

III. Consideration of Extraordinary Circumstances

When applying these CEs, DHS will evaluate the proposed action to ensure evaluation of “Integral Elements” listed above. In addition, in considering extraordinary circumstances, DHS will consider whether the proposed action has the potential to result in significant effects as described in DOE’s extraordinary circumstances listed at 10 CFR 1021.410(b)(2). DOE defines extraordinary circumstances as unique situations presented by specific proposals, including, but not limited to, scientific controversy about the environmental effects of the proposal; uncertain effects or effects involving “unique or unknown risks; and unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources.” (10 CFR 1021.410(b)(2). Consistent with DHS Instruction Manual 023–01–001–01, *Implementing the National Environmental Policy Act* (DHS Instruction Manual), DHS will document each application of the above-listed CEs and its consideration of extraordinary circumstances within the DHS Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation Decision Support System.

IV. Consultation With DOE and Determination of Appropriateness

DHS and DOE consulted on the appropriateness of DHS’s adoption of the 18 CEs in April 2024. This consultation included a review of DOE’s experience developing and applying the CEs and the types of actions for which DHS plans to utilize the CEs. Based on this consultation and review, DHS has determined that the types of projects it intends to undertake are substantially similar to such projects for which DOE has applied the CEs. Accordingly, the impacts of DHS projects will be substantially similar to the impacts of DOE projects, which are not significant, absent the existence of extraordinary circumstances. Therefore, DHS has determined that DHS’s proposed use of the CEs, as described within this notice, is appropriate.

V. Notice to the Public and Documentation of Adoption

This notice serves to identify to the public and document DHS’s adoption of DOE’s categorical exclusions and identifies the types of actions to which DHS contemplates applying the CEs at this time; DHS may expand use of one or more of the CEs identified above to other activities where appropriate, and in accordance with applicable conditions for use of the CE. Upon

issuance of this notice, the CEs will be available to DHS and accessible at www.dhs.gov/national-environmental-policy-act.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Notice of Inventory Completion: Field Museum, Chicago, IL

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Field 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 August 1, 2024.

ADDRESSES: June Carpenter, NAGPRA Director, Field Museum, 1400 S Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL 60605, telephone (312) 665–7820, email jcarpenter@fieldmuseum.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 Field 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, 10 individuals have been identified. No associated funerary objects are present. The human remains are hair clippings belonging to 10 individuals, identified with the tribal designation “Cree” (Field Museum catalog numbers 193207.3, 193207.4, 193208.2, 193208.4, 193208.6, 193210.10, 193211.2, 193212.10, 193212.6, and 193215.9). Field Museum staff believe they were collected under the direction of Franz Boas and Frederick Ward Putnam for the 1893

World’s Columbian Exposition in Chicago. The hair clippings were accessioned into the Field Museum’s collection in 1939. No information regarding the individual’s name, sex, age, or geographic location has been found. There is no known presence of any potentially hazardous substances.

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.

Determinations

The Field Museum has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of 10 individuals of Native American ancestry.
- There is a connection between the human remains and described in this notice and the Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Montana.

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 August 1, 2024. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the Field Museum 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 Field Museum 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 26, 2024.

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Manager, National NAGPRA Program.

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