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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

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#### Notice of Inventory Completion: Field Museum, Chicago, IL

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Field Museum 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 March 25, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Helen Robbins, Repatriation Director, Field Museum, 1400 S Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL 60605, telephone (312) 665-7317, email [hrobbins@fieldmuseum.org](mailto:hrobbins@fieldmuseum.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 Field Museum, and additional information on the determinations in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the inventory or related records. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

#### Abstract of Information Available

Based on the information available, human remains representing, at least, four individuals have been reasonably identified. No associated funerary objects are present. The human remains are hair clippings belonging to four individuals, identified with the tribal designations "Klamath" and "Modoc" (Field Museum catalog numbers 193211.7, 193212.4, 193216.10, and 193216.12). Field Museum staff believe they were collected under the direction of Franz Boas and Frederick Ward Putnam for the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago. The hair clippings were accessioned into the Field Museum's collection in 1939. No information regarding the individual's

name, sex, age, or geographic location has been found. There is no known presence of any potentially hazardous substances.

#### 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 describes in this notice.

#### Determinations

The Field Museum has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of four individuals of Native American ancestry.
- There is a reasonable connection between the human remains described in this notice and the Klamath Tribes and the Modoc Nation.

#### 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 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 March 25, 2024. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the Field Museum 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 Field 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.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

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PPWOCRADNO-PCU00RP14.R50000]

#### Notice of Inventory Completion: Arkansas Archeological Survey, Fayetteville, AR

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Arkansas Archeological Survey 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 unknown locations in the eastern Arkansas Mississippi River valley.

**DATES:** Repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice may occur on or after March 25, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Sarah Shepard, Arkansas Archeological Survey, 2475 N. Hatch Avenue, Fayetteville, AR 72704, telephone (479) 575-6552, email [nagpra@uark.edu](mailto:nagpra@uark.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 Arkansas Archeological Survey. 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 Arkansas Archeological Survey.

#### Consultation

A detailed assessment of the human remains was made by the FBI professional staff in consultation with representatives of tribal partners between 2018 and 2023, and finally on November 8, 2023, in Shawnee, Oklahoma. Conversations between the ARAS, Osage Nation, and Quapaw Nation continued after that point. On December 4th, 2023, a decision was made for the Quapaw to move forward in affiliation with the human remains.

#### History and Description of the Remains

The Arkansas Archeological Survey (ARAS) received a transfer from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) on

October 5, 2023, of human remains recovered from a seizure in Indiana. At an unknown date, human remains representing, at minimum, six individuals were removed from unknown areas in the Eastern Arkansas Mississippi River Valley region. Following their removal, the human remains were transported to Indiana, where they remained as part of a private collection of Native American antiquities and cultural heritage. In April 2014, the human remains were seized by the FBI as part of a criminal investigation. The human remains represent six individuals. No associated funerary objects are present.

Based upon the historical record, site analysis, evidence obtained through criminal investigation, osteological analysis, and tribal consultation, the ARAS believes that there is a relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between the Native American human remains and the Quapaw Nation.

#### Determinations

Pursuant to NAGPRA and its implementing regulations, and after consultation with the appropriate Indian Tribes, ARAS has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of six individuals of Native American ancestry.
- There is a relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between the Native American human remains and the Quapaw Nation.

#### 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 March 25, 2024. If competing requests for repatriation are received, ARAS 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. ARAS is responsible for notifying the Quapaw

Nation that this notice has been published.

This notice was submitted before the effective date of the revised regulations (88 FR 86452, December 13, 2023, effective January 12, 2024). As the notice conforms to the mandatory format of the **Federal Register** and includes the required information, the National Park Service is publishing this notice as submitted.

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

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#### Notice of Cancellation and Rescheduling of the Public Meeting for the National Park System Advisory Board

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Meeting notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, as amended, the National Park Service (NPS) is hereby giving notice that the National Park System Advisory Board (Board) has rescheduled public meetings originally scheduled for March 7-8, 2024.

**DATES:** The Board will hold public meetings on Wednesday May 1, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. (EASTERN) and Thursday May 2, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. (EASTERN). Individuals who wish to participate must contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section no later than April 26, 2024, to receive instructions for accessing the meeting. The meetings are open to the public.

**ADDRESSES:** The Board will meet at the Stuart Lee Udall Department of the Interior Building, 1849 C Street NW, Washington, DC 20240. Electronic submissions of materials or requests are to be sent to [monique\\_vanlandingham@partner.nps.gov](mailto:monique_vanlandingham@partner.nps.gov). The meeting will also be accessible virtually via webinar and audio conference technology.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** (a) For information concerning attending the Board meeting or to request to

address the Board, contact Monique VanLandingham, Office of Policy, National Park Service, telephone (202) 641-4467, or email [monique\\_vanlandingham@partner.nps.gov](mailto:monique_vanlandingham@partner.nps.gov). (b) To submit a written statement specific to, or request information about, any National Historic Landmark (NHL) matter listed below, or for information about the NHL Program or NHL designation process and the effects of designation, contact Lisa Davidson, Manager, NHL Program, email [lisa\\_davidson@nps.gov](mailto:lisa_davidson@nps.gov). Written comments specific to any NHL matter listed below must be submitted by no later than April 26, 2024. (c) To submit a written statement specific to, or request information about, any National Natural Landmark (NNL) matter listed below, or for information about the NNL Program or NNL designation process and the effects of designation, contact Heather Eggleston, Manager, NNL Program, email [heather\\_eggleston@nps.gov](mailto:heather_eggleston@nps.gov). Written comments specific to any NNL matter listed below must be submitted by no later than April 26, 2024. Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Board has been established by authority of the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) under 54 U.S.C. 100906 and is regulated by the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

*Purpose of the Meeting:* The Board will be briefed by NPS officials on the organization, programs, and priorities of the NPS, and will attend to housekeeping matters, including the potential establishment of committees. The Board will also receive NHL and NNL proposals for Board deliberation. There also will be an opportunity for public comment. The final agenda and briefing materials will be posted to the Board's website prior to the meeting at <https://www.nps.gov/resources/advisoryboard150.htm>.

The agenda may include the review of proposed actions regarding the NHL Program and NNL Program. Interested parties are encouraged to submit written comments and recommendations that will be presented to the Board. Interested parties also may attend the Board meeting and upon request may address the Board concerning an area's national significance.