

HOULE CREEK - KITTITAS COUNTY



Stream, 1.3 miles long, heads 8.2 miles SE of the town of Hyak, flows W into the Yakima River.

The proposed name honors the trappers and traders of the French Hudson's Bay Company, the first Europeans to utilize the area. "Houle" is a French word meaning ridge or wave that moves across a body of water. The proponent feels this is fitting for a mountain stream. WS DOT is doing construction in the area, and with the increased public awareness of the area, the proponent feels that a name is warranted for this unnamed creek.



LIBBY CREEK - THURSTON COUNTY

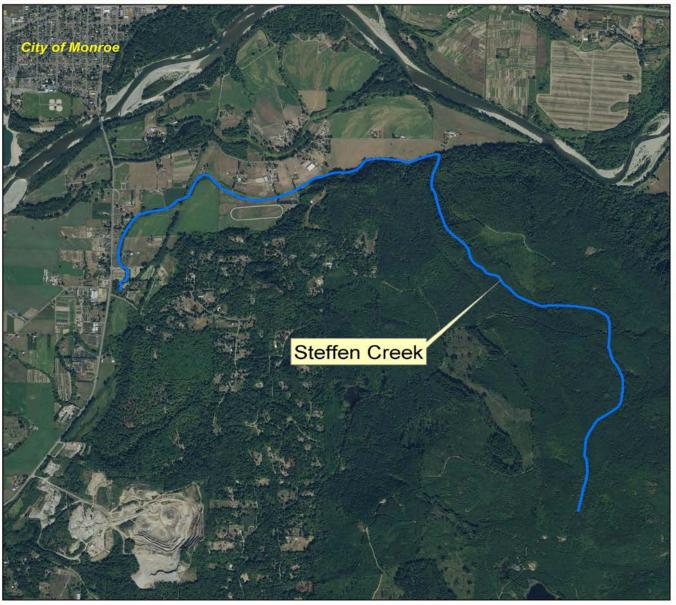


Stream, 1.14 miles long. Heads 1.48 miles SE of the town of Boston Harbor. Flows E then N to enter Chapman Bay.

This proposal is for an officially unnamed creek, although the feature has been unofficially referred to as "Sleepy Creek". The name would commemorate the Libby family who homesteaded along the trail that is now Libby Road.



STEFFEN CREEK - SNOHOMISH COUNTY



Stream, 3 miles long, heads 3.4 miles SE of the City of Monroe. Flows N then W to enter Riley Slough.

Proposed name would commemorate Herman Steffen who purchased the property near the creek in 1900 to raise cattle. Mr. Steffen's descendants still operate Steffen Farms, and own water rights to the creek.

The creek is officially unnamed, but does appear on some maps as part of Riley Slough.



SWARAM CREEK - OKANOGAN COUNTY



Stream, 6.2 miles long. Heads 7.4 miles SW of the City of Methow. Flows E to enter the Methow River.

Proposal to change the name of Squaw Creek to "Swaram Creek". Before a mining town was established in the area, native Methow area people called this feature "Swaratatk" or "Swaram Creek". The word "swaram" described the type of fishing at the creek, "torch light fishing at night".



