

The Oregon Geographic Names Board has received the following proposals for names of features in Oregon, and invites comments from county governments on them. Comments may be submitted to Bruce Fisher, chair of the OGNB Interim Committee, at [bruce.j.fisher@gmail.com](mailto:bruce.j.fisher@gmail.com), or to me at [kpcogs@comcast.net](mailto:kpcogs@comcast.net). We also would be pleased to answer any questions that we can. These proposals may be considered at our summer meeting, June 27, in Newport.

The Oregon Geographic Names Board is affiliated with the Oregon Historical Society and makes recommendations on Oregon proposals to the U.S. Board on Geographic Names, which is the official names authority. Further information may be found on the OGNB website: <http://www.ohs.org/research/oregon-geographic-names-board/>.

Thank you for your interest, and we look forward to hearing from you.

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Following are the new names proposals:

**Seven proposed names for features in the Damascus area of Clackamas County submitted by Robert O'Brien of Damascus and Mark O'Brien of Rupert, ID:**

**Cason Hill:** Name proposed for currently unnamed volcanic summit 1.4 miles southeast of Damascus, latitude 45° 23' 56"N, longitude 122° 26' 40" W. Name is proposed to honor James Pulliam Cason (1832-1887) and Ellen Marsh Cason (1836-1907), whose donation land claim included a portion of the feature.

**Damsel Pond:** Name proposed for a currently unnamed pond of about 0.1 acre, 1.5 miles SSW of Damascus. Lat. 45° 23' 38" long. 122° 27' 47"). Proposed name is for damselflies that frequent the lake.

**Elver Creek:** Name proposed for a currently unnamed creek 0.8 miles long south of the proposed Cason Hill (lat. 45° 23' 45" N, long. 122° 26' 49" W) to the feature proposed to be named Waterdog Pond. Proposed names is a reference to juvenile eels, or "elvers," said to be in the stream.

**Pond-lilly Pond:** Name proposed for currently unnamed reservoir, approximately 1.1 acres situated within the Richardson Creek Natural Area, 1.5 miles SW of Damascus (lat. 45° 23' 50"N, long. 122° 28' 16"W). Proposed name for the lilies covering the pond. Pond is owned by Oregon Metro and according to proponent is locally known as Becker Pond.

**Sawbill Pond:** Name proposed for currently unnamed pond Name proposed for currently unnamed pond of 0.1 acres 1.6 miles SSW of Damascus (lat. 45° 23' 37"N, long. 122° 27' 54" W). Proposed names is a vernacular reference to mergansers, which nest in the area.

**Taylor Spring:** Name proposed for a currently unnamed spring about 1.7 miles south of Damascus (lat. 45° 23' 35" N, long. 122° 27' 36" W). The spring feeds into the proposed Waterdog Pond. Proposed name is for Ralph E. Taylor (1897-1987) who moved to the property in the 1940s and developed the spring.

**Waterdog Pond:** Name proposed for an unnamed 0.3 acre pond 1.6 miles south of Damascus (45° 23' 38" N, 122° 27' 42" W). Pond was created in the 1950s by an earthen dam across the proposed Elver Creek. Proposed name refers to salamanders, which are found in the pond.

**Additional proposal for feature in Clackamas County**

**Three Sisters Creek:** Name proposed for a currently unnamed small creek in Lake Oswego (Clackamas County) flowing about 1 mile south from the historic Carman farm on Carman Drive into Springbrook Creek after passing under Boones Ferry Road (lat. 45° 24' 54"N, long. 122° 42' 56"W). Name proposed by Carman Ridge Homeowners Association for Mary, Etta and Della Carman., daughters of Waters Carman who established a farm there in the 1850s.