

Geographic Names Change or Proposal Process

Utah Committee On Geographic Names Utah Division of State History,
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New Geographic Name or Name Change Proposal Made

Name proponent gathers and provides key information regarding a proposal to the U.S. Board on Geographic Names (BGN) or directly to the Utah Committee.



Input received from:

- Landowner
- Local tribes
- County
- Local interest groups
- Public
- Proponent

U.S. Board on Geographic Names Review

BGN reviews the proposal for completeness and applicability according to BGN standards. BGN creates a case. BGN begins to gather local opinions.



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State Committee Review and Recommendation Vote

Committee reviews the proposal, reviews local opinions (including tribal, county, and landowner) and completes historical research. The Committee votes whether to recommend the proposal or not.



Input received from:

- State Committee
- Public
- Proponent

U.S. Board on Geographic Names Review and Vote

The BGN reviews the final case. The State Committee recommendation, local support, and any new evidence is reviewed. The BGN makes a final vote.