



# **NEVADA STATE BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES**

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

**WHO:** NEVADA STATE BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES  
**WHERE:** Great Basin Science Sample and Records Library  
Desert Research Institute Campus  
2175 Raggio Parkway  
Reno, NV 89512

*Directions:* Take U.S. Highway 395 north of Reno, take the Parr Blvd exit; turn right (east) on Parr Blvd, turn right (south) on Raggio Pkwy. The GBSSRL is the first building on the let at 2175 Raggio Pkwy.

See map: [http://www.nbmgs.unr.edu/Departments/GBSSRL/docs/GBSSRL\\_map\\_directions.pdf](http://www.nbmgs.unr.edu/Departments/GBSSRL/docs/GBSSRL_map_directions.pdf)

**WHEN:** Tuesday, May 16, 2017, 9:30am – approximately 12:00 noon.

### **AGENDA:**

This Notice of Public Meeting agenda will be posted prior to May 10, 2017 at all Board member agencies as well as the public agencies listed on the reverse side of this Notice of Public Meeting.

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*Jack Hursh, NBGN Member and Photog Extraordinaire*

14. Select tentative meeting place and date for September 2017 meeting (For possible action)
15. Public comments  
*An opportunity for general comments from the public.*  
*(Note: The Board may not discuss any subject or issue that is not on this agenda during this time.)*
16. Adjournment

Members of the public who need special accommodations or assistance at the meeting are requested to notify Christine Johnson, Executive Secretary, at the Nevada Historical Society, 688-1190 x231, by May 5th.

Guest comments are limited to 5 minutes.

The board reserves the right to remove or postpone discussion on an agenda item.

Items in this agenda may be taken in a different order than listed.

Two or more agenda items may be combined for consideration.

Meeting minutes are recorded as part of the public record.

This Notice of Public Meeting for the Nevada State Board of Geographic Names will be posted prior to Thursday May 10, 2017 at all Board member agencies as well as the public agencies listed below:

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Nevada Historical Society  
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Reno, NV 89557

University of Nevada Reno  
Dept. of Geography, MS 0154  
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US Geological Survey  
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Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

# DRAFT

## NEVADA STATE BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES

### MINUTES January 17, 2017

The meeting began at 9:33am, at the Great Basin Science Sample and Records Library at 2175 Raggio Parkway, Reno NV, 89512.

#### **Board Members Present:**

Skip Canfield, Chair, Nevada Dept. of Conservation & Natural Resources  
Jack Hursh, Nevada Bureau of Mines & Geology  
Linda Newman, University of Nevada, Reno, Emeritus  
David Davis, Nevada Bureau of Mines & Geology (alternate)  
Larry Schmidt, US Forest Service (alternate)  
Robert (Bob) Stewart, US Bureau of Land Management (Retired)  
Diane M. Lightwood – State Library & Archives (alternate)  
Cynthia Laframboise – State Library & Archives  
Catherine Magee, Nevada Historical Society – voting alternate  
John Burgess, Nevada Dept. of Transportation

#### **Absent:**

Christine Johnson, Executive Secretary – Nevada Historical Society (non-voting)  
Margaret (Peg) Rees, University of Nevada, Las Vegas  
Daryl Crawford, Inter-Tribal Council  
Paul Starrs, University of Nevada, Reno

#### **Guests:**

Fil Corbett – Guest – Public Radio Station  
Ron Moe – Guest  
Dean Tonenna – Guest – Bureau of Land Management  
Victor Hemingway – Guest

#### **1. Introductions and Approval of Agenda (for possible action)**

Meeting called to order at 9:33am by Skip Canfield. Introductions made of attending Board members and four guests. Motion to approve agenda made by Linda Newman, seconded by Catherine Magee. Unanimous approval of agenda. Motion approved.

#### **2. Approval of Minutes from September 15, 2016 meeting (for possible action)**

Motion to approve minutes from September 15, 2016 meeting made by Cynthia Laframboise to approve minutes, seconded by Linda Newman. Unanimous approval of the minutes. Motion approved.

#### **3. Announcements, Chairman or Executive Secretary**

Skip Canfield made an announcement regarding Mr. Stewart and the concern for his role on the Board. Membership on the NBGN requires official approved representation by and for the agency in question – in this case, the Forest Service and the BLM. Mr. Stewart provided his volunteer agreement which states that he will represent the BLM at the NBGN meetings. Mr. Stewart mentioned NRS does not require the representative be an employee – just a representative. Linda Newman mentioned she should have paperwork supporting her representation for UNR on file soon. General discussion on this topic ensued.

#### **4. Announcements from Board Members**

Mr. Hursh announced he was filling in for Christine Johnson at this meeting as Executive Secretary. Mr. Hursh also introduced Ron Moe, the proponent for Pony Bob peak. Mr. Moe has had an idea to find the high-points in ranges that are unnamed; has produced a list of presently unnamed peaks in the state of Nevada. Thinking of identifying two peaks per meeting in the future for discussion. Mr. Stewart mentioned that Sue Silver has stepped down from her position and will no longer be working in research and naming issues as she has been. Also, long-time NBSN and former State Historian Guy Rocha is no longer available as a source due to health concerns. Jeff Kintop, however remains a great source and supporter of the NBSN that can be contacted for assistance. Mr. Kintop has drafted a BDR to present to the Nevada State Legislators which revises the membership of the NBSN (adding the U.S. National Park Service to the Board).

#### **5. Public Comment**

Pursuant to Nevada Open Meeting law, the NBSN allows for public comment at the beginning and end of our meetings. No public comments were given at this time.

#### **6. Protocol and Streamlining of NBSN procedures (for possible action)**

This is a running agenda item that will allow for suggestions on how to streamline or improve procedures and operations of the Board. No comments or suggestions were received at this time.

