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LC-PCC PS for 16.2.2.2

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The LC-PCC Policy Statement for 16.2.2.2 gives preferred online sources that should be used to determine the preferred form of a place name. When the WWW is not available, the policy statement says to use a gazetteer published within the last two years.

- U.S.: base preferred name on form found in GNIS
- Australia: base on form found in Geoscience Australia Place Name Search
- Canada: base on form found in Canadian Geographical Names Data Base
- Great Britain: base on form found in Ordnance Survey gazetteer
- N.Z.: base on form found in New Zealand Gazetteer of Official Geographic Names and Official Names with Macrons
- Other names: base on the form found in the resource being cataloged together with a consideration of the form found in the GEOnet Names Server (GNS)

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