



HAWAI'I BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES (HBGN)

Notice of Meeting and Agenda

235 S. Beretania Street
Conference Room 204
Honolulu, HI 96813

Friday, March 1, 2024
2:00 p.m.

As authorized under Act 220, Session Laws of Hawai'i 2021, this meeting will be held with Board Members, Staff, and Agencies participating in-person at the above location or via Zoom online meeting venue.

Zoom meeting information:

URL: <https://bit.ly/hbgn-20240301>
or dial: (669) 900-6833 [audio only]

Meeting ID: 871 2477 7708
Passcode: 700044

A G E N D A

1. Call to Order
2. Review and approval of meeting minutes for September 20, 2023
The Board will review/amend the minutes from the previous meeting and will vote on whether to approve them at this time. [Action item]
3. Public comments.
Participants may provide comments about issues not on the agenda for possible inclusion on a future agenda. [Not an action item]
4. Announcements.
Participants may share information not requiring Board discussion, action, or decision making. [Not an action item]
5. Advisory Committee on Reconciliation in Place Names update.
An update on the November meeting of the Advisory Committee in Honolulu, Hawai'i. [Not an action item]
6. Discussion and decision on Kapoho Crater / Pu'uolekia
Review request to change the name of Kapoho Crater on the Island of Hawai'i to Pu'ulēkia. [Action item]
7. Discussion and decision on Reyes Beach

Review proposal to create a name for a small beach in Hawai‘i Kai to Reyes Beach in honor of Mr. Edward Diego Reyes, former Lt. Governor of Guam. [Action item]

8. Discussion and decision on selected feature names on the Island of Hawai‘i.
Board members are reviewing and researching feature names from its review list. Board members will discuss the results of their research and may make naming decisions. [Action item]
9. Next meeting.
Board members will schedule meetings for 2024. [Action item]
10. Adjourn

Meeting Materials:

Meeting materials will be available in advance of the meeting on HBGN’s website (<https://planning.hawaii.gov/gis/hbgn/hbgn-meeting-materials>).

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Information about submitting and providing testimony:

Written testimony may be submitted on any agenda item:

by email: arthur.j.buto@hawaii.gov or

by postal mail: Office of Planning and Sustainable Development
ATTN: Hawai‘i Board on Geographic Names
P.O. Box 2359
Honolulu, HI 96804-2359

Written testimony should include the word “testimony” with the agenda item number and description in the Subject line, and should be received no later than **Friday, February 23, 2024, 4:30 p.m.**, in order to be included in the meeting packet. Testimony received after that time will be distributed at the meeting and posted on the website but may not be included in the meeting packet.

Members of the public may also provide oral testimony and participate in discussions for any agenda item during the meeting. If attending in person, please indicate that you wish to speak by raising your hand.

When recognized by the Chairperson, you may present your testimony. If attending virtually, please indicate that you wish to speak by using the raise hand function in Zoom, or if calling in by telephone, entering * and 9 on your phone keypad. When recognized by the Chairperson, you will be unmuted. If calling in by phone, you can unmute and mute yourself by pressing * and 6 on your keypad. When testifying, you will be asked to identify yourself and the organization, if any, that you represent.

Information about attending the meeting in person:

Persons may attend the meeting in person at: Leiopapa A Kamehameha, 235 S. Beretania Street, 6th Floor Conference Room, Honolulu, HI 96813. Visitors will be asked to:

- Present a government issued picture ID at the security desk in the lobby;
- Wear a mask which covers both the nose and mouth;
- Maintain social distance of minimum 6 feet apart from others whenever possible.

