## United States Department of Agriculture Tonto National Forest

## Resolution Copper Project and Land Exchange **Environmental Impact Statement**

**Collection of Baseline Information** 

**Pre-scoping Stakeholder Outreach** 

INVOLVEMENT

**COOPERATING TRIBAL CONSULTATION** 

**Notice of Intent** 

Public Scoping

**Alternatives Development** 

**Effects Analysis** 

Decision

**NEPA PROCESS** 

We are

here

Pre-Scoping

The NOI initiates the NEPA process for the EIS.

**Public Scoping Period** 

The Forest Service engages the public, stakeholders, ID team, tribes, and cooperating agencies to determine what issues or concerns need to be addressed in the EIS.



Cooperating Agency Scoping

**AGENCIES** 

Review **Issues** Report

**Assist with Alternatives Development** 

**Special** 

**Agency** 

**Expertise** 

Review **Preliminary DEIS** 

3/9/2017

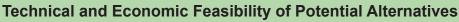
Scoping Report

Report

5/25/2017

**Identify Potential Alternative Components** 

The Forest Service uses the results of scoping, and solicits additional input from the public, cooperating agencies, and the ID team to identify alternative components that might resolve the resource conflicts identified in the Issues Report.



The Forest Service engages experts to assess the technical and economic feasibility of potential mining and tailings alternatives.

Alternative Evaluation Report

11/2017

**Validation of Baseline Information** 

The Forest Service engages experts to assess the validity of baseline information and models provided by Resolution Copper, identifies data gaps, and conducts additional data collection if necessary.

**Analysis of Environmental Effects** 

Guided by the issues identified during scoping, the Forest Service analyzes the environmental effects for each alternative, as well as cumulative effects from past, present, and reasonably foreseeable actions.



05/2019

**Public Comment Period and Public Meetings** 

The public comments on the analysis and effects presented in the Draft EIS. The Forest Service reviews and considers public comments.

**Additional Analysis** 

The Forest Service conducts any necessary additional analysis and prepares the Final EIS.



Draft Record of Decision on GPO

Draft

**EIS** 

**Biological** Opinion

**Endangered Species Act Section 7 Consultation** 

**National** Historic Preservation Review **Act Section Preliminary** 106 **FEIS** Consultation

> SHPO Concurrence on Effects

Forest Service Government-to-Government Consultation Continues Throughout NEPA Process

Memo. of Agreement

Historic **Properties Treatment** Plan

Objection Period (36 CFR 218)

To qualify as an objector, the person(s) or entity must have submitted substantive comments during one of the previous comment periods

**Resolve Objections** 

When the Objection Period ends, the Forest Service reviews and resolves all of the legitimate objections

**Announce Final Decision** 

The Forest Service publishes the final RODs for the two separate project decisions



Final Record of Decision on Land Exchange

**Approval of Final Plan of Operations** 

**Calculate and Implement Bond** 

**Implement Mitigation and Monitoring Plan**