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**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 Superintendent, Hopewell Culture National Historical Park. Additional information on the determinations in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the inventory or related records held by Hopewell Culture National Historical Park.

### Description

Human remains representing, at minimum, three individuals were removed from the Mound City Group, Ross County, OH, between 1920 and 1921 by William C. Mills of the Ohio State Archaeological and Historical Society (now Ohio History Connection). The human remains were removed from federal property and were accessioned into the collections at Mound City Group National Monument (now Hopewell Culture National Historical Park). The human remains most probably date to the Late Woodland and/or Late Precontact Periods. No associated funerary objects are present.

Human remains representing, at minimum, one individual were removed from the farm of Alva McGraw in Ross County, OH in 1962 by an unknown person. The human remains and funerary objects were gifted to Mound City Group National Monument (now Hopewell Culture National Historical Park) by Alva McGraw in 1963. The human remains and associated funerary objects most probably date from the Middle Woodland, Late Woodland, or Late Precontact Period. The 94 associated funerary objects are one utilized flake and 93 ceramic sherds.

Human remains representing one individual were removed from Gartner Bottoms, Ross County, OH in 1964 by National Park Service archeologist Richard Faust and added to the museum collection at Mound City National Monument (now Hopewell Culture National Historical Park). The human remains most probably date to the Late Precontact period and are associated with Fort Ancient archeological culture. No associated funerary objects are present.

### Cultural Affiliation

The human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice are connected to one or more identifiable

earlier groups, tribes, peoples, or cultures. There is a relationship of shared group identity between the identifiable earlier groups, tribes, peoples, or cultures and one or more Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations. The following types of information were used to reasonably trace the relationship: anthropological information, archeological information, geographical information, historical information, linguistics, oral tradition.

### Determinations

Pursuant to NAGPRA and its implementing regulations, and after consultation with the appropriate Indian Tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations, Hopewell Culture National Historical Park has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of five individuals of Native American ancestry.
- The 94 objects described in this notice 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.
- There is a relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between the human remains and associated funerary objects described in this notice and the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma; Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; Miami Tribe of Oklahoma; and the Shawnee Tribe.

### Requests for Repatriation

Written requests for repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice must be sent to the Responsible Official identified in **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 February 2, 2024. If competing requests for repatriation are received, Hopewell Culture National Historical Park 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. Hopewell Culture National Historical Park 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 10.9, 10.10, and 10.14.

Dated: December 20, 2023.

**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: U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service, Buffalo National River, Harrison, AR

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service, Buffalo National River (BUFF) has completed an inventory of human remains and has determined that there is no cultural affiliation between the human remains and any Indian Tribe. The human remains were removed from Marion and Searcy Counties, AR.

**DATES:** Disposition of the human remains in this notice may occur on or after February 2, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Angela Boyers, Superintendent, Buffalo National River, 402 North Walnut, Suite 136, Harrison, AR 72601-1173, telephone (870) 365-2700, email [BUFF\\_Superintendent@nps.gov](mailto:BUFF_Superintendent@nps.gov).

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**Description**

Human remains representing, at minimum, one individual were removed from Searcy County, AR. In August 1990, human remains of one individual were removed from site 3SE279 by National Park Service archeologists as part of an Archeological Resource Protection Act (ARPA) investigation. No associated funerary objects are present.

Human remains representing, at minimum, 10 individuals were removed from Marion County, AR. Between 1988 and 1990, human remains were recovered from site 3MR80. The human remains were recovered during two separate excavation projects led by the Sponsored Research Program of the Arkansas Archeological Survey under contract to the National Park Service. No associated funerary objects are present.

**Aboriginal Land**

The human remains in this notice were removed from known geographic locations. These locations are the aboriginal lands of one or more Indian Tribes. The following information was used to identify the aboriginal land: a treaty.

**Determinations**

Pursuant to NAGPRA and its implementing regulations, and after consultation with the appropriate Indian Tribes, BUFF has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of 11 individuals of Native American ancestry.
- No relationship of shared group identity can be reasonably traced between the human remains and any Indian Tribe.
- The human remains described in this notice were removed from the aboriginal land of The Osage Nation.

**Requests for Disposition**

Written requests for disposition of the human remains in this notice must be sent to the Responsible Official identified in **ADDRESSES**. Requests for disposition may be submitted by:

1. Any one or more of the Indian Tribes 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, or who shows that the requestor is an aboriginal land Indian Tribe.

Disposition of the human remains described in this notice to a requestor

may occur on or after February 2, 2024. If competing requests for disposition are received, BUFF must determine the most appropriate requestor prior to disposition. Requests for joint disposition of the human remains are considered a single request and not competing requests. BUFF is responsible for sending a copy of this notice to the Indian Tribes identified in this notice.

*Authority:* Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 25 U.S.C. 3003, and the implementing regulations, 43 CFR 10.9 and 10.11.

Dated: December 20, 2023.

**Melanie O'Brien,**

*Manager, National NAGPRA Program.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****National Park Service**

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**Notice of Intent To Repatriate Cultural Items: Yale University Art Gallery, New Haven, CT**

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Yale University Art Gallery (YUAG) 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. The cultural items were removed from Elmore County and Macon County, AL.

**DATES:** Repatriation of the cultural items in this notice may occur on or after February 2, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Stephanie Wiles, Director, Yale University Art Gallery, 1111 Chapel Street, New Haven, CT 06510, telephone (203) 432-7802, email [stephanie.wiles@yale.edu](mailto:stephanie.wiles@yale.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 YUAG. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice. Additional information on the determinations in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the summary or related records held by YUAG.

**Description**

Eight lots of cultural items were probably removed from several locations in Elmore County and Macon County, AL, by Peter A. Brannon, most likely between 1909 and 1934. Brannon was employed at the Alabama Department of Archives and History and donated the cultural items to YUAG in 1935. Of the eight lots of unassociated funerary objects, seven were probably removed from Elmore County and include 171 ceramic and glass beads from the Upper Creek Town Fushihatchi. Three bronze ornaments and 106 glass and ceramic beads were probably removed from the Upper Creek Town Huithlewalli. Three metal ring fragments and 224 glass beads were probably removed from Tallapoosa Swamp at Fort Toulouse. Forty-five glass and ceramic beads were probably removed from the Tallapoosa River area. One lot of 1,000 glass beads was probably removed from the Upper Creek Town Thlopthlocco (Laplako) in Macon County.

**Cultural Affiliation**

The cultural items in this notice are connected to one or more identifiable earlier groups, tribes, peoples, or cultures. There is a relationship of shared group identity between the identifiable earlier groups, tribes, peoples, or cultures and one or more Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations. The following types of information were used to reasonably trace the relationship: anthropological information, archeological information, and geographical information.

**Determinations**

Pursuant to NAGPRA and its implementing regulations, and after consultation with the appropriate Indian Tribes, YUAG has determined that:

- The eight lots of cultural items described 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 and are believed, by a preponderance of the evidence, to have been removed from specific burial sites of Native American individuals.
- There is a relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between the cultural items and The Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

**Requests for Repatriation**

Additional, written requests for repatriation of the cultural items in this notice must be sent to the Responsible Official identified in **ADDRESSES**. Requests for repatriation may be