

## New Name Proposal Review List 443, April 5, 2021

### **Fern Creek**

stream; 4.4 mi. long; heads 0.6 mi. NW of Spring Hill at 45°27'53"N, 123°05'26"W, flows generally NE to enter Tualatin River 0.2 mi. N of Meyers Pond; associative of Fern Hill, located near the stream's headwaters; Washington County, Oregon; T01S, R03W, Willamette Meridian; 45°29'38"N, 123°01'59"W; USGS map – Laurelwood 1:24,000.

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### **South Fork Fern Creek:**

stream; 2.4 mi. long; heads at Spring Hill, 0.8 mi. NW of Cook Reservoir, flows E then NE to enter an unnamed stream proposed to be named Fern; Washington County, Oregon; Secs 15,16,21,28,&29, T01S, R0W, Willamette Meridian; 45°28'49"N, 123°03'01"W; USGS map – Laurelwood 1:24,000.

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Proposal: new name for unnamed feature

Map: USGS map – Laurelwood 1:24,000

Proponent: Anna Jesse; Beaverton, OR

Administrative area: None

Previous BGN Action: None

Names associated with feature:

GNIS: None found

Local Usage: None found

Published: None found

Case Summary: These names are proposed for a 4.4-mile-long tributary of the Tualatin River and a 2.4-mile-long tributary of the main stream, both in Washington County. Both streams flow in part through Forest Hills Golf Course, and the names are associated with Fern Hill located at the head of the main stream. According to the proponent, who is the Vice President of Forest Hill Farms, Inc., the area is primarily agricultural, wetland, and forested property, which is host to many fern species. Parts of the main stream are enrolled in a conservation project with the Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District. A habitat conservation specialist with the district has confirmed there are no known names for the streams and recommends approval of Fern Creek and South Fork Fern Creek.

GNIS lists Fern Rock Creek and seven streams in Oregon named Fern Creek. The closest is also in Washington County, 11 miles east-southeast of the streams in question.

Responses: No word yet from Washington County.

Review List has been sent out to Tribes.

Local support from the Tualatin S&WCD and the Forest Hills Golf Course, Local residences.