



HAWAI'I BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES (HBGN)

Notice of Meeting and Agenda

235 S. Beretania Street
6th Floor Conference Room
Honolulu, HI 96813

Wednesday, May 4, 2022
2:00 p.m.

As authorized under Act 220, Session Laws of Hawaii 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-20220504>
or dial: (669) 900-6833 [audio only]

Meeting ID: 815 3613 4825
Passcode: 275793

A G E N D A

1. Call to Order
2. Review and approval of meeting minutes for December 7, 2021
The Board will review/amend the minutes from the previous meeting and will vote on whether or not to approve them at this time.
3. Public comments.
Participants may provide comments about issues not on the agenda for possible inclusion on a future agenda.
4. Announcements.
Participants may share information not requiring Board discussion, action, or decision making.
5. Introduction of Keith Gutierrez, Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA).
Introduction of OHA's designee on the Board replacing Ka'aleleo Wong. No decision making on this item.
6. Review and discuss previous HBGN decision on Mauna Kea.
The purpose of this agenda item is to provide some background and context of the previous naming decision "Mauna Kea" versus "Maunakea" for the benefit of members who were not on the Board at the time of the 2014 decision. The review is meant to help members understand the reasons for the decision. The issue of the spelling of this feature name has surfaced at several meetings in the past few years. No decision making on this item.

7. Discussion and decision on Kūkahau‘ula.
Currently in the federal Geographic Names Information System (GNIS) database “Kukahaula” is listed as a variant name for the “Pu‘u Wēkiu” volcanic cone. The Board will consider evidence and documentation indicating that “Kūkahau‘ula” is the traditional name for the summit area, and not just of a single cone. The Board may make a naming decision based on the evidence and documentation presented.
8. Discussion and decision on global concatenation.
The Board has several hundred feature names on its review list that are similar in structure, e.g., Puu Haao, Puu Halulu, Puu Kaakihi, etc. A suggestion has been made that the Board globally concatenate all of these similar names, rather than review them one-by-one. The Board is individually reviewing a sample set of these names to gauge the time and effort involved and to better understand the benefits and drawbacks of each approach. The Board may make naming decisions on names on this review list.
9. Review selected place names on the Island of Hawai‘i (Camara).
Mr. Bobby Camara is assisting a geologist from the Hawai‘i Volcanoes National Park update some maps in the area and has submitted a list of feature names on the Island of Hawai‘i that he would like to Board to review. Time permitting, the Board will review the names on the list and may make naming decisions on the names on the list.
10. Establish a regular meeting schedule.
With the new calendar year and new school schedules, the Board will decide on a regular meeting schedule for this year.
11. 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>).

Zoom meeting information:

To participate via the Zoom link provided, you will need a computer or mobile device with internet access, video camera (recommended), and microphone. You will be muted during the meeting unless you are testifying or actively participating in a discussion. You may also access the Zoom meeting by phone only by using the dial-in phone number, meeting ID, and meeting passcode information provided at the top of this agenda. Further instructions for how to use Zoom are available at: <https://planning.hawaii.gov/ghgstf/agendas-and-minutes>.

If connection is lost, the meeting may reconvene when either audiovisual communication or audio-only communication is established within thirty minutes. The public may access the reconvened meeting by clicking the link again.

If it is not possible to reconvene the meeting within 30 minutes after an interruption, then check HBGN’s website (<https://planning.hawaii.gov/gis/hbgn>) for information as to whether the meeting will be continued to an alternative date and time, or the meeting may be terminated.

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 Monday, May 2, 2022, 4:30 p.m., in order to be included in the meeting packet. Testimony received after that time will be distributed at the meeting 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. 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.

Information about auxiliary aids:

If you require auxiliary aids/service (such as a sign language interpreter) or other accommodations for this meeting due to a disability, please contact Arthur Buto (arthur.j.buto@hawaii.gov) as soon as possible so that arrangements can be made. If a request is received after **Friday, April 29, 2022**, we will try to obtain the auxiliary aid/service or accommodation, but we cannot guarantee that the request will be fulfilled. Furthermore, due to a limited number of auxiliary devices and assistive staff, it is possible that requests received before **Friday, April 29, 2022** may not be fulfilled. Requests made as early as possible have a greater likelihood of being fulfilled.

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