



STATE OF NEVADA Nevada State Board on Geographic Names

MEMBERS: Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology, Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Nevada Department of Transportation, Nevada Historical Society, Nevada State Library and Archives, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, University of Nevada, Reno, National Parks Service, U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Bureau of Land Management.

Notice of Public Meeting and Agenda of the Nevada State Board on Geographic Names

A public meeting will be held on:

May 11, 2022

Richard H. Bryan Building
Tahoe Hearing Room. 2nd Floor
901 S. Stewart Street. Carson City, NV

or

via Lifesize at <https://call.lifesizecloud.com/3567823>

Phone: 877-422-8614 Meeting Code: 3567823

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9:30am – 12:00pm

Please note times stated are approximate, and agenda items may be heard out of order.

Chair reserves the right to take breaks where practical.

AGENDA:

1. Call to order and approval of Agenda (For possible action)
2. Introduction of Board, Guests (Action will not be taken)
3. Public comment (Action will not be taken)
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4. Approval of the Minutes of the January 2022 meeting (For possible action)
5. Announcements, Chairman or Executive Secretary
6. Announcements from Board members
7. Protocol and streamlining of NSBGN procedures update (For possible action)
*Standing item reserved for discussing efficiency of NSBGN operations.
NSBGN Members*

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8. Squaw Peak Renaming (For possible action)
***Second hearing for proposed renaming of Squaw Peak in Mineral County.
NSBGN Members***
9. Deacon Peak (For possible action)
***Second hearing for proposed naming of Deacon Peak in Nye County. Carried over from Sept 2021 meeting
NSBGN Members***
10. Select tentative meeting place and date for September 2022 meeting (For possible action)
11. Public comments (Action will not be taken)
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12. Adjournment

Please Note:

- Times stated herein are approximate.
- Items on the agenda may be taken out of order; Chair reserves the right to take items out of order to expedite the meeting or to accommodate speakers;
- Items may be removed from the agenda or discussion delayed related to an item on the agenda at any time.
- Members of the public who need assistance accessing the meeting should notify Christine Johnson at ckjohnson@nevada.unr.edu no later than May 6th.
- Notice of this meeting will be posted prior to May 5th on the NSBGN website as well as at the following public agencies:
 - Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, 901 S. Stewart St., Carson City, NV 89701
 - Nevada Historical Society, 1650 N. Virginia Street, Reno, NV 89503
 - University of Nevada Reno, Department of Geography, 1664 N. Virginia St. 89557
 - Great Basin Science Sample and Records Library, 2175 Raggio Parkway, Reno, NV 89512
 - Nevada State Library, Archives & Public Records, 100 N. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701
 - University of Nevada Reno, Department of Mines & Geology, 1664 N. Virginia St. 89557
- In addition, this notice of meeting is posted on the NSBGN and Nevada State Clearinghouse websites at:
<http://www.nbmng.unr.edu/geonames/index.html>
<https://clearinghouse.nv.gov/>

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NEVADA STATE BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES

MINUTES
Tuesday, January 11, 2022

The meeting began at 9:31am, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, Tahoe Hearing Room. 2nd Floor
901 S. Stewart Street. Carson City, NV, and simultaneously streamed interactively on Lifesizecloud.com.

Board Members/Others Present at 901 S. Stewart St.:

Cynthia Laframboise, Chair, Nevada State Library, Archives, and Public Records
Christine Johnson, Executive Secretary (non-voting); University of Nevada Ren Dept of Geog. (alternate)
Scott Carey, Nevada Dept. of Conservation & Natural Resources (voting alternate)
Dominique Etchegoyhen, Nevada Dept. of Conservation & Natural Resources

Board Members Present on Streaming Site:

Josh Owens, Nevada State Library, Archives, and Public Records (voting Alternate)
Paul White, University of Nevada, Reno – Department of Geography (voting alternate)
Catherine Magee, Nevada Historical Society
Don Harper, Bureau of Land Management, Nevada
Robert Francis, regional cartographer for Region 4, USFS (voting alternate)
Gabriel Judkins, University of Nevada Las Vegas, Department of Geosciences
Dean Tonenna, Bureau of Land Management, Nevada (voting alternate)
Stacey Montooth, Nevada Indian Commission
Craig Burkett, Sr. Deputy Attorney General, Nevada Attorney General's Office (non-voting)

Members of Public/Advisory Panel/Public present online:

Larry Schmidt, retired – USFS
Jack Hursh, retired – Nevada Bureau of Mines & Geology; Past-Chair, NSBGN
Mary Schaff, Washington State Library, Washington State Board on Geographic Names, Regional Coordinator for Pacific States COGNA
Christina Clack, Graphic Designer, UNR Nevada Bureau of Mines & Geology (voting alternate)
Rachel Micander, Geologic Information Specialist, Nevada Bureau of Mines & Geology
Cathy Wilson, Cartographer, USFWS
Caleb Maki, Washington State Committee on Geographic Names
Jennifer Runyon, USGS/U.S. Board on Geographic Names
Paul Starrs, retired UNR Department of Geography
Cassandra Farrell, State Library of Virginia, Regional Coordinator Eastern States COGNA, Virginia State Board on Geographic Names
Brian Rogers, Missouri State Archives, Missouri State Board on Geographic Names
Assemblyman Howard Watts
Marissa Weaselboy, Environmental Director – Yomba Shoshone Tribe
Louis Forline, University of Nevada, Reno – Department of Anthropology (Advisory Panel)

Absent:

National Parks Service Representative
Clifford Banuelos, Nevada InterTribal Council

1. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda (for possible action)

Meeting called to order at 9:31am by Cynthia Laframboise. Motion to approve agenda made by Dominique Etchegoyhen, seconded by Paul White. Unanimous approval of the agenda. Motion approved.

2. Introduction of the Board, Guests (action not taken)

Board members and guests present in the meeting room were introduced, followed by board members, guests, and advisory panel members present on the streaming venue. No action was taken.

3. Public Comment (action not taken)

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4. Approval of Minutes of the September 2021 meeting (for possible action)

Motion to approve minutes of September 2021 minutes with correction to Dr. White's role as voting member as written made by Dominique Etchegoyhen, seconded by Paul White. Motion approved.

5. Announcements, Chair or Executive Secretary

From Chair: Pleased to announce that the Nevada State Library, Archives, and Public Records has a new State Archivist (Cyndi Schein from UNLV) and Administrator Mike Strom.

From Executive Secretary: COGNA (Council on Geographic Names Authorities) will hold regional meetings, and Nevada is associated with the Pacific States. All state names authorities (board members) are welcome to attend these regional meetings. In addition Executive Secretary will be leading the COGNA organization as well. Annual COGNA conference will be in September in Maryland, Portland, Oregon in 2023, and Missouri in 2024.

Introduction of Assemblyman Howard Watts – Assembly District 15 in Las Vegas joining digitally, noted Nevada leading the way in dealing with managing offensive place names.

6. Announcements from Board Members

No announcements from Board Members were made.

7. Protocol and streamlining of NSBGN procedures update (for possible action)

Executive Secretary mentioned information forthcoming from Federal level (directives as a result of Secretarial Orders 3404 and 3405). Introduced Jennifer Runyon from the USBGN who discussed process and general ideas behind Secretarial Orders 3404 and 3405. Ms. Runyon asks NV board or any other party with questions and/or comments on these directives to contact the Task Force directly. The USBGN is not leading the efforts to replace Sq* names across the landscape. Ms. Runyon outlined general process of naming process at the U.S. level and the interactions with States, and further explained how the Secretarial Orders came to exist under the direction of the new Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland.

