Newspaper of Record" (used by the District for legal notices of decision, and scoping of projects).

The following items describe the column headings and contents in the tables that follow.

**MAP KEY:** Identifies a number that goes with the attached small forest map to show the general location of the project.

**TYPE OF PROJECT:** Identifies the Resource Program area that's affected. Acronyms used include:

Mgmt – management

Exchg – Exchange

**NAME OF PROJECT:** Identifies the name of the environmental document. Acronyms used are:

EIS - Environmental Impact Statement

EA – Environmental Assessment

BPA – Bonneville Power Administration

OSR – Overstory Removal

ORV – Off Road Vehicle

Salv – Salvage

MMBF – Million board feet

LE – Land Exchange

MBF – Thousand board feet

CCF - Hundred cubic feet

RUP - Road Use Permit

ROW – Right of Way

ORD- Open Road Density

**LOCATION & PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Identifies both legal land description and the drainage or other identifying on-the-ground feature. If a project is located within an inventoried roadless area it is also noted here. Also included is a general description of the project, such as estimated timber volume, acres proposed for treatment, acres involved with a land exchange, etc.

Acronyms used are: T – Township

R – Range

S – Section

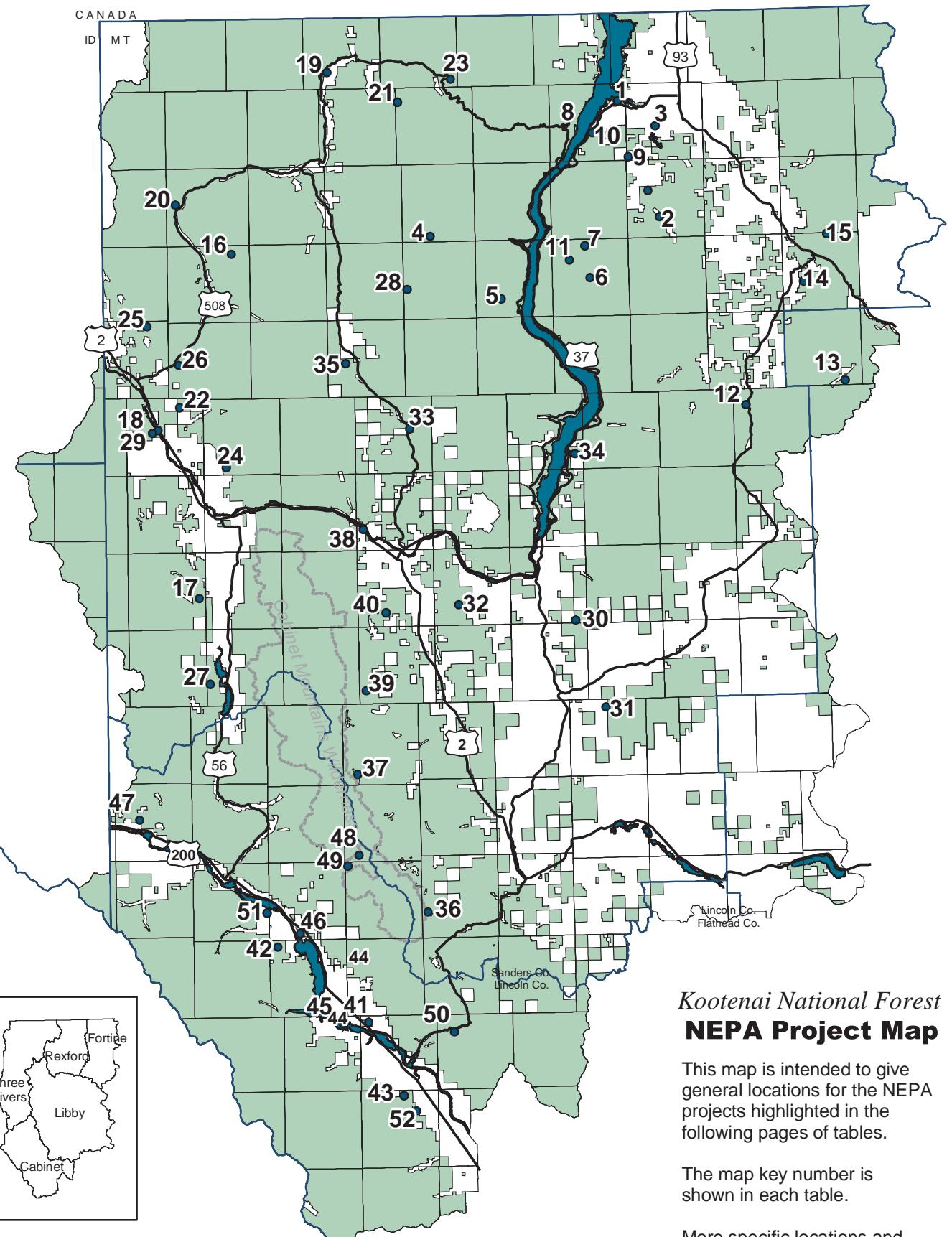
**NEPA STATUS:** Identifies where we are in the NEPA process. Acronyms used are:

