



WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF  
**Natural Resources**

*for the City*  
DOUG SUTHERLAND  
Commissioner of Public Lands  
*Blaine Harbor*  
*Council*

September 24, 2007

Joel Douglas  
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Dear Mr. Douglas,

At the September 2007, meeting of the Washington State Board on Geographic Names, the Board voted to **deny** your application to name Blaine Harbor located in Whatcom County.

The Board felt that the name Drayton Harbor was already in common local usage, and changing the name of a major water feature would cause confusion, especially for emergency services of the area. A copy of the minutes from the September 2007 meeting will be forwarded to you after the minutes are approved.

If you have any questions, please call me at (360) 902-1280 or contact Tim Gregg, Executive Secretary at (360) 902-1231.

Thank you for your interest in geographic names.

Sincerely,

*Caleb M.*

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