

## Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA) 07/01/2007 to 09/30/2007

## **Lolo National Forest**

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Project Name	Project Name Project Purpose		Decision	Implementation	Project Contact
Projects Occurring Nationwide					
Aerial Application of Fire Retardant	- Fuels management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 07/28/2006	Expected:08/2007	08/2007	Christopher Wehrli 202-205-1332 fire retardant@fs.fed.us

Description.	Ine Forest Service proposes to continue the aerial application of tire retardant to tight fires on National Forest
	System lands. An environmental analysis will be conducted to prepare an Environmental Assessment on the
	proposed action.
Web Link:	http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/retardant/index.html

**Expected** 

Location: UNIT - All Districts-level Units. STATE - All States. COUNTY - All Counties. Nation Wide.

Projects Occurring in more than	one Region	(excluding Nationw	vide)							
Northern Rockies Lynx Mangment Direction EIS		sh, Rare plants agement planning	Completed	Actual: 03/23/2007	07/2007	Ray Smith 406-329-3381 raysmith@fs.fed.us				
LIO	Description:	scription: Management guidelines for management of Canada lynx on certain lands under the authority of the Forest Service								
	Web Link:	http://www.fs.fed.us	/r1/planning/lynx.html							
	Location:	National Forest All U National Forest All U National Forest All U National Forest All U All Units, Nez Perce	andle National Forest All Units, Cle Units, Bitterroot National Forest All Units, Bighorn National Forest All U Units, Salmon-Challis National Fore Units, Gallatin National Forest All U National Forest All Units, Shoshor TATE - Wyoming, Utah, Montana, Itah.	Units, Kootenai Natio Inits, Ashley National est All Units, Custer N Inits, Helena National ne National Forest All	nal Forest All Units, Forest All Units, B ational Forest All U Forest All Units, L Units, Caribou-Ta	s, Lewis And Clark ridger-Teton Jnits, Flathead olo National Forest rghee National				

## R1 - Northern Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)

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R1 - Northern Region, Occurring	in more than	n one Forest (exclud	ding Regionwide)				
Avista Powerline Right-of-way Maintenance CE	- Special us	e management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/09/2004	Expected:08/2007	12/2007	Risa Devore (208) 265-6623 rdevore@fs.fed.us	
-	Description:		renewal for maintenance of existing one River Ranger District of the Ida				
	Location:	STATE - Montana,	nger District, Sandpoint Ranger Dis Idaho. COUNTY - Bonner, Boun on the IPNF and portions of the Ko	dary, Sanders. Portion			
<b>DNRC land exchange</b> EA	- Land owne	ership management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 10/25/2006	Expected:07/2008	08/2008	John Casselli 406-329-3787 jcasselli@fs.fed.us	
	Description: Lolo NF - Montana State DNRC land exchange State wants to trade isolated, scattered school trust lands surrounded by NFS lands; FS would consolidate ownership, acquire access, riparian, roadless & recreation lands & big game winter range.  Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/lolo/projects/						
	Location:	UNIT - Libby Rang Mineral, Missoula, F lands in 39 parcels,	er District, Lolo National Forest All Powell, Sanders. LEGAL - Too larg mostly in Mineral county to exhang counties. Western Montana all d	ge an area for legal to ge for 12,126 acres in	be meaningful; 13 37 parcels MT lan	,336 acres of FS ds, mostly in	
Forest Plan Revision, Lolo, Bitterroot and Flathead National Forests	- Land mana	agement planning	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Chuck Sperry 406-329-3848 csperry@fs.fed.us	
CE	Description: Forest Plan Revision						
	Web Link:	http://www.fs.fed.us	/r1/wmpz/				
	Location:		ational Forest All Units, Flathead N COUNTY - Flathead, Granite, La				

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R1 - Northern Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)										
Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness Invasive Plants EIS EIS	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)									
	Wilderness  Location: UNIT - Lochsa Rar Powell Ranger Distriction COUNTY - Idaho, I	invasive plants and noxious weeds nger District, Sula Ranger District, Norict, Stevensville Ranger District, Volumer Ravalli. Selway-Bitterroot Wilderned Roce, Lolo and Bitterroot National Force, Lolo and Bitterroot National Force,	Missoula Ranger Distr Vest Fork Ranger Dis ess, administering For	rict, Moose Creek F trict. STATE - Mo	Ranger District, ntana, Idaho.					

