

There are no associated funerary objects present. The female calvarium was transferred to Kansas State University Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work- Osteology Lab from Kansas State University Division of Biology in 1999, after being identified as possibly Native American. No prior history or provenience known.

Human remains representing, at least, one individual has been identified. There are no associated funerary objects present. Assemblage consists of fragmented remains including 48 skull fragments and one long bone. Adult male of unknown age. Remains show signs of cremation. Human skeletal fragments that were on display at in small museum display in Fairchild Hall, Kansas State University Manhattan Campus. The museum display and assemblage predate the Anthropology program at the university. No other information is known.

Human remains representing, at least, one individual has been identified. This assemblage of fragmented remains including one distal phalanx of an adult of indeterminate sex. Skeletal fragments that were on display at in small museum display in Fairchild Hall, Kansas State University Manhattan Campus. The museum display and assemblage predate the Anthropology program at the university and have a note stating, 'Fort Riley Area'. No other information is known.

Lastly, human remains representing, at least, one individual has been identified. The fragmentary pieces represent one male approximately 45–55 years old and were transferred to Kansas State University in the early 1970s. No known provenience or known background other than a note stating, 'James Starr mound' and an osteological analysis form stating, 'James Starr Mound Grave 10 and cremation'. This is not associated with James Starr Mound in Illinois as the Illinois state archive was contacted and no professional excavations have ever been done at the mounds. No associated funerary objects accompany these remains.

Consultation

Invitations to consult were sent to the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, Oklahoma, Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Oklahoma; Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska; Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma; Kaw Nation, Oklahoma; Kickapoo Tribe of Indians of the Kickapoo Reservation in Kansas; Omaha Tribe of Nebraska; Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians, Oklahoma; Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma; Ponca Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma; Ponca Tribe of Nebraska; Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation; The Osage Nation;

and the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes (Wichita, Keechi, Waco & Tawakonie), Oklahoma. In attendance were the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, Oklahoma; Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska; Ponca Tribe of Nebraska; Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation; and The Osage Nation.

Cultural Affiliation

The following types of information about the cultural affiliation of the human remains in this notice are available: geographical. The information, including the results of consultation, identified no Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization connected to the human remains.

Determinations

The Kansas State University has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of five individuals of Native American ancestry.
- No known lineal descendant who can trace ancestry to the human remains in this notice has been identified.
- No Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization with cultural affiliation to the human remains in this notice has been clearly or reasonably identified.

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 any lineal descendant, Indian Tribe, or Native Hawaiian organization 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.

Upon request, repatriation of the human remains described in this notice may occur on or after October 21, 2024. If competing requests for repatriation are received, Kansas State University 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. Kansas State University is responsible for sending a copy of this notice to any consulting lineal descendant, Indian Tribe, or Native Hawaiian organization.

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

Dated: September 12, 2024.

Melanie O'Brien,

Manager, National NAGPRA Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

[NPS–WASO–NAGPRA–NPS0038746; PPWOCRADNO–PCU00RP14.R50000]

Notice of Inventory Completion: Western Washington University, Department of Anthropology, Bellingham, WA

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Western Washington University, Department of Anthropology (WWU) 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 October 21, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Dr. Judith Pine, Western Washington University, Department of Anthropology, Arntzen Hall 340, 516 High Street, Bellingham, WA 98225, telephone (360) 650–4783, email pinej@wwu.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 WWU, 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, seven individuals have been identified. The eight associated funerary objects are bone, stone and antler tools, an eagle talon and phalanx, and red ochre.

In November of 1980, Western Washington University entered a contract (C530–563–02) with the Washington Department of Ecology and the Lummi Indian Business Council. The purpose of the contract was to

conduct an archaeological survey and impact mitigation along 31 miles of the proposed sewer pipeline right-of-way and two treatment plant locales located on the Lummi Indian Reservation. Work began under the direction of Dr. Garland Grabert (WWU) in December of 1980 and continued until the summer of 1982.

During this work, numerous archaeological sites were recorded, and materials were collected from both excavation and monitoring activities (Grabert and Griffin 1983, Archaeological Investigation on Lummi Peninsula, Whatcom County, Washington, Reports in Archaeology No. 18, Department of Anthropology, Western Washington University, Bellingham, Washington). No known individuals were identified. No hazardous chemicals are known to have been used to treat the human remains while in the custody of WWU.

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 WWU has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of seven individuals of Native American ancestry.
- The eight 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 Lummi Tribe of the Lummi Reservation and the Nooksack Indian Tribe.

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 October 21, 2024. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the WWU 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 WWU 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: September 12, 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 Disposition: U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, Missouri Basin Region, Nebraska-Kansas Area Office, McCook, NE

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, Bureau of Reclamation, Nebraska-Kansas Area Office (Reclamation Nebraska-Kansas Area Office) intends to carry out the disposition of human remains and associated 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 October 21, 2024. If no claim for disposition is received by September 22, 2025, the human remains and cultural items in this notice will become unclaimed human remains and cultural items.

ADDRESSES: Send written claims for disposition of the human remains and cultural items identified in this notice to Catherine Griffin, Bureau of Reclamation, Nebraska-Kansas Area

Office, 1706 West 3rd Street, McCook, NE 69001, telephone (308) 345–8324, email cgriffin@usbr.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 Reclamation Nebraska-Kansas Area Office, 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, 14 individuals have been reasonably identified. The 10 associated funerary objects are one lot of bracelets, three lots of ceramic sherds, one lot of chipped stone debitage, two stone scraper tools, one stone tool fragment, one projectile point fragment, and one lot of animal bone. During a period between 1992 to 2020, the human remains and associated funerary objects were discovered and removed from federal lands in Jewell, Mitchell, and Norton Counties, KS, and Frontier and Greeley Counties, NE.

Determinations

The Reclamation Nebraska-Kansas Area Office has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of 14 individuals of Native American ancestry.
- The 10 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.
- The Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma; Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, North Dakota; and the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes (Wichita, Keechi, Waco, & Tawakonie), Oklahoma have priority for disposition of the human remains and cultural items described in this notice.

Claims for Disposition

Written claims for disposition of the human remains and cultural items in this notice must be sent to the appropriate official identified in this notice under **ADDRESSES**. If no claim for disposition is received by September 22, 2025, the human remains and cultural items in this notice will become unclaimed human remains and cultural items. Claims for disposition may be submitted by: