## **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

## **National Park Service**

Notice of Inventory Completion for Native American Human Remains From Hawaii in the Possession of the Peabody Essex Museum, Salem, MA

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, DoI. **ACTION:** Notice.

Notice is hereby given in accordance with provisions of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 43 CFR 10.9, of the completion of an inventory of human remains from Hawaii in the possession of the Peabody Essex Museum, Salem, MA. This notice is being published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA, 43 CFR 10.2 (c). The determinations within this notice are the sole responsibility of the museum, institution, or Federal Agency who has control of these Native American human remains and associated funerary objects. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations within this notice.

A detailed assessment of the human remains was made by Peabody Essex Museum professional staff in consultation with representatives of Hui Malama I Na Kupuna O Hawai'i Nei, Ka Lahui Hawai'i, and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

In 1800, human remains representing one individual in the form of a fish hook from Hawaii were donated to the Peabody Essex Museum by John Derby. No known individual was identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

In 1802, human remains representing one individual in the form of a fish hook from Hawaii were donated to the Peabody Essex Museum by Captain William Bunker. No known individual was identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

In 1916, human remains representing one individual in the form of a fish hook from Hawaii were donated to the Peabody Essex Museum by the Museum of the American Indian (Heye Foundation). No known individual was identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

In 1922, human remains representing one individual in the form of a fish hook from Hawaii were depositied with the Peabody Essex Museum by the Worcester Historical Society. In 1996, these human remains were gifted to the Peabody Essex Museum by the Worcester Historical Society. No known individual was identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

Before 1868, human remains representing one individual in the form of a fish hook were collected from Hawaii by Rev. Asa Thurston. In 1925, these human remains were donated to the Peabody Essex Museum by Stephen W. Phillips. No known individual was identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

Between 1928–1932, human remains representing three individuals in the forms of two fish hooks and a fishing net needle were collected from Hawaii by F. Walter Bergmann. In 1957, these human remains were donated to the Peabody Essex Museum by F. Walter Bergmann. No known individuals were identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

Consultation evidence presented by representatives of Hui Malama I Na Kupuna O Hawai'i Nei indicates these objects are human remains.

Based on the above mentioned information, officials of the Peabody Essex Museum have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(1), the human remains listed above represent the physical remains of at least eight individuals of Native American ancestry. Officials of the Peabody Essex Museum have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (e), there is a relationship of shared group identity which can be reasonably traced between these Native American human remains and Hui Malama I Na Kupuna O Hawai'i Nei, Ka Lahui Hawai'i, and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

This notice has been sent to officials of the Hui Malama I Na Kupuna O Hawai'i Nei, Ka Lahui Hawai'i, and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. Representatives of any other Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with these human remains should contact Christina Hellmich, Director of Collections Management, Peabody Essex Museum, East India Square, Salem, MA 01970; telephone (978) 745-1876, facimile (978) 744-003, before August 21, 2000. Repatriation of the human remains to Hui Malama I Na Kupuna O Hawai'i Nei, Ka Lahui Hawai'i, and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs may begin after that date if no additional claimants come forward.

Dated: June 13, 2000.

# John Robbins,

Assistant Director, Cultural Resources Stewardship and Partnerships. [FR Doc. 00–18462 Filed 7–20–00; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4310–70–F

## **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

### **National Park Service**

Notice of Inventory Completion for Native American Human Remains in the Possession of the Washington State Historical Society, Tacoma, WA

**AGENCY:** National Park Service. **ACTION:** Notice.

Notice is hereby given in accordance with provisions of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 43 CFR 10.9, of the completion of an inventory of human remains in the possession of the Washington State Historical Society, Tacoma, WA. This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA, 43 CFR 10.2 (c). The determinations within this notice are the sole responsibility of the museum, institution, or Federal agency that has control of these Native American human remains and associated funerary objects. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations within this notice.

A detailed assessment of the human remains was made by Washington State Historical Society professional staff in consultation with representatives of the Puyallup Tribe of the Puyallup Reservation, Washington.

At an unknown date, human remains representing four individuals came into the collection of the Washington State Historical Society through unknown circumstances. No known individuals were identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

No museum documentation exists to identify the origin of these human remains, and all identified possible donors of these human remains are now deceased. Based on skeletal morphology, these individuals have been identified as Native American.