#### **7. Wheat Peak (first hearing – for possible action)**

This is the first hearing for this feature. Mr. Hursh recapped the background for the naming of this item and item 8 (George Ridge). Items 7 & 8 are in tandem. Mr. Hursh was contacted by David Johnson in Carson City (proponent) regarding submission for these two items. Mr. Johnson worked in a variety of archaeological surveys and worked with Margaret Wheat (author of the book Survival Arts of the Primitive Paiutes), hoping to name the high point in the Bunejug Mountains after Margaret Wheat (professor at UNR, archaeologist and anthropologist who worked with the Paiute in the Fallon area), specifically with Wuzzie George, Native American Paiute mentioned in Margaret Wheat's book). Proponent served on a survey team with Margaret Wheat and Wuzzie George. Don and Kay Fowler were the lead archaeologists/ anthropologists on the surveys mentioned herein. Worthy of note is the range this item and #8 (below) are located in is the Bunejug range, named for a misspeaking of "Junebug" by Margaret Wheat's daughter in the 1960s (range today holds the name "Bunejug"). This is the reason these two features (#7, #8) are focused on this range. This proposal is for the peak at the high point of the ridge (descending ridge to possibly be named for Paiute woman who worked with Margaret Wheat, Wuzzie George (see item 8). Dean Tonenna (BLM) in attendance as a guest mentioned his involvement with Native names in the area, and referenced his presentation to COGNA in May, 2016. He referenced the existence of a difference in cultural perspective: typically in Native American culture, when a person passes away, their name is put to rest as well. It is something to consider that in one culture to honor a person you might name a feature after them, but in the Native way of thinking, that is not an honor. Because Wuzzie George's family is in the area, it would be good to investigate this idea with both the family and the Tribal Council. He stated that it would be hard on the family to see this feature - living in the area. The Executive Secretary spoke with Daryl Crawford (representative for the Inter-Tribal Council and on the Board) regarding the naming of George Ridge, and he gave the same feedback on this idea as Mr. Tonenna. Mr. Tonenna points out that Wuzzie George was a very traditional person living in the Fallon area, with a long history of living in and with the culture dating back to the early 1900s, with traditions imparted to her from her Grandmother. In this way the beliefs and traditions of the Native people need to be considered. Additionally, he mentioned that while you do see features named for Native people, this happened due to not considering these cultural beliefs (even innocently). He further pointed out that many features on landscapes are named for area plants and animals, and there are times when a person might share that name, and this idea might need to be considered as well. He does not believe there would be an opposition to the naming of Wheat Peak, but needs to be explored with Native communities. Another way to think about naming a place in honor of someone might be to name it what THEY called the place or feature. In many cases, these names have been in place for thousands of years, and in this way it may be a joy for the

people naming the feature to know that the name the person called that place is the chosen name. This is another option to consider. Chair asks for motion from the Board with regard to Wheat Peak (only) at this time, Bob Stewart moved to end the discussion on this item and forward to the next meeting for a second hearing. It was suggested that perhaps Mr. Tonenna can acquire more information and possible connect with the George family on this. Seconded by Linda Newman. Unanimous approval, motion passed.

**8. George Ridge (first hearing – for possible action)**

This is the first hearing for this feature. Mr. Hursh recapped the background for the naming of this item and item 7 (Wheat Peak). Mr. Hursh was contacted by David Johnson in Carson City (proponent) regarding submission for these two items. This feature is the descending ridge from the high point in the Bunejug range (high point to be named for Margaret Wheat). This ridge would be named for the Native American Paiute woman Margaret Wheat worked with in the Fallon area, Wuzzie George. Proponent served on a team with Margaret Wheat and Wuzzie George. Most discussion regarding this item was presented in tandem with item 7 above. Chair sought motion from Board regarding this item with consideration for statements made by Mr. Tonenna (item 7). Bob Stewart moved to forward this item to a second hearing, seconded by Larry Schmidt. No additional discussion made, unanimous approval to forward to second hearing, motion passed.

**9. Pony Bob Peak, Churchill County (second hearing – for possible action)**

Chair explained consulting the Principles, Policies & Procedures for the Domestic Names Committee (Federal publication) when considering naming a feature. This item meets the criteria for commemorative names (sections 2 & 3, direct association and outstanding national reputation respectively). Jack Hursh did a short presentation to the Board. Mentioned that Pony Bob Haslam is credit with having the longest round-trip ride on the Pony Express, at a time of great conflict with the Paiute in the area, a total of 380 miles. Haslam was also famous for a ride of more than 120 miles while wounded, carrying a copy of Abraham Lincoln's inaugural address. Mr. Hursh introduced Ron Moe (proponent for feature), and showed visual images of the proposed peak, and verified the peak is not named. Very near the Sand Springs station for the Pony Express. Feature itself is a prominent volcanic outcropping, just past Salt Wells off Highway 50. Mr. Hursh and Mr. Moe and others climbed the peak in January, 2016. Jack Hursh presented to the Pony Express Association at their July 14<sup>th</sup> meeting with 35 in attendance, and they were unanimously in favor of this naming. In attendance at the meeting was Steven Haslam Nielson, the great-great-great-nephew of Pony Bob. He would certainly give an endorsement should the Board need this as well, but a letter of endorsement was received from the Pony Express Association. Mr. Moe also spoke to the beauty of the site and appropriate location. Mention was made that there is a triangulation station on top of the peak named "Borax," however this does not preclude the feature itself from being named. Bob Stewart (BLM) mentioned that having spoken to a person who used to place the triangulation stations, there is no specific reason or plan for how the stations are named, no rules, only for reference and not affiliated with the feature. John Burgess suggested perhaps investigating whether the locations of the triangulation stations are kept (and in that way double check that the feature the station is on is classified as unnamed). No additional discussion. Motion made by Cynthia Laframboise, seconded by Larry Schmidt. Unanimously carried, motion passed.

**10. Mount Hanna (second hearing – for possible action)**

Chair refers to Principles, Policies and Procedures for the Domestic Names Committee citing local usage (in published reports), there is a Hanna triangulation station, and in minutes from January meeting, Bob Stewart would investigate whether this was a commemorative name. Mr. Stewart responded that there is no way of knowing the answer. Mount Hanna is the suggested naming feature. Mr. Stewart moved to forward this name to the U.S. Board, seconded by Linda Newman. Unanimously carried, motion passed.

**11. Center Mountain (second hearing – for possible action)**

Published geology text 1991, a triangulation station of Center is on the site, and although there is no strong tie as to where the names for the triangulation stations came from, all three of the names (Mount Hanna (item 10), Center Mountain and Mount Sutor (item 12) have been included in published geology reports by the Geology Dept. at UNLV. Proponent for items 10, 11, 12 is a professor in the UNLV Geology Dept., that wishes to have these names become the official names for the peaks. No other discussion. Motion made by Diane Lightwood to forward to the US. Board for naming consideration, seconded by John Burgess. Unanimously carried, motion passed.

**12. Mount Sutor (second hearing – for possible action)**

This item is similar in nature to the prior two agenda items. Sutor triangulation station is located on the feature, and this name appears in previously published geology reports. No additional discussion, motion made by Linda Newman to forward to the U.S. Board for naming consideration, seconded by Catherine Magee. Unanimously carried, motion passed.

