

U.S. Board on Geographic Names Domestic Names Committee Quarterly Review List 460

Introduction

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This Quarterly Review List includes geographic names proposed to the U.S. Board on Geographic Names (BGN) for geographic features in the United States between mid-March and late June. The proposals will be considered by the BGN's Domestic Names Committee (DNC).

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Any organization, agency, or person may contact the BGN to share their support or opposition to any proposal included in this list.

The proposals may have been submitted for Federal consideration to

- name previously unnamed features
- recognize names in current local use
- resolve conflicts in name spellings, applications, and local usage
- change existing names

The proposed names are not official for Federal use until approved by the BGN. Only one name is official per geographic feature. Variant names and spellings discovered in researching a name are listed under Other Names. These may include names and spellings that formerly were official, historical names known to have been previously associated with the feature, names that conflict with current policies of the BGN, misspellings, and names misapplied to the subject of the proposal.

The BGN allows anyone to submit a proposal as long as it meets the minimum requirements for a complete proposal under the Principles, Policies, and Procedures. After the review process, which involves seeking recommendations from interested parties, BGN staff presents each case to the BGN for a vote. The BGN makes decisions on each proposal only after the full review process, and bases their decision on the following factors:

- the merits of the proposal
- recommendations and opinions from interested parties
- the DNC's [Domestic Geographic Names Policies](#)

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This Review List has also been posted on the [BGN's website](#).

Please send all comments on the proposals on this Review List to BGNEEXEC@usgs.gov.

Alaska

Change Quisling Cove to Chikicha̋

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Chikicha̋
Proposal type	change name that proponent finds objectionable
Proponent	Dr. Michael Livingston; Anchorage, AK
Date proposed	5/9/2025
BGN case number	6610
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	51.9791667, 177.3833333
Feature class	bay
Feature size	approx. 70 acres
Feature description	on the N side of Kiska Island between Lasso Hill and Russian Ridge
Name history	Unangam Tunuu word meaning “limpets”
USGS primary topo map	Kiska C-2 NW 1:25,000
State(s)	Alaska
County(s)	Aleutians West Census Area
PLSS	Sec. 6, T95S, R237W, Seward Meridian [unsurveyed]
Land ownership	Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge / Aleutian Islands Wilderness [adjacent]

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names:
 - Eric Cove: *Dictionary of Alaska Place Names*, 1967
 - Quisling Cove: U.S. Army, ca. 1943; *Dictionary of Alaska Place Names*, 1967

Case Summary

This proposal is to change the name of Quisling Cove on Kiska Island in the Aleutian Islands to Chikicha̋. The land on Kiska Island adjacent to the cove is within the Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge and Aleutian Islands Wilderness.

The proponent, an Alaska Native, an original shareholder with the Aleut Corporation, and a Member of the Qawalangin Tribe of Unalaska, states:

Quisling Cove is not an appropriate name for anywhere in the United States because it is derogatory to people from Norway and people of Jewish descent. The word ‘Quisling’ originates from Vidkun Quisling of Norway who collaborated with Adolf Hitler and encouraged Nazis and the Third Reich to invade and occupy Norway, which they did. There are photographs of Vidkun Quisling with Adolf Hitler, Heinrich Himmler, Josef Terboven, Nikolaus von Falkenhorst and officers of the Waffen-SS, war criminals responsible for the homicides of millions of men, women, and

children. After World War II ended, Vidkun Quisling was arrested and charged with murder and conspiring with Adolf Hitler to invade and occupy Norway. Quisling was convicted of all charges and executed by firing squad on October 24, 1945.

The word “quisling” is in the Scandinavian and English dictionary and vocabulary today for those who collaborate with the enemy and for those who betray their own country. The word “quisling” has been used in books, comic strips, films, and speeches to portray traitors in a manner similar to phrases such as Benedict Arnold or Fifth Column.

The name Quisling Cove on Kiska Island in the Aleutian Islands honors Vidkun Quisling and other traitors who betray their own country. The name Quisling Cove is also disrespectful of the Unanga̋ people who paid dearly during World War II and to U.S. Army Private George Fox who was born in Unga, raised in Unalaska, and killed in action in Italy in 1944 while trying to help retake Rome from the Nazis.

The proponent also proposed two name changes for features on Little Kiska Island that the BGN-DNC approved in July 2025: Nazi Creek to [Kaxchim Chiḡanaa](#) and Nip Hill to [Kaxchim Qayaa](#).

The name was suggested by Moses L. Dirks, an expert in the Unangam Tunuu language and an Unanga̋ elder.

The proponent originally proposed changing the name to Imuqudaagis (Review List 456), but this name was already recorded in GNIS for [a nearby island](#). The proposal cited the same publication that was used to add the name Imuqudaagis to GNIS.

The proponent provided many letters of support for the change to Imuqudaagis.

Research shows that the name Quisling Cove was applied during World War II by the U.S. Army for tactical purposes ahead of Operation Cottage, which took place in August 1943 in an effort to retake Kiska Island and Little Kiska Island from Japanese forces.

The name was added to GNIS in 2001, citing Donald Orth’s 1967 *Dictionary of Alaska Place Names*, USGS Professional Paper 567, the introduction of which states:

This work is an alphabetical list of the geographic names that are now applied and have been applied to places and features of the Alaska landscape. Principal names, compiled from modern maps and charts *and printed in boldface type*, generally reflect present-day local usage.
[emphasis added]

The entry for Quisling Cove is in *normal, not boldface, type* and reads:

cove, 0.5 mi. across, 4 mi. NE of Lief Cove on W coast of Kiska I., Aleutian Is.; 51°58’45”N, 177°23’00”E; (map 14). Var. Eric Cove.

This is one of many arbitrary names applied by U.S. military forces to features on Kiska Island during World War II for tactical purposes.

Orth lists over 250 names applied to features on Kiska Island and Little Kiska Island as a result of the Army’s project. It also lists approximately 60 “arbitrary names applied to features on Kiska I. by USAAF [U.S. Army Air Force] for tactical purposes during World War II.” These names do not follow any pattern, but there are groups of plant, animal, and bird names.

Although it is unknown why specific names were chosen by the U.S. Army, there appears to be no intentional motive by the U.S. Army in 1943 to “honor” Vidkun Quisling with the name Quisling Cove.

The cove was not named on USGS topographic maps until the onset of the USTopo program, which automatically places names from GNIS. It is not known whether the name is used today.

Stakeholder Input

State Names Authority	Alaska Historical Commission	
Federal agency	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	

Arizona

New name Monick Draw

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Monick Draw
Proposal type	New commemorative name for unnamed feature
Proponent	Avery Frantz, Sons of Spanish American War Veterans; Phoenix, AZ
Date proposed	5/13/2025
BGN case number	6573
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	32.6695950, -110.5966953
Secondary coordinates	32.6691280, -110.5978623
Feature class	valley
Feature size	0.1 mi. long
Feature description	0.5 mi. NNE of Clark Wash, 7 mi. WSW of Sombrero Butte
Name history	Honors Frank Monick (1839/1840–1901), mule packer, Arizona mining figure, U.S. Army Master Packer
USGS primary topo map	Clark Ranch 1:24,000
State(s)	Arizona
County(s)	Pinal County
PLSS	Sec. 10, T9S, R17E, Gila & Salt River Meridian
Land ownership	Arizona State Land Department

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The name *Monick Draw* is proposed for a small, approximately 0.1 mile-long, officially unnamed valley in Pinal County, Arizona. The proponent initially proposed “Monick Hill,” but amended the name after DNC staff asked the proponent how the name matched the topography of the feature.

The proponent wishes to commemorate Frank Monick (1839/1840–1901) and included supporting information which stated that Monick:

- was a French Canadian–American with reported Indigenous heritage
- lived for many years in the Arizona Territory
- worked as a mule packer and ore hauler in the region’s early mining economy
- served as a Master Packer for the U.S. Army during the Spanish-American War
- deployed to Cuba and the Philippines during his military service
- died in service in 1901; buried at Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines
- homesteaded land adjacent to the feature according to General Land Office records

DNC staff asked the proponent why they proposed the name for such a small feature; the proponent replied:

The reason for such a small area is because it is most likely within the area of the homestead in which this is the only portion that is public land. The rest is either a new farm or owned by the mines.

The [General Land Office records](#) shared by the proponent show that the feature is located just to the east of Monick’s lands.

The name is not in current local use, and no letters of support or opposition were submitted at the time of inclusion on the Review List.

PAD-US data show that the feature is within Pinal County proposed open space and State Trust Land managed by the Arizona State Land Department.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Pinal County Board of Supervisors	
State Names Authority	Arizona State Board on Geographic & Historic Names (ASBGHN)	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	
Other	Arizona State Department of Land	

New name Roadrunner Crater

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Roadrunner Crater
Proposal type	new name for unnamed feature
Proponent	Jason Davis; Flagstaff, AZ
Date proposed	6/17/2025
BGN case number	6599
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	35.3756, -111.3794
Feature class	crater
Feature size	Elevation: ~6,500 ft
Feature description	Within the San Francisco Volcanic Field, 2.3 mi. N of Moon Crater, 1.9 mi. SE of Bottom Crater.
Name history	Named in reference to Roadrunner Ranch
USGS primary topo map	Strawberry Crater 1:24,000
State(s)	Arizona
County(s)	Coconino County
PLSS	Sec 18, T23N, R10E, Gila-Salt River Meridian
Land ownership	Coconino National Forest / Arizona State Land Department

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The name *Roadrunner Crater* is proposed for an officially unnamed cinder cone within the San Francisco Volcanic Field, located in Halfmoon Crater Valley on the eastern edge of the field. The feature is approximately one mile in circumference and rises to an elevation of 6,500 feet above a pinyon-juniper forest. The majority of the crater lies on Arizona State Trust Land, while its western ridge extends into the Coconino National Forest.

The proponent states the name has been used by local residents of Alpine Ranches, a neighborhood east of Flagstaff, referencing the nearby Roadrunner Ranch, established in 1999. He writes, “Roadrunner Crater has been used as the name... for over 25 years” and that the crater “is a very prominent unnamed geologic feature... used as a geographic point of reference by local residents, visitors, and cowboys.”

The proponent states that

Roadrunner Crater has been used as the name for this unnamed cinder cone by local residents of Alpine Ranches [a rural neighborhood east of Flagstaff] for over 25 years. It was named after Roadrunner Ranch, a 100 acre ranch at base of crater which was named for the large amount of roadrunners that live around the cinder cone. . . . I believe this

crater should be named because it is a very prominent unnamed geologic feature visible from FS 545 between Sunset Crater National Monument and Wupatki National Monuments. It is used as a geographic point of reference by local residents, visitors, and cowboys.

When asked about “Roadrunner Ranch” and to address the [Commercial Names Policy](#), the proponent responded:

Roadrunner Ranch is not a working ranch or commercial enterprise, just my families homestead. Only thing we raise/ranch are sticker bushes and tumbleweeds. . . . We did have a bnb for a short time but stopped over five years ago when we moved back to RRR full time.

We considered asking for Roadrunner Ranch Crater but was advised against it for reasons covered in Commercial Names Policy. Roadrunner Crater, I feel, is more in tune with local lore and history of area.

The proponent shared photographs and a map of the crater and did not provide evidence of local support or documentation of local use by the time of the proposal’s inclusion on the review list.

The proponent also proposed the name Halfmoon Crater in 2023 which was included on Review List 452 and approved by the BGN-DNC in July 2024.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Coconino County Board of Supervisors	
State Names Authority	Arizona State Board on Geographic & Historic Names (ASBGHN)	
Federal Agency	U.S. Forest Service	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	
Other	State Trust Land	

Arkansas

New name Hooten Hollow

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Hooten Hollow
Proposal type	New name for unnamed feature
Proponent	Nathan Edwards; Parkville, MO
Date proposed	5/7/2025
BGN case number	6566
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	35.9481794, -92.8191890
Secondary coordinates	35.9435425, -92.8121586
Feature class	Valley
Feature size	~0.5 mi. long
Feature description	Lies 0.2 mi. W of Wildcat Hollow, terminus at Calf Creek
Name history	Named for owls that can be heard in the hollow
USGS primary topo map	Snowball 1:24,000
State(s)	Arkansas
County(s)	Searcy County
PLSS	Sec. 17, T15N, R17W, 5th Meridian
Land ownership	Private (proponent reports ownership)

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The name *Hooten Hollow* is proposed for a half-mile-long officially unnamed valley on private land in Searcy County, Arkansas. The proposed feature is a hollow west of Wildcat Hollow that trends into Calf Creek.

The proponent stated that their family has owned the run of the hollow for years. When camping and exploring, we're always surprised to hear the variety of owls that have taken residency there. The name "Hooten" has been ubiquitous amongst all my family. We plan on owning and keeping this hollow wild indefinitely.

DNC staff asked about including a generic term in the name and the proponent amended the name to Hooten Hollow.

There is no documentation of current local usage beyond the proponent's household, and no formal letters of support were submitted at the time of the proposal's inclusion on the Review List.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Searcy County Quorum Court	
State Names Authority	Arkansas Geographic Names Authority	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	

California

New name Challenger Peak

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Challenger Peak
Proposal type	make official a name in local use
Current official name	N/A
GNIS ID	N/A
Proponent	Andrew Kirmse; no mailing address provided
Date proposed	6/8/2025
BGN case number	6609
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	37.49447, -121.6788
Secondary coordinates	n/a
Feature class	summit
Feature size	Elevation 3,841 ft.
Feature description	highest point on Valpe Ridge
Name history	Named in use by the hiking community because it challenged the previous known and measured high point of Alameda County
USGS primary topo map	Mount Day 1:24,000
State(s)	California
County(s)	Alameda County
Local jurisdiction(s)	n/a
PLSS	Sec. 17, T5S R3E, Mount Diablo Meridian
Land ownership	Private

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

This proposal is to make the name *Challenger Peak* official for Federal use for a 3,841-foot summit in Alameda County.

The name has reportedly been used for over 20 years by the hiking and “peakbagging” community.

The proponent reported the following details explaining the name (paraphrased):

- [Rose Peak](#) was originally thought to be the highest point in Alameda County.
- In the 1990s, “peakbaggers” and “highpointers” (hikers who visit high points of counties, states, etc.) noticed a higher point on USGS topographic maps (unlabeled within a 3,840-foot contour) which was named [Discovery Peak](#) in 1994.

- Later, “highpointers” noticed a summit to the southeast that was as high or higher with elevation 3,841 feet on USGS maps and began to call it “Challenger Peak” because it could challenge the status of Discovery Peak
- Hiking websites, such as peakbagger.com and listsofjohn.com started using the name in the early 2000s.
- 2022 USGS Lidar data recorded a higher elevation of “Challenger Peak,” about one foot higher than Discovery Peak.
- “An in-person differential GPS survey using professional-grade equipment determined that the Challenger Peak [ten-foot-high] rock [tower] is actually 7 feet higher [than the high point of Discovery Peak].

The proponent justified the proposal by stating:

Challenger Peak is a significant mountain with over 1000 feet of topographic prominence, and of course, it is the highest point of a very populated county. It deserves a name, especially as the formerly identified high points (Rose Peak, Discovery Peak) both have names. This name has been in common use among the hiking community for over 20 years, and there are no known competing names.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Alameda County	
State Names Authority	California Advisory Committee on Geographic Names	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	

Colorado

New name Yellaroot Mountain

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Yellaroot Mountain
Proposal type	New name for unnamed feature
Current official name	N/A
GNIS ID	N/A
Proponent	Ryan Vickerman; Murfreesboro, TN
Date proposed	4/28/25
BGN case number	6560
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	37.56544, -107.201612
Secondary coordinates	n/a
Feature class	summit
Feature size	Elevation 11,492 ft.
Feature description	1.8 mi. SE of Cimmarona Peak
Name history	Named for a nickname of the Ponderosa Pine in reference to its yellowish wood
USGS primary topo map	Cimarrona Peak 1:24,000
State(s)	Colorado
County(s)	Hinsdale County
Local jurisdiction(s)	n/a
PLSS	Sec 5, T38N 3W, New Mexico Meridian
Land ownership	San Juan National Forest / Weminuche Wilderness

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The new name *Yellaroot Mountain* is proposed for an officially unnamed 11,492-foot summit in the Weminuche Wilderness in San Juan National Forest in Hinsdale County.

The proponent explained the name by saying:

The name "Yellaroot Mountain" is inspired by the yellow sapwood of the Ponderosa pine (*Pinus ponderosa*), a tree native to the Weminuche Wilderness and prevalent in the San Juan National Forest. This descriptive name highlights the area's natural features and ecological importance. Naming the mountain would also assist hikers and forest service personnel navigating near the Williams Creek Trailhead, enhancing safety and communication.

DNC staff could find no online use of “yellaroot” to refer to the ponderosa pine.

The proponent also submitted the new name Xeedo Mountain for an unnamed summit in Utah, included below in this document.

The proponent justified the name by saying:
The name serves an overriding need [to apply a new name in a Federal wilderness] by improving navigation and safety near a popular trailhead [the Williams Creek Trailhead], benefiting hikers and emergency responders. . . .

A Geographic Names Information System (GNIS) search confirms "Yellaroot Mountain" is unique and avoids confusion with nearby features. . . .

The name is concise and practical for maps and communication. . . .

"Yellaroot Mountain" contains no derogatory or offensive terms. . . .

"Yellaroot Mountain" is a fitting, policy-compliant name that celebrates the natural heritage of the Weminuche Wilderness and San Juan National Forest while serving practical purposes.

The proponent did not state that there is current local use of the name and did not provide any support with the proposal.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Hinsdale County	
State Names Authority	Colorado Geographic Naming Advisory Board	
Federal	U.S. Forest Service	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	

Florida

New name Midas Pond

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Midas Pond
Proposal type	new name for unnamed feature
Proponent	Stephen Lau; Geneva, FL
Date proposed	5/27/2025
BGN case number	6581
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	28.7048382, -81.1177918
Feature class	reservoir
Feature size	2 acres
Feature description	1 mi. E of Twin Lakes, 1.3 mi. SW of Taylor Lake
Name history	Name references a the Midas myth and the golden color of the reservoir at sunset
USGS primary topo map	Geneva 1:24,000
State(s)	Florida
County(s)	Seminole County
Land ownership	Private (proponent and three neighbors)

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The new name *Midas Pond* is proposed for an unnamed 2-acre pond in Seminole County. The pond is entirely on the proponent’s property and three of his neighbors.

