# **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

### **Bureau of Indian Affairs**

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# Bureau of Indian Education Strategic Plan

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of tribal consultations.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) will conduct a series of consultation sessions regarding its proposed strategic plan. The BIE will conduct five on-site tribal consultation sessions and one telephonic session. The on-site consultation sessions will be held at geographically diverse locations across the country to maximize Tribal input early in the process. The telephonic session will be held on December 14, 2017.

**DATES:** The BIE will conduct the following five on-site consultation sessions and one telephonic consultation. The on-site sessions will be held:

- 1. Wednesday November 15, 2017, in Salem, OR from 1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. PST.
- 2. Tuesday November 28, 2017, in Anadarko, OK from 1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. CST.
- 3. Tuesday December 5, 2017, in Bismarck, ND from 1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. MDT.
- 4. Tuesday December 12, 2017, in Albuquerque, NM from 1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. MDT.

The last session will be held telephonically and by webinar on Thursday December 14, 2017, by calling 631–992–3221 and entering the passcode 759–763–471. The Web site for the webinar is https://attendee.goto webinar.com/register/772775073559 5699458, and the webinar ID is 993–210–731. This session can accommodate 500 participants.

**ADDRESSES:** The on-site sessions will be held at the following locations:

- Wednesday November 15, 2017, onsite consultation session will be held at Chemawa Indian School Auditorium, 3700 Chemawa Road NE., Salem, OR 97305
- Tuesday November 28, 2017, on-site consultation session will be held at Riverside Indian School, 101 Riverside Drive, Anadarko, OK 73005
- Tuesday December 5, 2017, on-site consultation session will be held at United Tribes Technical College, Lewis Goodhouse Wellness Center,

- 3315 University Drive, Bismarck, ND 58504
- Tuesday December 12, 2017, on-site consultation session will be held at the National Indian Programs Training Center, 1011 Indian School Road NW., Albuquerque, NM 87104

The draft strategic plan will be available at: https://www.bie.edu/consultation/index.htm. Send written comments to Ms. Paulina Bell, Bureau of Indian Education, by any of the following methods: (Preferred method) email: paulina.bell@bie.edu; mail, handcarry or use an overnight courier service to Bureau of Indian Education, ATTN: Ms. Paulina Bell, RE: BIE Draft Strategic Plan Consultation Comments, 1849 C Street NW., Mail Stop 3609, Washington, DC 20240.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Paulina Bell, Bureau of Indian Education; telephone: (202) 208–3479.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The BIE is committed to improving and enhancing its service delivery and improving the education of Indian students served by BIE-funded schools. The BIE is developing a bureau-wide strategic plan to guide its work and service delivery to students, schools, and tribes. To that end, the BIE recently engaged its staff in a process of strategic performance planning with the intention of submitting the proposed *draft* strategic plan for collaborative and meaningful consultation with Tribes early in the process.

On March 8, 2017, April 11, 2017, June 14, 2017, July 18–20, 2017, and August 29–30, 2017, the BIE convened local, regional, and central office BIE personnel in order to formulate proposed strategic plan vision, mission, and organizational values statements as well as goals and strategies to implement the goals in the planning process.

In order to ensure that its strategic planning efforts result in a high quality, effective, and useful plan, BIE partnered with external subject matter expert organizations specializing in educational strategic performance planning, including the Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO), the South Central Comprehensive Center located at the University of Oklahoma (SC3), and the Building State Capacity and Productivity Center (BSCPC). These organizations are providing BIE with valuable technical subject matter expertise and shared best practices in developing an effective, five-year strategic plan proposal with which to engage tribes in meaningful and timely consultation.

BIE emphasizes that it is early in the strategic planning process and views the proposed strategic plan as a useful *draft* document that will assist Tribes in affording meaningful and substantive input during the scheduled consultation sessions. BIE earnestly appreciates and values any constructive input regarding its *draft* strategic plan and invites tribes, tribal leaders, and/or their designees to consult on the proposed plan during the aforementioned meetings.

Dated: October 11, 2017.

