

Notice of Final Determinations of the Minister for Land Information on Official Geographic Names

Pursuant to section 16 of the New Zealand Geographic Board (Ngā Pou Taunaha o Aotearoa) Act 2008 (“Act”), notice was given in the [New Zealand Gazette, 29 October 2015, Issue No. 117, Notice No. 2015-In6236](#), and [New Zealand Gazette, 26 May 2016, Issue No. 46, Notice No. 2016-In2985](#), of proposals by the New Zealand Geographic Board Ngā Pou Taunaha o Aotearoa (“Board”) to alter geographic names.

The Board dealt with the submissions it received for the proposals according to section 18 of the Act.

Having considered three separate reports from the Board, I hereby declare that my final determinations, made pursuant to sections 20(2) and 20(3) of the Act, are the official geographic names as described in the Schedule below.

I made my decisions on 29 November 2016, and my final determinations on these names will take effect on **15 December 2016**.

Schedule

<i>Official Geographic Name</i>	<i>Geographic Feature Type</i>	<i>Description</i>
South Auckland Land District		
Whakaari / White Island Canyon	Undersea Canyon	37°35'S Latitude, 177°14.20'E Longitude. A southwest-northeast aligned undersea canyon 550m to 1100m deep, located at the head of Whakaari / White Island Trough, just offshore from the continental slope and southeast of Whakaari / White Island. Alteration from White Island Canyon, recorded on Bay of Plenty Chart©, Wright, 1989.
Whakaari / White Island Ridge	Undersea Ridge	37°30.18'S Latitude, 177°09.70'E Longitude to 37°16.90'S Latitude, 177°23.54'E Longitude. A southwest-northeast trending undersea ridge that extends for 32km northwards from Whakaari / White Island, perpendicular to the regional slope. The crest of the ridge is between 500m and 1500m deep. Alteration from White Island Ridge, recorded on Bay of Plenty Chart©, Wright, 1989.
Whakaari / White Island Sea Valley	Undersea Valley	37°41'S Latitude, 177°05'E Longitude. An undersea valley with an overall depth of less than 200m, located on the continental slope approximately 20km southwest of Whakaari / White Island. Alteration from White Island Sea Valley, recorded on Bay of Plenty Chart©, Pantin et al., 1973.
Canterbury Land District		
Kānuka Hills	Hills	A group of hills approximately 3.5km long trending north-south bounded by Camp Stream to the north and Esk River to the south. Approximately 15km northeast of Waimakariri River in the foothills of Southern Alps / Kā Tiritiri o te Moana. NZTopo50-BV22 207422 to 215394 (heights 1110m to 914m). Alteration of name and extent from Nigger Hill (recorded name).
Pūkio Stream	Stream	A stream flowing south from Mount Turnbull on The Candlesticks (range) to Esk River, through Lochinvar Forest Conservation Area. Approximately 15km northeast of Waimakariri River in the foothills of Southern Alps / Kā Tiritiri o te Moana. NZTopo50-BV22 221542 (source) to 228384 (confluence). Alteration from Nigger Stream (recorded name).
Tawhai Hill	Hill	A 1395m hill rising above the northern shores of Lake Sumner within Lake Sumner Forest Park, in the foothills of Southern Alps / Kā Tiritiri o te Moana. NZTopo50-BU22 349757. Alteration from Niggerhead (recorded name).

Dated at Wellington this 15th day of December 2016.

HON LOUISE UPSTON, Minister for Land Information New Zealand.