RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Culture Committee to approve the attached letter from the Colville Business Council to the Washington State Board of Geographic Names to remove derogatory names from state and federal maps and replace them with names approved by the Colville Business Council. This authorizes the Chairperson or designee to sign all documents related to this project. No tribal funding required.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Colville Business Council, meeting in a SPECIAL SESSION this 19th day of May, 2022 acting for and in behalf of the Colville Confederated Tribes, Nespelem Washington, do hereby approve the above recommendation of the Culture Committee.

The foregoing was duly enacted by the Colville Business Council by a vote of 10 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAINED, under authority contained in Article V, Section 1(a) of the Constitution of the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation, ratified by the Colville Indians February 26, 1938, and approved by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs on April 19, 1938.

ATTEST:

Andrew Joseph Jr., Chairman
Colville Business Council

cc: Karen Condon, Committee Chair
Deanna James, Committee Secretary
Cody Desautel, Interim Executive Director
William Nicholson II, Chief Financial Officer
Dept. or Program: Guy Moura - History/Archaeology
Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation
Nespelem, Washington

TO: COLVILLE BUSINESS COUNCIL
FROM: Culture Committee
SUBJECT: Letter to Washington State Board of Geographic Names
Initiated By: Guy Moura
Program: History/Archaeology

Committee Recommendations: to approve the attached letter from the Colville Business Council to the Washington State Board of Geographic Names to remove derogatory names from state and federal maps and replace them with the names approved by the Colville Business Council. This authorizes the Chairperson or designee to sign all documents related to this project. No tribal funding required.

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Business Council Actions: Seconded by:

FOR 10
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ABSTAINED

Amendments:

Emergency (10 Affirmative Signatures) Rationale: ___
May 17, 2022

Committee on Geographic Names
P.O. Box 47030
Olympia, WA 98504-7030

Dear Committee Members:

Please be advised that eight (8) of the eighteen (18) geographic names in Washington State are in the traditional territories of the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation. We ask our recommendations supersede those of other applicants, as we are the impacted community. The Colville Business Council finalized this request by CBC Resolution.

1. Squaw Lake, Chelan County, WA = Masawii Lake (area to collect masawii, Indian parsnip). Located in the traditional territory of the $nʔəgəwəsəxʷ (a.k.a Wenatchi Tribe) the name is from Randy Lewis, respected tribal elder and native speaker of Wenatchi descent.

2. Squaw Creek Ridge, Chelan County, WA = Swaram Creek Ridge This ridge is between Swaram Creek (formerly Squaw Creek) and Black Canyon Creek on the Methow River. While swaram means ‘torchlight fishing’, we are echoing the former dual-naming construct for the Creek and the Ridge. Located in the traditional territory of the sprəmələxʷəsəxʷ (a.k.a Methow Tribe) the name is from Elaine Timenwa Emerson, respected tribal elder, native speaker and language instructor of Methow descent.

3. Squaw Peak, Columbia County, WA, = Wenaha Peak, this peak is above the Wenaha River, Wenaha is a Cayuse place name, the peak is in the traditional territory of the waʔwáma (a.k.a Chief Joseph Band of Nez Perce). We seek the change for consistency with the nearby river.

4. Squaw Spring, Garfield County, WA = Tucannon Spring, near the Tucannon River, in the traditional territory of the waʔwáma (a.k.a Chief Joseph Band of Nez Perce) this name is a distortion of the Indian word tukanin, which in titoqatimt (the waʔwáma dialect of Nez Perce) means ‘bread root’. The Indian bread root is an important food source.

5. Squaw Lake, Kittitas County = Cle Elum Tarn, near the Cle Elum River. Cle Elum, means “swift water” in the language of the Kittitas, however this area is in the traditional territory of the $nʔəgəwəsəxʷ (a.k.a Wenatchi Tribe). Name recommended for consistency with nearby named places.

6. Squaw Mountain, Okanogan County = Condon Mountain, located on the Colville Reservation, is in the traditional territory of the nspilam (Nespelem). The mountain also is a usual and accustomed place for the kataro band of the sʔukʷənaʔqin (Okanogan), with the western drainage jointly used in the pre-contact and ethnohistoric eras. Condon Spring in the western drainage is the nearest named place. The Condon family is a well-established and widely recognized tribal name, particularly in the Kartar Valley. We selected the name following the associated Condon Spring.
7. Squaw Creek, Okanogan County = West Fork Frosty Creek, because it is a tributary of Frosty Creek. Frosty Creek is in the traditional territory of the sʔukʷnaʔqin (Okanogan) within the former North Half of the Colville Reservation.

8. Squaw Creek, Stevens County = Snqilt Creek, an Indian name for the area above Little Dalles to Northport, which is where the creek is located. The creek is in the traditional territory of the sʔSnayc̓skstx̌ (Lakes).

