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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is here given in accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 25 U.S.C. 3003, of the completion of an inventory of human remains under the control of the University of Oregon Museum of Natural and Cultural History, Eugene, OR. The human remains were removed from Hotchkiss Mound, Contra Costa County, CA.

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 Native American human remains. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

#### Consultation

A detailed assessment of the human remains was made by the University of Oregon Museum of Natural and Cultural History professional staff in consultation with representatives of the Buena Vista Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians of California; Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians of California; Jackson Band of Miwok Indians (previously listed as the Jackson Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians of California); Kletsel Dehe Band of Wintun Indians (previously listed as the Cortina Indian Rancheria and the Cortina Indian Rancheria of Wintun Indians of California); Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians of California; Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs Rancheria (Verona Tract), California; Table Mountain Rancheria (previously listed as the Table Mountain Rancheria of California); Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation, California; and Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians of the Tuolumne Rancheria of California, hereafter referred to as "The Tribes."

#### History and Description of the Remains

At an unknown date, human remains representing, at minimum, one individual were removed from Hotchkiss Mound in the lower Sacramento Valley, Contra Costa County, CA. It is unknown who originally donated the human remains to the museum. Accession records attribute the human remains to Hotchkiss Mound. Although there is no documentation regarding the transfer of the human remains to the Museum, it is likely that they were donated by the archeologist Robert F. Heizer, who

donated several other items from this area to the Museum in the 1940s. The human remains consist of an adult male. No known individuals were identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

Historical documents, ethnographic sources, and oral history indicate that the Plains Miwok and Northern Valley Yokuts have occupied this area of the Lower Sacramento Valley since precontact times. Based on archeological context and skeletal evidence, the individual was determined to be of Native American ancestry and Plains Miwok and/or Northern Valley Yokuts. The Plains Miwok and Northern Valley Yokuts are represented today by The Tribes.

#### Determinations Made by the University of Oregon Museum of Natural and Cultural History

Officials of the University of Oregon Museum of Natural and Cultural History have determined that:

- Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(9), the human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of one individual of Native American ancestry.
- Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(2), there is a relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between the Native American human remains and The Tribes.

#### Additional Requestors and Disposition

Lineal descendants or representatives of any Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization not identified in this notice that wish to request transfer of control of these human remains should submit a written request with information in support of the request to Dr. Pamela Endzweig, Director of Collections, Museum of Natural and Cultural History, 1224 University of Oregon, Eugene, OR 97403–1224, telephone (541) 346–5120, email [endzweig@uoregon.edu](mailto:endzweig@uoregon.edu), by October 10, 2018. After that date, if no additional requestors have come forward, transfer of control of the human remains to The Tribes may proceed.

The University of Oregon Museum of Natural and Cultural History is responsible for notifying The Tribes that this notice has been published.

Dated: August 3, 2018.

**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: Alfred W. Bowers Laboratory of Anthropology, University of Idaho, Moscow, ID, and Museum of the Rockies at Montana State University, Bozeman, MT**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Alfred W. Bowers Laboratory of Anthropology at the University of Idaho ("Alfred W. Bowers Laboratory of Anthropology") and the Museum of the Rockies at Montana State University ("Museum of the Rockies") have completed an inventory of human remains and associated funerary objects in consultation with the appropriate Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations, and have determined that there is no cultural affiliation between the human remains and associated funerary objects and present-day Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations. Representatives of any Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization not identified in this notice that wish to request transfer of control of these human remains and associated funerary objects should submit a written request to the Alfred W. Bowers Laboratory of Anthropology or the Museum of the Rockies. If no additional requestors come forward, transfer of control of the human remains and associated funerary objects to the Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations stated in this notice may proceed.

**DATES:** Representatives of any Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization not identified in this notice that wish to request transfer of control of these human remains and associated funerary objects should submit a written request with information in support of the request to the Alfred W. Bowers Laboratory of Anthropology or Museum of the Rockies at the address in this notice by October 10, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Leah Evans-Janke, Alfred W. Bowers Laboratory of Anthropology, 875 Perimeter Drive, MS 4023, Moscow, ID 83844–4023, telephone (208) 885–1771, email [leae@uidaho.edu](mailto:leae@uidaho.edu), or Lisa Verwys, Museum of the Rockies, 600 West Kagy Boulevard, Bozeman, MT 59717, telephone (406) 994–6622, email [lisa.verwys@montana.edu](mailto:lisa.verwys@montana.edu).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is here given in accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and

Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 25 U.S.C. 3003, of the completion of an inventory of human remains under the control of the Alfred W. Bowers Laboratory of Anthropology, Moscow, ID, and of associated funerary objects under the control of the Museum of the Rockies, Bozeman, MT. The human remains and associated funerary objects were removed from Park County, MT.

