

or after August 14, 2026. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the DMNS 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 DMNS 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.

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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: Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum, Honolulu, HI

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum (BPBM) intends to repatriate certain cultural items that meet the definition of unassociated funerary objects 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 August 14, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send additional, written requests for repatriation of the cultural items in this notice to Jill Sommer, NAGPRA Coordinator, Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum, 1525 Bernice Street, Honolulu, HI 96817, email BM.NAGPRA@bishopmuseum.org.

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 BPBM 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 approximately 687 cultural items, identified collectively as “Lots 10–83 (with additional pieces)” or “Lots 10–83+”, have been requested for repatriation. The approximately 687 unassociated funerary objects are predominantly kapa samples, but also include canoe fragments, pandanus mat fragments, additional mat fragments, wooden fire sticks, bundles, lauhala, cordage and fiber supports, wood fragments, netting samples, and a beaded necklace with dog tooth. These items represent multiple acquisitions, between approximately 1905 and 1985, originating from the Honoko'a Gulch Cave Complex (also known as the Kawaihae, Forbes, and Mummy Caves), Hawai'i Island. Based on BPBM accession records, approximately 646 pieces of kapa samples, bundles, and fragments are attributed to Forbes Cave (approximately 16%), Mummy Cave (approximately 6%), Kukui o Umi Cave (approximately 38%), and mixed cave contexts (approximately 40%). Historical accounts and physical evidence, among other information, indicate that the kapa, cordage, mats, canoe fragments, and related cultural materials removed from the Honoko'a Gulch Cave Complex were used as part of traditional Native Hawaiian burial practices.

Determinations

The BPBM has determined that:

- The 687 unassociated funerary objects described in this notice are reasonably believed to have been placed with or near human remains at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony of a Native American culture. The unassociated funerary objects have 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 items described in this notice and the Mary Kawena Pukui Cultural Preservation Society; the 'Ohana Diamond; the 'Ohana Kekumano; the 'Ohana Keohokālole; the 'Ohana Olds; and the Temple of Lono.

Requests for Repatriation

Additional, written requests for repatriation of the cultural items 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 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 Native Hawaiian organization.

Repatriation of the cultural items in this notice to a requestor may occur on or after August 14, 2026. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the BPBM 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 BPBM is responsible for sending a copy of this notice to the 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.

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Melanie O'Brien,

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National Park Service

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NPS0043221; PPWOCRADN0–
PCU00RP14.R50000]

Notice of Intended Repatriation: Franklin Pierce University, Rindge, NH

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Franklin Pierce University intends to repatriate certain cultural items that meet the definition of unassociated funerary objects 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 August 14, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send additional, written requests for repatriation of the cultural items in this notice to A. Joseph Sarcinella, Drummond Woodsum, 84 Marginal Way, Suite 600, Portland, ME 04101 email asarcinella@dwmlaw.com.

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 Franklin Pierce 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 19 cultural items have been requested for repatriation. The 19 unassociated funerary objects are unknown items from grave, lithics (Unknown Arkansas).

Determinations

The Franklin Pierce University has determined that:

- The 19 unassociated funerary objects described in this notice are reasonably believed to have been placed intentionally with or near human remains, and are 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 objects have 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 items described in this notice and The Osage Nation.

Requests for Repatriation

Additional, written requests for repatriation of the cultural items 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 items in this notice to a requestor may occur on or after August 14, 2026. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the Franklin Pierce University 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

Franklin Pierce 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: July 7, 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 Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the University of Michigan has completed an inventory of human remains (hereinafter referred to as “Ancestral remains” or “Ancestor”) and has determined that there is a cultural affiliation between the Ancestral remains and Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations in this notice.

DATES: Repatriation of the Ancestral remains in this notice may occur on or after August 14, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send written requests for repatriation of the Ancestral remains in this notice to Dr. Ben Secunda, NAGPRA Office Managing Director, University of Michigan, Office of Research, Suite G269, Lane Hall, Ann Arbor, MI 48109–1274, email bsecunda@umich.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 Michigan, 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

Ancestral remains representing, at least, one individual have been

identified. No associated funerary objects are present. In September of 1934, the Ancestor was removed from an unspecified location about 40 miles NE of Shishmaref Alaska, and a few hundred yards from the beach. Mr. C.T. Stenson donated the Ancestral remains to the U–M Museum of Anthropological Archaeology (UMMAA) in June of 1938. The Ancestor is an adult 30+ years possible male. No time period can be determined.

The University of Michigan has no record of, nor do its officials have any knowledge of, any treatment of the Ancestral remains with pesticides, preservatives, or other substances that represent a potential hazard to the collection or to persons handling the collection.

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 Ancestral remains described in this notice.

Determinations

The University of Michigan has determined that:

- The Ancestral remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of one individual of Native American ancestry.
- There is a connection between the Ancestral remains described in this notice and the Native Village of Shishmaref.

Requests for Repatriation

Written requests for repatriation of the Ancestral 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 Ancestral remains described in this notice to a requestor may occur on or after August 14, 2026. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the University of Michigan must determine the most appropriate requestor prior to repatriation. Requests for joint repatriation of the Ancestral remains are considered a single request and not competing requests. The University of Michigan is responsible