

## Paper for Consideration by SCUFN

## Report of the work made during the inter-sessional period

## Monitoring the list of PENDING names

<b>Submitted by:</b>	IHO Secretariat (as SCUFN Secretary)
<b>Executive Summary:</b>	This document reports on the monitoring, since SCUFN-30, of the PENDING names from the on-line GEBCO Gazetteer database. These include all new PENDING names agreed at SCUFN-30.
<b>Related Documents:</b>	SCUFN30-07.2B
<b>Related Projects:</b>	N/A

## Introduction / Background

1. Following the SCUFN-30 meeting in October 2017 and considering the limited resources available within its Sub-Committee, the Secretariat of the GEBCO Sub Committee on Undersea Feature Names (SCUFN) decided to contract several tasks in order to improve the content of the IHO-IOC online GEBCO Gazetteer of Undersea Feature Names (the Gazetteer) and support SCUFN activities managed by the IHO secretariat. The following tasks were contracted to the former SCUFN Secretary.

Tasks	Objectives	Outcome reported in
<b>1</b>	<i>Update the Gazetteer from all undersea feature naming decisions and actions taken at SCUFN-30, ensuring quality control and standardization of the documentation provided as part of the relevant proposals. Prepare a draft report as a submission document to SCUFN-31. Deadline: <b>31 May 2018.</b></i>	Doc. SCUFN31-07.2B
<b>2</b>	<i>Monitor the list of pending names. Prepare a draft report as a submission document to SCUFN-31. Deadline: <b>31 May 2018.</b></i>	Doc. SCUFN31-07.2C
<b>3</b>	<i>Monitor the draft new edition of Publication B-6 ("red line" version), taking into account SCUFN-30 decisions and any related development following SCUFN-30, with a view to submitting a consolidated draft for comments to SCUFN members. Deadline: <b>31 March 2018.</b> Monitor and implement all comments from SCUFN members and prepare a draft report as a submission document to SCUFN-31, as well as a submission to the appropriate IRCC meeting, taking into consideration IHO Resolution 2/2007 on the impact study. Deadline: <b>30 June 2018.</b></i>	Doc. SCUFN31-06.2A
<b>4</b>	<i>Monitor / upgrade the wish-list of improvements to the Gazetteer interface and test any new developments by NCEI. Monitor the relationships with NCEI to maintain the Gazetteer, as necessary and/or appropriate. Prepare a draft status report as a submission document to SCUFN-31. Deadline: <b>30 June 2018.</b></i>	Doc. SCUFN31-07.1A

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5	<i>Launch, monitor and provide advice on the development by KHOA of the prototype UFN database and web-based associated services (the Beta-Gazetteer). Prepare a draft status report as a submission document to SCUFN-31. Deadline: 30 June 2018.</i>	Doc. SCUFN31-07.3B

2. The objective of this submission paper is to report on Task 2.

### Analysis/Discussion

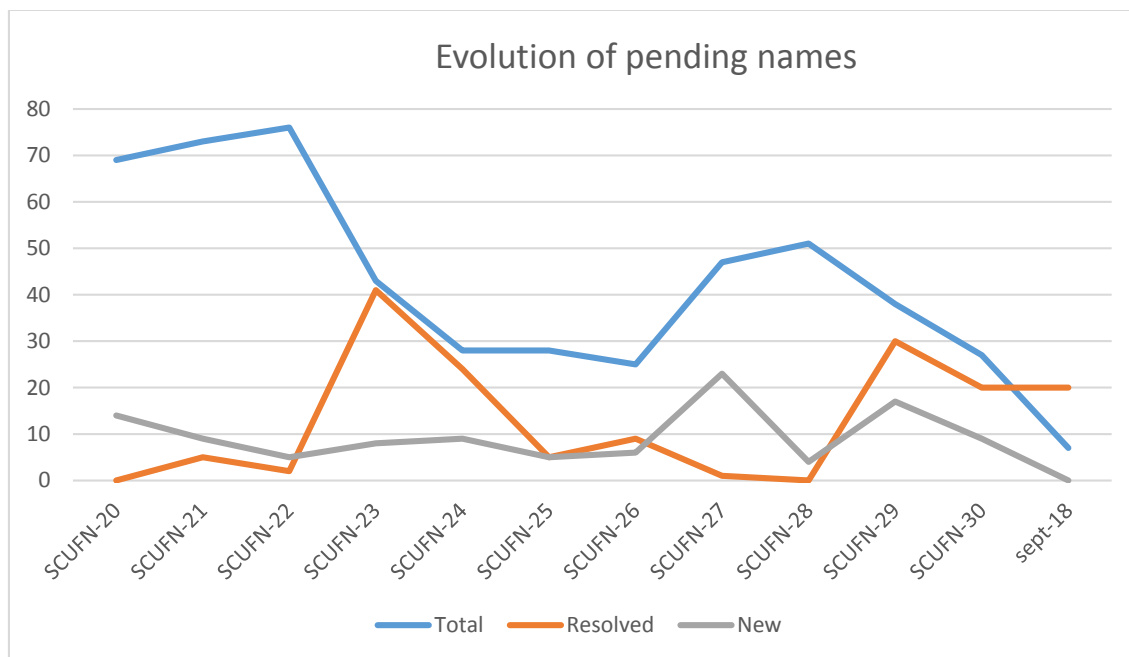
3. A “pending name” is an undersea feature name that was submitted to, and considered by SCUFN, but was not accepted, either due to lack of bathymetric evidence for the feature, or because the proposed specific name was questioned. The name was kept pending until further information be provided by the proposer. Document SCUFN30-07.2B reported that, as of August 2017, there were 25 Pending names in the Gazetteer. At SCUFN30, 9 new pending names were agreed while 7 pending names were resolved, leading to a total of 27 pending names at the end of the meeting. [Annex A](#) provides the status of all actions from SCUFN30, relating to pending names.

4. Thanks to the fruitful collaboration of the concerned proposers and from SCUFN members, in particular the Chair and Vice-Chair, the contractor was able to gather the required information / data in support of a number of these names, thus allowing to reduce to 7 the number of remaining pending names, as of September 2018. [Annex B](#) provides details of the current list of pending names, including comments / suggestions on how they can possibly be progressed. [Annex C](#) lists those names which have been removed from the previous list of pending names, including details on the actions taken and other comments.

5. A summary of the evolution of the number of pending names since 2007 (SCUFN-20) is given in the following table:

Meeting	Total number of pending names at the end of the meeting	Number of pending names resolved at the meeting or since the previous meeting	Number of new pending names resulting from the meeting
SCUFN-20	69	0	14
SCUFN-21	73	5	9
SCUFN-22	76	2	5
SCUFN-23	43	41	8
SCUFN-24	28	24	9
SCUFN-25	28	5	5
SCUFN-26	25	9	6
SCUFN-27	47	1	23
SCUFN-28	51	0	4
SCUFN-29	38	30	17
SCUFN-30	27	20	9
SEPT2018	7	20	0

The graphic below shows the evolution of the number of pending names.



6. Comments are made on the current list of pending names, as follows:

6.1 Action SCUFN30/147, referring to the previous list of pending names in Doc. SCUFN30-07.2B, included that “... All the others names that were not solved or addressed previously to be kept PENDING until SCUFN31, then DELETED if no progress”.

6.2 However, the following pending names deserve particular attention:

- Chongya Ridge, Junhui Seamount: additional data should soon be made available and revised proposals are intended for SCUFN32.
- Guayas Seamount: a new survey is planned in November 2018.
- Jixia Hill: a revised proposal has recently been received and will be circulated to SCUFN members when the additional information requested has been received.

### Recommendations

It is recommended that:

7. SCUFN Members review the current list of pending names at [Annex B](#), noting the comments in section 6, and conclude on the best way forward for each name, including agreeing on deadlines for completion or removing from the list.

8. SCUFN Members consider [Annex A](#) and [Annex C](#), and comment as appropriate.

### Justification and Impacts

9. Most decisions / actions from SCUFN30, which related to pending names, have been implemented / completed. Out of the 27 names that were pending at the end of SCUFN30, 20 names have already been removed from the list in the intersessional period, 15 of them being included as approved into the GEBCO Gazetteer.

### Action required of SCUFN

10. SCUFN is invited to:

a. note this report

b. consider the recommendations made in sections 7 and 8.

**DECISIONS AND ACTIONS FROM SCUFN-30,  
RELATING TO PENDING NAMES**

Decision/ Action	Details	Status (May 2018)	Comments
	<b>Matters remaining from Previous Meetings</b>		
	<b>Review of Actions from SCUFN-29 and transfer to the relevant agenda items</b>		
SCUFN30/10 (former SCUFN29/69)	Proposal for Doña Idelisa Passage is kept as PENDING. <b>Walter</b> to liaise with the proposer to provide justification on the specific term and information on the track lines. Then, information to be reviewed by <b>SCUFN Members</b> by correspondence.	In progress	See Annex B.
SCUFN30/11 (former SCUFN29/70)	Proposal for Las Jorobadas Passage is kept as PENDING. <b>Walter</b> to liaise with the proposer to provide information about track lines. Then, information to be reviewed by <b>SCUFN Members</b> by correspondence.	In progress	See Annex B.
	<b>Proposals Submitted during Intersessional Period</b>		
	<b>From Republic of Palau, Territory and Boundary Task Force, Office of the President</b>		
SCUFN30/27	Proposal for Ngetelngal [ <del>Seamount</del> ] is kept as PENDING with the generic term changed to Peak, until the proposer makes a complementary submission for the associate ridge.	Complete	See Annex C.
SCUFN30/30	Proposals for Ngeteklou Basin and Tbekuulii Basin are kept as PENDING as the proposer is invited to provide a new polygon for a single large basin composed of the two small ones, and a single specific term for this basin <sup>1</sup> .	Complete	See Annex C.
	<b>From Japan, Japanese Committee on Undersea Feature Names (JCUFN)</b>		

<sup>1</sup> SCUFN Members will consider approving the finalized proposal by correspondence.

Decision/ Action	Details	Status (May 2018)	Comments
SCUFN30/54	Proposal for Kerama Ridges is kept as PENDING waiting for recommendations from the <b>Generic Term SubGroup</b> . Primitives to be defined (multiple lines+pol).	Complete	See Annex C.
SCUFN30/88	<del>Fast-track</del> Proposal for Hishikui Seamount is kept as PENDING waiting for complementary information from the proposer (cross profiles, extent of the feature to be corrected...).	Complete	See Annex C.
	<b>From China, CCUFN</b>		
SCUFN30/105	Proposal for Jixia Hill is kept as PENDING, more data to be provided by the proposer to understand the general morphology in the area.	In progress	See Annex B.
	<b>Liaison with Other Geographical Name Bodies</b>		
	<b>Undersea Names Committee of the New Zealand Geographic Board (NZGB)</b>		
SCUFN30/139	Fast-track proposals (#1 to #23) submitted in 2016 are ACCEPTED excepted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- #10, kept as PENDING, waiting from complementary information from the proposer;</li> <li>- #13, kept as PENDING, waiting from complementary information from the proposer. Meanwhile, <b>SCUFN Sec.</b> to delete the existing Raukumara Plain from the Gazetteer;</li> <li>- #18, kept as PENDING, suggesting that the polygon is reduced, and generic term changed to Basin.</li> </ul>	Complete	See Pōrangahau Trough, Raukūmara Plain and Tauranga Trough at Annex C.
	<b>Gazetteer of Undersea Feature Names</b>		
	<b>Maintenance of the GEBCO Gazetteer database (including PENDING names)</b>		

Decision/ Action	Details	Status (May 2018)	Comments
SCUFN30/147	<p><b>SCUFN Members</b> considered all PENDING names listed in Annex B of Doc. SCUFN30-07.2B and made the following decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Beiersdorf Peak, to be DELETED and specific term added in the reserved-list,</li> <li>- Donnell Seamount, Endeavour Seamount, São Paulo Seamount to be DELETED,</li> <li>- All the others names that were not solved or addressed previously to be kept PENDING until SCUFN31, then DELETED if no progress.</li> </ul>	Complete	See Annexes B & C.