This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA, 25 U.S.C. 3003(d)(3) and 43 CFR 10.11(d). The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of the museum, institution, or Federal agency that has control of the Native American human remains and associated funerary objects. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

### Consultation

A detailed assessment of the human remains was made by the Alfred W. Bowers Laboratory of Anthropology and the Museum of the Rockies professional staff in consultation with representatives of the Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation of Montana; Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation; Fort Belknap Indian Community of the Fort Belknap Reservation of Montana; Nez Perce Tribe (previously listed as the Nez Perce Tribe of Idaho); and Northern Cheyenne Tribe of the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation, Montana. The Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes of the Fort Peck Indian Reservation, Montana; Chippewa Cree Indians of the Rocky Boy's Reservation, Montana (previously listed as the Chippewa-Cree Indians of the Rocky Boy's Reservation, Montana); and Crow Tribe of Montana were invited to consult, but did not participate (hereafter referred to as "The Invited and Consulted Tribes").

### History and Description of the Remains

In 1929, human remains representing, at minimum, two individuals were removed from a small cave in Park County, MT, by a private citizen. On November 1, 1988, the private citizen donated the human remains and objects to the Museum of the Rockies. Later that month, Carolyn A. Purcell, Museum of the Rockies Registrar, transferred the human remains to Dr. Roderick Sprague, Director of the Alfred W. Bowers Laboratory of Anthropology. The associated funerary objects were retained by the Museum of the Rockies. The human remains consist of a right and left female innominate and a right male humerus. No known individuals

were identified. The eight associated funerary objects are six flaked stone projectile points, one flaked stone drill or knife, and one digging stick of pine or spruce.

At the time of the excavation and removal of these human remains and associated funerary objects, the land from which the remains and objects were removed was not the tribal land of any Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization. In January 2018, Alfred W. Bowers Laboratory of Anthropology and Museum of the Rockies invited the Crow Tribe of Montana, who is recognized as aboriginal to the area from which these Native American human remains and associated funerary objects were removed, to consult. The Crow Tribe of Montana did not participate in consultation and did not agree to accept control of the human remains and associated funerary objects. In April 2018, the Alfred W. Bowers Laboratory of Anthropology and Museum of the Rockies agreed to transfer control of the human remains and associated funerary objects to the Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation of Montana; Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation; Fort Belknap Indian Community of the Fort Belknap Reservation of Montana; Nez Perce Tribe (previously listed as the Nez Perce Tribe of Idaho); and Northern Cheyenne Tribe of the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation, Montana.

### Determinations Made by the Alfred W. Bowers Laboratory of Anthropology and the Museum of the Rockies

Officials of the Alfred W. Bowers Laboratory of Anthropology and Museum of the Rockies have determined that:

- Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(9), the human remains described in this notice are Native American based on the associated funerary objects found with them.
- Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(9), the human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of two individuals of Native American ancestry.
- Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(3)(A), the eight objects described in this notice are reasonably believed to have been placed with or near individual human remains at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony.
- Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(2), a relationship of shared group identity cannot be reasonably traced between the Native American human remains and associated funerary objects and any present-day Indian Tribe.

- Pursuant to 43 CFR 10.11(c)(2)(i), the disposition of the human remains and associated funerary objects may be to the Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation of Montana; Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation; Fort Belknap Indian Community of the Fort Belknap Reservation of Montana; Nez Perce Tribe (previously listed as the Nez Perce Tribe of Idaho); and Northern Cheyenne Tribe of the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation, Montana.

### Additional Requestors and Disposition

Representatives of any Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization not identified in this notice that wish to request transfer of control of these human remains and associated funerary objects should submit a written request with information in support of the request to Leah Evans-Janke, Alfred W. Bowers Laboratory of Anthropology, 875 Perimeter Drive, MS 4023, Moscow, ID 83844–4023, telephone (208) 885–1771, email [leahe@uidaho.edu](mailto:leahe@uidaho.edu), or Lisa Verwys, Museum of the Rockies, 600 West Kagy Boulevard, Bozeman, MT 59717, telephone (406) 994–6622, email [lisa.verwys@montana.edu](mailto:lisa.verwys@montana.edu), by October 10, 2018. After that date, if no additional requestors have come forward, transfer of control of the human remains and associated funerary objects to Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation of Montana; Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation; Fort Belknap Indian Community of the Fort Belknap Reservation of Montana; Nez Perce Tribe (previously listed as the Nez Perce Tribe of Idaho); and Northern Cheyenne Tribe of the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation, Montana, may proceed.

The Alfred W. Bowers Laboratory of Anthropology and Museum of the Rockies are responsible for notifying The Invited and Consulted Tribes that this notice has been published.

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*Manager, National NAGPRA Program.*

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