S.O. 3404 is simply to address the Sq* names on the landscape, and the USGS prepared a list of more than 660 names nationwide and the Task Force has been established which will work to remove the Sq* names from the land, replacing with one of five names closest to the site in question. Example given that Sq* peak might have Cottonwood Creek most close to it, and therefore the new name to replace the offensive name would be Cottonwood Peak.

A Federal register notice (public, counties, any interested parties invited to comment). Same time – a 90 day Tribal consultation period is available for comment. At end of these periods, comments will be

considered and the final list will be organized by the Task Force, submitted to the USBGN for a final vote, and the whole process may be over by Fall of 2022.

S.O 3405 will pertain to “all other offensive names” and will be enforced after the completion of S.O. 3404. Applications being taken at the Federal level to serve on this committee.

- Question asked regarding what happens to existing proposals – at this time it is unclear what will happen.
- Question asked about SO3405 addressing other offensive names on the landscape... generally offensive names are ethnic pejoratives, but what about commemorative names for people or events that are troubling for people. USBGN separate offensive words from offensive people. Does the board have the ability to search the landscape for offensive people? Offensive words (ethnic) are priority – and USBGN representative suggests to submit questions like this to the Task Force.
- Assemblyman Watts suggests NV stay the course of State legislation to work to continue the process already established that we can continue to engage in the process of outreach on the most appropriate names for these features.
- Question noting consultation with local Tribes is essential in this process, and the Task Force names, given that the Task Force is tasked with removing offensive names and closest names are a simple remedy – can we consider these Task Force names as placeholders until appropriate consultation can happen? USBGN representative suggests this will be possible.

USBGN notes that as of this date, 21 new proposals have come in to the USBGN for name suggestions to replace offensive names since SO3404 was established, 10 for Sq* names and the rest for other offensive names.

Conversation ensued amongst board members as to how to manage the automatic replacements, and organize process for conducting outreach regarding these new names, possible publicizing an initiative to revisit all new names applied as a result of SO3404, in order to make the process clear and apply the time necessary to do effective outreach.

Comments that generic name on landscape as opposed to Sq* names on the land are most important.

- Question as to whether 7.5' quad maps will be reprinted with new names? USBGN representative does not have knowledge as to whether map schedule will be amended to accommodate these changes or if they will be updated when next planned.

Additional Discussion:

New forms are being presented by Executive Secretary in hopes of streamlining process and making NSBGN more transparent. Draft forms submitted (asking agencies to report on the research they've done prior to this meeting on each site), and general flowchart on how process works.

Board member asked to include section on site research and checklist form for Tribal outreach done by NSBGN (add another section for tribal nations contacted). Question as to how will these be used. These forms will be used just for files and to create packet information for NSBGN meetings, reporting to State annually as now required by law, and to supplement submissions to USBGN.

Board member suggested finding out what resources are available in each agency, and form on checklist. UNR on board in hosting website, hosted out of UNR geography dept. Dean of the college and UNR provost supports hosting website, and will have resources that will help us. Redesigning website will allow us to make site ADA accessible, suggests site research and checklist where people could see where in the process a particular name nomination is in the process.

Exec Secretary details the processes NSBNG currently has and discussed growing our outreach and files which includes notifying local govt. agencies (13 counties of 17 in NV have offensive names), and

outreach was done in the past by phone, email, hard-copy letter to Tribes and County Commissions. How we do this moving forward might include in-person meetings, giving presentations at NIC, ITCN, County Commission meetings by Executive Secretary, Chair, or other board members, to present info publicly. Need to be more visible and more transparent. Asked for emails from any board members as to changes or suggested additions to these forms. Board member asked when the next annual report due. We do not currently know. State legislation on offensive names went into effect 10/1/21. Assemblyman Watts confirmed dates, and suggests that as long as a report is provided annually, timing might be up to us (by the end of the year).

Question as to whether there is a form or format NSBGN needs to follow – Assemblyman Watts said legislation asks for reports but no general format. Deputy Attorney General for NSBGN suggests report needs to include an update on board activities and go over it for board approval to submit then to State. Suggested commissioning Executive Secretary to compile report describing efforts by the board and have board approve it and submit to State thereafter.

Will review the discussed documents again at the next meeting. Motion made by Cynthia Laframboise to review the documents by the board and reconvene and discuss in next meeting attached and Paul and Dominique.

8. Election of Chair (for possible action)

Term of the current Chair (Cynthia Laframboise) is expiring. Executive Secretary thanked Ms. Laframboise for her two years of service to the NSBGN, noting that Ms. Laframboise took the role of Chair for this board in January of 2020, and then managed all challenges posed by COVID beginning shortly thereafter. Executive Secretary noted Cynthia's accomplishment of testifying for her accomplishments of helping secure the Nevada Indian Commission to the board. Dominique Etchegoyhen nominated Paul White as Chair, Dr. White accepted the nomination. Motion made to elect Dr. White as Chair, made by Dominique Etchegoyhen, seconded by Cynthia Laframboise. No additional discussion, no objections, and no abstentions. Motion passed. Dr. White took over meeting at this time. A five-minute break was held at this time (11:15am).

9. Sq* Peak Renaming (for possible action)

Meeting reconvened at 11:20am. Dr. White as new Chair took over meeting at this time. NSBGN has received a submission to rename Sq* Peak on public land managed by the BLM (Carson City District). Proponent is Dean Tonenna, reached out to Walker River Tribe nearest the feature. Walker River tribe proactive is maintaining names in their landscape, and supportive of seeking opportunity to replace derogatory names. Kwe'na'a is the native name for the golden eagle. Tribal council for Walker River Tribe voted unanimously to support this name and Tribal Chair submitted a formal letter of support for this action. Discussion ensued including noting letter of support of this name officially submitted by Walker River Tribe. Dominique Etchegoyhen noted this is exactly the process we need in order to move forward and commends Dean Tonenna for working so closely with the Tribe to accomplish this communication and resulting submission. This name was forwarded to USBGN (out of normal order of process in outreach) by Executive Secretary upon receipt earlier in the month in anticipation of Task Force action and wanting to ensure name is considered as an option for consideration if action takes place prior to next NSBGN meeting.

Motion to forward this item to a second hearing made by Cynthia Laframboise, seconded by Dominique Etchegoyhen. No additional discussion, no objections, and no abstentions. Motion passed.

10. Deacon Peak (for possible action)

Due to COVID impacts and NSBGN not meeting since January, 2020, the NSBGN is re-hearing this application beginning with a 'first hearing.'

This is first(re) hearing for this site in Nye County. Proponent is present at the meeting – Mr. Larry Schmidt, and provided background on this feature. The site would be named to honor James Deacon,

now deceased but distinguished Professor Emeritus of Biology at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas' Department of Biological Sciences. His leadership led to the protection of critical water resources in the Ash Meadows National Wildlife Refuge, and Dr. Deacon was instrumental in gaining recognition for other unique desert fish species in Nevada. This is the highest point in the small range of hills directly north of Devil's Hole, where the native Pupfish live (affiliated with the proposal from September 2019 for Pupfish Peak). This site is in Nye County in the Ash Meadows national Wildlife Refuge, just east of Death Valley. Board member mentioned having met with project leader who oversees this refuge, and that they are in full support of honoree (Mr. Deacon), who is held in high regard for the work and research he did on pupfish. Conversation on this site ensued, noting a letter of support for naming this site received by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife. Two letters of support have been received for this nomination. USFWS represented in the meeting noted that the peak is on national wildlife refuge land and provided verbal testimony in support of this feature on behalf of the Refuge Manager at the wildlife refuge. Motion to forward this item to a second hearing made by Gabriel Judkins, seconded by Don Harper. No additional discussion, no objections, and no abstentions. Motion passed.

