Barney Kolker Canyon
*Spokane & Stevens County - Spelling Clarification*

**Township:** 27N  
**Range:** 42E  
**Section:** 20, 21, 28, 29, 30  

**USGS Quad:** Nine Mile Falls  

**Location Description:** Valley; 3 mi. long, running SW to NE; located 4.3 mi. NW of Seven Mile at 47°49′37″N, 117°31′15″W.

**Proposal Summary:** Barney Kolker Canyon: valley; 3 mi. long, running SW to NE; located 4.3 mi. NW of Seven Mile at 47°49′37″N, 117°31′15″W; Named for Bernard "Barney" Kolker who was one of the original homesteaders in the area. The proposed name fixes a spelling error, as the feature is labeled "Barney Coker Canyon" on USGS Maps; Stevens & Spokane County, Washington; Sections 20, 21, 28, 29, 30, T27N, R42E, Willamette Meridian; 47°49′37″N, 117°31′15″W USGS Map - Nine Mile Falls 1:24,000.

The proposed name corrects a spelling error. According to the proponent, the feature was named in honor of Bernard "Barney" Kolker, who homesteaded the area. The spelling became corrupted, and now appears as Barney Coker Canyon on USGS Maps.

**Proponent:**
Iain Ashley

**Proposal Received:** 7/28/2019  
**Initial Consideration:** 10/29/2019  
**Final Consideration:** 10/26/2021

**WA Committee Decision:**
**WA Board Decision:**
**US Board Decision:**

**Opinions:**  
Spokane County Commissioners - NO OBJECTION  
Spokane County Public Works - WAITING FOR RESPONSE  
Spokane County GIS - NO COMMENT
Spokane County Emergency Management - WAITING FOR RESPONSE
Spokane County Historic Preservation Office - WAITING FOR RESPONSE
Spokane Valley Heritage Museum - NO OBJECTION
Spokane City Council - WAITING FOR RESPONSE
Stevens County Commissioners - IN FAVOR
Stevens County Public Works - WAITING FOR RESPONSE
Stevens County GIS - WAITING FOR RESPONSE
Stevens County Historical Society - NO OBJECTION
Snoqualmie Indian Tribe - WAITING FOR RESPONSE
Spokane Tribe of Indians - WAITING FOR RESPONSE
Proposed Name: **Barney Kolker Canyon**

County: **STEVENS**, Possibly NORWEST AND SPOKANE COUNTY

Township: 27 Range: 42 Section(s): 29-20

Lat. 47.597316 N, Long. -117.036005 W (Begin)

Lat. 47.589634 N, Long. -117.507486 W (End)

Description

Type of feature (lake, stream, etc.): **CANYON**

Description of feature (location, length, depth, height, size and/or area covered): **THE CANYON IS APPROXIMATELY 3 MILES LONG GOING IN A GENERAL DIRECTION OF SOUTHWEST TO NORTHEAST. IT BEGINS NEAR LAKE SPOKANE IN STEVENS COUNTY AT THE SITE OF A HILL KNOWN LOCALLY AS "BIG-SAWYER" OR "KOLKER GRADE." THE CANYON STRETCHES NORTHEAST INTO SPOKANE COUNTY AND ENDS NEAR WILD PINE PHASMS.**

If a stream, number of months it flows on a yearly basis: 

Is this feature identified by other names or spellings? Please list variant names: **Barney Coker Canyon**

(I believe it was spelled incorrectly)

Has it ever been signed, posted, or publicized? If so, when? **There is a USGS nameing record of Barney Coker Canyon Created 9/10/979. USGS to 1503/592 Assigned 10/5/89.**

History

Please provide a brief history of the feature and its immediate surroundings, this might include information on the following: 1 Native American; 2 First settlers; 3 Historical background pertinent to feature; 4 History on how the land is/was used; 5 Natural disasters (floods, fires, etc.) 6 Any significant cultural events. If appropriate, geology, flora and fauna. Cite sources. Use additional pages if needed.

Origin of name: **Bernard "Barney" Kolker was one of the first homesteaders in the Nine Mile Falls portion of Stevens County in the 1880's. Per records, Kolker's homestead was not far from the area until his death, July 1st, 1935. Kolker had a farm near the banks of the Spokane River, which was later dammed and is now Lake Spokane. Kolker owned land that went up the canyon to the north.**

If a commemorative name, provide a brief summary of the ENTIRE life of the person including how and the length of time he/she was associated with the proposed feature: **In my research I could not find any record of a "Barney Coker" that lived in this area. The information and attached documents relating to Bernard "Barney" Kolker seem to indicate this is who the canyon was intended to be named after.**
Justification of Proposed Name

What is the usage of feature? The canyon and land within it are mostly unimproved forest. There are some residences and a small amount of farming activity.