Based on the above-mentioned information, officials of the Washington State Historical Society have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(1), the human remains listed above represent the physical remains of four individuals of Native American ancestry. Officials of the Washington State Historical Society have further determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (e), there is no relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between these Native American human remains and any Indian tribe. Pursuant to the NAGPRA Review Committee's recommendations at the April 2-4, 2000 meeting in Juneau, AK, officials of the Washington

State Historical Society are proceeding with the repatriation of these Native American human remains to the Puyallup Tribe of the Puyallup Reservation, Washington. This notice has been sent to officials of the Puyallup Tribe of the Puvallup Reservation, Washington. Representatives of any other Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with these human remains should contact Lynette Miller, Curator, Washington State Historical Society, 315 North Stadium Way, Tacoma, WA 98403, telephone (253) 798-5925, before August 21, 2000. Repatriation of the human remains to the Puyallup Tribe of the Puyallup Reservation, Washington may begin after that date if no additional claimants come forward.

Dated: June 19, 2000.

#### John Robbins.

Assistant Director, Cultural Resources Stewardship and Partnerships. [FR Doc. 00–18467 Filed 7–20–00; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4310–70–F

# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### **Bureau of Reclamation**

Quarterly Status Report of Water Service, Repayment, and Other Water-Related Contract Negotiations

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of proposed contractual actions that are new, modified, discontinued, or completed since the last publication of this notice on April 19, 2000. The January 21, 2000, notice should be used as a reference point to identify changes. 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. Additional Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) 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. 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 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.

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.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sandra L. Simons, Manager, Water Contracts and Repayment Office, Bureau of Reclamation, PO Box 25007, Denver, Colorado 80225–0007; telephone 303– 445–2902.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant** to section 226 of the Reclamation Reform Act of 1982 (96 Stat. 1273) and 43 CFR 426.20 of the rules and regulations published in 52 FR 11954, Apr. 13, 1987, Reclamation will publish notice of the 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. Pursuant to the "Final Revised Public Participation Procedures" for water resource-related contract negotiations, published in 47 FR 7763, Feb. 22, 1982, a tabulation is provided of all proposed contractual actions in each of the five Reclamation regions. Each proposed action is, or is expected to be, in some stage of the contract negotiation process in 2000. When contract negotiations are completed, and prior to execution, each proposed contract form must be approved by the Secretary of the Interior, or pursuant to delegated or redelegated authority, the Commissioner of Reclamation or one of the regional directors. In some instances, congressional review and approval of a report, water rate, or other terms and conditions of the contract may be involved.

Public participation in and receipt of comments on contract proposals will be facilitated by adherence to the following procedures:

1. Only persons authorized to act on behalf of the contracting entities may negotiate the terms and conditions of a specific contract proposal.

2. Advance notice of meetings or hearings will be furnished to those parties that have made a timely written request for such notice to the appropriate regional or project office of Reclamation.

- 3. Written correspondence regarding proposed contracts may be made available to the general public pursuant to the terms and procedures of the Freedom of Information Act (80 Stat. 383), as amended.
- 4. Written comments on a proposed contract or contract action must be submitted to the appropriate regional officials at the locations and within the time limits set forth in the advance public notices.
- 5. All written comments received and testimony presented at any public hearings will be reviewed and summarized by the appropriate regional office for use by the contract approving authority.
- 6. Copies of specific proposed contracts may be obtained from the appropriate regional director or his designated public contact as they become available for review and comment.
- 7. In the event modifications are made in the form of a proposed contract, the appropriate regional director shall determine whether republication of the notice and/or extension of the comment period is necessary.

Factors considered in making such a determination shall include, but are not limited to: (i) The significance of the modification, and (ii) the degree of public interest which has been expressed over the course of the negotiations. As a minimum, the regional director shall furnish revised contracts to all parties who requested the contract in response to the initial public notice.

# **Acronym Definitions Used Herein**

(BON) Basis of Negotiation (BCP) Boulder Canyon Project (CAP) Central Arizona Project (CUP) Central Utah Project (CVP) Central Valley Project (CRSP) Colorado River Storage Project (D&MC) Drainage and Minor Construction (FR) Federal Register (IDD) Irrigation and Drainage District (ID) Irrigation District (M&I) Municipal and Industrial

(NEPA) National Environmental Policy
Act
(O&M) Operation and Maintenance

(P-SMBP) Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin
Program

(PPR) Present Perfected Right (RRA) Reclamation Reform Act

(R&B) Rehabilitation and Betterment (SOD) Safety of Dams

(SRPA) Small Reclamation Projects Act

(WCUA) Water Conservation and Utilization Act