

ADDRESSES: Send written requests for repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice to Dr. Thomas Torma, Repatriation Program Manager, The University of Kansas, Office of Audit, Risk, and Compliance, 1450 Jayhawk Boulevard, 351 Strong Hall, Lawrence, KS 66045, email t-torma@ku.edu.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA. The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of the University of Kansas, and additional information on the determinations in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in its inventory or related records. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

Abstract of Information Available

Human remains representing, at least, four individuals have been identified. The six associated funerary objects are one lot of lithics, one lot of ceramics, one lot of shell, one lot of bone and antler, one lot of ochre, and one lot of burnt earth. These ancestors and associated funerary objects were collected by Floyd Schultz, an amateur archeologist, whose primary profession was running a movie theatre in Clay Center, Kansas. Between the years of 1918 and 1948, Schultz excavated numerous sites in the Republican River Valley, especially, but not exclusively, within Clay and Geary Counties. He donated his archeological collection to the University of Kansas in 1948.

The four individuals in this notice were from 14CY27 and 14CY40, were excavated in July of 1925 by Floyd Schultz, and donated to the University in 1948. The two trinomials appear to have consisted of two burials (located in one mound), a second large mound, and a small hearth located on a bluff overlooking the Republican River.

Burials A and B, also called Mound A and B respectively, (designated as site 14CY40) contained various lithic and ceramic artifacts and human remains (Mound A) and a single projectile point and cranium fragment (Mound B). The adjacent Mound C (designated as 14CY27) is better documented. Artifacts and human remains were located scattered throughout the mounds.

Cultural Affiliation

Based on the information available and the results of consultation, cultural affiliation is reasonably identified by the geographical location or acquisition history of the human remains and

associated funerary objects described in this notice.

Determinations

The University of Kansas has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of at least four individuals of Native American ancestry.
- The six objects described in this notice are reasonably believed to have been placed intentionally with or near individual human remains at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony.
- There is a connection between the human remains and associated funerary objects described in this notice and the Kaw Nation, Oklahoma; Northern Arapaho Tribe of the Wind River Reservation, Wyoming; and the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma.

Requests for Repatriation

Written requests for repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice must be sent to the authorized representative identified in this notice under **ADDRESSES**. Requests for repatriation may be submitted by:

1. Any one or more of the Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations identified in this notice.
2. Any lineal descendant, Indian Tribe, or Native Hawaiian organization not identified in this notice who shows, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the requestor is a lineal descendant or an Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization with cultural affiliation.

Repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects described in this notice to a requestor may occur on or after July 11, 2025. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the University of Kansas must determine the most appropriate requestor prior to repatriation. Requests for joint repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects are considered a single request and not competing requests. The University of Kansas is responsible for sending a copy of this notice to the Indian Tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations identified in this notice.

Authority: Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 25 U.S.C. 3003, and the implementing regulations, 43 CFR 10.10.

Dated: May 28, 2025.

Melanie O'Brien,

Manager, National NAGPRA Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Notice of Intended Repatriation: Museum of Indian Arts and Culture, Santa Fe, NM

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture intends to repatriate certain cultural items that meet the definition of sacred objects and objects of cultural patrimony and that have a cultural affiliation with the Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations in this notice.

DATES: Repatriation of the cultural items in this notice may occur on or after July 11, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Send additional, written requests for repatriation of the cultural items in this notice to Diana Sherman, Museum of Indian Arts and Culture, 708 Old Cochiti Road, Santa Fe, NM 87507, email diana.sherman@dca.nm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA. The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture, and additional information on the determinations in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the summary or related records. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

