

Proposal form for an undersea feature name

Use this form to propose a new or change an existing undersea feature name. For your proposal to proceed you need to answer all questions in this form.

Complete a separate form for each place name if you have more than one.

Before you start

- read the Standard for undersea feature names linz.govt.nz/regulatory/60000
- gather your evidence

If you have any questions about making your proposal, please email: nzgabenquiries@linz.govt.nz

Legal stuff

The information you provide in this proposal form may be disclosed to others for the purposes of consultation including your full name but not your contact details.

Our Standard has essential information to help you decide whether to proceed with your proposal, and what happens to your proposal after we receive it.

Please confirm you have read the Standard for undersea feature names, which is available in English and Māori.

☐ I have read and understood the Standard for undersea feature names

Your contact details:

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Email/Postal Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

What do you want to propose?	
☐ A name for an unnamed undersea feature What is your proposed undersea feature name? 	
☐ Change or correct an undersea feature name What is the existing undersea feature name? See the New Zealand Gazetteer: gazetteer.linz.govt.nz What do you want to change the undersea feature name to? 	
What type of undersea feature is it? For example, seamount, canyon, basin. See New Zealand Geographic Features: geographicfeatures.linz.govt.nz for more examples	
What are the reasons for your proposal?	
What geometry best describes the feature (select one option)	☐ Point ☐ Line – from, to ☐ Polygon
What are the feature's coordinates (latitude and longitude)	
Please describe the feature.	
Maximum depth:	Minimum depth:
Shape (for example, circular or elongated):	Dimension/size:
What are the associated features, if any? Include information about other connected features such as physically or by naming theme, events etc.	

Please provide information about discovery of the feature.	
Date of discovery:	Discoverer (person, ship):
Please provide information about the survey data:	
Date of survey:	Survey ship:
Sounding equipment:	Type of navigation:
Estimated horizontal accuracy (NM):	Survey track spacing:

Supporting information

Please provide as much information as possible to explain and support your proposal. Select what you are including from this list and attach the supporting information. You must include a map or chart of the location.

- ☐ A map or chart with the exact location of the place or feature clearly marked.
- ☐ The history, origin, and/or meaning of the name.
- ☐ Evidence of orthography, for example macrons for Māori names, and correct spelling for personal names.
- ☐ Evidence of consultation with local iwi, marae, or other Māori groups with ancestral interests.
- ☐ For a descriptive name, evidence to support how the name describes the place or feature.
- ☐ For a personal name, evidence the person being commemorated is no longer alive, their connection with the area or feature, and the significance of their association with that place. Consultation with family is preferred.
- ☐ Audio file, for example, pronunciation of the name.
- ☐ Other supporting information.

Please submit your completed proposal to nzgbproposals@linz.govt.nz

Thank you for making a proposal. We will be in touch.