

# NATHPO NAGPRA Training

Hosted by the United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria, Tribal Historic Preservation Committee

Thunder Valley Casino – October 28th and 29th, 2013

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## Agenda

*Day 1, NAGPRA Introduction, Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013*

*Location: Pano Hall, Thunder Valley Casino, 1200 Athens Avenue, Lincoln, CA 95648*

| <u>Time</u> | <u>Event</u>   |
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| 8:00 AM     | Registration (Breakfast Provided)  |
| 9:00 AM     | <b>Welcome introduction and opening prayer, Tribal Historic Preservation Committee, United Auburn Indian Community</b> |
| 9:15 AM     | <b>Introductions</b>   |
| 9:30 AM     | <b>NAGPRA History</b>  |
| 12:00 PM    | <b>Lunch</b> (On your own)   |
| 1:00 PM     | <b>Culturally Unidentifiable Native American Remains and Cultural Items</b>  |
| 3:30 PM     | 15 Minute <b>Break</b>   |
| 4:00 PM     | <b>Adjourn</b> Day One   |

*Day 2, NAGPRA Litigation and Practice - Tuesday, October 29th, 2013*

*Location: Pano Hall, Thunder Valley Casino, 1200 Athens Avenue, Lincoln, CA 95648*

| <u>Time</u> | <u>Event</u>  |
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| 8:30 AM     | Sign-In (Breakfast Provided)  |
| 9:00 AM     | <b>NAGPRA Litigation</b>  |
| 10:30 AM    | 15 Minute <b>Break</b>  |
| 12:00 PM    | <b>Lunch</b> (On your own)  |
| 1:00 PM     | <b>NAGPRA Practice – Preparing Claims for Culturally Unidentifiable Collections</b> |
| 3:30 PM     | 15 Minute <b>Break</b>  |
| 4:00 PM     | <b>Adjourn</b> Day Two  |

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*Please be aware that video recording may occur during panel discussions and presentations.*

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## **NAGPRA Special Topics:**

### **Tribal Consortia, Tribal Land, and the Return of “Culturally Unidentifiable” Native American Remains and Associated Funerary Objects**

National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers,  
Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act Training Program

#### **Description:**

Many THPOs also serve as their tribe’s “NAGPRA representative.” Some of the pressing NAGPRA issues currently facing tribal communities are how to:

- Work successfully with other tribes to repatriate Native American human remains and cultural items.
- Return Native American human remains and cultural items recovered originally from tribal lands.
- Recover the estimated 127,718 Native American human remains and 1,038,359 associated funerary objects listed as culturally unidentifiable and in the possession of 678 museums and Federal agencies.

This two-day training, presented by an experienced regulator and two active litigators, will provide THPOs with a basic knowledge of NAGPRA and its implementing regulations and expert instruction of these special topics.

#### **Instructors:**

- C. Timothy McKeown, Ph.D., Washington, DC  
A legal anthropologist, Tim worked for 18 years implementing NAGPRA, including serving as lead drafter of the implementing regulations and the Secretary of the Interior’s representative to the NAGPRA review committee. He has published extensively on repatriation and provides NAGPRA training and expert testimony.
- William Gregory Kelly, Esq., Frye Law Firm, Albuquerque, NM  
Greg previously practiced with the Navajo Nation Department of Justice where he represented the Division of Natural Resources and its Historic Preservation Department on cultural and archaeological resource matters. Now in private practice, he has continued to represent the Navajo Nation against the National Park Service in NAGPRA litigation before the 9<sup>th</sup> U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals involving the return of Native American human remains and associated funerary objects removed from tribal land.
- Dorothy Alther, Esq., Executive Director, California Indian Legal Services  
Practicing Indian law since 1985, Dorothy has served as Managing Attorney at DNA’s People’s Legal Services in Crownpoint, NM; a tribal attorney for the Suquamish Tribe, WA; and in the Bishop and Escondido offices of California Indian Legal Services. She currently represents the Kumeyaay Cultural Repatriation Committee in ongoing NAGPRA litigation in the 9<sup>th</sup> U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals involving a group of scientists and the University of California.

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