**CURRENT LIST OF PENDING NAMES**  
(7 names as of September 2018)

**Notes:** New pending names since SCUFN30 emphasized in **yellow**.

Pending Name	Action/Doc No	Action Details	Comments / Current Status (Sept 2018)
Chongya Ridge	SCUFN28/78	Complementary information to be provided by <b>S. Lin</b> to assess the feature in the larger context of the Southwest Indian Ridge.	Revised proposal to be submitted to SCUFN32 by CCUFN, based on new/additional bathymetric data (last e-mail from Lin 20 Sept 2018).
Doña Idelisa Passage	SCUFN29/69	Proposal for Doña Idelisa Passage is kept as PENDING. <b>Walter R. P.</b> to liaise with the proposer to provide justification on the specific term and information on the track lines. Then, information to be reviewed by <b>SCUFN Members</b> by correspondence.	In progress via Walter (last e-mail from Walter 5 Sept 2018) and through SCUFN Letter addressed to ANAMAR Director. It appears that ANAMAR don't have the requested information and that "Doña Idelisa" is still alive.
Guayas Seamount	SCUFN24/10 SCUFN26/02	<b>Secretary</b> to ask Ecuador to provide more information about the bathymetry of the proposed Guayas Seamount and the surrounding area, and a polygon that encloses the feature.	Specific term agreed. However, the feature is not clearly defined by the data provided by Ecuador and more information, including regional bathymetry, needs to be provided (re: SCUFN-24 report, p. 18). New survey planned in this area in Nov 2018 (last e-mail from David Garzón, Inocar, 15 May 2018).
<b>Jixia Hill</b>	SCUFN30/105	Kept as PENDING; more data to be provided by the proposer to understand the general morphology in the area.	Gazetteer updated 12 Feb 2018. New/revised proposal provided (last e-mail from Lin 27 July 2018). Additional information requested (last e-mail to Lin & Li Sihai 16 Sept 2018).
Junhui Seamount	SCUFN29/113	Proposal for Junhui Seamount is kept as PENDING, more data to be provided in the geological vicinity of the feature.	Revised proposal to be submitted to SCUFN32 by CCUFN, based on new/additional bathymetric data (last e-mail from Lin 20 Sept 2018).
Kinabalu vs Yinqing Seamount	SCUFN29/59 SCUFN29/129	Proposals for Kinabalu Seamount, proposed by <b>NHC-Malaysia</b> , and Yinqing Seamount (name #49), proposed by CCUFN-China ( <b>Lin S.</b> ), for same feature are kept as PENDING in application of B-6, I. E (conflict of naming to be solved by authorities involved).	In progress via NHC (last e-mail to Capt Najhan MD Said 9 May 2017).



Pending Name	Action/Doc No	Action Details	Comments / Current Status (Sept 2018)
Las Jorobadas Passage	SCUFN29/70	Proposal for Las Jorobadas Passage is kept as PENDING. <b>Walter R. P.</b> to liaise with the proposer to provide information about track lines. Then, information to be reviewed by <b>SCUFN Members</b> by correspondence.	In progress via Walter (last e-mail from Walter 5 Sept 2018) and through SCUFN Letter addressed to ANAMAR Director. It appears that ANAMAR don't have the requested information.

**NAMES REMOVED FROM THE LIST OF PENDING NAMES SINCE SCUFN30  
(27 names as of September 2018)**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Actions taken</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Arauco Basin	Gazetteer updated 23 Aug & 12 Sept 2018. Status changed from PENDING to APPROVED.	Approved by SCUFN members 10 Sept 2018. Action SCUFN23/67 complete.
Beiersdorf Peak	Gazetteer updated 12 Feb 2018. Status changed from PENDING to DELETED.	Decision SCUFN30/147. Action SCUFN26/03 cancelled/complete.
Chiloé Basin	Gazetteer updated 23 Aug & 12 Sept 2018. Status changed from PENDING to APPROVED.	Approved by SCUFN members 10 Sept 2018. Action SCUFN23/67 complete.
Donnell Seamount	Gazetteer updated 12 Feb 2018. Status changed from PENDING to DELETED.	Decision SCUFN30/147.
Chukochen Fracture Zone	Gazetteer updated 12 Feb 2018. Status changed from PENDING to DELETED.	Decision SCUFN30/137. Action SCUFN28/74 cancelled/complete.
Endeavour Seamount	Gazetteer updated 12 Feb 2018. Status changed from PENDING to DELETED.	Decision SCUFN30/147. Action SCUFN26/58 cancelled/complete.
Graveyard Knolls	Gazetteer updated 26 Sept 2018. Status changed from PENDING to EDIT.	New proposal submitted to SCUFN31. Action SCUFN29/134 complete.
Herekino Bank	Gazetteer updated 26 Sept 2018. Status changed from PENDING to EDIT.	New proposal submitted to SCUFN31. Action SCUFN29/134 complete.
Hishikui Seamount	Gazetteer updated 16 Feb & 6 Jun 2018. Status changed from PENDING to APPROVED.	New polygon and cross profiles received (last e-mail from Yas 5 Jun 2018). Action SCUFN30/88 complete.
Indi Maru Seamount	Gazetteer updated 12 Feb 2018. Status changed from PENDING to APPROVED as <b>Cenotaph</b> Seamount.	Decision SCUFN30/12. Action SCUFN29/15 complete.
Iselin Seamount	Gazetteer updated 7 Jun 2018. Status changed from PENDING to DELETED.	NZ R/V Tangaroa could find no evidence that this feature exists in Feb 2018. As a result, the proposer has recommended removing the name from the list of PENDING names. Action SCUFN29/134 canceled /complete.