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Andrew Joseph, Jr.
Chairman of the Colville Business Council
Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation
Masawii Lake
Chelan County - Name Change

Township: 27N
Range: 16E
Section: 14 & 15

USGS Quad: Lake Wenatchee

Location Description: Lake; 5 acres; located on the W end of Lake Wenatchee at 47° 50' 0.40" N, 120° 49' 25.03" W in the Wenatchee National Forest.

Proposal Summary: Masawii Lake: lake; 5 acres; located on the W end of Lake Wenatchee at 47° 50' 0.40" N, 120° 49' 25.03" W in the Wenatchee National Forest; The name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw". This feature is located in the traditional territory of the Wenatchi Tribe and the name was chosen by Randy Lewis, a respected tribal elder and native speaker of Wenatchi descent.; Chelan County, Washington; Sections 14,15, T27N, R16E, Willamette Meridian; 47° 50' 0.40" N, 120° 49' 25.03" W; USGS Map - Lake Wenatchee 1:24,000.

This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw". This feature is located in the traditional territory of the Wenatchi Tribe and the name was chosen by Randy Lewis, a respected tribal elder and native speaker of Wenatchi descent.

Proponent:
Guy Moura
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
PO Box 150
Nespelem, WA  99155

Proposal Received:  May 17, 2022
Initial Consideration: July 26, 2022
Final Consideration:

WA Committee Decision:
WA Board Decision:
US Board Decision:
Lake; 5 acres; located on the W end of Lake Wenatchee at 47° 50' 0.40" N, 120° 49' 25.03" W in the Wenatchee National Forest.

This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw".

This feature is located in the traditional territory of the Wenatchi Tribe and the name was chosen by Randy Lewis, a respected tribal elder and native speaker of Wenatchi descent.
Swaram Creek Ridge
Okanogan County - Name Change

Township: 30N
Range: 22E
Section: 28,31,32,33

USGS Quad: Oss Peak & Cooper Canyon

Location Description: Ridge; 2 miles long; W end of the ridge is at 48° 3' 27.21" N, 120° 7' 50.84" W and E end is at 48° 3' 52.85" N, 120° 5' 23.62" W, located 8.5 mi W of Pateros in Okanogan County.

Proposal Summary: Swaram Creek Ridge: Ridge; 2 miles long; W end of the ridge is at 48° 3' 27.21" N, 120° 7' 50.84" W and E end is at 48° 3' 52.85" N, 120° 5' 23.62" W, located 8.5 mi W of Pateros; This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw". The feature is located in the traditional area of the Methow Tribe, and the name was chosen by Elaine Timentwa Emerson, a respected tribal elder, native speaker, and instructor of Methow descent.; Okanogan County, Washington; Sec 28,31,32,33, T30N, R22E, Willamette Meridian; 48° 3' 27.21" N, 120° 7' 50.84" W USGS map -Oss Peak & Cooper Canyon 1:24,000.

This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw". The feature is located in the traditional area of the Methow Tribe, and the name was chosen by Elaine Timentwa Emerson, a respected tribal elder, native speaker, and instructor of Methow descent.

Proponent:
Guy Moura
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
PO Box 150
Nespelem, WA 99155

Proposal Received: 5/17/2022
Initial Consideration: 7/26/2022
Final Consideration:

WA Committee Decision:
WA Board Decision:
US Board Decision:
Swaram Creek Ridge - Okanogan County

Ridge; 2 miles long; W end of the ridge is at 48° 3' 27.21" N, 120° 7' 50.84" W and E end is at 48° 3' 52.85" N, 120° 5' 23.62" W, located 8.5 mi W of Pateros in Okanogan County.

This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw".

The feature is located in the traditional area of the Methow Tribe, and the name was chosen by Elaine Timentwa Emerson, a respected tribal elder, native speaker, and instructor of Methow descent.
Wenaha Peak
*Columbia County - Name Change*

**Township:** 6N
**Range:** 39E
**Section:** 2

**USGS Quad:** Deadman Peak

**Location Description:** Summit; 5,950 ft elevation; located in the Wenaha-Tucannon Wilderness Area in the Umatilla National Forest at 46° 1' 49.38" N, 117° 53' 30.16" W.

**Proposal Summary:** Wenaha Peak: summit; 5,950 ft elevation; located in the Wenaha-Tucannon Wilderness Area in the Umatilla National Forest at 46° 1' 49.38" N, 117° 53' 30.16" W.; This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw". The feature is located in the traditional territory of the Chief Joseph Band of the Nez Perce. Name references nearby North Fork Wenaha River ("Wenaha" is a Cayuse place name); Columbia County, Washington; Section 2, T6N, R39E, Willamette Meridian; 46° 1' 49.38" N, 117° 53' 30.16" W USGS Map - Deadman Peak 1:24,000.