**13. Booker Hot Springs, Lyon County (third hearing – for possible action)**

Chair mentioned the naming of this feature is in part based on assisting law enforcement with public safety, and cites the Principles, Policies and Procedures guide for the Domestic Names Committee, policy #3 – a commemorative name – named for John G. Booker, a land surveyor with historical significance. Chair has a question – this was suggested as a variant in the last meeting as it appears to conflict/coincide with Grant Hot Spring. Bob Stewart spoke with proponent and she has never heard it called Grant Springs, and proponent is a historian for the area. Mr. Stewart moves to forward to the U.S. Board the name of Booker Hot Springs with the notation that Grant View Hot Springs be considered the alternate or variants to Booker Hot Springs. Seconded by Cynthia Laframboise. Opened for discussion, there discussion regarding other references to variant names listed on maps and other research found by proponent appear to be minor - some appear to be past typographical errors. Grant View Hot Springs has been found and repeated in various places including a recreation map. A BLM source called the area Grant Hot Spring with a note that said Grant View Hot Spring evolved into what is known as Grant Hot Springs. Discussion continued, and motion revisited to forward to U.S. Board the suggested name of Booker Hot Springs with the variant of Grant View Hot Springs. Unanimously carried, motion passed.

**14. Durants Mill, Lyon County (third hearing – for possible action)**

Last meeting the board discussed the use of the apostrophe and it was decided to be inappropriate and not with standards as explained in the Principles, Policies and Procedures guide of the Domestic Names Committee. Therefore the name proposed will be Durants Mill (with no apostrophe), criteria cited is local usage, policy #3, commemorative. Discussion ensued, a motion made by Catherine Magee to forward this item to the U.S. Board for naming consideration. No additional discussion, unanimously carried and motion passed.

**15. Select meeting place for May 9, 2017 meeting (for possible action).**

Meeting place for the Great Basin Science Sample and Records Library at 2175 Raggio Parkway, Reno NV, 89512, on Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am. Motion made by Bob Stewart, seconded by Cynthia Laframboise to hold the meeting in this time and place.

**16. Public Comments**

Bob Stewart mentioned Daryl Cruz's appearance last year and his mention of working with the Tahoe Forest Service to change names up there. Asking if we've heard anything about this. Cynthia Laframboise said she will check with former NBSGN chair Jeff Kintop to see if he has had any further communication with Mr. Cruz on this front.

**17. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Skip Canfield to adjourn, seconded by Cynthia Lamframboise. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:40am.

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GUIDELINES  
FOR THE  
NEVADA STATE BOARD  
ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES

Introduction

Names have a special significance to persons using maps, charts or documents, as they identify geographic locations, recount history, commemorate people and events. Without geographic place names, communication would be difficult. The misspelling, misapplication, duplication or omission of a name may cause geographic confusion, complications in emergency situations, create resentment and impair the validity of an otherwise excellent map. In a broader sense, the strength, consistency and appropriateness of names are marks of the vigor, growth and permanence of a nation and its people. Much can be done to enhance historic heritage, color and picturesqueness of a region through judicious selection and preservation of significant and appropriate names.

Consequently, while geographic place naming is responsive to the needs and will of the public, it is of necessity a function that requires the supervision and coordination of local, state and federal government and their respective map-producing agencies. The Nevada State Board on Geographic Names, established May 1985 by chapter 327 of NRS as amended, coordinates and approves names within the State of Nevada. The U.S. Board formulates federal principles, policies and procedures related to both domestic and foreign geographic names, and determines the final choice, spelling and application of names for official national and international use. While it is the ultimate authority for federal usage, the U.S. Board works in close and dependent cooperation with the Nevada State Board. Hence, application for proposed name changes, new names, spelling clarifications, etc., sent directly to the U.S. Board, are first referred to the State Board for local evaluation and recommendation.

Persons wishing to suggest names or who seek clarifications are urged to make application through the Nevada State Board. Applications may be obtained from and submitted to:

Secretary  
Nevada State Board on Geographic Names  
Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology  
University of Nevada  
Reno, NV 89557-0088

As much justification as possible should be included to support proposals, especially concerning alteration or elimination of existing names.

## OBJECTIVES OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD

### ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES

1. To serve as the responsible agent to coordinate the important place-naming activity between local, state and federal agencies;
2. To establish a procedure for the retention and formal recognition of existing names;
3. To standardized the procedures for naming or renaming geographic features within state boundaries;
4. To avoid or eliminate, whenever possible, the duplication of names and to correct spelling errors;
5. To retain and enhance the significance, heritage and distinctive color of names associated with the history and developement of the state.

### COMPOSITION OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD

One representative of each of the following agencies or organizations:

- (a) Bureau of Mines and Geology of the State of Nevada.
- (b) Faculty of the University of Nevada, Reno
- (c) Faculty of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.
- (d) Nevada State Library and Archives.
- (e) Department of transportation of the state.
- (f) State department of conservation and natural resources.
- (g) Nevada historical society.
- (h) United States Bureau of Land Management
- (i) United States Forest Service.

Each agency or organization shall designate a representative and on alternative representative for this purpose.

### AUTHORITY OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD

1. The board shall:
  - (a) Receive and evaluate all proposals for changes in or additions to names of geographic features and places in the state to determine the most appropriate and acceptable names for use in maps and official documents of all levels of government.
  - (b) Make official recommendations on behalf of the state with respect to each proposal.
  - (c) Assist and cooperate with the United States Board on Geographic Names in matters relating to names of geographic features and places in Nevada.
  - (d) Maintain a list of advisers who have special knowledge of or expertise in Nevada history, geography or culture and consult with those advisers on a regular basis in the course of its work.

2. The board may:
  - (a) Adopt regulations to assist in carrying out the functions and duties assigned to it by law.
  - (b) Initiate proposals for changes in or additions to geographic names in the state. Any proposal initiated by the board must be evaluated in accordance with the same procedures prescribed for the consideration of other proposals.

#### PROCEDURES FOR REVIEWING NAMES

1. Any person, group or agency of federal, state or local government may propose a change in or the addition of any geographic name within the state by submitting it to the board for evaluation and recommendation.
2. Upon receipt of any such proposal, together with sufficient supporting information, the board shall:
  - (a) Place the proposal on the agenda for preliminary consideration at its next meeting.
  - (b) Give appropriate notice to persons and groups who are affected by the proposal or might have an interest in it.
  - (c) Provide opportunities for public comment.
  - (d) Conduct such research and field investigations as it deems necessary.
3. The board may not take final action on any proposal until it has been given preliminary consideration at one or more previous meetings.
4. Occasionally, decisions on disputed or questioned names are delayed pending further research and/or additional public input.
5. Whenever the board takes final action on a proposal, it shall notify the person, group or agency who submitted the proposal and shall transmit the official recommendation to the United States Board of Geographic Names which renders final action and informs all concerned governmental agencies including, directly and indirectly official and private mapmakers.

#### GUIDELINES FOR NAMING

##### New Names Applied to Unnamed Features

###### Acceptable:

1. Names in dominant local usage that are strongly supported by local residents;
2. Spelling and pronunciation sanctioned by local usage;
3. Euphonious and suitable names of Indian, pioneer or pertinent foreign origin;
4. Names suggested by peculiarities of topographic features, such as form, vegetation or animal life.
5. Pertinent, concise names in good taste, without derogatory or defamatory implications.

6. In the case of a river, it is preferable that the name usually follow its longest branch;
7. Names created by acts of the State Legislature, municipal councils or other local governing bodies with direct jurisdiction regarding geographic names, unless application of the names is in conflict with the established and interlocking naming principles followed by both the federal and state boards;
8. Names in conformity with the flavor of existing names in the area and, in the case of Indian names, names which adhere to correct (most standardized) spelling;
9. The relative importance of a feature commensurate with the importance of the name being applied. Thus, it is inappropriate to name a major peak for a relatively unknown individual or a small pond for a major personality.

Avoid:

1. Duplication of names within the state, particularly in small or contiguous areas;
2. Names that commemorate living persons;
3. Long and clumsily constructed names;
4. Multiplicity of names for different parts of the same feature, such as a river or mountain range. One name is preferable for the main stem of a stream or throughout the length of a single mountain range;
5. The use of hyphens;
6. Application of a personal name unless it is in the public interest and of historic significance;
7. Names with commercial overtones.

Commemorative Names

1. Must not commemorate living persons;
2. Only one feature of a kind after the same person;
3. The person so honored must have enduring, honorable fame relative to the region;
4. Public service credentials must be truly significant and noteworthy in a broad area or sense;

5. The relative importance of the feature should be commensurate with the importance of the individual;
6. The person so honored should be closely associated with the feature.

#### Changes in Naming, Spelling or Application

1. Changes in existing names will generally be restricted to the elimination of names which are inappropriate, duplicative, defamatory and derogatory, or to names which have historically changed or corrupted from their original form, and to names with commercial overtones.
2. Changes in spelling will be encouraged to standardize form of a single (identical) name given to related features, to eliminate the use of the possessive apostrophe, e.g. Bell Creek rather than Bell's Creek, and to correct obvious spelling errors.
3. Changes in application are encouraged where the name is applied to the wrong feature, or where the title does not correctly reflect the technical definition of the feature to which applied, e.g. lagoon for lake or mountain for hill.
4. Changes should be supported by the local area.

#### CONCLUSION

The Nevada State Board on Geographic Names is dedicated to perpetuating the rich and varied heritage of the state by the logical application of standardized naming guidelines, the elimination of controversial spelling, location and duplication, and the application of appropriate and acceptable names to unnamed features. To further this purpose, the Board will coordinate the ongoing naming process so that new and old titles reflect existing common usage terms of residents and apply appropriate designations that aptly fit the history and topography of the Silver State.

Approved

**NRS 327.120 Nevada State Board on Geographic Names: Composition.** The Board consists of:

1. One representative of each of the following agencies or organizations:
  - (a) Bureau of Mines and Geology of the State of Nevada.
  - (b) Faculty of the University of Nevada, Reno.
  - (c) Faculty of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.
  - (d) State Library, Archives and Public Records.
  - (e) Department of Transportation of the State.
  - (f) State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
  - (g) Nevada Historical Society.
  - (h) United States Bureau of Land Management.
  - (i) United States Forest Service.
  - (j) Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Inc.

↳ Each agency or organization shall designate a representative and one alternative representative for this purpose.

2. An Executive Secretary who is a nonvoting member of the Board. The State Resident Cartographer shall serve in this position. If there is not such a cartographer, the voting members of the Board shall select the Executive Secretary.

(Added to NRS by [1985, 588](#); A [1993, 507](#))

**NRS 327.130 Nevada State Board on Geographic Names: Officers; rules; quorum; meetings; compensation.**

1. The Board shall designate from among its members a Chair and a Vice Chair and shall adopt rules for its own management.

2. A majority of the voting members of the Board constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.

3. The Board shall meet at such times and places as are specified by the Chair, but may not hold more than four meetings in any 1 year.

4. Members of the Board shall serve without compensation, travel expenses or subsistence allowances except as they may be provided by the members' respective agencies and organizations.

(Added to NRS by [1985, 588](#))

**NRS 327.140 Nevada State Board on Geographic Names: Powers and duties.**

1. The Board shall:

- (a) Receive and evaluate all proposals for changes in or additions to names of geographic features and places in the State to determine the most appropriate and acceptable names for use in maps and official documents of all levels of government.

- (b) Make official recommendations on behalf of the State with respect to each proposal.

- (c) Assist and cooperate with the United States Board on Geographic Names in matters relating to names of geographic features and places in Nevada.

- (d) Maintain a list of advisers who have special knowledge of or expertise in Nevada history, geography or culture and consult with those advisers on a regular basis in the course of its work.

2. The Board may:

- (a) Adopt regulations to assist in carrying out the functions and duties assigned to it by law.

- (b) Initiate proposals for changes in or additions to geographic names in the State. Any proposal initiated by the Board must be evaluated in accordance with the same procedures prescribed for the consideration of other proposals.

(Added to NRS by [1985, 588](#))

**NRS 327.150 Changes in or additions of geographic names: Submission of proposal; preliminary consideration; final action and notice.**

1. Any person, group or agency of federal, state or local government may propose a change in or the addition of any geographic name within the State by submitting it to the Board for evaluation and recommendation.

2. Upon receipt of any such proposal, together with sufficient supporting information, the Board shall:

- (a) Place the proposal on the agenda for preliminary consideration at its next meeting.

- (b) Give appropriate notice to persons and groups who are affected by the proposal or might have an interest in it.

- (c) Provide opportunities for public comment.

- (d) Conduct such research and field investigations as it deems necessary.