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MINUTES DRAFT
FOR THE MEETING OF THE
HAWAI‘I BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES

DATE: September 20, 2023
TIME: 2:00 p.m.
PLACE: Leiopapa A Kamehameha Building
Office of Planning and Sustainable Development
235 S. Beretania Street, Room 204
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813

[0:00:00] **AGENDA ITEM 1: Call to Order** (*recording started late*)

Mr. Marzan called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

The following were in attendance:

MEMBERS: Marques Marzan (Bishop Museum) [remote]
Meyer Cummins (Land Survey Division) [remote]
Kapā Oliveira (University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa) [remote]
Lilliane Makaila (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL)) [remote]
Holly McEldowney (Department of Land and Natural Resources) [remote]
Arthur Buto for Mary Alice Evans (Office of Planning and Sustainable
Development) [in-person]

ABSENT: Keith Gutierrez (Office of Hawaiian Affairs)

GUESTS: Bobby Camara (retired) [remote]
Richard Hazlett (USGS) [remote]
Jenny Runyon (USGS) [remote]
Niniau Kawaihae [remote]

[0:01:12]

AGENDA ITEM 2: Introduction of Lilliane Makaila, DHHL member

Mr. Marzan welcomed Lilliane Makaila to the Board.

Ms. Makaila introduced herself. She is a planner in the DHHL Planning Office focusing on the Island of Hawai‘i working with homesteaders. Her undergraduate studies were at the University of Hawai‘i (UH) in ‘ōlelo Hawai‘i, pre-Hawai‘inuiākea when it was still Kawaihuelani. Her graduate studies were also at UH in Urban and Regional Planning. She just started her position at DHHL in February/March of this year. The Chairperson designated her as his representative on the Board. She expressed her appreciation for the warm welcome from the Board members.

[0:03:53]

AGENDA ITEM 3: Review of Meeting Minutes for June 7, 2023

[0:04:35] **MOTION:** Ms. Oliveira moved to approve the minutes of June 7, 2023; Mr. Cummins seconded the motion.

The members present voted unanimously to approve the meeting minutes of June 7, 2023.

[0:05:12]

AGENDA ITEM 4: Public Comments

The Office of Planning and Sustainable Development (OPSD) received an email from Lamakū Mikahala Roy regarding the celebration of Kamehameha Day 2023. A copy of the article is included in the packet for this meeting.

Mr. Camara emailed in the last half hour about names at the summit of Kīlauea. He's been talking to Pua Kanahale and her daughter-in-law Ku'ulei about Kaluapele and Halema'uma'u and their application geographically. There is a label "KaluaPele o Kīlauea" on Kalama's map of 1837. In the last month or so in their discussion, Pua, Ku'ulei, and he have concluded that Kaluapele is a descriptor rather than a place name. They loosely translate "Kaluapele o Kīlauea" to mean "the volcanic crater of Kīlauea" referring to Halema'uma'u. Similarly, there is a "Kaluapele o Maunaloa" that refers to Moku'āweoweo. Halema'uma'u refers to the entire floor, even though only a small portion is active now. Back in the mid- to late-1800's the entire floor was active; various places throughout the floor that were erupting. He doesn't think that anything has to happen; Kaluapele is the name of the caldera; Moku'āweoweo is the name of the caldera at Mauna Loa; Halema'uma'u is the name of the eruptive center of Kīlauea.

Mr. Camara also expressed concern about the spelling of Lahaina in the news and online. Many places are spelling it with diacriticals, "Lāhainā." An article in Hawai'i Business Magazine by Kalawai'a Nunies referred to Kamuela Yim. They listened to the Kani'āina tapes. Larry Kimura taped a lot of his radio shows in the 70's and 80's and spoke with native speakers. Kepā Maly is a fan of Lāhainā.

[0:17:18]

AGENDA ITEM 5: Announcements

None.

[0:18:35]

AGENDA ITEM 6: Advisory Committee on Reconciliation in Place Names update

The US Department of Interior Advisory Committee on Reconciliation in Place Names (ACRPN) is coming to Hawai'i November 17, 18, and 19 with a visit to Waimea Valley to experience old Hawaiian lifestyle. They'll also visit the Arizona Memorial. ACRPN will hold meetings at the University of Hawai'i (UH) at Mānoa's Campus Center Ballroom.

When she was originally appointed to ACRPN, Ms. Kawaihae pushed for a meeting at Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park to show an example of an easy way to work with indigenous peoples. However, the Park will be paving roads in November and can't host.

