

# CALIFORNIA ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES

January 13, 2010

9:30 am

California Geological Survey Headquarters  
801 K Street, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room  
Sacramento, California

## 1. **Call to Order at 9:40 am**

## 2. **Attendance**

Members present: Spero, Chambers, Wanish, Patterson, Veisze

Advisors present: Hawkins, Steber, Ostergren and Trumbly

Visitors present: Pete Downs, Jackson-Kendall Winery, and David Harris,  
Natural Resources Agency Geographic Information Officer

## 3. **Approval of minutes for July 22, 2009 meeting**

The minutes had been approved electronically, however, the next meeting date should have read January 13, 2010.

## 4. **Current Items and Activities**

- a. Visitor introductions: Pete Downs, Kendall-Jackson Winery and David Harris, Natural Resources Agency GIO observed the meeting.
- b. Change of Member - Jim Trumbly, member for State Parks and twice past chairman, has retired after 29 years on the committee. He will continue to lend support as a committee advisor. Paul Veisze, State Parks, former committee member for Fish and Game, and a past chairman, has assumed Region IV seat.
- c. Change of Member - Jim Spero will be stepping down as chairman and committee member after this meeting. Not able to attend this meeting, Tiffany Meyer, CalFire, will be taking over from Jim Spero as Region III member. Jim will become a committee advisor and continue as Webmaster.
- d. Barbara Wanish, Department of Conservation member, will be assuming the Chairmanship after this meeting. Barbara is looking for someone to take meeting notes.
- e. Carol Ostergren, USGS Advisor to the committee, presented samples of new USGS quadrangle maps, a product derived from Digital Map. A newer version with contours, hydrography and updated imagery will be

available soon. Bundled by county, and in GeoPDF format, they will be available on Cal Atlas. Also, new NAIP photography is available.

- d. New developments in the Sugar Loaf proposal (Q.R.L. 392), **which had been disapproved by the committee in July 2007**, were reported by Joan Steber. The Forest Service and proponent have no objection to reassigning the name because of new evidence, however the Forest Service has not given official approval. There is local usage of the name for that feature. The committee asks that the name be placed on another Quarterly Review list.
- e. CACGN recommendations and BGN decisions – as in agenda, with the following additional information:
  - Kelham Creek – 2009 COGNA attendee, Jeff Chambers, added that in their discussion, the BGN was concerned about the Kelham name being involved with the wine industry, and that the Kelham Creek name would be used commercially. In their minutes, the BGN “...suggested the proposal could be intended to promote a commercial venture...”.

## 5. Consideration of Names on Pending Dockets

### Review List 402

Region III (Spero)

#### Collords Peak

This name has the support of the Santa Clara County supervisors, and widespread community support.

Moved and seconded that CACGN recommend approval upon verification that coordinates indicate the most prominent of the peaks.

Yea 5, Nay 0.

Region IV (Veisze)

#### Clem Nelson Peak

This name would replace a Squaw name. Joan Steber has been in contact with the Big Pine Piute tribe and they will be looking at other “squaw” names and perhaps proposing some names.

– Deferred consideration of this name to a later time.

### Review List 401

Region III (Spero)

#### Alexander Mountain

The committee is waiting for formal county opinion; formerly it was thought (incorrectly) that Sonoma County support had been offered.

There was no discussion of, nor presentations made on this proposal.

– Deferred consideration of this name to a later time.

Region V (Chambers)

Arch Canyon, Ironwood Arch – withdrawn from Quarterly Review List for protection of the features.

Ironwood Canyon, East Fork Ironwood Canyon, Ironwood Wash, East Fork Ironwood Wash – State Parks approved of these proposals, and there was no public safety issue found. Moved and seconded that CACGN recommend approval as listed. Yea 5, Nay 0.

#### **Review List 400**

Region V (Chambers)

Three Arch Bay – For the proposed name change from Mussel Cove to Three Arch Bay, the following usages of Three Arch Bay have been shown to exist: Established Usage, Historical Usage, Legal Usage, Local Usage, and Written Usage. To resolve the confusion of conflicting name usage between USGS topographic maps and NOAA nautical charts, and in recognition of present day usages mentioned, and for public safety it was moved and seconded that CACGN recommend approval as listed. Yea 5, Nay 0.

#### **Review List 397**

Region V (Chambers)

Devils Anvil Peak, Old Rocky Peak, Tombstone Peak – Because of a published source and lack of controversy it was moved and seconded that CACGN recommend approval of these names as listed. Yea 5, Nay 0.

#### **Review List 396**

Region IV (Veisze)

Roosevelt Point - CACGN deferred recommendation pending a National Park Service (NPS) position statement. The CACGN recognizes that President Theodore Roosevelt had an important role in the formation of National Parks and is eminently worthy of commemoration with a named geographic feature, but to-date, NPS staff have not contacted BGN staff or CACGN members on this name proposal. There is also some uncertainty as to the feature visibility at the coordinates indicated in the proposal. Paul Veisze will contact NPS's Chick Fagan (BGN representative) for clarification on which feature is being proposed, to determine if it is appropriate for the honoree (or if not, to find an appropriated

feature), and to obtain a recommendation for approval or disapproval.

**6. Time and Place of Next meeting**

July 21, 2010, 9:30 am in CGS Headquarters conference room, 801 K Street, Sacramento, 12<sup>th</sup> floor.

**Meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.**