3. The Board may not take final action on any proposal until it has been given preliminary consideration at one or more previous meetings.

4. Whenever the Board takes final action on a proposal, it shall notify the person, group or agency who submitted the proposal and shall transmit the official recommendation to the United States Board on Geographic Names.

(Added to NRS by [1985, 589](#))

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U.S. Geological Survey  
523 National Center  
Reston, VA 20192

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**Specific Area Covered:** 41.88660° N 118.40916° W

Latitude: \_\_\_° \_\_\_' \_\_\_" NS      Longitude: \_\_\_° \_\_\_' \_\_\_" WE      Mouth End Center

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Section(s) \_\_\_ Township(s) \_\_\_ Range(s) \_\_\_ Meridian MDM Elevation 8485 ft./m.

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

Is the feature identified (including other names) in the Geographic Names Information System (GNIS)?  
 Yes   No      Unknown      If yes, please indicate how it is listed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Description of Feature** (physical shape, length, width, direction of flow, etc.): Highpoint in the Bilk Creek Mountains

Maps and Other Sources Using <i>Recommended</i> Name (include scale and date)	Other Names (variants)	Maps and Other Sources Using <i>Other Name</i> or Applications (include scale and date)
<u>Trident Peak</u> <u>USGS 7.5' Quad</u>		

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

Is the recommended name in local usage?      Yes      No      If yes, for approximately how many years? \_\_\_\_\_

Is there local opposition to, or conflict, with the recommended name?    Yes    No    (If yes, explain)

For proposed new name, please provide evidence that feature is unnamed:

- unnamed on maps
- no name in local usage

Additional information:

Copy Submitted By (name): <b>Connie Marie Engeler</b>	Title	Telephone (day) <b>970-274-0667</b>	Date <b>2-22-17</b>
Company or Agency	Address (City, State, and ZIPCode) <b>1194 County Road 137 Glenwood Springs, CO 81601</b>		
Copy Prepared By (if other than above): <b>Jack Hursh</b>	Title <b>Cartographer</b>	Phone (day) <b>775-750-1137</b>	Date <b>2-22-17</b>
Company or Agency <b>Nevada Bureau of Mines + Geology</b>	Address (City, State, and ZIPCode) <b>MS178 UNR Reno, NV 89557</b>		

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

# Engeler Peak, Bilk Creek Mountains

Peak naming:

Dear Jack,

We would like to propose the name Engeler Peak for the unnamed high point of the Bilk Creek Mountains.

My parents (both deceased) immigrated to the United States from Switzerland and started their farming ventures in California where my father (Otto Engeler), through one of his California farming contacts (Curt Rocca) was given the challenge of converting about 10,000 acres of dry Nevada sagebrush land into agriculture in the Kings River Valley - Rio King Ranch. According to Mario Estrada, my parents friend and farm hand in California, the previous candidates for the job were dropping like flies and weren't up for the challenge - probably a combination of it's remoteness, the wind and the dust and the sheer magnitude of that much acreage.

The Engelers, in the late 1950's, with their three boys, packed up their growing family (two more were born in Nevada) and moved to the Nevada desert from the luscious green of California where my dad put his Swiss ingenuity to work getting wells drilled, assembling a team of farm hands, designing and building an all-in-one piece of equipment that could clear the brush away, fertilize and plant seeds. He implemented the irrigation plan and was able to convert the desert land into arable cropland in record time making it into the large-scale productive farm it is today.

My parents were hard working and interesting people who didn't just administrate directions from the comfort of their air-conditioned home. They knew every farmhand personally and worked next to them. My mom told a funny story of the time she was out burning wind rows, covered in soot with her gypsy-like-dark-skin when an immigration officer, thinking she was possibly an illegal worker, came up to her and asked her for her papers. With her Swiss accent and perfect English she set down her pitchfork, offered her hand and quipped, "I'm Otto Engeler's wife, Elizabeth, nice to meet you!"

My parents weren't just there to work, though, and enjoyed making friends with other families in the area as well as welcoming their visiting friends from the Bay Area and beyond. My mom started the valley's first Literary Club, a predecessor to today's book club and she was instrumental in inspiring our family outings; hikes up Disaster Peak, fishing along China Creek, Log Cabin and, yes, even skiing up Trident Peak at Easter!

This is the reason why I am so excited to name the Un-named High Point in the Bilk Creek Range after them - the highest point stands there in the background - not jumping out front for recognition- but in it's *unassuming* way stands the *tallest*, quietly imparting a sense of quality and adventure just by virtue of being there.



Early adventure up China Creek, my brother Sig sporting a fashionable mohawk



“in”buildings - inside Mario’s trailer; my parents, brothers and friends/workers



My mom, posing in “western” photo to send her mother in Switzerland. I don’t think it was taken in Nevada and I can tell she was feeling somewhat shy wearing the cowgirl regalia - she was such a water person and I’m sure she felt more comfortable in a bathing suit.



I think this is Cleto Bengo at their Kings River Ranch (old ranching equipment and very Basque).



Outbuildings and...no buildings.

Thanks Connie. Those coordinates will do the job.

Jack

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**From:** connie engeler [[laconstance@gmail.com](mailto:laconstance@gmail.com)]

**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2017 9:59 AM

**To:** Jack P Hursh

**Subject:** Re: naming a peak

## Bilk Creek Mountain HP

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On Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 10:45 AM, Jack P Hursh <[jhursh@unr.edu](mailto:jhursh@unr.edu)> wrote:

Hello Connie,

Another way to communicate the location to me instead of coordintates would be to just circle the spot on the topo map, scan the topo, and e-mail it to me.

Jack Hursh

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**From:** connie engeler [[laconstance@gmail.com](mailto:laconstance@gmail.com)]

**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2017 9:43 AM  
**To:** Jack P Hursh  
**Subject:** Re: naming a peak

My contact information is:

Connie Marie Engeler (or Constance)  
 1194 County Road 137  
 Glenwood Springs, Colorado 81601  
 h [970.945.0474](tel:970.945.0474)  
 m [970.274.0667](tel:970.274.0667)

I wasn't sure of the coordinates of the peak from the topo map I got at the BLM office but will look online and get that to you later today.