Ms. Kawaihae is hoping that HBGN members can attend the meetings at UH to listen in. ACRPN will be reviewing several pages of federal land unit names and US BGN features with potentially derogatory names associated with them.

Kamana'o Mills is also reaching out to the Hawaiian Studies program at UH to develop a protocol for ACRPN members to conduct a ceremony to honor victims of the Lahaina fires; Ms. Kawaihae wants to also remember and honor boarding school children who are buried without names across the United States and Canada.

Mr. Camara suggested that given that Pūowaina and Leahi are both federal facilities or partially federal, it would be good to talk about them during the meetings. Ms. Kawaihae thinks that Pūowaina might be a better location for a site visit than the Arizona Memorial.

The meetings are open to the public, so HBGN members are welcome to attend.

[0:32:39]

AGENDA ITEM 7: Discussion and decision on Kapoho Crater / Pu'uolekia

Dr. Hazlett is a geologist with some research association with UH Hilo and HAVO. In 2018, he frequently had to describe what was happening in the area of Kapoho Crater, an old eroded tuft cone. At that time, it became apparent that there was an evolving place name situation going back 100 years or so. Locals referred to it as "Green Mountain," but the USGS referred to it as Kapoho Crater.

He is uncomfortable with the name because it is more hill-like. He and Mr. Camara researched the name of the feature to see if there was a traditional name before Kapoho Crater. Mr. Camara found some documentation ascribing the name, Pu'uolēkia to the hill itself. In some of the early surveys Green Lake was referred to as Waiapele.

The local landowner and others, are very protective of the traditions of the district, many of which relate to volcanic activity and there is concern that an outside organization would a name for the feature. The landowner thought that the feature name should be Puuohanalei, referring to Lēkia's partner. Two large boulders on the banks of Waiapele are named Lēkia and Hanalei.

Dr. Hazlett and Mr. Camara advocated for more community outreach before the Board makes a decision. They recognize and acknowledge that the landowner has a lot of knowledge about the mo'olelo, place names, and the history of land use in that area.

Board members expressed support for Ms. Kawaihae’s recommendation that the Chair convene a Permitted Interaction Group to consult with the community when it’s appropriate to do so. Mr. Marzan will keep this item on the agenda for the next meeting in order for the discussion to continue.

Mr. Camara expressed a concern that community sentiment may have a louder voice than careful historical research. Dr. Hazlett volunteered to facilitate a meeting between Mr. Camara and community members to discuss the proposed name change. Mr. Marzan expressed appreciation for Dr. Hazlett’s efforts. If appropriate, Ms. Makaila will reach out to beneficiaries in the nearby agricultural areas for their mana‘o.

[0:56:12]

AGENDA ITEM 8: Discussion and decision on selected place names on the Island of Hawai‘i

[361097] **Lua Poholo.** Mr. Camara provided some background for this feature – this pit crater is located on the edge of Moku‘āweoweo on Mauna Loa. When Poholo collapsed, part of its surface got “stuck,” so there’s a big tilted slab in the crater. In the Hawaiian Dictionary [Pukui, Elbert], “poholo” means “*to sink, slip into easily, plunge out of sight, vanish; to miscarry.*” Dr. Hazlett noted that the feature name, Lua Poholo is well-used in scientific publications internationally.

Mr. Camara noted that this feature is in the Hawai‘i Volcanoes National Park. Mr. Camara asked that an email be sent to the Park to ask that they review the name.

[1:05:00]

[1853112] **Puu Alaea Stream (historical).** Alaea is red ochre clay not uncommon in Hamakua. This feature is located in north Hilo, near Laupahoehoe. Mr. Cummins found Registered Map 2060 that shows this feature, “Puu Alaea” labeled on the map. Ms. Kawaihae suggested that the Board consider using Status “7” and align the name to the current style guide.

[1:14:32]

MOTION: Mr. Buto moved to change the Status to “7,” concatenate Puu and Alaea, and add an ‘okina to “Pu‘u.” Mr. Cummins seconded the motion.

