

WASHINGTON STATE
Geographic Name Application



WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF
Natural Resources

Proposed Name: REEF NET BAY

New Name

County: _____

Controversial Name

Township: _____ Range: _____ Section(s): _____

Name Change

Lat. 48.96038 N, Long. 122.94685 W (Begin)

Location Clarification

Lat. _____ N, Long. _____ W (End)

Spelling Clarification

Description

Type of feature (lake, stream, etc.): MARINE BAY

Description of feature (location, length, depth, height, size and/or area covered): BAY IS LOCATED ON SOUTH SHORE OF SHAW ISLAND. IT HAS BEEN KNOWN FOR MORE THAN A CENTURY AS SQUAW BAY, A NAME SOME FIND OFFENSIVE AND HAVE PROPOSED CHANGING.

If a stream, number of months it flows on a yearly basis: _____

Is this feature identified by other names or spellings? Please list variant names: SQUAW BAY

Has it ever been signed, posted, or publicized? If so, when? FOR MORE THAN 100 YEARS, IT HAS BEEN RECORDED OFFICIALLY ON MAPS AND CHARTS AS SQUAW BAY

History

Please provide a brief history of the feature and its immediate surroundings, this might include information on the following: 1 Native American; 2 First settlers; 3 Historical background pertinent to feature; 4 History on how the land is/was used; 5 Natural disasters (floods, fires, etc.) 6 Any significant cultural events. If appropriate, geology, flora and fauna. Cite sources. Use additional pages if needed.

Origin of name: NAMED IN HONOR OF NATIVE WIFE OF HOMESTEADER ALONG THE BAY

If a commemorative name, provide a brief summary of the ENTIRE life of the person including how and the length of time he/she was associated with the proposed feature: LITTLE IS KNOWN OF THIS NATIVE WOMAN AND THERE IS NO OFFICIAL RECORD OF HER GIVEN NAME.

Usage of Proposed Name

What is the usage of feature? THE BAY IS ADJACENT TO REEF NET FISHING SITES ON SHAW AND CONTINUES TO BE USED FOR OFF-SEASON GEAR STORAGE. THERE ALSO IS A DNR LEASE FOR SHELLFISH BEDS IN THE BAY.

Please state why the proposed name will best serve the public interest: IN DEFERENCE TO THOSE WHO NOW FIND THE HISTORIC NAME OFFENSIVE, IT WOULD BE REPLACED BY ONE WHICH REFLECTS ITS HISTORIC CONNECTION TO NATIVE AND NON-NATIVE REEF NET FISHERS.

How long has the proposed name been in use? By whom? THE EASTERN POINT HAS LONG BEEN KNOWN AS REEF NET POINT AND IS SO SIGNED BY SAN JUAN COUNTY PARKS DEPARTMENT.

Please list all sources of information used for your research: (maps, books, articles, periodicals, etc. for background history relating to proposed name) PLEASE SEE ATTACHED LETTER.

What type of support is there for the proposed name?

List all groups and persons who are familiar with the proposed feature and its usage. Please provide names, addresses, telephone numbers, email addresses and his/her association with knowledge of the geographic feature:

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED LETTER

Application submitted by:

Name: ALEX MACLEOD
Address: BOX 157 City: SHAW ISLAND State: WA Zip: 98286
Phone #: 360-468-3742 Email: wuzeditor@rockisland.co Date of Application: 4/11/2016

I am aware that all information submitted is considered to be public information.

Printed Name: ALEX MACLEOD
Signature: Alex MacLeod Date: 4/11/2016

Please mail completed form along with copies of any additional materials to:
WA State Board on Geographic Names
PO Box 47030

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ENGINEERING DIVISION
OLYMPIA 09504-7030

April 3, 2016

Washington State Committee on Geographic Names
Box 47030
Olympia, WA 98504-7030

Re: Proposed name change: Squaw Bay, Shaw Island

Dear Committee Members:

I am the chair of the Board of Trustees of The Shaw Island Library & Historical Society. In this role, I have organized meetings and online discussions of Richard Walker's proposal to change the name of Squaw Bay to Sq'ememenem Bay. We wrote to the committee expressing a consensus view last October, and Shaw Islanders have written directly to the committee expressing their personal viewpoints. All are a part of your record.

When we wrote in October, we expressed the following majority viewpoint:

- That we support changing the name.
- That we do not support the proposed change to Sq'ememenem Bay.
- That we work with the applicant to try to reach agreement on a replacement name that more closely reflects both the native and non-native history of that particular bay.

Subsequent to that correspondence, we reached out to Mr. Walker to see if he would discuss an alternative name. He expressed no interest in that.

Given that, the Shaw community proposes the name of the bay be changed to Reef Net Bay.

The bay in question is adjacent to the spot on Shaw that has been the site of reef net fishing for salmon, a unique fishing method devised by native people (mostly Lummi) using nets made of local reeds and stone anchors, and later adapted by white settlers and their descendants. The bay was used historically as the staging area for that fishery and its easternmost point is known as Reef Net Point. There still is a limited reef net fishery just outside the bay and the reef-net gear and fishing floats are kept in the bay.

As attached as many islanders are to the name "Squaw Bay," we believe changing it to Reef Net (or Reefnet) Bay represents a compromise that has a firm base in the history of the island, both native and white settlement, has precedent in the name of the adjacent point and would fall quickly into common usage.

Sincerely,

Bob Mulford
Board Chair

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Alex MacLeod
Board Chair
Shaw Island Library & Historical Society



Harney Channel

Hudson Bay

ferry landing

Shaw Island

Blind Bay

Blind Bay Rd

Gratzer Rd

library

Blind Bay Rd

Shaw Community Center

35

schoolhouse

GRAHAM PRESERVE

Squaw Bay Rd

Indian Cove Rd

Plinic Cove

monastery

beach

Indian Cove SHAW ISLAND COUNTY PARK

Canoe Island

Hoffman Cove Rd

Squaw Bay Rd

Squaw Bay

Reef Net Point

CEDAR ROCK PRESERVE

Upright Channel

Lopez Island



MAKI, CALEB (DNR)

From: MAKI, CALEB (DNR)
Sent: Friday, May 20, 2016 11:15 AM
To: wuzeditor@rockisland.com; richardmollywalker@gmail.com
Subject: Sq'emenen Bay and Reef Net Bay

Hello,

At yesterday's meeting, the Committee on Geographic Names voted to defer both of the proposed names to replace Squaw Bay. The Committee stated during their discussion that they would like to see community support for a unified proposal.

Both of these proposals will be on the agenda for our October meeting, and I would encourage both of the proponents to see if they could reach a compromise on a replacement name. The Committee was not comfortable choosing one name over the other, as there appears to be division among residents as to what the new name should be.

If any correspondence takes place between the proponents, please send me a copy. You can also view the meeting video and audio here at TVW:

<http://www.tvw.org/watch/?eventID=2016051077>

Let me know if you have any questions, and I look forward to receiving any additional materials.

Caleb A. Maki

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Executive Secretary – Washington State Committee on Geographic Names

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MAKI, CALEB (DNR)

From: Alex MacLeod <wuzeditor@rockisland.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 21, 2016 9:50 AM
To: MAKI, CALEB (DNR)
Cc: richardmollywalker@gmail.com
Subject: Re: Sq'emenen Bay and Reef Net Bay

Caleb:

Thank you for the update. Those of us on Shaw appreciate the committee tabling the proposed change to Sq'emenem until its October meeting.

Having listened to the committee's discussion, there is a misapprehension of the position of the Shaw Island residents. Our position, which we have tried to state clearly on more than one occasion, is as follows:

1. We **support** dropping the name Squaw Bay.
2. We **oppose** the proposed change to Sq'emenem Bay.
3. We **support** changing the name to Reef Net Bay. The bay in question has been the staging area for both Native and later non-native reef need fishing along the south shore of Shaw Island. A point on the bay already carries the name Reef Net Point and is further designated as such by trail markings of the San Juan County Parks Department.