This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw".

The feature is located in the traditional territory of the Chief Joseph Band of the Nez Perce. Name references nearby North Fork Wenaha River ("Wenaha" is a Cayuse place name).

**Proponent:**
Guy Moura
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
PO Box 150
Nespelem, WA  99155

**Proposal Received:** 5/17/2022
**Initial Consideration:** 7/26/2022
**Final Consideration:**

**WA Committee Decision:**
**WA Board Decision:**
**US Board Decision:**
Summit; 5,950 ft elevation; located in the Wenaha-Tucannon Wilderness Area in the Umatilla National Forest at 46° 1' 49.38" N, 117° 53' 30.16" W.

This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw".

The feature is located in the traditional territory of the Chief Joseph Band of the Nez Perce. Name references nearby North Fork Wenaha River ("Wenaha" is a Cayuse place name).
**Tucannon Spring**  
*Garfield County - Name Change*

**Township:** 8N  
**Range:** 42E  
**Section:** 31

**USGS Quad:** Diamond Peak

**Location Description:** Spring; located in the Wenaha-Tucannon Wilderness area in the Umatilla National Forest at 46° 7' 26.50" N, 117° 35' 11.24" W.

**Proposal Summary:** Tucannon Spring: spring; located in the Wenaha-Tucannon Wilderness area in the Umatilla National Forest at 46° 7' 26.50" N, 117° 35' 11.24" W.; This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw". The name is a distortion of the Indian word "tukanin", which is titoqatimt (a dialect of Nez Perce) and means "bread root". The Indian bread root is an important food source. The feature is located in the traditional territory of the Chief Joseph Band of the Nez Perce.

This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw".

The name is a distortion of the Indian word "tukanin", which is titoqatimt (a dialect of Nez Perce) and means "bread root". The Indian bread root is an important food source. The feature is located in the traditional territory of the Chief Joseph Band of the Nez Perce.

**Proponent:**  
Guy Moura  
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer  
PO Box 150  
Nespelem, WA 99155

**Proposal Received:** 5/17/2022  
**Initial Consideration:** 7/26/2022  
**Final Consideration:**

**WA Committee Decision:**  
**WA Board Decision:**
Tucannon Spring; located in the Wenaha-Tucannon Wilderness area in the Umatilla National Forest at 46° 7' 26.50" N, 117° 35' 11.24" W.

This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw".

The name is a distortion of the Indian word "tukanin", which is titoqatimt (a dialect of Nez Perce) and means "bread root". The Indian bread root is an important food source. The feature is located in the traditional territory of the Chief Joseph Band of the Nez Perce.
Cle Elum Tarn
Kittitas County - Name Change

Township: 24N
Range: 14E
Section: 29

USGS Quad: The Cradle

Location Description: Lake; 9 acres; located in the Wenatchee National Forest at 47° 32' 5.22" N, 121° 6' 50.27" W.

Proposal Summary: Cle Elum Tarn: lake; located in the Wenatchee National Forest at 47° 32' 5.22" N, 121° 6' 50.27" W.; The name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw". Cle Elum means "swift water" in the language of the Kittitas, however this feature is in the traditional territory of the Wenatchi Tribe.; Kittitas County, Washington; Section 29, T24N, R14E, Willamette Meridian; 47° 32' 5.22" N, 121° 6' 50.27" W USGS Map - The Cradle 1:24,000.

This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw". Cle Elum means "swift water" in the language of the Kittitas, however this feature is in the traditional territory of the Wenatchi Tribe.

Proponent:
Guy Moura
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
PO Box 150
Nespelem, WA  99155

Proposal Received:  5/17/2022
Initial Consideration: 7/26/2022
Final Consideration:

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

Opinions:
Lake; 9 acres; located in the Wenatchee National Forest at 47° 32' 5.22" N, 121° 6' 50.27" W.

This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw".

Cle Elum means "swift water" in the language of the Kittitas, however this feature is in the traditional territory of the Wenatchi Tribe.
Condon Mountain
Okanogan County - Name Change

Township: 31N
Range: 30E
Section: 17

USGS Quad: Armstrong Creek

Location Description: Summit; 3,444 ft elevation, located in the Colville Indian Reservation at 48° 10' 58.99" N, 119° 3' 52.09" W.

Proposal Summary: Condon Mountain: summit; 3,444 ft elevation, located in the Colville Indian Reservation at 48° 10' 58.99" N, 119° 3' 52.09" W.; This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw". The feature is located in the traditional territories of the Nespelem Tribe and Okanogan Tribe. The name commemorates the Condon family, a well-established and widely recognized tribal name, particularly in the Kartar Valley.; Okanogan County, Washington; Section 17, T31N, R30E, Willamette Meridian; 48° 10' 58.99" N, 119° 3' 52.09" W USGS Map - Armstrong Creek 1:24,000.

