

Cultural Affiliation

Based on the information available and the results of consultation, cultural affiliation is clearly identified by the information available about the human remains and associated funerary objects described in this notice.

Determinations

The Illinois State Museum has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of at least 10 individuals of Native American ancestry.
- The 85 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 Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Oklahoma; Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; Forest County Potawatomi Community, Wisconsin; Hannahville Indian Community, Michigan; Ho-Chunk Nation of Wisconsin; Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska; Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma; Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas; Kickapoo Tribe of Indians of the Kickapoo Reservation in Kansas; Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma; Match-e-be-nash-she-wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians of Michigan; Miami Tribe of Oklahoma; Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota (Fond du Lac Band and Mille Lacs Band); Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi, Michigan; Omaha Tribe of Nebraska; Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians, Oklahoma; Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma; Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians, Michigan and Indiana; Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation; Sac & Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas and Nebraska; Sac & Fox Nation, Oklahoma; Sac & Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa; Shawnee Tribe; and the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska.

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 April 16, 2025. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the Illinois State Museum 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 Illinois State Museum 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: January 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 Inventory Completion: Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association, Deerfield, MA

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association has completed an inventory of human remains and has determined that there is a cultural affiliation between the human remains and Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations in this notice.

DATES: Repatriation of the human remains in this notice may occur on or after April 16, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Ray Radigan, Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association, 10 Memorial Street, Deerfield, MA 01342, telephone (413) 774-4466, email rradigan@deerfieldmuseum.org.

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 Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association, 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 one individual have been identified. No associated funerary objects are present. Human Remains (one individual)—Crania. Acquired by Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association in 1885 by donation of James S. Reed. Accession Book Entry recorded in 1885: "An Indian Skull taken from the bottom of a mound in Coshocton Ohio by Proff E. E. Henry in 1885—The body was extended in burial, the rest of the bones were nearly all decayed and gone—Fragments of pottery were found about the head—Mingled with small stones—It is possible that the sound condition of the skull is due to some process of embalming? or ossifying?—It was presented by Proff Henry—who was satisfied the Mound was built as a funeral pile—to the donor."

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 described in this notice.

Determinations

The Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of one individual of Native American ancestry.
- There is a connection between the human remains described in this notice and the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma; Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; and the Shawnee Tribe.

Requests for Repatriation

Written requests for repatriation of the human remains 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 described in this notice to a requestor may occur on or after April 16, 2025. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association must determine the most appropriate requestor prior to repatriation. Requests for joint repatriation of the human remains are considered a single request and not competing requests. The Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association 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: January 23, 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 Disposition: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Tonto National Forest, Phoenix, AZ

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Tonto National Forest intends to carry out the disposition of human remains, associated funerary objects, and unassociated funerary objects removed from Federal or Tribal lands to the lineal descendants, Indian Tribe, or Native Hawaiian organization with priority for disposition in this notice.

DATES: Disposition of the human remains and cultural items in this notice may occur on or after April 16, 2025. If no claim for disposition is received by March 17, 2026, the human remains and cultural items in this notice will become unclaimed human remains and cultural items.

ADDRESSES: Forest Supervisor Neil Bosworth, Tonto National Forest Supervisor's Office, 2324 E McDowell Road, Phoenix, AZ 85006, telephone (602) 469-4981, email neil.bosworth@usda.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 Tonto National Forest, and additional information on the human remains and cultural items in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the related records. The National Park Service is not responsible for the identifications in this notice.

Abstract of Information Available

Based on the information available, human remains representing, at least, three individuals have been reasonably identified. No associated funerary objects are present. The 196 unassociated funerary objects include stone palettes; a stone censer; a stone pendant or censer; a reconstructible ceramic vessel; lots of ceramic sherds, chipped stone, flaked stone tools, lithic tabular knife fragments, faunal bone, and ground stone (including manos and a mortar); a lithic biface; a worked bone awl; a worked shell; pollen samples; botanical samples; petrographic samples; flotation samples; and a mineral sample. From 1994 to 1996, Archaeological Research Services, Inc. (ARS) and Statistical Research, Inc. (SRI) excavated archaeological sites AR-03-12-03-456, AR-03-12-03-461, AR-03-12-03-563, AR-03-12-03-567, and AR-03-12-03-568 prior to a State Route (SR) 87 realignment project. Funerary features were excavated and ancestral remains and funerary objects were recovered. In June 1999 and October 2008, Arizona State Museum (ASM) received collections from ARS and SRI. Human remains and associated funerary objects were repatriated to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community of the Salt River Reservation, Arizona in May 2011. In July 2015, during verification of faunal collections housed at ASM, remains consistent with human remains were identified. In 2024, a review of ASM's project database identified additional objects recovered from funerary feature proveniences which had not yet been repatriated.

Based on the information available, human remains representing, at least, 10 individuals have been reasonably identified. No associated funerary objects are present. From 1993 to 1996, Desert Archaeology excavated archaeological sites AR-03-12-06-199, AR-03-12-06-202, AR-03-12-06-1362, AR-03-12-06-1368, AR-03-12-06-2064, and AR-03-12-06-2284 as part of the Tonto Creek Archaeological Project prior to the realignment of State Route (SR) 188 near Punkin Center, Gila

County, Arizona. Funerary features were located during data recovery. Human remains and associated funerary objects were repatriated to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community of the Salt River Reservation, Arizona in April 2000. In 2001, collections were received and accessioned by Arizona State Museum (ASM) via repository agreement. In 2015, during verification of faunal collections housed at ASM, remains consistent with human remains were identified.

Based on the information available, no human remains have been reasonably identified. No associated funerary objects are present. The 984 unassociated funerary objects include miscellaneous stone objects, building material, pollen samples, botanical samples, chronometric samples, mineral samples, petrography samples, and lots of ceramic sherds, flaked stone, ground stone, shell, and faunal bone. From 1999 to 2000, Statistical Research, Inc. (SRI) excavated archaeological sites AR-03-12-06-2012, AR-03-12-06-2015, and AR-03-12-06-2017 as part of the SR 188 Cottonwood Creek Project in Gila County, Arizona prior to the realignment of State Route (SR) 188 near Jakes Corner, Arizona. Funerary features were located during data recovery. In September 2009, collections were received and accessioned by Arizona State Museum (ASM) via repository agreement. Human remains and associated funerary objects were repatriated to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community of the Salt River Reservation, Arizona in May 2011. In 2024, a review of ASM's project database identified additional objects recovered from funerary feature proveniences which had not yet been repatriated.

Based on the information available, human remains representing, at least, 12 individuals have been reasonably identified. The two associated funerary objects are a lot of bulk lithic chipped stone and a lot of bulk ceramic sherds. The 15 unassociated funerary objects include bulk ceramic sherds, bulk lithic chipped stone, bulk ground stone, and faunal bone. From October 1996 to March 1999, Archaeological Consulting Services, Ltd. (ACS) excavated archaeological sites AR-03-12-02-78, AR-03-12-02-86, and AR-03-12-02-1191 as part of the SR 88 Wheatfields Project in Gila County, Arizona prior to the realignment of State Route (SR) 188 between Tonto National Monument and the junction with U.S. 60. Twenty-seven funerary features were located during data recovery. Human remains and associated funerary objects were repatriated to the Salt River Pima-