

Name: *Bitch Creek

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DECISION



Fremont, Teton Cos., Idaho

State: Idaho, Wyoming

County: Teton Co., Wyoming.

Lat. 43 ° 55 ' 30 " N

Long. 111 ° 17 ' 30 " W

Sec. _____ T. _____ R. _____ Meridian: _____

Description:

*Bitch Creek: stream, 20 mi. long, heads in Wyoming at the junction of North and South Bitch Creeks, at 43°59'10" N, 110°58'50" W, flows WSW, into Idaho, to the Teton River 13 mi. SE of Ashton; Fremont, Teton Cos., Idaho, Teton Co., Wyo.; 43°55'30" N, 111°17'30" W. Not: North Fork Pierre River, North Fork Pierre's River, North Fork Teton River [former decision], Pierre River, Pierre's River.

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USGS, Driggs 1:250; 1965 decision revised to establish name; the case for this change rests primarily on local use; the original name, Anse de Biche, was reportedly bestowed by French fur trappers and later corrupted to Bitch Creek by their American counterparts; reportedly the Hayden expedition of 1872 altered the name to North Fork Teton River and the confusion has been with us ever since; history books of the area are cited in support of this contention; no map prior to 1872 could be found and those after 1872 usually show North Fork Teton River or North Fork Pierre River; a 1917 county map and a 1932 FS map reportedly show Bitch Creek; recommended name reported to be in emphatic and overwhelming local use; in Targhee NF.