*The members present voted unanimously to change the Status to “7,” concatenate Puu and Alaea, and add an ‘okina to Pu‘u, resulting in **Pu‘ualaea Stream (historical).***

[1:15:10]

[363666] **Puu Alauawa.** Mr. Camara believes that the pu‘u labeled “Kaaiialauwa Hill” on Registered Map (RM) 1449 is this same Pu‘u Alauawa and that over time the name has been misspelled.

“Kaai” may be referring to food, “alala” to crows, and “uwa” to quarrelsome and noisy. There used to be alalala in this area of Hualalai near Huehue Ranch. Ms. Kawaihae speculated that “ka‘ai” could refer to burial remains of ali‘i that crows were fighting over, if this was a place similar to the cliffs in Makua on O‘ahu where kahuna would dry the bones of ali‘i. Ms. Makaila and Mr. Marzan noted that “‘alalauwā” is a word meaning the young of the red ‘āweoweo fish. Schools of alalauwā near shore were a major hō‘ailona that royalty would die.

Mr. Camara noted that this pu‘u is grassy with silver oak trees; it’s not barren. You can see the ocean; the elevation is just over 2,000 feet. It was the source of a lava flow down to the ocean; there is a large lava tube associated with it that has burials in portions of it.

The May 29, 1924 issue of the nupepa, *Ka Hoku o Hawaii*, contains an article listing the names of 30+ pu‘u going up the mountain – “Ka puu o Kileo,” “Kaaialalaua,” “Kapuukao,” etc. – matching the features on RM 1449. There’s no mention of the Pu‘u Alauawa feature name.

Since there is no documentation for the meaning of the name, Ms. Makaila recommends using the spelling found in the nupepa article. Mr. Marzan recommended submitting a Name Change to the US BGN, using RM 1449 and the nupepa article as supporting documentation.

[1:35:33]

MOTION: Ms. Makaila moved that we change the feature name of “Puu Alauawa” to “Kaaialalaua” based on the documents provided by Mr. Camara. Mr. Cummins seconded the motion.

The members present voted unanimously to change the feature name of “Puu Alauawa” to “Kaaialalaua” based on the documents provided by Mr. Camara.

[1:37:15]

[363691] **Puu Haole.** Mr. Cummins found it listed on RM 1877 within Grant 4594 to Eben Low.

[1:44:03]

MOTION: Mr. Cummins moved to concatenate “Puu Haole” and add an ‘okina to Puu, “Pu‘uhaole.” Ms. Makaila seconded the motion.

The members present voted unanimously to concatenate “Puu Haole” and add an ‘okina to Puu, “Pu‘uhaole.”

[1:44:56]

[363703] **Puu Hilea.** Mr. Camara noted that Pu‘u Hilea is in Ka‘u, mauka of Punalu‘u on the other side of Kalae. Current maps show the feature in Ocean View next to the main

highway. Mr. Cummins will continue trying to locate this feature on a historical survey map.

Status Key: 1 = Not Hawaiian; 2 = Not Reviewed; 3 = More Research Needed; 4 = HBGN Corrected; 5 = Already Correct in GNIS; 6 = Name Change; 7 = HBGN partial correction, exhausted available reference and research resources

Stat	Feat ID	Feature Name	Feature Class	Corrected Name	Source	Notes	USGS Quad Name
3	361097	Lua Poholo	Crater			PNH: not listed; HBGN: Since this is within Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park, Mr. Camara will take this up with them, 09-20-2023	Mauna Loa
7	1853112	Puu Alaea Stream (historical)	Stream	Pu'u alaea Stream (historical)	HBGN	PNH: Pu'u'alaea, Haleakalā, Maui; HBGN: name found on Hawai'i State Survey Reg. Map #2124 without an association to a distinct feature 1/17/13; HBGN: concatenated per Style Guide, but more research needed; exhausted available reference and research resources, 09-20-2023	Papaaloa
6	363666	Puu Alauawa	Summit	Kaai alalaua	HBGN	PNH: not listed; AH3/UHP: Pu'u alau'awa; HBGN: Based on RM 1449 and nupepa article (Ka Hoku o Hawaii, May 29, 1924), change name to Kaai alalaua, 09-20-2023	Kiholo
7	363691	Puu Haole	Summit	Pu'u haole	HBGN	PNH: not listed; HBGN: Pu'u haole, combined; HBGN: concatenated per Style Guide, but more research needed; exhausted available reference and research resources, 09-20-2023	Puuanahulu

