



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)
10/01/2007 to 12/31/2007

Lewis And Clark National Forest

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Projects Occurring Nationwide					
Aerial Application of Fire Retardant EA	- Fuels management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 07/28/2006	Expected:10/2007	10/2007	Christopher Wehrli 202-205-1332 fire_retardant@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service proposes to continue the aerial application of fire retardant to fight 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				
	Location: UNIT - All Districts-level Units. STATE - All States. COUNTY - All Counties. Nation Wide.				
National Forest System Land Management Planning - Proposed Rule EIS *NEW LISTING*	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 08/31/2007 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 12/2007	Expected:01/2008	02/2008	Kevin Lawrence 202-205-2613 klawrence01@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Agency proposes to publish a rule at 36 CFR part 219 to finish rulemaking on the land management planning rule issued on January 5, 2005 (2005 rule). The 2005 rule guides development, revision, and amendment of land management plans.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/emc/nfma/2007_planning_rule.html				
	Location: UNIT - All Districts-level Units. STATE - All States. COUNTY - All Counties. LEGAL - All units of the National Forest System. Agency-wide.				

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Lewis And Clark National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)					R1 - Northern Region
Abandoned Mine Safety CE	- Minerals and Geology	Completed	Actual: 07/06/2007 07/06/2007 06/30/2007	07/2007	Dave Wanderaas 406-632-4391 dwanderaas@fs.fed.us
	Description: White Sulphur Springs, Belt Creek and Musselshell Ranger Districts propose actions to address public safety hazards at 4 abandoned mine tunnel sites in the Little Belts, Castle and Big Snowy Mountains.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/lewisclark/				
Location: UNIT - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District, Belt Creek Ranger District, Musselshell Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Golden Valley, Judith Basin, Meagher. LEGAL - Tunnel sites not disclosed for public safety reasons.. Little Belt, Castle and Big Snowy Mountains.					
Conveyance and disposal of Harlowton & Stanford Forest Service houses, garage and lots CE	- Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/04/2007	Expected:03/2008	08/2008	Linda Brandvold 406-731-5329 ldbrandvold@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service Facilities Realignment and Enhancement Act of 2005 required the FS to divest of unneeded facilities through public sale, and to utilize proceed dollars to conduct needed backlog maintenance of existing Forest Service facilities.				
	Location: UNIT - Musselshell Ranger District, Judith Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Judith Basin, Wheatland. LEGAL - Harlowton, MT Sec 21, T8N, R15E; Stanford, MT Sec 16, T16N, R12E. Harlowton FS houses (2), 1 attached garage and 1detached garage, and common lots located west end Harlowton; Stanford 1 house and lots in northcentral area of Stanford.				
Deadman-Memorial Way Road Reconstruction EA	- Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/01/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 11/2007	Expected:12/2007	06/2008	Robert Korb 406-791-7737 rkorb@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reconstruction of 16 miles of road to address resource and safety needs. Surface aggregate would be extracted from an existing pit. Approximately 5 segments on Memorial Way Rd, about 3.5miles, would be relocated to address grade & drainage issues.				
	Location: UNIT - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District, Musselshell Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Judith Basin, Meagher. LEGAL - T12N, R8E, Sec 12, 24 & 25; T12N, R9E, Sec 7, 18, 19, 20, 27-30, 34 & 35, T11N, R9E, Sec 2, 11, 12. Deadman Road #837 & Memorial Way Road #487, Little Belt Mountains.				

