

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 4, 2024.

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: Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), Indiana University intends to repatriate certain a cultural item that meets the definition of a sacred object 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 13, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Dr. Jayne-Leigh Thomas, NAGPRA Director, Indiana University, Student Building 318, 701 E Kirkwood Avenue, Bloomington, IN 47405, telephone (812) 856–5315, email thomajay@iu.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 Indiana University 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 item has been requested for repatriation. The one sacred object is a mask. It was collected by Mollie Geist between 1916–1931 in Barrow, Alaska.

Determinations

Indiana University has determined that:

- The one sacred object described in this notice is a specific ceremonial

object 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.

- There is a reasonable 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 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 January 13, 2025. If competing requests for repatriation are received, Indiana University 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. Indiana University 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 4, 2024.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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Notice of Inventory Completion: Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), Indiana 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 13, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Dr. Jayne-Leigh Thomas, NAGPRA Director, Indiana University, Student Building 318, 701 E Kirkwood Avenue, Bloomington, IN 47405, telephone (812) 856–5315, email thomajay@iu.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 Indiana 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, 481 individuals have been identified. The six associated funerary objects are one lot shell; one lot lithics; one lot stone; one lot charcoal; one lot faunal; and one lot ceramics. This collection was excavated from the Fisher site in Will County, Illinois by George Langford in 1926–1929 and the University of Chicago in 1940. There are no known pesticide contaminants.

Cultural Affiliation

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

Determinations

Indiana University has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of 481 individuals of Native American ancestry.
- The six 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 Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of

Oklahoma; Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Oklahoma; Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; Forest County Potawatomi Community, Wisconsin; Hannahville Indian Community, Michigan; Ho-Chunk Nation of Wisconsin; Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska; Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma; Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas; Kickapoo Tribe of Indians of the Kickapoo Reservation in Kansas; Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma; Match-e-be-nash-she-wish Band of Pottawatomie Indians of Michigan; Miami Tribe of Oklahoma; Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota (Fond du Lac Band and Mille Lacs Band); Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi, Michigan; Omaha Tribe of Nebraska; Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians, Oklahoma; Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma; Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians, Michigan and Indiana; Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation; Sac & Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas and Nebraska; Sac & Fox Nation, Oklahoma; Sac & Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa; Shawnee Tribe; and the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska.

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 13, 2025. If competing requests for repatriation are received, Indiana University 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. Indiana University is responsible for sending a copy of this notice to the Indian Tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations identified in this notice.

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

Dated: December 4, 2024.

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Manager, National NAGPRA Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Notice of Inventory Completion: The Kikuchi Center at Kaua'i Community College, Līhu'e, HI

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Kikuchi Center at Kaua'i Community College 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 13, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Jason Ford, The Kikuchi Center at Kaua'i Community College, 3–1901 Kaumuali'i Highway, Līhu'e, HI 96766, telephone (808) 245–8236, email jford9@hawaii.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 Kikuchi Center at Kaua'i Community College, 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, six individuals have been identified in the Kikuchi Center at Kaua'i Community College. The two lots of associated funerary objects are listed in the item descriptions below.

The Kikuchi Center is an archive curating the work of Dr. William Kikuchi. Dr. Kikuchi co-founded the Archaeology Research Center of Hawai'i, ARCH, with Francis Ching, Jr. He inherited a collection of ARCH project materials, including ARCH projects 14–

152 III and 14–122. These project sites are located within North and South Kona on Hawai'i island. These materials were excavated circa 1980, and the founding of the Kikuchi Center and processing of these materials began in September 2022. In March of 2024, an osteologist analyzed the bones in the collection and positively identified the listed iwi kupuna as human. These bones are associated with Native Hawaiian sites, cultural layers, and items. Some bones and bone artifacts listed are too small for identification. Due to their association with the positively identified iwi kupuna, they are being listed for consultation and repatriation, and treated as human.

Item: Human remains. Site Name: ARCH 14–122. Geographical Location: Keahole, North Kona, Hawai'i. Collection History: Excavated for ARCH 14–122 project at Keahole circa 1980, these iwi kupuna were positively identified as human by an osteologist in March 2024.

Item: Human remains and associated funerary objects. Site Name: ARCH 14–152 III, Site 4564. Geographical Location: La'aloa, Kona, Hawai'i. Collection History: Excavated for ARCH project 14–152 III circa June 1980, these iwi kupuna were identified as human by an osteologist in March 2024. Associated funerary objects: one lot of basalt and coral abraders, basalt hammer and grinding stones, adze fragments, two small adze, one breadloaf sinker, three bone awls, wood and gourd fragments, urchin files, ili konane. Additional information: Site 4564 is identified as a blister cave and contained the iwi kupuna listed above.

Item: Human remains and associated funerary objects. Site Name: ARCH 14–152 III, Site 4579. Geographical Location: La'aloa, Kona, Hawai'i. Collection History: Excavated for ARCH project 14–152 III circa June 1980, these iwi kupuna were identified as human by an osteologist in March 2024.

Associated funerary objects: two fish hooks, one lot of coral basalt abraders and hammer stones, lot of urchin files, one horse shoe, one micro adze, lot of shell beads, shell fish hook fragment, lauhala fibers, one bag of faunal bone midden, one bone awl, and one dog tooth pendant. Additional information: Site 4579 is identified as a lava tube.

Item: Human remains. Site Name: ARCH 14–152 III, Site 4581, 4559, 6482. Geographical Location: La'aloa, Kona, Hawai'i. Collection History: Excavated for ARCH project 14–152 III circa June 1980, these modified fragments were too small for positive identification by the osteologist. Preponderance of evidence suggests high likelihood they are