NOI- Notice of Intent published in the Federal Register

**ANTICIPATED DECISION DATE:** This is the best estimate of when the NEPA analysis will be completed. Sometimes we're not able to meet the date for various reasons but the schedule will be validated and updated each time we send it out.

**YEAR ACTIVITY TO START ON THE GROUND:** This is the best estimate of when ground disturbing activities would occur and/or contracts or permits would be offered.

**CONTACT PERSON:** This is the person at the Ranger District or Forest to contact for further information regarding the project.



## Kootenai National Forest NEPA Project Map

This map is intended to give general locations for the NEPA projects highlighted in the following pages of tables.

The map key number is shown in each table.

More specific locations and information may be obtained from the contact person.

OCTOBER 2004

**REXFORD RANGER DISTRICT**, 1299 Hwy 93 N, Eureka, MT 59917 - Phone: 406-296-2536, Fax: 406-296-7188  
 DISTRICT NEPA COORDINATOR: RON KOMAC

**NEWSPAPER OF RECORD: DAILY INTER LAKE, Kalispell, MT**

MAP KEY	TYPE OF PROJECT	NAME OF PROJECT	LOCATION & PROJECT DESCRIPTION	NEPA STATUS	ANTICIPATED DECISION DATE	YEAR ACTIVITY TO START ON GROUND	CONTACT PERSON
1	Timber Sale/ Fuels	Water Tank Timber Sale	T36N, R28W, Section 12. Project would reduce ground and ladder fuel accumulations on about 20 acres adjacent to private lands through selective timber harvest. Proposed as Categorical Exclusion #12.	Decision Signed 9/9/04	Completed	2004	Ron Komac 296-2536
2	Timber Sale/ Fuels	Cooks Spur Timber Sale	T35N, R27W, Section 33. Project would treat approximately 63 acres. Project would reduce ground and ladder fuel accumulations adjacent to private lands through selective timber harvest. Proposed as Categorical Exclusion #12.	Decision Signed 9/20/04	Completed	2004	Ron Komac 296-2536
3	Fuels, Timber Sales	Lowest Pinkham Hazardous Fuels Reduction	T36N, R 27W. Pinkham Creek drainage. Approximately 875 acres of commercial thinning and prescribed burning; 109 acres of precommercial thinning and underburning; approximately 1,029 of underburning only. Proposed as Categorical Exclusion #10.	Decision Signed 9/27/04	Completed	2004	Megan Strom 296-2536
4	Timber Sales, Fuels, Silviculture, Watershed Restoration	Lower Big Creek	T33-36N, R29-31W. Big Creek drainage including North Fork and South Fork of Big Creek. Approximately 3,625 acres of timber harvest and prescribed burning; 1,100 acres of underburning without harvest; road decommissioning, storage, and reconstruction; project-specific Forest Plan amendments for hiding cover and movement corridors; harvest openings greater than 40 acres.	Decision Signed 6/30/04	Completed	2005	Chris Fox 296-7155
5	Timber Sale/ Fuels	Saddle Salvage	T34N, R29W, Sections 32 and 33. Project would reduce ground and ladder fuel accumulations on about 70 acres prior to the use of prescribed fire. Proposed as Categorical Exclusion #12.	Scoping/ Analyzing Effects	October 2004	2004	Jim Puckey 296-2536
6	Timber Sale	Flat Creek Post and Poles	T34N, R28W, Sections 5, 8, 17, 21 and 28. Project would remove small diameter (<6" dbh) dead and down lodgepole pine along existing roads 7993 and 7993D. Project proposes to treat approximately 100 acres. Proposed as Categorical Exclusion #13.	Scoping/ Analyzing Effects	December 2004	2005	Chris Fox 296-7155
7	Timber Sales, Fuels, Silviculture, Watershed Restoration	McSutton	T32-35N, R 27-29W. Sutton Creek, McGuire Creek, and Tennille Creek drainages. Approximately 6,600 acres of timber harvest and prescribed burning; 1,100 acres of underburning without harvest; road decommissioning, storage, and reconstruction; project-specific Forest Plan amendments for hiding cover, open road densities and movement corridors; and harvest openings greater than 40 acres.	Analyzing Effects	February 2005	2005	Chris Fox 296-7155
8	Special Use	Town of Rexford Waterline and Sewage Lagoon Permit	T36N, R28W, Section 22. Rexford townsite area. Renewal of existing permit for a water transmission line and sewage lagoon on approximately 8 acres. Includes the upgrade of a 400 foot water pipe.	Decision Pending	November 2004	2004	Eric Heyn 296-2536
9	Special Use	Johnson Special Use Road Permit	T35N, R27W. Request submitted for access on Forest Service Road # 7912. Road is approximately 3.5 miles.	Decision Pending	November 2004	2004	Eric Heyn 296-2536
10	Recreation	Pinkham Falls Hiking Trail	T36N, R27W, Section 31. Pinkham Creek area. Establishing non-motorized trail over former logging skid trails and placement of a new trail segment for approximately 900 feet.	Decision Signed 9/10/04	Completed	2004	Eric Heyn 296-2536
11	Recreation	Lower Inch McGuire Hiking Trail	T34N, R28W, Sections 6, 8, 16, 21. Inch Mtn-Flat Creek area. Reestablish trail tread width, place erosion control barriers and align trail for approximately 6 miles on this non-motorized trail.	Analyzing Effects	April 2005	2004	Eric Heyn 296-2536

