

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 a culturally affiliated Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization.

Repatriation of the cultural item in this notice to a requestor may occur on or after June 11, 2026. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the RSPI must determine the most appropriate requestor prior to repatriation. Requests for joint repatriation of the cultural item are considered a single request and not competing requests. The RSPI 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: May 5, 2026.

Melanie O'Brien,

Manager, National NAGPRA Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**National Park Service**

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Notice of Intended Repatriation: New York State Museum, Albany, NY

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the New York State Museum 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 June 11, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send additional, written requests for repatriation of the cultural

items in this notice to Gwendolyn Saul, New York State Museum, 222 Madison Avenue, Albany, NY 12230, email gwendolyn.saul@nysed.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 New York State 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 four cultural items has been requested for repatriation. The four objects of cultural patrimony are E-50040, three strings of purple wampum; E-50044, three strings of purple and white wampum; E-50048 two strings of white wampum, each strand with four purple wampum; and E-50049, nine strings of white wampum, approximately two feet long.

The four wampum strings were collected by theologist, researcher, and archaeologist William Beauchamp (1830-1925), between 1878-1895. William Beauchamp served as an archaeologist and researcher at NYSM 1884-1910. According to Beauchamp's diary and publications, the strings were originally the property of Oneida Chief Abraham (Abram) Hill, living at Onondaga. Beauchamp acquired two of the wampum strings (E-50040 and E-50044) from Chief Hill's wife after Chief Hill passed away in 1895. A third wampum string (E-50048) was acquired by Beauchamp from Chief Hill, in May 1880. Beauchamp acquired a fourth wampum string (E-50049) that belonged to Chief Hill, from Mrs. La Fort, after Chief Hill passed away. In 1949, Grace Beauchamp Lodder, William Beauchamp's daughter, donated the strings to the NYSM collections.

Determinations

The New York State Museum has determined that:

- The four 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 Oneida Indian Nation.

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Repatriation of the cultural items in this notice to a requestor may occur on or after June 11, 2026. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the New York State Museum 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 New York State Museum 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: May 5, 2026.

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: University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, CO

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the University of Northern Colorado (UNC) 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 June 11, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send written requests for repatriation of the human remains in this notice to Dr. Andy Creekmore, University of Northern Colorado, Department of Anthropology, 501 20th Street, Campus Box 90, Greeley CO 80639, email NAGPRA@unco.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 UNC, 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, seven individuals have been identified. No associated funerary objects are present. These individuals, UNC catalog numbers 374, 375, 379, 385, SK-009, 107, 108, and 109, are represented by seven adult skulls, one left femur, and various post-cranial skeletal elements representing a minimum of one individual. The skulls indicate that three individuals were probable male, three probable female, and one of indeterminate sex. A total of 20 "Cliff Dweller" skulls are recorded as donated to the UNC in 1910 by Prof. Edgar Lee Hewett, who may have sent additional remains that were not officially recorded. Around that time Prof. Hewett excavated numerous burials from sites around the Pajarito Plateau in New Mexico. Based on the characteristics of the remains, which indicate an archaeological origin and features consistent with members of that population, as well as markings and labels added to the bones that are consistent with markings on unrelated ceramics donated to UNC by Hewett, we believe that these seven partial individuals are from the original group of 20, and that we may reasonably associate them with the Pajarito Plateau due to Hewett's work there around the time of the donation. San Ildefonso Pueblo is the consulting Tribe located nearest to the Pajarito Plateau and the expected geographical location from which the remains were likely removed.

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 UNC has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of seven individuals of Native American ancestry.
- There is a connection between the human remains described in this notice and the Pueblo of San Ildefonso, New Mexico.

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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 June 11, 2026. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the UNC 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 UNC 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.

Dated: May 5, 2026.

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:
California Department of
Transportation, Oakland, CA**

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has completed an inventory of associated funerary objects and has determined that there is a cultural affiliation between the associated funerary objects and Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations in this notice.

DATES: Repatriation of the associated funerary objects in this notice may occur on or after June 11, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send written requests for repatriation of the associated funerary objects in this notice to Cesar Villanueva, PQS Principal Investigator—Precontact Archaeology, California Department of Transportation, District 4, 111 Grand Avenue, Oakland, CA 94612, email Cesar.Villanueva@dot.ca.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 Caltrans, 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

Associated funerary objects identified as 357 catalog entries representing lithics, paleobotanicals, soil samples, faunal remains, shell, light fraction samples, ground stone, and post-contact historic artifacts. Of the 357 associated funerary objects, four catalog numbers are missing, and Caltrans and Sonoma State University (SSU) continue to look for them. This collection is from Sonoma County along Highway 1 and is housed at SSU. The collection is the result of Caltrans project-delivery related excavations at CA-SON-348/H (Accession No. 2013-18) in 2008 and 2009. There are no known/documented potentially hazardous substances used to treat any of the cultural items.

Cultural Affiliation

Based on the information available and the results of consultation, cultural affiliation is clearly identified by the information available about the associated funerary objects described in this notice.

Determinations

Caltrans has determined that: