

Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA) 01/01/2009 to 03/31/2009

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Geothermal Leasing Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement EIS	- Regulatior Orders	s, Directives,	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 06/13/2008 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 10/2008	Expected:12/2008	02/2009	Peter Gaulke 703-605-4796 tparker03@fs.fed.us
	Description:	Statement to analyz	l Management and Forest Service a e the leasing of BLM and USFS ac es in 11 western states.			
	Web Link:	http://www.blm.gov/	wo/st/en/prog/energy/geothermal/g	eothermal_nationwid	e.html	
	Location:	Forest All Units, Lew Juan National Forest National Forest All U Forest All Units, Bo Units, Fishlake Nati Units, Sawtooth Nati Units, Cleveland National Bernardino National Pinchot National For Units, Rogue River- National Forest All U R10 - Alaska Regio Sitgreaves National Sierra National Forest National Forest All U Forest All Units, Am Forest All Units, Um Units, Arapaho and National Forest All U National Forests an Headquarter). STA New Mexico, Nevao Alaska. COUNTY	National Forest All Units, Beaverher wis And Clark National Forest All U st All Units, White River National For Units, Coronado National Forest All ise National Forest All Units, Bridge onal Forest All Units, Payette National Forest All Units, Payette National Forest All Units, Humboldt-To tional Forest All Units, Eldorado Na I Forest All Units, Sequoia National rest All Units, Mendocino National rest All Units, Malheur National Fore Siskiyou National Forest All Units, Jnits, Okanogan-Wenatchee Nation n All Units, Custer National Fore Jnits, Grand Mesa Uncompahyre a geles National Forest All Units, Plu hatilla National Forest All Units, Plu natilla National Forest All Units, Lolo Roosevelt National Forest All Units, Lolo and Cimarron and Comanche National TE - Wyoming, Washington, Utah, da, Nebraska, Montana, Kansas, Id - Aleutians East, La Paz, Colusa, I zona, California, Colorado, Idaho, I Alaska.	nits, Medicine Bow-R prest All Units, Carson I Units, Gila National er-Teton National For- onal Forest All Units, S biyabe National Forest ational Forest All Units, I Forest All Units, Tah rest All Units, Mt Bake Umpqua National For nal Forest All Units, Wt Bake Umpqua National For nal Forest All Units, V All Units, Rio Grande National Forest All U st All Units, Gallatin N and Gunnison National mas National Forest All U st All Units, Gallatin N and Gunnison National mas National Forest All U st, Manti-Lasal Nation st All Units, Deschutes its, Inyo National Forest al Grasslands All Unit Texas, South Dakota aho, District of Colum Denver, Douglas, Bor	outt National Forest A National Forest A Forest All Units, Lir est All Units, Dixie Salmon-Challis Nat st All Units, Uinta N s, Lassen National Modoc National Forest er-Snoqualmie Nati- rest All Units, Wallo Villamette National National Forest All nits, Klamath National National Forest All nits, Klamath National National Forest All Units, Fremont- Units, Nez Perce N hal Forest All Units, s National Forest All Units, Nez Perce N hal Forest All Units, s National Forest All units, Nez Perce N hal Forest All Units, s National Forest All units, Colorado, Cal nner, Columbia, Co	st All Units, San II Units, Cibola ncoln National National Forest All ional Forest All ational Forest All Forest All Units, rest All Units, San All Units, Gifford ional Forest All owa-Whitman Forest All Units, I Units, Apache- onal Forest All Units, Juits, Helena Santa Fe National Winema National ational Forest All , Caribou-Targhee II Units, Mt. Hood nd San Isabel ce (National ma, North Dakota, ifornia, Arizona, os. 11 contiguous

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Lewis And Clark National Fores	t, Occurring i	in more than one Di	strict (excluding Forestwide)			R1 - Northern Region
Central Montana Communications Permit Reissuance CE	- Special us	e management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/01/2008	Expected:01/2009	01/2009	Tessa Donahue 406-791-7710 tessadonahue@fs.fed.u s
	Description	The permit is to be	reissued is for 11 miles in a 20 foo	t right-of-way of existin	ng phone line.	
	Location:	Montana. COUNT	hur Springs Ranger District, Musse Ƴ - Cascade, Judith Basin, Meagh e Little Belt Mountains.			
Conveyance and disposal of Harlowton & Stanford Forest Service houses, garage and	- Facility ma	anagement	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/04/2007	Expected:02/2009	05/2009	Linda Brandvold 406-731-5329 Idbrandvold@fs.fed.us
lots CE	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 man	agement	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 06/26/2008	Expected:03/2009	05/2009	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:					27-30, 34 & 35,

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Lewis And Clark National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide) R1 - Northern Reg									
New issue of Northwestern Energy (NWE) authorizations CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/01/2004	Expected:01/2009	01/2009	Tessa Donahue 406-791-7710 tessadonahue@fs.fed.u s				
		at 3 sites have expired or will expir e site, access road, and 25 KV pow							
	Ranger District. ST Castles Microwave	hur Springs Ranger District, Belt Cr ATE - Montana. COUNTY - Cas site S32, T8N, R8E and S6, T7N, I astles to Monarch/Hughsville areas	scade, Judith Basin, M R8E. East L Belts Acc	leagher, Wheatlan cess Rd S21, T11N	d. LEGAL - I, R15E. 25KV line				
Permit Reissuance for 6 Pastures and 1 Fenceline - Castle, Crazy, and Big Snowies CE	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/01/2008	Expected:02/2009	02/2009	Tessa Donahue 406-791-7710 tessadonahue@fs.fed.u s				
	Pasture S23,T7N,F CRAZIES: JCM Ca	Description: CASTLES: Hereim Pasture S13 &23, T7N, R9E -Voldseth Pasture S13,T7N,R9E, S19 & 30,T7N,R10E - Rostad Pasture S23,T7N,R9E - IV Ranch Pasture S32,33,T9N,R9E CRAZIES: JCM Cattle Co S18,T6N,R11E BIG SNOWIES: Swanz Pasture S13, T11N,R18E							
	Location: UNIT - White Sulpl	hur Springs Ranger District, Musse Y - Cascade, Fergus, Judith Basin							

Lewis And Clark National Forest	t 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.	 Special use management Recreation management 							
CE		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.						
		k Ranger District. STATE - Montar hin the existing boundaries of the E						

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Lewis And Clark National Forest	Belt Creek Ranger District (ex	cluding Projects occurring in m	ore than one Distric	t)	R1 - Northern Region
Blankenship Vegetation Treatment Project EA *NEW LISTING*	 Fuels management Forest products 	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/26/2008 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 02/2009	Expected:05/2009	06/2009	Jennifer Woods 406-791-7765 jjwoods@fs.fed.us
	approximately 560 a road construction.	ns in the Dry Fork drainage have de acres mechanically requiring about Ranger District. STATE - Montana	4 miles of temporary	road building and (0.5 miles of new

Lewis And Clark National Forest	t Judith Ranger District (exclu	ding Projects occurring in more	than one District)		R1 - Northern Region				
Ettien Ridge Fuels Reduction II EA	- Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/01/2006 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 02/2009	Expected:04/2009	05/2009	Matthew Plagenz 406-566-2292 mplagenz@fs.fed.us				
	Description: Use of mechanical the Wildland-Urban	(commercial and non-commerical) Interface.	thinning and prescribe	ed burning to redu	ce hazardous fuel in				
		ger District. STATE - Montana. C IE, Sections 1 & 2. Ettien Ridge is							
Middle Fork Judith Vegetation Maintenance and Restoration EA *NEW LISTING*	 Fuels management Vegetation management (other than forest products) Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants 	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2009	Expected:11/2009	03/2010	Matthew Plagenz 406-566-2292 mplagenz@fs.fed.us				
		scription: Improvement of elk wintering habitat and reduce the risk for intense wildfire effects in the area between Yogo Cr. & Middle Fork Judith River. The project would prescribed burn portions of the project area & slash nonmerchantable							
		ger District. STATE - Montana. C Middle Fork Judith River.	OUNTY - Judith Basi	n. Little Belt Mou	ntains in the area				

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Oti Park Trail Re-route and Obliteration CE	 Watershed management Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants Recreation management 	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2009	Expected:03/2009	07/2009	Stan VanSickle 406-791-7743 svansickle@fs.fed.us				
NEW LISTING		ortion of Trail 732 will be obliterated. ⁻ ding slash and debris, and seeding.	This will include scarif	ication, recontourir	ng, restoring spring				
	Location: UNIT - Judith Ra	anger District. STATE - Montana. C	OUNTY - Judith Bas	in. Little Belt Mour	ntains.				
Outfitters Special Use Priority Permit Reissuance CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/01/2006	Expected:02/2009	03/2009	Linda Casper 406-566-2292 Icasper@fs.fed.us				
		h the Judith Ranger District will be hav gnated to be reissued during 2007 for		permits expire as o	f 12/31/2006. These				
		anger District. STATE - Montana. C E Little Belt Mountains.	COUNTY - Judith Bas	in. Middle Fork, S	outh Fork and Lost				
South Fork Judith Road Obliteration 2009 CE *NEW LISTING*	 Road management Watershed management Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants Recreation management 	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2009	Expected:03/2009	07/2009	Stan VanSickle 406-791-7743 svansickle@fs.fed.us				
	Judith River Wat	escription: The decommissioning/obliteration of roads found in the Oct. 2007 Travel Plan ROD, that included the upper SF Judith River Watershed. This project will restore healthy soil & water conditions by reducing or mitigating factors that are impacting them.							
	Location: UNIT - Judith Ra	anger District. STATE - Montana. C	OUNTY - Judith Bas	in. Little Belt Mour	ntains.				

Lewis And Clark National Forest	Musselshell Ranger District	(excluding Projects occurring in	more than one Distri	ct)	R1 - Northern Region
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 12/2008	Expected:03/2009	05/2009	Douglas Dodge 406-632-4391 douglasdodge@fs.fed.u s
	radio repeater sites Location: UNIT - Musselshel	t is proposing to undertake direct fue, campgrounds, heli-spots and wea I Ranger District. STATE - Montar Castle and Crazy Mountain Ranges	ther stations. na. COUNTY - Fergu		

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Lewis And Clark National Fores	t Musselshel	II Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in	more than one Distri	ct)	R1 - Northern Region
Loco Ridge Repeater Building CE	- Facility man	agement	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/28/2008	Expected:02/2009	05/2009	Jim Homison 406-566-2292 jhomison@fs.fed.us
	Description: F	Radio repeater insta	allation			
			Ranger District. STATE - Montar Range 11 East. North end of Crazy			
Mud Creek Trail #648 Reroute and Retread CE	- Recreation r	nanagement	Completed	Actual: 10/31/2008	08/2009	John Metrione 406-236-5511 jmetrione@fs.fed.us
			ute and spot retread Trail #648. T #608. The trail would be reconstru			Dean Trailhead and
			Ranger District. STATE - Montar 7. Little Belt Mountains.	na. COUNTY - Whea	atland. LEGAL - T	10N, R11E,
Permit Reissuance for 8 pastures & new issues for 1 pasture, Little Belt Mtns CE	- Special use	management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/01/2008	Expected:02/2009	02/2009	Tessa Donahue 406-791-7710 tessadonahue@fs.fed.u s
			g NFS lands for convenience pastu ter gaps and not logical to include i		ng, use of natural b	arriers, spring
		LEGAL - Prince S10 S29,T10NR10E&S5	Ranger District. STATE - Montar)-11,14-15,T9NR10E,Indreland S2 5,T9NR10E,Nelson S32,T10NR10E Jler S21T11NR5E,Saylor S7T11NR	8,33-35,T10NR10E,G E,Brewer S21,T10NR1	ough I0E,Goodrich S4TS	9NR10E,Capser
Special Use Permit renewal for Water Pipelines CE	- Special use	management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2009	Expected:02/2009	03/2009	Tessa Donahue 406-791-7710 tessadonahue@fs.fed.u s
NEW LISTING		Permit renewal of V Pipeline.	oldseth Water Transmission Line, I	Mauws Ranch Stockw	ater Pipeline, and	-
			Ranger District. STATE - Montar E. SW < Section 16, T11N, R15E. I			

