

Mississippi in Iowa; the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan, Isabella Reservation; the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Michigan; the Sokagon Chippewa Community of the Mole Lake Band of Chippewa Indians, Wisconsin; St. Croix Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin, St. Croix Reservation; and the White Earth Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Indian Tribe, Minnesota. Representatives of any other Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with these human remains and associated funerary objects should contact Barbara Isaac, Repatriation Coordinator, Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology, 11 Divinity Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02138, telephone (617) 495-2254, before April 19, 2001. Repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects to the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community of L'Anse and Ontonagon Band of Chippewa Indians of the L'Anse Reservation may begin after that date if no additional claimants come forward.

Dated: March 1, 2001.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Inventory Completion for Native American Human Remains and Associated Funerary Objects in the Control of the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Washington, DC, and in the Possession of the Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

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 and associated funerary objects in the control of the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Washington, DC, and in the possession of the Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.

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 Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology and Bureau of Indian Affairs professional staff in consultation with representatives of the Bad River Band of the Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians of the Bad River Reservation, Wisconsin; the Bay Mills Indian Community of the Sault Ste. Marie Band of Chippewa Indians, Bay Mills Reservation, Michigan; the Boise Fort Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; the Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Oklahoma; the Fond du Lac Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; the Forest County Potawatomi Community of Wisconsin Potawatomi Indians, Wisconsin; the Grand Portage Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians of Michigan; the Hannahville Indian Community of Wisconsin Potawatomi Indians of Michigan; Huron Potawatomi, Inc., Michigan; the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community of L'Anse and Ontonagon Band of Chippewa Indians of the L'Anse Reservation, Michigan; the Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of the Lac Courte Oreilles Reservation of Wisconsin; the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Michigan; the Leech Lake Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians of Michigan; the Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians of Michigan; the Match-e-be-nash-she-wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians of Michigan; the Mille Lacs Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; the Ottawa Tribe of Oklahoma; the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians of Michigan; the Prairie Band of Potawatomi Indians, Kansas; the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin; the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians of the Red Lake Reservation, Minnesota; the Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas and Nebraska; the Sac and Fox Nation, Oklahoma; the Sac and Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa; the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan, Isabella Reservation; the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Michigan; the Sokagon Chippewa Community of the Mole Lake Band of Chippewa Indians, Wisconsin; St. Croix

Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin, St. Croix Reservation; and the White Earth Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Indian Tribe, Minnesota.

In 1915, human remains representing nine individuals were recovered from a site 3 miles northwest of Byron, MI, by Arthur W. Carpenter as part of a Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology expedition. In 1915, these human remains were donated to the Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology by Mr. Carpenter. No known individuals were identified. The two associated funerary objects are two masses of fabric with attached metal ornaments.

Museum records describe the site 3 miles northwest of Byron, MI, as an "Ojibwa Historic Burial Site, Keetchewaundaugnink Reservation." Consultation with representatives of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan, Isabella Reservation indicates that the Keetchewaundaugnink Reservation was an early reservation of the Saginaw Chippewa in the historic period.

Based on the specific cultural attribution in museum records, geographical and historical evidence, these human remains and associated funerary objects are considered to be affiliated with the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan, Isabella Reservation.

Based on the above-mentioned information, officials of the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(1), the human remains listed above represent the physical remains of nine individuals of Native American ancestry. Officials of the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology also have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(2), the two objects listed above are reasonably believed to have been placed with or near individual human remains at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony. Lastly, officials of the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (e), there is a relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between these Native American human remains and associated funerary objects and the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan, Isabella Reservation. This notice has been sent to officials of the Bad River Band of the Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians of the Bad River Reservation, Wisconsin; the Bay Mills Indian Community of the Sault Ste. Marie Band

