



# NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

## South Dakota Board on Geographic Names

### Request to rename Harney Peak in Pennington County

The South Dakota Board on Geographic Names (SDBGN) is requesting public comment on the board's preliminary recommendation to support renaming Harney Peak and also on the recommendation to support the new name of Hinhan Kaga (Making of Owls).

The board's preliminary recommendations are based on public input and the U.S. Board on Geographic Names guidelines. 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 name in the state or nearby in an adjoining state.
- 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.

The SDBGN is providing the public with the opportunity to express any support or opposition to the either or both of the board's preliminary recommendations prior to submitting it to the U.S. Board on Geographic Names. Any comments regarding the recommendations should be submitted no later than **June 20, 2015**. Send your written comments and contact information to:

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The board will take final action on the recommendations to the U.S. Board on Geographic Names at the board's June 29, 2015 meeting. The meeting will be in Pierre at the Becker-Hansen Building (700 E. Broadway Ave.) in the Commission Room at 1:30 p.m. (CDT).