Abstract of Information Available

A total of 92 lots of cultural items have been requested for repatriation. The 92 sacred objects/objects of cultural patrimony are five lots of botanical/vegetal material, 58 lots of ceramic material, two lots of fauna material, 10 lots of groundstone material, 12 lots of lithic material, two lots of mixed materials, and three lots of beads/ornaments cultural items have been requested for repatriation. The cultural items include lithic flakes and tools, pottery sherds and partial vessels, manos and metate fragments, animal bone both worked and unmodified, beads and ornamental objects, botanical materials and soil or pollen, and historic objects. This site, which has been dated as a Pueblo II site within Santa Fe County, NM, was excavated in 1952 by

the Museum of New Mexico. All the individual ancestors who were removed from their burials were sent to the Museum of Us in San Diego and were later repatriated to Pojoaque Pueblo from there. The exception is one ancestor who remained there and is currently being repatriated to Pojoaque, as she should have been included in the repatriation, as are a few fragmentary ancestors found in boxes of animal bone at the Museum. The rest of the cultural items remained at the Museum. A consultation with Pojoaque Pueblo and five other New Mexico Tewa Pueblos led to Pojoaque being the repatriating Tribe and determined Pojoaque Pueblo is culturally affiliated with this site. It is the Pueblo of Pojoaque who is requesting the repatriation of these cultural items. There are no known hazardous substances used to treat these cultural items.

Determinations

The Museum of Indian Arts and Culture has determined that:

- The 92 lots of sacred objects/objects of cultural patrimony described in this notice are, according to the Native American traditional knowledge of an Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization, specific ceremonial objects needed by a traditional Native American religious leader for present-day adherents to practice traditional Native American religion, and have ongoing historical, traditional, or cultural importance central to the Native American group, including any constituent sub-group (such as a band, clan, lineage, ceremonial society, or other subdivision).
- There is a reasonable connection between the cultural items described in this notice and the Pueblo of Pojoaque, New Mexico.

Requests for Repatriation

Additional, written requests for repatriation of the cultural items in this notice must be sent to the authorized representative identified in this notice under **ADDRESSES**. Requests for repatriation may be submitted by any lineal descendant, Indian Tribe, or Native Hawaiian organization not identified in this notice who shows, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the requestor is a lineal descendant or a culturally affiliated Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization.

Repatriation of the cultural items in this notice to a requestor may occur on or after July 11, 2025. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture must determine the most appropriate requestor prior to repatriation. Requests

for joint repatriation of the cultural items are considered a single request and not competing requests. The Museum of Indian Arts and Culture is responsible for sending a copy of this notice to the Indian Tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations identified in this notice and to any other consulting parties.

Authority: Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 25 U.S.C. 3004 and the implementing regulations, 43 CFR 10.9.

Dated: May 28, 2025.

Melanie O'Brien,

Manager, National NAGPRA Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Notice of Intended Repatriation: Museums of Lake County, Lakeport, CA

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Museums of Lake County intends to repatriate certain cultural items that meet the definition of sacred objects or objects of cultural patrimony and that have a cultural affiliation with the Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations in this notice.

DATES: Repatriation of the cultural items in this notice may occur on or after July 11, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Send additional, written requests for repatriation of the cultural items in this notice to Carolyn Birilli, Curator, Museums of Lake County, 255 N Main Street, Lakeport, CA 95452, email carolynn.birilli@lakecountycal.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA. The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of the Museums of Lake County, and additional information on the determinations in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the summary or related records. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

Abstract of Information Available

A total of five cultural items have been requested for repatriation. The two sacred objects and three objects of cultural patrimony are: a collection of 138 Pomo shell beads, two twined baskets, a lava rock mortar section, and an obsidian arrowhead point.

These items were acquired by the museum between 1983 and 2025 and originate from Lake County, California. Some were collected by Doris Hobson and Edward McPherson from the Middletown area. These objects have been identified through consultation with tribal representatives as items of cultural importance to the Middletown Rancheria of Pomo Indians. No hazardous substances were noted in the treatment of these objects.

Determinations

The Museums of Lake County has determined that:

- The two sacred objects described in this notice are specific ceremonial objects needed by a traditional Native American religious leader for present-day adherents to practice traditional Native American religion, according to the Native American traditional knowledge of a lineal descendant, Indian Tribe, or Native Hawaiian organization.

- The three objects of cultural patrimony described in this notice have ongoing historical, traditional, or cultural importance central to the Native American group, including any constituent sub-group (such as a band, clan, lineage, ceremonial society, or other subdivision), according to the Native American traditional knowledge of an Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization.

- There is a connection between the cultural items described in this notice and the Middletown Rancheria of Pomo Indians of California.

Requests for Repatriation

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Repatriation of the cultural items in this notice to a requestor may occur on or after July 11, 2025. If competing requests for repatriation are received,