

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**National Park Service**

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Notice of Inventory Completion: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Nashville District, Nashville, TN and the University of Tennessee, Department of Anthropology, Knoxville, TN

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Nashville District, in cooperation with the University of Tennessee, Department of Anthropology (UTK), has completed an inventory of human remains and associated funerary objects and has determined that there is no cultural affiliation between the human remains and associated funerary objects and any Indian Tribe. The human remains and associated funerary objects were removed from Stewart County, TN.

DATES: Disposition of the human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice may occur on or after June 23, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Dr. Valerie McCormack, Archaeologist, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Nashville District, 110 9th Avenue South, Room A-405, Nashville, TN 37203, telephone (615) 736-7847, email valerie.j.mccormack@usace.army.mil and Dr. Ozlem Kilic, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, University of Tennessee, 527 Andy Holt Tower, Knoxville, TN 37996-0152, telephone (865) 974-2454, email okilic@utk.edu and vpaa@utk.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 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Nashville District. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice. Additional information on the determinations in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the inventory or related records held by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Nashville District.

Description

In June and July of 1974, human remains representing, at minimum, eight individuals were removed from 40SW23, the Stone Site or Bear Creek Site, in Stewart County, TN, during

excavations conducted by Murray State University. This site lies within the Barkley Dam operating project. Subsequently, these ancestors and objects were transferred to UTK, where they currently reside. The human remains belong to seven infants and one child of indeterminate age. No known individuals were identified. The 15 associated funerary objects are eight faunal bones and teeth, one shell, one potsherd, one rock, one lot consisting of charcoal fragments, and three earplug-shaped items composed of a fibrous plant material. (A Notice of Inventory Completion for other human remains and associated funerary objects from this site was published in the **Federal Register** on July 19, 2017, and a correction notice was published in the **Federal Register** on July 6, 2020. The repatriation and reburial of those human remains and associated funerary objects took place in August of 2018.)

Aboriginal Land

The human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice were removed from known geographic locations. These locations are the aboriginal lands of one or more Indian Tribes. The following information was used to identify the aboriginal land: a final judgment of the Indian Claims Commission or the United States Court of Claims and treaties.

Determinations

Pursuant to NAGPRA and its implementing regulations, and after consultation with the appropriate Indian Tribes, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Nashville District has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of eight individuals of Native American ancestry.
- The 15 objects described in this notice are reasonably believed to have been placed with or near individual human remains at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony.
- No relationship of shared group identity can be reasonably traced between the human remains and associated funerary objects and any Indian Tribe.

- The human remains and associated funerary objects described in this notice were removed from the aboriginal land of the Cherokee Nation; Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians; and the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma.

Requests for Disposition

Written requests for disposition of the human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice must be sent to the Responsible Official identified in **ADDRESSES**. Requests for disposition may be submitted by:

1. Any one or more of the Indian Tribes 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 a culturally affiliated Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization, or who shows that the requestor is an aboriginal land Indian Tribe.

Disposition of the human remains and associated funerary objects described in this notice to a requestor may occur on or after June 23, 2023. If competing requests for disposition are received, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Nashville District must determine the most appropriate requestor prior to disposition. Requests for joint disposition of the human remains and associated funerary objects are considered a single request and not competing requests. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Nashville District is responsible for sending a copy of this notice to the Indian Tribes identified in this notice.

Authority: Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 25 U.S.C. 3003, and the implementing regulations, 43 CFR 10.9 and 10.11.

Dated: May 17, 2023.

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: Central Washington University, Ellensburg, WA

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), Central Washington University 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. The human

remains were removed from King County, WA.

DATES: Repatriation of the human remains in this notice may occur on or after June 23, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Lourdes Henebry-DeLeon, Department of Anthropology and Museum Studies Central Washington University, 400 University Way, Ellensburg, WA 98926-7544, telephone (509) 963-2671, email *Lourdes.Henebry-DeLeon@cwu.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 Central Washington University. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice. Additional information on the determinations in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the inventory or related records held by Central Washington University.

Description

In 1951, human remains representing, at minimum, one individual were removed from Vashon Island near Judd Creek in King County, WA, by landowner Vernon Lamoreux. In 1951, the human remains were donated to the Burke Museum, University of Washington, and in 1965, they were accessioned (Burke Accession number 1965-78). In 1974, the Burke Museum legally transferred one skeletal element belonging to this individual to Central Washington University, where it was assigned accession ID Box AK and catalog no. AK-21. No known individual was identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

Cultural Affiliation

The human remains in this notice are connected to one or more identifiable earlier groups, tribes, peoples, or cultures. There is a relationship of shared group identity between the identifiable earlier groups, tribes, peoples, or cultures and one or more Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations. The following types of information were used to reasonably trace the relationship: biological, geographical, historical, and expert opinion.

Determinations

Pursuant to NAGPRA and its implementing regulations, and after consultation with the appropriate Indian Tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations, Central Washington University has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of one individual of Native American ancestry.

- There is a relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between the human remains described in this notice and the Puyallup Tribe of the Puyallup Reservation.

Requests for Repatriation

Written requests for repatriation of the human remains in this notice must be sent to the Responsible Official identified in **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 a culturally affiliated Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization.

Repatriation of the human remains in this notice to a requestor may occur on or after June 23, 2023. If competing requests for repatriation are received, Central Washington University must determine the most appropriate requestor prior to repatriation. Requests for joint repatriation of the human remain. Central Washington University is responsible for sending a copy of this notice to the Indian Tribe identified in this notice.

Authority: Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 25 U.S.C. 3003, and the implementing regulations, 43 CFR 10.9, 10.10, and 10.14.

Dated: May 17, 2023.

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: U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service, Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site, Stanton, ND

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 the Interior, National Park Service, Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site (KNRI) 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. The human remains were removed from Mercer County, ND.

DATES: Repatriation of the human remains in this notice may occur on or after June 23, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Alisha Deegan, Superintendent, Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site, 564 County Road 37, Stanton, ND 58571, telephone (701) 745-3300, email *alisha_deegan@nps.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 Superintendent, KNRI. Additional information on the determinations in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the inventory or related records held by KNRI.

Description

In 1980, human remains representing, at minimum, three individuals were removed from Big Hidatsa (32ME12) in Mercer County, ND, during an archeological investigation that was conducted to discover more about the site through surface reconnaissance and photogrammetric mapping. In August 2019, a small bag was discovered inside a box that contained bones of identified mammals. After an examination, it was confirmed that the bones inside the small bag were human. No known individuals were identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

Cultural affiliation

The human remains in this notice are connected to one or more identifiable earlier groups, tribes, peoples, or cultures. There is a relationship of shared group identity between the identifiable earlier groups, tribes, peoples, or cultures and one or more Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations. The following types of information were used to reasonably trace the relationship: anthropological information, archeological information, historical information, oral tradition, and expert opinion.

Determinations

Pursuant to NAGPRA and its implementing regulations, and after