

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

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Notice of Intended Repatriation: Columbia University, Art Properties, New York, NY

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), Columbia University, Art Properties 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 20, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send additional, written requests for repatriation of the cultural items in this notice to Roberto Ferrari, Columbia University, Art Properties, Avery Architectural & Fine Arts Library, 1172 Amsterdam Avenue, New York, NY 10027, email artproperties@library.columbia.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 Columbia University, Art Properties 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 11 cultural items have been requested for repatriation. The 11 objects of cultural patrimony are one medicine bundle, four medicine bundle cases, one group of bird skins for medicine bundles, one group of medicine bundle ties, one hawk

medicine bundle, one fossil tooth medicine bundle, one eagle feather hairpiece, and one ceremonial rattle. All items were removed from the Plains region and were donated to Columbia University in 1935 by Wendell Ter Bush, Professor of Philosophy. Columbia University, Arts Properties has no knowledge of any potentially hazardous substances used to treat the objects.

Determinations

The Columbia University, Art Properties has determined that:

- The 11 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 reasonable connection between the cultural items described in this notice and the Northern Arapaho 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 20, 2026. If competing requests for repatriation are received, Columbia University, Art Properties must determine the most appropriate requestor before repatriation. Requests for joint repatriation of the cultural items are considered a single request and not competing requests. The Columbia University Art Properties 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: December 11, 2025.

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Manager, National NAGPRA Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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Notice of Inventory Completion: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Dakota Prairie Grasslands, Bismarck, ND

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Dakota Prairie Grasslands 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 20, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send written requests for repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice to Bethany A. Ihle, Dakota Prairie Grasslands, 2000 Miriam Circle, Bismarck, ND 58501, email bethany.ihle@usda.gov.

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 Dakota Prairie Grasslands, 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. The 877 associated funerary objects are flaking debris, stone tool fragments, utilized flakes, pottery sherds, bison and/or deer bone fragments, cores, a projectile point, and projectile point fragments.

In 1984, one human vertebra and another possible human vertebra fragment were removed from site 32MZ173 during evaluative test excavations for a proposed well pad and access road in McKenzie County, ND. The associated funerary objects were recovered from the same test unit and nearby test units and curated all together at the North Dakota Heritage Center. The site was determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places, and as a result, the proposed well pad and access road were not constructed. A later review of the collection was done by the Dakota Prairie Grasslands, resulting in deaccessioning of the collection and initiation of tribal consultation. No known hazardous substances were used to treat the human remains or funerary items.

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 Dakota Prairie Grasslands has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of at least one individual of Native American ancestry.
- The 877 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 Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes of the Fort Peck Indian Reservation, Montana and the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, North Dakota.

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 January 20, 2026. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the Dakota Prairie Grasslands 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 Dakota Prairie Grasslands is responsible for sending a copy of this notice to the Indian Tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations identified in this notice and any other consulting parties.

Authority: Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 25 U.S.C. 3003, and the implementing regulations, 43 CFR 10.10.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Notice of Intended Repatriation: Sheldon Jackson Museum, Sitka, AK

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Sheldon Jackson Museum intends to repatriate a certain cultural item that meets the definition of an unassociated funerary objects and that has a cultural affiliation with the Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations in this notice.

DATES: Repatriation of the cultural item in this notice may occur on or after January 20, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send additional, written requests for repatriation of the cultural item in this notice to Jacqueline Fernandez-Hamberg, Sheldon Jackson Museum, 104 College Drive, Sitka, AK 99835, email Jacqueline.Fernandez-Hamberg@alaska.gov.

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 Sheldon Jackson Museum, 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 one cultural items have been requested for repatriation. The one unassociated funerary object is a small wooden head carved of a knot at the end of a branch with human teeth set in the mouth. The carved human face similar to small faces from Point Hope; human teeth set in mouth. Groove around edge of face perhaps for some feather or hair attachments. End of handle broken off. The back of the carving has the following handwritten inscription: Walla-pi Near Point Barrow Alaska 1892. The piece is culturally affiliated with the Native Village of Barrow based off the inscription and its reference to Point Barrow and Walla-pi.

Determinations

The Sheldon Jackson Museum has determined that:

- The one unassociated funerary objects described in this notice are reasonably believed to have been placed intentionally with or near human remains, and are connected, either at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony of a Native American culture according to the Native American traditional knowledge of a lineal descendant, Indian Tribe, or Native Hawaiian organization. The unassociated funerary objects have been identified by a preponderance of the evidence as related to human remains, specific individuals, or families, or removed from a specific burial site or burial area of an individual or individuals with cultural affiliation to an Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization.
- There is a connection between the cultural item described in this notice and the Native Village of Barrow Inupiat Traditional Government.

Requests for Repatriation

Additional, written requests for repatriation of the cultural item 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