Once the broad consensus of Shaw residents expressed its opposition to the proposed change to Sq'emenem Bay, made by individuals with no connection to the island, we wrote the the Sq'emenem Bay proponent to see he was open to working with the Shaw residents to find an acceptable compromise. He was not. If he has changed his position on compromise, we would be willing to consider one.

I would like to correct a factual misstatement made during the committee's discussion by member Allyson Brooks. In making the motion to approve the Sq'emenem Bay proposal, Ms. Brooks said the Shaw Island (Library &) Historical Society supported the change to Sq'emenem Bay. On the contrary, our organization, after having held community discussions in person and online, supported dropping the name Squaw Bay but opposed the change to Sq'emenem Bay. We have proposed an alternative with local historical roots, native and non-native: Reef Net Bay.

We understand that this communication is a public record and ask that it be made part of the committee's record of the Sq'emenem Bay/Reef Net Bay issue.

Alex MacLeod
President, Board of Trustees
Shaw Island Library & Historical Society
Shaw Island. WA 98286

cc: Richard Walker

On May 20, 2016, at 11:15 AM, MAKI, CALEB (DNR) <CALEB.MAKI@dnr.wa.gov> wrote:

Hello,

MAKI, CALEB (DNR)

From: Richard Walker <richardmollywalker@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2016 8:58 PM
To: Alex MacLeod
Cc: MAKI, CALEB (DNR)
Subject: Sq'emenen Bay

May 26, 2016

Alex MacLeod

President, Board of Trustees

Shaw Island Library & Historical Society

Shaw.Island. WA 98286

Dear Alex,

I appreciate your membership's support for changing the name of Squaw Bay.

I read your latest letter to the Committee on Geographic Names. Some correction and/or clarification is necessary.

First, to write that I have not been open to compromise is not accurate. I was not able to attend your first meeting on this issue. But I told Stephanie Buffum-Field, a Shaw Island resident and executive director of the Friends of the San Juans, that I had no problem with the name "Reef Net Bay" **but added that the Lummi Nation should be consulted on the matter, because Shaw Island is part of the Lummi Nation's historical territory.** My understanding is she was going to write a letter expressing our views on the matter.

Second, although I was not able to attend your society's meeting, I did write a letter to the community, dated Sept. 19, 2015, which you posted on your website, in which I wrote that if I could attend, *"I would share with Shaw residents that I am glad they are engaged in dialogue on this issue. That is a good thing. I believe we share an interest in seeing the history of Shaw and the San Juan Islands accurately presented, and that we all believe that names are important in the telling of that history."*

I also wrote:

"Sq'emenen is a historical place name. According to Lummi Nation hereditary chief Bill (Tsilixw) James, a respected teacher and culture-bearer, the Lummi name for Shaw Island is Sq'emenen. It is the name by which the First People of the San Juan Islands have always known the island, and it is the name by which they know it now."

"Sq'emenen helps tell the history of the place. I know the bay is a prominent reef-net site ... The Lummi people developed reefnet fishing. So, Sq'emenen represents the original name of Shaw Island, where people use a fishing method developed by the region's First Peoples."

"The Lummi people were not simply seasonal occupants of the island. Their point of origin is Henry Island. They share a common ancestor with the Saanich, Samish, and Songhees, and for thousands of years, they all maintained and harvested resources on the islands year-round. All of the islands were their home. Shaw Island was as much a part of their home as any other island within their historical territory."

"I am not Coast Salish, my wife is, and I do not speak for the Coast Salish nations of the region. But I do know that the Lummi Nation and other Coast Salish nations have treaty rights and obligations within their historical territory, among them co-managing the state's fisheries for the benefit of all people, Native and non-Native. So, their relationship to Shaw and the other San Juan Islands continues today."

Third, it is incorrect to say "Sq'emenen" is proposed by "individuals with no connection to the island ..." The Lummi, Samish and other Coast Salish peoples originated in the San Juan Islands, including Shaw Island, which they to this day know as "Sq'emenen." They have certain rights on the island and in its waters, reserved by the Treaty of Point Elliott of 1855. As you know, Article VI of the U.S. Constitution states that treaties are "the supreme law of the land."

Of the 29 people who lent their names to the initial petition, a majority have cultural and ancestral ties to the islands. My wife, who is a citizen of the Samish Indian Nation, comes from an islands lineage that dates back thousands of years. Our home is located due south of proposed Sq'emenen Bay, near a Samish village site, at Cape San Juan.

Fourth, I believe the name "Sq'emenen Bay" would help build bridges of understanding. One of your society members wrote that there is no Native presence on the island; she obviously is not aware of activity going on now in the islands related to culture, history and treaty rights. Another Shaw Island resident, who happens to be a school board member on the island, wrote of retaining the current name. "Naming a place something offensive to someone somewhere is not the same as calling someone who might be offended by that name."

"Sq'emenen" is the Lummi name for Shaw Island and helps tell the story of the place. I am reminded of what Dr. Margaret Bruchac, Abenaki, author of the oft-quoted 1999 essay, "Reclaiming 'squaw' in the name of the ancestors," wrote of the importance of indigenous place names:

"We can claim the opportunity to recover original indigenous place names, reinforce respect for local indigenous histories, and support Native language reclamation efforts ... When I hear all the words of our old languages spoken by Native peoples, in their proper contexts, I hear the voices of the ancestors."

A final point: "Sq'emenen" has been consistently misspelled in your letters on this matter. It is spelled S Q ' E M E N E N. It is pronounced as it looks: ske men en, all short e's.

I understand that this communication is a public record and ask that it be made part of the committee's record.

Sincerely,

Richard Walker
360-813-2916
richardmollywalker@gmail.com

MAKI, CALEB (DNR)

From: Alex MacLeod <wuzeditor@rockisland.com>
Sent: Friday, May 27, 2016 1:31 PM
To: Richard Walker; MAKI, CALEB (DNR)
Subject: Reef Net Bay

Richard:

Thank you for your recent note. As Caleb has made clear, the issue the committee has placed before us is whether we can find common ground on the renaming of Squaw Bay.

We already have cleared the most important hurdle, with Shaw Island residents supporting your proposal to remove the word "squaw" from the name of the bay.

As we said last fall, while we supported that change, we did not support your proposed new name. As we wrote to the committee on Oct. 9, 2015, we instead proposed to work with you to "try to reach agreement on a replacement name that more closely reflects both the native and non-native history" of the bay. When we received no positive response from you, we subsequently made our own proposal to the committee that the bay be renamed "Reef Net Bay."

I was surprised, then, to see in your most recent note that you told Shaw resident Stephanie Buffum-Field in September that you "had no problem with the name "Reef Net Bay." This is the first I've heard of your openness to changing the name to anything other than Sq'emenen Bay. Given that you are the one who began this process, perhaps you would be willing to express your comfort with change to Reef Net Bay to the appropriate individuals in the Lummi Nation and see if they will join you in support of changing the bay's name as we have proposed. With that, I suspect we would be able to speak to the committee with one voice and make its October deliberation rather simple. And with that, the word "squaw" will be gone from the maps and charts of the islands.

Please let me know if you will take that initiative.

Thank you.

Alex

cc: Caleb Maki

Comments

Received

MAKI, CALEB (DNR)

From: lynn <bahrych@rockisland.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 01, 2016 5:20 PM
To: DNR RE BOGN
Cc: Alex MacLeod
Subject: Comment on Renaming Squaw Bay at Shaw Island

I definitely support renaming the bay Reef Net Bay.

I am opposed to Sq'emenen because it is difficult to pronounce, hard to spell and write correctly, and has no association or historic significance to me as a resident of Shaw for over 30 years. If there were tribal residents on Shaw today, it might be a different matter. As it is, I don't think it would be especially meaningful for the current residents, at least not those I have spoken with about it.

Please consider renaming the bay "Reef Net Bay."

Thank you,

Lynn Bahrych
80 Old Macdonald Lane
Shaw Island WA 98286

MAKI, CALEB (DNR)

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Please consider renaming the bay "Reef Net Bay."

Thank you,

Lynn Bahrych
80 Old Macdonald Lane
Shaw Island WA 98286

MAKI, CALEB (DNR)

From: inga horton <ingahorton@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, September 29, 2015 5:18 PM
To: DNR RE BOGN
Subject: Squaw Bay

I think that it is somewhat perilous to change an accepted name, the history of the name will be lost forever. Squaw Bay just rolls of the tongue, Reefnet Bay does not! I am hoping that Squaw Bay will be retained forever. Inga Horton, Horton's Hook.

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Sept. 7, 2016

Washington Committee on Geographic Names
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Olympia, WA 98504-7030

RE: RENAMING OF SQUAW BAY

Dear Committee Members:

I am the president of the Board of the Shaw Island Library & Historical Society. The attached documents reflect the overwhelming support of Shaw Island residents for renaming Squaw Bay as Reef Net Bay.

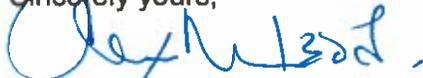
We circulated the attached petition on July 3 as islanders gathered for the Fourth of July celebration. Eighty (80) Shaw residents — out of a total population of about 200 — signed the petition. Only five (5) demurred, four of whom said they objected to removing the existing name.

The support reflected in this petition is consistent with earlier, mostly anecdotal measures from island meetings and online commentary on our organization's web page (shawislandlibrary.org). The San Juan County Council, by unanimous resolution, indicated at a June meeting that it will also endorse Reef Net Bay as the bay's new name.

I would point out that there already is a point along the eastern boundary of the bay identified by the San Juan County Parks Department as Reef Net Point. Historically, the bay has been used by native and non-native reef-net fishermen as a staging area for the fishery just west of the bay's mouth.

We appreciate the opportunity to be heard on this matter of considerable local interest.

Sincerely yours,



Alex MacLeod
Box 157
Shaw Island, WA 98286

RENAMING OF SQUAW BAY

The Washington State Committee on Geographic Names will decide at its fall meeting what name will replace Squaw Bay. The choice will be between Sq'emenem Bay and Reef Net Bay.

The committee wants to know the preference of local residents. When we considered this last fall, we told the committee three things:

- We support the proposal to remove the current name.
- We **do not** support the proposed change to Sq'emenem Bay.
- We are very willing to work with the proponent of the change to find a new name.

Since then, and despite our repeated requests, it has become clear that the proponent of the change to Sq'emenem Bay is unwilling to consider anything else. As a result, and to work within the committee's policies, in April we formally proposed a change to Reef Net Bay, a name that reflects the native and non-native history of the bay and the name most acceptable to those who expressed support for a change, as well as those who otherwise oppose any change from the existing name.

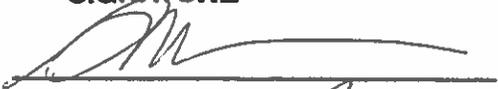
At its May meeting, the committee deferred action on the original proposal in order to consider it alongside the Shaw proposal. Based on the May meeting discussion, there is little question the committee will vote to remove the existing name; the only question is what will be the new name.

Among other things, the committee will solicit comment from the San Juan County Council on the competing names. I believe it is important for us to demonstrate to the Council, as well as the state committee, our support for Reef Net Bay. The Council is scheduled to meet on Shaw Tuesday, July 12, at 10:30 a.m. at the Shaw Community Building.

Below is an opportunity for you to express your support for Reef Net Bay to both groups. Please do so legibly. You may also attend the Council meeting and express yourself there, especially if you oppose this proposed change.

