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?_____
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Why should the feature be named?_____
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PLEASE READ THE *ALASKA HISTORICAL COMMISSION GUIDELINES FOR GEOGRAPHIC NAME PROPOSALS* AVAILABLE AT
dnr.alaska.gov/parks/oha/designations/geonamesguidelines15.pdf

LOCATION:

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

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?_____

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How many years has the feature been known by the proposed name?_____

Do you know of variant names or spellings for the feature?_____

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

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How many years has the feature been known by the proposed name?_____

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?_____

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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:_____

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Individual's significant contribution to Alaska:_____

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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:_____

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Explain why the proposed name is appropriate:_____

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

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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.