

# TRIBAL CULTURAL ITEMS TASK FORCE

## MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** August 23, 2018

**Time:** 1:30 – 4:30

**Location:** Chinook Winds Golf Resort  
3245 NE 50<sup>th</sup>  
Lincoln City, OR 97367

**Task Force Members Present:**

Brenda Meade	Coquille, Co-Chair
Danny Santos	Co-Chair
Jesse Beers	CTCLUSI
Robert Kentta	Siletz
Brigette McConville	Warm Springs
Jessie Plueard (phone)	Cow Creek
Diane Teeman	Burns Paiute
Karen Quigley	Legislative Commission on Indian Services
Dustin Buehler	Governor's Office
Chris Allori	Oregon State Police
Patrick Flanagan	Oregon Department of Justice

**Additional Attendees:**

Chief Don Ivy	Coquille
Teara Farrow Ferman (phone)	CTUIR
Jason Younker	U of O
Briece Edwards	Grand Ronde
Dawn Marie Alapisco (phone)	OSU
Kippy Robbins	Coquille
Stacy Scott	CTCLUSI
Sean McConville	Warm Springs
Danny Pettit	ODFW
Travis Hampton	OSP
Dave Anderson	OSP
Vicki Walker	State Lands
Curt Melcher	ODFW
Matt Garrett	ODOT

Keith Baldwin	Forestry
Peter Daugherty	State Forester
Carolyn Holthoff	ODOT
Dawn Marie Alapisco (phone)	OSU

**Documents:** Agenda, July Meeting Minutes (draft), EO 17-12, List of Agency Liaisons, Cultural items definition and draft preamble

**Agenda Item #1: Welcome, Introductions, and Procedural Discussion**

Chair Meade called the meeting to order, and invited Robert Kentta to give the invocation. Task Force members and attendees introduced themselves. Chair Meade then briefly summarized the history and purpose of the Task Force for the new faces in the room.

Chair Santos moved approval of the minutes from the July Task Force meeting; Robert Kentta seconded the motion. During discussion, Chair Santos suggested adding a sentence to the July minutes that clarifies that the Task Force members did not have a copy of the draft definitional preamble in front of them, during that part of the discussion. Subject to that amendment, the minutes were unanimously approved.

Co-chairs Meade and Santos emphasized that this meeting is important because it serves as an opportunity for the Task Force to discuss ideas and exchange information with the directors of several state agencies. Karen Quigley emphasized that feedback from state agency directors at this point is important because it will help the Task Force refine a workable approach for an initial “look around” for tribal cultural items by state agencies. Brigette McConnville stated that although previous efforts have at times been tribal-focused, areas of agreement and consensus among the tribes will help move these efforts forward.

Robert Kentta noted that the Task Force’s work is a continuation of years of NAGPRA processes, debates and reactions regarding ancestral remains, and additional federal and state efforts. He pointed out that his focus as a Task Force member has been in large part on records in state archives, and emphasized that the Task Force is trying to enable access of those records.

Several Task Force members also explained that what tribes consider to be “cultural items” may differ from how state agencies would understand that phrase. Diane Teeman gave the example of a feather collected by a federal agency; the agency did not know that it was of tribal funerary

significance. Karen Quigley emphasized that this is a learning experience for the state, and that bringing in the tribal perspective is essential.

**Agenda Item #2: Discussion with State Agencies**

The co-chairs then opened a discussion with the state agency directors and staff present. Chair Meade stated that one of the Task Force's most difficult tasks to date has been to come up with a workable definition of "cultural items"—a definition that conveys the tribes' perspective, while providing guidance to state agencies.

Chief Don Ivy noted that a lot of the definition comes down to shared knowledge. One of the challenges that tribes have is sharing information that is not necessarily in written histories (such as tribal oral histories and family histories). Chief Ivy emphasized that the Task Force wants to ensure that tribes have access to items; this is not about possession. Fortunately, the conversation in Oregon has evolved over the years, and there is now a recognition that there is a shared heritage and history worth preserving and protecting, both on the tribal side and the agency side. Although not all of the Task Force's aspirations may immediately come to fruition, the key is the sharing of information, and finding the right way to ask questions, in language that is common to tribes and state agencies. Chair Santos agreed, noting that the Task Force wants to implement a process that does not overburden agencies.

The Task Force then invited agency directors and staff to comment. Oregon Department of Transportation Director Matt Garrett started, noting that his agency has been waiting for the Task Force to come up with a definition of cultural items. ODOT will work through the mechanics of implementation, with the Director's Office leading the effort. Given the agency's highway portfolio, planning function, and library, there is potentially many places to look. Director Garrett noted that, from ODOT's perspective, the process of communicating with tribes about cultural items is a race without a finish line, and that he and Carolyn Holthoff (ODOT's tribal cultural items liaison) will put together a mechanism for reporting back.

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Director Curt Melcher agreed that the definition of cultural items is important to implementation in his agency. For two decades, ODFW has been communicating with tribes regarding cultural items, and has an archeologist on staff (Danny Pettit, who will also serve as the cultural items liaison for the agency). Director

Melcher emphasized that training for staff will be key; for example, until now, the agency did not appreciate that archival documents—in annual reports or otherwise—could potentially be items of cultural significance to the tribes.

Oregon State Police Superintendent Travis Hampton noted that OSP's holdings include human remains that the agency keeps for safe keeping, and that the agency holds those remains in part because it does not know if they have cultural significance. Superintendent Hampton identified three key questions that would be important to his agency: (1) What items are of cultural significance to tribes? (2) How should the agency hold those items (especially human remains, which the agency wants to be careful with and respectful of)? (3) How should the agency communicate with the tribes about these remains and other items?

Department of State Lands Director Vicki Walker noted that her agency did a "look-see" for cultural items, but that OSP's discussion of its evidence locker just now made her realize that DSL's look around was probably under-inclusive. In particular, she pointed out that DSL works with a non-profit contractor to process home belongings of persons who die without a will, and that those belongings currently are disposed of without any acknowledgment of their cultural significance. (DSL processed belongings from 900 such homes last year.) Director Walker said she is eager to work with the tribes on this, but that the agency does not have resources to process these belongings itself.

Jason Younker pointed out that, in his mind, if an agency (DSL or otherwise) takes possession of an item for a short time—even a second—then that item is in the agency's possession. Training is important to help the agency realize what it is in possession of, so it can communicate with tribes about items of cultural significance. He also noted that agencies may not understand just how much material is out there that has cultural meaning to the tribes, and gave an example of the Southwest Oregon research program, in which he, Robert Kentta, and Diane Teeman were told that they likely would not find much, but left with 110,000 pages of documents that had cultural significance for the tribes. Robert Kentta agreed, and noted that not every find of a cultural item will be clear on its face. By way of example, he noted that an Oregon university had previously found a lock of Captain Jack's hair in a ribbon that was clearly labeled; he noted that not all cultural items come with context like that.

State Forester Peter Daugherty stated that the Department of Forestry is excited about the Task Force's work, and noted that his agency has 311

buildings and a fair amount of property around those buildings. Additionally, the agency manages approximately 750,000 acres of state forest. He thinks there probably are items and records in offices that are worth considering, and pointed out that the agency just had someone author a 100-year history of the Department—and that the author of that report might be a useful resource in terms of what materials and places one could look at and in.

Dustin Buehler asked the agency directors what effective training would look like in their agencies (for the tribal cultural items liaisons, or otherwise). State Forester Daugherty responded that he thinks this is an instance in which it is important to “train the trainer”—each agency’s liaison will have to train the field staff. Director Melcher said that ODFW has been doing focused trainings on a variety of topics for several years, through staff in-service days; perhaps the Legislative Commission on Indian Services could offer a training on tribal cultural items. Director Walker noted that the State already has the iLearn platform, which could offer online training. Additionally, Superintendent Hampton noted that OSP has an on-boarding process for new officers and staff; perhaps that process could include training on tribal cultural items. Director Garrett agreed that training is important, and pointed out that many of his field staff will not know key terms (like what “funerary” means).

Several agency directors and staff also pointed out that it would be useful to have examples to flesh out the Task Force’s cultural items definition. Chair Meade pointed out that the Task Force has debated whether to include examples; Chair Santos noted that the difficulty with examples is that they could run hundreds of pages long, and that perhaps there is more benefit from trainings that emphasize that whatever examples are provided aren’t all-inclusive.

The discussion then turned to timeline and process. Chair Meade emphasized that she would like to update Governor Brown by November, in advance of the annual summit. State Forester Daugherty suggested some kind of inspection or inventory template, which could help ensure that the tribes receive key information that they need (*i.e.*, where the item was found; who found it, etc.).

Dustin Buehler suggested an e-mail listserv as a mechanism for agency cultural items liaisons to learn and share examples and information with the tribes in real time. The idea would be for liaisons to send an e-mail to the listserv when they have a question about a particular item, and for interested tribes to respond. That way liaisons in other agencies could

learn by example. Robert Kentta agreed with that idea, and noted that it might also be good practice to post those exchanges on a website, so other interested persons could learn from the dialogue.

State Forester Daugherty stated that, from the discussion, it sounds like the right approach is an initial process for building an inventory list, then an ongoing process to ensure that agency cultures include sensitivity to tribal cultural items and ongoing communication with the tribes. Robert Kentta agreed that communication with the tribes will be key, and used the example of Chair Santos reaching out earlier when ODOT found photographs of bridge construction that had tribal cultural significance.

Chair Meade thanked the agency directors and staff for the useful discussion, and encouraged them to review the Task Force's minutes and agendas so they are in the loop.

**Agenda Item #3: Other Issues**

Chair Meade suggested that, at the Task Force's September meeting, it discuss the definitional preamble, with the goal of adopting language. Additionally, she suggested that the Task Force have further discussion on what it heard from the agency directors at its August meeting, and its message for the LCIS meeting in October. Chair Meade pointed out that she would like to have draft recommendations for Governor Brown, for discussion at the October meeting.

# AGENDA

## Meeting – Task Force on Oregon Tribal Cultural Items

**Date:** August 23, 2018

**Time:** 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm

**Location:** Chinook Winds Golf Resort - 3245 NE 50<sup>th</sup> - Lincoln City, OR 97367

Call-in number: 888-204-5984

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**1:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.**

### **Welcome, Introductions, and Procedural Discussion**

- Approval of Minutes from last meeting
- Other updates / procedural matters for discussion

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**1:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.**

### **Discussion with State Agencies**

- Welcome directors / other agency officials from ODOT, Forestry, State Police, and State Lands
- Background on Executive Order 17-12 and the Task Force's work to date
- Discussion / brainstorming
  - What are tribal "cultural items"?
  - What categories of items or documents might exist within your agency that meet that definition?
  - What survey methods would be effective?
  - How can the Task Force assist with agency implementation?
- Next steps

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**3:45 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

### **Other Issues; Closing Thoughts**

- Update on Governor Brown's letter to agency directors and designation of Agency Tribal Cultural Items Liaisons
  - Update on preamble for cultural items definition
  - Update on implementation in universities and other educational institutions
  - Agenda for September meeting
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## MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** 7/18/18

**Time:** 1:30 – 4:30

**Location:** OSU Cascades – Tykeson Hall, Room 207  
1500 SW Chandler Avenue  
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### Task Force Members Present:

Brenda Meade	Coquille, Co-Chair
Danny Santos	Co-Chair
Aaron Ashley (by phone)	CTUIR
Jesse Beers	CTCLUSI
Robert Kentta	Siletz
Jessie Plueard	Cow Creek
Diane Teeman	Burns Paiute
Karen Quigley	Legislative Commission on Indian Services
Dustin Buehler	Governor's Office
Dennis Griffin (by phone)	SHPO
Jon Erlandson	UO / Museum of Natural and Cultural History

### Additional Attendees:

Briecce Edwards	Grand Ronde
Kassie Rippee	Coquille
Chief Don Ivy	Coquille
Jason Younker	U of O
Dawn Marie Alapisco (by phone)	OSU
Stacy Scott (by phone)	CTCLUSI
Teara Farrow Ferman (by phone)	CTUIR
Jon Germond	ODFW



**Documents: Agenda, EO-17-12, Webpage materials, Draft State Universities and Community College Survey Questions, Draft “Cultural Items” Definition, Draft 6.29.18 Meeting Minutes**

**Agenda Item #1: Welcome, Introductions, and Procedural Discussion**

Minutes from June meeting

Approval of the minutes from the Task Force’s June 2018 meeting was moved and seconded. Robert Kentta suggested revising the last paragraph of the discussion on the cultural items definition, to reflect his comment that there should be definitional consistency between the Task Force’s work and the Horner Museum collections discussions, and has comment that a process for returning or turning over those items should be consistent with applicable law. Subject to that revision, the minutes from the June 2018 meeting were approved.

Update regarding Summit

Dustin Buehler said that a specific date and location will soon be set for the annual Summit, and that the Summit likely will be held during the last week in November 2018.

Update on Task Force webpage

Shevaun Gutridge gave a short presentation and answered questions regarding the Task Force’s new webpage, located on the Governor’s Office website. She explained the content and when materials will be uploaded. Generally, approved meeting minutes will include any handouts from that meeting.

Other updates and procedural matters

Dustin Buehler informed members that he had recently updated the Governor on the Task Force’s work to date, and that Governor Brown was pleased to hear of the Task Force’s efforts and that meetings had been so well attended.

Robert Kentta then initiated a discussion, based on e-mails that he had exchanged since the last meeting with several Task Force members, regarding the proposed phased implementation approach. He and others expressed concern that agencies could lose interest if the Task Force

adheres to a phased approach that turns into a multi-generational endeavor. Mr. Kentta urged the Task Force to adopt a broad definition of cultural items that is consistent with the discussions that occurred in the context of the Horner collections.

After a brief discussion of the wording and intent of the transfer rule, Karen Quigley pointed out that the transfer rule applies to state agencies that are donating or transferring items, and that the Task Force's endeavor focuses on the antecedent question (namely, figuring out what items agencies and educational institutions have).

Robert Kentta noted that the transfer rule is a bit broader than some might think, and that its process applies anytime there is a plan to divest the state's interest in items. He emphasized that the Task Force's definition should be as clear as possible, and should be communicated to all state agencies at once, rather than in phases. If agencies are brought along together, then there is less risk that this will turn into a multi-generational endeavor, and we also would avoid the risk that later-phased agencies would mistakenly think that the cultural items in their possession are of less importance. Jason Younker agreed that the goal should be to inform agencies and educational institutions in a way that is clear and avoids those institutions trying to offload items outside the process.

Briece Edwards asked whether it might be possible to ask for documents and other cultural items in a way that encourages agencies to identify the sources or paths that were pursued to catalogue those items—so that the Task Force and tribes can understand the pathway that each agency took to survey items within its possession. That way the Task Force and tribes could give each agency feedback regarding other potential pathways and items that it might consider or look for.

Chair Brenda Meade then encouraged Jon Germond to discuss the process that the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) engaged in when it became aware of Executive Order 17-12. Mr. Germond explained that ODFW implemented the Executive Order by tasking field managers to do a look-around of their facilities within 30 days. That look-around received participation from 100% of ODFW's field staff, but did not yield many objects. But Mr. Germond noted that, at the time, he did not appreciate that the definition of "cultural items" includes photographs and other documents, and that, as a result, the agency's survey likely is incomplete.

The take-away from that process, as Chair Meade noted, appears to be that agencies like ODFW will be supportive of our efforts, but will need a clear definition of cultural items to ensure that the look-around is comprehensive. Chair Santos agreed, noting that the tone of the message needs to be one of definitional clarity and support for the agencies. Karen Quigley noted that there is no NAGPRA-style “funding hammer” here; instead, the Task Force’s compliance efforts will rely on agency goodwill and cooperation.

Jon Germond noted that one challenge is that many (perhaps even most) state agencies went through a purge when they converted to electronic files. So things may have been lost at that time. But ODFW does have its own archive of paper documents, and that archive probably has not been looked at comprehensively in a long time. The archive probably was not part of the look-around because those are paper documents, and the agency did not appreciate that paper documents can meet the definition of tribal cultural items. Chair Meade noted that ODFW’s experience shows that the Task Force and tribes need to be available in real time as agencies do their look-arounds, so questions as to scope can be clarified.

Chair Santos asked how all of this relates to the phased-implementation approach that had been discussed in prior Task Force meetings. The consensus among those who responded was that the Task Force should roll out a clear definition to all agencies at one time, then work with agencies that have questions as they perform their look-arounds.

Karen Quigley proposed that the Task Force engage in interviews or conversations with state agencies—similar to the conversations that the Task Force is slated to have with directors of several of the land management agencies at its August meeting. Agency officials need to be educated on the meaning of “cultural items,” and the Task Force needs to learn what categories of documents and items are out there. Annual trainings and annual reports can help with that.

Jon Germond stated that, now that he better understands the scope of “cultural items,” he thinks an appropriate look-around at ODFW could take quite some time. For example, monthly reports from field offices go back decades, and some of those documents may have cultural significance to the tribes. Several Task Force members emphasized, in response, that the agency did not necessarily need to go through all of its records—instead, notifying the tribes that those records exist would be an appropriate first step.

Several Task Force members then suggested a process—modeled on the government-to-government key agency contact approach—in which each agency designates a liaison for performing a survey of cultural items at that agency. Liaisons could then be trained annually, perhaps in tandem with the Summit. Karen Quigley recommended that the Governor send out a letter in the coming days to each of the 35 state agencies on the list she previously distributed, asking each agency to designate a liaison. Dustin Buehler agreed to prepare a letter and circulate it in advance.

**Agenda Item #2: Discussion / Action on Definition of “Cultural Items”**

The Task Force next discussed the definition of “cultural items,” as prepared and refined by the definitional subcommittee. Diane Teeman noted that definitional categories will only go so far to educate agencies and educational institutions, and that we need examples as well. Kassie Rippee pointed out that the subcommittee did talk about including examples, but took those examples out. Instead, the subcommittee’s preference would be to include some kind of appendix or brochure that lists examples but that does not limit cultural items to the specific examples listed.

Ms. Rippee noted that the only thing before the Task Force for its approval is the definition itself, not the draft preamble prepared by Jon Erlandson. The subcommittee will continue working on that preamble in the days and weeks ahead.

Jessie Plueard said that one concern that she has is that ODFW staff or other agency staff might not be accustomed to archeological parameters, to the extent that the definition relies on such terms. Jesse Beers noted that this would be okay, as long as the definition and other guidance material mentions that cultural items are not limited to specifically mentioned categories and items, and as long as agency personnel are encouraged to reach out to the Task Force with questions.

Robert Kentta asked whether the definition should include mention of electronic documents. Kassie Rippee said that the preamble, when drafted and approved, can clarify that matter.

After further discussion, the adoption of the definition of cultural items was moved and seconded. The Task Force unanimously approved the definition.

**Agenda Item #3: Preparation for August Discussion with Agencies**

Karen Quigley noted that the Task Force will have four agency directors at its August meeting in Lincoln City. At least two of those directors may be bringing their archeologists with them to the meeting. As a result, the meeting will present an opportunity for the Task Force to hear from those agencies regarding how they see implementation happening as quickly, efficiently, and appropriately as possible. Ms. Quigley also noted that, in the meantime, it will be helpful to have a letter from Governor Brown to agency heads.