REEF NET BAY PETITION

We support changing the name of Squaw Bay to Reef Net Bay:

NAME	SHAW ADDRESS	SIGNATURE
AMY VAN DONKEN	PO BOX 353	
ELEANOR WEINEL	512 Broken Point Rd. PO BOX 303	Eleanor J. Weinel
Elizabeth Stedman	P.O. Box 807	Elizabeth Stedman
Lola Deane	PO Box 827	Lola Deane
JANICE L EKSTROM	Box 837	Janice L. Ekstrom
BUNI TWIRATILLYNCH	Box 321	Buni Twiratillynch
Courne Stroy	PO Box 361	Courne Stroy
Philip Ekstrom	PO Box 837	Philip A. Ekstrom
Ray Grace	PO Box 105	Ray Grace
Gary Lange	P.O. Box 109	Gary Lange
Sue Anderson	2658 Neck Pt Rd	Sue Anderson
RAY STEDMAN	PO BOX 468	Ray Stedman
ALICE NELSEN	PO Box 394	Alice Nelsen
KEITH GERRARD	PO Box 805	Keith Gerrard
Kathleen Williams	P.O. Box 157	Kathleen Williams
Barbara Jean Christensen	PO Box 829	Barbara Jean Christensen
Diane Clifton	PO Box 852	Diane Clifton
Carol Brantigan	PO Box 106	Carol Brantigan
Julie Trowel	PO Box 397	Julie Trowel
Jan Chamberlain	PO Box 453	Jan Chamberlain
TED HUSTED	PO Box 333	Ted Husted
Barbara HUSTED	POB 333	Barbara Husted
Ronald Abbott	POB 801	Ronald Abbott
William H. Fraser	PO Box 312	William H. Fraser

REEF NET BAY PETITION

We support changing the name of Squaw Bay to Reef Net Bay:

NAME	SHAW ADDRESS	SIGNATURE
<u>Eric Garcia</u>	<u>Po Box 812</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Chris Garcia</u>	<u>PO Box 812, S.I.</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Shirley S. Lange</u>	<u>PO Box 109 Shaw</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Pete Nelsen</u>	<u>PO Box 394 Shaw</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>BRUD JOSLIN</u>	<u>POB 403</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>CAROLE DAVIS</u>	<u>POB 403</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Andrea Schmidt</u>	<u>PO BOX 831</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Kathi Melville</u>	<u>PO Box 323</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Jennifer Swanson</u>	<u>PO BOX 813</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Christine Hopkins</u>	<u>PO BOX 851</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Deb Taylor</u>	<u>po 838</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>MARY Rook</u>	<u>po 834</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>GLENN COOPER</u>	<u>105 PURVIANCE LN</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Pamela E Cooper</u>	<u>105 Purviance</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Rosemary Cooper</u>	<u>105 Purviance lane</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Shay Page</u>	<u>105 Purviance lane</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>CHRIS COOPER</u>	<u>105 PURVIANCE LN</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>John Bogert</u>	<u>PO Box 461</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Caryn Buckle</u>	<u>252 Shady Lane</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Cliff Harker</u>	<u>757 Broken Pt Rd</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Julia Murray</u>	<u>757 Broken Point Rd.</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Chris Giebel</u>	<u>490 Sylmar Circle</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Peter Christensen</u>	<u>P.O. Box 307 Shaw</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Chad Swanson</u>	<u>PO Box 813 Shaw</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>

REEF NET BAY PETITION

We support changing the name of Squaw Bay to Reef Net Bay:

NAME	SHAW ADDRESS	SIGNATURE
ANDY THOMAS	525 SHAW LANE	
ED LUTTRELL	140 RUMYARD LANE ^{SHAW}	
MAGGIE SWAN / SHARON ^{Newton}	P.O. Box 860	Maggie Swan
Alex McLEOD	BOX 157 SHAW	Alex McLeod
Diana Wisen	PO Box 366 SHAW	Diana Wisen
Randy Anderson	925 Nakai Rd She	Randy Anderson
Andrew Boerner	1087 Ben Nevis Loop Shaw	
Colin R. Jones	870 Ben Nevis Loop Shaw	Colin R. Jones
Amber Boerner	Box 342	
W. M. Boerner	PO BOX 130	W. M. Boerner
Archive Abbott	P.O. Box 801	
Debbie Anderson	432 Indian Cove Rd Shaw	Debbie Anderson
Car Miller	741 Blind Bay Rd	Car Miller
Jay Robertson	821 Squaw Bay Rd	Jay Robertson
Sam Nelson ^{PAM NELSON}	389 Copper Hill	Sam Nelson
	359 COPPER HILL LN	
	7502 20 th AVE NW	
MARY FRANCES BROWN	232 CHUCKANUT PT RD	
Heather Byrne	191 Purviance Lane	Heather Byrne
Pam Miles	586 Sylken Cir.	
Tom Mites	586 Sylken Cir	Tom Mites
JON CHRISTOFFERSEN	366 Cameron Ln.	Jon Christoffersen
M. K. Mahn	1549 Blind Bay Rd	M. K. Mahn
Jean Jones	870 Ben Nevis	Jean Jones



