

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**National Park Service**

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Notice of Inventory Completion: U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service, Southeast Archeological Center, Tallahassee, FL

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, Southeast Archeological Center (SEAC, part of the Southeast Regional Office's Cultural Resources, Partnerships, and Science Division) has completed an inventory of human remains and associated funerary objects and has determined that there is a cultural affiliation between the human remains and associated funerary objects and Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations in this notice.

DATES: Repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice may occur on or after August 12, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Julie H. Ernstein, Division Manager, Cultural Resource Partnerships and Science Division, National Park Service, Interior Region 2: South Atlantic—Gulf, 100 Alabama Street SW, Atlanta, GA 30303, telephone (404) 909-2240, email julie_ernstein@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 SEAC, and additional information on the determinations in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the inventory or related records.

Abstract of Information Available

Based on the information available, human remains representing, at least, five individuals have been reasonably identified. The 153 associated funerary objects are three greenstone ceremonial celts, two quartz hammerstones, one pitted stone, four whetstones, one piece of petrified wood, four ceramic discs, three stone discs, 14 ceramic sherds, one elbow fragment of a biconical clay pipe, four bone awls, one antler tip, one flat faunal bone, 107 shell beads, one deer bone, three reconstructed ceramic pots, and three reconstructed ceramic water bottles.

On an unknown date prior to 1940, human remains and associated funerary objects were removed from Moundville in Hale and Tuscaloosa Counties, AL. These individuals and objects were collected or purchased by James Milton Mallory over an unknown period of time. The associated funerary objects were first inventoried on April 27, 1932, by the Alabama Museum of Natural History. Following Mr. Mallory's demise in 1940, the individuals and objects entered Works Projects Administration (WPA) collections and were later transferred to National Park Service collections after the WPA ceased in 1943.

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

SEAC has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of five individuals of Native American ancestry.
- The 153 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 reasonable connection between the human remains and associated funerary objects described in this notice and the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas; Alabama-Quassarte Tribal Town; Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana; Jena Band of Choctaw Indians; Kialegee Tribal Town; Miccosukee Tribe of Indians; Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians; Poarch Band of Creek Indians; Seminole Tribe of Florida; The Chickasaw Nation; The Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma; The Muscogee (Creek) Nation; The Seminole Nation of Oklahoma; and the Thlopthlocco Tribal Town.

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 a culturally affiliated Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization.

Repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice to a requestor may occur on or after August 12, 2024. If competing requests for repatriation are received, SEAC 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. SEAC 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: June 26, 2024.

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: Town of Germantown, Germantown, NY

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Town of Germantown 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 August 12, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Thomas Shannon, Town Historian, Germantown Town Hall, 50 Palatine Park Road, Germantown, NY 12526, telephone (518) 822-7908, email germantownhistory@gmail.com.

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 Town of Germantown, 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, one individual have been reasonably identified. No associated funerary objects are present. The individual's remains were disturbed in 1990 during the excavation and expansion of 45 Moore Road, Town of Germantown, Columbia County, New York, which overlooks the Hudson River. The Columbia County Sheriff's Department opened an investigation (Case 6641-90). On August 8, 1990, a Columbia County Sheriff's Department investigator brought the remains to the Onondaga County Medical Examiner's Office for analysis. After William C. Rodriguez, III, Ph.D., completed his analysis, the remains were stored at the Onondaga County Medical Examiner's Office until May 1, 1991, when they were returned to the Columbia County Sheriff's Office. Sometime after that, they were brought to the Town of Germantown Records Retention Room, where they have been since. The Town Historian discovered the individual's remains in the records retention room on January 13, 2024. According to the report, the remains contain portions of the cranium, distal portions of the left and right humeri, proximal end of the right ulnae, right tibial mid-shaft, superior portions of the left and right scapula, superior half of the left innominate, both femurs, rib fragments, right temporal and parietal bone portions, assorted phalanges of the feet, right half of the mandible, including 1st and 2nd molars, maxilla.

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 described in this notice.

Determinations

The Town of Germantown has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of one individual of Native American ancestry.
- There is a reasonable connection between the human remains described in this notice and the Delaware Nation, Oklahoma; Delaware Tribe of Indians; and the Stockbridge Munsee Community, Wisconsin.

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 August 12, 2024. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the Town of Germantown 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 Town of Germantown 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: June 26, 2024.

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: U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service, Klamath Falls, OR

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, Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) intends to repatriate certain cultural items that meet the definition of unassociated funerary objects 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 August 12, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Spencer Lodge, USFWS, 1936 California Avenue, Klamath Falls, OR 97601, telephone (541) 885-8481, email spencer_lodge@fws.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 USFWS, 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 1,949 cultural items have been requested for repatriation. The 1,949 unassociated funerary objects are projectile points, stone tools, bone objects, cordage fragments, basketry fragments, tule knots, stone flakes, shell, faunal remains, wood, coprolites, botanical remains, charcoal, ash, stick objects, groundstone, beads, glass fragment, and a fishing weight.

Objects described above were removed from Siskiyou County, CA by R.J. Squier and Gordon L. Grosscup during archaeological excavations occurring between 1952-1954. Excavations took place at two national wildlife refuges (NWR) operated by the USFWS, Tule Lake and Lowe Klamath NWR, where these objects were removed from four sites (CA-Sis-2, CA-Sis-108, CA-Sis-223, CA-Sis-239). These objects have been curated at the Phoebe A. Hearst Museum at the University of California Berkeley since their removal.

Determinations

The USFWS has determined that:

- The 1,949 unassociated funerary objects described in this notice are reasonably believed to have been placed intentionally with or near human remains, and are connected, either at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony of a Native American culture according to the Native American traditional knowledge of a lineal descendant, Indian Tribe, or Native Hawaiian organization. The unassociated funerary objects have been identified by a preponderance of the evidence as related to human remains, specific individuals, or families, or removed from a specific burial site or burial area of an individual or individuals with cultural affiliation to an Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization.