



Strategy to completing Preliminary Draft Proposed with public engagement

Wilderness Inventory – Complete April 2016

- Identified 95 areas which represented appx 900,000 acres or 61% of the forest

Wilderness Evaluation of areas to determine if any have wilderness character

- Held 6 public meetings to present criteria for evaluating for wilderness character – April 2016
- Convened cooperating agency working group May 11 & 12 to develop preliminary evaluation
- Appx June 6 we will post our preliminary evaluation map and written rationale of areas with wilderness character on our website for public comment (30 days)
- Coordinating with other groups to host meetings we attend to take in-person comments

Plan Development (will incorporate results of wilderness evaluation)

- Approximately mid-June through mid-October 2016

Desired Conditions - July

- Develop initial forest wide desired conditions for all resources
- Meet with working group to get input on desired conditions
- Post preliminary desired conditions on website (send out notification to mailing list)

Standards & Guidelines - August

- Develop initial forest wide standards & guidelines
- Meet with working groups to get input and begin integration of resources
- Post preliminary desired conditions and standards & guidelines on website (send out notification to mailing list)

Management Areas - September

- Identify and develop any opportunities for management and/or designated areas, i.e. recommended areas to be carried forward in draft proposed plan
- Meet with working groups to get input on management areas
- Post additional updates on website (send out notification to mailing list)

Late Sept 2016 - Potential opportunity to coordinate with other groups to gain comment and have discussions prior to beginning development of alternatives. This may also be the appropriate time to convene stakeholder wide meeting/conference around our plan.

Development of Alternatives - October

- Identify issues and develop alternatives
- Meet with working group to identify alternatives
- Post preliminary draft proposed plan on website and start analysis (EIS)

Hold public meetings with cooperating agencies to present preliminary draft proposed plan

Development of EIS – about 6 months