April 14, 2016

Alex Macleod
PO Box 157
Shaw Island, WA 98286

Dear Alex Macleod,

Your proposal to name **Reef Net Bay** is scheduled for its *initial* hearing with the Washington State Committee on Geographic Names on **5/19/2016** in Olympia. At this time the Committee will decide whether or not to accept your proposed name for consideration. If accepted, the name will then come up for discussion and final decision at subsequent hearing(s) to follow. At the time of the hearing(s), you may wish to be present and speak for your proposal, but attendance is not a requirement.

Between the initial and final hearings, the merits of your proposal will be researched and comments on the proposal from the local historical societies, county governments, state and federal land management agencies, and interested groups and individuals who have some knowledge of the area will be solicited. If there are longtime local residents or adjacent property owners in the area whose addresses you could provide, I will be glad to request their comments as well.

If I can answer any further questions, please call me at (360) 902-1280, or email me at caleb.maki@dnr.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Caleb Maki".

Caleb Maki, Executive Secretary
Washington Committee on Geographic Names
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Olympia, WA 98504-7030
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caleb.maki@dnr.wa.gov



May 20, 2016

Alex Macleod
PO Box 157
Shaw Island, WA 98286

Dear Mr. Macleod,

Your proposal to name Reef Net Bay has been deferred for its *final* hearing before the Washington State Committee on Geographic Names on October 13, 2016 in Olympia.

The Committee voted to defer your proposal in light of opposition from a competing proposal for the same geographic feature. The Committee expressed their desire for the two proponents to see if they could work together to come up with a unified proposal to replace the name Squaw Bay in San Juan County.

I will be contacting the proponent of the competing proposal with the same message. If a compromise is reached, please send any correspondence to me so that I can present the new materials for the Committee at our October meeting.

You can view the meeting's video and audio at the TVW webpage at:
<http://www.tvw.org/watch/?eventID=2016051077>

If you have any questions or additional information to convey, please call me at (360) 902-1280, or email me at caleb.maki@dnr.wa.gov.

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Alex Macleod
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Dear Alex Macleod,

Your proposal to name **Reef Net Bay** is scheduled for its *final* hearing before the Washington State Committee on Geographic Names on **May 2017** in Olympia.

Proposed names may receive two or more hearings before the Washington State Committee on Geographic Names. Meetings are usually held twice a year. At the first meeting, the Committee decides whether or not to consider the name, and at the second, the Committee makes a decision to approve, deny, or defer the proposed name.

In the intervening months, the Committee staff solicits opinions and comments from historical societies, county officials, federal agencies, mountaineering clubs, and any other group or person who can provide information or an informed opinion on the proposal. The Committee uses this information to make a decision according to guidelines previously established by the Committee.

If there is additional pertinent information (names and addresses of longtime residents, property owners adjacent to the feature, or historical information to help us in our research) beyond what is provided in the Geographic Name Application, please let me know at your earliest convenience.

You are welcome to attend the hearing on your proposal, and will be given an opportunity to make a statement or provide information or clarification at that time. An agenda for the next Committee on Geographic Names meeting will be mailed to you prior to the meeting.

If you have any questions or additional information to convey, please call me at (360) 902-1280, or email me at caleb.maki@dnr.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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