[1:56:50]

AGENDA ITEM 9: Adjourn

MOTION: Mr. Buto moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Cummins seconded the motion.

The members present voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Marzan adjourned the meeting at 3:58 p.m.

Buto, Arthur J

From: BGNEXEC, GS-N-MAC <bgnexec@usgs.gov>
Sent: Sunday, January 14, 2024 7:01 AM
To: Torrey Donovan
Cc: Buto, Arthur J; marques@bishopmuseum.org; Decker, Drew
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Proposal name for geographic feature - Oahu: Edward Reyes Viewpoint and Reyes Beach
Attachments: Edward Reyes Viewpoint proposal.pdf; Reyes Beach proposal.pdf

Dear Ms. Donovan:

This acknowledges your proposals to the U.S. Board on Geographic Names (BGN) to apply the new names Edward Reyes Viewpoint and Reyes Beach to two unnamed locations on the island of O'ahu in Honolulu County. Thank you again for your patience.

The BGN is responsible for standardizing geographic names for Federal use, and its members must approve any new name before it can appear on Federal maps and products.

We will prepare a case brief for the name Reyes Beach and add it to the BGN's next Quarterly Review List for consideration by all interested parties.

However, for the second name, Edward Reyes Viewpoint, this location is considered "administrative", i.e., a manmade or cultural entity (akin to a park, lookout, or monument) and so the BGN would defer to the owner of the property to establish an official name. The BGN does not have the responsibility for naming manmade features, nor do we record them in the BGN's official names database.

Local opinion is important to the BGN, so by a copy of this response, we are forwarding both proposals to the Hawaii Board on Geographic Names (HBGN) for its review and recommendation. As part of its review of the proposal to name the beach, the HBGN will contact the Honolulu County government for its opinion. They will also likely wish to receive the opinions of local community residents. Presumably, they will follow up with you to discuss their naming procedures. The HBGN may also be able to advise you as to how to apply a name to the viewpoint.

Once all parties have had an opportunity to provide their recommendations, we will present the proposal for Reyes Beach to the BGN for discussion and the final decision. The entire process typically takes several months, or longer depending on the timing of the HBGN's review, but we will notify you of the outcome.

Thank you for your interest in the geographic names of Hawaii, and please let us know if you have any questions.

Regards,
Jennifer Runyon, research staff
U.S. Board on Geographic Names
U.S. Geological Survey

Reston, Virginia 20192

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BGNEEXEC@usgs.gov

<https://www.usgs.gov/us-board-on-geographic-names/domestic-names>

>>> The BGN isn't allowed to suggest other options, but when I send the more formal acknowledgment, I'll connect you with the Hawaii Board on Geographic Names which might be able to offer some advice.

Jennifer

From: Torrey Donovan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2024 6:07 PM
To: BGNEEXEC, GS-N-MAC <bgnexec@usgs.gov>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Proposal name for geographic feature - Oahu

Thank you for getting back to me! Yes, that is correct. Are you able to help or let me know if there's any other viewpoint in East Oahu that may be unnamed if the spot I submitted for gets declined?

Torrey Noelani Donovan

1/10/2024 Good afternoon Ms. Donovan:

This is a quick note to acknowledge receipt of your two emails. Due to a significant increase in other name proposals and inquiries that are already in the queue, I wanted to assure you that we have received yours and we will respond as soon as we are able, but it might be a few days. Thank you for your patience.

(And just to confirm, you are asking that two features on Oahu be named for Mr. Reyes? One, the Viewpoint, is likely to be a cultural feature and therefore not under the U.S. BGN's purview to name, but we will provide more specifics in our follow-up email.)