11. Gridley Peak (for possible action)

Due to COVID impacts and NSBGN not meeting since January, 2020, the NSBGN is re-hearing this application beginning with a 'first hearing.'

This is the first (re)hearing for proposed naming of Gridley Peak in Lander County. Representatives of the Yomba Tribe including the Chairman were in attendance online. The NSBGN in receipt of a letter of opposition from the Yomba Shoshone Tribe for this nomination. Executive Secretary noted Nevada Historical society possesses an important artifact that pertains to Mr. Gridley's impact and importance in Nevada's history. Statements provided by Marissa Weaselboy on behalf of Tribal members including Chairperson in attendance state the Tribe is opposed due to being in ancestral homelands. Stated general feeling of controversial themes happening with regard to quick name changes, and want it on record that these places have traditional names, and know this particular site to have a Native name already. Also noted ITCN had not reached out to tribes on this subject. Executive Secretary noted ITCN representative was new to the board at the time this submission came in originally, and is absent at this meeting, and that the NSBGN hopes to grow the outreach from here. Question was asked by NSBGN Chair as to whether Native name is meant to be submitted for naming or just in opposition of this submission. Yomba representative said primarily in opposition of new names for places that have indigenous names already. Board member mentioned forwarding to a second meeting for more feedback. USFS representative stated USFS supports the Tribe (USFS administers the land this site is located on). Statement by board member that forwarding to a second hearing does not mean any of the NSBGN agrees with naming this site, it is for more time for research.

Motion to reject this naming of this site made by Dominique Etchegoyhen, seconded by Robert Francis.

Additional discussion by Advisory panel member who encouraged Yomba Tribe representatives to submit Native name proposal, and suggested going back to proponent for Gridley Peak to submit new proposal elsewhere. No further discussion. Motion carried with one objection, and no abstentions. Chair thanked Yomba Tribe for attending meeting and providing feedback.

12. Select Tentative Meeting Place for May 2022 Meeting (for possible action)

Tentative meeting place selected for next meeting at the Richard H. Bryan Building at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV. Meeting will be (and needs to be) simultaneously streamed. Executive Secretary noted that the NSBGN traditionally meets on the second Tuesday of the months of January, May and September. May 10th of 2022 would be the second Tuesday for next meeting. Department of Lands and Conservation was thanked for hosting current meeting, discussion on potential meeting spots ensued; UNR was considered but parking is difficult and less of an issue in Carson City. Department of Lands and Conservation offered to host in the same building for the next meeting, but May 10th is not available, and will look for a streaming-capable room. Exact room and streaming site to be determined prior to next meeting. **Alternate meeting date was suggested for Wednesday May**

11th, 2022 at 9:30am. Motion for the meeting to occur on this date and time made by Cynthia Laframboise, seconded by Paul White. No additional discussion, no objections, and no abstentions. Motion passed.

13. Public Comments (action will not be taken)

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14. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned by Paul White. Meeting adjourned at 12:05pm.

Nevada State Board on Geographic Names
Site Checklist

Site Name: _____

County: _____

Coordinates: (Lat): _____, (Long): _____

Affiliated Agency/Agencies: USFS BLM NPS Other: _____

Tribes/Tribal Contact associated with site:

Date of First Hearing: _____ Date of Second Hearing: _____

Date of Third Hearing: _____ Date of Fourth Hearing: _____

Additional Hearings: _____

Dates and Contacts for Tribal Consultations:

Government Agencies Contacted and Dates:

Public Notice Made: _____

Checklist:

- ☐ Physical letters sent to all affiliated government agencies requesting communication and participation
- ☐ Emails sent to all affiliated government agencies
- ☐ Appropriate phone calls made to government agencies

- ☐ Physical letters sent to all affiliated Tribes requesting communication and participation
- ☐ Emails sent to all affiliated Tribes
- ☐ Appropriate phone calls made to Tribal authorities
- ☐ Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada and Nevada Indian Commission copied on all correspondence

- ☐ Public Notice Posted on NSBGN Website
- ☐ USBGN Updated
- ☐ Final Submission to NSBGN

Nevada State Board on Geographic Names

Agency Site Report

The below is information collected and submitted to be a permanent and public record as part of the research process for toponymy in Nevada for the Nevada State Board on Geographic Names (NSBGN). Each representing agency, as identified by NRS 327.120 will submit a report prior to each meeting to be discussed at the following meeting and added to the site file for the permanent record.

Submitting Agency: _____

Site Name: _____

Research Performed (include discovery, sources, citations, and any other pertinent information below, or provide attachments):

Tribal Outreach Performed:

Printed name of preparer

Signature of preparer

Date

Submit document to Executive Secretary no less than 15 working days prior to next meeting in order that information can be collected and processed for inclusion in forthcoming meeting.

