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**From:** Pipp, Michael  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 08, 2015 3:47 PM  
**To:** Daumiller, Gerry  
**Cc:** Pipp, Michael  
**Subject:** RE: Ahern Creek - proposed new stream name  
HelloGerry,  
NoneofthewaterprogramsatDEQexpressedconcernwiththisproposednamechange.

- *Michael*

*Michael Pipp*  
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**From:** Daumiller, Gerry  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 24, 2015 12:21 PM  
**To:** Anderson, Dawn; Bailey, Lydia; Blandford, Troy; Brumfield, Brent; Bryce Hancock; Burns, Meghan; Carter, Nathan; Cross, Wyatt; Daigle, Bill; Dailey, Mike; Daurio, Maya; DeAnn Dutton (ddutton@usgs.gov); Downey, Michael; Graham, Elaina; Hahn, Jamul; Hammer, Evan; Horton, Jane; Jones, Stan; Kent, Matthew; Keven Roth; Kim Foiles; Kirkpatrick, Stu; Lance Clappitt; Lund, Duane; Madison, Jane; Maynard, Cathy; McGinnis, Stephanie; Sweet, Michael; Peter McCarthy; Pipp, Michael; Richard Menicke; Reller, Roxa French; Shivers, Stephen; Stimson, Jim; Swayne, Drew; Vance, Linda  
**Subject:** Ahern Creek - proposed new stream name

Hello,

The U.S. Board on Geographic Names (BGN) received a request to change the name of O'Hearn Creek in northern Sweet Grass County to Ahern Creek. I am now seeking public comment on this proposal. Please see [this link](#) for more information about the proposal.

Please let me know if you have any opinion on the proposal. I especially need input from state agencies if they are opposed to the change, and I need advice on whether or not this change could be considered a "correction" that is not covered by [MCA 85-2-131](#), which says that changes to the names of water sources must be applied for in district court. Two local residents have contacted me to say they believe the name was always meant to be Ahern Creek and the USGS maps have it wrong.

You are receiving this message because you are a member of the Montana Hydrography Workgroup. There is more information about name change proposals below. Please let me know if you prefer not to receive messages about proposals to change the names of hydrographic features.

Gerry Daumiller  
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