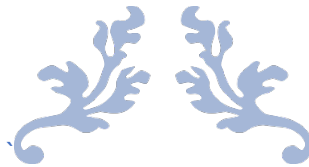
With best regards,
Jennifer Runyon, research staff
U.S. Board on Geographic Names (BGN)
U.S. Geological Survey
Reston, Virginia 20192
(703) 648-4550
[Domestic Names | U.S. Geological Survey \(usgs.gov\)](https://www.usgs.gov/domestic-names)

From: Torrey Donovan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2024 2:55 PM
To: BGNEEXEC, GS-N-MAC <bgnexec@usgs.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Proposal name for geographic feature - Oahu

Thank you for your consideration of naming this small stretch of beach on Oahu.

From: Torrey Donovan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2024 2:50 PM
To: BGNEXEC, GS-N-MAC <bgnexec@usgs.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Proposal name for geographic feature - Oahu

Hello,
Thank you for considering naming this unidentified geographic feature on Oahu.
Torrey Donovan



THE BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES DOMESTIC NAMES COMMITTEE PROPOSAL FORM

This document is for those interested in proposing:

1. **A new name for a currently unnamed geographic feature, or**
2. **A change to an existing name, spelling, or where a name is applied.**

By submitting this form, the proponent acknowledges the [BGN Policies](#) and agrees to work with BGN staff regarding their proposal.



Domestic Geographic Name Proposal Form

The U.S. Board on Geographic Names (BGN) is responsible for standardizing the names of geographic features within the 50 States and in other areas under the sovereignty of the United States. The BGN retains the legal authority to promulgate all official names and locations of natural features (e.g. mountains, rivers, valleys), as well as canals, channels, reservoirs, and other select feature types.

This form is to propose a new name or name, spelling, or application change for a geographic feature for Federal use. A proponent should carefully review the proposal prior to submission to ensure that it is consistent with the [BGN policies](#). Please note all fields with a red outline are required prior to submitting this form.

The proponent should also be aware that the entire proposal—including personal identifying information and any associated correspondence—is in the public domain and may be made publicly available at any time.

Submit Proposal:

1. Download and email this form and supporting documentation to:

BGNESEC@usgs.gov

- i. Save PDF using this format:
'State_GeographicNameProposed'
- ii. Email Subject: *ST_GeographicName*

OR 2. Send by mail to:

U.S. BGN Executive Secretary, Domestic Names
12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, MS-523
Reston, VA 20192

Please note that anything submitted by mail will be delayed.

Contact Us:

BGNESEC@usgs.gov

Naming Basics

Proposed Name:

Reyes Beach

Is this to change an existing name? Y N

If yes, please provide the official name and Feature ID as it appears in [the Geographic Names Information System \(GNIS\)](#).

Is this name in current local use? Y N

What is the Feature Type?

Beach

GNIS Name:

GNIS ID:

Location Basics



Where is the feature?

Latitude: (38.94741)

Longitude: (-77.36839)



General Location:

State:

County:

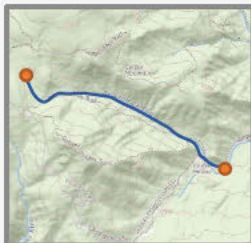
City/Town/
Township/
Borough:

For Linear Features (e.g. stream or valley):

Mouth/Confluence

Latitude: (38.94741)

Longitude: (-77.36839)



Public Land Survey System:

Section(s), Township, Range, Meridian

Source/Headwater

Latitude: (38.94741)

Longitude: (-77.36839)

Feature Description

Physical shape, length, width, etc. (Maps can be submitted separately by email)

A very small stretch of beach on the east side of Oahu.

Name Details

Name information:

Please provide relevant information about the proposed name, such as origin, meaning, how long it has been in current use, as well as current or historical significance. Also include why you believe the feature requires a name or name change and why the proposed name is appropriate. Describe any documents that you will be submitting (separately by email) to support your proposal.

