



CANADA

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PRIVY COUNCIL • CONSEIL PRIVÉ

Her Excellency the Governor General in Council,
on the recommendation of the Minister of Natural Resources,
hereby revokes Order in Council P.C. 1990-549 of
March 22, 1990, and makes the annexed *Order Establishing the
Geographical Names Board of Canada*.

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CLERK OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL - LE GREFFIER DU CONS

ORDER ESTABLISHING THE GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES BOARD OF CANADA

INTERPRETATION

1. The definitions in this section apply in this Order

"Chairperson" means the Chairperson of the Board appointed under section 3. (*président*)

"Board" means the Geographical Names Board of Canada established by subsection 2(1). (*Commission*)

"Department" means the Department of Natural Resources. (*ministère*)

"Minister" means the Minister of Natural Resources. (*ministre*)

ESTABLISHMENT OF BOARD

2. (1) There is hereby established a national body coordinating all matters affecting geographical nomenclature in Canada, to be known as the Geographical Names Board of Canada.

(2) The membership of the Board shall consist of a chairperson and the following members:

(a) an Assistant Deputy Minister of the Department;

(b) a representative from the Mapping Services Branch of the Department;

(c) a representative from the Geological Survey of Canada of the Department;

(d) the Dominion Hydrographer of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans;

(e) a representative of the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development;

(f) the Director of Aboriginal Claims and Property Information of the Department of National Defence;

(g) the National Archivist of Canada;

(h) the Chief Executive Officer of the Translation Bureau Department of Public Works and Government Services;



(i) the Director of the Historical Services Branch, National Historic Sites Directorate, Parks Canada;

(j) the Director of the Geography Division of Statistics Canada;

(k) a representative of the Canada Post Corporation;

(l) one representative appointed by each provincial territorial government of Canada; and

(m) any additional members, including chairpersons of advisory committees established under section 9, that the Minister, may appoint.

3. The Chairperson of the Board shall be appointed by the Minister in consultation with the members of the Board.

FUNCTIONS AND POWERS OF THE BOARD

4. The Board shall develop principles, procedures and guidelines for geographical naming in Canada and on questions concerning the use of foreign geographical nomenclature.

5. The Board shall advise the appropriate authorities on programmes and resources for research and investigation into geographical names and geographical terminology.

6. Geographical name decisions approved by the appropriate federal, provincial or territorial authority, according to its respective jurisdiction, shall become official decisions of the Board.

7. (1) All questions that arise in the departments, agencies and Crown corporations of the Government of Canada respecting Canadian geographical nomenclature, and respecting foreign geographical nomenclature except where specific binding international agreements exist, shall be referred to the Board for consideration.

(2) The departments, agencies and Crown corporations referred to in subsection (1) shall accept and abide by the decisions of the Board with regard to Canadian geographical nomenclature, and shall apply, consistently with other international agreements of the Government of Canada, the principles, procedures and guidelines of the Board in the treatment of foreign geographical nomenclature.

ORGANIZATION

8. The Board shall decide on its rules of procedure and method of operation.



9. (1) The Board may establish subcommittees and advisory committees as required.

(2) The Board may recommend the appointment of chairpersons members of subcommittees and advisory committees established under subsection (1).

10. The Board shall meet in plenary session at least once every calendar year.

11. The Board shall report to the Minister at least on an annual basis.

12. The Board shall be served by a Secretariat, provided by Department, with appropriate resources to carry out its functions.

13. The Executive Secretary shall be the head of the Secretariat.

14. The Executive Secretary shall be responsible to the Chairperson for the functional activity of the Secretariat

15. The Executive Secretary shall present a report and a proposed activity plan for the Secretariat at least annually to the Board.

16. The Executive Secretary shall, in concert with the representative of the jurisdictions concerned, have the power to deal with and decide, in the name and on behalf of the Board, all routine matters of geographical nomenclature.

REMUNERATION AND ALLOWANCES

17. (1) The members of the Board, subcommittees and advisory committees shall serve without remuneration.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), the members of the Board, the subcommittees and advisory committees, as well as the Executive Secretary and the secretaries of the subcommittees and advisory committees, may be paid their travelling and living expenses necessarily incurred in connection with the business of the Board.

18. Funding for the activities of the Board shall be provided for in the estimates of the Earth Sciences Sector of the Department.

