



U.S. BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES

GEOGRAPHIC NAME PROPOSAL RECOMMENDATION

Proposed Geographic Name Rogina Heights

This is to notify the U.S. Board on Geographic Names that the:

Mendocino County Board of Supervisors  
(Name of government entity, organization, or individual)

recommends that the U. S. Board on Geographic Names:

- ☒ **Approve the Proposed Name**  
☐ **Reject the Proposed Name**  
☐ **Take Action as Specified Below**  
☐ **Render a Decision Without Our Recommendation**

Comments (the following factors contributed to this recommendation; attach supporting documentation if appropriate): See attached letter

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June 20, 2017

Lou Yost, Executive Secretary  
U.S. Board on Geographic Names  
U.S. Geological Survey  
523 National Center  
Reston, VA 20192-0523

Dear Mr. Yost,

Please be advised that the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors strongly supports the proposed name change from "Regina Heights" to "Rogina Heights." There is no record of any kind that anyone named "Regina" was ever associated with this property in any way. The area was formerly owned by Frank and Estelle Rogina who subdivided the property and formed Rogina Water Company which is still owned by family members and supplies water to the area. Several family members, including Robert and Daniel Rogina, who are the sons of Frank and Estelle, continue to own property and live in the area. It is clear that the name "Regina," which currently appears on maps, originated as a spelling error based on the phonetic pronunciation of the family name. Accordingly, the Board of Supervisors is pleased to support this long overdue correction and recommends your approval of changing "Regina Heights" to "Rogina Heights."

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I may provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

John McCowen, Chair  
Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

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