

## Hansen, June

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**Subject:** Harney Peak name change

Hi June,

I hope this finds you well and not too overwhelmed with the ongoing name change issues (I know, easy for me to say).

We've been following the story in the South Dakota papers, and if it's okay, have one comment before the SDBGN votes next week. Several of the news stories report that the proposed replacement name endorsed by the SDBGN is "Hinhan Kaga (Making of Owls)". I realize we haven't seen the formal proposal yet, but I just wanted to let you know that the U.S. BGN isn't going to approve a name that includes a translation in parentheses. Again, we don't know what the final form of the name will look like, but we thought it best that you were aware of the U.S. BGN's policy before the discussion. Of course, we can record the translation/meaning in the description field in GNIS, but it can't be part of the name.

Also, the chance of approval would probably be greater if the word Peak was added to the native name (this is a suggestion, not a requirement). So either Hinhan Kaga Peak, or perhaps Making of Owls Peak. It's been shown that names are more useful to the map user if the type of feature is included.

For now, the only name active at the U.S. BGN level is Black Elk Peak. If Mr. Brave Heart decides to endorse any other name, he must withdraw his previous proposal in writing. And the withdrawal can only come from the original proponent.

Many thanks, and good luck.

Jenny

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ACTION LIST AS OF 6/16/15

Proposed Name	Feature Type	State	County	Federal Land Mgmt Agency	Review List	SGN Decision Date	Case Status	Primary DD Lat	Primary DD Long	Secondary DD Lat	Secondary DD Long
Annie Anderson Creek	stream	SD	Minnehaha	FS	415	13-Nov-14	approved	43.5858758	-96.480594	43.6540616	-96.4537659
Black Elk Peak	summit	SD	Pennington		419		review listed	43.866	0	0	0
Dells Island	island	SD	Minnehaha		419	12-Feb-15	approved	43.8065446	-103.53132	0	0
Isanti Creek	stream	SD	Moody		417	11-Sep-14	approved	43.985	-96.7267173	0	0
Manning Creek	stream	SD	Minnehaha		414	13-Nov-14	not approved	43.5858758	-96.6656111	44.1119444	-96.7394444
Searl Creek	stream	SD, ND	Carmobell, Emmons		419		review listed	45.9166666	-100.2913888	43.6540616	-96.4537659
Tahc'a Okute Aglehan C'ikala	summit	SD	Oglala Lakota, Custer, Fall River	FS	415	11-Jun-15	approved	43.5088455	-102.9738235	45.9919444	-100.3205555
Tahc'a Okute Wakpa	summit	SD	Oglala Lakota		415	11-Jun-15	approved	43.5690737	-102.9191923	43.5222087	-103.0079728
Tahc'a Okute Wakpa C'ikala	stream	SD	Oglala Lakota		415	11-Jun-15	approved	43.6119325	-102.980746	43.4383184	-102.9493598
Wicliyena Oyate	ppl	SD	Oglala Lakota	NPS	415	11-Jun-15	approved	43.6138771	-102.955745	43.5213889	-102.8880556
		SD	Charles Mix	USPS	414		review listed	42.9924954	-98.475081	0	0