The proponent wrote:

During and before sunset, the pond will become golden in appearance. Inspired by a famous movie in the 80’s starred by Henry Fonda, this tranquil and well maintained pond deserves a beautiful name to describe its uniqueness. . . . Midas. . . refers to a legendary Phrygian King known for his golden touch, [and] Midas Pond will be a name which can convene golden meaning and elegant nature.

The proponent did not provide any evidence of local support.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Seminole County Board of County Commissioners	
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State Names Authority	Florida Geographic Names Authority	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	

Idaho

New name Bush Lake

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Bush Lake
Proposal type	New name for unnamed feature
Proponent	Brian V. Bush; Shelley, ID
Date proposed	5/29/25
BGN case number	6585
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	44.4206492, -114.3880224
Secondary coordinates	n/a
Feature class	lake
Feature size	1.5 acres
Feature description	0.85 mi. NE of Bayhorse Lake
Name history	Named for William F. Bush (1927-1976) who started a family tradition of visiting the lake
USGS primary topo map	Bayhorse Lake 1:24,000
State(s)	Idaho
County(s)	Custer County
Local jurisdiction(s)	n/a
PLSS	Secs 30&31, T13N R17E, Boise Meridian
Land ownership	Challis National Forest

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names:
 - *Bayhorse Lake #3*: Idaho Fish and Game Idaho Fishing Planner, 2025

Case Summary

The new name *Bush Lake* is proposed for an officially unnamed 1.5-acre lake in Challis National Forest in Custer County. The lake is near Bayhorse Lake and Little Bayhorse Lake.

The proponent wishes to honor his father, William F. Bush (1927-1976). The proponent wrote:
[Starting i]n the 1960s our father William Frank Bush took his family to Little Bayhorse Lake.
. . [and] went regularly until 1976 when my father passed of a heart attack at the age of 48.

One of his favorite things to do was hike up to the little lake above Little Bayhorse Lake with his children. He was an avid outdoorsman and always emphasized that we not only enjoy the outdoors, but that also we leave no trace and try to leave an area better than we found it. . . . [W]e spent every trip at the small lake enjoying the solitude and beauty.

Upon reaching adulthood, five of his sons and many more son-in-laws and friends regularly started making the annual trip to "William F. Bush" Lake. A grandson who never knew Him, made a sign that said, "William F. Bush Lake". That sign sat at the Lake for many years in the 1990s until it was destroyed by chipmunks many years after placing.

We still make trips with grandsons and others to the Lake which forever will be "William F. Bush" Lake to our family. We continue to teach His love and respect of the outdoors to our children and grandchildren as we visit this yet unnamed lake.

The proponent initially proposed the name “William F. Bush Lake” because the family had put up a sign with this name in the 1990s, which is no longer there. When asked to justify the full name, the proponent stated that the name Bush Lake “would be 100% acceptable to our family and it would be more ‘area friendly’ as it is surrounded by Bushes.” The proponent also asked that the summary note that his father left high school to enlist in the Merchant Marines during World War II, worked for the Department of Energy United States Atomic Energy Commission until his death, and that “[w]e believe ‘Bush Lake’ would honor him while being more friendly to the community as a whole.”

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game uses the name “[Bayhorse Lake #3](#)” for this lake.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Custer County	
State Names Authority	Idaho	
Federal	U.S. Forest Service	
Federally Recognized Tribes		
Other		

New name Lake Bear

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Lake Bear
Proposal type	new name for unnamed feature
Proponent	Matthew Yavorsky; Hailey, ID
Date proposed	6/9/2025
BGN case number	6593
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	43.7153021, -113.8047552
Feature class	Lake
Feature size	3.46 acres
Feature description	0.75 mi. WNW of Smiley Mountain
Name history	Refers to bears
USGS primary topo map	Smiley 1:24,000
State(s)	Idaho
County(s)	Custer County
PLSS	PB 47, T5N, R22E, Boise Meridian
Land ownership	Salmon-Challis National Forest

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The name *Lake Bear* is proposed for a 3.5-acre unnamed lake in the Pioneer Mountains of Custer County, Idaho in the Salmon-Challis National Forest. The lake is north of Smiley Mountain and is at the headwaters of the Middle Fork Bear Creek.

The proponent notes that the lake is difficult to access and found no current or historical name for this lake. I checked with the local Ranger District and they, too, had no knowledge of any current or historical name for this lake.

He explains that the name was initially inspired by a personal moment but evolved based on local guidance:

I joked that it should be called Lake Cutie, because my wife is a cutie. After speaking with the Custer County Commissioners, the idea of Lake Cutie seemed a little too informal.

Given that this lake is the headwaters for the Middle Fork Bear Creek, it seems fitting that ‘Bear’ should be in the title.

To avoid duplication, the proponent researched other “Bear”-related names and found:

There is already a lake in Idaho named ‘Bear Creek Lake.’ Additionally, there are 295 lakes in the USBGN database with ‘Bear’ in their title—185 of which are ‘Bear Lake,’ including 6 other lakes named ‘*Bear Lake*’ in the state of Idaho. . . . but there is no ‘Lake Bear.’

The proponent shared a letter of support from the Custer County Commissioners.

In follow-up communication with DNC staff, the proponent stated that

- the feature needed a name because it “is the headwaters lake for a named creek.”
- the meaning and significance of the name “is a reference to both local fauna and the creek in which it feeds. It is also entirely unique!”
- the name is fitting for the feature because it “It is a reference to both local fauna and the creek in which it feeds.”
- he wishes to name the lake because “my wife and I found it hiking, and later found it had no name. I thought it deserved a name.”

The proponent clarified that they were proposing “Lake Bear” rather than “Bear Lake” because he loves the idea of a unique name, not only because it makes it easier to find, but also to distinguish from the many other lakes with the same name (I believe there are 6 others in Idaho alone called Bear Lake).

There is no indication of local opposition, and the feature is not within a designated wilderness or wilderness study area.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Custer County Board of Commissioners	*Support
State Names Authority	Idaho State Names Authority	
Federal Agency	U.S. Forest Service	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	
Other		

*Provided by proponent

New name Raby Bay

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Raby Bay
Proposal type	new commemorative name for unnamed feature
Proponent	Kyle W. Kinyon; Sagle, ID
Date proposed	6/11/2025
BGN case number	6597
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	48.2113317, -116.3580304
Feature class	Bay
Feature size	3.8 acres
Feature description	Along Lake Pend Oreille, 0.3 mi. NE of Elliot Bay, 9.4 mi. S of Picard Point
Name history	Named for Walter Raymond Kinyon (1920–2019), a World War II veteran and longtime landowner in the area.
USGS primary topo map	Talache 1:24,000
State(s)	Idaho
County(s)	Bonner County
PLSS	Sec. 8, T56N, R1E, Boise Meridian
Land ownership	United States Army Corps of Engineers (Lake Pend Oreille)

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The new name *Raby Bay* is proposed for an unnamed bay located on the western shore of Lake Pend Oreille in Bonner County, Idaho. The feature lies just north of Elliot Bay and immediately east of Picard Point. It is situated approximately 0.8 miles west of the Coeur d’Alene Field Office and 1.5 miles northeast of the boundary of Kaniksu National Forest.

The name would commemorate Walter Raymond Kinyon (1920–2019), a World War II veteran and longtime landowner in the area. According to the proponent, “W.R. Kinyon owned approximately one half of the bay’s adjoining land for nearly fifty years. Mr. Kinyon was affectionately known to his family as ‘Bay Raby’. Thus, the proposed name ‘*Raby Bay*’.”

The biographical statement notes that Mr. Kinyon “was a WWII B17 pilot and squadron commander. As a member of the U.S. 15th Air Force based in Foggia, Italy he completed fifty bombing missions over Germany and Northern Italy.”

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Bonner County Board of Commissioners	
State Names Authority	Idaho State Names Authority	
Federal Agency	United States Army Corps of Engineers	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	

Iowa

New name Dilly Creek

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Dilly Creek
Proposal type	New commemorative name for unnamed feature
Proponent	Barbara J. Dilly; Shell Rock, IA
Date proposed	4/14/2025
Submitter	Courtney Myers, Natural Resources Conservation Service; Grundy Center, IA
Date submitted	4/14/2025
BGN case number	6557
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	42.7388722, -92.6875074
Secondary coordinates	42.7536369, -92.7304958
Feature class	Stream
Feature size	2.8 mi. long
Feature description	Heads 3.8 mi. WSW of Clarksville, flows generally E into Moulfon Creek
Name history	Named for Maxine Lucille Dilly (1930—2003) and her stewardship efforts surrounding the creek.
USGS primary topo map	Coster 1:24,000 T92N R16W
State(s)	Iowa
County(s)	Butler County
Local jurisdiction(s)	City of Clarksville
PLSS	Secs. 27,34,35,&36, T92N, R16W
Land ownership	Butler County land / Private

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The name *Dilly Creek* is proposed for a 2.87-mile-long unnamed tributary of Moulfon Creek in City of Clarksville, Butler County, Iowa. The stream flows through land formerly owned by Maxine Lucille Dilly and her husband, Robert Dilly, who maintained it as farmland and conservation space. The stream flows through land formerly owned by Maxine Lucille Dilly and her husband, Robert Dilly, who maintained it as farmland and conservation space. It also passes through the Leeper Prairie Preserve, a 40-acre native vegetation and wetland area acquired by Butler County in 1994 as a donation in memory of Lester Leeper. According to newspaper accounts, Leeper was a local farmer who lived along the stream, served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, and took part in both invasions of France.

The proposal was submitted by a USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) employee on behalf of a local resident with the last name Dilly, who resides in Shell Rock Township.

The proposal seeks to commemorate Maxine Lucille Dilly (1930–2003) for her stewardship and the lasting impact she made on her family’s relationship with the land. According to the submission,
Our mother saw the creek and the back forty wildlife preserve area surrounding it as a major source of enjoyment for her five children.

Her daughter recounts:
She sent us down to play in the water and the mud, where we sloshed and giggled for hours... She would pack lunches for us and gave us jars and buckets for the collection of biological specimens we learned to name. We also learned to study and appreciate their habits.

Maxine Dilly was also a full partner in the family’s conservation programs and natural resource management. Although her husband, Robert Dilly, received the Butler County Legacy for Conservation Award in 2024, the proponent emphasizes that Maxine’s active role in nurturing her children’s ecological awareness and love for the creek warrants recognition:
She deserves to be honored for her commitment to this important contribution to the natural history of this area.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	City of Clarksville Mayor/City Hall	
	Butler County Board of Supervisors	
State Names Authority	Iowa Geographic Names Authority	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	
Other	Leeper Prairie Preserve	

Maryland

New name Cygnet Brook

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Cygnet Brook
Proposal type	New name for unnamed feature
Proponent	Bernita Lee; Swan Creek School, Harford County Public Schools
Date proposed	6/5/2025
Submitter	Bernita Lee; Swan Creek School, Harford County Public Schools
BGN case number	6590
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	39.51288, -76.16624
Secondary coordinates	39.51719, -76.16878
Feature class	Stream
Feature size	Approx. 0.35 mi.
Feature description	Heads on a hill to flow S into a tributary of Swan Creek.
Name history	Proposed by students to reflect the stream's connection to Swan Creek School and Swan Creek; a cygnet is a baby swan and the stream is a small tributary in the Swan Creek watershed
USGS primary topo map	Aberdeen 1:24,000
State(s)	Maryland
County(s)	Harford County
Local jurisdiction(s)	City of Aberdeen
Land ownership	Harford County Public Schools

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The name *Cygnet Brook* is proposed for a 0.4-mile-long unnamed stream that flows into an unnamed tributary of Swan Creek on the campus of Swan Creek School in Aberdeen, Harford County, Maryland.

The name was developed by students as part of a Chesapeake Bay watershed education project, which included mapping, water testing, and cleanup activities. The school hopes to restore the stream area as an outdoor classroom.

The proposed name reflects both symbolism and geography:

A cygnet, the baby of a swan, represents hope, renewal, and the promise of a brighter future. This name connects to our school, Swan Creek School, and the larger stream, Swan Creek, that this Brook flows into.

They believe naming the stream will encourage community stewardship:

When we give a name to a natural feature, it becomes a part of our community and reminds us of the importance of protecting our environment.

The proposal is supported by Harford County Executive Bob Cassilly, who called the name “appropriate” and stated:

Naming this stream will recognize the environmental stewardship of the students at your school and call attention to the county government’s dedication to restoring this stream and its surrounding habitat.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	City of Aberdeen Mayor/City Council	
	Harford County Executive on behalf of County Government	*Support
State Names Authority	Maryland State Names Authority	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	
Other	Swan Creek School (proponent)	*Support

New name Onskat Stream

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Onskat Stream
Proposal type	new name for unnamed feature
Proponent	Baltimore County Department of Environmental Protection and Sustainability
Date proposed	5/14/2025
BGN case number	6575
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	39.37259, -76.57180
Secondary coordinates	39.38274, -76.57134
Feature class	stream
Feature size	0.5 mi. long
Feature description	Heads 1.4 mi. S of Limekiln Hollow, flows generally south into Herring Run
Name history	Onskat is derived from the Susquehannock word for “one” representing community values of unity, inclusion, and connection and recognition of local indigenous history
USGS primary topo map	Baltimore East 1:24,000
State(s)	Maryland
County(s)	Johnson County
Land ownership	private

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The new name *Onskat Stream* is proposed for an unnamed 0.5-mile-long tributary of Herring Run in Baltimore County. The stream begins near the Loch Raven Branch Library on Taylor Avenue and flows south through the Hillendale neighborhood to Herring Run near Perring Parkway.

The proposal was submitted on behalf of the Baltimore County Department of Environmental Protection and Sustainability. Employees of Pinnacle Communications Resource Company submitted the proposal. The company clarified that they assisted the County with public outreach during the “Name Our Streams” initiative, which involved community engagement, public voting, and litter cleanups.

According to the proposal, “Onskat” is the Susquehannock word for “one,” selected “to represent the values of unity, inclusion, and connection . . . and in recognition of the region’s Indigenous heritage.” As part of the initiative, “Onskat Stream received 75% of votes (105 out of 167),” and participants were

“required to engage in community litter cleanups, tying the stream’s identity to active conservation efforts.”

When asked to address the DNC’s [Cultural Sensitivity for Native American Names](#), a Pinnacle Communications Resource Company employee responded:

We are told that Onskat is Susquehannock for the word “one” and would honor this local Native American tribe in a way that represents unity for all people. In order to ensure that this name would be appropriate to consider and confirm if the word’s etymology and meaning suggested above is accurate, we reached out to Professor Akim Reinhardt at Towson who specializes in Indigenous North America. He let us know that while his own training is in Siouan languages (specifically Lakota) and he therefore could not confirm the meaning of the word onskat, he was able to provide an online source [a Susquehannock dictionary on [nativelanguages.org](#)] for the word meaning “one.” He did not express any concerns with using the word in relation to our suggested use. [note that the DNC does not consider [nativelanguages.org](#) to be an authoritative source of indigenous word meanings and spellings.]

The proposal included a letter of support from the County Councilmember who represents the district where the stream is located.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Baltimore County Council	
State Names Authority	Maryland Geographic Names Authority	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	
Other	Baltimore County Councilman, 6 th District	*Support
Baltimore County Dept. of Environmental Protection and Sustainability (proponent)	Support	

Change the name of Huckleberry Point (FID [596120](#)) to Teal Point

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Teal Point
Proposal type	change name to recognize local usage
Current official name	Huckleberry Point
GNIS ID	596120
Proponent	Jay G. Fischer; Earleville, MD
Date proposed	6/4/2025
BGN case number	6589
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	39.4562259, -75.9499439
Feature class	Cape
Feature size	Approx. 2 acres
Feature description	On the SW shore of Cabin John Creek, 0.9 mi. SE of Arnold Point
Name history	Named for teal ducks that can be found in the area
USGS primary topo map	Earleville 1:24,000
State(s)	Maryland
County(s)	Cecil County
Land ownership	Private (proponent)

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names:
 - Huckleberry Point: (Amrhein, John L., Jr. *The Middle and Upper Bay of Chesapeake as it appeared circa 1690 with all the Rivers, Shoals, Channels, Islands, Entrances, Soundings, Sailing Marks*, 1987. Map reproduction)

Case Summary

This proposal is to change the name of *Huckleberry Point*, on Cabin John Creek in Cecil County Maryland, to *Teal Point*. The name Huckleberry Point was added to the Geographic Names Information System (GNIS) in 1995 based on a 1987 map compiled from colonial-era sources.

The proponent wrote:

The point was named *Teal Point* in 1949 when purchased by Earl and Constance Shuman and has been used continuously by the decedents [sic] of the the Shumans' and the other property owners in the area. No one has ever used the name Huckleberry Point and it is not used anywhere except the GIS map. The change is requested so that the official maps reflect the common usage which has continued for 75 years.

No formal letters of support or documentation of usage were received upon the inclusion in the Review List.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Cecil County Council	
State Names Authority	Maryland State Names Authority	
Federal Agency	NOAA	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	

Massachusetts

New name Stevies Brook

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Stevies Brook
Proposal type	New commemorative name for unnamed feature
Proponent	Donna Rebello; Westport, MA
Date proposed	5/6/25
BGN case number	6563
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	41.54273, -71.00578
Secondary coordinates	41.54709, -71.03124
Feature class	stream
Feature size	2.6 mi. long
Feature description	Heads 0.9 mi. S of Slades Corner, flows SE then NE into Slocums River
Name history	Named for Steven Rebello (1965-2019) a lifelong and well-loved resident of the area
USGS primary topo map	Head of Westport 1:24,000
State(s)	Massachusetts
County(s)	Bristol County
Local jurisdiction(s)	Town of Dartmouth, Town of Westport
PLSS	n/a
Land ownership	private

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The new name Stevies Brook is proposed for a 2.6-mile-long tributary of Slocums River that flows from the Town of Westport into the Town of Dartmouth, Bristol County.

The name is proposed in honor of Steven Rebello (1965-2019) by his wife. The proponent said that they “[w]ould love to have brook/steam named Steve Rebello brook (or stream) after my late husband” and provided a long list of reasons, summarized below:

- he was a lifelong resident of Westport and Dartmouth
- he grew up and later lived adjacent to the stream until his death
- he “was an amazing man, loved by all. There was not a thing he wouldn't do to help anyone in need. He loved everything about Westport and spent most of his time when he was not working enjoying the many pleasures the town has to offer.”

- he was diagnosed with a brain tumor in 2017 but “remained so kind and humorous” until his passing
- her “family would like nothing more than to have a place here on earth, in his hometown, to be able to sit by and reminisce about this amazing man. This brook is just down the street from where he grew up, Steve’s parents still live in today, in the town we first met. This would be an amazing tribute to an amazing human being.”

The proponent originally proposed the name as Steve Rebello Brook for just the section that flows under Division Road. DNC staff asked the proponent to justify the full name and confirm they knew the name would apply to the entire stream, and the proponent responded:

After reading the Commemorative Names Policy, me and my family would be more than happy for it to be named “Stevie’s Stream”. It would be wonderful if the entire stream could be named this but I would be more than happy if it was just the section that runs under Division Road.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Town of Dartmouth	
	Town of Westport	
	Bristol County	
State Names Authority	Massachusetts	
Federal	n/a	
Federally Recognized Tribes		
Other		

New name Sunset Stream

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Sunset Stream
Proposal type	Make official name in local use
Proponent	Robert Kearns; Quincy, MA
Date proposed	6/6/2025
BGN case number	6591
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	-71.01159, 42.19757
Secondary coordinates	-71.01573, 42.20148
Feature class	stream
Feature size	0.4 mi. long
Feature description	Heads at Sunset Lake to flow SE into the Maniquot River
Name history	Named in association with Sunset Pond
USGS primary topo map	Blue Hills 1:24,000
State(s)	Massachusetts
County(s)	Norfolk County
Local jurisdiction(s)	Town of Braintree
Land ownership	Local municipal land

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The name *Sunset Stream* is proposed for an unnamed stream located in Braintree, Norfolk County, Massachusetts. The stream flows out of Sunset Lake 0.4 miles south-southeast into Manatiquot River in the Braintree Municipal Golf Course.

The name has been used informally by residents in reference to Sunset Pond. The proponent stated that use began following recent ecological restoration efforts. After the removal of dams on the Monatiquot River, river herring have returned to this stream—reaching Sunset Lake for the first time in over 200 years.

The proposal is supported by the Mayor of the Town of Braintree, who submitted a letter describing the stream as “an essential part of our local ecosystem” and emphasizing the naming’s importance for public awareness and emergency response.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Town of Braintree Mayor	*Support
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	Norfolk County Board of Commissioners	
State Names Authority	Massachusetts State Names Authority	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	

Michigan

New names Eagle Island and Little Loon Island

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Eagle Island, Little Loon Island
Proposal type	new names for unnamed features
Proponent	Nancy Stevens; Grand Lake Association; Presque Isle, MI
Date proposed	10/11/2024
BGN case number	6546, 6547
Quarterly Review List	460
USGS primary topo map	Grand Lake 1:24,000
State(s)	Michigan
County(s)	Presque Isle County
Local jurisdiction(s)	Krakow Township
PLSS	Sec. 24, T34N, R7E
Land ownership	Private / State jurisdiction over submerged lands

Eagle Island

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	45.32533, -83.53362
Feature class	island
Feature size	approx. 115 ft. x 80 ft.
Feature description	Located in the northern portion of Black Bass Bay, this is the larger of the two islands.
Name history	The name refers to bald eagles often seen perching in the tallest tree. Their return to Grand Lake reflects successful conservation efforts.

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Little Loon Island

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	45.32267, -83.53272
Feature class	Island
Feature size	approx. 115 ft. x 80 ft.
Feature description	This is the smaller of the two islands in Black Bass Bay.
Name history	The name was chosen to celebrate the significant presence of loons on Grand Lake.

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

These two names, *Eagle Island* and *Little Loon Island*, are proposed for previously unnamed islands in Black Bass Bay on Grand Lake within Presque Isle County.

The names were chosen through a community-wide contest led by the Grand Lake Association (GLA), which received over 80 entries from local residents and property owners during the summer of 2024. The community wanted to name the islands because they are the only unnamed islands among 19 islands on Grand Lake.

The selected names honor two of the lake's most prominent species: bald eagles and loons. Both birds are considered symbolic of Grand Lake's ecosystem and are regularly observed nesting, feeding, or resting in the area. According to the proposal, the GLA contest and the subsequent names were a unifying effort across the Grand Lake community. No local opposition has been reported.

The name *Eagle Island* reflects local pride in the resurgence of bald eagles in the Grand Lake region. The proponent notes that the island is a common resting or lookout site for eagles, and its prominent trees make it an ideal roosting spot. The name was selected by the community in recognition of these symbolic and ecological connections.

The name *Little Loon Island* honors the importance of loons to the Grand Lake ecosystem and community identity. Loons are widely observed on the lake, especially during nesting season. Their calls are an iconic sound in the early mornings, and the community takes pride in supporting their continued presence.

The proposals are supported by multiple stakeholders at the local, state, and organizational levels, including:

- Grand Lake Association (GLA) – Organizer of the island naming contest and formal proponent.
- Michigan Department of Natural Resources – Noted that both names are “appropriate” and that Grand Lake is “largely undeveloped, home to a multitude of flora and fauna.”
- Presque Isle County Board of Commissioners – Unanimously supports both names as “special to the Grand Lake area.”
- State Representative Cam Cavitt – Emphasized that Eagles and Loons are “cherished symbols of the area’s natural heritage.”
- Grand Lake Sportsmen’s Club – Called the naming effort “a renewed appreciation for this special place.”
- Krakow Township – Submitted formal support stating both names are “absolutely appropriate” and requested BGN approval.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Krakow Township	*support
	Presque Isle County Board of Commissioners	*support
State Names Authority	Michigan Geographic Names Authority	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	
Other	Grand Lake Association (GLA)	*support
	Michigan Department of Natural Resources	*support
	Presque Isle County Board of Commissioners	*support
	State Representative Cam Cavitt	*support
	Grand Lake Sportsmen's Club	*support

*provided by the proponent

Change the name of Trune Lake (FID [1615141](#)) to Lake Taube

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Lake Taube
Proposal type	Change name to commemorate individual
Current official name	Trune Lake
GNIS ID	FID 1615141
Proponent	Rick Taube; Columbiaville, MI
Date proposed	4/10/2025
BGN case number	6555
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	43.1494809, -83.3325231
Feature class	Lake
Feature size	3.3 acres
Feature description	1.6 mi. SW of Littlefield Lake, 0.6 mi. ENE of Hortin Lake, the Flint River flows to the west of the lake.
Name history	Named for Gustave Arvid Taube (1915–1978) who homesteaded here.
USGS primary topo map	Barnes Lake 1:24,000
State(s)	Michigan
County(s)	Lapeer County
Local jurisdiction(s)	Deerfield Township
PLSS	Sec. 31, T9N, R10E, Michigan Meridian
Land ownership	Private

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: Trune Lake (USGS 1963)

Case Summary

The proposal is to change the name of *Trune Lake*, a private lake in Deerfield Township, Lapeer County, Michigan, to *Lake Taube*. The proponent shared tax records that show the lake is located fully on land owned by the Taube family.

The proposed name would commemorate Gustave Arvid Taube (1915–1978), who purchased the property in early 1953. At the time, he left a secure job as a lead carpenter at Ford Motor Company in Detroit to relocate his family to Columbiaville, where they established a rural homestead. The proponent, his son, writes:

His decision to move to Columbiaville, Michigan to provide a better life for his family caused him to lose all of his Ford benefits. . . . We spent endless hours on that lake fishing to meet [our] weekly requirement for a ‘fish dinner.’

The proponent emphasizes his father’s sacrifice and stewardship, adding:

I inherited the property after the death of my mother in 2003. My trust will pass on the property to my son. . . . I can think of no better way to honor my father than to have the lake carrying his name.

The name *Trune Lake* appears to have originated from tax records in the 1800s, when the Trune family owned the property. Historical and genealogical records indicate the Trune family had a presence in Lapeer County well into the 20th century. Several individuals with the surname Trune, including Mary Trune (d. 2006) and Charlene Frances Trune (1947–1986), are buried in Stiles Cemetery near Columbiaville. The name has appeared on USGS topographic maps since 1963.

The proponent notes that the lake has changed ownership multiple times since the Trune Family's ownership, including several decades of private ownership by the Taube family.

The proponent obtained and submitted letters from the Deerfield Township Supervisor and the Lapeer County Board of Commissioners which both stated that they do not object to the name change. Both letters stated that the lake is entirely on the proponent's property. The County Commissioners also wrote that because the proponent owns the entirety of the lake the name change "does not affect any other surrounding property owners."

The proponent also submitted the following to support his proposal:

- an April 23, 2025 *Lapeer County Press* article honoring the Taube Homestead barn on their 2025 County Press Barn Tour
- photos from the Memorial Service for Gustave and Dorothy Taube
- a photo Gustave and Dorothy Taube headstone
- 5. 17 acres previously removed from production to form the
- an aerial image of the property with 17 acres indicated that the family will repurpose as the "Gus and Dot Taube Memorial Sanctuary for Endangered Butterflies, Honeybees and Moths"
- the following statements that the proponent hopes "will satisfy the 'compelling reason...' requirement for a change [as stated in the [Name Changes Policy](#)]"
 - "No member of the Trune family have set foot on the property in over 100 years. The property has since changed ownership several times."
 - "There is no 'Trune Lake Party Store' or 'Trune Lake Bait Shop' to be affected by a name change to Lake Taube."
 - "The lake cannot be seen from any road. It only appears on aerial maps."
 - "There is a real probability that the farm will become one of Michigan's Centennial Farms with the Taube name in 2053."
 - "Since we moved to the farm in 1953, my father lived his life and died in his home. 15 years later, my mother joined him. The next year we held a Memorial Service to celebrate both of their lives."
 - "My brother lived in his home on the property. After his death, his wife and children spread his ashes around the lake at his favorite spots."
 - "My wife began Home Hospice Care at the end of March. . . . Within a couple of years, there will be 5 members of the Taube family returned to the soil. I believe that the committee would be hard pressed to find another family with stronger ties to these fields and this lake than the Taube family."