This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw".

The feature is located in the traditional territories of the Nespelem Tribe and Okanogan Tribe. The name commemorates the Condon family, a well-established and widely recognized tribal name, particularly in the Kartar Valley.

Proponent:
Guy Moura
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
PO Box 150
Nespelem, WA 99155

Proposal Received: 5/17/2022
Initial Consideration: 7/26/2022
Final Consideration:

WA Committee Decision:
WA Board Decision:
Condon Mountain - Okanogan County

Summit; 3,444 ft elevation, located in the Colville Indian Reservation at 48° 10' 58.99" N, 119° 3' 52.09" W.

This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw".

The feature is located in the traditional territories of the Nespelem Tribe and Okanogan Tribe. The name commemorates the Condon family, a well-established and widely recognized tribal name, particularly in the Kartar Valley.
West Fork Frosty Creek
Okanogan County - Name Change

Township: 36N
Range: 30E
Section: 36

USGS Quad: Bailey Creek

Location Description: Stream; 2 miles long; heads at 48° 35' 18.16" N, 119° 0' 6.49" W and flows S to enter Frosty Creek at 48° 33' 52.70" N, 119° 0' 17.00" W 1.5 miles W of the town of Aeneas.

Proposal Summary: West Fork Frosty Creek: stream; 2 miles long; heads at 48° 35' 18.16" N, 119° 0' 6.49" W and flows S to enter Frosty Creek at 48° 33' 52.70" N, 119° 0' 17.00" W 1.5 miles W of the town of Aeneas.; The name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw". The name was chosen in reference to the feature flowing into Frosty Creek. The feature is located in the former North Half of the Colville Reservation.; Okanogan County, Washington; Section 17, T31N, R30E, Willamette Meridian; 48° 10' 58.99" N, 119° 3' 52.09" W USGS Map - Bailey Creek 1:24,000.

This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw".

The name was chosen in reference to the feature flowing into Frosty Creek. The feature is located in the former North Half of the Colville Reservation.

Proponent:
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Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
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Proposal Received: 5/17/2022
Initial Consideration: 7/26/2022
Final Consideration:

WA Committee Decision:
WA Board Decision:
West Fork Frosty Creek - Okanogan County

Stream; 2 miles long; heads at 48° 35' 18.16" N, 119° 0' 6.49" W and flows S to enter Frosty Creek at 48° 33' 52.70" N, 119° 0' 17.00" W 1.5 miles W of the town of Aeneas.

This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw".

The name was chosen in reference to the feature flowing into Frosty Creek. The feature is located in the former North Half of the Colville Reservation.
Snqílt Creek
_Okanogan County - Name Change_

**Township:** 39N  
**Range:** 39E  
**Section:** 3,4,10

**USGS Quad:** Northport

**Location Description:** Stream; 1.8 miles long; heads on the edge of the Colville National Forest at 48° 53' 42.68" N, 117° 49' 36.95" W and flows SE to enter the Columbia River at 48° 54' 44.00" N, 117° 51' 22.00" W 2 miles W of the town of Northport.

**Proposal Summary:** Snqílt Creek: stream; 1.8 miles long; heads on the edge of the Colville National Forest at 48° 53' 42.68" N, 117° 49' 36.95" W and flows SE to enter the Columbia River at 48° 54' 44.00" N, 117° 51' 22.00" W 2 miles W of the town of Northport.; This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw". "Snqílt" is an Indian word for the area above Little Dalles to Northport, in the traditional territory of the Lakes Tribe.; Stevens County, Washington; Sections 3,4,10, T39N, R39E, Willamette Meridian; 48° 54' 44.00" N, 117° 51' 22.00" W USGS Map - Northport 1:24,000.

This proposed name was submitted by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation as part of an effort to replace feature names containing the word "squaw".

"Snqílt" is an Indian word for the area above Little Dalles to Northport, in the traditional territory of the Lakes Tribe.

**Proponent:**  
Guy Moura  
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer  
PO Box 150  
Nespelem, WA  99155

**Proposal Received:**  5/17/2022  
**Initial Consideration:**  7/26/2022  
**Final Consideration:**

**WA Committee Decision:**  
**WA Board Decision:**
Snqílt Creek - Stevens County

Stream; 1.8 miles long; heads on the edge of the Colville National Forest at 48° 53' 42.68" N, 117° 49' 36.95" W and flows SE to enter the Columbia River at 48° 54' 44.00" N, 117° 51' 22.00" W 2 miles W of the town of Northport.

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