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12	Timber Sale, Fuels, Watershed Restoration	Fortine	T33N, R26W; Sections 21-22, 27-29, 31-35; T32; T32N, R28W; Sections 3-11, 14-16; T32N, R27W; Sections 1-2, 11-14, 23-26; T31N, R26W; Sections 3-5, 8-10, 15, and 16. Fortine Watershed. Project includes timber harvest, prescribed burning, watershed restoration, and road decommissioning.	Draft EIS Completed 3/04 Decision Pending	October 2004	2005	Joleen Dunham 882-8325
13	Timber Sale	Sunny Slopes	T32N, R25; T32N, 26W; T33N, R24; and T33N, 25W. Project would salvage beetle infested and dead Douglas-fir on approximately 250 acres. Proposed as Categorical Exclusion #14.	Decision Pending	October 2004	2004	Joleen Dunham 882-8325
14	Fuels, Timber Sale, Watershed Restoration	Trego Healthy Forest Restoration	T32N, R26W; T33N, R25W; T33N, R26W; T34N, R25W; and T34N, 26W. Project may include ecosystem burning, thinning, intermediate timber harvest, regeneration harvest, BMP improvements to roads, and/or stream restoration.	Developing Proposal	March 2005	2005	Joleen Dunham 882-8325
15	Fuels Reduction	Gibraltar Fuels	T36N, R25W; and T35N, R25W. Project would mechanically reduce fuels (thinning, piling, and burning) on approximately 1,000 acres. In addition, approximately 2,300 acres would be prescribed burned. Proposed as Categorical Exclusion #10.	Developing Proposal	September 2005	2006	Ed Ferruzzi 882-8328
*	Special Uses	Special Use Permit Renewals	Various areas across the district. Multiple permit renewals.	Analyzing Effects	October 2004	2004	Mary Butts 882-8341

**THREE RIVERS RANGER DISTRICT**, 1437 Hwy 2 N, Troy, MT 59935 - Phone: 406-295-4693, Fax: 406-295-7410  
 DISTRICT NEPA COORDINATOR: KATHY MOHAR

MAP KEY	TYPE OF PROJECT	NAME OF PROJECT	LOCATION	NEPA STATUS	ANTICIPATED DECISION DATE	YEAR ACTIVITY TO START ON GROUND	CONTACT PERSON
16	Timber Sale	Dutch Oven	Portions of Sections 2, 3, and 35, T34N, R33W, in the Burnt Cr. drainage. Proposed as Categorical Exclusion # 13. Approximately 90 acres of timber harvest.	Decision Signed 7/27/04	Completed	2004	Ed Koberstein 295-7456
17	Timber Sale	Keeler Bottoms	Portion of Section 24, T30N, R34W in the Keeler Cr. drainage. Proposed as Categorical Exclusion #12 and #14. Approximately 100 acres of timber harvest.	Decision Signed 9/3/04	Completed	2004	Ed Koberstein 295-7456
18	Timber Sale	Highway 2 Lodgepole Thinning	Portion of Section 16, T32N, R34W. Proposed as Categorical Exclusion #12 and #14. Approximately 30 acres of timber harvest.	Analyzing Effects	November 2004	2004	Ed Koberstein 295-7456
19	Timber Sales, Fuels, Silviculture, Watershed Rehabilitation	Northeast Yaak	Portions of R29W-R32W, T37N-T36N, northeast of the town of Yaak, Montana. Activities include timber harvest, fuel reduction, prescribed burning, wildlife habitat improvement, pre-commercial thinning, and access management changes, and watershed rehabilitation, including decommissioning.	Seeking Public Comment	June 2005	2005	Eric Dickinson 295-7455