Chair Meade said that her goal is that the agendas for the Task Force's September and October meetings will focus on gearing up for the Summit—*i.e.*, what the survey will look like, what the informational and educational materials will look like.

**Agenda Item #4: Other Issues**

Implementation among universities and other educational institutions

The Task Force discussed implementation among educational institutions. Chair Meade thanked Jon Erlandson and Jason Younker for drafting a list of questions for universities.

Several Task Force members asked whether implementation can occur under the umbrella of the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC). The advantage of doing so is that HECC is an executive branch agency subject to directives from the Governor. Chair Santos clarified that HECC coordinates matters implicating seven public colleges and universities, and seventeen community colleges. Karen Quigley added that there are a lot of policy and research offices within the agency, and perhaps some of them could be tasked with assisting in the Task Force's process.

Chair Meade asked how HECC would factor into the letter that the Governor is planning to send to state agency heads. In response, Task Force members pointed out that HECC is on the list of LCIS key contact agencies, and would be asked to designate a cultural items liaison.

Jon Erlandson and Jason Younker then walked the Task Force through the document that they drafted, with key questions for universities. As Dr. Younker explained, the goal was to think through all of the types of places

where cultural items might reside on campus—identifying departments, repositories like museums, and asking who has worked there and what they did. Additionally, the questions aim to discern whether any of those institutions have field schools, and whether they contract with private firms.

Jon Erlandson noted that part of the difficulty is that not every institution has a Department of Anthropology. As a result, the goal is to keep the questions and inquiry as broad as possible. The key is to engage with university and college officials and ask questions.

Jason Younker also explained that he and Jon Erlandson tried to avoid a list of items, to avoid a response in which an institution says, “no, we don’t have that particular item.” Karen Quigley asked whether there had been a discussion of whether to include items “on exhibit or in storage,” and whether there should be some kind of preamble. Dr. Younker noted that, yes, the document takes those considerations into account but, at this point, does not include a preamble.

Jon Erlandson noted that part of the resistance at the university level is the attitude among faculty that their notes are their property. Additionally, some faculty could have donated notes to the Smithsonian or another museum or repository. But, ideally, many items and documents continue to reside at the university at which the faculty member taught and researched.

Kassie Rippee stated that she appreciates that the questions include items “on loan,” clarifying that such items are still within the institution’s jurisdiction and still need to be reported as part of the institution’s look-around.

Additional discussion ensued. Task Force members agreed that the document prepared by Jon Erlandson and Jason Younker is a good start. Both Dr. Erlandson and Dr. Younker encouraged Task Force members to send comments their way, so they can refine the document and circulate a revised draft.

Karen Quigley encouraged the Task Force to reach out to HECC as soon as possible, so we can get them on board sooner rather than later.



**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 17-12**

In 1996, Executive Order 96-30 formally established government-to-government relations between the State of Oregon and the nine federally recognized Indian Tribes that reside within Oregon's borders. For more than twenty years, the State of Oregon has benefitted from the resulting increased communication with Tribal Governments about state and tribal interests.

Oregon's Tribes have an interest in obtaining information relating to cultural items currently held in storage or on display at Oregon state agencies, state universities, colleges, and public schools. Some of these items are associated with Oregon's Tribes, and the Tribes and the State share an interest in determining the provenance, the appropriate custodian, and the appropriate storage or display of such items.

There has never been a survey of how many of these items currently are held in storage by or on display within a State agency or public academic institution, and no complete inventory of such items exists. The State of Oregon and Oregon's Tribes deserve an established process to determine best practices for gathering information about these types of cultural items associated with Oregon Tribes, and for determining the most appropriate "next steps" for establishing workable strategies and plans for discussion regarding these cultural items and/or return of the items to associated Oregon Tribes.

**NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DIRECTED AND ORDERED:**

1. There is established a Task Force on Oregon Tribal Cultural Items ("the Task Force").
2. The Members of the Task Force shall include the following (members identified in paragraphs (e) – (h) shall be invited by the Governor, with the understanding that the relevant bodies may determine whether or not to participate by recommending members for appointment to the Task Force):
  - a. The Governor's Legal Counsel or other designee;
  - b. Any additional member of the Governor's staff as directed by the Governor;



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- c. A representative of the State Historic Preservation Office, appointed by the Governor upon recommendation of the Director of the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department;
  - d. A State Agency Director, appointed by the Governor;
  - e. A representative of the Legislative Commission on Indian Services;
  - f. A representative from each of the nine federally recognized Oregon Tribes;
  - g. One or more representatives of one or more public universities or colleges, appointed by the Governor;
  - h. One or more representatives of primary or secondary Oregon public schools, appointed by the Governor.
  - i. Other Members as invited by the Governor.
3. The Governor's Legal Counsel shall be responsible for convening the Task Force.
  4. The Task Force's purpose is to provide advice to the Governor.
  5. The Task Force shall meet to consider a process for a soliciting information from state public institutions and agencies about items they may have in storage or on display associated with Oregon Tribes.
  6. The Task Force shall submit a report to the Governor summarizing its findings and recommending:
    - a. A process to survey public institutions and agencies regarding these cultural items; and
    - b. A timeline for completion of the survey and proposals for "next steps."





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7. The report to the Governor shall be submitted no more than one year after the first convening of the Task Force.

Done at Lincoln City, Oregon, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2017.

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Kate Brown  
GOVERNOR



ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dennis Richardson".

Dennis Richardson  
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**“Cultural Items” Draft Definition**  
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- Human Remains and Funerary Objects – Any human remains of Native American origin (e.g. skeletal elements, tissue, hair), any object or artifact generally associated with death or a related ritual, whether directly recovered from a human burial, associated with a burial, or an object that by its nature or condition indicates a relationship to Native American burial or funerary practices
- Archaeological - Any material or artifact removed from an archaeological site (scientifically or otherwise [whether or not the site has been officially recorded]), or any collection(s) of artifacts/objects that can be identified as originating from such a site or documented tribal territory resulting from Native American occupation or use.
- Historic - Objects or archival materials (e.g., photographs and written materials [i.e. diaries, journals, maps, field notes, newspapers, etc.]) directly associated with person/places significant to Oregon’s tribes’ historic experience and/or contemporary identity

***Preamble.** Native Americans trace their ancestry in Oregon back more than 15,000 years, since time immemorial, with the first arrival of humans in the Americas. EuroAmerican exploration and settlement of the area began just over 200 years ago in AD 1804-05. For Oregon’s nine federally recognized tribes—sovereign nations located within the state of Oregon—the landscape, cultural, and natural resources are sacred. Cultural and natural resources are those materials, elements, species, processes, places, and understandings that collectively comprise the landscape. These are the materials and resources manipulated and understood through cultural practice that yield tools, homes, and beliefs of the past and present.*

*Numerous artifacts and objects of cultural significance created during this deep history of Native American occupation now reside in museums, universities and colleges, archives, and other state agency repositories<sup>1</sup>. To date, however, no comprehensive inventory of “cultural items” has been compiled. With Executive Order 17-12, Oregon Governor Kate Brown convened a task force to create a process by which state agencies will be required to provide tribal governments an inventory of Native American cultural items “on display or in storage”— owned by or in possession of — the state of Oregon.*

*The Governor’s Task Force, was charged with creating a definition of “Native American Cultural Items”. This definition includes “Human Remains and Funerary Objects” which is similar to that utilized by the 1990 federal Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), which has resulted in the return of thousands of human remains and hundreds of thousands of associated funerary objects since its implementation. The intent of the taskforce is not to replace federal or state laws, but to further insure that all state agencies are in full compliance with those laws.*

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<sup>1</sup> The tribes do not view “archaeological” objects as merely scientific materials and collections. These items are the tribes’ heritage, belonging to the ancestors that utilized them.