Thank-you

On Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 10:27 AM, Jack P Hursh <[jhursh@unr.edu](mailto:jhursh@unr.edu)> wrote:

Hello Connie,

Good to talk to you about naming the highpoint in the Bilk Creek Mountains. Go ahead and send me your full name and address and I will start filling out the proposal form. We can start that while we are researching an appropriate name proposal. Also, provide me either a map or coordinates to help me identify exactly the point you are considering. The names board has a simple little website that you can look at to become familiar:

<http://www.nbmgs.unr.edu/geonames/index.html>

[https://geonames.usgs.gov/docs/a-c.pdf\[geonames.usgs.gov\]](https://geonames.usgs.gov/docs/a-c.pdf[geonames.usgs.gov])

Jack Hursh  
 Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology

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**From:** connie engeler [[laconstance@gmail.com](mailto:laconstance@gmail.com)]

**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2017 9:12 AM

**To:** Jack P Hursh

**Subject:** naming a peak

Hello Jack,

Thank-you for our earlier conversation this week with David from the BLM office in Winnemucca and I regarding naming a peak. I am now back from my brother's funeral and would like to begin the process of naming the un-named peak in the Bilk Creek Range where our family spent so much time.

I very much appreciate your taking the time and interest in helping out with the logistics of doing this and most especially appreciated the story of your Orovada 'filmfest' - it is so exemplary of what the spirit of rural Nevada means to me - that place where the wide-open spaces reflect the openness-of-heart of it's people and their unfettered enthusiasm...

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

Is the feature identified (including other names) in the Geographic Names Information System (GNIS)?  
 Yes   No      Unknown      If yes, please indicate how it is listed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Description of Feature** (physical shape, length, width, direction of flow, etc.): Highpoint in the Pine Forest Range

Maps and Other Sources Using <u>Recommended</u> Name (include scale and date)	Other Names (variants)	Maps and Other Sources Using Other Name or Applications (include scale and date)

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

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Yes

No

(If yes, explain)

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Copy Submitted By (name): <b>Ron Moe</b>	Title <b>citizen</b>	Telephone (day) <b>775-883-5381</b>	Date <b>4-19-17</b>
Company or Agency	Address (City, State, and ZIPCode) <b>1195 Kingsley Lane, Carson City, NV 89701</b>		
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Section(s) \_\_\_ Township(s) \_\_\_ Range(s) \_\_\_ Meridian MDM Elevation \_\_\_ ft./m.

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

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**Description of Feature** (physical shape, length, width, direction of flow, etc.): Highpoint in the Jackson Mountains

Maps and Other Sources Using <i>Recommended</i> Name (include scale and date)	Other Names (variants)	Maps and Other Sources Using Other Name or Applications (include scale and date)

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Yes

**No**

(If yes, explain)

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Section(s) 14 Township(s) 43 N Range(s) 28 E Meridian MDM Elevation 9428 ft ft/m.

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

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Latitude: \_\_\_° \_\_\_' \_\_\_" NS      Longitude: \_\_\_° \_\_\_' \_\_\_" WE      Heading End

Section(s) 32    Township(s) 40 N      Range(s) 32 E    Meridian MDM    Elevation 9095 ft ft./m.

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

Is the feature identified (including other names) in the Geographic Names Information System (GNIS)?  
 Yes  No  Unknown  If yes, please indicate how it is listed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Description of Feature** (physical shape, length, width, direction of flow, etc.): Highpoint in the Jackson Mountains

Maps and Other Sources Using <i>Recommended</i> Name (include scale and date)	Other Names (variants)	Maps and Other Sources Using Other Name or Applications (include scale and date)
<u>Parrot Peak</u> <u>USGS 7.5' Quad</u>		

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

Is the recommended name in local usage?      Yes      No      If yes, for approximately how many years? \_\_\_\_\_

Is there local opposition to, or conflict, with the recommended name?

Yes

No

(If yes, explain)

For proposed new name, please provide evidence that feature is unnamed:

- unnamed on maps
- no name in local usage

Additional information:

Copy Submitted By (name): <b>Ron Moe</b>	Title <b>citizen</b>	Telephone (day) <b>775-883-5381</b>	Date <b>4-19-17</b>
Company or Agency	Address (City, State, and ZIPCode) <b>1195 Kingsley Lane, Carson City, NV 89701</b>		
Copy Prepared By (if other than above):	Title	Phone (day)	Date
Company or Agency	Address (City, State, and ZIPCode)		

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

## APPENDIX C.

U.S. Department of the Interior  
U.S. Geological Survey

# 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 feature 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 20192

**Action Requested:**

- Proposed New Name
- Application Change
- Name Change
- Other

Recommended Name

Wheat Peak

State

Nevada

County or Equivalent

Churchill

Administrative Area

**Specific Area Covered:**

Latitude: 39° 18' 37.5" N

Longitude: 118° 36' 41.37" W

Mouth End Center

Latitude: \_\_\_° \_\_\_' \_\_\_" N S

Longitude: \_\_\_° \_\_\_' \_\_\_" W E

Heading End

*protracted area*  
Section(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Township(s) 17 N

Range(s) 30 E

Meridian MDM

Elevation 4880 (ft./m.)

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

Is the feature identified (including other names) in the Geographic Names Information System (GNIS)?

Yes

No

Unknown

If yes, please indicate how it is listed: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Feature (physical shape, length, width, direction of flow, etc.):

Highpoint in the

Bunejug Mountains

Maps and Other Sources Using Recommended Name (include scale and date)

Other Names (variants)

Maps and Other Sources Using Other Name or Applications (include scale and date)

Bunejug Mountains  
USGS 7.5' Quad

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

Is the recommended name in local usage?

Yes

No

If yes, for approximately how many years? \_\_\_\_\_

Is there local opposition to, or conflict, with the recommended name?