Lolo National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)  R1 - Northern Region								
Cherry Creek Blowdown Salvage CE	- Fuels man - Forest pro	· ·	Completed	Actual: 05/09/2007	07/2007	Patricia Partyka 406-826-4314 ppartyka@fs.fed.us		
	Description:		salvage approximately 20 acres of occured on December 15, 2006	f blown down and seve	erely leaning trees	s that were damaged		
	Location:	Location: UNIT - Lolo National Forest All Units. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Sanders. LEGAL - Section 31, T21N, R28W, and Section 36, T21N, R29 W, P.M.M. Sanders County, Montana. The project is located in the Cherry Creek drainage, approximately 5 air miles southeast of Thompson Falls, Montana.						
Lolo NF Forestwide Integrated Weed Management Analysis EIS		n management orest products)	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 08/04/2004 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 06/2007	Expected:12/2007	04/2008	Andy Kulla 406-329-3962 akulla@fs.fed.us		
	<b>Description:</b> Manage weeds on entire forest, using integrated weed management approach, including aerial application of herbicides. Analyze representative site types, develop priority screening criteria & standardize resource protection methods.							
	Web Link:							
	Location:		al Forest All Units. STATE - Montanders. southcentral Montana, entire		,	neral, Missoula,		

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Lolo National Forest, Forestwide	R1 - Northern Region				
Table Top Salvage CE	- Forest products	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/13/2007	Expected:05/2007	08/2007	Patricia Partyka 406-826-4314 ppartyka@fs.fed.us
	Location: UNIT - Lolo Nation	ng of lodgepole pine stands currentlessed all Forest All Units. STATE - Monta Drainage in the area of Table Top N	ana. COUNTY - Sa		

Lolo National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)  R1 - Northern Region								
Lolo Consolidated Grazing Allotment Closure Project	- Grazing management	Completed	Actual: 05/31/2007	09/2007	Bruce Higgins 406-777-7427 bdhiggins@fs.fed.us			
CE		cription: Closure of ten vacant grazing allotments on four districts						
		Ranger District, Plains/Thompson Fa TY - Mineral, Missoula, Sanders. T						

Lolo National Forest Missou	R1 - Northern Region				
Butte Lookout Project EIS EIS	<ul><li>Watershed management</li><li>Vegetation management</li><li>(other than forest products)</li><li>Forest products</li></ul>	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 01/18/2007 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 03/2008	Expected:06/2007	09/2008	Tami Paulsen 406-329-3731 tpaulsen@fs.fed.us
	wildlife habitat and	m function, integrity, and resilience; d security; provide timber for harvest Ranger District. STATE - Montana.	ing, and increase wildl	ife habitat in mixe	d severity fire types.

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Lolo National Forest Missou	la Ranger Dist	R1 - Northern Region							
East Fork Lolo Creek Grazing Permit Review CE	- Grazing m	anagement	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 03/23/2007	Expected:07/2007	07/2007	Andy Kulla 406-329-3962 akulla@fs.fed.us			
	Description:	Review of the South Appropriateion Act	h Fork/East Fork Lolo Creek Grazir (P.L. 108-447)	ng Allotment under au	thority of 2005 Cor	solidated			
	Location:	R21W/T11N, R22W	anger District. STATE - Montana. V/T11N, R23W, PMM. Generally so v 12 to East Fork Lolo Creek Road.						
Grant Creek fuels EA	- Fuels man - Forest pro		Completed	Actual: 04/03/2007	09/2007	Don Stadler 406-329-3731 dstadler@fs.fed.us			
	Description	Description: Fuels reduction project inside WUI, including both commercial (timber sale) and non-commercial fuel treatments							
	Location:	3,4,5,6,8,9,15,22, T	anger District. STATE - Montana. 14N, R19W, PMMT. Butler/Grant ( , all just north of Missoula, MT.						
Montana Snowbowl Ski Area Expansion EIS	- Special us	e management	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 01/13/2006 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 11/2007	Expected:03/2008	08/2008	Tami Paulsen 406-329-3731 tpaulsen@fs.fed.us			
	Description: Third-party contractor EIS to analyze the proposed ski area expansion for Montana Snowbowl.								
	Location:	33,T15N, R19W; ar	anger District. STATE - Montana. nd sections 4 and 5 T14N, R19W, I Montana Snowbowl ski area						
Sawmill Gulch Fuel reduction	- Fuels man	agement	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Don Stadler 406-329-3731 dstadler@fs.fed.us			
	<b>Description</b> :		e Sawmill Gulch area using non-co cial harvest in 3 units.	ommercial methods or	7 units, ecosyster	n burning on 2			
	Location:		anger District. STATE - Montana. BN, R19W, Section 2. Sawmill Gulc			R19W, Section			