of Chippewa Indians, Bay Mills Reservation, Michigan; the Boise Fort Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; the Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Oklahoma; the Fond du Lac Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; the Forest County Potawatomi Community of Wisconsin Potawatomi Indians, Wisconsin; the Grand Portage Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians of Michigan; the Hannahville Indian Community of Wisconsin Potawatomi Indians of Michigan; Huron Potawatomi, Inc., Michigan; the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community of L'Anse and Ontonagon Band of Chippewa Indians of the L'Anse Reservation, Michigan; the Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of the Lac Courte Oreilles Reservation of Wisconsin; the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Michigan; the Leech Lake Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians of Michigan; the Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians of Michigan; the Match-e-be-nash-she-wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians of Michigan; the Mille Lacs Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; the Ottawa Tribe of Oklahoma; the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians of Michigan; the Prairie Band of Potawatomi Indians, Kansas; the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin; the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians of the Red Lake Reservation, Minnesota; the Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas and Nebraska; the Sac and Fox Nation, Oklahoma; the Sac and Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa; the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan, Isabella Reservation; the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Michigan; the Sokagon Chippewa Community of the Mole Lake Band of Chippewa Indians, Wisconsin; the St. Croix Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin, St. Croix Reservation; and the White Earth Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Indian Tribe, Minnesota. Representatives of any other Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with these human remains and associated funerary objects should contact Barbara Isaac, Repatriation Coordinator, Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology, 11 Divinity Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02138, telephone (617) 495-2254, before April 19, 2001. Repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects to the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe

of Michigan, Isabella Reservation may begin after that date if no additional claimants come forward.

Dated: March 1, 2001.

John Robbins,

Assistant Director, Cultural Resources Stewardship and Partnerships.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Appalachian National Scenic Trail; Notice of Realty Action

AGENCY: National Park Service.

ACTION: Notice of realty action.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a proposed exchange of a federally-owned easement interest for easement interests in private lands both located in Putnam County, New York. The proposed exchange will benefit the United States by acquisition of 63.28 acres in easement interest. A portion of this land is encumbered with an easement already owned by the United States. This area includes 1.52 miles of the Appalachian Trail (AT) footpath. The new easement will supercede the previous easement acquired in Deed Book 829, Page 230. It will provide enhanced permanent protection for the AT and relocate the footpath away from recently developed property. In exchange the United States will release a portion of the previously acquired easement to the Friars of the Atonement resulting in 1.81 acres in the vicinity of their improvements being unencumbered by a Federal interest and will allow a reservation for the sewer lines in the area.

I. The following described Federally-owned easement acquired by the National Park Service, has been determined to be suitable for disposal by exchange. The selected Federal land is within the protective corridor for the Appalachian National Scenic Trail. The land has been surveyed for cultural resources and endangered and threatened species. These reports are available upon request.

A Federally owned easement interest is to be exchanged: Tracts 277-49/51/53/55 are an easement acquired by the United States of America by deed recorded in Deed Book 829, Page 230, in the Clerk's Office of Putnam County, State of New York. Conveyance by the United States will be done by a Quitclaim Deed.

II. In exchange for the interest described in Paragraph I above, the

Friars of the Atonement will convey to the United States of America a right-of-way easement interest in land located within the boundaries of the protective corridor for the Appalachian National Scenic Trail.

The interest in the land to be acquired by the United States of America is described as follows: Tract 277-31, is an easement containing 63.28 acres acquired by the Friars of the Atonement by deeds recorded in Deed Book 123, Page 250; Deed Book 123, Page 249; Deed Book 131, Page 295; Deed Book 144, Page 106; Deed Book 152, Page 434; Deed Book 456, Page 256; Deed Book 474, Page 329; Deed Book 530, Page 405; Deed Book 635, Page 197 and Deed Book 709, Page 133; all recorded in the Clerk's Office of Putnam County, State of New York. The conveyance will be done by General Warranty Deed.

The value of the interests to be exchanged shall be determined by current fair market value appraisals and if they are not appropriately equal, the values shall be equalized by a cash payment.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The authority for this exchange is Section 5(b) of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act Amendments in Public Law 90-401, approved July 15, 1968, and section 7(f) of the National Trails System Act, Public Law 90-543, as amended.

Detailed information concerning this exchange including precise legal descriptions, Land Protection Plan and Cultural reports are available at the address below.

For a period of 45 days from the date of this notice, interested parties may submit written comments to the address below. Adverse comments will be evaluated and this action may be modified or vacated accordingly. In the absence of any action to modify or vacate, this realty action will become the final determination of the Department of the Interior.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Chief, Acquisition Division, National Park Service, Appalachian Trail Land Acquisition Field Office, PO Box 908, Martinsburg, West Virginia 25402-0908, (304) 263-4943.

Dated: November 3, 2000.

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Park Manager, Appalachian National Scenic Trail.

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