

B1700 Final Report  
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B1700 is immediately south of B1200 and immediately north of B2900. It is bordered on the east by a bedrock outcropping and slope up to the next terrace, and on the west by B3300, which slopes down to a lower terrace. Most of the trench was excavated in the 2004 season, and this season B1700 was expanded to include the baulk to the west of the trench. This baulk area is bordered on the east by the Final Neolithic wall B1722 and the Archaic wall B1716. On the south, this baulk is bordered by the Archaic space of B2900 and a large olive tree. The expanded area of the trench is divided into a north half and a south half by the bedrock which forms FN wall B1728. The dimensions of the trench are 6.9 m at the longest north-south axis, 3.1 m at the widest east-west axis of the south half, and 3.0 m at the widest east-west axis of the northern end.

The workman for the trench was Manolis Grammatikakis. The trench assistants were Timothy Holt, Mikael Nielsen, David Sampson, and Heather Tulloch. The trench supervisor was Erin Galligan. Excavation was carried out from 01 June through 17 June 2005. The benchmark used was R-12 (353.82 masl).

Pail list:

The pails for the entire trench include:

- B1723.1-3 is topsoil (A, EIA, 6<sup>th</sup> c, Hellenistic pottery)
- B1724.1-4 is hard soil and small tumble ("Modern," 7<sup>th</sup> c, LA, A, Hellenistic, LMIIC) and B1724.5-6 is a small expansion, approx .5 m<sup>2</sup>, to the south ("Modern," Hellenistic, A, LMIIC, A, PG).
- B1725 is soil and larger tumble, in which pass we found wall B1728 (A, EIA, LG, LMIIC)

When we found this wall, the trench was split into two halves:

The Northern Half:

- B1726 is soil and larger tumble (same as B1725, but we wanted to separate the two sides of the wall) (LA, A, PG, LMIIC?), where we came down on a possible clay surface (not roofing clay).
- B1731 is harder clay with some tumble (Hell, LA, A, O, LG?, LMIIC), in which pails B1731.4, B1731.5, and B1731.7 were the creation of baulks or small passes along the western edge of the slope to minimize contamination of pottery. The FN wall B1722 bottomed out into bedrock at the end of this locus, but no surface was found.

The Southern Half:

- B1727.1-2 was soil and tumble (same as B1725, but we wanted to separate the two sides of the wall), where we uncovered roofing clay mixed in with the tumble (A, EIA, LMIIC).
- B1730.1-6 was clay and tumble (Hell?, A, EIA, LG, LMIIC). We found two stone tools in Archaic wall B1716 in pass B1716.4. We uncovered a surface of roofing clay.

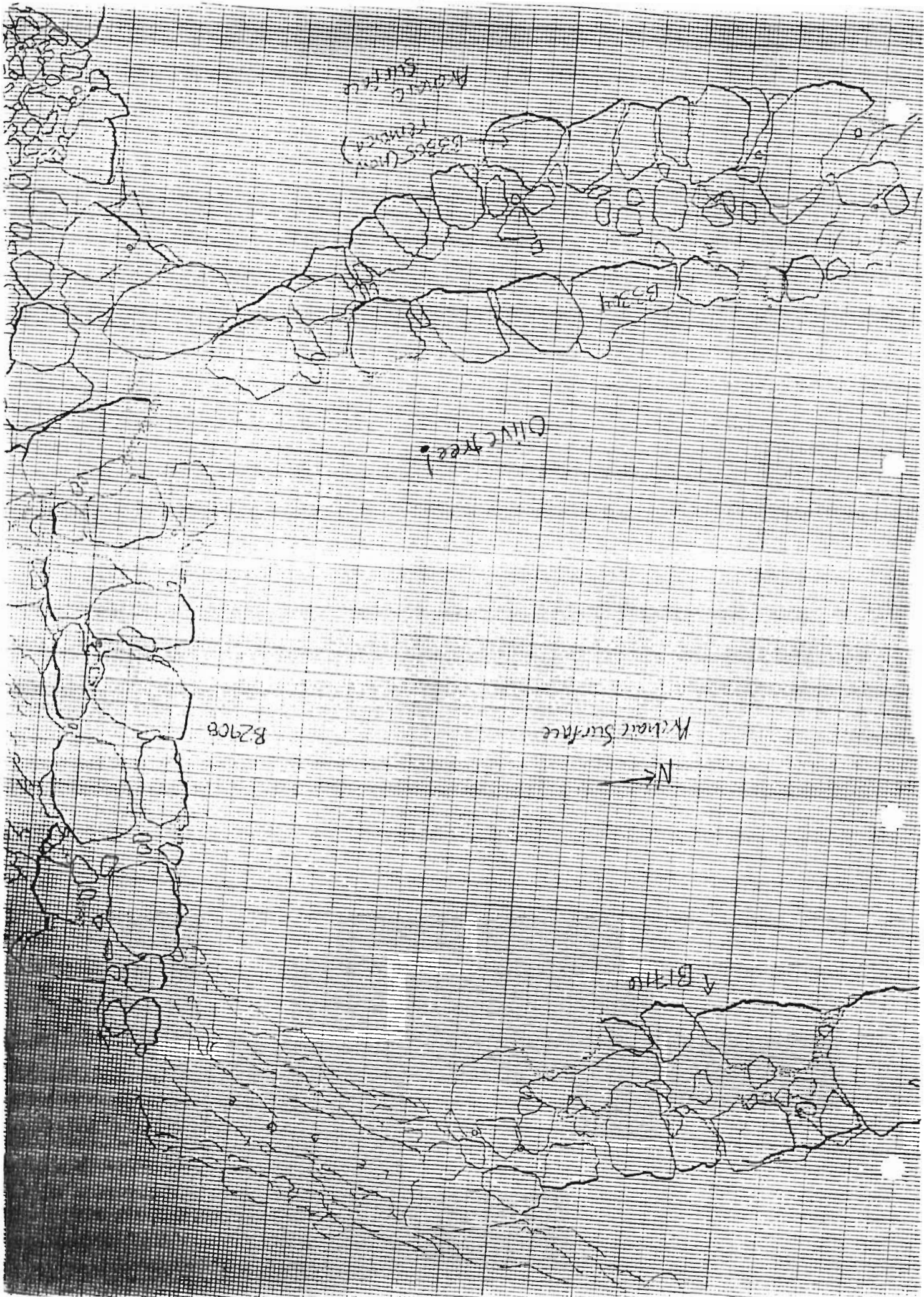
-B1732.1-3 was roofing clay (Hell. LA. O, LMIIC). We revealed two placas and a possible surface.

-B1733.1 dug through this possible clay surface, and we uncovered the Archaic surface (LA, O, LMIIC).

Interpretations:

The southern half of the trench appears to be an Archaic room, part of the same room excavated in B2900. The floor was very disturbed because of the roots of the olive tree, and the baulk around this tree and the slope to the west created consistent contamination of the pottery. The fact that the Archaic surface is 0.85 m lower than the LMIIC and FN surface on the east side of B1716 suggests that the wall should be dated to the Archaic period, and that the room was dug into the terrace from the west, removing any LMIIC or FN surface that would have been there. The finds for this area include a bedrock shelf on which rests a placa (partially slipped off), with two rounded stone hand tools next to it. A stone quern was found in the same vicinity. It appears that this may have been an area of food grinding/preparation. A lot of bone was found in this half, which supports this hypothesis.

A harder surface was found in the north half of the trench (bottom of B1726), though we had no roofing clay or cobbles to indicate a floor beneath or a road. Several pieces of iron slag and a lead fishing weight were found in this area, but no FN surface was found to go along with B1722, which bottomed out into bedrock in locus B1731. Again, the slope to the west created consistent pottery contamination, yielding a consistent mix of pottery from the LMIIC to the Hellenistic periods.





