

[EXTERNAL] Loihi to Kama'ehuakanaloa Proposal

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Good afternoon Mr. Marques,

I'm writing on behalf of Mr. Derek Hoffman, the Executive Secretary for the Foreign Names Committee (FNC) for the U.S. Board on Geographic Names.

The BGN recently approved the proposal to change the name of Loiha Seamount to Kama'ehuakanaloa. Further details can be found in the attached notification.

Best regards,

Alex Boyd

Foreign Names Committee Assistant

U.S. Board on Geographic Names

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Mr. Marzan Marques, Chair
Attn: Mr. Arthur Buto
Hawaii Board on Geographic Names

Dear Mr. Marques:

This is to inform you that at its April 18, 2023 meeting, the U.S. Board on Geographic Names (BGN) approved the proposal to change the name of Loihi Seamount, located off the southeast coast of the Island of Hawai'i, to Kama'ehuakanaloa. This decision was made in agreement with the recommendation of the BGN's Advisory Committee on Undersea Features (ACUF), which had approved the name at its March 13 meeting. The members of ACUF expressed their appreciation to Niniau Kawaihae for attending that meeting to share the Hawaii Board's perspective on the renaming.

The entry has been updated in the Geographic Names Server, maintained by the BGN's Foreign Names Committee and searchable at: <https://geonames.nga.mil/geonames/GeographicNamesSearch/>. The former name is now recorded as a variant name, as are Kama'ehu, Lō'ihī Seamount, Kama'ehuakanaloa Seamount, and Kama'ehu Seamount.

Sincerely,

Derek Hoffman
Executive Secretary, Foreign Names Committee
United States Board on Geographic Names

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