

DOUBLE HORSESHOE RANCH

Wes & Carol Sue Mapston

CONCERNING THE NEWLY DISCOVERED CREEK THAT NEEDS A NAME

This property that the creek runs through is called Whispering Pines. We bought this property from the Malone Family in 1963.

We started a subdivision in 1970 with five acre tracts along the old highway. Then before the new law for the size of a tract changed we surveyed it in ten acre tracts. The subdivision was called Whispering Pines. We also built the road into the property. In the 60's my wife took our children up to the creek for picnic and naps. Also in the early days there was a railroad going up right along the creek through this property. In the meadow there was a logging camp. And many bands of sheep were ran in the area.

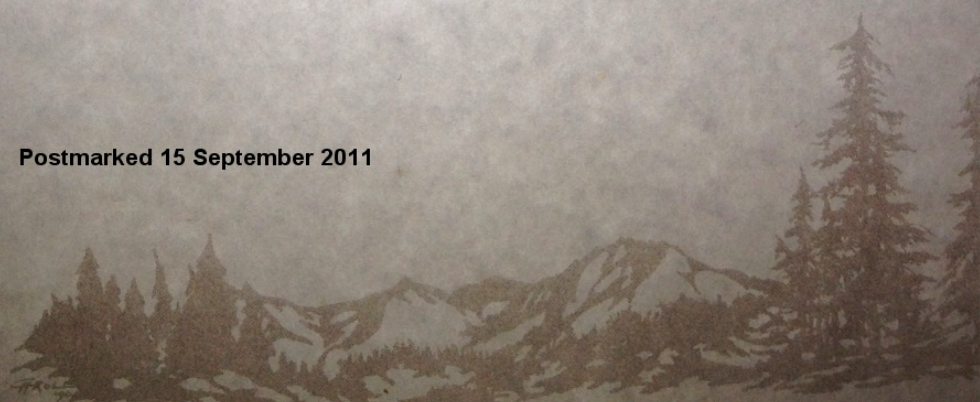
This property was part of our ranch and our ranch name is Double Horseshoe Ranch. We would like to ask that the creek be called Horseshoe Creek.Ee

Respectfully submitted,

E-mail doublehorseshoe@blackfoot.net

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Postmarked 15 September 2011



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From: Daumiller, Gerry
Sent: Tuesday, September 20, 2011 11:54 AM
To: 'doublehorseshoe@blackfoot.net'
Subject: Proposed creek name

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Mapston,

I received your letter yesterday proposing that the creek along Grizzly Mountain Road be called Horseshoe Creek.

The only way to officially name a stream is to submit your proposal to The U.S. Board of Geographic Names. They have a web site where you can do this, and I've started a proposal there for you if you want to pursue it.

In order for your proposal to have a good chance of being accepted, it would be very helpful if you could come up with some evidence that anyone else has used the name or that other people are in favor of it. Someone else has already proposed calling it Grizzly Creek and a person I talked to from the area has suggested that it has also been called Charity Creek and Kitty Girl Creek. There may be a Salish name for the creek also, and you may need the support of the Salish-Kootenai Cultural Committee in order to get your name accepted. I've asked them about it and haven't heard back yet. It would be good if you could come up with a reason why this should be Horseshoe Creek instead of any other name.

If you want to go ahead with your proposal, please go to <http://geonames.usgs.gov/pls/gnispublic/f?p=DGNPPublic>. At the top you should see a line of tabs. Click on "Existing Proposal". At the bottom of the new page that comes up, enter Horseshoe Creek in the "Proposal Name" box and 7502 in the "Name Proposal ID" box and click the "Go" button.

A new page will come up that looks just like the last one, except it should have Horseshoe Creek at the very bottom, with a blue button that says "Edit" on it. Click this button.

Now you should see a page that says you are on page 1 of 11 pages that need to be filled out. If you make any changes on a page, you need to click the "Apply Changes" button and then click the "Continue" button to go to the next page. I've made a list below saying what you might fill out on each page.

The only thing you REALLY have to do in order to submit your proposal is just click "Continue" until you get to page 10, add your name and contact information as the submitter, and click the "Submit" button. If you need help, I can do all this for you if you tell me what to say. Your name and address will be available to the public as the person responsible for this proposal.

Gerry Daumiller
Montana State Library

From: Daumiller, Gerry
Sent: Friday, October 21, 2011 2:40 PM
To: 'doublehorseshoe@blackfoot.net'
Subject: RE: Proposed creek name

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Mapston,

For your information, the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes have formally proposed to the U.S. Board of Geographic Names (BGN) that the creek by Grizzly Mountain Road be named Sim-heh Creek. Sim-heh is an approximate English spelling of the Salish word for grizzly bear.

Do you still want to submit a proposal to the BGN to name the creek Horseshoe Creek? I sent you the instructions for this last month in the message that is copied below. If you want me to finish submitting it for you, I can do that. But the proposal doesn't have much chance of being accepted unless you can say that there are people already using the name.

It will probably be several months before the BGN decides on the name, because now they have to ask everyone what they think of the Sim-heh Creek proposal. If your proposal is submitted soon, they will be able to save time by asking about both proposals at once.

Gerry Daumiller
Montana State Library

From: Daumiller, Gerry
Sent: Monday, November 21, 2011 11:32 AM
To: 'doublehorseshoe@blackfoot.net'
Subject: RE: Proposed creek name

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Mapston,

Last week I received a message from the Missoula County Commissioner's office saying that they support the name Sim-heh Creek for the un-named stream which you told me you wanted to be named Horseshoe Creek, and for which the Naugles have proposed the name Grizzly Creek.

Please let me know whether or not you still want the U.S. Board of Geographic Names to consider your name for the creek. They cannot consider it unless you submit a proposal on their web site as I described in the Sep 20 message below. I can help you do your submission if you want me to.

Gerry Daumiller
Montana State Library

From: Carol Sue Mapston
Sent: Monday, November 21, 2011 9:53 PM
To: Daumiller, Gerry
Subject: Re: Proposed creek name

Dear Gerry,

We are not interested in pursuing the naming of the creek in the Evaro area. Thank you for your concern for our interests. Have a happy Thanksgiving.

Thank you,
Wes and Carol Sue Mapston