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Deerfield Township Supervisor	No objection*
	Lapeer County Board of Commissioners	No objection*
State Names Authority	Michigan Geographic Names Authority	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	

* obtained by proponent

Missouri

New name Lossing Spring

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Lossing Spring
Proposal type	New name for unnamed feature
Proponent	John D. Lossing; Exeter, MO
Date proposed	4/10/2025
BGN case number	6554
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	36.652966, -94.003783
Feature size	0.25 acres
Feature description	Within Sinder Hollow,
Name history	Named for Audrey Nadine Lossing (1922–2010 who lived on the farm.
USGS primary topo map	Rocky Comfort 1:24,000
State(s)	Missouri
County(s)	Barry County
PLSS	Sec. 6, T22N, R28W, 5th Meridian
Land ownership	Private

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The name *Lossing Spring* is proposed for a spring located on private land near Exeter in Barry County, Missouri. The spring flows from a limestone bluff into a manmade basin and a small pond before flowing into Little Sugar Creek. The feature lies just west of the city of Exeter, near the Barry–Newton County line.

The name would commemorate Audrey Nadine Lossing (1922–2010), the proponent’s mother. She lived on the farm from 2000 to 2004 and frequently used the spring for drinking water and recreation with her grandchildren. Plans to bottle and distribute the water were abandoned due to a family illness. According to the proponent:

[Audrey Lossing] loved the spring, using it for drinking water, wading, and fishing with the grandkids. . . . We have lots of good memories watching her entertain the grandkids there.

The submission also references local oral history and archaeological findings:

Rumors have been passed down that Jesse James and his gang would use the spring when they frequented the area. . . . Two Indian tomahawk heads and many arrowheads have been found near the spring since 2000.

The proponent indicates that these traditions were documented in an interview with Hugh Lacey, a local resident born in 1916, and are reportedly archived at the Barry County Museum in Cassville, MO.

At the time of the proposal’s inclusion on the Review List, no documentation of local support or endorsements had been received.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Barry County Commission	
State Names Authority	Missouri Board on Geographic Names (MOBGN)	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	

New Mexico

New name Centennial Spring

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Centennial Spring
Proposal type	make official a name in recent local use
Proponent	Zachary Tolar; Glenwood, NM
Date proposed	5/12/25
BGN case number	6571
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	33.3327, -108.62605
Secondary coordinates	n/a
Feature class	spring
Feature size	n/a
Feature description	1.1 mi. NE of Whitewater Baldy
Name history	named in reference to the centennial of the Gila Wilderness and the completion of the Gila Centennial Loop trail
USGS primary topo map	Grouse Mountain 1:24,000
State(s)	New Mexico
County(s)	Catron County
Local jurisdiction(s)	n/a
PLSS	Sec 20, T11S R17W, New Mexico Meridian
Land ownership	Gila National Forest / Gila Wilderness

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

This proposal is to make official the name Centennial Spring for an officially unnamed spring in the Gila Wilderness of Gila National Forest, in Catron County.

The proponent reported that they currently work with a Forest Service trail crew through a conservation corps and had previously worked directly for the Forest Service on that trail crew. The proponent is not submitting the proposal on behalf of the Forest Service. The spring is not shown on USGS or Forest Service maps.

The proponent reported that:

A faint. . . trail [connects the spring and a forested area] often used as a camping area for forest managers and visitors. . . .

The name [was applied] in honor of the Gila Wilderness's 100th anniversary in 2024, while Forest trail crews and conservation corps were clearing the last section of. . . the Gila Centennial Loop, a [trail] celebrating 100 years of wilderness. . . . This spring was used as the crews' water source during the final days of clearing the Centennial Loop. As such, "Centennial Spring" seemed fitting.

The proponent provided the following statement for the “overriding need” to apply this new name under the [Wilderness Area Geographic Names Policy](#):

I believe this spring is significant in both the history of the Gila and recreational use within the wilderness. Nearby features such as Hummingbird Spring and Saddle are named and marked, and are necessary watering points for trail users. This spring is a similarly vital source of water for trail users and forest managers alike. . . . Unmarked on any forest map, Centennial Spring would provide water near one of the last pleasant, green patches of the otherwise burned-out hillsides of the Mogollon Mountains. Commemoration of the Gila Wilderness, the first wilderness area in the world, with the completion of the Gila Centennial Loop near the spring, seems fitting.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Catron County	
State Names Authority	New Mexico State Names advisor	
Federal	U.S. Forest Service	
Federally Recognized Tribes		
Other		

North Carolina

Change Killian Crossroads (FID [987962](#)) to Chronicle

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Chronicle
Proposal type	change name to recognize local use
Current official name	Killian Crossroads
GNIS ID	987962
Proponent	James Kmosko; Maiden, North Carolina
Date proposed	6/21/2025
BGN case number	6600
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	35.558745, -81.0639668
Feature class	ppl (populated place)
Feature description	~12 mi. SE of Newton
Name history	Named for Major William Chronicle (1755–1780), a Revolutionary War officer.
USGS primary topo map	Denver 1:24,000
State(s)	North Carolina
County(s)	Catawba County

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names:
 - *Chronicle*: USGS 1895, 1960, 1962; USACE 1953
 - *Killian Crossroads*: USGS 1970, 1976, 1986, 1993

Case Summary

This proposal is to change the name of the unincorporated community, officially named *Killian Crossroads*, to *Chronicle*.

The name *Chronicle* is proposed to restore historical usage dating back to the 19th century and to recognize the community's association with Major William Chronicle (1755–1780), a Revolutionary War officer killed in the Battle of Kings Mountain in 1780. The proponent states that *Chronicle* was used officially as early as 1851, when a post office by that name was established, and it reportedly remains in use among some long-term residents. The proposal argues that *Chronicle* better reflects the historical identity of the area and distinguishes the broader community from the crossroads intersection now known as *Killian Crossroads*.

According to BGN staff research, the name *Chronicle* appeared on USGS topographic through the mid-20th century. BGN records contain a 1971 "Domestic Geographic Name Report" from a USGS

cartographic technician, which recorded four local residents who confirmed the name of the community as *Killian Crossroads*. The form reported that the

Name was taken from Killian grocery which was located at the X-rds. Chronicle was the name of the post office which was discontinued around the turn of the century and after that the area was referred to as Killian Crossroads. All persons contacted referred to the name as Killian Crossroads.

Based on this report, *Killian Crossroads* was adopted on federal maps around 1972. The name change was not reviewed or voted on by the U.S. Board on Geographic Names at the time.

Staff research also confirms that Major William Chronicle was a militia officer from what is now Lincoln and Gaston Counties, North Carolina. He led American forces in the 1775 Snow Campaign and later commanded a regiment at Kings Mountain, where he was killed in battle. His death occurred during what Thomas Jefferson called “the turn of the tide of success” in the Revolutionary War. He is buried at Kings Mountain National Military Park and is commemorated by a DAR chapter and a state historical marker (dn-cr.nc.gov).

The request is supported by documentation including:

- A historical summary and biographical sketch of Major Chronicle
- Historical maps from the 19th and 20th centuries showing *Chronicle*
- A letter of support from the editorial team of *The Chronicle Chronicle*, a local newsletter

The proponent stated that

Chronicle is the name of the unincorporated town surrounding Killian Crossroads . . . The name “Chronicle” was used on maps . . . until at least 1980. The term Killian Crossroads is a relatively recent invention and refers only to the intersection, not the surrounding community. . . .

When the surviving militiamen returned to their homes, those who lived around what later became Killian Crossroads began to call the area *Chronicle* in [the Major’s] honor, a tradition which became legally recognized on the 30th of August 1851 with the establishment of the first Chronicle Post Office. The tradition persists in his honor unto this day. . . .

The proposal was made both to reflect local use and to honor William Chronicle, hero of the American revolution, with a particular focus on the latter. The Killian family has lived in the area for a while, and there are several other landmarks named after them (including the confusingly named Killian's Crossing community and Killian Crossing Dr, which are both a mile or two south of Killian Crossroads on NC-16).

[Recent residents of new development in the area] have no idea there is any name for the area. I have lived in the area for fifteen years. Those who I have spoken to who do have called it Chronicle. Local news articles rarely mention the area by name. . . .

The Chronicle Chronicle is a recent addition to the community (in the last few months). It is worth noting that the paper does not charge money for subscriptions, take ads, or engage in any lobbying for donations, and is therefore not a commercial enterprise [and so the

proponent does not believe that the [Commercial Names Policy](#) applies.

A letter from “The Editorial Team” of *The Chronicle Chronicle* (the proponent and two other residents) stated:

For two centuries, the quaint hamlet that lies at the foot of Anderson Mountain has been known as Chronicle. . . .