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Lolo National Forest Missoula	Lolo National Forest Missoula Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)								
Welch-Gillespie Doug-fir beetle CE	- Forest products	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Don Stadler 406-329-3731 dstadler@fs.fed.us				
	Location: UNIT - Missoula Ra	sanitation log live DF trees to cont anger District. STATE - Montana. miles east of Missoula, MT, east of	COUNTY - Granite	. LEGAL - Sections	s 26 & 35, T11N,				

Lolo National Forest Ninemile	al Forest Ninemile Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R1 - Northern Region								
Big Nugget Placer Claims EA	S		In Progress: Scoping Start 05/20/2006 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 06/2007	Expected:06/2008	09/2008	Lynda Pike 406-329-1070 lpike@fs.fed.us			
	Description:	escription: Placer mining using heavy equipment. Re-open gold mining on claims last worked commercially in 1980. Ken and Marilyn Miller - Claimants.							
	Location:	Location: UNIT - Ninemile Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Mineral. LEGAL - Section 24, T15N, R26W. Meadow Creek Drainage, about 11 miles SE of Superior, MT.							
Edith Sixmile Grazing Allotment Re-Issuance	- Grazing ma	anagement	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/01/2006	Expected:07/2007	01/2009	Ryan Domsalla 406-626-5404 rdomsalla@fs.fed.us			
CE	Description:	Description: Re-Issuance of a 10 year term grazing permit to Joseph Boyer, Jr Stocking would remain at 25 cow/calf pairs with a grazing season of June 15 to September 30.							
	Location:		anger District. STATE - Montana. and T15N, R21 & 22W On the Nin						

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Lolo National Forest Ninemile	Ranger Distr	rict (excluding Proj	ects occurring in more than one	District)		R1 - Northern Region	
Ellis Mountain Communication Site #2	- Special use	e management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 03/09/2007	Expected:07/2007	08/2007	Ronald Schlader 406-822-3915 rschlader@fs.fed.us	
	<b>Description:</b> Special use request to upgrade the approved Ellis Mt. #2 comm site to replace existing wooden bldg with a larger, metal bldg, install 120' self-support. steel tower and new const. of approx. 3,815 ft of rd to eliminate access through private property						
	Location:		anger District. STATE - Montana. R23W;P.M.MT. Unit: Ninemile Rar				
Re-issue outfitter-guide permits CE	- Special are	ea management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/30/2005	Expected:09/2007	10/2007	Ryan Domsalla 406-626-5404 rdomsalla@fs.fed.us	
	Description:		-guide permits in proposed wilderne hite Mtn Outfitters (Earp)	ess, for Hole-in-Wall (	Cataldo), Ruggs O	utfitters	
	Location:	T12N, R26W; Rugo	anger District. STATE - Montana. gs: Section 8, T13N, R26W; White I ately 25 air miles west of Missoula,	Mtn: Section 17, T12N			
South Fork Fish Creek Fuels Reduction CE	- Fuels man	agement	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 09/2007	Expected:01/2009	04/2009	Brandon Sheehan 406-626-5421 bsheehan@fs.fed.us	
OL .	Description:	Vegetative treatme	nt for fuels reduction and forest hea	alth improvement			
	Location:		anger District. STATE - Montana. 17,21&22, T12N, R25W, Sec. 10,1				
White Mountain outfitters camp construction	- Recreation	management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Ryan Domsalla 406-626-5404 rdomsalla@fs.fed.us	
	<b>Description:</b> Replace current "end of road" camp at Cache Cr Trailhead at new location 0.5 mile away in visually screened site off main access road. Work involves 300 feet road construction on old skid trail, clearing 30x30 ft trailer pad, and temporary corral.						
	Location:		anger District. STATE - Montana. le bench off Montana Cr Road #42				

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Lolo National Forest Plains	/Thompson Falls Ranger District	(excluding Projects occurring in n	more than one Distri	ct)	R1 - Northern Region
Clear Creek Salvage CE	- Forest products	Completed	Actual: 05/16/2007	08/2007	Patricia Partyka 406-826-4314 ppartyka@fs.fed.us
	Location: UNIT - Plains/Tho	odgepole and thinning of Mountain Formula of M	E - Montana. COUN		EGAL - T22N,
Fishtrap EIS EIS	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Road management - Fuels management - Forest products	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 11/30/2006	Expected:09/2007 Actual: 11/22/2005	07/2008	Patricia Partyka (406)826-4314 ppartyka@fs.fed.us
	Management Burn	Precommercial Thinning, Road Recording, Road Decommissioning  Dompson Falls Ranger District. STAT  Brand Drainage.			
McGinnis-Cabin Hazardous Fuels Reduction CE	- Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/26/2006 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 10/2007	Expected:11/2007	07/2008	John Errecart 406-826-4316 jerrecart@fs.fed.us
		s fuels on approximately 2320 acres ninning followed by underburning is ped on 1320 acres.			
		ompson Falls Ranger District. STAT Sanders County, Montana. The pro			
Shorty Fuels Reduction CE	- Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/19/2005	Expected:02/2007	09/2007	Patricia Partyka 406-826-4314 ppartyka@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reduction of grou	nd, ladder and crown fuels adjacent	to WUI in the Prospec	ct Creek Drainage.	
		ompson Falls Ranger District. STAT o WUI in Prospect Creek Drainage S			EGAL - T21N,

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Lolo National Forest Seeley L	ake Ranger District (excluding I	Projects occurring in more than o	ne District)		R1 - Northern Region
Double Arrow fuels reduction CE	- Fuels management	Completed	Actual: 04/05/2007	06/2007	Phil Shelmerdine 406-677-3915 pshelmerdine@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Understory burn in non-commercial	old Ponderosa pine plantation & thi	in & slash FS land at I	request of adjacen	t landowner all
		ke Ranger District. STATE - Monta Section 5, T16N, R14W, PM-MT. 4 i			*
Hidden Lake Fuels Reduction	- Fuels management - Forest products	Completed	Actual: 06/18/2007	11/2007	Tami Paulsen 406-329-3731 tpaulsen@fs.fed.us
		luction activities in 3 units totaling al nning. The project would decommiss			
		ke Ranger District. STATE - Monta oula County, Montana. About 5 mile			
Seeley Lake Villa special use permit reissue	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/01/2005	Expected:09/2007	01/2008	Karen Linford 406-677-3920 klinford@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reissue 33 recreat	ion-residence special use permits v	vith 20-year terms		
		ke Ranger District. STATE - Monta T17N, R15W, Sec. 21, 28, 29, 33, 3		soula. LEGAL - T1	7N, R15W, Sec.

Lolo National Forest	Superior Ranger Dis	trict (excluding Pr	ojects occurring in mor	e than one District)		R1 - Northern Region
Big Flat Rabbit CE	, ,	n management forest products) oducts	Completed	Actual: 05/24/2007 05/24/2007	05/2007	Elisa Stamm 406-822-3971 ekstamm@fs.fed.us
	Description	Salvage dead an machinery use.	d thin live lodgepole pine	stands using existing roads and roads	ad prisms. Mix	of tractor and skyline
	Location:			- Montana. COUNTY - Mineral. I bit Creek drainages of the Cedar C		

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Lolo National Forest Superio	Ranger District (excluding Pro	jects occurring in more than one	District)		R1 - Northern Region
Borax Salvage CE	Vegetation management (other than forest products)     Forest products	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/19/2005 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 10/2007	Expected:09/2007	07/2008	Elisa Stamm 406-822-3971 ekstamm@fs.fed.us
	Description: Salvage dead and	thin live lodgepole pine stands.			
	II .	Ranger District. STATE - Montana. ately 1/2 mile northeast of Lookout Page 1/2			
<b>DeBaugan Fuels Reduction</b> EIS	- Fuels management	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 02/22/2006	Expected:07/2008	06/2009	Patricia Partyka 406-826-4314 ppartyka@fs.fed.us
	Description: Hazardous Fuels i Montana	reduction project adjacent to the con	nmunities of DeBorgia	a, Saltese, Haugan	in Mineral County
	II .	Ranger District. STATE - Montana.  of Saltese, DeBorgia, and haugan.	COUNTY - Mineral.	Along the I-90 co	rridor adjace to
<b>Up Up Salvage</b> CE	Vegetation management (other than forest products)     Forest products	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/19/2005 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 10/2007	Expected:09/2007	07/2008	Elisa Stamm 406-822-3971 ekstamm@fs.fed.us
	Description: Salvage dead and	thin live lodgepole pine stands.			
	II .	Ranger District. STATE - Montana.  /. Approximately 3 miles south of De			

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