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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Notice of Inventory Completion: Mississippi Department of Archives and History, Jackson, MS

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Mississippi Department of Archives and History has completed an inventory of associated funerary objects and has determined that there is a cultural affiliation between the associated funerary objects and Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations in this notice.

DATES: Repatriation of the associated funerary objects in this notice may occur on or after [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE **FEDERAL REGISTER**].

ADDRESSES: Send written requests for repatriation of the associated funerary objects in this notice to Cindy-Carter Davis, Chief Archaeologist, Mississippi Department of Archives and History, Historic Preservation Division, 100 South State Street, P.O. Box 571, Jackson, MS 39205, email *ccarterdavis@mdah.ms.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 Mississippi Department of Archives and History 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

Based on the information available, in 2018 human remains from 22TU500 (Hollywood) were listed in a Notice of Inventory Completion, published in the *Federal Register* on April 13,

2018 (FR 2018-07699). In 2021, human remains from 22UN500 (Ingomar), 22TU514 (Mhoon Landing/Perry), and additional human remains and AFO from 22TU500 (Hollywood) were listed in a Notice of Inventory Completion, published in the *Federal Register* on January 22, 2021 (FR 2021-01340). In 2022, additional human remains and AFO from 22UN500 (Ingomar), 22TU500 (Hollywood), and 22TU514 (Mhoon Landing/Perry) were listed in a Notice of Inventory Completion, published in the *Federal Register* on July 14, 2022 (FR 2022-15041). Also in 2022, human remains and AFO from 22QU501 (Ware), 22QU502 (Tom Harris Place), 22QU531 (Blue Lake), and 22QU570 (Crawford) were listed in a Notice of Inventory Completion, published in the *Federal Register* on July 14, 2022 (FR 2022-15042). In 2023, additional AFO from 22QU531 (Blue Lake) were listed in a Notice of Inventory Completion, published in the *Federal Register* on March 29, 2023 (FR 2023-06474). In 2025, human remains from 22PA10 (Mothershead) were listed in a Notice of Inventory Completion, published in the *Federal Register* on December 16, 2025 (FR 2025- 22921). These human remains and associated funerary objects were repatriated to The Chickasaw Nation. This current notice includes additional associated funerary objects not included in the previous repatriations by the Mississippi Department of Archives and History.

No human remains are present; additional objects associated with human remains from 22TU500 (Hollywood) have been identified. The four lots of associated funerary objects consist of one lot fired clay, one lot bead, one lot soil sample, and one lot finescreen. Most of the collections from this site were recovered by MDAH throughout the 1990s. A surface collection was recovered from the site between 1965-1971 and transferred from the C.H. Nash Museum at Chucalissa to the Desoto County Museum in 2012 then transferred to MDAH between 2015-2019. A private individual, Burt Jaeger, donated a collection to MDAH in 2009. An additional collection was transferred from the University of Mississippi to MDAH in 2026.

No human remains are present; additional objects associated with human remains from 22TU514 (Mhoon Landing/Perry) have been identified. The three lots of associated funerary objects consist of one lot ceramics, one lot lithic, and one lot fired clay. In 1983, a surface collection identified as the Osborn Collection was removed from the site and donated to the C.H. Nash Museum at Chucalissa. This collection was later transferred to the Desoto County Museum

in 2012 and then transferred to MDAH between 2015- 2019.

No human remains are present; additional objects associated with human remains from 22UN500 (Ingomar) have been identified. The four lots of associated funerary objects consist of one lot lithic, one lot ceramics, one lot daub, and one lot shell. A collection recovered from this site by Moreau B. Chambers in the 1930s was transferred from the Louisiana State University's Museum of Natural Science to MDAH in 2021. Another surface collection was jointly recovered by the C.H. Nash Museum and Memphis State University in 1964 and transferred from the C.H. Nash Museum at Chucalissa to MDAH in 2015. An additional collection has no provenience information.

No human remains are present; additional objects associated with human remains from 22QU501 (Ware) have been identified. The two lots of associated funerary objects consist of one lot lithic and one lot ceramics. The collection was recovered from this site by a private individual at an unknown date.

No human remains are present; additional objects associated with human remains from 22QU502 (Tom Harris Place) have been identified. The one lot of associated funerary objects consist of one lot lithic. A collection removed from this site was transferred from the University of Mississippi to MDAH in 2021. An additional collection has no provenience information.

No human remains are present; additional objects associated with human remains from 22QU531 (Blue Lake) have been identified. The two lots of associated funerary objects consist of one lot lithic and one lot ceramics. A collection was recovered from the site by a private individual and donated to MDAH at an unknown date. An additional collection has no provenience information.

No human remains are present; additional objects associated with human remains from 22QU570 (Crawford) have been identified. The three lots of associated funerary objects consist of one lot lithic, one lot ochre, and one lot organic materials. The collection recovered from this site has no provenience information.

No human remains are present; additional objects associated with human remains from 22PA10 (Mothershead) have been identified. The three lots of associated funerary objects consist

of one lot lithic, one lot Native American ceramics, and one lot faunal bone awls. The collection was recovered from this site by a private individual.

Through Tribal consultation, these 22 lots of associated funerary objects were identified as culturally affiliated with The Chickasaw Nation. To our knowledge, no potentially hazardous substances were used to treat any of the associated funerary objects.

Cultural affiliation

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

Determinations

The Mississippi Department of Archives and History has determined that:

- The 22 lots of 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 associated funerary objects described in this notice and The Chickasaw Nation.

Requests for Repatriation

Written requests for repatriation of the 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 associated funerary objects described in this notice to a requestor may occur on or after [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE **FEDERAL REGISTER**]. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the Mississippi

Department of Archives and History must determine the most appropriate requestor prior to repatriation. Requests for joint repatriation of the associated funerary objects are considered a single request and not competing requests. The Mississippi Department of Archives and History is responsible for sending a copy of this notice to the Indian Tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations identified in this notice and any other consulting parties.

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

Dated: August 20, 2026.

Melanie O'Brien,
Manager, National NAGPRA Program.
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