# Tony Dearman,

Director, Bureau of Indian Education.
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#### **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

#### **National Park Service**

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Notice of Inventory Completion: Wisconsin Historical Society, Madison, WI

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

**SUMMARY:** The Wisconsin Historical Society has completed an inventory of human remains in consultation with the appropriate Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations, and has determined that there is no cultural affiliation between the human remains and any 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 should submit a written request to the Wisconsin Historical Society. If no additional requestors come forward, transfer of control of the human remains 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 should submit a written request with information in support of the request to the Wisconsin Historical Society at the address in this notice by November 16, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Jennifer Kolb, Wisconsin Historical Society, 816 State St., Madison, WI 53706, telephone (608) 264–6434, email Jennifer.Kolb@wisconsinhistory.org.

**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 Wisconsin Historical Society, Madison, WI. The human remains were removed from Pickerel Island, Vilas County, WI.

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. 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 Wisconsin Historical Society professional staff in consultation with representatives of Forest County Potawatomi Community, Wisconsin; Ho-Chunk Nation of Wisconsin; Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of the Lac du Flambeau Reservation of Wisconsin; Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin; and the Upper Sioux Community, Minnesota.

# History and Description of the Remains

In 1991, human remains representing, at minimum, one individual were removed from Pickerel Island (47-VI-0197) in Vilas County, WI. The human remains are from multiple discoveries and excavations but collectively represent one adult male. They were originally found eroding out of a slope caused by ice expansion on the northwestern portion of the island in 1991 by the President of the Big St. Germain Lake Home Owners Association. In 1992, the WHS in conjunction with the Wisconsin Valley Improvement Company, the Mississippi Valley Archaeology Center, and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources excavated the rest of the burial, which they determined to be in a secondary burial context. The human remains were then taken to the Wisconsin Historical Society that same vear. No known individuals were identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

# Determinations Made by the Wisconsin Historical Society

Officials of the Wisconsin Historical Society have determined that:

• Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(9), the human remains described in this notice are Native American based on Wisconsin Historical Society records, burial location, archeological context, oral histories, and skeletal analysis.

- 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), a relationship of shared group identity cannot be reasonably traced between the Native American human remains and any present-day Indian Tribe.
- Treaties, Acts of Congress, or Executive Orders indicate that the land from which the Native American human remains were removed is the aboriginal land of the Bad River Band of the Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians of the Bad River Reservation, Wisconsin; Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin: Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of the Lac du Flambeau Reservation of Wisconsin; Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, Michigan; Leech Lake Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; Mille Lacs Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin; and White Earth Band of Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota (hereafter referred to as The Aboriginal Land Tribes).
- Pursuant to 43 CFR 10.11(c)(1), the disposition of the human remains may be to The Aboriginal Land Tribes.

# 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 should submit a written request with information in support of the request to Jennifer Kolb, Wisconsin Historical Society, 816 State St., Madison, WI 53706, telephone (608) 264–6434, email Jennifer.Kolb@wisconsinhistory.org, by November 16, 2017. After that date, if no additional requestors have come forward, transfer of control of the human remains to The Aboriginal Land Tribes may proceed.

The Wisconsin Historical Society is responsible for notifying The Aboriginal Land Tribes and the Forest County Potawatomi Community, Wisconsin; Ho-Chunk Nation of Wisconsin; Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin; and the Upper Sioux Community, Minnesota, that this notice has been published.

Dated: September 5, 2017.

# Melanie O'Brien,

Manager, National NAGPRA Program. [FR Doc. 2017–22432 Filed 10–16–17; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4312–52–P

# **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

# **National Park Service**

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Notice of Inventory Completion: U.S. Department of Defense, Defense Health Agency, National Museum of Health and Medicine, Silver Spring, MD

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

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Defense, Defense Health Agency, National Museum of Health and Medicine, has completed an inventory of human remains, in consultation with the appropriate Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations, and has determined that there is no cultural affiliation between the human remains and any 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 should submit a written request to the National Museum of Health and Medicine. If no additional requestors come forward, transfer of control of the human remains 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 should submit a written request with information in support of the request to the National Museum of Health and Medicine at the address in this notice by November 16, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Mr. Brian F. Spatola, Curator of Anatomical Division, National Museum of Health and Medicine, U.S. Army Garrison Forest Glen, 2500 Linden Lane, Silver Spring, MD 20910, telephone (301) 319–3353, email brian.f.spatola.civ@mail.mil.

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 National Museum of Health and Medicine, Silver Spring, MD. The human remains were removed from the Moundville site (1TU500) in Hale County, AL.

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).