

the adjusted original meanders of the former left bank of the Missouri River, downstream, through sections 21, 29, and 30, the subdivision of sections 21, 28, and 29, and the survey of the meanders of the present left bank of the Missouri River and informative traverse, downstream, through portions of sections 21, 28, and 29, the limits of erosion and informative traverse in sections 28 and 29, the left bank and the medial line of a relic channel of the Missouri River and informative traverse, in sections 29 and 30, and certain division of accretion and partition lines, Township 27 North, Range 47 East, Principal Meridian, Montana, was accepted July 11, 2011.

We will place a copy of the plat, in two sheets, and related field notes we described in the open files. They will be available to the public as a matter of information. If the BLM receives a protest against this survey, as shown on this plat, in two sheets, prior to the date of the official filing, we will stay the filing pending our consideration of the protest. We will not officially file this plat, in two sheets, until the day after we have accepted or dismissed all protests and they have become final, including decisions or appeals.

**Authority:** 43 U.S.C. Chap. 3.

**Steve L. Toth,**

*Acting Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Division of Resources.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey; Montana

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of filing of plats of survey.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will file the plat of survey of the lands described below in the BLM Montana State Office, Billings, Montana, on August 26, 2011.

**DATES:** Protests of the survey must be filed before August 26, 2011 to be considered.

**ADDRESSES:** Protests of the survey should be sent to the Branch of Cadastral Survey, Bureau of Land Management, 5001 Southgate Drive, Billings, Montana 59101-4669.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Marvin Montoya, Cadastral Surveyor, Branch of Cadastral Survey, Bureau of Land Management, 5001 Southgate

Drive, Billings, Montana 59101-4669, telephone (406) 896-5124 or (406) 896-5009, [Marvin\\_Montoya@blm.gov](mailto:Marvin_Montoya@blm.gov). Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This survey was executed at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Rocky Mountain Region, Billings, Montana, and was necessary to determine individual and tribal trust lands.

The lands we surveyed are:

#### Principal Meridian, Montana

T. 2 S., R. 41 E.

The plat, in two sheets, representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the east boundary, a portion of the subdivisional lines, and a portion of the subdivision of section 25, the subdivision of section 25, and the survey of a portion of the former centerline of U.S. Highway No. 212, through section 25, a portion of the present southerly right-of-way of U.S. Hwy. No. 212, through section 25, a deed to restricted Indian land, and certain metes and bounds descriptions within section 25, Township 2 South, Range 41 East, Principal Meridian, Montana, was accepted July 20, 2011.

We will place a copy of the plat, in two sheets, and related field notes we described in the open files. They will be available to the public as a matter of information. If the BLM receives a protest against this survey, as shown on this plat, in two sheets, prior to the date of the official filing, we will stay the filing pending our consideration of the protest. We will not officially file this plat, in two sheets, until the day after we have accepted or dismissed all protests and they have become final, including decisions or appeals.

**Authority:** 43 U.S.C. Chap. 3.

**William C. Grayson,**

*Acting Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Division of Resources.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

[2253-665]

#### Notice of Intent To Repatriate Cultural Items: University of Michigan Museum of Anthropology, Ann Arbor, MI

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The University of Michigan Museum of Anthropology, in consultation with the appropriate Indian tribe, has determined that the items meet the definition of sacred objects and repatriation to the Indian tribe stated below may occur if no additional claimants come forward. Representatives of any Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with the sacred objects may contact the University of Michigan Museum of Anthropology.

**DATES:** Representatives of any Indian tribe that believes it has a cultural affiliation with the cultural items should contact the University of Michigan Museum of Anthropology at the address below by August 26, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Ben Secunda, NAGPRA Project Manager, Office of the Vice President for Research, University of Michigan, 4080 Fleming Building, 503 Thompson St., Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1340, telephone (734) 647-9085.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is here given in accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 25 U.S.C. 3005, of the intent to repatriate cultural items in the possession of the University of Michigan Museum of Anthropology, Ann Arbor, MI, that meet the definition of sacred objects under 25 U.S.C. 3001.

This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA, 25 U.S.C. 3003(d)(3). The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of the museum, institution, or Federal agency that has control of the cultural items. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

#### History and Description of the Cultural Items

The five cultural items are one snake skin strap/belt (catalog number 23755), two medicine bags (catalog numbers 23756 and 22201), and two drums (catalog numbers 23759 and 23754). Between 1930 and 1940, these five objects were purchased by W. Vernon Kinitz on behalf of the University of Michigan Museum of Anthropology.

The first cultural object (23755) is a strap or belt made from the complete skin of a fox snake with the snake's jaw attached to the end of the strap. The strap is backed with blue wool fabric with a band of red cotton cloth that creates a border along the edges. Beading runs down the center of the wool fabric forming a floral design of red and white glass beads. This item

was purchased by W. Vernon Kinitz in the 1930s from Mrs. Anna Scott and was accessioned into the museum in 1940.

