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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 California Department of Transportation, and additional information on the determinations in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the inventory or related records. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

Abstract of Information Available

Based on the information available, human remains representing, at least, two individuals have been reasonably identified. The 806 catalog entries of associated funerary objects are tools, faunal remains, floral remains, ground stone, worked bone, and beads and other ornamental items.

In 1987, 1989, and 1990 the collection was excavated by the California Department of Transportation from CA-GL-217. Reporting of the data recovery excavation was completed in 2006. Repatriation and reburial of ancestors and associated funerary objects (total number unknown as this was not included in reporting or the catalog) was completed in 2008. Additional human remains and associated funerary objects were identified during the inventory verification completed by the California Department of Transportation and Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians in 2024. Of the 806 catalog entries of associated funerary objects, 61 catalogue entries are currently missing from the collection. California State University, Chico and the California Department of Transportation continue to look for them. No potentially hazardous substances were used to treat any of the human remains or associated funerary objects.

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 California Department of Transportation has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of two individuals of Native American ancestry.

- The 806 catalog entries of associated funerary 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 reasonable connection between the human remains and associated funerary objects described in this notice and the Grindstone Indian Rancheria of Wintun-Wailaki Indians of California and the Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians of California.

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 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 July 31, 2024. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the California Department of Transportation 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 California Department of Transportation 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: June 24, 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 Inventory Completion: Aurora History Museum and Historic Sites, Aurora, CO

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Aurora History Museum and Historic Sites 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 July 31, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Elizabeth Ricci, Aurora History Museum and Historic Sites, 15051 East Alameda Parkway, Aurora, CO 80012, telephone (303) 739-6660, email ericci@auroragov.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 Aurora History Museum and Historic Sites, 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. The eight associated funerary objects are five charcoals, two shells, and one lithic.

In April of 1982, two neighborhood children discovered human bone eroding from the bank of West Toll Gate Creek in Arapahoe County: Aurora, Colorado. The children reported their find, and the site was excavated soon after. Site 5AH 244 is located on the first terrace above and on the cut bank of West Toll Gate Creek. The objective of the excavation was to recover human remains, reinter, and document as much information on the burial as possible. A Medicine Man, Charlie Kills Enemy of the Sioux Tribe, was in the area at the time and brought in to ensure proper

care of the remains. Charlie Kills Enemy conducted a ceremony to ask the ancestors if they have permission to perform carbon dating test, they agreed. The ancestors were then asked where they would like to be reinterred. They requested to be buried on a hill. The human remains, an amazonite pendent, and an atlatl weight were reinterred in June of 1985 at Golden Gate Canyon State Park on five acres of land designated for the Tribes just northwest of Golden, Colorado prior to NAGPRA law. A ceremony took place with Elders from the Shoshone and Cheyenne Tribes. A Medicine Man was present from the Arapaho Tribe. The Elders and Medicine Man were not named. Reinternment was on a hill as requested. The exact reinternment site is unknown to the museum. We are working with Golden Gate Canyon State Park to find the location.

We recently discovered a collection of objects and items related to the burial site 5AH 244. Within the collection are soil samples that were taken from the burial pits, a chest cavity, and surrounding earth. The soil samples contain pieces of bone not consistent with the animal bones that have been found within the collection. These bones are seen as remnants of the two individuals previously found. Items that appear to be associated funerary objects are five charcoals, two shells, and one lithic. There are animal bones, lithics, flakes, soils, and a petrified wood knife that are not associated with the burial. It was requested by the Arapaho and Cheyenne council that the entire collection including non-associated items be reinterred in the exact spot of the original reinternment or as close as possible.

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 and associated funerary objects described in this notice.

Determinations

The Aurora History Museum and Historic Sites has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of two 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 Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, Oklahoma.

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 July 31, 2024. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the Aurora History Museum and Historic Sites 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 Aurora History Museum and Historic Sites 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: June 24, 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 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 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 July 31, 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.

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Abstract of Information Available

Human remains representing, at least, three individuals have been identified from Smith Mound, Henderson County, Kentucky. These human remains were donated by a private collector at an unknown date. It was deposited to the museum before 2015, at which time it was given a box number N#15. In 2016 an inventory was conducted for human remains in the museum's anthropology storage area, where one box listed ancestors were found at "Smith Mound, Kentucky (Henderson Co)." Human remains were confirmed by osteologist in June of 2024. No further documentation exists.

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

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.

- There is a connection between the human remains described in this notice and the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma; Cherokee Nation; Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians; Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; Shawnee Tribe; The Osage Nation; and