NAGPRA Section 3: Plan of Action Checklist

The written plan of action is an integral part of the consultation process mandated by 43 CFR 10.5 whenever there is activity affecting or likely to affect Native American cultural items on Federal or tribal lands. The plan of action must document compliance with ARPA, especially 43 CFR 7.7 – 7.9, regarding requirements for permits on Indian lands.

- Information on the kinds of objects that are considered to be –
  - Funerary objects
  - Sacred objects
  - Objects of cultural patrimony

- Specific information used to determine custody/ownership under 43 CFR 10.6

- Planned treatment, care, and handling of –
  - Human remains
  - Funerary objects
  - Sacred objects
  - Objects of cultural patrimony

- The planned archeological recording of –
  - Human remains
  - Funerary objects
  - Sacred objects
  - Objects of cultural patrimony

- The kinds of analysis planned for –
  - Human remains
  - Funerary objects
  - Sacred objects
  - Objects of cultural patrimony

- Steps to be followed to contact Indian tribe officials at the time of excavation or inadvertent discovery of specific –
  - Human remains
  - Funerary objects
  - Sacred objects
  - Objects of cultural patrimony

- The kind of traditional treatment, if any, to be used for –
  - Human remains
  - Funerary objects
  - Sacred objects
  - Objects of cultural patrimony

- The nature of reports to be prepared

- The planned disposition of human remains, funerary objects, sacred objects, and objects of cultural patrimony following 43 CFR 10.6 [NOTE: a Notice of Intended Disposition is still required prior to disposition.]

- The plan of action complies with 43 CFR 10.3 (b)(1) and follows the requirements of ARPA.

- The plan of action is signed by the Federal agency official.

- A copy of the plan of action is provided to the consulting lineal descendants, Indian tribes, and Native Hawaiian organizations.