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Little Belt, Castle, and North Half Crazy Mountains Travel Management Plan EIS	- Road management - Recreation management	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 07/14/2006 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 10/2007	Expected:10/2007	11/2007	Dick Schwecke 406-791-7747 dschwecke@fs.fed.us
	Description: Revision of the Travel Management Plan for all of the Little Belt Mountains, and the portions of the Castle and Crazie Mountains within the Lewis and Clark National Forest. Alternative maps are available on the web at www.fs.fed.us/r1/lewisclark				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/lewisclark/				
Location: UNIT - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District, Belt Creek Ranger District, Musselshell Ranger District, Judith Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Cascade, Judith Basin, Meagher, Park, Sweet Grass, Wheatland. Little Belt, Castle, and Crazy Mountains.					
NRCS Snow Course authorization Re-issuance CE	- Research - Special use management - Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/01/2007	Expected:11/2007	12/2007	Dave Wanderaas 406-632-4391 dwanderaas@fs.fed.us
	Description: Natural Resource Conservation Service has 29 sites on L&C NF established as snow monitoring sites, and 9 of these sites have been automated to electronically read and transmit data (SNOTEL sites). Authorizations for use of all sites expires end of 07				
	Location: UNIT - Rocky Mountain Ranger District, White Sulphur Springs Ranger District, Belt Creek Ranger District, Musselshell Ranger District, Judith Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Cascade, Chouteau, Fergus, Golden Valley, Judith Basin, Meagher, Wheatland. LEGAL - Various. 29 sites throughout Rocky Mtn front, and Little Belt, Castle, Crazy, Highwood and Big Snowy Mtns.				
New issue of Northwestern Energy (NWE) authorizations CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/01/2004	Expected:01/2008	03/2008	Dave Wanderaas 406-632-4391 dwanderaas@fs.fed.us
	Description: NWE authorization at 3 sites have expired or will expire soon, and will be evaluated for new 10 year authorization, including microwave site, access road, and 25 KV powerline in the Checkerboard - White Sulphur - Monarch areas.				
	Location: UNIT - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District, Belt Creek Ranger District, Musselshell Ranger District, Judith Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Cascade, Judith Basin, Meagher, Wheatland. LEGAL - Castles Microwave site S32, T8N, R8E and S6, T7N, R8E. East L Belts Access Rd S21, T11N, R15E. 25KV line extends 23 miles Castles to Monarch/Hughsville areas . Little Belt, Castle, and Crazy Mountain Ranges.				

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Recreation Residence Permit Re-issue CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/01/2005	Expected:10/2007	01/2008	Ronald Yates 406-791-7750 rlyates@fs.fed.us
	Description: Review determines whether or not to re-issue 20 yr long permits over 150 recreation residences across the Forest. Consistency of existing permits with Forest Plan and other direction will be determined. Compliance of terms will be determined.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/lewisclark/				
Location: UNIT - Rocky Mountain Ranger District, White Sulphur Springs Ranger District, Belt Creek Ranger District, Musselshell Ranger District, Judith Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Cascade, Chouteau, Fergus, Golden Valley, Judith Basin, Meagher, Teton, Wheatland. Recreation residences located across the Lewis and Clark NF in the Little Belt, Highwood, Castle and Front Ranges.					
White Sulphur Springs & Belt Creek Non - Recreation Special Use Permit Re-issuing CE	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 08/30/2007 08/30/2007	10/2007	Michael Wofford 406-547-3361 mwofford@fs.fed.us
	Description: These districts have 8 non-recreation special use permits to re-issue. The Permits are for Water Transmission Right-of-Way (2), FLPMA - Road Use (3), Livestock Use (1), Solid Waste Disposal Site (1) and Cultivation (1).				
	Location: UNIT - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District, Belt Creek Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Cascade, Meagher. Little Belt Mountains.				

Lewis And Clark National Forest	Belt Creek Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R1 - Northern Region
Re-issuance of 10 year term outfitter guide permits on the Belt Creek Ranger District. CE	- Special use management - Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/01/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 09/2007	Expected:04/2008	05/2008	John Metrione 406-236-5511 jmetrione@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to issue 10 year term outfitting and guiding permits to: Steve Fillinger Outfitters for day use deer and elk hunting, 44 service days; Limestone Kamp for day use deer and elk hunting, 30 service days and Belt Creek Outfitters, 240 ser days.				
	Location: UNIT - Belt Creek Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Cascade. LEGAL - See other information.. All permits are within the existing boundaries of the Belt Creek Ranger District in the Little Belt Mountains..				

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Lewis And Clark National Forest	Belt Creek Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R1 - Northern Region	
Dry Fork Vegetation Restoration EIS	- Fuels management - Forest products	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 09/21/2005 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 10/2007	Expected:03/2008	05/2008	Robin Strathy 406-791-7726 rstrathy@fs.fed.us
Description: This project proposes treatments, including timber harvest and prescribed fire, on approximately 3,400 acres. Additionally, 4.9 miles of roads reconstruction, 1.7 miles of new road, and 20.6 miles of road decommissioning.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/lewisclark/					
Location: UNIT - Belt Creek Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Cascade, Judith Basin. Dry Fork of Belt Creek in the Little Belt Mountains.					
Hoover Creek Trail Complex Improvements - Phase II CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/01/2005	Expected:10/2007	06/2008	John Metrione 406-236-5511 jmetrione@fs.fed.us
Description: Project would target trail segments having safety concerns and excessive grades, areas of costly maintenance, areas of braiding and areas with erosion potential. Trails being considered include #732, #733, #734, #735, #736, #741, & trailhead at 731.					
Location: UNIT - Belt Creek Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Cascade. LEGAL - various. Approximately 6 miles north of Neihart.					
Monarch/Neihart Hazardous Fuel Reduction CE	- Fuels management	Completed	Actual: 07/13/2007	08/2007	Gary Hanvey 406-236-5511 ghanvey@fs.fed.us
Description: Reducing hazardous fuels and increasing defensible space by applying mechanical treatments and prescribed fire in the Wildland-Urban Interface adjacent to the communities of Monarch and Neihart.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/lewisclark/					
Location: UNIT - Belt Creek Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Cascade. LEGAL - various. Lands adjacent to the communities of Monarch and Neihart and the US Hwy 89 corridor in the Little Belt Mountain Range.					

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Lewis And Clark National Forest	Belt Creek Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R1 - Northern Region
Sun River Electric Powerline Burial - Logging Creek Road CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/18/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 10/2007	Expected:10/2007	11/2007	Dave Wanderaas 406-632-4391 dwanderaas@fs.fed.us
	Description: Bury approximately 5 miles of existing overhead powerlines within the Logging Creek road corridor (on the "shoulder" of the road).				
	Location: UNIT - Belt Creek Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Cascade. LEGAL - T16N, R6E, S31&32; T15N, R6E, S6; T15N, R5E, S1 & 12 & 13. Logging Creek Road.				

Lewis And Clark National Forest	Judith Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R1 - Northern Region
Ettien Ridge Fuels Reduction CE	- Fuels management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 04/24/2006	Expected:10/2007 Actual: 07/17/2006	06/2008	Ron Wiseman 406-566-2292 rwiseman@fs.fed.us
	Description: Use of mechanical (commercial and noncommercial) thinning and prescribed burning to reduce hazardous fuels. Objectives will be to protect ecosystems from risk of high intensity wildland fires.				
	Location: UNIT - Judith Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Judith Basin. LEGAL - T13N, R11E, Sections 34 and 35, and T12N, R11E, Sections 1 and 2.. Ettien Ridge is approximately 15 miles south of Utica, MT..				
Maddy's Meadow Opening Maintenance CE	- Fuels management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2007	Expected:11/2007	12/2007	Eric Tomasik 406-566-2292 etomasik@fs.fed.us
	Description: Encroaching smaller conifers will be cleared from a small but productive opening in the Granite Mountain area.				
	Location: UNIT - Judith Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Judith Basin. LEGAL - T15N and 16N, R9E and 10E. . Approximately 15 miles southwest of Stanford, MT..				
Outfitters Special Use Priority Permit Reissuance CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/01/2006	Expected:01/2008	02/2008	Ron Wiseman 406-566-2292 rwiseman@fs.fed.us
	Description: Four outfitters on the Judith Ranger District will be having their special use permits expire as of 12/31/2006. These permits are designated to be reissued during 2007 for a 10 year period.				
	Location: UNIT - Judith Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Judith Basin. Middle Fork, South Fork and Lost Fork areas of the Little Belt Mountains.				

