DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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Notice of Intended Repatriation: Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology, Harvard University (PMAE) intends to repatriate certain cultural items that meet the definition of sacred objects and objects of cultural patrimony and that have a cultural affiliation with the Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations in this notice.

DATES: Repatriation of the cultural items in this notice may occur on or after January 16, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send additional, written requests for repatriation of the cultural items in this notice to Jane Pickering, Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology, Harvard University, 11 Divinity Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02138, email *jpickering@fas.harvard.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 PMAE, and additional information on the determinations in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the summary or related records. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

Abstract of Information Available

A total of 30 cultural items has been requested for repatriation.

The four sacred objects collected from an unknown location in the United States are described as follows:

The one sacred object is one lot of pouches collected by Mrs. S.T. Satterthwaite and donated to the PMAE in 1939.

The two sacred objects are one lot of a pipe bag and one lot of a tobacco bag collected by William Radcliff Morris that were previously owned by Chief Washakie and Mrs. William R. Morris, and donated by William H. Claflin, Jr.

The one sacred object is one lot of a medicine necklace collected by William Wildschut and donated by William H. Claflin, Jr.

The 26 objects of cultural patrimony are described as follows:

The two objects of cultural patrimony collected from an unknown location in North America are one lot of a parfleche case collected by Mrs. E.T. Horitz and received by the PMAE as part of an exchange with the Smithsonian Institution in 1903 and one lot of moccasins collected by Ernest T. Jackson and donated by Ernest T. Jackson and Patrick T. Jackson to the PMAE in 1940.

The 13 objects of cultural patrimony collected from an unknown location in the United States and donated to the PMAE by William H. Claflin, Jr. are one lot of a painted skin robe collected by Donald C. Scott by purchase in 1913 and donated in 1947; one lot of a shirt collected by Jacob Paxson Temple; one lot of a doll, one lot of a quirt, one lot of a tomahawk, one lot of eagle feather headdresses, one lot of a coup stick, one lot of a double dance staff collected by William Radcliff Morris; one lot of a bone needle, one lot of a quirt, one lot of an awl, one lot of bags, and one lot of a knife and sheath collected by William Wildschut.

The four objects of cultural patrimony collected from an unknown location in Nevada are one lot of a woman's belt, one lot of leggings, one lot of moccasins, and one lot of quill leg ornaments collected by Grace Nicholson and Mrs. L. Cushman and donated by Lewis Hobart Farlow in 1904.

The one object of cultural patrimony from Utah is one lot of a necklace collected by Dr. Theodore Jewett Eastman and donated by Mrs. Henry H. Richardson in 1938.

The four objects of cultural patrimony from Wyoming are one lot of a war bonnet, one lot of a feather bustle, one lot of moccasins, and one lot of a man's roach headpiece collected and donated by Henry Seton in 1950.

The two objects of cultural patrimony from Fremont County, Wyoming are one lot of a wooden saddle and one lot of a large drum collected and donated by Henry Seton in 1958.

Determinations

The PMAE has determined that:

- The four sacred objects described in this notice are specific ceremonial objects needed by a traditional Native American religious leader for present-day adherents to practice traditional Native American religion, according to the Native American traditional knowledge of a lineal descendant, Indian Tribe, or Native Hawaiian organization.
- The 26 objects of cultural patrimony described in this notice have ongoing historical, traditional, or cultural importance central to the Native American group, including any constituent sub-group (such as a band, clan, lineage, ceremonial society, or other subdivision), according to the Native American traditional knowledge of an Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization.
- There is a connection between the cultural items described in this notice and the Eastern Shoshone Tribe of the Wind River Reservation, Wyoming.

Requests for Repatriation

Additional, written requests for repatriation of the cultural items in this notice must be sent to the authorized representative identified in this notice under **ADDRESSES**. Requests for repatriation may be submitted by 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 cultural items in this notice to a requestor may occur on or after January 16, 2026. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the PMAE must determine the most appropriate requestor prior to repatriation. Requests for joint repatriation of the cultural items are considered a single request and not competing requests. The PMAE is responsible for sending a copy of this notice to the Indian Tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations identified in this notice and to any other consulting parties.

Authority: Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 25 U.S.C. 3004 and the implementing regulations, 43 CFR 10.9.

Dated: November 21, 2025.

Melanie O'Brien,

Manager, National NAGPRA Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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Notice of Intended Repatriation: California State University, Sacramento, Sacramento, 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, Sacramento intends to repatriate certain cultural items that meet the definition of objects of cultural patrimony and that have a cultural affiliation with the Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations in this notice.

DATES: Repatriation of the cultural items in this notice may occur on or after January 16, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send additional, written requests for repatriation of the cultural items in this notice to Dr. Mark R. Wheeler, Senior Advisor to President Luke Wood, California State University, Sacramento, 6000 J Street Sacramento, CA 95819, email *mark.wheeler@csus.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, Sacramento, and additional information on the determinations in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the summary or related records. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

Abstract of Information Available

A total of at least two cultural items have been requested for repatriation. The two objects of cultural patrimony include one lot each of faunal remains and modified shell. An unknown number of unidentified cultural items may be missing from the collections, which may include other categories of items. The faunal remains (accession 81–488) were collected by a student from a known location in Sacramento County and the modified shell (1974–30–80) came to the University through a donation and likely originates from Sacramento County. The California State University, Sacramento is unaware of any treatment of the objects of cultural patrimony with pesticides, preservatives, or other substances that represent a potential hazard to the objects or to persons handling the objects.

Determinations

The California State University, Sacramento has determined that:

- The two objects of cultural patrimony described in this notice have ongoing historical, traditional, or cultural importance central to the Native American group, including any constituent sub-group (such as a band, clan, lineage, ceremonial society, or other subdivision), according to the Native American traditional knowledge of an Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization.
- There is a connection between the cultural items described in this notice and the Wilton Rancheria, California.

Requests for Repatriation

Additional, written requests for repatriation of the cultural items in this notice must be sent to the authorized representative identified in this notice under **ADDRESSES**. Requests for repatriation may be submitted by 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 cultural items in this notice to a requestor may occur on or after January 16, 2026. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the California State University, Sacramento must determine the most appropriate requestor prior to repatriation. Requests for joint repatriation of the cultural items are considered a single request and not competing requests. The California State University, Sacramento is responsible for sending a copy of this notice to the Indian Tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations identified in this notice and to any other consulting parties.

Authority: Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 25 U.S.C. 3004 and the implementing regulations, 43 CFR 10.9.

Dated: November 24, 2025.

Melanie O'Brien,

Manager, National NAGPRA Program.

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Notice of Inventory Completion: Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, KY

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Western Kentucky University 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 January 16, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send written requests for repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice to Nikki A. Wilcox, Western Kentucky University, 1906 College Heights Blvd., Bowling Green, KY 42101, *nikki.wilcox@wku.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 Western Kentucky University, 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 one individual have been identified on the campus of Western Kentucky University. No associated funerary objects are present.

One Ancestor was identified in the summer of 2025 by a faculty member of the Department of Society, Culture, Crime, and Justice Studies, on the first floor of a building on campus.

While sorting through a filing cabinet, one human skull was identified in the back of a filing cabinet, tucked behind a row of documents. These documents were various archaeological essays and reports. The remains are described as still having a layer of dirt covering the surface.

There is no further provenience information for this individual, however due to the context information it is more than likely that the Ancestor is from the area. This is further supported by the fact that there was an active archaeologist who used to operate out of the building, and who excavated nearly exclusively within the state of Kentucky.

There is no known exposure to hazardous substances.

Cultural Affiliation

Based on the information available and the results of consultation, cultural