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Kerama Ridges	Gazetteer updated 20 Feb & 2 Jun 2018. Status changed from PENDING to APPROVED.	See Doc. SCUFN31-06.1A. Multiple lines & polygon received from the proposer 20 Apr & 1 Jun 2018. Action SCUFN30/54 complete.
Layang-Layang Hill	Gazetteer updated 17 Jul 2018. Status changed from PENDING to APPROVED as <b>Kadazandusun Hills</b> .	New specific term Kadazandusun, as proposed by NHC Malaysia, accepted by SCUFN members 13 Jul 2018. Decision/Action SCUFN29/61 complete.
McVay Seamount	Gazetteer updated 12 Feb 2018. Status changed from PENDING to APPROVED as <b>Nautilus</b> Seamount.	Decision SCUFN30/13. Action SCUFN29/16 complete.
Mustapha Hill	Gazetteer updated 17 Jul 2018. Status changed from PENDING to APPROVED as <b>Murut Hill</b> .	New specific term Murut, as proposed by NHC Malaysia, accepted by SCUFN members 13 Jul 2018. Decision/Action SCUFN29/60 complete.
Nella Dan Trough	Gazetteer updated 22 Jun 2018. Status changed from PENDING to DELETED.	V. Stagpoole has indicated (Jun 2018) that no new data was expected in the foreseeable future and that this PENDING name could therefore be deleted from the list. Action SCUFN24/91 cancelled/complete.
Ngeteklou Basin Tbekuulii Basin	Gazetteer updated 22 Feb, 25 May & 1st Jul 2018. Status changed from PENDING to APPROVED as Tbekuulii Basin, with a new geometry encompassing the original two basins.	New Tbekuulii Basin, as proposed by Palau, accepted by SCUFN members 30 Jun 2018. Decision/Action SCUFN30/30 complete.
Ngetelngal Peak	Gazetteer updated 27 Feb & 1st Jul 2018.	Proposal for the associate Rael Kedam Ridge accepted by SCUFN Members 30 Jun 2018. Decision/Action SCUFN30/27 complete.
NP-28 Sea Channel	Gazetteer updated 28 Aug 2018. Status changed from PENDING to APPROVED.	New linestring geometry received from Kai Boggild (Dalhousie University, Halifax, NS, Canada) Sept 2017. Name accepted by Chair & Vice-Chair Aug 2018. Action SCUFN26/03 complete.
Peri Seamount	Gazetteer updated 20 Jun 2018. Status changed from PENDING to DELETED.	A.A. Alberoni has indicated (Jun 2018) that no new data was expected in the foreseeable future and that this PENDING name could therefore be deleted from the list. Action SCUFN28/28 canceled/complete.

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Pōrangahau Trough	Gazetteer updated 12 Feb & 2 Aug 2018. Status changed from PENDING to APPROVED.	Approved by SCUFN Fast-Track sub-group Jul 2018. Note in Gazetteer that while it is a Basin iaw B-6, it is kept as Trough as a long term name in common usage. Action SCUFN30/139 complete.
Raukūmara Plain	Gazetteer updated 12 Feb & 2 Aug 2018. Status changed from PENDING to APPROVED.	Approved by SCUFN Fast-Track sub-group Jul 2018. Note in Gazetteer that while it is a Terrace iaw B-6, it is kept as Trough as a long term name in common usage. Existing Raukūmara Plain deleted 12 Feb 2018. Action SCUFN30/139 complete.
São Paulo Seamount	Gazetteer updated 12 Feb 2018. Status changed from PENDING to DELETED.	Decision SCUFN30/147. Action SCUFN24/93 canceled/complete.
Tauranga Trough	Gazetteer updated 12 Feb & 2 Aug 2018. Status changed from PENDING to APPROVED.	Approved by SCUFN Fast-Track sub-group Jul 2018. Action SCUFN30/139 complete.
Valdivia Basin	Gazetteer updated 23 Aug & 12 Sept 2018. Status changed from PENDING to APPROVED.	Approved by SCUFN members 10 Sept 2018. Action SCUFN23/67 complete.
Valparaiso Basin	Gazetteer updated 23 Aug & 12 Sept 2018. Status changed from PENDING to APPROVED.	Approved by SCUFN members 10 Sept 2018. Action SCUFN23/67 complete.