

PROPOSAL TO NAME A GEOGRAPHIC FEATURE IN ALASKA

ALASKA HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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ACTION REQUESTED:

- New name
- Application change
- Name change
- Other

DESCRIPTION:

Proposed name: _____

Type of feature: _____

Why do you want to name or change the name of this feature? _____

Why should the feature be named? _____

PLEASE READ THE ALASKA HISTORICAL COMMISSION GUIDELINES FOR GEOGRAPHIC NAME PROPOSALS AVAILABLE AT

<http://www.dnr.alaska.gov/Assets/uploads/DNRPublic/parks/oha/designations/geonamesguidelines15.pdf>

LOCATION:

Distance and direction from nearest community or prominent topographic feature: _____

Borough or Administrative Unit: _____

Latitude: _____ Longitude: _____

Section: _____ Township: _____ Range: _____ Meridian: _____

USGS quadrangle: _____

Who owns the land where the feature is, or the land surrounding it? _____

Have the property owners and those with adjacent property been notified of the proposed name and provided a chance to comment? Yes: _____ No: _____

ATTACH COPIES OF INFORMATIONAL LETTERS OR EMAILS SENT TO ANY PROPERTY OWNERS AND COPIES OF ALL COMMENTS RECEIVED ON PROPOSED NAME.

TYPE OF PROPOSAL:

LOCAL USAGE – Who uses the proposed name? _____

How many years has the feature been known by the proposed name? _____
Do you know of variant names or spellings for the feature? _____

DESCRIPTIVE – How does the name describe the feature? Why is the proposed name appropriate?

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ALASKA NATIVE – Is the name linguistically appropriate to the area? Yes: _____ No: _____
Has there been consultation on the spelling and diacritical marks with all groups in the area and the Alaska Native Language Center, UAF? _____

COMMEMORATIVE – The Alaska Historical Commission will not consider a commemorative name proposal until the person has been dead five years.
Full name of individual: _____
Date of death: _____
Association with the feature proposed to be named: _____

Individual's significant contribution to Alaska: _____

ATTACH AN OBITUARY AND BRIEF BIOGRAPHY OF THE INDIVIDUAL THAT ADDRESSES THE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS THE INDIVIDUAL MADE TO ALASKA AND ASSOCIATION WITH THE FEATURE TO BE NAMED.

NAME CHANGE – Explain why the name should be changed: _____

Explain why the proposed name is appropriate: _____

 OTHER – Explain why is the proposed name appropriate and needed (such as for a name in a wilderness area): _____

PROPOSER:

Name: _____ Date: _____
Affiliation: _____
Address: _____
City, state, zip code: _____
Telephone: _____ Email: _____

YOUR PROPOSAL MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A MAP SHOWING U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY INFORMATION AND CLEARLY IDENTIFYING THE FEATURE TO BE NAMED. PHOTOGRAPHS, PLAT MAPS, AND SITE PLANS ARE USEFUL. PROVIDING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO SHOW EVIDENCE OF LOCAL SUPPORT FOR THE NAME IS ENCOURAGED.