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IN REPLY REFER TO:
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Nathan Frey
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Dear Mr. Frey:

The National Park Service (NPS) is requesting emergency reinstatement, without public comment, to continue gathering information under the Paperwork Reduction Act related to implementation of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA).

Regulations implementing NAGPRA were initially promulgated in 1995 and have resulted in 1,202 museums providing summaries, inventories, and notices to lineal descendants, culturally affiliated Indian tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations, and the National Park Service (OMB Control #1024-0144). Each year, approximately 50 museums provide new or updated summaries, inventories and notices. While developing a reserved regulatory section, it was discovered that the information collection approval had accidentally lapsed. We request an emergency reinstatement of information collection approval so that information collection may continue while compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act is completed. A notice soliciting public comment on this information collection has been drafted and will be published immediately upon receiving emergency reinstatement.

Please approve our request for emergency reinstatement, without public comment, and authorize immediate publication of the notice in the Federal Register.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. If you have any questions about the information needed please contact me at (202) 354-1479 or sherry_hutt@nps.gov.

Sincerely,

Sherry Hutt
Manager, National NAGPRA Program

NPS Information Collection Clearance Officer:

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