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Dear Sir or Madame,

The Wisconsin Geographic Names Council has received a proposal to name or change the name of a geographic feature that falls within the Town of Alma. Local opinion and support are highly valued by the Wisconsin Geographic Names Council when making naming decisions, therefore we are seeking your input with this correspondence.

Enclosed you will find a geographic name proposal summary. I can provide the official proposal form and case documents upon your request.

Please return the attached recommendation form with the Town of Alma's recommendation as soon as possible. If no response is received by January 1st, the Wisconsin Geographic Names Council will make a recommendation to the United States Bureau on Geographic Names without your input.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns,

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GEOGRAPHIC NAME PROPOSAL RECOMMENDATION

Must be returned by January 1, 2020.

This is to notify the Wisconsin Geographic Names Council that the Town of Alma recommends that the proposed name Lafferty Mound is:

- Approved**
- Rejected**
- Render a Decision Without Our Recommendation**

Please include additional comments, factors contributing to your recommendation, or supporting documentation in the section below or attached.

Name (Print)

Title

Street Address

Phone Number

City, State, Zip Code

Email

Signature

Date

Please return this recommendation via mail or email.

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Lafferty Mound [Name Change]

Recommended Name of Feature: Lafferty Mound

Current Name of Feature: Small Mound

Small Mound	Geographic Names Information System
Small Mound	County GIS
N/A	Google Maps
Small Mound	USGS Topography
Small Mound	Local Names

Location & Description: T23N, R4W, Sec 25 NW1/ - SW1/4. Town of Alma, Jackson County

This feature is classified as a Summit by USGS and officially recognized as “Small Mound.” The height is recorded at 968 ft. Small Mound is primarily located on two private properties in the Town of Alma and is not accessible to the public.

https://geonames.usgs.gov/apex/f?p=138:3:0::NO:3:P3_FID,P3_TITLE:1574284,Small%20Mound

Proponent: Ronald L. Lafferty – City of Black River Falls

Summary:

WGNC received a proposal from Ronald L. Lafferty in 2019 to rename “Small Mound” to Lafferty Mound. The proponent owns some of but not all the property where the summit is located. The proponent suggests renaming the summit after a late relative, John Lafferty (1842 -13 November 1903) to commemorate his military service as a sailor in the U.S. Navy during the American Civil War. John Lafferty is one of only 19 people in history to receive the MEDAL OF HONOR twice. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Lafferty.