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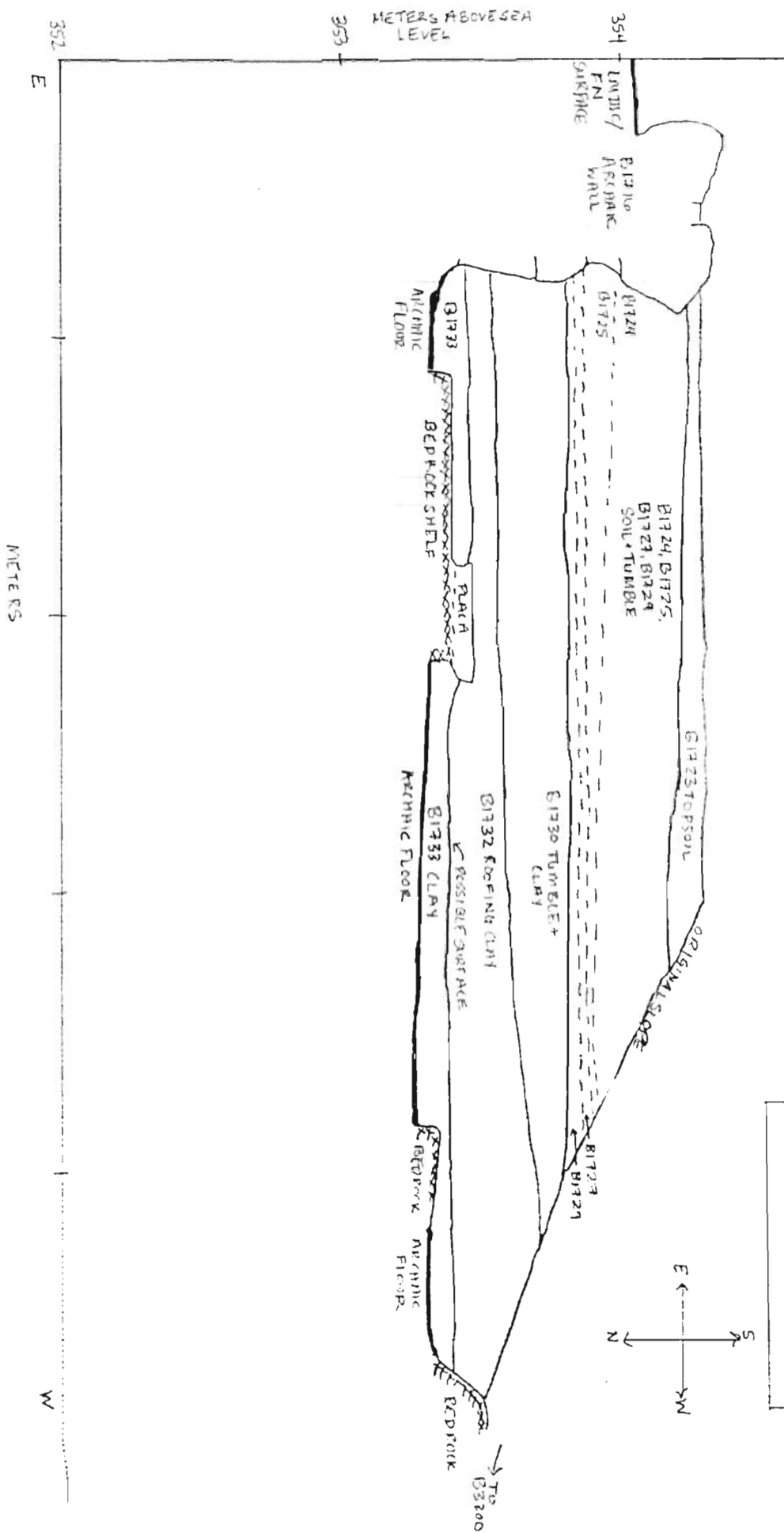
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## OBJECTS

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ADDITIONAL COLLECTED MATERIAL

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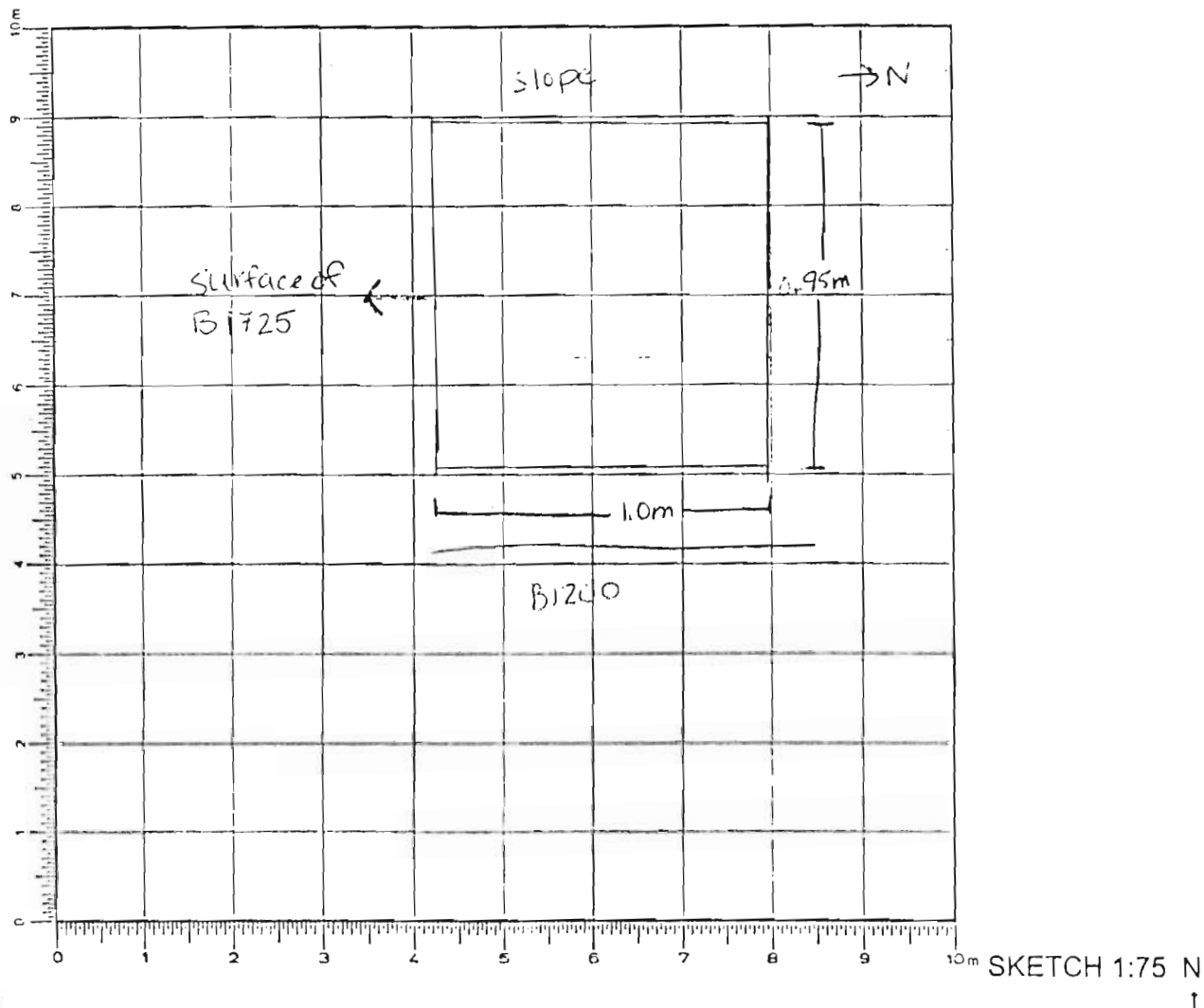
Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1723.2 Excavator EEGElevations

Benchmark used:

Reading on

Benchmark:

H.I.:



DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):

Today's date:

Locus above: None

7 Jun 05

Locus parameters:

Approx square, 1.0m x 0.95m

Verbal description:

Extension of digging to the bulk just west of B1720 in order to make  
stairs. Dirt is same type of dirt <sup>light</sup> medium brown with many small stones

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

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## OBJECTS

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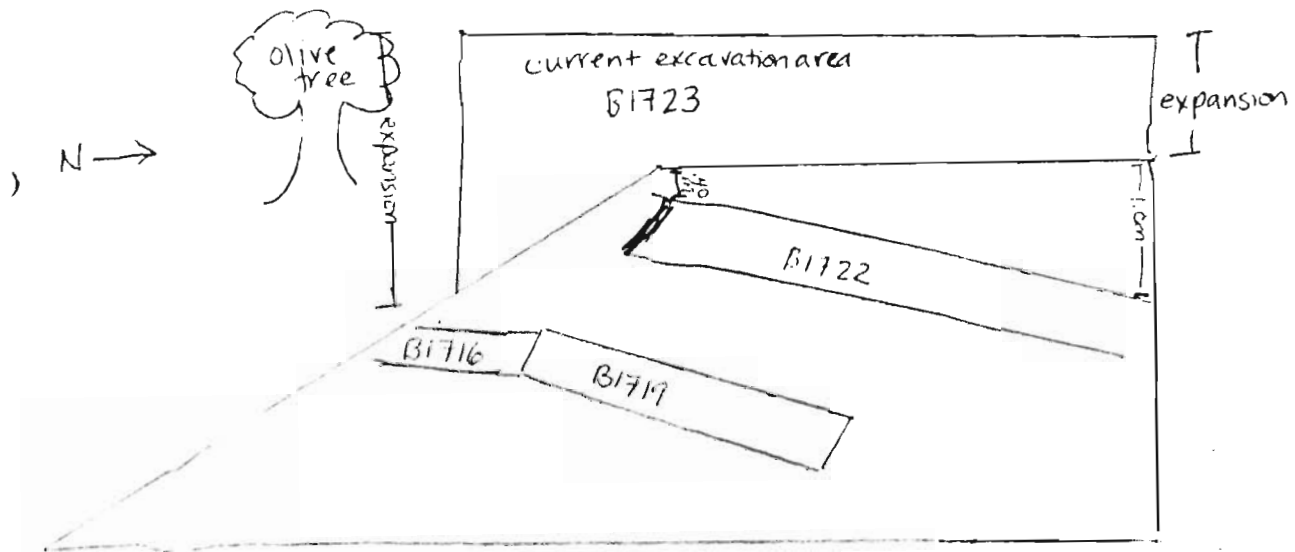
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Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1723 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

01 June 2005

B17B is an expansion of B170C to the west side. It is to the north of trench B2900, and to the south of trench B700. It was the bulk ~~of the~~ around the olive tree running from north to south. We intend first to excavate this narrow strip down to the current surface of B1700, about .5m.



B1723.1 is approx. a 10 cm pass to remove the topsoil. The soil is medium brown with some small stones, compact on top due to its function as a walkway. Some pottery, mostly coarseware, was found in this level, at a consistent concentration through the pass. None of the dirt was screened.

Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1723 Excavator EEG

## ① DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pair(s)]:

07 June 2005

B1723.2 is an extension which digs into the bulk to the west of B1200 ~~area~~.

It is just to the north of the bulk excavated as B1723.1, across the ditch which was between the two bulks. The area excavated was just under 1 m<sup>2</sup>.

The dirt removed was only topsoil - light brown with many small stones. No dirt was screened, but pottery was collected. No bone was found.

The purpose of digging was to make a step so that dirt could be carried more easily to the screening area to the north.



Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1723 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

15 June 05

This morning we reopened our topsoil locus with pail B17233 in order to take down more of the scarp along the olive tree at the southern end of the trench, a

Approx 15cm was ~~excavated~~ excavated, at a depth of 0.75m.

The large rock at the SW section of the trench was also removed.

Pottery was collected, but little was found. No bone was found. Dirt was not screened.

Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1724 Excavator EEG**Elevations**

