



City of Arts & Innovation

Metropolitan Museum Board

TO: METROPOLITAN MUSEUM BOARD **DATE: JULY 11, 2018**

FROM: COLLECTIONS COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: DEACCESSION OF FIVE OBJECTS LOANED TO THE IDYLLWILD NATURE CENTER: P58-372, A125-114, A280-2, A733-17, & O660.

ISSUE:

Approve the deaccession of five objects on loan to the Idyllwild Nature Center.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Metropolitan Museum Board approve the deaccession of five objects on loan to the Idyllwild Nature Center: P58-372, A125-114, A280-2, A733-17, & O660.

BACKGROUND:

On May 9, 2018, the Collections Committee unanimously voted to deaccession five objects: a cant hook used in logging (P58-372), and a mortar (A125-114), pestle (A280-2), metate (A733-17), and mano (O660) used in food production by local American Indians

DISCUSSION:

In October 1984, the Museum Department loaned the five objects to the County of Riverside for display in the Idyllwild Nature Center. The museum has renewed the loan for the past 33 years.

The loans fit the twelfth deaccession criteria of the Museum's Collections Management Policy:

- The RMM has more than two comparable objects in the collection.

The Museum has multiple examples of each object in its collections. Furthermore, the mortar and pestle, mano, and metate are affixed to their present displays in a way that render them unreturnable to the Museum.

Following deaccession, the Museum will transfer title to the objects to Riverside County Parks, Idyllwild Nature Center.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

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Attachment: Images of the objects on loan