The second cultural object (23756) is a bag made from weasel skin with five long loom-worked beaded pieces, four of the same length and one of greater length, that once attached to the bag. The beaded pieces have decorations of white, red, and blue zigzags with larger green beads and tassels attached to the ends. This item was purchased by W. Vernon Kinitz in the 1930s from Mrs. Anna Scott and was accessioned into the museum in 1940.

The third cultural object (22201) is a small bag made from a full weasel skin. The tail end of the bag is open. At the other end, the animal's head is tied shut by a white, blue, and red cotton ribbon. This item was donated to the museum by W. Vernon Kinitz in 1939.

The fourth cultural object (23754) is a hand drum made of thin hide stretched over a narrow wood frame. The hide is painted on one side with two red birds, possibly turkeys, and on the other side is a large red circle or disk. The drum is roughly 43.2 cm in diameter and 10.2 cm in height. The wooden frame has been damaged and the hide is no longer taut. On July 8, 1940, the drum was purchased from Mrs. Anna Scott by W. Vernon Kinitz.

The fifth cultural object (23759) is a tall drum made of wood with hide set in place by a cloth band. The wooden frame has a bottom and contains a small hole on one side that is plugged by a wooden peg. The drum measures approximately 43 cm in height and 29 cm in diameter. Museum records indicate that this drum was purchased from Jon Pete, a former chief of the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians. The exact date of the purchase is unknown.

In consultation with Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa representatives, and review of museum documentation and published literature, all five of these objects are determined to be sacred objects under NAGPRA. The materials and motifs of the strap (23755) were identified as being related to Midewiwin, a secret Medicine Society. Additionally, the tall wooden drum (23759) was identified as a water drum used in traditional Midewiwin ceremonies. The two weasel bags (22201 and 23756) were identified as medicine bags used to carry and hold sacred objects. The hand drum (23754) was found to be a dream drum used in naming ceremonies.

### Determinations Made by the University of Michigan Museum of Anthropology

Officials of the University of Michigan Museum of Anthropology have determined that:

- Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(3)(C), the five cultural items described above are specific ceremonial objects needed by traditional Native American religious leaders for the practice of traditional Native American religions by their present-day adherents.

- Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(2), there is a relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between the sacred objects and the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, Michigan.

### Additional Requestors and Disposition

Representatives of any other Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with the sacred objects should contact Ben Secunda, NAGPRA Project Manager, Office of the Vice President for Research, University of Michigan, 4080 Fleming Building, 503 Thompson St., Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1340, telephone (734) 647-9085, before August 26, 2011. Repatriation of the sacred objects to the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, Michigan, may proceed after that date if no additional claimants come forward.

The University of Michigan Office of the Vice President is responsible for notifying the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, Michigan, that this notice has been published.

Dated: July 20, 2011.

**Sherry Hutt,**

*Manager, National NAGPRA Program.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Reclamation

#### Status Report of Water Service, Repayment, and Other Water-Related Contract Actions

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of contractual actions that have been proposed to the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) and were pending through December 31, 2010, and contract actions that have been completed or discontinued since the last publication of this notice on December 29, 2010. From the date of this publication, future notices during this

calendar year will be limited to new, modified, discontinued, or completed contract actions. This annual notice should be used as a point of reference to identify changes in future notices. This notice is one of a variety of means used to inform the public about proposed contractual actions for capital recovery and management of project resources and facilities consistent with section 9(f) of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939. Additional announcements of individual contract actions may be published in the **Federal Register** and in newspapers of general circulation in the areas determined by Reclamation to be affected by the proposed action.

**ADDRESSES:** The identity of the approving officer and other information pertaining to a specific contract proposal may be obtained by calling or writing the appropriate regional office at the address and telephone number given for each region in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michelle Kelly, Water and Environmental Services Division, Bureau of Reclamation, P.O. Box 25007, Denver, Colorado 80225-0007; telephone 303-445-2888.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Consistent with section 9(f) of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 and the rules and regulations published in 52 FR 11954, April 13, 1987 (43 CFR 426.22), Reclamation will publish notice of proposed or amendatory contract actions for any contract for the delivery of project water for authorized uses in newspapers of general circulation in the affected area at least 60 days prior to contract execution. Announcements may be in the form of news releases, legal notices, official letters, memorandums, or other forms of written material. Meetings, workshops, and/or hearings may also be used, as appropriate, to provide local publicity. The public participation procedures do not apply to proposed contracts for the sale of surplus or interim irrigation water for a term of 1 year or less. Either of the contracting parties may invite the public to observe contract proceedings. All public participation procedures will be coordinated with those involved in complying with the National Environmental Policy Act. Pursuant to the "Final Revised Public Participation Procedures" for water resource-related contract negotiations, published in 47 FR 7763, February 22, 1982, a tabulation is provided of all proposed contractual actions in each of the five Reclamation regions. When contract negotiations are completed, and prior to execution, each proposed contract form must be