**Lake Pagahrit**

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LAKE PAGAHRIT (San Juan County) was also known as Hermit Lake, eight miles up Lake Canyon. "Pagahrit" is a Piute Indian word meaning "standing water." There are several variations to the spelling. See Lake Canyon below.

>T39S,R12E,SLM; 4,000' (1,219m).

Bibliography:

LAKE CANYON (San Juan County) originates on the Nokai Dome nineteen miles northeast of the junction of the San Juan and Colorado rivers that are now part of Lake Powell. Prior to 1915 Lake Pagahrit was located in Lake Canyon. It was formed over many years by drifting sand, which created a natural dam. The water behind this dam slowly backed up into a freshwater lake. In 1915 three days of unusual flooding caused the sand dam to break and the lake to disappear.

>T39S,R11,12E,SLM.

Bibliography:

**EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS...**
1. An asterisk (*) following a place name indicates past or present inhabitation.
2. When a series of letters and numbers are present towards the end of an entry after the "->" symbol, the first group indicates section/township/range as closely as can be pinpointed (i.e., S12,T3S,R4W,SLM, or USM). A section equals approximately one square mile, reflecting U.S. Geological Survey topographic map sections. Because Utah is not completely mapped, some entries are incomplete. In this case, whatever information is available will be provided. The second group, when present, is altitude in feet followed by meters in parentheses [i.e., 6,000' (1,829m)]. Altitude is not included with canyons or deserts with varying altitudes.

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