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Lewis And Clark National Forest	Rocky Mo	untain Ranger Dist	rict (excluding Projects occurring	g in more than one l	District)	R1 - Northern Region	
Benchmark Fuels Reduction EA	- Fuels man	agement	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/01/2004 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 02/2009	Expected:04/2009	05/2009	Russell Owen 406-562-3247 rowen@fs.fed.us	
	Description:		re and mechanical fuels treatments th, promote surface fire, retain matu e Benchmark area				
	Location:		ntain Ranger District. STATE - Mo and T20N R10W S26,35,36,15,16				
Benchmark Wilderness Ranch Resort Permit Reissuance CE	- Special us	e 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	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Ian Bardwell 406-466-5341 ianbardwell@fs.fed.us	
	Description: Repair existing bridge structure.						
	Location:		ntain Ranger District. STATE - Mo ork Sun River Trail #110, Gates Par			EGAL - T23N	
Moose Creek Trail #131 Reconstruction CE	- Recreation	management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Ian Bardwell 406-466-5341 ianbardwell@fs.fed.us	
	Description: Web Link:	The reconstruction http://www.fs.fed.us	will include repair and installation o /r1/lewisclark/	f drainage structures,	turnpikes, and pur	_	
	Location:	R10W, sections 19,	ntain Ranger District. STATE - Mo 20,29,30 and T23N, R11W, sectior I 166; NF Sun River, Bob Marshall	ns 25, 26, and 34. Lov	wer 1/3 of Moose C		

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Lewis And Clark National Forest District)	White Sul	White Sulphur Springs Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one						
Grasshopper Creek Access CE	- Land owne	ership management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/01/2005	Expected:02/2009	02/2009	Carol Hatfield 406-495-3860 chatfield@fs.fed.us		
	Description:		rants to provide access to private in and 723, across private lands.	nholdings and provide	continued public a	access on Road		
	Location:	UNIT - White Sulph Section 19. Castle I	nur Springs Ranger District. STATI Jountains.	E - Montana. COUN	TY - Meagher. Li	EGAL - T9N, R8E,		
Mass Geis Fuel Reduction EA	- Fuels man - Forest pro	-	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/15/2006 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 03/2009	Expected:05/2009	07/2009	Jess Secrest 406-547-6015 jsecrest@fs.fed.us		
	Description: Reducing hazardous fuels and harvest mountain pine beetle affected trees on about 2124 acres using underburning, mechanical and hand piling of materials, pile burning, and constructing fuel reduction zones, including approx. 0.5 miles of new road							
	Location:	R7E, Sections 13, 1	nur Springs Ranger District. STATI 14, 23-26, 35, 36, T11N, R8E, Sect ely 15 mile NE of White Sulphur Sp	ions 3, 4, 8-32, and T	11N, R9E, Section	EGAL - T11N, s 7, 8, 17, 18-21,		
Outfitter Guide Permit Re- issuance for a 10 year permit on the White Sulphur Springs	- Special are	ea management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 06/15/2007	Expected:01/2009	03/2009	John Metrione 406-236-5511 jmetrione@fs.fed.us		
RD CE	Description: Re-issuance of 6 hunting, 1 fishing and 1 rock climbing to 10-year permits. All permits are for existing number of use days and only existing permitted activities may be authorized. Other changes not permitted/							
NEW LISTING	Location:	UNIT - White Sulph Springs Ranger Dis	nur Springs Ranger District. STATI strict.	E - Montana. COUN	TY - Meagher. W	/hite Sulphur		
Sheep Creek Aspen Restoration CE	- Fuels man - Vegetation (other than fo	agement management prest products) sh, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/01/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 03/2009	Expected:05/2009	06/2009	Gary Hanvey 406-547-6012 ghanvey@fs.fed.us		
	Description:	This project would a restore/enhance the	assess stand health within aspen st ose stands.	ands in the Sheep Cr	eek watershed and	d develop a plan to		
	Location:	UNIT - White Sulph watershed in the Lit	nur Springs Ranger District. STATI ttle Belt Mountains.	E - Montana. COUN	TY - Meagher. Sl	heep Creek		

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Taylor Hills Land Exchange EA	ROW, in return for each owner.	Completed Iandowner are proposing to exchar 157 acres of National Forest System	m lands in order to gre	eatly enhance land	management for
	Location: UNIT - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Meagher. Little Belts Mountains, Tenderfoot Creek drainage, Meagher County, Montana.				
Trail 311-A Connector CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 04/01/2008	Expected:01/2009	08/2009	John Metrione 406-236-5511 jmetrione@fs.fed.us
	Description: This trail connector was identified through travel planning as a critical connector to provide a seasonal single track of motorized access between July 16 - August 31 and connect Trail 311 to FS Road 263.				
	Location: UNIT - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Meagher. LEGAL - T15N, R4E, Section 29. Deep Creek, Little Belt Mountains.				

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