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Board on Geographic Names Approves New Recommended Name in Moody County

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Board on Geographic Names (SDBGN) has unanimously approved a name change recommended by Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribal Elders for a creek in Moody County.

The board is recommending that Squaw Creek in Moody County be renamed to Isanti Creek.* Isanti is the Dakota word for Santee. The creek, near Trent, is where tribal members camped and lived, and was originally named for an American Indian woman who drowned in the creek.

SDBGN is providing the public with an opportunity to express any concerns or opposition to the recommended name change. Written comments should be submitted no later than Dec. 1, 2013.

Please send comments to:

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*Isanti pronounced "Eee-saun-tee"