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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Notice of Inventory Completion: St. Louis County Office of the Medical Examiner, St. Louis, MO

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the St. Louis County Office of the Medical Examiner (MEO) 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 November 21, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Dr. Lindsay Trammell, St. Louis County Office of the MEO, 6059 North Hanley Road, St. Louis, MO 63134, telephone (314) 615-0809, email LTrammell@stlouiscountymo.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 St. Louis County MEO 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, two individuals have been identified. No associated funerary objects are present. Remains were discovered in a private residence in Florissant, Missouri on May 5, 2024. They were reportedly originally collected by a private citizen in the 1960's in Clarksville, Missouri, near the Clarksville Mound Groups site, 23PI6. These remains are from the Late Woodland to Emergency Mississippian Period and culturally affiliated with the Osage Nation.

Cultural Affiliation

Based on the information available and the results of consultation, cultural affiliation is reasonably identified by the geographical location and acquisition history of the human remains described in this notice.

Determinations

The St. Louis County MEO has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of two individuals of Native American ancestry.
- There is a connection between the human remains described in this notice and The Osage 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 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 November 21, 2024. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the St. Louis County MEO 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 St. Louis County MEO 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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Notice of Intended Repatriation: Museum of Us, San Diego, CA

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Museum of Us 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 November 21, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Carmen Mosley, NAGPRA Repatriation Manager, Museum of Us, 1350 El Prado, Balboa Park, San Diego, CA 92101, telephone (619) 239-2001 Ext. 42, email cmosley@museumofus.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 Museum of Us, 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 12 cultural items have been requested for repatriation. The 12 unassociated funerary objects are from three separate acquisitions.

In December of 1954, Adele Ronecker of San Diego, CA, donated one blade from Stewart County, TN and one bird effigy pipe from Southeastern United States to the San Diego Museum of Man (now Museum of Us), along with a collection of 112 other Native American cultural items from California, Texas, New Mexico, Southeastern United States, Mexico and Southeast Asia. Acquisition records indicate that Ms. Ronecker received the cultural items from Lemley Osborne of Las Cruces, New Mexico.

In May of 1955, the San Diego Museum of Man (now Museum of Us) purchased one shell gorget from Hamilton County, TN, along with 11 other Native North American items,

from Earl Townsend Jr., an attorney from Indianapolis, IN. The donor collected the gorget from a mound in the Tennessee River at the mouth of the Chickamauga Creek.

In July of 1957, George A. Leupold of San Diego, CA, donated seven lanceolate points and one adze from Sparta, White County, TN, and one discoidal from Tyron, Polk County, NC, to the San Diego Museum of Man (now Museum of Us). This acquisition included an additional 57 Native American cultural items (e.g., points, axes, ceramic sherds, bone awls, and discoidals) from Wisconsin, Illinois, Missouri, Tennessee, and adjoining areas. The Museum of Us has no additional information on how and/or when Mr. Leupold acquired the aforementioned items.

Determinations

The Museum of Us has determined that:

- The 12 unassociated funerary objects described above are reasonably believed to have been placed intentionally with or near individual human remains, and are connected, either at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony and are believed, by a preponderance of the evidence, to have been removed from a specific burial site of an individual or individuals with cultural affiliation to an Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization.
- There is a reasonable connection between the cultural items described in this notice and the Cherokee Nation; Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians; and the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma.

Requests for Repatriation

Additional, written requests for repatriation of the cultural items 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 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 cultural items in this notice to a requestor may occur on or after November 21, 2024. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the Museum of Us must determine the most appropriate requestor prior to repatriation. Requests for joint repatriation of the cultural items are considered a single request and not competing requests. The

Museum of Us is responsible for sending a copy of this notice to the Indian Tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations identified in this notice and to any other consulting parties.

Authority: Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 25 U.S.C. 3004 and the implementing regulations, 43 CFR 10.9.

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Notice of Inventory Completion: San Bernardino County Museum, Redlands, CA

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the San Bernardino County Museum 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 November 21, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Tamara Serrao-Leiva, San Bernardino County Museum, 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands, CA 92374, telephone (909) 798-8623, email tserrao-leiva@sbcm.sbcounty.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 San Bernardino County Museum, 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, one individual has been identified. The seven associated funerary objects are burned beads, glass beads, shell, pipe

fragments, petrified wood, pottery, and stone tools. The Deep Canyon collection housed at the museum was collected by a private corporation in the summer of 1972 in and around Deep Canyon in Palm Desert, CA. While the original field records do not mention human remains, the museum's records show that one skull fragment is associated with SBCM-5600 (Deep Canyon). Records show Gordon Redtfeldt and M.R. Harrington at the Southwest Museum were corresponding regarding a site report in 1955.

Human remains representing, at least, one individual has been identified. The two associated funerary objects are fish and faunal bone. The Lake LeConte collection (SBCM-5922) housed at the museum was originally part of the McCown collection, who was affiliated with Archaeological Survey Association. When ASA disbanded, this collection was donated to the county museum in the early 2000s.

Human remains representing, at least, one individual has been identified. The four associated funerary objects are pottery, historic-era objects, bone awls, and organic material. In the 1970s an ancestor and objects were sent to Riverside Sheriff's department for a small exhibit installed in the department. In early 2024, sheriff/coroner rediscovered these items in a box labelled "SBCM" which included the human remains and objects. In May 2024, coroner communicated this and dropped off the box to the museum. The ceramic potsherd found with ancestor is Cahuilla.

Cultural Affiliation

Based on the information available and the results of consultation, cultural affiliation is reasonably identified by the geographical local or acquisition history of the human remains and associated funerary objects described in this notice.

Determinations

The San Bernardino County Museum has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of three individuals of Native American ancestry.
- The 13 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 Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians of the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation, California; Augustine Band of Cahuilla