

LOCATION: Cantwell Community Center, Cantwell, Alaska.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Hollis Twitchell, Subsistence Coordinator, P.O. Box 9, Denali Park, Alaska 99755. Phone (907) 683-9544 or (907) 456-0595.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Subsistence Resource Commissions are authorized under Title VIII, Section 808, of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, Pub. L. 96-487, and operates in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committees Act.

Paul Anderson,

Deputy Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Inventory Completion for Native American Human Remains From Fresno, Kings, and Madera Counties, CA in the Possession of the Department of Anthropology, California State University, Fresno, CA

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 Department of Anthropology, California State University, Fresno, CA. 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 the Department of Anthropology, California State University, Fresno, professional staff.

During the 1950's and 1960's, human remains representing a minimum of 122 individuals were recovered from excavations conducted by Fresno State College staff, in addition to individuals given to the college by various law enforcement agencies. The packaging and labeling of the human remains was destroyed many years ago, making positive identification for these human

remains impossible. Extant documentation, including field notes and reports of the archeological projects conducted by Fresno State College, now the California State University, Fresno, indicates that these remains probably came from sites in Fresno, Kings, and Madera Counties, CA. No known individuals were identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

The absence of specific information on the provenience, age, or cultural context of these remains makes it impossible to determine their cultural affiliation, and they have been inventoried as "culturally unidentifiable." Department of Anthropology, California State University, Fresno, officials consulted with the four Federally recognized Native American tribes and non-Federally recognized Native American groups of the central San Joaquin Valley, the geographic area of the probable origin of the remains, and all parties agreed that the remains should be repatriated to the Central Valley and Mountain Reinterment Association, which has been authorized to act on behalf of the Native American tribes and groups.

On April 15, 1999, California State University, Fresno, petitioned the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Review Committee concerning the Central Valley and Mountain Reinterment Association's request for repatriation of these individuals listed as "culturally unidentifiable" on the Department of Anthropology, California State University, Fresno, NAGPRA inventory. Representatives of the university, North Fork Rancheria, and the Tuolumne Me-Wuk Tribal Councils presented the petition to the Review Committee at its May, 1999 meeting. The Review Committee recommended that the university repatriate these remains to the Central Valley and Mountain Reinterment Association. This recommendation was transmitted to the university by the National Park Service in a letter of September 3, 1999.

Based on the above-mentioned information, officials of the Department of Anthropology, California State University, Fresno, have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(1), the human remains listed above represent the physical remains of a minimum of 122 individuals of Native American ancestry. Also, officials of the Department of Anthropology, California State University, Fresno, have 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 a Federally recognized Indian tribe.

This notice has been sent to officials of the Big Sandy Rancheria, Picayune Rancheria, Table Mountain Rancheria, North Fork Rancheria, Cold Springs Rancheria, the Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Tribe, and the Tuolumne Me-Wuk Tribal Council. Representatives of any other Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with these objects should contact Professor Roger LaJeunesse, Department of Anthropology, California State University, Fresno, CA, 93740-8001, telephone (559) 278-4900, before September 7, 2000. Repatriation of the human remains occurred on December 5, 1999.

Dated: July 18, 2000.

John Robbins,

Assistant Director, Cultural Resources Stewardship and Partnerships.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Reopening of Comment Period

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: On April 7, 2000 the National Park Service (NPS) published in the **Federal Register** for notice and comment Director's Order #47 on Soundscape Preservation and Noise Management. The notice provided for a comment period ending on May 8, 2000. In response to the request from Congressman Hansen, Chairman of the Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, to extend the comment period for 30 days, the National Park Service determined that the comment period should be reopened for this extended period. This reopening of the comment period will allow the National Park Service to consider comments received after May 8, 2000, the date it was initially closed.

DATES: The comment period for the notice of Director's Order #47 which was published on April 7, 2000 at 65 FR 18350 is reopened until August 18, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Draft Director's Order #47 is available on the Internet at <http://www.nps.gov/refdesk/DOrders/index.htm>. Requests for copies and written comments should be sent to Dr. Wes Henry, National Park Service, Ranger Activities Division, 1849 C

Street, NW., Room 7418, Washington, D.C. 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Wes Henry at 202/208-5211 or Dr. William Schmidt at 202/501-9269.

Maureen Finnerty,

Associate Director, Park Operations and Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Colorado River Interim Surplus Criteria

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public availability of information submitted on a draft environmental impact statement for the proposed adoption of Colorado River Interim Surplus Criteria: INT-DES 00-25.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended, and the Council on Environmental Quality's Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of NEPA, the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) has issued a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) on the proposed adoption of specific criteria under which surplus water conditions may be determined in the Lower Colorado River Basin during the next 15 years. A notice of availability and public comment period was provided in a **Federal Register** notice published on July 7, 2000 (65 FR 42028).

As noted in the **Federal Register** notice published on May 18, 1999 (64 FR 27008), during this NEPA process Reclamation is consulting with state representatives of each of the Governors of the seven Colorado River Basin States, Indian Tribes, members of the general public, representatives of academic and scientific communities, environmental organizations, the recreation industry and contractors for the purchase of Federal power produced at Glen Canyon Dam. Reclamation has received information from the Colorado River Basin States of Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming during the public comment period on the proposed adoption of Colorado River Interim Surplus Criteria. The information provided to Reclamation is the product of significant effort on the part of the representatives of the Governors of the Colorado River Basin States. As noted in the **Federal Register** notice published

on May 18, 1999 (64 FR 27008), the statutory framework for operation of Colorado River Reservoirs underscores the importance of working with the Colorado River Basin States in developing interim surplus criteria. Reclamation has made a preliminary review of the specific surplus criteria in the information presented by the Basin States and has made a preliminary determination that such criteria are within the range of alternatives and impacts analyzed in the DEIS. The information provided by the States does contain details regarding proposed surplus criteria that may be helpful to others preparing comments in response to the **Federal Register** notice published on July 7, 2000 (65 FR 42028). Accordingly, Reclamation is providing this information for public consideration during the public comment period on this action. That period will not be extended. Reclamation will be analyzing the issues and information presented in this submission, along with all other public comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) on the proposed adoption of Colorado River Interim Surplus Criteria. Reclamation, along with the Department of the Interior, will utilize this information, along with all other public comments, as appropriate, during its preparation of a Final Environmental Impact Statement and accompanying Record of Decision. The information provided by the representatives of the Colorado River Basin States may be found below in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

The DEIS, and the information provided in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below are available for viewing on the Internet at <http://www.lc.usbr.gov> and <http://www.uc.usbr.gov>.

ADDRESSES: The comment period on the DEIS remains unchanged. Send comments on the DEIS to Ms. Jayne Harkins, Attention BCOO-4600, PO Box 61470, Boulder City, Nevada, 89006-1470, or fax comments to Ms. Harkins at (702) 293-8042. As provided in the **Federal Register** notice published on July 7, 2000 (65 FR 42028), comments on the DEIS must be received no later than September 8, 2000.

Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from public disclosure, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There also may be circumstances in which we would withhold a respondent's identity from public

disclosure, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public disclosure in their entirety.

Copies of the DEIS, in the form of a printed document or on compact disk, remain available upon written request to the following address: Ms. Janet Steele, Attention BCOO-4601, PO Box 61470, Boulder City, Nevada 89006-1470, Telephone: (702)

293-8785, or by fax at (702) 293-8042.

DATES: The public comment period on the DEIS remains unchanged and comments on this DEIS must be received no later than September 8, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information, contact Ms. Jayne Harkins at the above address or telephone Ms. Harkins at (702) 293-8785.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following information was received from the Colorado River Basin States:

Interim Surplus Guidelines—Working Draft

I. Background

A. The Boulder Canyon Project Act of 1928 (28 Stat. 1057) (the "BCPA"), authorized the Secretary of the Interior (the "Secretary") to construct Hoover Dam and the All-American Canal, and to contract for the delivery and use of water from such facilities for irrigation and domestic uses. The effectiveness of the BCPA was contingent upon ratification of the Colorado River Compact of 1922 (the "Compact") by the Colorado River Basin States, or, in the alternative, upon ratification by six of said states, including California. The effectiveness of the BCPA was further contingent upon agreement by the state of California, by act of its legislature, irrevocably and unconditionally with the United States and for the benefit of the other Colorado River Basin States, as an express covenant and in consideration of the passage of the BCPA, to limit the aggregate annual consumptive use (diversions less returns to the river) of water of and from the Colorado River for use in California, to no more than 4.4 million acre-feet ("maf") per year of the waters apportioned to the Lower Basin States by Article III(a) of the Compact, plus not more than one-half of any excess or surplus waters unapportioned by the