DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Geological Survey

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Reconciliation of Derogatory Geographic Names Tribal Consultation

AGENCY: Geological Survey, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of tribal consultations.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) will conduct Tribal Consultation sessions to obtain oral and written comments on candidate replacement names for geographic feature names recently declared derogatory by DOI Secretary’s Order 3404 (S.O. 3404). These sessions will be held virtually.

DATES: Oral comments can be provided at one of three virtual Tribal Consultation sessions to be held on March 21, 2022, from 12:00 p.m.—2:00 p.m. Mountain Time; March 22, 2022, from 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Pacific Time; and March 23, 2022, from 1:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET). Please see SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION below for details on how to participate. Written comments must be received by 11:59 p.m. ET on April 24, 2022.

ADDRESSES: Please include the Feature ID (FID) of the feature(s) of interest when submitting your comment. The FID for each feature is located in Column B of the posted list. Written comments must be submitted via email to taskforce_consultation@ios.doi.gov or by mail to Reconciliation of Derogatory Geographic Names, 1849 C Street NW, Room 6657, MS 6640–MIB, Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph Younkle, Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Water and Science, Office of the Assistant Secretary—Water and Science, (202) 853–4345 or at joseph_younkle@ios.doi.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 19, 2021, Secretary of the Interior Haaland signed S.O. 3404, declaring “squaw” as a derogatory term. In accordance with S.O. 3404, a list of candidate geographic names to replace those declared derogatory will be available for Tribal Consultation consistent with DOI policies and procedures. A list of five candidate replacement names for each feature was developed by the U.S. Geological Survey. The candidate replacement names were derived through a search of nearby named geographic features until at least five nearby names were available. The candidate replacement name will replace the derogatory modifier. For example, “Castle Creek” is the nearest named feature to “Squaw Mesa”. The first candidate replacement name for the derogatory named feature would be “Castle Mesa”.

The Derogatory Geographic Names Task Force (Task Force) created by S.O. 3404 will consider all comments and any proposed additional candidate replacement names received through the Tribal Consultation in developing a single recommended replacement name for each feature. The Board on Geographic Names (BGN) has received several proposals to rename a feature covered by S.O. 3404 through their conventional process, and these proposals are not yet resolved. These proposed names are indicated in the list, will be provided to the Task Force, and will be prioritized ahead of the proposed candidate replacement names on the list.

Replacement names, to the extent possible, shall adhere to BGN Principles, Policies, and Procedures for the Domestic Names Committee. BGN Policy V regarding Derogatory and Offensive Names now applies to the word “Squaw” as it is declared derogatory by S.O. 3404. Replacement names proposed during the Tribal Consultation session that are in clear violation of an existing policy will not be considered by the Task Force. The list of all replacement names recommended by the Task Force will be submitted to the BGN Domestic Names Committee for final adjudication.

The list of candidate replacement names under review by the Task Force is available at https://www.usgs.gov/us-board-on-geographic-names/so3404-candidate-names-list. Tribal Consultation sessions will be held virtually at the following date and location:

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Authority: The authority for this Order is established under 43 U.S.C. 364–364f.


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will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided. Please include the Feature ID (FID) of the feature(s) of interest when submitting your comment. The FID for each feature is located in Column B of the posted list.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this notice, please submit your question or request to SO3404_FRNquestions@usgs.gov, or contact Michael Tischler at 703–344–4348. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1–800–877–8339, or dial 711. The FRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question. You will receive a reply during normal business hours which are 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except for Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with DOI Secretary’s Order 3404 established under 43 U.S.C. 364–364f, a list of candidate geographic names to replace those declared derogatory by the Secretary’s Order will be available for public comment in the Federal Register for a period of no less than 30 days. A list of five candidate names for each feature was developed by the U.S. Geological Survey as directed by the Secretary’s Order. The candidate replacement names were derived through a search of nearby named geographic features until at least five nearby names were available. The candidate replacement name will replace the derogatory modifier. For example, “Castle Creek” is the nearest named feature to “Squaw Mesa”. The first candidate replacement name for the derogatory named feature would be “Castle Mesa”. Proposed additional candidate names will also be accepted during the public comment period.

The Derogatory Geographic Names Task Force created by the Secretary’s Order will consider all public comments on the list of proposed replacement names and any proposed additional candidate names in developing a single recommended replacement name for each feature. Several proposals to rename a feature covered by SO 3404 have been received by the Board on Geographic Names (BGN) through their conventional process and are not yet resolved. These proposed names are indicated in the list, will be provided to the Task Force, and will be prioritized ahead of the candidate names determined by proximity.

Replace, to the extent possible, shall adhere to the Board on Geographic Names Principles, Policies, and Procedures for the Domestic Names Committee. BGN Policy V regarding Derogatory and Offensive Names now applies to the word ‘Squaw’ as it is declared derogatory by the Secretary’s Order. Replacement names proposed during the public comment period that are in clear violation of an existing policy will not be considered by the Task Force. The list of all replacement names recommended by the Task Force will be submitted to the BGN Domestic Names Committee for final adjudication.

The list of candidate names under review by the Task Force is available at https://www.usgs.gov/us-board-on-geographic-names/so3404-candidate-names-list.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Indian Affairs

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Reindeer in Alaska

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) are proposing to renew an information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before March 25, 2022.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments on this information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget’s Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior by email at OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov; or via facsimile to (202) 395–5806. Please provide a copy of your comments to Steven Mullen, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action—Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1001 Indian School Road NW, Suite 229, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87104; or by email to comments@bia.gov. Please reference OMB Control Number 1076–0047 in the subject line of your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact Keith Kahklen by email at keith.kahklen@bia.gov or telephone at (907) 586–7618. You may also view the ICR at https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we provide the general public and other Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on new, proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting burden. It also helps the public understand our information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format.

A Federal Register notice with a 60-day public comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on September 10, 2021 (86 FR 50737). No comments were received. As part of our continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burdens, we are again soliciting comments from the public and other Federal agencies on the proposed ICR that is described below. We are especially interested in public comment addressing the following:

(1) Whether or not the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether or not the information will have practical utility;

(2) The accuracy of our estimate of the burden for this collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) How might the agency minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of response.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal