

Notice is hereby given under the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 43 CFR 10.10 (a)(3), of the intent to repatriate cultural items in the possession of the Arizona State Museum (ASM) which meet the definition of "object of cultural patrimony" under Section 2 of the Act.

The cultural items consist of 38 Chapayeka masks (*hiisam*) constructed of hide, paper, and paint and 12 Chapayeka spears, swords, and daggers constructed of wood and paint.

In 1932, one Chapayeka mask was purchased by the Arizona State Museum at Old Pascua. In 1939, one mask and one sword were donated to ASM by Mrs. Josephine Shelby of Sahuarita, AZ. In 1942, one spear was collected by Edward Spicer in Huirivis, Sonora, Mexico. Between 1969-1971, 16 masks were obtained by ASM through Richey Elementary School, Tucson, AZ. Around 1970, three masks were made by an unknown person for use in a School Loan Kit program. In 1976, three masks were purchased by ASM from Tom Bahti Indian Arts, Tucson, AZ. During 1980-1982, eleven masks, one spear, six swords, and three daggers were donated to ASM by William Hawes Smith. At unknown dates, two masks were purchased by ASM from the maker; and one mask was collected by Donna Laney and Candelaria Carvajal at Loma de Guamuchil, Sonora, Mexico.

Museum documentation and consultation with representatives of the Pascua Yaqui Tribe indicate that these cultural items are Pascua Yaqui. The two Sonoran cultural items are being claimed by the Pascua Yaqui Tribe on behalf of the Sonoran Yaqui communities. These cultural items have been identified as consistent with known ceremonial and sacred items as recorded in ethnographic sources. Representatives of the Pascua Yaqui Tribe have also identified these cultural items as having ongoing traditional and cultural importance central to the tribe itself, and could not have been alienated by any individual.

Based on the above-mentioned information, officials of the Arizona State Museum have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(4), these 50 cultural items have ongoing historical, traditional, and cultural importance central to the culture itself, and could not have been alienated, appropriated, or conveyed by any individual. Officials of the Arizona State Museum have also determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (e), there is a relationship of shared group identity which can be reasonably traced between these items and the Pascua Yaqui Tribe.

This notice has been sent to officials of the Pascua Yaqui Tribe. Representatives of any other Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with these objects should contact Alyce Sadongei, American Indian Programs Coordinator, Arizona State Museum, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ 85721; telephone: (520) 621-4609 before April 1, 1999. Repatriation of these objects to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe may begin after that date if no additional claimants come forward.

Dated: February 24, 1999.

Veletta Canouts,

Acting Departmental Consulting Archeologist,

Deputy Manager, Archeology and Ethnography Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Inventory Completion for Native American Human Remains and Associated Funerary Objects in the Possession of the Kansas State Historical Society, Topeka, KS

AGENCY: National Park Service

ACTION: Notice

Notice is hereby given in accordance with provisions of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 43 CFR 10.9, of the completion of an inventory of human remains and associated funerary objects in the possession of the Kansas State Historical Society, Topeka, KS.

A detailed assessment of the human remains was made by Kansas State Historical Society professional staff and a forensic osteologist in consultation with representatives of the Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas and Nebraska; the Sac and Fox Nation, Oklahoma, and the Sac and Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa.

In 1968, human remains representing three individuals were recovered from site 14DP26, Doniphan County, KS during excavations conducted by members of the Great Plains Archeological Field School sponsored by the University of Kansas, Kansas State University, and Wichita State University. No known individuals were identified. The 103 associated funerary objects include a brass bell, a gun barrel and pistol ramrod, a pocket knife, a strike-a-light, part of a metal tankard, shell and glass beads, glass, shell, textile

and metal fragments, pieces of flint, and pottery sherds.

Based on the types and style of the associated funerary objects, these burials are estimated to date to between 1840 to 1860 A.D. Based on manner of interment and burial location, these individuals have been identified as Native American, specifically of Sac and Fox affiliation. Consultation with representatives of the Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas and Nebraska; the Sac and Fox Nation, Oklahoma, and the Sac and Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa confirmed this information.

Based on the above mentioned information, officials of the Kansas State Historical Society have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(1), the human remains listed above represent the physical remains of at least three individuals of Native American ancestry. Officials of the Kansas State Historical Society have also determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(2), the 103 objects listed above are reasonably believed to have been placed with or near individual human remains at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony. Lastly, officials of the Kansas State Historical Society have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (e), there is a relationship of shared group identity which can be reasonably traced between these Native American human remains and associated funerary objects and the Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas and Nebraska; the Sac and Fox Nation, Oklahoma, and the Sac and Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa.

This notice has been sent to officials of the Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas and Nebraska; the Sac and Fox Nation, Oklahoma, and the Sac and Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa. Representatives of any other Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with these human remains and associated funerary objects should contact Randall Thies, Archeologist, Kansas State Historical Society, 6425 SW Sixth Avenue, Topeka, KS 66606-1099; telephone: (913) 272-8681, ext. 267, before April 1, 1999. Repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects to the Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas and Nebraska; the Sac and Fox Nation, Oklahoma, and the Sac and Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa may begin after

that date if no additional claimants come forward.

Dated: February 24, 1999.

Veletta Canouts,

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Deputy Manager, Archeology and Ethnography Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as Amended

In accordance with Department of Justice policy, 28 CFR section 50.7, notice is hereby given that a proposed consent decree in the action entitled *United States of America v. AlliedSignal Inc., et al.*, Civil Action No. 99-CV-0214 (LEK/GLS) (N.D.N.Y.), was lodged on February 16, 1999 with the United States District Court for the Northern District of New York. The proposed consent decree resolves claims of the United States, on behalf of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9601-9675, against defendants AlliedSignal Inc., Amphenol Corporation, Alexandra V. Spizziri, and John A. Spizziri, Sr. These claims are for injunctive relief and recovery of response costs incurred and to be incurred by the United States with respect to the Richardson Hill Road Landfill Superfund Site ("Site"), located in Delaware County, New York.

Under the terms of the proposed consent decree, defendants AlliedSignal and Amphenol will perform the remedy selected by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for cleanup of the Site, and will reimburse the United States for \$166,705.94 in oversight costs plus accrued interest through the date of payment. Defendants John and Alexandra Spizziri will provide access and institutional controls with respect to the portions of the Site which they own. Each of the defendants is also obligated to reimburse the United States for any future response costs (other than oversight costs) attributable to that defendant's performance obligations with respect to the Site.

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the proposed consent decree. Comments should be

addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530, and should refer to *United States v. AlliedSignal Inc., et al.*, Civil Action No. 99-CV-0214 (LEK/GLS) (N.D.N.Y.), DOJ Ref. No. 90-11-2-1225.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney, 445 Broadway, Room 231, Albany, New York 12207; the Region II Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 290 Broadway, New York, New York 10007-1866; and the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, NW., 3rd Floor, Washington, DC 20005, telephone (202) 624-0892. A copy of the proposed consent decree may be obtained in person or by mail from the Consent Decree Library. In requesting a copy, please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of \$57.00 (25 cents per page reproduction costs for the Decree and Appendices) made payable to Consent Decree Library.

Joel M. Gross,

Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section, Environment and Natural Resources Division, U.S. Department of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging Consent Decree Pursuant to the Clean Water Act

In accordance with Departmental Policy, 28 CFR 50.7, notice is hereby given that a consent decree in *United States v. Sheridan Area Water Supply Joint Powers Board* (D. Wyo.), was lodged with the United States District Court for the District of Wyoming on February 5, 1999. This Consent Decree concerns a complaint filed by the United States against Sheridan Area Water Supply Joint Powers Board, Barcon, Inc. and Fisher Sand and Gravel Co., Inc., pursuant to section 309 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1319, to obtain injunctive relief and impose civil penalties upon the Defendants for discharge of dredged or fill material in violation of CWA section 301(a), 33 U.S.C. § 1311(a).

The Consent Decree prohibits additional illegal discharges by the Defendants, and requires appropriate injunctive relief and the payment of civil penalties.

The Department of Justice will accept written comments relating to this proposed Consent Decree for thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice. Please address comments to

Carol A. Statkus, Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Wyoming, United States Department of Justice, Office of the United States Attorney, Post Office Box 668, Cheyenne, WY 82003-0668 and refer to *United States v. Sheridan Area Water Supply Joint Powers Board*, USATTY-WY-1998V00019.

The proposed Consent Decree may be examined at the Clerk's Office, United States District Court for the District of Wyoming, 2120 Capitol Avenue, Room 2131, Cheyenne, WY 82003.

Letitia J. Grishaw,

Chief, Environmental Defense Section, Environment & Natural Resources Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Federal Bureau of Investigation

DNA Advisory Board Meeting

Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given that the DNA Advisory Board (DAB) will meet on April 23, 1999, from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm at The Courtyard by Marriott Crystal City, 2899 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia, 22202. All attendees will be admitted only after displaying personal identification which bears a photograph of the attendee.

The DAB's scope of authority is: To develop, and if appropriate, periodically revise, recommended standards for quality assurance to the Director of the FBI, including standards for testing the proficiency of forensic laboratories, and forensic analysts, in conducting analysis of DNA; To recommend standards to the Director of the FBI which specify criteria for quality assurance and proficiency tests to be applied to the various types of DNA analysis used by forensic laboratories, including statistical and population genetics issues affecting the evaluation of the frequency of occurrence of DNA profiles calculated from pertinent population database(s); To recommend standards for acceptance of DNA profiles in the FBI's Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) which take account of relevant privacy, law enforcement and technical issues; and, To make recommendations for a system for grading proficiency testing performance to determine whether a laboratory is performing acceptably.

The topics to be discussed at this meeting include: a review of minutes from the November 18, 1998, meeting; a discussion concerning "Developing