

23rd SCUFN MEETING
Lima, Peru, 11-14 September 2010

Report of ACUF Activities since SCUFN 22

The United States Board on Geographic Names (US BGN) Advisory Committee on Undersea Features (ACUF) is pleased to be invited to participate in the annual meetings of the General Bathymetric Chart of the Oceans Sub-Committee on Undersea Features (SCUFN) and submits this report on its activities since the 22nd SCUFN Meeting. ACUF has met three times in the past year. Actions from only two of the meetings (plus those from a meeting held prior to SCUFN 22) have been presented to the US BGN for approval. ACUF does not have approval authority, but rather recommends actions for approval by the US BGN.

As a result of developments in recent years ACUF has decided not to submit copies of its meeting minutes as part of its report to SCUFN. The summary report will serve as the update of relevant ACUF activities and identify feature names upon which ACUF has taken action. ACUF is now requesting that proposers wishing to submit names for approval to SCUFN do so directly.

ACUF is pleased to introduce Mr. Jimmy Nerantzis as the new Secretary of ACUF and Observer to SCUFN. Mr. Nerantzis has over 20 years of experience as a nautical cartographer with the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration. He took a position with the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency in 2009 and in April 2010 became the NGA Marine Geographer. Committee membership increased by one since the last report and may expand further later this year.

During the past year ACUF has continued a review of the US BGN's *Policy and Guidelines for the Standardization of Undersea Feature Names*. The policy review included the creation of a Terms of Reference document modeled after the SCUFN version. As SCUFN has done, ACUF intends to re-examine its proposal form and list of features. Unfortunately, due to the change in duties of the former Secretary and consideration of additional policy issues, the standardization policy has not been finalized.

The current ACUF Gazetteer remains the one dated 1 September 2009 and is available in PDF form. More information about ACUF, access to the undersea feature names database, and additional resources are available on the Internet at <http://earth-info.nga.mil/gns/html/acuf.htm>.

Trent Palmer
former Secretary, US BGN ACUF

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Feature Name	Position	Proposer	ACUF meeting	BGN
KAIULI Seamount	25°39'N, 172°55'W	Dr. John R. Smith, University of Hawaii / Papahānaumokuākea Native Hawaiian Cultural Working Group	ACUF 326 (5 Feb 2008)	19 January 2010
KĀNEHUNAMOKU Seamount	24°18'N, 166°03'W		ACUF 325 (12 Dec 2007)	
KEOEA Seamount	23°17'N, 163°36'W			
KILO MOANA Bank	26°18'N, 174°32'W			
MŌLĪ Seamount	25°40'N, 171°25'W			
WOOLSEY Mound	28°51'N, 088°29'W	Mr. Jesse Hunt	ACUF 334 (24 March 2010)	10 June 2010
KALK Knoll	37°52'N, 125°12'W	Dr. Chris Goldfinger, Oregon State University		27 July 2010