**THREE RIVERS RANGER DISTRICT** Continued

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20	Timber Sales, Fuels, Silviculture, Watershed Rehabilitation	Grizzly/Buckhorn	The Grizzly and Buckhorn planning subunits, portions of T34N-T37N, R32W-R34W. Activities may include timber harvest, fuels reduction, prescribed burning, pre-commercial thinning, wildlife habitat improvement, access management changes, and watershed rehabilitation.	Developing Proposal	June 2006	2006	Jennifer Nelson 295-7423
21	Fuels Reduction	Obermeyer Hazardous Fuels Reduction	Portions of Sections 2-5, 9-11, and 13, T35N, R32W, near the town of Yaak, Montana. Expected to be proposed as Categorical Exclusion #10. Maximum of 1000 acres treated mechanically.	Developing Proposal	June 2005	2005	Jeff Stevenson 295-7477
22	Recreation Maintenance, Fire, Timber Sale	Yaak Mtn. Lookout	Portion of Section 2, T32N, R34W. Yaak Mtn. Lookout maintenance includes 12 acres of timber harvest and fuels reduction.	Analyzing Effects	June 2005	2005	Mark Mason 295-7480
23	Watershed Restoration	Dodge Summit Road to Trail	Portion of Section 36, T37N, R30W on old Dodge Summit Road. Watershed improvement work. Yaak Headwaters Group Partnership.	Decision Signed 8/13/04	Completed	2004	Mark Natale 295-7431
24	Watershed Restoration, Fisheries	O'Brien Creek Stream Restoration	Portion of Section 32, T32N, R33W. Stream stabilization to improve stream conditions and aquatic habitat.	Analyzing Effects	February 2005	2005	Aimee Rief 295-7422
25	Minerals	Black Diamond Mine Plan of Operations	Section 2, T33N, R34W, Pine Cr. drainage. Request for access to Black Diamond Mine to sample ore material.	Deferred			Dick Harlow 295-7432
26	Minerals	Snipetown Plan of Operations	Section 19, T33N, R33W, lower Yaak River canyon. Proposal for panning and dredging instream gravels and gravel bars along the Yaak River.	Seeking Public Comment	February 2005	2005	Dick Harlow 295-7432
27	Road Use	Stanley Creek Road Access	Request for a RUP to haul 200 MBF of timber on FS Rd. 4626 within portions of Sections 35 and 36, T29N, R34W and portions of Section 6, T29N, R34W.	Deferred			Dick Harlow 295-7432
28	Road Use	Vinal Lake Rd. Access	T35N, R31W, Section 19. Request for a RUP off the Vinal Lake Rd. #746 for subdivision use, includes widening road.	Seeking Public Comment	June 2005	2005	Dick Harlow 295-7432
29	Special Uses	Shooting Range	T32N, R34W, SW1/4 Section 16. County-generated proposal for a shooting range (approximately 5 acres), off the South Side Road.	Developing Proposal	February 2005	2005	Mark Natale 295-7431
*	Special Uses	Special Use Permit Renewals	Six waterline permits and four road use permits on the Three Rivers Ranger District to be renewed.	Decisions Pending	October 2004	2004	Dick Harlow 295-7432

**LIBBY RANGER DISTRICT**, 12557 Hwy 37 N, Libby, MT 59923 - Phone: 406-293-7773, Fax: 406-283-7531  
 DISTRICT NEPA COORDINATOR: LESLIE FERGUSON

**NEWSPAPER OF RECORD: DAILY INTER LAKE, Kalispell, MT**

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30	Timber Sale, Fuels Treatments	Alder Creek	T29N, R29W, Sections 1 and 2; T30N, R29W, Section 36; T30N, R28W, Sections 30 and 31. Includes timber harvest, prescribed fire, access changes, road BMPs, new road construction and trail improvement.	Analyzing Effects	March 2005	2005	Denise Beck 283-7773
31	Timber Sale, Fuels, Watershed Rehabilitation	Cow Creek	T29N, R28W, Sections 32 and 34; T28N, R28W, Sections 1, 2, 3, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 23 and 24; T28N, R27W, Sections 3, 10 and 15. Includes timber harvest, prescribed fire, access changes, watershed rehabilitation, BMPs, new road construction and trail improvement.	Scoping Proposed Action	April 2005	2005	Leslie Ferguson 283-7568
32	Fuels	Farm To Market Fuels (Formerly North McSwede Interface)	T30N, R30W, Sections 19, 30, 31 and T29N, R30W Sections 6, 7, 18, Swede Mtn. & Williams Gulch area. Includes 1000 acres of fuel reduction in the urban interface and prescribed burning adjacent to the Libby airport (all sides) to reduce the encroachment of trees moving into the flight path.	Decision Signed 7/9/04	Completed	2004	Nikia Hernandez 283-7564
33	Special Uses	Burrier Road Access	T32N, R30W, Section 14. Road permit across federal lands on new road.	Decision Signed 6/16/04	Completed	2004	Leslie Ferguson 283-7568
34	Special Uses	Tungsten Holdings Warland Access	T32N, R28W, Section 30. Road Permit authorizing 120' of new road across federal lands for residential access.	Decision Signed 7/9/04	Completed	2004	Mark Petersen 283-7593
35	Special Uses	Turner Mtn. Ski Area Improvements	T33N, R31W, Section 20. Turner Mtn. Ski area. Improvements may include septic installation and access road realignment and improvement.	Decision Signed 8/4/04	Completed	2004	Leslie Ferguson 283-7568
*	Special Uses	Special Use Permit Renewals	Twelve Special Use Permits on the Libby District to be renewed.	Decision Signed 7/9/04	Completed	2004	Mark Petersen 283-7593
36	Special Uses	Bear Lakes Access Request	T26N, R30W, Section 30. Silver Butte area. Livestock use of existing trail and 500 feet of associated trail construction accessible to livestock. Trail accesses private lands.	Analyzing Effects	October 2004	2004	Denise Beck 283-7504
37	Lands	Silver Cable	T28N, R31W, Sections 29, 30, 31, 32. FS proposes to purchase 96 acres of private property located in Cable Creek drainage.	Decision Pending	December 2004	2004	Malcolm Edwards 293-7773
38	Lands	Small Tracts Act Projects	T31N, R32W Sections 24 AND T31N, R32W, Sections 13, 24. FS proposes to sell approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ acre and 4.5 acres to adjoining landowners.	Decision Pending	December 2004	2004	Mark Petersen 283-7593
39	Lands	Beebe Easement	T29N, R31W, Sections 30 and 31. Road Easement. Proponent would grant reciprocal rights to FS on same road.	Decision Pending	November 2004	2004	Mark Petersen 283-7593
40	Minerals	Prospect Hill	T30N, R31W, Sections 33, 32, 29. Mineral exploration. Includes opening a closed road, construction of less than 1 mile of road and the re-opening of two closed mine portals.	Seeking Public Comment	July 2005	2005	Bobbie Lacklen 283-7518