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Lewis And Clark National Forest	Musselshell Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R1 - Northern Region	
Castles Small Tracts Act parcel exchange and ROW acquisition CE	- Road management - Land acquisition - Land ownership management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/01/2006	Expected:11/2007	03/2008	Dave Wanderaas 406-632-4391 dwanderaas@fs.fed.us
	Description: Patent owner S&S Coal proposes exchange 17ac Princess patent S28 T8N R8E for isolated 17ac Forest Service parcel S12 T8N R8E surrounded by S&S Coal, then S&S grant 2.5 mile road ROW Rd 581, 8884, 8886 thru S&S patents presently w/o public easement.				
	Location: UNIT - Musselshell Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Meagher. LEGAL - Two exchange parcels and approx 2 miles of acquired road right of way. Castle Mountains.				
Fuels Treatments at Forest Admin and Investment Sites CE	- Facility management - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/10/2001 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 10/2007	Expected:12/2007	04/2008	Darwin Reynolds 406-632-4391 dreynolds02@fs.fed.us
	Description: Musselshell District is proposing to undertake direct fuels reduction around administrative sites, summer homes, radio repeater sites, campgrounds, heli-spots and weather stations.				
	Location: UNIT - Musselshell Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Fergus, Meagher, Wheatland. Little Snowy, Little Belt, Castle and Crazy Mountain Ranges.				
Special Use permit renewal for water pipeline, off-boundary fence, and other small scale uses. CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/01/2003	Expected:03/2008	04/2008	Dave Wanderaas 406-632-4391 dwanderaas@fs.fed.us
	Description: National Forest management allows Special Use permit authorizations for small scale convenience uses of Forest lands, such as water pipelines and off-boundary fence lines. Several such uses on the District have been requested to be renewed.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/lewisclark/				
Location: UNIT - Musselshell Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Fergus, Meagher, Wheatland. Crazy, Castle and Big Snowy Mountain Ranges.					
Whitetail Salvage CE	- Fuels management - Forest products	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 07/12/2006	Expected:10/2007	12/2007	Steven Martin (406) 632-4391 sjmartin@fs.fed.us
	Description: Salvage and thinning of Douglas-fir stands to remove and reduce mortality caused by Douglas-fir bark beetles.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/lewisclark/				
Location: UNIT - Musselshell Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Meagher. LEGAL - T10N, R10E, Sections 5, 6, 8, and 17, T11N, R10E, Sections 30 and 31. Forest Road #274, Whitetail Creek, within the Little Belt Mountains.					

