

repatriate a certain cultural item that meets the definition of an unassociated funerary 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 15, 2026.

**ADDRESSES:** Send additional, written requests for repatriation of the cultural item in this notice to Kathy Faz Garcia, Superintendent, Salinas Pueblo Missions National Monument, 105 South Ripley Avenue, P.O. Box #517, Mountainair, NM 87036, email [Kathy\\_Faz\\_Garcia@nps.gov](mailto:Kathy_Faz_Garcia@nps.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 Superintendent, SAPU, and additional information on the determinations in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the summary or related records.

#### Abstract of Information Available

A total of one cultural item has been requested for repatriation. The unassociated funerary object is one miniature ceramic vessel.

During a 2024 review of SAPU museum exhibits and associated documentation, an object that had been on display in the Gran Quivira Museum was found to be listed on a 2003 Unassociated Funerary Object Inventory. The miniature vessel (SAPU 3406) had been identified as missing in previous museum collections inventories. It is unknown how it ended up on display. The object was excavated as part National Park Service permitted archeological research at Mound 7 at Gran Quivira (LA 120/SAPU 2.12) by Alden Hayes in 1965–1967. The vessel's provenience was recorded as Room 12, subfloor, Burial 73 within Mound 7. It was cataloged on April 8, 1966. The unassociated funerary object is in the physical custody of the National Park Service at Salinas Pueblo Missions National Monument in Mountainair, New Mexico, and has been taken off display. The unassociated funerary object is not known to have been treated with a hazardous substance.

The unassociated funerary object is from the same accession and provenience as unassociated funerary objects repatriated in 2004. These were determined through consultation as well as a cultural affiliation study to be culturally affiliated with the Hopi Tribe of Arizona; Piro-Manso-Tiwa Indian

Tribe of the Pueblo of San Juan de Guadalupe; Pueblo of Acoma, New Mexico; Pueblo of Isleta, New Mexico; Pueblo of Jemez, New Mexico; Pueblo of Sandia, New Mexico; Santo Domingo Pueblo; Pueblo of Taos, New Mexico, Ysleta del Sur Pueblo; and the Zuni Tribe of the Zuni Reservation, New Mexico. Consultation specific to this vessel on March 11, 2025, confirmed the Ancestral Puebloan affiliation of the object, including the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo of Texas.

#### Determinations

SAPU has determined that:

- The one unassociated funerary object described in this notice is reasonably believed to have been placed intentionally with or near individual human remains, and is 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 object has 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 Ysleta del Sur Pueblo.

#### 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 15, 2026. If competing requests for repatriation are received, SAPU 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. SAPU 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: November 17, 2025.

**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: The University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the University of Kansas 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 January 15, 2026.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written requests for repatriation of the human remains in this notice to Dr. Thomas Torma, The University of Kansas, Office of Audit Risk and Compliance, 1450 Jayhawk Blvd., 351 Strong Hall, Lawrence, KS 66045, email [t-torma@ku.edu](mailto:t-torma@ku.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 University of Kansas, 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. No associated funerary objects are present. Museum records indicate that the ancestor was collected from a woodrat's nest in Granite County, MT, and accessioned into the paleontology collection at the Biodiversity Institute. In 1996, the Biodiversity Institute & Natural History Museum transferred

custody of this collection to the Museum of Anthropology. The Museum of Anthropology was closed in 2002 and the collection then was transferred back to the Biodiversity Institute & Natural History Museum.

#### 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 University of Kansas has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of one individual of Native American ancestry.
- There is a connection between the human remains described in this notice and the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation and the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of the Fort Hall Reservation.

#### Requests for Repatriation

Written requests for repatriation of the human remains 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 described in this notice to a requestor may occur on or after January 15, 2026. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the University of Kansas 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 University of Kansas 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: November 17, 2025.

**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: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Tonto National Forest, Phoenix, AZ

**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, Tonto National Forest (Tonto National Forest) has completed an inventory of human remains and associated funerary objects and 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 15, 2026.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written requests for repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice to Neil Bosworth, Tonto National Forest, 2324 E McDowell Road, Phoenix, AZ 85006, email [neil.bosworth@usda.gov](mailto:neil.bosworth@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 Tonto National Forest, and additional information on the determinations in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the inventory or related records. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

##### Abstract of Information Available

Based on the information available, human remains representing, at least, one individual have been reasonably identified. No associated funerary objects are present. On June 29, 1954, Frances S. and Alan P. Olson recorded AZ O:11:19(ASM) in Gila County, Arizona. The site was described as a surface scatter of ceramic sherds and lithic materials associated with the Central Arizona Tradition. No ancestral remains were reported. A surface collection sample was conducted by the Olsons and brought to the Arizona State Museum on an unknown date. In 2010, isolated remains consistent with human

remains were located within site survey collection boxes housed at ASM. No known individuals have been identified.

Based on the information available, human remains representing, at least, one individual have been reasonably identified. The two associated funerary objects are a ceramic jar and a ceramic bowl. In 1929, AZ O:15:1(ASM)/AR-03-12-06-54 was encountered by the Gila Pueblo Archaeological Foundation (Gila Pueblo) at the junction of Rye and Deer Creeks in Gila County, Arizona. The site was described by Gila Pueblo as a four-to-five-story pueblo featuring more than 300 rooms and ascribed to Hohokam/Salado archaeological traditions. Between 1929 and 1930, numerous burials were excavated and retained by Gila Pueblo. On March 16, 1931, a donation of collected cultural items from this site was made to ASM by Gila Pueblo. On December 16, 1950, Gila Pueblo collections not previously dispositioned by the organization were donated to ASM by Mr. and Mrs. Harold S. Gladwin. AZ O:15:1(ASM)/AR-03-12-06-54 was previously reported in a 1996 Notice of Inventory Completion and 1998 Amendment under the name "Rye Creek Ruin." No known individual has been identified.

Based on the information available, human remains representing, at least, 21 individuals have been reasonably identified. The 51 associated funerary objects are a lithic biface, a ceramic bowl, bulk faunal bone, bulk flaked stone, bulk ground stone, bulk shell, lithic projectile points, botanical samples, ceramic sherds, and a ceramic vessel. From July 9 to October 5, 1971, AZ O:15:31(ASM)/AR-03-12-06-582 was excavated by ASM as part of a Highway Salvage Program. The site was described as a large Hohokam Colonial Period habitation site located on a small ridge north of Hardt Creek and east of Jake's Corner in Gila County, Arizona. On April 17, 1972, collections from AZ O:15:31(ASM)/AR-03-12-06-582 were received by ASM. This site was previously included in a 1996 Notice of Inventory Completion under the name "Ushklish Ruin." No known individuals have been identified.

Based on the information available, human remains representing, at least, one individual have been reasonably identified. No associated funerary objects are present. In 1988 and 1989, AZ O:15:52(ASM) was excavated in Gila County, Arizona as part of the Rye Creek Testing and Mitigation Project by Desert Archaeology. The site was described as a small Hohokam pit house village located southwest of Rye Creek on the northern terrace of Deer Creek. On April 1, 1990, ancestral remains were loaned