My grandfather and former Lt. Governor of Guam, Edward Diego Reyes, passed away in 2018. He raised his children, my mother, in Oahu and retired in Hawaii Kai. He dedicated his life to public service and took pride in the values that came from being a Pacific Islander. His family would like to honor his legacy by naming a geographic location after him.

Please provide a list of supporting documentation, including any web links:

Examples: Published sources showing the proposed name or letters of support (local government, historical society, etc.).

https://www.guampdn.com/news/local/former-lt-gov-edward-eddie-diego-reyes-dies/article_ead18f16-52c2-5cd5-b730-79b1790bffc0.html

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Edward_Diego_Reyes

Is the name [commemorative](#)? Does the name honor or refer to a person or persons? Y N

Please note that the BGN will only accept proposals for names that are intended to honor a person or persons deceased at least five years. The BGN will disapprove names that could be construed to honor living persons. The person being honored should have had either (1) some direct or long-term association with the feature, or (2) have made a significant contribution to the area, community, or State in which it is located; or (3) have outstanding national or international recognition. The BGN discourages the use of an individual's full name except to avoid ambiguity.

If yes, please provide the following:

Honoree's Date of Birth: **January 24, 1930**

Honoree's Date of Death: **April 14, 2018**

Short biography and significance or association with the geographic feature: *(list any additional honorees here)*

Edward Diego Reyes was a Chamoru politician and retired U.S. Air Force colonel. He raised his four children in Hawaii Kai and eventually retired before passing away at home.

Is the feature in a Wilderness Area or Wilderness Study Area? Y N Unknown

If yes, please provide your justification for making an exception to [the Wilderness Policy](#):

Please note that the BGN will not approve new names for unnamed features within wilderness areas or wilderness study areas, unless an overriding need can be demonstrated by the proponent.

Is the name you are proposing intended to honor Native Americans, their language, or culture? Y N

If yes, to ensure that the proposed name is appropriate, the BGN strongly advises proponents to work with Tribal Leaders, Tribal Historic Preservation Officers, and/or Native American linguists or other expert(s) associated with the Tribe to determine the acceptability of the proposed name and application. Please review [the BGN's Cultural Sensitivity for Native American Names guidance](#).

Proponents should also seek letters of endorsement from the governments (e.g., Tribal Councils) of any affected Tribes. Please indicate below, or in documentation submitted separately (with this proposal or any time after the proposal is submitted), any efforts to solicit Tribal input.

Additional Information +

Is there any local opposition or conflict with the proposed name? Y N

If yes, please explain and describe any opposition:


Additional notes, including any Tribal input details

Proponent Information

Please provide one form of contact (email preferred):


 Proponent's Name:

Agency or Organization, if applicable:

 Email:

 Mailing Address:

 Phone:

 Are you completing this form for someone else? Y N

If yes, please fill out the following:

Completed by:
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Island of Hawai'i

Selected Feature Names

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Status Key: 1 = Not Hawaiian; 2 = Not Reviewed; 3 = More Research Needed; 4 = HBGN Corrected; 5 = Already Correct in GNIS; 6 = Name Change; 7 = HBGN partial correction, exhausted available reference and research resources

Status	Feat ID	Feature Name	Feature Class	Corrected Name	Source	Notes	USGS Quad Name
3	363703	Puu Hilea	Summit			PNH: Hilea not listed as a pu'u; HBGN: combined, Pu'uhilea	Pohue Bay
3	363715	Puu Hoomaha	Summit			PNH: not listed; AH3: Pu'u Ho'omaha; HBGN: Boundary Commission Testimony (BCT)1406 Kukae'ula'ula was renamed Pu'u Ho'omaha, Kukae'ula'ula is in PNH, 1/17/13	Naalehu
3	363733	Puu Ikaaka	Summit			PNH: not listed; HBGN: combined, Pu'uikaaka	Hualalai
3	363750	Puu Kaakihi	Summit			PNH: not listed; HBGN: combined, Pu'ukaakihi	Hawi