

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:** Tammo Island
Application Change: **State:** Alaska
Name Change: **County or Equivalent:** Aleutian East Bureau
Other: **Administrative Area:** Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge

Specific Area Covered:

Latitude: 54 ° 9 ‘ 46 “ N Longitude: 165 ° 38 ‘ 8 “ W
Latitude: ° ‘ “ NS Longitude: ° ‘ “ WS
Center: Heading End
Section(s) 35 Township(s) 69S Range(s) 111W Meridian Seward Elevation

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

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.):
The island is oval shaped east-west, with a sharp point at the west end. It is just under 500’ in length and approximately 125’ in width. It lies in Surf Bay, approximately 1.5 miles off the west coast of Akun Island. It is approximately 6.5 miles northeast of the village of Akutan on Akutan Island. There is a smaller island less than 1,000’ east of the island.

Maps and other sources using recommended name (including scale and date). N/A	Other name (variants) N/A	Maps and other sources using other name or application (including scale and date). N/A
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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, this proposal is to apply the new name "Tammo Island" meaning "little one" in the Dutch province of Groningen, to an unnamed one-acre island located off the coast of Akun Island, in Surf Bay, in Aleutians East County and the Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge. The Mountaineering Club of Alaska has no objection to the proposal.

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

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

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service notes that the island is immediately adjacent to the village of Akutan, which was not consulted by the proposer, and suggests that there may be a traditional name for the island among the local residents. The USFWS also notes that there is value to having unnamed islands in the area. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) concurs about local consultation and notes that the name has no local connection.

For proposed new name, please provide evidence that feature is unnamed: There is no record of Tammo Island in the GNIS. There is no name for the island on the USGS 1:25,000 topo map Unimak A-5 NW (2020).

Additional information: The proposer is a native of the Netherlands who initially proposed the name "Braaams Island" for the feature. Upon being told by the USBGN that features could not be named after the proposer, he revised the proposal to Tammo Island. "Tammo" means "little one" in the Dutch province of Groningen.

Organizations for Consultation:

USFW
NOAA
Aleut Corporation
Akutan Corporation
Akutan Village Council
City of Akutan
Mountaineering Club of Alaska

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