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Lewis And Clark National Forest	Rocky Mountain Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R1 - Northern Region	
Benchmark Fuels Reduction CE	- Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/01/2004 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 01/2008	Expected:02/2008	03/2008	Russell Owen 406-562-3247 rowen@fs.fed.us
	Description: Use of prescribed fire and mechanical fuels treatments to remove dead and diseased trees and ladder fuels to improve forest health, promote surface fire, retain mature fire-resistant trees, and protect homes and developments in the Benchmark area				
	Location: UNIT - Rocky Mountain Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T19N R9W S10,11,14,15 and T20N R10W S26,35,36,15,16,22. Ford Creek and Wood Lake drainages, Rocky Mountains.				
Benchmark Wilderness Ranch Resort Permit Reissuance CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Karen Horn 406-466-5341 khorn@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reissue a 20-year permit to operate and maintain a public recreation resort on 17 acres of National Forest System lands.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/lewisclark/				
	Location: UNIT - Rocky Mountain Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T20 R10W Sec. 22 (SW 1/4, NE 1/4). Benchmark area; lower Fairview Creek drainage, Rocky Mountains.				
Gates Park Pack Bridge CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/01/2004	Expected:07/2007	06/2010	Ian Bardwell 406-466-5341 ianbardwell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Repair existing bridge structure.				
	Location: UNIT - Rocky Mountain Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T23N R10W S5. North Fork Sun River Trail #110, Gates Park area, Bob Marshall Wilderness.				
Moose Creek Trail #131 Reconstruction CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/01/2006	Expected:07/2007	07/2007	Ian Bardwell 406-466-5341 ianbardwell@fs.fed.us
	Description: The reconstruction will include repair and installation of drainage structures, turnpikes, and puncheon bridges.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/lewisclark/				
	Location: UNIT - Rocky Mountain Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T23N, R10W, sections 19,20,29,30 and T23N, R11W, sections 25, 26, and 34. Lower 1/3 of Moose Creek Trail beginning at junction with Trail 166; NF Sun River, Bob Marshall Wilderness, Rocky Mountains.				

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Mt. Baldy Electronic Site Comm Site Lease Re-issuance CE	- Facility management - Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2007	Expected:11/2007	12/2007	Dave Wanderaas 406-632-4391 dwanderaas@fs.fed.us
	Description: Mt Baldy Electronic Site lease will expire end of 2007, L&C NF to evaluate needs for site and acceptable facilities, and develop Comm Site Plan for 10 year lease.				
	Location: UNIT - Rocky Mountain Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Glacier. LEGAL - Sec 34, T30N, R12W. L&C NF, Rocky Mtn front approx 10 miles south of East Glacier townsite.				
Outfitter Base Camp Relocation (Straight Cr. to Green Fork) CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/19/2005	Expected:02/2006	02/2006	Kraig Lang 406-466-5341 klang@fs.fed.us
	Description: Relocate existing outfitter base camp in Straight Creek to the Green Fork area. Eliminate existing base and spike camp. Change from summer/fall base to fall base only. Relocation will remain in the same wilderness opportunity class.				
	Location: UNIT - Rocky Mountain Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - Sec. 25 & 36, T19N, R10W. Scapegoat Wilderness area.				
Rocky Mountain Travel Plan Revision EIS	- Road management - Recreation management	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 06/17/2005 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 10/2007	Expected:10/2007	11/2007	Dick Schwecke (406) 791-7747 dschwecke@fs.fed.us
	Description: Revision of Travel Management Plan for the portion of the Rocky Mountains within the Rocky Mountain Ranger District.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/lewisclark/				
	Location: UNIT - Rocky Mountain Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Glacier, Lewis and Clark, Pondera, Teton. Rocky Mountains.				

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Lewis And Clark National Forest District)	White Sulphur Springs Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one				R1 - Northern Region
Conveyance/disposal of White Sulphur Springs houses, garage & vacant lot CE	- Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/01/2006	Expected:11/2007	12/2007	Linda Brandvold 406-731-5329 ldbrandvold@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service Facilities Realignment and Enhancement Act of 2005 required the FS to divest of unneeded facilities through public sale, and to utilize proceed dollars to conduct needed backlog maintenance of existing Forest Service facilities.				
	Location: UNIT - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Meagher. LEGAL - White Sulphur Springs, MT, Sec 18, T9N, R7E, Blocks 123 and 124 . Forest Service houses (2), garage and vacant lot in White Sulphur Springs, MT.				
Grasshopper Creek Access CE	- Land ownership management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Dave Wanderaas 406-632-4391 dwanderaas@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reciprical access grants to provide access to private inholdings and provide continued public access on Road 9211and Trails 716 and 723, across private lands.				
	Location: UNIT - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Meagher. LEGAL - T9N, R8E, Section 19. Castle Mountains.				
Jumping Creek Fish Barrier CE *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Completed	Actual: 09/26/2007 09/25/2007	10/2007	Stan VanSickle 406-791-7743 svansickle@fs.fed.us
	Description: The height of the existing waterfall will be increased by removing sections of bedrock using small explosive charges. The resulting waterfall will promote recovery of native westslope cutthroat trout by preventing future access for non-native trout.				
	Location: UNIT - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Meagher. LEGAL - T12N, R8E, Sec ion 19. Jumping Creek, Little Belt Mountains.				

