MINUTES
FOR THE MEETING OF THE
HAWAI'I BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES

DATE:          July 29, 2019
TIME:          2:00 p.m.
PLACE:         Leiopapa A Kamehameha Building
                 Office of Planning, 6th Floor Conference Room
                 235 S. Beretania Street
                 Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813

AGENDA ITEM 1:  Call to Order

Mr. Marzan called the meeting to order at 2:10pm.

The following were in attendance:

MEMBERS:  Marques Marzan (Bishop Museum)
           Meyer Cummins (Land Survey Division)
           Brad Kaʻalele Wong (Office of Hawaiian Affairs)
           Arthur Buto (Office of Planning)

ABSENT:  William Aila (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands)
          Noenoe Silva (University of Hawai‘i)
          Holly McEldowney (Department of Land and Natural Resources)

GUESTS:  Bobby Camara

AGENDA ITEM 2:  Review of Meeting Minutes for June 24, 2019

Mr. Camara recommended that the descriptor “Waterhole” be removed from the feature
name “Keanalele Waterhole,” feature ID 360992. The Board can revisit this at a future
meeting.

MOTION: Mr. Cummins moved to approve the minutes of June 24, 2019; Mr.
         Wong seconded the motion.

The members present voted unanimously to approve the meeting minutes of
June 24, 2019.

AGENDA ITEM 3:  Public Comments

Name application. One name applications for “Fissure 8” was received:

ʻŌ makaolahoukaluaokalani       Lamakū Mikahala Roy
Wesley Tanigawa submitted on behalf of Lamakū Mikahala Roy. The
email from Mr. Tanigawa was received on July 15, 2019, after the June
30, 2019 deadline for name proposals. However, he is transmitting the
name proposal that Mikahala Roy presented at the Pāhoa Community Meeting on May 16, 2019. He did not see her proposed name among those posted on the HBGN website – the reason is that no application form was received. Mr. Buto forwarded Mr. Tanigawa’s email to Board members and prepared and after-the-fact Name Application Form based on the information contained in Mikahala Roy’s testimony.

**AGENDA ITEM 4: Announcements**

GIS Program position vacancy. Mr. Buto announced that one of the three people in the Statewide GIS Program has moved to the Hawai‘i Department of Transportation, Airports Division. That vacancy will be filled, but in the meantime there is a backlog of work in the GIS Program.

**AGENDA ITEM 5: Selected place names on the island of Hawai‘i**

[358436] Āhole Stream. Mr. Cummins found a Registered Map (RM 2182) that shows “Aholā Stream;” on the topo map, the stream is labeled “Ahole Stream;” Mr. Cummins will check the Homestead Map 46, it’s not online, so it’s probably fragile; More research needed.

Bobby Camara suggests that we should put aside any name in Kahuku that we don’t know much about. Lua Olai may refer to 1868 series of earthquakes. Lua Hou near the summit of Mauna Loa is relatively new. He can’t find anything about Pu‘u o Lokuana.


[359766] Kahilipali Kahaea. PNH: Kāhilipali listed, Kahaea not listed; it’s not clear why two names are included in the name; more research needed, 7-29-19.

[1847301] Kīpuka Kahāliʻi Overlook. Per Bobby Camara, when Maunaulu erupted in the early 70’s with high fountains, tradewinds blew the cinder downwind. This overlook was constructed along Chain of Craters Road so people could see the cinder-buried landscape. The name means ”blanketed kīpuka;” per HBGN style guidelines, it should be concatenated, “Kīpukakahāliʻi Overlook;” because it’s within the boundaries of the park, this spelling correction will be pending NPS concurrence, 7-29-19.

Mr. Camara is hoping that the Kūpuna group will take up the feature names: Puʻu ‘Ō‘ō, Pu‘upuaʻi (has cone, overlook), Kīpuka Kahāliʻi, and some others. These are all modern names. There’s some urgency because of planned new signage. Does the park write a letter to the HBGN; why we want this/what is the context. The
NPS has a lot of weight in the decision, because they sit on the US BGN. HBGN should be in the loop, to make sure that it makes it into the State approved names. If it goes straight to the US BGN or if HBGN is not notified by NPS, it may be missed in our review of US BGN decisions.

Lua Poholo, PNH: not listed; dictionary meaning, "to sink, slip into easily, plunge out of sight, vanish;" on north side of Moku‘āweoweo Caldera; when it formed, there’s a big block that's tilted and didn’t go down; concatenated per HBGN style guidelines, “Luapoholo;” pending NPS concurrence, 7-29-2019.

Niuou Coconut Grove, PNH: not listed; HPN: Niu‘ō‘ū, "Beach, South Kona, Hawai‘i. Storm beach of calcareous sand, lava fragments, olivines, and coral rubble on a low section of pāhoehoe between Kaupō and Manukā. A large stand of kiawe or mesquite trees lines the backshore, the only trees on the otherwise barren coast. Niu‘ō‘ū was the site of a famous coconut grove, the last surviving trees of which died in the early 1950s. Lit., coconut perch." Spelling correction and adding “historical” because the grove no longer exists, "Niu‘ō‘ū Coconut Grove (historical);” corrected coordinates in GNIS, Latitude: 19.1245717, Longitude: -155.9163809, 7-29-19.


Mr. Buto will retrieve the procedures approved by the Board for reviewing place names within National Park Service boundaries to clarify the routing and workflow.

Kaupo Bay, PNH: Kaupō, Maui, O‘ahu, more research needed, 7-29-19.

Kaupo Bay, GNIS: no longer listed, 7-29-19.

Lae o Humuhumu, PNH: not listed for this location (in PNH "Humuhumu: beach, point in Ka‘u, black sand beach on south side of Humuhumu Point at the base of a small littoral cone"); more research needed, 7-29-19.

Lae o Kamimi, PNH: not listed; HBGN: RM 2468, ca. 1909 (George Wright), 7-29-19.

Puu Haao, PNH: Hā‘ao not listed as a pu‘u; referring to the rain and the waters from the Hā‘ao Spring; HBGN: Pu‘uhā‘ao, per HBGN guidelines, 7-29-19.
Summary of decisions:

Fifteen feature names were reviewed: one was no longer listed in the GNIS, one was not Hawaiian, six spellings were corrected, and seven require more research.

Two of the names that were reviewed are within the boundaries of Hawai‘i Volcanoes National Park (highlighted in yellow) and will be brought to their attention for review and comment.

Status Key:  1 = Not Hawaiian; 2 = Not Reviewed; 3 = More Research Needed; 4 = HBGN Corrected 5 = Already Correct in GNIS; 6 = Name Change

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**AGENDA ITEM 6: Adjourn**

Mr. Marzan adjourned the meeting at 4:05pm.