



WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF
Natural Resources

for the City
DOUG SUTHERLAND
Commissioner of Public Lands
Blaine Harbor
County

September 24, 2007

Joel Douglas
P.O.Box 4082
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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 Maki, Administrative Assistant
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