

Tribal Council, and further approved as required under law.

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Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Proposed Plan of Operations; Joshua Tree National Park, CA

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The National Park Service is giving notice to the public that First Class Miners Inc. has filed a proposed plan to use personal vehicles on two roads within Joshua Tree National Park to reach mining claims located outside the park.

ADDRESSES: The proposed plan is available for inspection via email request to JOTR_Superintendent@nps.gov or during normal business hours at the Office of the Superintendent, 74485 National Park Dr., Twentynine Palms, CA 92277.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent, Jane Rodgers, Joshua Tree National Park, phone 760-367-5500, email JOTR_Superintendent@nps.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As mandated by the Mining in the Parks Act of 1976 (54 U.S.C. 100731 *et seq.*) and the National Park Service (NPS) Organic Act of 1916, and to implement the General Mining Law of 1872 in the National Park System, the NPS promulgated regulations at 36 CFR part 9 Subpart A in 1977. These regulations are applicable to all mineral operations in park units related to unpatented and patented mining claims. Under the regulations, an NPS-approved plan of operations is required for mining-related operations in parks, including access through parks. The plan of operations serves as the blueprint for the operation and explains how and when the proposed operation will occur.

First Class Miners Inc. (FCM) owns placer mining claims outside Joshua Tree National Park. FCM seeks access via existing unimproved dirt roads through the park to its claims. FCM has submitted a proposed plan of operations for this access in accordance with the regulations at 36 CFR part 9A.

Under 36 CFR 9.17(a), the NPS is required to publish a notice in the

Federal Register advising the public of the availability of the proposed plan for public review. This notice is being published to comply with the 36 CFR 9.17(a) requirement.

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Deputy Regional Director, Interior Regions 8, 9, 10, and 12.

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Notice of Inventory Completion: California State University, Chico, CA

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the California State University, Chico 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 September 21, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send written requests for repatriation of the human remains in this notice to Michelle Hansen, California State University, Chico, 400 W 1st Street, Chico, CA 95929, email mcampbell19@csuchico.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 California State University, Chico, 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

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Human remains representing at least two individuals have been identified. No associated funerary objects are present. The sole documentation associated with the human remains is an osteology report that reads "Los Molinos-3".

The University is unaware of the human remains listed above being treated with pesticides, preservatives, or other substances that may pose a hazard to the remains or to those handling them.

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 described in this notice.

Determinations

California State University, Chico has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of at least two individuals of Native American ancestry.
- There is a connection between the human remains described in this notice and the Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians of California.

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 September 21, 2026. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the California State University, Chico 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 California State University, Chico is responsible for sending a copy of this notice to the Indian Tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations identified in this notice and any other consulting parties.

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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Acting Manager, National NAGPRA Program.

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