



NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

South Dakota Board on Geographic Names

Proposed Name for Unnamed Creek in Hughes County

The South Dakota Board on Geographic Names (SDBGN) is seeking any additional public comment on the following proposed name for an unnamed creek in Hughes County:

Arikara Creek

The creek is located in rural Hughes County north of SD Highway 34 between 297th Avenue and 299th Avenue. The board notes there were two other names received for consideration: Crone Creek and Mush Creek. After research and review of public comment the board voted to recommend the name Arikara Creek. The board received no opposition to the name Arikara Creek. The board feels the proposed name meets the U.S. Board on Geographic Names guidelines and the following principles apply:

- Names descriptive of topographic form or suggested by local history, folklore, or incident, or by associated natural life or other phenomena are preferred, including American Indian or other ethnic names appropriate to the area.
- A proposed name should not duplicate another geographic feature name in close proximity.
- If a personal name is proposed, it must be determined in the public interest to honor the person or family for historical or commemorative reasons.
- If a personal name is proposed, the person or persons must be deceased at least five years.
- If a personal name is proposed, it should just include the surname.
- No name should imply discrimination or be derogatory to a particular racial or ethnic group, gender, or religious group. This also includes names considered obscene in a present-day cultural context.

Based on the public comment received, the board concurs with the proposer that the name, Arikara Creek, best fit the criteria.

The SDBGN is providing the public with the opportunity to express support, concerns or opposition to the proposed name prior to submitting the name to the U.S. Board on Geographic Names. Any concerns or opposition should be submitted no later than **November 16, 2020**.

Send your written comments and contact information to:

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