**Freshwater Mollusks Conservation Society**

EXAMPLE

**Names of Freshwater Mollusks Subcommittee**

**EXAMPLE PETITON**

**See below for petition Form**

**Petition for Proposed Scientific or Common Name Change**

**Title:** *Leptoxis coosaensis* (Lea, 1861), the valid name for the Painted Rocksnail*.*

**Background:** The name*Leptoxis taeniata* (Conrad, 1834) has long been applied to the Painted Rocksnail (Turgeon et al. 1998). However, type material for *L. taeniata* was confirmed as being conspecific with *Leptoxis picta* (Conrad, 1834) (Whelan et al. 2017). The Painted Rocksnail is now understood to be confined to the Coosa River system and the next available name is *Leptoxis coosaensis* (Lea, 1861).

**Supplemental Information:** *Leptoxis coosaensis* is a federally threatened species.

**Specific Recommendation:** We recommend that *Leptoxis coosaensis* replace *Leptoxis taeniata* as the valid name for the Painted Rocksnail.

**Literature Cited**

Whelan, N.V., P.D. Johnson, J.T. Garner, and E.E. Strong. 2017. On the identity of *Leptoxis taeniata* – a misapplied name for the threatened Painted Rocksnail (Cerithioidea, Pleuroceridae). ZooKeys 69721–36. DOI: 10.3897/zookeys.697.14060.

Turgeon, D.D., et al. 1998. Common and scientific names of aquatic invertebrates from the United States and Canada: Mollusks. Second Edition. American Fisheries Society, Special Publication 26, Bethesda, Maryland. 526 pages.

**Submitted By:** Paul Johnson and Jeff Garner

**Proposal Date:** January 2019

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**Petition Number: Subcommittee Member Voting:**

\_\_\_\_ I support the petition \_\_\_\_ I do not support the petition

In the event of rejection, subcommittee members should provide a detailed summary of their consensus opinion.

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**Title:**

Provide a brief statement of the proposed change along with a full literature citation for the paper on which the proposal is based.

**Background:**

This section shall summarize the specific proposal including a detailed justification, along with required references. Information shall be a succinct history and summary of the proposed changes.

**Supplemental Information**:

This section shall reference any data (e.g., proposed phylogeny, character analyses) to be considered in support of the case for reassignment. Generally, formal petition changes reference peer reviewed literature, but that is not a necessary requirement. This section must also include a justification statement summarizing the rationale for the petition.

**Specific Recommendation:**

Using the evidence provided, the presenter should provide the clear description of the action or question(s) the committee is being asked to review.

**Literature Cited:**

Include all supporting references used in the summary.

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