Please state why the proposed name will best serve the public interest: As referenced in my supporting documents, this canyon was likely named to commemorate one of the first homesteaders in the Nine Mile Falls area. The possibility that it is misspelled is a disservice to the history of the area and makes it harder for future generations to research.

How long has the proposed name been in use? By whom? The name has been used under its current spelling since the 1920s. It was likely referred to as Barney Folker Canyon prior to that. All there are references to the nearby hill being referred to as Barney Folker Grade in the Welcome to Nine Mile Falls Book (pg 15).

Please list all sources of information used for your research: (maps, books, articles, periodicals, etc. for background history relating to proposed name) I have attached a reference sheet with links, screenshots, scanned documents and other supporting materials. Some of these materials were obtained from the following sources: Welcome to Nine Mile Falls - by Margaret Sorell and Benaia Mason (pp 57-58, pg 159), Washington State Digital Archives, US Geological Survey, Bureau of Land Management, Stevens County, etc.

What type of support is there for the proposed name? List all groups and persons who are familiar with the proposed feature and its usage. Please provide names, addresses, telephone numbers, email addresses and his/her association with knowledge of the geographic feature:

One of my main sources of information was the Eade/Chathan family. They were also one of the first homesteaders. I spoke with the hill and still remain there. Please feel free to contact Lynn Eade/Chathan Wells at wmslynn2@gmail.com 509-217-3166. She can put you in contact with other family members and descendents. Other long-time residents who knew of the Folkers.

Application submitted by:

Please mail completed form along with copies of any additional materials to:

WA State Board on Geographic Names
PO Box 47030
Olympia, WA 98504-7030

(Phone: 360-902-1280 - Fax: 360-902-1778 - Email: bogn@dnr.wa.gov)
The Barney Kolker Canyon Project
Intended for review by the US Board on Geographic Names
US Geological Survey and their designees
Overview

On or about September 10, 1979 the name of a canyon that spanned a southern portion of Stevens County, Washington while carrying on towards northeast Spokane County, Washington was officially recorded as Barney Coker Canyon.

At that time the surrounding area in which the canyon resides was sparsely populated maintaining a few of the original homesteaders, some residents along Lake Spokane and a handful of other residents. Over the next 40 years the area grew and now has a population of around 4,000, a business district, several schools and other infrastructure.
• Through this presentation and supporting information we will attempt to show that **Barney Coker Canyon** should in fact be named **Barney Kolker Canyon** as the latter was a long-time homesteader who lived in the Nine Mile Falls area and is likely the intended namesake of this geographic feature.

• While there may be individuals out there with the name Barney Coker, our records research and interviews failed to locate such an individual with ties to the area. The Kolker family however had an extensive presence in the area from the late 1890’s into the 1930’s.
• In many developing areas local history is forgotten, destroyed or prone to inaccuracy. Because of this residents are slower to build a sense of respect for the area and past accomplishments; hardships and sacrifices are lost to time.

• If we go so far as to name something after someone or something, we should ensure that it is accurate. Obtaining local information for naming purposes is not always easy, so when an error is made a correction of the error shows historical care and builds faith in the geographic naming system.
Per the Washington State Digital Archives (Spokane County Death Records, ) Barney Kolker was born Bernard Kolker to Abraham Kolker and Mary Gookin.

Barney Kolker lived to be 78 years of age, he was born in Iowa and died in Spokane County, Washington July 1, 1935.

The 1892 Stevens County Census shows a record of Barney Kolker living in the area, listing his occupation as a farmer. An updated Stevens County Census record in 1910 shows Barney Kolker still living in the area with several other Kolker's listed including his Wife, Emma Kolker and three children Margaret, Hazel and Priscilla Kolker.
Welcome to Nine Mile Falls

In the local history book *Welcome to Nine Mile Falls* compiled by Margaret Sontag and Benita Mason the Kolker’s receive a summary and write up on pages 57-58.

This write up includes the photo on the right of this slide as well as a brief summary of the Kolker’s time in the Nine Mile Falls area.
One of the earliest settlers on the Stevens County side of Nine Mile Falls was Barney Kolker. He had come to Spokane from Iowa in the late 1880's, and homesteaded along the river at the bottom of what is now called Big Sandy in 1889. Mr. Kolker's neighbor, Mrs. Gannon, had a friend in town that was the aunt of Emma Guter. Emma and Barney were introduced and married in 1899. They had three daughters, Margaret born in 1900, Hazel born in 1902, and Priscilla born in 1904. Priscilla is currently living in Coeur d'Alene after living at Bayview for many years.

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Both the Stevens County Assessors Office and Stevens County Title had a copy of the land patents that were filed. This includes the Kolker filing which appears to be from July 19, 1894. This filing coincides with the area at the bottom of the canyon and Lake Spokane.
• Barney Coker Canyon is a nice name for a canyon, but it is not the correct name for this one.

• We can easily see through the attached documentation and this presentation that Barney Kolker was likely the one that the canyon was intended to be named after. He and his family helped develop the area and remained for a number of years.

• In all the research done for this project no record of a Barney Coker was found as a homesteader in this area or within the early history of the community. The only results located bearing the name Barney Coker were created from the misspelling of the canyon when entered into mapping systems.

• This is a necessary fix to a historical inaccuracy.
  • Additional source material and references have been included in an additional series of attachments.
Welcome To
Nine Mile Falls

Margaret Sontag
Benita Mason
Barney, Hazel, Priscilla, Margaret and Emma Kolker.
(Courtesy Ida Granger Forsgren)

Margaret and Hazel Kolker circa 1904.
(Courtesy Priscilla Kolker Russell)
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**Document Details**
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- **Document Type:** Serial Patent
- **State:** Washington
- **Issue Date:** 3/13/1895
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**Miscellaneous Information**
- **Land Office:** Spokane
- **US Reservations:** Yes
- **Mineral Reservations:** No
- **Tribe:** ...
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- **State In Favor Of:** ...
- **Authority:** May 20, 1862: Homestead EntryOriginal (12 Stat. 392)
- **General Remarks:** ...

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Website
1892, STEVENS COUNTY CENSUS, STEVENS COUNTY AUDITOR - BARNEY KOLKER

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Additional Links Info:

Death Records:

https://www.digitalarchives.wa.gov/Record/View/D5A2BB7923B9179EEE286F27FCFB2DB4 (Bernard Kolker)

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Census Record:

Stevens County, 1892 (shows Barney Kolker)

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Stevens County 1910 (shows Barney Kolker, also Emma, Margarette, Hazel, Precilla if “Kolker” is searched in the Stevens County 1910 search bar)

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1926 Stevens County Map

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Comments

Received
Please comment on the following name proposal. Attached you’ll find the information regarding this proposed name that will assist you in your comments. If needed, attach additional sheets or information.  

*Note: The proposed name is not yet official and should not be published on any official documents.*

**Proposed Name:** Barney Kolker Canyon  
**County:** Stevens County

- [ ] I'm in favor of this proposal  
- [ ] I oppose this proposal  
- [ ] I have no objection to proposal

**Comments, Please explain:**

IT SEEMS RIGHT TO CORRECT WHAT APPEARS TO BE A SPELLING ERROR AND BE HISTORICALLY ACCURATE.

Please sign and return the completed comment sheet to the Washington State Committee on Geographic Names by **October 18, 2021**.

*Signature*

*Date: 9/31/21*

*Telephone Number: 509 684-3751*

*Representing: Stevens County Board of County Commissioners - Chair*

*Email: Commissioners@StevensCountyWA.gov*

*Printed Name: Wes McCART*

*It is important to make copies and keep originals of referenced material, historical documentation, articles, and other information relating to the above names.*
Hi Caleb,

Spokane City Council does not intend to have a formal response to this proposal. If you absolutely need a response, I can work to put something together for them to vote on. I did check in with Council Members to ensure that none of them objected to them not sending in something official.

Hopefully that makes sense – let me know if you need anything else!

Hannahlee Allers
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For more detailed information regarding this name issue, please visit the committee’s website at:

The Spokane Valley Heritage Museum has no objection to the name proposed, Barney Kolker Canyon.
Thank you,
Jayne

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Jayne Singleton
Director
Spokane Valley Heritage Museum
www.spokeanvalleymuseum.com
509-922-4570
Mr. Maki,
The Stevens County Historical Society has no issues with renaming the canyon to the correct surname of Kolker.

Sincerely,

Sue Richart
Treasurer, SCHS
Hello Mr. Maki,

Spokane County GIS does not feel the need to provide an opinion to this name change proposal, so there is no objection either way. I have forwarded the request on to the Spokane County Commissioners via the County’s PIO and also to the directors of Public Works and Emergency Management.

Kirsten Frost Andersen
IT Supervisor
Spokane County Information Technology Department
1208 W Broadway Ave. | Spokane, WA 99260-0400
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From: MAKI, CALEB (DNR) <CALEB.MAKI@dnr.wa.gov>
Sent: Friday, September 17, 2021 12:06 PM
To: County GIS <GIS@SpokaneCounty.org>; 'preservation@spokanecity.org' <preservation@spokanecity.org>; 'spokanevalleymuseum@gmail.com' <spokanevalleymuseum@gmail.com>
Subject: Barney Kolker Canyon - Geographic Name Opinion Request

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Here is a direct link to the proposal materials:
Sincerely,

Caleb A. Maki

Photogrammetry Supervisor – Engineering Division

Executive Secretary WA State Committee on Geographic Names

Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

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The next Washington State Committee on Geographic Names meeting will be held on October 26, 2021. All meetings are open to the public, and the meeting will be held in an online format. If you wish to attend, please let me know and I will send a link to the meeting.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter and we look forward to hearing from you.
Barney Kolker Canyon - SPOKANE & STEVENS COUNTY

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