Yes

No

(If yes, explain)

For proposed new name, please provide evidence that feature is unnamed:

- unnamed on maps
- no name in local usage

Additional information:

Copy Submitted By (name): <b>David S. Johnson</b>	Title <b>citizen</b>	Telephone (day) <b>775-882-1506</b>	Date <b>10-20-16</b>
Company or Agency <b>citizen</b>	Address (City, State, and ZIPCode) <b>P.O. Box 70A, Carson City, NV 89702</b>		
Copy Prepared By (if other than above):	Title	Phone (day)	Date
Company or Agency	Address (City, State, and ZIPCode)		

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

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Geographic Names  
U.S. Geological Survey  
523 National Center  
Reston, VA 20192

**Action Requested:**

- Proposed New Name
- Application Change
- Name Change
- Other

Recommended Name	George Ridge
State	Nevada
County or Equivalent	Churchill
Administrative Area	

**Specific Area Covered:**

Latitude: 39° 17' 53.97" <sup>NS</sup> Longitude: 118° 36' 42.43" <sup>WE</sup> Mouth End Center

Latitude:     °     '     " <sup>NS</sup> Longitude:     °     '     " <sup>WE</sup> Heading End

Section(s) protracted area Township(s) 17 N Range(s) 30 E Meridian MDM Elevation 4840 <sup>ft/m.</sup>

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

Is the feature identified (including other names) in the Geographic Names Information System (GNIS)?  
 Yes  **No**  Unknown  If yes, please indicate how it is listed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Description of Feature** (physical shape, length, width, direction of flow, etc.): Ridge descending down to the south from highpoint in the Bunejug mountains

Maps and Other Sources Using <i>Recommended</i> Name (include scale and date)	Other Names (variants)	Maps and Other Sources Using Other Name or Applications (include scale and date)
<u>Bunejug Mountains</u> <u>USGS 7.5' Quad</u>		

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

Is the recommended name in local usage?      Yes      No      If yes, for approximately how many years? \_\_\_\_\_

Is there local opposition to, or conflict, with the recommended name?

Yes

No

(If yes, explain)

For proposed new name, please provide evidence that feature is unnamed:

- unnamed on maps
- no name in local usage

Additional information:

Copy Submitted By (name): David S. Johnson		Title citizen	Telephone (day) 775-882-1506	Date 10-20-16
Company or Agency citizen		Address (City, State, and ZIPCode) P.O. Box 704 Carson City NV 89702		
Copy Prepared By (if other than above):		Title	Phone (day)	Date
Company or Agency		Address (City, State, and ZIPCode)		
Authority for Recommended Name	Mailing Address and Telephone	Occupation	Years in Area	

Further information regarding Margaret “Peg” Wheat, is excerpted from Fowler, Catherine S., *Tule Technology: Northern Paiute Uses of Marsh Resources in Western Nevada*. ***Smithsonian Folklife Studies*, Number 6, 1990.**

From “**Acknowledgements**” page 11...

The first debt of gratitude for the contents of this monograph is owed to Margaret M. Wheat, now deceased, of Fallon, Nevada. I first met Peg Wheat in 1962 through a professor of mine and friend of hers, Gordon L. Grosscup, then at the University of Utah. Peg took a group of us into her unique home in Carson City, where we had come to attend a Great Basin Anthropological Conference. I soon learned that this was the way of this remarkable woman, always welcoming into her household people of all scientific persuasions— archaeologists, ethnologists, geologists, paleontologists, biologists, or hydrologists—anyone with a sincere interest in her native state and its peoples, land, and history. Although she had little formal training in any of these branches of knowledge, she learned by association and independent study. In addition to encouraging and assisting many to do work in the region, she went on to publish many works in these fields on her own. Our mutual work with Wuzzie George, to whom the second but no less important debt is owed, began for me in the early 1970s. This association was particularly rewarding, and was largely facilitated by Peg.

From “**Introduction**” pages 13-15:

Margaret M. Wheat of Fallon, Nevada, began independent ethnographic studies among the Northern Paiute people of Stillwater, a reservation community near her home, in the late 1940s, stimulated by her own explorations of western Nevada geology, hydrology, and archaeology. Her first work was with Alice Steve, then in her seventies but very knowledgeable about the natural resources and lifeways of the people of the region. Wheat began by collecting native place names for local mountain ranges, rivers, springs, and other physical features, some of which were incorporated into maps then being drafted by United States Geological Survey personnel working in the area. Northern Paiute names also became attached to soil types and geological formations, largely as the result of Wheat's work with geologist Roger Morrison.

Wheat's action in alerting the Department of Anthropology of the University of California, Berkeley, to the discovery of some very rich cave deposits in the Stillwater Range brought several archaeologists to her area in the mid-1950s. With Gordon L. Grosscup, a graduate student at the time, she made additional investigations of Northern Paiute knowledge of some of the tool types found in the caves and also some of the resources used as food by the Paiute people. Alice Steve, Wheat's helper on several previous inquiries, was joined at this time by her friend Wuzzie George, somewhat younger than she but also very knowledgeable about many of the ways of the "Old People." Wuzzie George's husband, Jimmy George, was a very well-known Native American doctor, or shaman, and also an outstanding craftsman. With the incapacitation and ultimately the death of Alice Steve in the early 1960s, Wheat increasingly began to focus on the knowledge carried by Wuzzie and Jimmy George and felt a more intense urge to document the way of life they remembered, but which was passing from the scene.

From the mid-1950s through the early 1970s, Wheat, who had little formal training in ethnographic fieldwork, amassed more than 400 hours of tape-recorded interviews with the Georges and several other Northern Paiute elders in the region.... In the late 1950s and early 1960s, she also documented Northern Paiute lifeways on film, using both black-and-white and color stills and 16-millimeter color motion pictures. Through her focus on the material culture of the Northern Paiute people, she accumulated some 1,000 still photographs and roughly 2,500 feet of film.... In 1967, Wheat published several of her photo essays on Northern Paiute manufactures through the University of Nevada Press under the title *Survival Arts of the Primitive Paiutes*. Now in its seventh printing, the book remains one of the best sources on the Northern Paiute people of western Nevada. Other photographs she took have appeared in scholarly publications and are featured in regional and national museum exhibits.

The film *Tule Technology: Northern Paiute Uses of Marsh Resources in Western Nevada*, was made in 1981 by the Office of Folklife Programs, Smithsonian Institution, using some of Wheat's early footage, complemented by new sequences featuring additional members of the George family.

## Peg Wheat and Me....

I first became acquainted with Margaret “Peg” Wheat and her work long before my living in Nevada was even a remote possibility, although, as an undergrad, I’d spent two summers (1972, 1973) in Southern Nevada, initially as a student and subsequently as a teaching assistant in UNLV’s archaeological field school in the Moapa Valley.

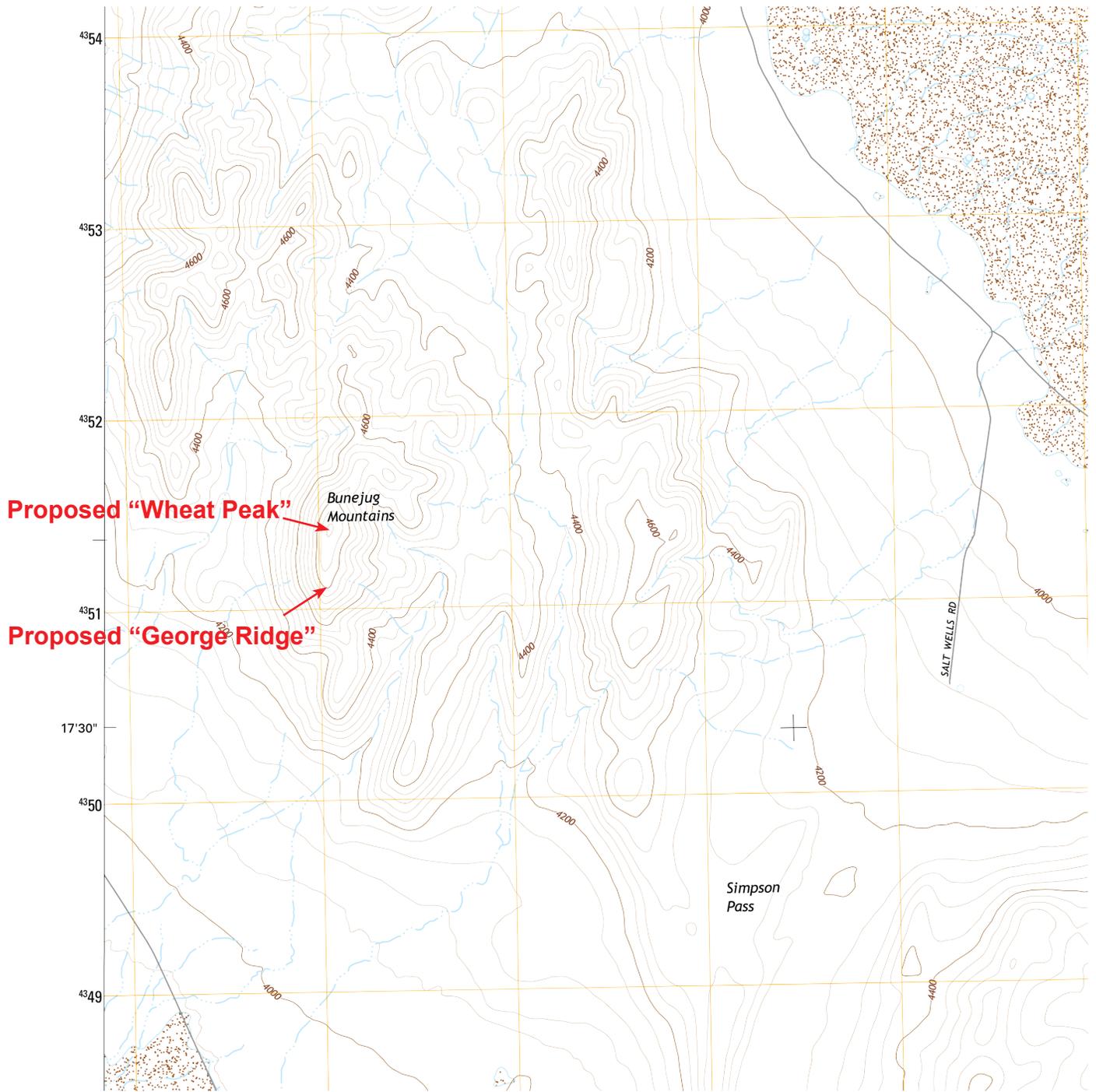
It was during an undergraduate anthropology course, “Peoples and Cultures of North America”, that I first encountered Peg Wheat’s *Survival Arts of the Primitive Paiute*. Later, while in graduate school, I returned to *Survival Arts of the Primitive Paiute* as a source for ethnographic information that might be used, by analogy, to facilitate the interpretation of archaeological data. In addition, I also came across and cited her research on Pleistocene lake levels as part of an investigation into climate and its relation to prehistoric culture change.

After earning my Masters degree and completing the course work for my Doctoral degree, circumstances conspired to move me first to Southern Nevada, and then nine months later to Northern Nevada, where I became Project Archaeologist for the State Museum’s Rye Patch Project. At the conclusion of the fieldwork portion of the project, I found myself back in Carson City and looking for a place to live. It was at that point that mutual friends introduced to Peg Wheat. Another archaeologist had been renting Peg’s Carson City home but recently moved out; the timing was perfect, I rented Peg’s place for the next 16 years until I finally purchased my current home, (After Peg’s death, the house passed to her son who then became my landlord.) While it would be a stretch to say that Peg and I became good friends or that we often saw each other, over the years we did have a number of opportunities to visit and to talk. Peg always appeared interested in hearing what I was up to and would from time to time offer some welcome insight or encouragement. I should also mention that Peg “let” her house more as her support for those of us who had rented from her, than she was doing so for the income. The rent, which was minimal, was set with her first tenant, and never changed over the 16 years I lived there.

If one is going to study anthropology or archaeology in the Western Great Basin, Peg and her contributions to both fields are legion and recognized; however, others have done a significantly better job documenting them than I am able to do. However, there is another side to Peg that is less familiar and not well documented, that is her role as a mentor to other women.

I acquired Peg’s telephone number when I moved into her house in 1980, and for the next 20 years, I kept the number listed under both our names, even after Peg’s death and after I moved, because from time to time someone would call to inquire after Peg. One evening, about 20 years ago now, I received a call from a female geologist, a woman who had graduated from Mackey in the 1960s. The woman had been somewhere in South America for an extended period, had only recently returned to the States, and was, therefore, unaware that Peg had passed away. The woman went on at great length, sometimes humorously, about how Peg had mentored not only her but other women as well. She told me that it was incredibly tough for a woman to be a geologist back in the sixties. She believed that absent Peg’s active mentoring and support she and others would have never made it through Mackey. Peg herself did not finish Mackey; however, her continuing support and encouragement for others made it possible for them.

David S. Johnson  
November 29, 2016



## Skip Canfield

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**From:** Christine K. Johnson  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 2, 2017 1:58 PM  
**To:** Skip Canfield  
**Subject:** FW: George Ridge name change

FYI

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**From:** Misty Benner [mailto:[numuyadua@hotmail.com](mailto:numuyadua@hotmail.com)]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 01, 2017 12:26 PM  
**To:** Christine K. Johnson  
**Subject:** George Ridge name change

Dear Ms. Johnson,

This email is sent in support of the name change to George Ridge in honor of our elder Wuzzie George. She was an incredible woman who is still well respected and remembered by our Tribe. Unu pesa'yu u (thank you very much) for honoring her in this way.

Misty Benner  
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