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Mr. Paul Spitler, Director of Wilderness Policy
The Wilderness Society

Dear Mr. Spitler:

We are pleased to inform you that the U.S. Board on Geographic Names, at its April 13, 2023 meeting, approved the proposal to change the name of Jeff Davis Gulch in Lewis and Clark County to In-qu-qu-leet Gulch.

The change has been made in the Geographic Names Information System, the nation's official geographic names repository, available at <https://edit.nationalmap.gov/apps/gaz-domestic/public/search/names>. The decision reads as follows:

In-qu-qu-leet Gulch: valley; 1.9 mi. long; heads 0.9 mi. NW of Dreadnaught Hill at 46°40'53"N, 112°14'12"W, trends generally ESE through Bureau of Land Management lands, to join Skelly Gulch; the name is an Anglicized phonetic spelling of the Salish word Nq "q "li?t, meaning "place of lodgepole pine," a tree of great importance in the traditional way of life of the Séliš and Qlispé people; Secs 34,27&28, T11N, R5W, Principal Meridian, Montana; Lewis and Clark County, Montana; 46°39'40"N, 112°13'56"W; USGS map – Austin 1:24,000; Not: Jeff Davis Gulch.

The remaining proposals, to change the names of Jeff Davis Creek and Jeff Davis Peak in Beaverhead County, are pending additional research.

Sincerely,

Brigitta Urban-Mathieux
Executive Secretary (Acting)
U.S. Board on Geographic Names