

Domestic Geographic Name Report

1 Use this form to recommend a feature name or to suggest a name change.

2. For features on Federal lands, coordinate requests with the agency (U.S. Forest Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, etc.) For the administrative area in which the land is located.

3. On the reverse side of this form give information on the local usage and authority for recommended name.

4. For more information about the Geographic Names Information System or the National Gazetteer Program, contact the U.S. Board on Geographic Names at 703-648-4544.

5. Return this form to:

Executive Secretary for Domestic
Geographic Names
U.S. Geological Survey
523 National Center
Reston, VA 22092

Action Requested

Proposed New Name: X **Recommended Name:** Mount Elliott
Application Change: **State:** Alaska
Name Change: **County or Equivalent:** Municipality of Anchorage
Other: **Administrative Area:** Chugach State Park

Specific Area Covered:

Latitude: 61 ° 07 ' 04 " N Longitude: -149 ° 32 ' 47 " W
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Center: Heading End
Section(s) 24 Township(s) 12N Range(s) 2W Meridian Seward Elevation 4,710

Type of Feature (stream, mountain, populated place, etc.): Mountain

Is the Feature identified (including other names), in the Geographic Names Information System (GNIS)?
Yes No X Unknown If Yes, how is it listed?

Description of feature (physical shape, length, width, direction of flow, etc.):
4,710- foot summit in Chugach State Park, om the Chugach Mountains and the Municipality of Anchorage. Situated between Wolverine Peak and Mount Williwaw.

Maps and other sources using recommended name (including scale and date). **Other name (variants)** **Maps and other sources using other name or application (including scale and date).**

DNR. *Chugach State Park Map*. 1:80,000. 2009 N/A N/A

Finley, Willima. "Peak Index, Chugach State Park." *AKMountain*. 2022.

Hoeman, J. Vincent. "The Western Chugach Range, Alaska". *American Alpine Journal*, vol. 15, no. 1, 1966, pp. 102.
https://aac-publications.s3.amazonaws.com/documents/aaj/1966/PDF/AAJ_1966_15_1_098.pdf

Imus, Dave. Chugach State Park [Map]. Version 1. 1:100,000. 2000.

"Mount Elliott, Alaska". *PeakBagger*. 2004. <https://www.peakbagger.com/peak.aspx?pid=23697>

"SCREE". *Mounntaineeringg Club of Alaska*, vol. 11, no. 1, 1968.

"SCREE". *Mounntaineeringg Club of Alaska*, vol. 11, no. 2, 1968.

Name information such as origin, meaning of the recommended name, historical significance, biographic data (if commemorative), nature of usage or application, or any other pertinent information:

Submitted via the U.S. Board on Geographic Names, the proposal is to officially name a 4710-foot summit in Chugach State Park Mount Elliott. The proposal provides strong evidence for local usage, shows the feature is not in a Wilderness Area, and meets the five year provision for Commemorative Names. The proposed commemorative name honors Sergeant Robert "Bob" T. Elliott Jr., a military paramedic serving in the 71st Air Rescue Squadron and 5040th Operations Squadron at Elmendorf Air Force Base, Anchorage, Alaska. In May 1960, Elliott died, along with pilot William A. Stevenson, attempting to assist three mountaineers needing evacuation from Denali (then Mt. McKinley) when the Cessna 180 piloted by Stevenson crashed at 17,200 feet. The mountain peak has been referred to as Mount Elliott by the community and publications since the 1970s. The Chugach State Park does not oppose the proposed commemorative name.

Is the recommended name in local usage? Yes No If Yes, approximately how many years? 50

Is there local opposition to, or conflict with the recommended name (as located)?

While the Mountaineering Club of Alaska's Geographic Names Committee recognizes that the name Mount Elliott has appeared on numerous commercial maps and periodicals dating to its use in an article in 1966, they also note that a variant spelling of the name is Mount Elliot. That said, a guiding policy of the MCA's Geographic Names Committee is not to endorse proposals to name geographic features after people, whether living or dead. Therefore, the MCA's Geographic Names Committee does not approve the proposal for this longstanding name.

For proposed new name, please provide evidence that feature is unnamed: Mountain is unnamed in USGS Map Viewer. Search of GNIS shows no other Mount Elliot present in the State of Alaska.

Additional information:

The proposed name is after a person of significance for the region and Alaska
The mountain resides on state land.

Organizations for Consultation:

Municipality of Anchorage
Mountaineering Club of Alaska
State of Alaska Division of Parks and Outdoor Rec.
Chugach State Park Citizens Advisory Committee
Eklutna
Cook Inlet Regional, Inc.
Cook Inlet Tribal Council

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Authority for Recommended Name:	Mailing Address and Telephone	Occupation	Years in Area