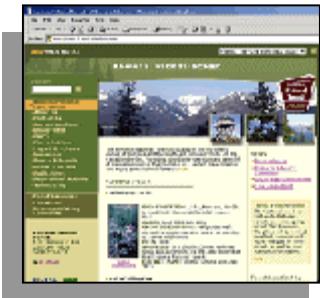
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41	Fuels, Timber Sale	Back 40 Fuel Reduction	T24N R31W; Section 6. Cabinet Ranger District Administrative Site, near Trout Creek, MT. Thinning of timber and reduction of woody fuels, using tractor logging; approx. 150 acres. Fuels would be piled and burned.	Decision Signed 8/9/04	Completed	2004	Kurt Werst 827-0712
42	Fuels, Timber Sale	Dead Beaver Roadside Salvage	T22N R31W; Sections 11-14. Roadside salvage of dead and dying trees along Road #301, approx. 12 miles SE of Trout Creek, MT. Requires Forest Plan amendment for short term reduction of snag or cavity habitat in MA-10, to ensure forest worker safety during implementation.	Decision Signed 9/28/04	Completed	2004	John Gubel 827-0732
43	Fuels, Timber Sale	Snowshoe	T23N R31W; Section 3. Four miles SE of Trout Creek, MT. Commercial thinning of dense stand of trees to improve stand health, on approx. 50 acres.	Decision Signed 8/10/04	Completed	2004	John Gubel 827-0732
44	Fuels, Timber Sale	Green Mountain Fuel Reduction	T25N R32W; Sections 1, 2, 11, 12. Green Mountain area. Fuels reduction adjacent to private property with some timber harvest; 645 acres of commercial thinning and 800 acres of natural fuel burning.	Decision Notice 6/3/04	Completed	2004	Kurt Werst 827-0712
45	Fuels, Timber Sale	Rail View Salvage	T24N R32W; Section 2. Three miles NW of Trout Creek, MT. Commercial thinning to improve stand health, on approx. 50 acres.	Developing Proposal	November 2004	2004	John Gubel 827-0732
46	Fuels, Timber Sale	McKay Flats West Fuel Reduction	T26N R32W; Sections 33, 32. Adjacent to State Hwy 200, near Noxon Rapids dam development site. Prescribed burning and thinning of stands to improve stand health and reduce fuels, on approx. 200 acres.	Developing Proposal	Spring 2005	2005	Kurt Werst 827-0712
47	Fuels, Timber Sale	Fat Blue Eddy	T27N R34W, Sections 7-10, 15-18, 21-23, 24, 25; Blue Creek and Big Eddy Creek drainages near Heron, MT. Fuel reduction in areas adjacent to private property, some timber harvest, pre-commercial thinning.	Developing Proposal	June 2005	2006	John Head 827-0738
*	Silviculture	District Precommercial Thinning Program	Proposed precommercial thinning of selected plantations with multi year implementation. Approx. 5180 acres total. Various locations across the District.	Developing Proposal	April 2005	2005	Gene Newell 827-0727
48	Recreation	Trail #035 Bridge Removal	T27N R31W; Section 32. Existing bridge would be removed and replaced with a low water ford	Dropped			Bruce Haflich 827-0730
49	Recreation	Rock Creek Bridge Replacement	T26N R31W; Section 6. Rock Creek Trail #935. Existing bridge would be removed and replaced.	Dropped			Bruce Haflich 827-0730
50	Special Uses	Carl E #3 Mining	T24N R30W; Section 8. Vermilion River drainage. Small mining claim. Small exploration pits at least 500 from live water, with subsequent reclamation.	Decision Signed 4/22/04	Completed	2004	Bruce Haflich 827-0730
*	Special Uses	AVISTA Power Lines Permit Renewal	Renewal for all AVISTA powerlines on Forest Service lands within Cabinet District and the Idaho Panhandle National Forest.	Seeking Public Comment	October 2004	2004	Bruce Haflich 827-0730

**CABINET RANGER DISTRICT** Continued

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*	Special Uses	Exemption Strip Conveyance	Approx. 15 exemption strips (narrow strips of public land across old homesteads, or Tract C's) on the District will be evaluated for agency needs and strategy for future management. Those deemed excess to agency needs may be conveyed to private ownership. Those determined to be important for public land access and other agency needs would be retained. Various locations across the District.	Developing Proposal	June 2005	2006	Bruce Haflich 827-0730
51	Land Conveyance	Noxon Admin Site Conveyance	T26N R33W, Section 24. Adjacent to Noxon, MT town site. National pilot authority to convey surplus government properties. Conveyance of the old Noxon Ranger District station property and associated improvements (i.e. structures) to private ownership. 110 acres.	Decision Signed 8/19/2004	Completed	2005	Bruce Haflich 827-0730
52	Land Exchange	Cox Land Exchange	T22N, R30W, Section 5 (NFS); T23N, R31W, Section 11; (Private). Exchange of NFS lands (40) for 61 acres of private land.	Decision Pending	November 2004	2005	Bruce Haflich 827-0730

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*	Forest Plan Amendment	Northern Rockies Lynx Amendment	18 National Forests in Regions 1, 2 and 4. Lynx management.	Decision Pending	2004	2004	Joan Dickerson 329-3314
*	Forest Plan Revision	Kootenai and Idaho Panhandle National Forests Forest Plan Revision	Forest-wide. Revision of Forest Plan management direction.	DEIS 7/05	2006	2006	Kirsten Kaiser 283-7659
*	Noxious Weed Treatment	Kootenai NF Noxious Weed Management EIS	Forestwide EIS: Management of Noxious Weeds.	Developing Alternatives	2005	2005	Louis Kuennen 283-7690

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