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Mass Geis Fuel Reduction EA	- Fuels management - Forest products	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/15/2006 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 11/2007	Expected:03/2008	04/2008	Jess Secrest 406-547-6015 jsecrest@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reducing hazardous fuels and harvest mountain pine beetle affected trees on about 4400 acres using underburning, mechanical and hand piling of materials, pile burning, and constructing fuel reduction zones, including approximately 5 miles of new road				
	Location: UNIT - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Meagher. LEGAL - T11N, R7E, Sections 13, 14, 23-26, 35, 36, T11N, R8E, Sections 3, 4, 8-32, and T11N, R9E, Sections 7, 8, 17, 18-21, 29, 30, . approximately 15 mile NE of White Sulphur Springs, MT, in the Little Belt Mountains.				
Newlan Bugs CE	- Fuels management - Forest products	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 03/01/2007	Expected:11/2007	06/2008	Steven Martin (406) 632-4391 sjmartin@fs.fed.us
	Description: Salvage and thinning of Douglas-fir stands to remove and reduce mortality caused by Douglas-fir bark beetles. Monitoring the effectiveness of silvicultural treatments will provide information for future projects.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/lewisclark/				
Outfitter Guide Permit Re-issuance for a 10 year permit on the White Sulphur Springs RD CE	- Special use management - Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2007	Expected:03/2008	04/2008	John Metrione 406-236-5511 jmetrione@fs.fed.us
	Description: Re-issuance of 10 Smith River overnight float, 6 hunting, 1 fishing and 1 rock climbing 10-year permits. All permits are for existing number of use days and only existing permitted activities may be authorized. Other changes will not be permitted.				
	Location: UNIT - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Meagher. All permits are within the existing boundaries of the White Sulphur Springs Ranger District, Little Belt Mountains. Township 16 North through Township 11 N, Ranges 3 East through Range 8 East..				

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Sheep Creek Aspen Restoration CE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Research - Fuels management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants 	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/01/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 10/2007	Expected:04/2008	06/2008	Gary Hanvey 406-547-6012 ghanvey@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project would assess stand health within aspen stands in the Sheep Creek watershed and develop a plan to restore/enhance those stands.				
	Location: UNIT - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Meagher. Sheep Creek watershed in the Little Belt Mountains.				
Taylor Hills Land Exchange EA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Road management - Land acquisition - Land ownership management - Watershed management - Fuels management - Grazing management - Special area management - Recreation management 	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/01/2004 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 11/2007	Expected:01/2008	03/2008	Dave Wanderaas 406-632-4391 dwanderaas@fs.fed.us
	Description: Forest Service and landowner are proposing to exchange approximately 152 acre of private land and road/trail ROW, in return for 157 acres of National Forest System lands in order to greatly enhance land management for each owner.				
	Location: UNIT - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Meagher. Little Belts Mountains, Tenderfoot Creek drainage, Meagher County, Montana.				
Wet Park Phase I - Long Term Test Plantation Thinning CE	- Research	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/01/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 10/2007	Expected:10/2007	12/2007	Tanya Murphy 406-236-5511 temurphy@fs.fed.us
	Description: The test plantations would be thinned to improve growing space and remove undesirable trees. Approximately one-half of the trees would be removed based on a tree-specific thinning plan. None of the trees are of a commercial size.				
	Location: UNIT - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Meagher. Little Belt Mountains.				

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