

June 13, 2023

Daniel Rogan  
Hennepin County Auditor  
A-2303 Government Center  
300 South Sixth Street  
Minneapolis, MN 55487

Dear Mr. Rogan:

Thank you for the notice of a public hearing on June 13, 2023 to consider a petition to name a cove in your county. The following is offered as findings and recommendations pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 83A.07 subd. 2.

The feature to be named is located off Harrison Bay of Lake Minnetonka in the City of Mound. The petitioners are seeking to name the feature "...name the feature 'Golds Cove,' to honor former owners Meyer "Mike" Gold (1910-2003) and Sylvia Gold (1914-2011), whose land was altered to create the cove."

The cove is currently unnamed. There is no other cove named: "Golds" in Minnesota as far as we know. "Golds Cove" would be an acceptable name for the DNR.

At the public hearing, legal registered voters of Hennepin County may propose alternative names for the feature. If a name other than "Golds Cove" should gain favor with the commissioners, please avoid duplicating other (nearby) geographic features to prevent confusion in locating this feature.

For further assistance with your public hearing, please contact Pete Boulay of my staff. Pete can be reached by telephone at 651-539-2150, or by e-mail [peter.boulay@state.mn.us](mailto:peter.boulay@state.mn.us) to discuss this further.

Sincerely,

Katie Smith, Director  
Division of Ecological and Water Resources

c: Wes Saunders-Pearce  
Pete Boulay