Hi Arthur,

Thanks again for including me on the HBGN notices. I was glancing through last month's report and saw the request to change Halemaʻumaʻu Crater (GNIS FID 358963) to Halemaʻumaʻu. I checked the older USGS topos and saw that they all showed the name without "Crater", and that's the form that the BGN had approved (without the diacritics) in 1914 and 1954. It seems "Crater" was first added when the US Topo was updated in 2013 and is also on the NPS brochures (presumably because it's what's listed in GNIS).

I asked the NPS member on the U.S. BGN, who in turn checked with HAVO Park management. They all agree it should be simply Halemaʻumaʻu, so I've changed the name in GNIS and given it a 2017 BGN decision. It also turned out that the change to Halemaʻumaʻu Crater was in the first batch submitted by the NPS Division of Publications back in 1996, when they were just beginning the effort to add diacritics. I was able to locate that original list of submissions (sometimes it pays to keep everything on a shelf in your office even if it is from 20 years ago!).

The GNIS update should appear at the public page by the end of the day. So you can cross this one of your pending list.

Hope you have a good meeting later today. I believe all the recent requests (~two dozen) are now reflected in GNIS, other than the two that are name changes and will need further HBGN/U.S. BGN review.

Jenny

On Mon, Apr 10, 2017 at 5:43 PM, Buto, Arthur J <arthur.j.buto@hawaii.gov> wrote:

Apologies… I should have attached these draft minutes to the meeting invitation…ab