Chronicle’s history has long been buried by the unintentional oversight of Catawba and Lincoln Counties. . . .

If the USGS restores the true name of our community, we can begin to reclaim our local history and identity.”

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Catawba County Board of Commissioners	
State Names Authority	North Carolina Board on Geographic Names/NC Statewide Mapping Advisory Committee	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	
Other	Editorial team of The Chronicle Chronicle	*support

*provided by the proponent

Oregon

New name Johnson Lake

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Johnson Lake
Proposal type	new name for unnamed feature
Proponent	Alex Bitterling; Medford, OR
Date proposed	5/21/2025
BGN case number	6579
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	42.58903, -122.24047
Feature class	lake
Feature size	1.82 acres
Feature description	1.7 mi. SSE of Holst Lake, 1.4 mi. NE of Holst Lake
Name history	Named for Melvin Arnold Johnson (1919–1973), an outdoorsman who frequently hiked and camped in the area.
USGS primary topo map	Pelican Butte 1:24,000
State(s)	Oregon
County(s)	Klamath County
PLSS	Sec. 28, T34S, R5E, Willamette Meridian
Land ownership	Rogue River National Forest/Sky Lakes Wilderness

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The new name *Johnson Lake* is proposed for an unnamed lake in the Sky Lakes Wilderness, Rogue River National Forest, Klamath County.

The proponent requests to name the lake in memory of his great-grandfather, Melvin Arnold Johnson (1919–1973), an outdoorsman who “was born and raised in the Rogue Valley in Southern Oregon” and “would strive to tell anyone who would listen about the importance of untouched wilderness and being sure to give more than you take. . . . My great grandfather found this lake and it quickly became a common camping and hiking area for him,” and has since been visited regularly by multiple generations of the family.

The proponent provided the following statement for the “overriding need” to apply this new name under the [Wilderness Area Geographic Names Policy](#):

While this portion of the Wilderness Area does not represent much to most people, it has become an untouched staple for generations in my family. I truly believe that naming this

lake will have little impact on the overall Wilderness Area, but will have great value to my family as we continue to enjoy it's natural beauty for generations to come. Regardless of whether or not it has a name, I look forward to taking my kids there someday and continuing this tradition.

As of its inclusion on the Review List, no statements of local support had been received.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Klamath County Board of Commissioners	
State Names Authority	Oregon Geographic Names Authority	
Federal Agency	U.S. Forest Service	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	

New name *Wolfman Island*

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Wolfman Island
Proposal type	New name for unnamed feature
Proponent	James Riley; Tualatin, OR
Date proposed	4/10/2025
BGN case number	6553
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	45.9860391, -123.9253425
Feature class	Island
Feature size	~2.8 acres
Feature description	In the Necanicum River 0.1 mi. E of Mantel Lake
Name history	The name refers to mysterious howling sounds reportedly heard near the island at dawn.
USGS primary topo map	Tillamook Head 1:24,000
State(s)	Oregon
County(s)	Clatsop County
Local jurisdiction(s)	City of Seaside
PLSS	Sec 21, T6N, R10W, Willamette Meridian
Land ownership	

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The name *Wolfman Island* is proposed for a small, unnamed island located in the Necanicum River in the City of Seaside, in Clatsop County, Oregon. The proponent stated that the island is uninhabited and rarely visited.

According to the proponent, the name *Wolfman Island* was used informally by his father as early as the 1950s and 1960s during their fishing trips:

This island my father always called *Wolfman Island*, and when I asked why he said that around 1955 he and his dad would fish across from the island. . . . On numerous early predawn days, they would hear howling—unlike any dog or animal they had ever heard.

The proponent added in follow-up correspondence that the name serves as a tribute:

My eagerness to name this island *Wolfman Island* is more of a tribute to my father... I am 66 years young now and thank you for letting me share a young boy's fishing adventures with his father on the banks of the Necanicum River many years ago.

Although the name references local lore, the proponent acknowledges the sounds likely came from a wolf or mountain lion, and not the supernatural:

To this day I have never heard an animal make those noises... I truly doubt it was the Hollywood version of Wolfman—but if you do approve this name, I hope it gives some semblance to the Natives that inhabited the area long ago and had rituals and believed in the power of thought.

At the time of the proposal’s inclusion on the Review List, no documentation of formal local usage or support had been received beyond the personal and familial recollections described.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Seaside City Council / Mayor	
	Clatsop County Board of Commissioners / Manager	
State Names Authority	Oregon Geographic Names Board	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	
Other	Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife	

Pennsylvania

New name Peach Creek

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Peach Creek
Proposal type	Make official a name in recent local use
Proponent	Emily Neideigh; York, PA
Date proposed	5/29/25
BGN case number	6583
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	39.86795, -76.86944
Secondary coordinates	39.84564, -76.83515
Feature class	stream
Feature size	3 mi. long
Feature description	heads 2 mi. N of Jefferson, flows NW into Codorus Creek
Name history	name in recent local use with no explanation
USGS primary topo map	Seven Valleys 1:24,000
State(s)	Pennsylvania
County(s)	York County
Local jurisdiction(s)	North Codorus Township
PLSS	n/a
Land ownership	private

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

This proposal is to make official the name Peach Creek for an officially unnamed 3-mile-long tributary of Codorus Creek in North Codorus Township, Pennsylvania. The stream flows through the former [Lake Lehman](#).

The proponent, representing the Watershed Alliance of York, wrote:

The dam at Lake Lehman was breached in 2014, and now the stream has reverted back to its natural flow path. . . . After the breach of the dam, the locals have started to refer to the stream as Peach Creek. . . . Our organization is currently working on a large legacy sediment removal project in the section of the old lake, so it's only fitting to give the stream an official name in addition to it getting a new look.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	North Codorus Township	
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	York County	
State Names Authority	Pennsylvania Geographic Names Committee	
Federal	n/a	
Federally Recognized Tribes		
Other	Watershed Alliance of York (proponent)	Support

Tennessee

New name Rogers Falls

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Rogers Falls
Proposal type	New commemorative name for unnamed feature
Proponent	Cain Rogers; Sparta, TN
Date proposed	6/12/2025
BGN case number	6596
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	35.8848754, -85.6328058
Feature class	falls
Feature size	~40 ft. tall
Feature description	E of Allen Bend on an unnamed tributary of Center Hill Lake and Caney Fork
Name history	Named for Herman Edward "Edd" Rogers (1928–2017), a well-known local businessman and philanthropist
USGS primary topo map	Sligo Bridge 1:24,000
State(s)	Tennessee
County(s)	White County
Land ownership	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Center Hill Recreation Area)

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The name *Rogers Falls* is proposed for an unnamed waterfall on an unnamed tributary of Center Hill Lake, a reservoir on Caney Fork in White County, Tennessee. The falls drops into Center Hill Lake, a reservoir managed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The proponent reported that the falls is about 20 feet wide and about 40 feet high, depending on the lake level.

The proponent, a White County Commissioner, wrote that the falls

has been a feature on Center Hill Lake since the dam project was completed in 1948 [but that the waterfall itself has been there for countless years. . . . This waterfall feature runs continuously for the most part, outside of severe drought conditions. Outdoor enthusiasts have enjoyed this falls for decades, accessible by kayaks and boats. The feature is located near Pate's Ford Marina and known my countless boaters as simply the falls up by Pate's Ford. My family and I have enjoyed this spot for decades, and it is time to give this wonderful feature a proper name. My Grandfather, Herman Edward "Edd" Rogers hosted a well-known fishing tournament for decades on the lake, called the "Edd Rogers Open." Edd loved the lake and was one of its biggest promoters since adulthood. Through his tournament and donations to youth fishing activities, Mr. Rogers has contributed much to Center Hill Lake through philanthropy.

A local newspaper obituary for Rogers stated that he paved the road to success for many of his friends, family members and employees” and supported youth, education, sports, and outdoor recreation throughout White and Van Buren Counties. He provided free vehicles for high school driver’s ed, sponsored community athletics, and contributed to the Boy Scouts of America and the University of Tennessee athletics department.

The proponent reported but did not share support from the White County Executive.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	White County Executive	*support
State Names Authority	Tennessee Committee on Geographic Names	
Federal Agency	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	
Other		

*reported by the proponent

Utah

New name Big Ear Arch

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Big Ear Arch
Proposal type	New name for unnamed feature
Proponent	Nancy and Loren Hills Johnson; Moab, UT
Date proposed	5/5/2025
BGN case number	6562
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	38.57597, -109.54010
Feature class	Arch
Feature size	~3.3 ft. high
Feature description	1.3 mi. E of Moab Valley, 2 mi. SW of Morning Glory Arch
Name history	Loosely resembles an ear.
USGS primary topo map	Moab 1:24,000
State(s)	Utah
County(s)	Grand County
Local jurisdiction(s)	City of Moab
PLSS	Sec. 5, T25S, R21E
Land ownership	Bureau of Land Management land

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The name *Big Ear Arch* is proposed for an unnamed hole in a rock in the City of Moab in Grand County, Utah. The proponents reported that the feature measures approximately 39 inches wide and 39 inches high, with an opening of 50 inches.

According to the proponents, the name “Big Ear” or “Big Ear Arch” has long been used informally within their family for the feature:

When we were kids we used to climb in it and play in it. It looked to us like a big ear and so we called it Big Ear Arch. My family has lived in this area for 60 years. I don’t believe that this arch has a name and I would like to honor the feature by giving it a name.

Upon inclusion in the Review List, no documentation of local support or local use beyond the proponent’s personal connection was submitted.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Moab City Council/Mayor	
	Grand County Commission	
State Names Authority	Utah Board on Geographic Names	
Federal Agency	Bureau of Land Management	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	
Other		

New name Xeedo Mountain

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Xeedo Mountain
Proposal type	New name for unnamed feature
Proponent	Ryan Vickerman; Murfreesboro, TN
Date proposed	4/28/25
BGN case number	6561
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	40.33868, -111.99188
Secondary coordinates	n/a
Feature class	summit
Feature size	Elevation 5,474 ft.
Feature description	At the N end of the Lake Mountains
Name history	Named after the nickname of the proponent's dog Tuxedo, who
USGS primary topo map	Saratoga Springs 1:24,000
State(s)	Utah
County(s)	Utah
Local jurisdiction(s)	City of Eagle Mountain
PLSS	Sec 31, T5S R1W, Salt Lake Meridian
Land ownership	State of Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration / Bureau of Land Management lands

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The new name *Xeedo Mountain* is proposed for an officially unnamed summit in the City of Saratoga Springs, Utah County. The summit is located on State of Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration lands and Bureau of Land Management lands.

The proponent wishes to commemorate his dog, Tuxedo:

The name "Xeedo Mountain" is proposed as a commemorative tribute to my loyal and loving dog, Tuxedo, who passed away after many years of companionship. Xeedo, as we affectionately called him, and I frequently hiked the trails on and around this unnamed mountain, creating cherished memories and a deep personal connection to the area.

Naming the mountain in his honor

celebrates his significance in my life and aligns with the BGN's policies for commemorative names for animals. The name also serves as a navigational aid for hikers and residents in the growing community of Eagle Mountain.

The proponent also submitted the new name Yellaroot Mountain for an a unnamed summit in Colorado, included above in this document.

The proponent justified the name by saying:

While typically applied to humans, the BGN allows commemorative names for animals under Policy XII: Animal Names. Xeedo, my deceased dog, had a direct association with the mountain through our frequent hikes. His passing meets the requirement for commemorative [animal] naming, and the name honors his memory without implying a living honoree. . . .

The proposal adheres to the BGN’s allowance for naming features after animals, especially those with personal significance and local relevance, as Xeedo was a beloved companion tied to this specific location. . . .

A Geographic Names Information System (GNIS) search confirms "Xeedo Mountain" is unique and avoids confusion with nearby features in Utah County. . . .

The name is concise and suitable for maps and communication. . . .

"Xeedo Mountain" contains no derogatory or offensive terms. . . .

Xeedo was my faithful companion for many years, and our hikes on this mountain were a significant part of our bond. Naming the mountain "Xeedo Mountain" immortalizes his memory in a place we both cherished. . . .

Eagle Mountain is a rapidly growing community with increasing recreational activity. Naming this mountain provides a clear landmark for hikers, trail users, and local residents. . . .

The name is a personal tribute with no known cultural conflicts.

The proponent did not state that there is current local use of the name and did not provide any support with the proposal.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	City of Saratoga Springs	
	Utah County	
State Names Authority	Utah	
Federal	Bureau of Land Management	
Federally Recognized Tribes		
Other	State of Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration	

Vermont

New name Seth Warner Mountain

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Seth Warner Mountain
Proposal type	make commemorative name in local use official
Proponent	Craig French; Holland, PA
Date proposed	5/29/2025
BGN case number	6584
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	42.786853, -73.121903
Feature class	Summit
Feature size	Elevation 3,054 ft
Feature description	in the Green Mountains, 1.4 mi. SW of Scrub Hill, 2.6 mi. ENE of The Dome
Name history	The name commemorates Seth Warner (1743–1784), an American Revolutionary War officer and one of the leaders of the Green Mountain Boys.
USGS primary topo map	Stamford 1:24,000
State(s)	Vermont
County(s)	Bennington County
Local jurisdiction(s)	Town of Stamford
Land ownership	Appalachian National Scenic Trail / Green Mountain National Forest

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names:
 - Seth Warner Mountain (Peakbagger, Peakery, Wilderlist, The Vermont 110, public usage)
 - Stamford LT Peak (The Vermont 110)
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

This proposal is to make the locally used name *Seth Warner Mountain* official for Federal use. The summit is along Vermont's Long Trail the Town of Stamford in Bennington County, just north of the Massachusetts border. The 3,054-foot peak is in Green Mountain National Forest, and on the section of the Long Trail that is also the Appalachian National Scenic Trail. It is recognized by hikers and peakbaggers as the first major mountain encountered when heading northbound on the Long Trail. Although the name does not appear on Green Mountain Club (GMC) maps, the summit is referred to as "*Seth Warner Mountain*" in numerous public hiking databases and communities, including Peakbagger, Peakery, and The Vermont 110.

According to the proponent,

The proposed name has been in common usage for decades by locals and the broader hiking community. The Long Trail passes across the summit of *Seth Warner Mountain*. The Green Mountain Club, which maintains Vermont’s Long Trail, manages a shelter on the slopes of the summit called the ‘Seth Warner Shelter.’

The name commemorates Seth Warner (1743–1784), an American Revolutionary War officer and one of the leaders of the Green Mountain Boys. Warner played a prominent role in the Battle of Bennington in 1777, which was fought several miles from the summit. The proponent notes:

Warner lived in Bennington, VT, and commanded American troops who defeated British invaders led by General Burgoyne at Bennington. The battle was one of the decisive victories which secured American independence.

The proposal included numerous public references and trip reports, though no formal letters of support had been received at the time of its inclusion on the Review List. A discussion among members of the Green Mountain Club on social media questioned why the peak is unlabeled on GMC maps, with several individuals affirming that the summit is widely recognized by the proposed name.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Town of Stamford Selectboard/Clerk	
	Bennington County Regional Commission	
State Names Authority	State of Vermont Board of Libraries	
Federal Agency	U.S. Forest Service	
	National Park Service	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	
Other	Stamford Historical Society	

Virginia

New name Lake Glen Haven

Proposal Information

Proposed name	Lake Glen Haven
Proposal type	new name for unnamed feature
Proponent	Michael Furcron; Louisa, VA
Date proposed	6/1/2025
BGN case number	6588
Quarterly Review List	460

Feature Details

Primary coordinates	38.0387967, -78.0739546
Feature class	Reservoir
Feature size	5.4 acres
Feature description	1.4 mi. NNE of Small Country Lake, 9 mi. SE of Town of Louisa
Name history	The name originated with the property owners who operate a vacation rental
USGS primary topo map	Louisa 1:24,000
State(s)	Virginia
County(s)	Louisa County
Land ownership	Private (proponent)

BGN decisions

- None

Other Names

- Unpublished names: None found
- Published names: None found

Case Summary

The name *Lake Glen Haven* is proposed for a 5.4-acre, triangular-shaped lake located in Louisa County. The lake is privately owned and situated on the proponent's property, which also serves as a private vacation rental property with an agritourism-style setting.

Although the proponent operates an LLC under the same name, he asserts that the name should be approved under the [Commercial Names Policy](#) (bolding in original):

I understand the concerns regarding the Commercial Names Policy and would like to provide additional context to clarify that the proposed name is not intended to promote a specific business product or enterprise, but rather to reflect a **locally meaningful, longstanding association** with the name Lake Glen Haven that extends beyond commercial use.

Background and Justification:

- The name "Lake Glen Haven" was originally chosen by our family over seven years ago to reflect the character and geographic features — a Lake surrounded by a peaceful

haven nestled in a wooded glen. Since then, it has become the natural, informal name used by guests, neighbors, and community members to refer to both the lake and the surrounding area.

- **Community Recognition:** While “Lake Glen Haven” is associated with our agritourism business, the name has taken on broader usage. Hundreds of guests each year reference the lake by this name, and it has become the **de facto name in local conversation and social media**. We believe this reflects a **longstanding and organic association** rather than a promotional campaign.
- **No On-Site Advertising or Signage:** There is **no signage or branding on or around the lake or property itself** that promotes a commercial product. Our use of the name reflects a geographical identity for the area, rather than a marketing tool.
- **Longstanding Usage and Place Identity:** Over the past seven years, the name “Lake Glen Haven” has been used informally by a **diverse and growing group of people who have interacted with the lake** — not just customers, but also local collaborators, service providers, and neighbors. It has become **part of the place identity**.
- **Intent for Federal Naming Use:** The motivation for this proposal is to **standardize the name for mapping and reference purposes**, particularly as the lake is a prominent feature on the property and often used for navigation, recreation, and local tourism planning. This request is not intended to promote the LLC but to reflect the **practical, recognized, and well-used name of the geographic feature**.

The proposal includes a selection of guest reviews in which “*Lake Glen Haven*” is referenced. The proponent also noted that he has spoken with the local elected supervisor, Fitzgerald Barnes, who expressed support and intends to submit a formal letter on behalf of the Louisa County Board of Supervisors. At the time of inclusion on the Review List, that support had not been submitted.

Stakeholder Input

Local government	Louisa County Board of Supervisors	
State Names Authority	Virginia Board on Geographic Names	
Federally Recognized Tribes	All federally recognized Tribes contacted under Policy X	