Current name	FID	State	County or equivalent	Latitude	Longitude	Map link	Candidate 1	Candidate 2	Candidate 3	Candidate 4	Candidate 5	Pending B2N proposals
Square Peaks	842883	Nevada	Clark County	39.7608395	-114.706921	Link	Edwards Mountains	Black Canyon	Lake Mohave	Calaveras River	Parson Bend Cove	
East Square Creek	842888	Nevada	Elko County	41.0377029	-114.6288359	Link	Wally Spring	Goshute Valley	Prepago Mountains	Rocky Point	Summit Spring	
Square Creek	842828	Nevada	Elko County	41.2358498	-114.697322	Link	Thousand Springs	Owyheewards	Prater Field	Chaparral	Pole Creek Ridge	
Square Mountain	843082	Nevada	Elko County	40.8374542	-115.9050886	Link	Rock Springs	Circle Creek	Crown Springs	Crown Springs Canyon	Crooked Canyon	
Square Valley	843081	Nevada	Elko County	41.1849722	-114.7339925	Link	Rock Creek	Stronger Springs Creek	Willow Creek	Prater Creek	Hot Lake	
West Square Creek	844737	Nevada	Elko County	41.0921495	-114.7155915	Link	Rocky Point	West Spring	Wally Spring	Independence Valley	Summit Spring	
Square Creek	845678	Nevada	Elko County	41.1120081	-114.6378708	Link	Chisum Spring	Santa Bernad Fields	Alkali Springs	Tucumana Mountains	Antelope Creek	
North Fork Square Creek	849851	Nevada	Elko County	41.1032375	-114.5308622	Link	Wally Spring	Rocky Point	Summit Spring	West Spring	Baker Spring	
South Fork East Square Creek	849852	Nevada	Elko County	41.0950909	-114.5320175	Link	Wally Spring	Summit Spring	Prepago Summit	Prepago Mountains	Adobe Spring	
North Fork East Square Creek	850963	Nevada	Elko County	41.1029798	-114.5308622	Link	Rocky Point	Wally Spring	West Spring	Summit Spring	Summit Spring	
Little Square Valley	846175	Nevada	Humboldt County	40.8421392	-117.5050971	Link	Rock Creek	Sonoma Lake	Willow Spring	Bradford Gulch Creek	Robber Creek	
Square Valley Creek	849868	Nevada	Humboldt County	40.8401818	-117.5575408	Link	Willow Spring	Ridge Top Spring	Sonoma Peak	Ridge Spring	Sonoma Range	
Square Peak	849869	Nevada	Humboldt County	40.8383192	-117.5651344	Link	Sonoma Lake	Chow Creek	Black Creek	Ridge Top Spring	Circle Bar Number 2 Spring	
Square To Butte	852186	Nevada	Humboldt County	41.2321236	-117.54843	Link	Sheepheader Spring	Circle Bar Number 1 Spring	Sheepheader Spring	Wilder Spring	West Fork Sheephead Creek	
Square Butte	852159	Nevada	Humboldt County	41.1837915	-117.403552	Link	North Fork Little/Humboldt River	Chickadee Creek	Black Ridge	Grasshopper Creek		
Square Butte	843956	Nevada	Lander County	40.2389835	-116.7500804	Link	Coon Creek	Crescent Valley	Dry Hill Spring	Elder Creek	Rocky Pass	
Square To	843964	Nevada	Lander County	40.305878	-117.581163	Link	Long Creek	Wild Range Canyon	Long Canyon	Fish Creek Mountains	Jasper Summit	
Square Knoll	845880	Nevada	Livestock County	38.2491253	-114.4915823	Link	Crown Creek	Cedar Flat	Fairview Spring	Lake Valley	Devils Reservoir	
Square Creek	845937	Nevada	Mineral County	38.6142097	-116.731397	Link	Mountain Reservoir	Mount Grant	Wash Range	Wash Range	Lapin Meadows	
Square Creek	847806	Nevada	Mineral County	38.375952	-116.920221	Link	Mud Spring	Lucky Boy Pass	Cory Peak	Redburn Spring		
Square Peak	852840	Nevada	Mineral County	38.212358	-116.429579	Link	Round Hills	Highgate Gulch	Sand Springs Range	Round Hills	Robber Wash	
Little Square Creek	850283	Nevada	Mineral County	38.4788114	-116.6482496	Link	Wassuk Range	Rock Cabin Spring	Lucky Boy Pass	Rock Cabin Spring	Butler Mountain	
Square Hill	845479	Nevada	Nye County	38.709885	-116.112196	Link	Jumbled Rock Gulch	Chow Creek	Middle Fork Chow Creek	South Fork Chow Creek	North Fork Cabin Creek	
Square Well Spring	856302	Nevada	Nye County	38.7202108	-116.083184	Link	Chow Creek	Jumbled Rock Gulch	Needle Range	Middle Fork Chow Creek	Chow Knob	
Squareity	857190	Nevada	Nye County	38.7202108	-116.444488	Link	Bellevue Canyon	Cap Henry Spring	Kawatch Range	Heavenward Canyon	Milam Canyon	
Square Flat	861250	Nevada	Nye County	38.5791003	-116.4755409	Link	Little Fish Lake Valley	Red Canyon	Coal Cove Ridge	Coal Cove Canyon	Crocker Canyon	
Square Butte	843255	Nevada	Washoe County	40.4751766	-117.6006775	Link	Holmes Creek	Goldbanks Hills	Wilder Creek	Devils Ridge	Palmer Creek	
Square Valley	838218	Nevada	Washoe County	40.8248135	-115.5386889	Link	New Spring	Wood Road Reservoirs	Granger Mountain	Lower Fort Canal Spring	Trail Canyon Spring Number One	
Square Creek Valley	843900	Nevada	Washoe County	40.7288125	-115.4931125	Link	Deep Hole Spring	Rioody Point	Dry Creek	Big Summit Canyon	Gardner Spring	
Square Creek	847208	Nevada	Washoe County	40.6827846	-115.5454706	Link	New Spring	Deep Hole Spring	Fresh Field	Rocky Point	Wood Road Reservoirs	
Square With a Basket	857200	Nevada	Washoe County	39.9785975	-115.4989308	Link	Pyramid Lake	New Spring	The Pyramid	Archie Island	Archie Island	
Square Valley Reservoir	863310	Nevada	Washoe County	40.8248135	-115.5386889	Link	Jones Canyon	New Spring	Pyramid Mountain Canyon	Granger Mountain	Crocker Canyon	
Square Peak	845881	Nevada	White Pine County	39.2680282	-114.801863	Link	Alamy Creek	Robinson Canyon	Gleason Creek	Rye Warm Springs	Washoe Spring	
Square Point	863317	Nevada	White Pine County	39.24462092	-114.801863	Link	Alamy Creek	Gleason Creek	Robinson Canyon	Robinson Canyon	The Big Bend	

APPENDIX C.

U.S. Department of the Interior
U.S. Geological Survey

Domestic Geographic Name Report

1. Use this form to recommend a feature name or to suggest a name change.

2. For features on Federal lands, coordinate requests with the agency (U.S. Forest Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, etc.) for the administrative area in which the feature is located.

3. On the reverse side of this form give information on the local usage and authority for recommended name.

4. For more information about the Geographic Names Information System or the National Gazetteer program, contact the U.S. Board on Geographic Names at 703-648-4544.

5. Return this form to:

Executive Secretary for Domestic
Geographic Names
U.S. Geological Survey
523 National Center
Reston, VA 20192

Action Requested:	Recommended Name: Kwe'na'a
Proposed New Name	State: Nevada
Application Change	County or Equivalent: Mineral County
Name Change	Administrative Area: Bureau of Land Management
Other	

Specific Area Covered:

Latitude: 39.011034 ° N Longitude: -118.4295759 ° E Mouth End Center
Latitude: ° ° ° N S Longitude: ° ° ° W E Heading End
Section(s): 12 Township(s): 13 N Range(s): 31 E Meridian: MDBM Elevation: 6352 ft.

Type of Feature (stream, mountain, populated place, etc.): Mountaintop/Ridge

Is the feature identified (including other names) in the Geographic Names Information System (GNIS)?

Yes No Unknown If yes, please indicate how it is listed: Squaw Peak

Description of Feature (physical shape, length, width, direction of flow, etc.): A peak 2.5 miles east of the Walker River Indian Reservation.

Maps and Other Sources Using Recommended Name (include scale and date)	Other Names (variants)	Maps and Other Sources Using Other Name or Applications (include scale and date)
BLM Land Surface Map 1:100,000		

Name Information (such as origin, meaning of the recommended name, historical significance, biographical data (if commemorative), nature of usage or application, or any other pertinent information): The proposed name is Kwe'na'a which is the Walker River Paiute name for "Golden Eagle".

Is the recommended name in local usage? Yes No If yes, for approximately how many years? _____

Is there local opposition to, or conflict, with the recommended name? Yes No (If yes, explain)

There is no local opposition to the recommended name change.

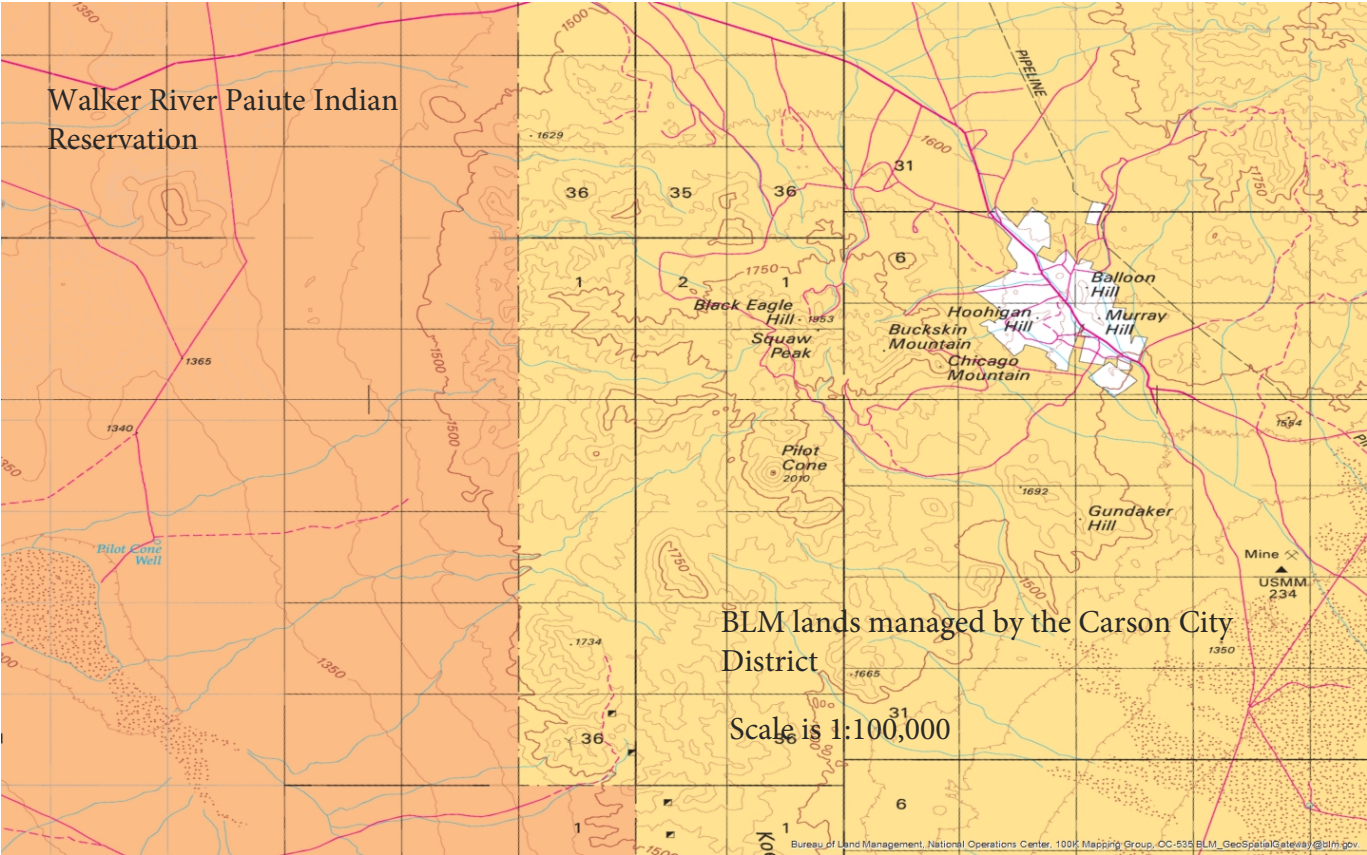
For proposed new name, please provide evidence that feature is unnamed:

Additional information:

The proposed renaming of "Squaw Peak" with the new indigenous name of "Kwe'na'a" is long over due. The name "Squaw Peak" is derogatory and offensive and should not appear on any map.

Copy Submitted By (name): Dean Tonenna		Title Botanist	Telephone (day) 775 885 6000	Date 9-10-21
Company or Agency Bureau of Land Management, Carson City District		Address (City, State, and ZIP Code) 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, Nevada, 89701		
Copy Prepared By (if other than above):		Title	Phone (day)	Date
Company or Agency		Address (City, State, and ZIP Code)		
Authority for Recommended Name	Mailing Address and Telephone	Occupation	Years in Area	

Map of the Peak



APPENDIX C.

U.S. Department of the Interior
U.S. Geological Survey

Domestic Geographic Name Report

1. Use this form to recommend a feature name or to suggest a name change.

2. For features on Federal lands, coordinate requests with the agency (U.S. Forest Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, etc.) for the administrative area in which the feature is located.

3. On the reverse side of this form give information on the local usage and authority for recommended name.

4. For more information about the Geographic Names Information System or the National Gazetteer program, contact the U.S. Board on Geographic Names at 703-648-4544.

5. Return this form to:

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U.S. Geological Survey
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Action Requested:	Recommended Name
Proposed New Name	DEACON PEAK
Application Change	State Nevada
Name Change	County or Equivalent NYE
Other	Administrative Area US Fish and Wildlife Service - Ash Meadows National Wildlife Refuge

Specific Area Covered: .4757 .1630

Latitude: 36° 26' 07" N Longitude: 116° 17' 31" W Mouth End Center

Latitude: ° ' " N Longitude: ° ' " W Heading End

Section(s) 36 Township(s) T. 17 S. Range(s) R. 50 E Meridian MDM Elevation 3170 ft.

Type of Feature (stream, mountain, populated place, etc.): Peak

Is the feature identified (including other names) in the Geographic Names Information System (GNIS)?
Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown ☐ If yes, please indicate how it is listed: _____

Description of Feature (physical shape, length, width, direction of flow, etc.): The highest point in the small range of hills directly north of Devils Hole in The Death Valley National Monument.

Maps and Other Sources Using Recommended Name (include scale and date)	Other Names (variants)	Maps and Other Sources Using Other Name or Applications (include scale and date)

Name Information (such as origin, meaning of the recommended name, historical significance, biographical data (if commemorative), nature of usage or application, or any other pertinent information):

Is the recommended name in local usage? Yes ☐ No ☒ If yes, for approximately how many years? _____

Is there local opposition to, or conflict, with the recommended name?

Yes

☒ No

(If yes, explain)

I'm aware of none

For proposed new name, please provide evidence that feature is unnamed: *See attached USGS*
DEVILS HOLE 1:24,000 Quad Dated 1987

Additional information: *(See Attached) Dr. James E. Deacon was distinguished Professor Emeritus of Biology, Department of Biological Sciences UNLV. Dr. Deacon began his study and advocacy for the Devils Hole Pupfish in 1960. His leadership lead to The protection of critical water resources in the Ash Meadows National Wildlife Refuge. Dr Deacon was instrumental in gaining recognition for other unique desert fish species in Nevada*

Copy Submitted By (name): <i>Larry Schmidt</i>	Title <i>Citizen</i>	Telephone (day) <i>775-527-3335</i>	Date <i>8/15/2019</i>
Company or Agency	Address (City, State, and ZIP Code) <i>2904 La Cresta Cir, MINDEN, NV 89423</i>		

Copy Prepared By (if other than above):	Title	Phone (day)	Date
Company or Agency	Address (City, State, and ZIP Code)		

Authority for Recommended Name	Mailing Address and Telephone	Occupation	Years in Area

James E. Deacon , PhD

Leader in regional ecology, the biology and conservation of Nevada's desert fishes

JAMES DEACON James E. Deacon, Distinguished Professor Emeritus in the Departments of Environmental Studies and Biological Sciences passed away Feb. 23, 2015. Prof. Deacon received his Ph.D. from the University of Kansas in 1960 and joined UNLV the same year. He was promoted to Full Professor in 1968 and received the campus' highest academic honor as Distinguished Professor in 1988. Jim's major research efforts centered on regional ecology, the biology and conservation of desert fishes and later, sustainable water supply and use. He published more than 90 peer-reviewed articles and chapters and numerous interpretive articles, reports and advocacy essays. On campus, Prof. Deacon served as Chair of the Department of Biological Sciences and was the Founding Director and later Chair of the Department of Environmental Studies. He was instrumental in establishing UNLV's first M.S. and Ph.D. programs in both Biology and Environmental Science. He mentored more than 25 masters and doctoral students and taught "across the (undergraduate and graduate) curriculum" in both Biological Sciences and Environmental Studies during his 42 year UNLV career. Prof. Deacon was a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and received major awards from the American Fisheries Society, the National Wildlife Federation and The Nature Conservancy. He was a founding member of the Desert Fishes Council (in 1970) and was Chair of the organization from 1976-78. Most recently (2012) Jim received the E.O. Wilson Award for Outstanding Science in Biodiversity Conservation from the Center for Biological Diversity. He was instrumental in securing vital water rights for Death Valley and Zion National Parks as well as Moapa and Ash Meadows National Wildlife Refuges, the latter confirmed in behalf of the Devils Hole Pupfish (*Cyprinodon diabolis*) through a U.S. Supreme Court decision in 1976. Jim remained professionally productive and actively engaged throughout his life. His most recent book chapter is in review.

Noted UNLV biologist James Deacon has died

By HENRY BREAN LAS VEGAS REVIEW-JOURNAL hbrean@reviewjournal.com or 702-383-0350

James Deacon was a biologist, environmentalist and staunch defender of desert fish who launched UNLV's environmental studies program and helped spawn new generations of scientists in both the classroom and his own family.

The distinguished professor emeritus died Monday at his home in Henderson. He was 80.

Deacon arrived at UNLV in 1960 after receiving his doctorate from the University of Kansas. A year later, he took his first scuba dive in Devil's Hole, a water-filled cavern 90 miles west of Las Vegas that is home to an endangered pupfish found nowhere else on Earth.

He was drawn to such isolated desert fish "because they're so improbable," said Mary Dale Deacon, his wife of 30 years.

In the 1970s, he testified in defense of the Devil's Hole pupfish during a legal fight over groundwater pumping that landed in the U.S. Supreme Court and resulted in a landmark decision favoring endangered species protection.

The native of White, S.D., went on to play a major role in securing vital water rights for Death Valley and Zion national parks, and he aided in the establishment of Ash Meadows and Moapa National wildlife refuges, two federal preserves in Southern Nevada framed around some of the isolated spring fish species he helped describe to the world.

Two local species are named for him: the Spring Mountains springsnail (*Pyrgulopsis deacon*) and Las Vegas dace (*Rhinichthys deacon*), now extinct.

Deacon's work set him at odds with the Southern Nevada Water Authority and its plans to siphon groundwater across a wide swath of eastern Nevada. In interviews, papers and protest letters, he warned that the authority's multibillion-dollar gambit could drain a vast groundwater network stretching into as many as 80 basins in Nevada, Utah and California, far beyond the network of monitoring wells the agency plans.

He feared the project even poses a threat to his beloved Devil's Hole, where his wife said he dove to count pupfish dozens of times — "maybe even hundreds" — until 1988, when a tumor on his spine put him in a wheelchair for the rest of his life..

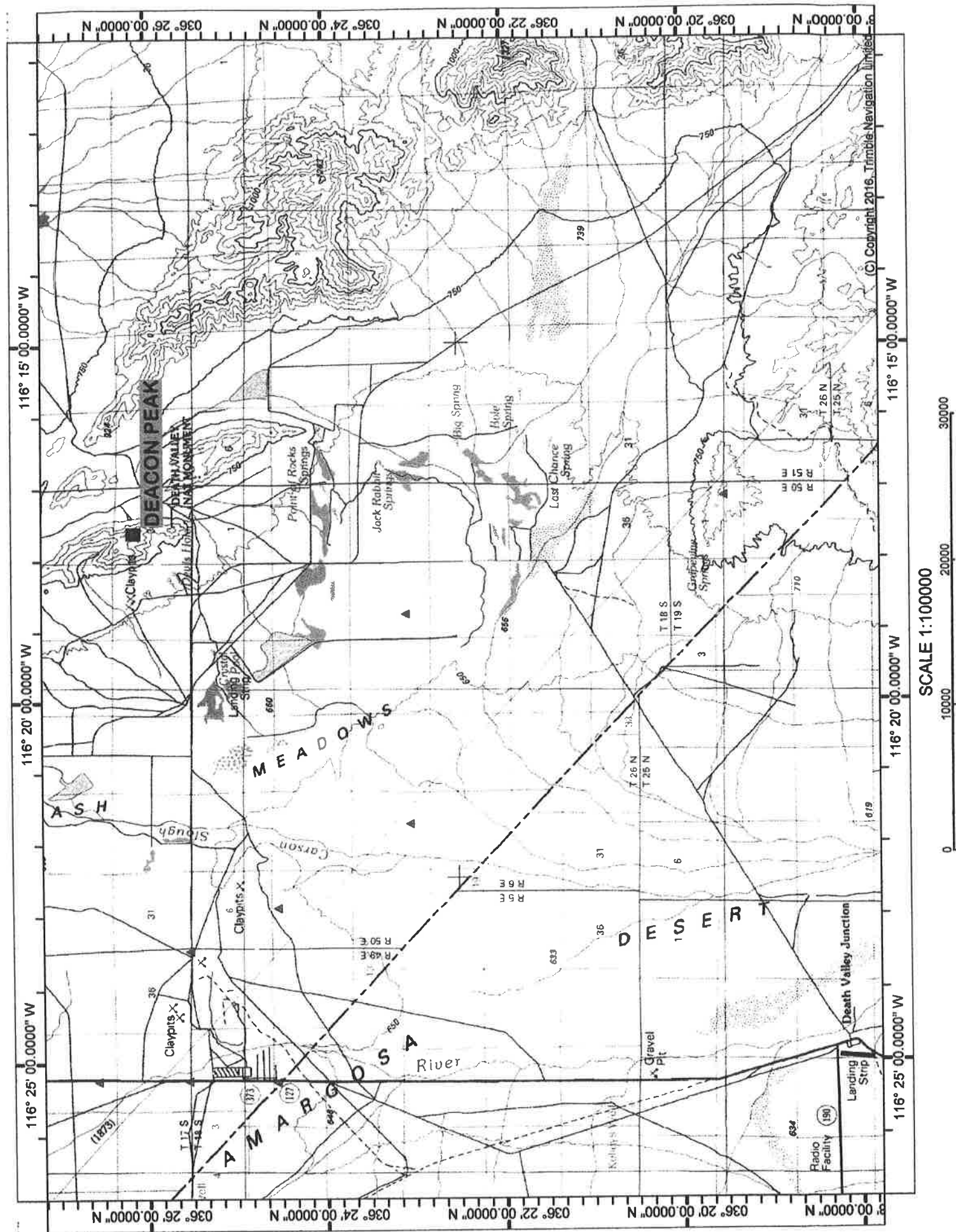
During his 42-year career at UNLV, Deacon taught a wide range of graduate and undergraduate classes and was instrumental in establishing the university's master's and doctorate programs in biology. He was chair of both the Department of Biological Sciences and the Department of Environmental Studies, which he helped establish, and he published more than 90 peer-reviewed articles and chapters.

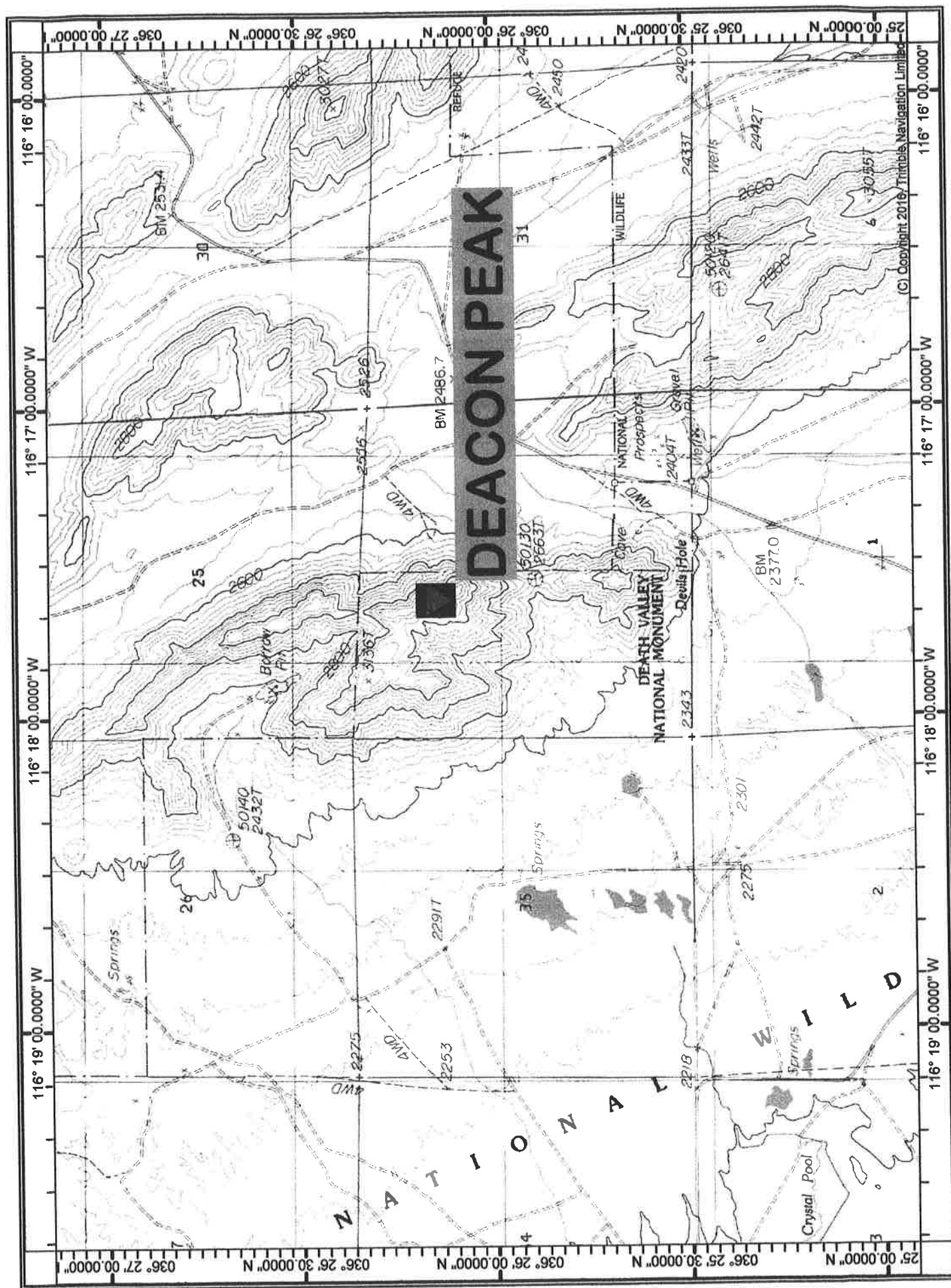
He also helped inspire scientists outside the lecture hall.

In recent years, Deacon expressed pessimism about prospects for the most famous and imperiled of his research subjects, the Devil's Hole pupfish. But he was encouraged by the fight to save the species — or at least allow it to fade away naturally and not be wiped out by human activity. He considered the effort nothing less than "an expression of our humanity."

"What makes humans unique is our ability to know. The more species that go extinct out there, the less there is to know," Deacon told the Review-Journal in 2013. "The more we learn about the Devil's Hole pupfish, the more human we become."

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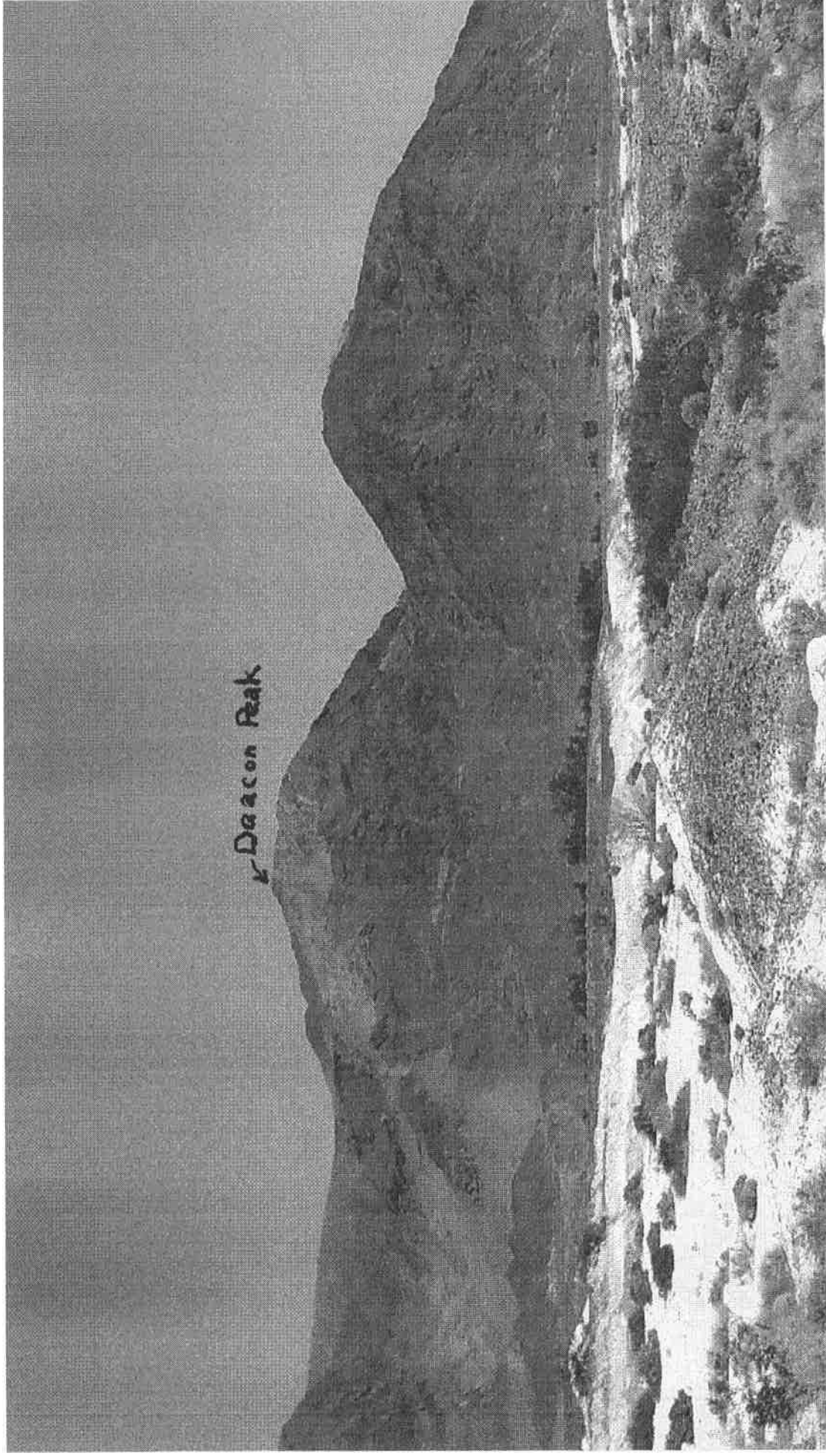
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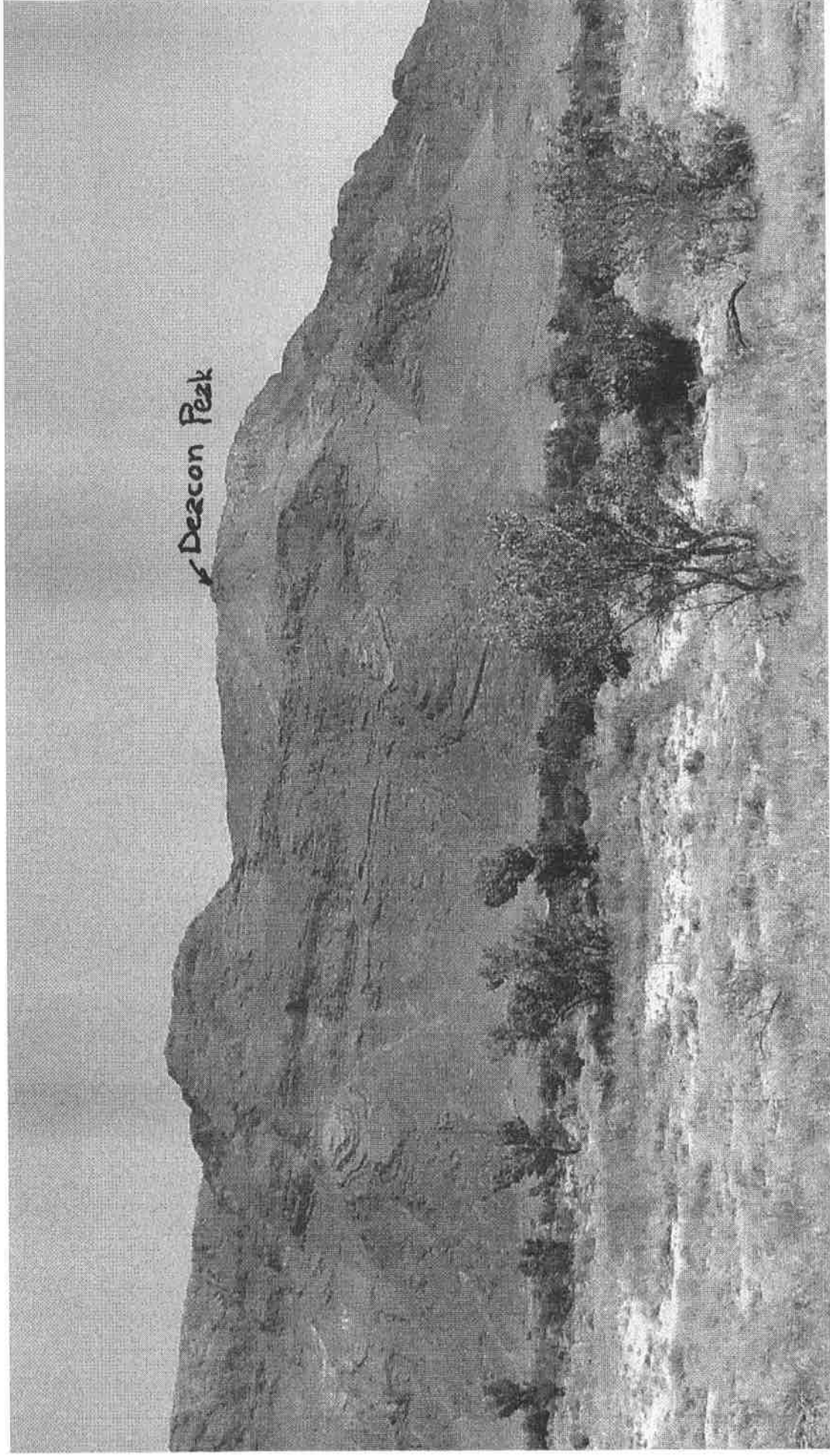
Deacon Peak

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Map Information

State Name:	Nevada
Map Name:	DEVILS HOLE
USGS Ref Code:	36116-D3-TF-024
Map Edition:	Standard USGS
Map Scale:	1:24,000
Map Type:	Topographic
Horizontal Datum:	North American Datum 1927
Contour Interval:	40 Feet 12.2 Meters
Map Date:	1987
Elevation:	3170 Feet 966.2 Meters
Est. Mag. Decl.:	11.96° E (2019)
Latitude (cursor):	036° 26' 07.4757" N
Longitude (cursor):	116° 17' 37.1630" W





May 4, 2022

Hello Dr. Johnson -- I understand that the proposal to name Deacon Peak near Devils Hole in Nye County is proceeding with a second hearing scheduled soon. That is wonderful news. Dr. Jim Deacon was my father-in-law and a great inspiration for me in my fisheries conservation career. I worked on the Devils Hole Pupfish while completing my M.S. in Biology at UNLV and accompanied Jim on many visits to Ash Meadows and Devils Hole. Naming this peak for him is a great and fitting honor. Dr. Deacon worked tirelessly for the protection of Devils Hole and the surrounding springs for many decades. I know he had a great love for the area that reached well beyond his great scientific appreciation of the ecosystem. I feel certain that he would be pleased to have this site named in his honor. With best regards and appreciation, --Jack Williams

Jack E. Williams, Ph.D.
Emeritus Senior Scientist
Trout Unlimited
Medford, Oregon

May 5, 2022

Dr. Johnson:

I have no idea how many young men and women, over the years, have received their inspiration and training from Dr. James E. Deacon in the sparse shadow of what many of us hope will soon be named Deacon Peak. I am one of those people. At 81, I continue with the rigor and dedication I learned from Dr. Deacon that allows me to publish and contribute in several Earth-centered fields. I am only one, and probably the least, of his students who remain active in conservation science.

I encourage you and your colleagues to name the mountain above Devil's Hole in honor of Dr. James E. Deacon.

Please call on me if I can be of any further help in this matter.

Tom Baugh
Hidden Springs

P.S. I'm not sure if you knew Jim but he was quadraplegic. My wife Penny and I have family in Nevada and frequently, when visiting the family, we would fly from Reno/Tahoe to McCarran to visit with Jim and his wife Mary Dale. I remember one visit very well. Jim asked us to drive he and Mary Dale to the Ash Meadows NWR. He wanted to see Devils Hole (perhaps one more time). We made the drive but when we got there there was no way I could get his van close enough or maneuver his wheelchair close enough for him to look down into Devils Hole. The best we could do was to position the van so Jim could look at the mountain I hope will soon bear his name. We sat there for a long time and then drove back to Las Vegas. It was quite a moving experience. Again call on me if I can be of any help.