Benchmark used: R-14  
 Reading on (354.37m)  
 Benchmark: 2.075  
 H.I.: 356.45

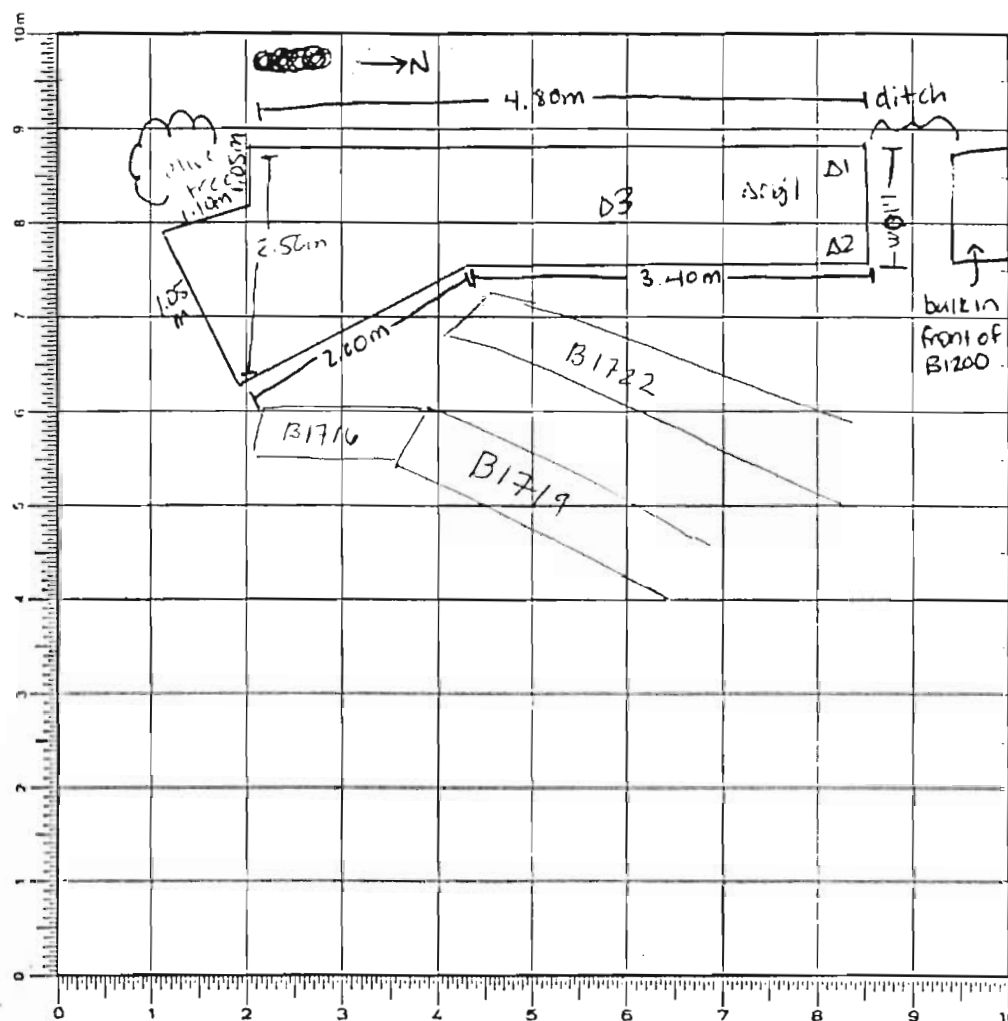
For top elevation see  
 B1723

$\Delta \text{obj} 1 = 2.410$   
 $\rightarrow 354.04 \text{ m}$

Elevations after B1724.1  
 and B1724.2:

benchmark R-14  
 reading on R-14 = 2.075  
 H.I. = 356.45m

$\Delta 1 = 2.420$	354.03m
$\Delta 2 = 2.380$	354.07
$\Delta 3 = 2.415$	354.03
$\Delta 4 = 2.410$	354.04
$\Delta 5 = 2.355$	354.06
$\Delta 6 = 2.370$	354.06
$\Delta 7 = 2.375$	354.07

**DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):**

Today's date: 01 June 2005

Locus above: B1723 - changed locus because new type of dirt - topsoil has been removed.

**Locus parameters:**

Same as B1723 (approx 4.80m long). Slightly under a lower slope 2.50m wide at wide end, 1.10m long on narrow end.

**Verbal description:**

Continued digging of expansion of B1700 along the built to the west of the original trench.

Dirt is medium brown with small stones. Very little bone, some pottery.

The trench now borders B2900 on the southern side, with only a small mound of dirt separating the two. 02 June 05

**Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):**

02 June 05 - Despite proximity of neolithic walls, does not seem to contain any floor, although near the olive tree the roots may have destroyed it - seems to be an outside area.

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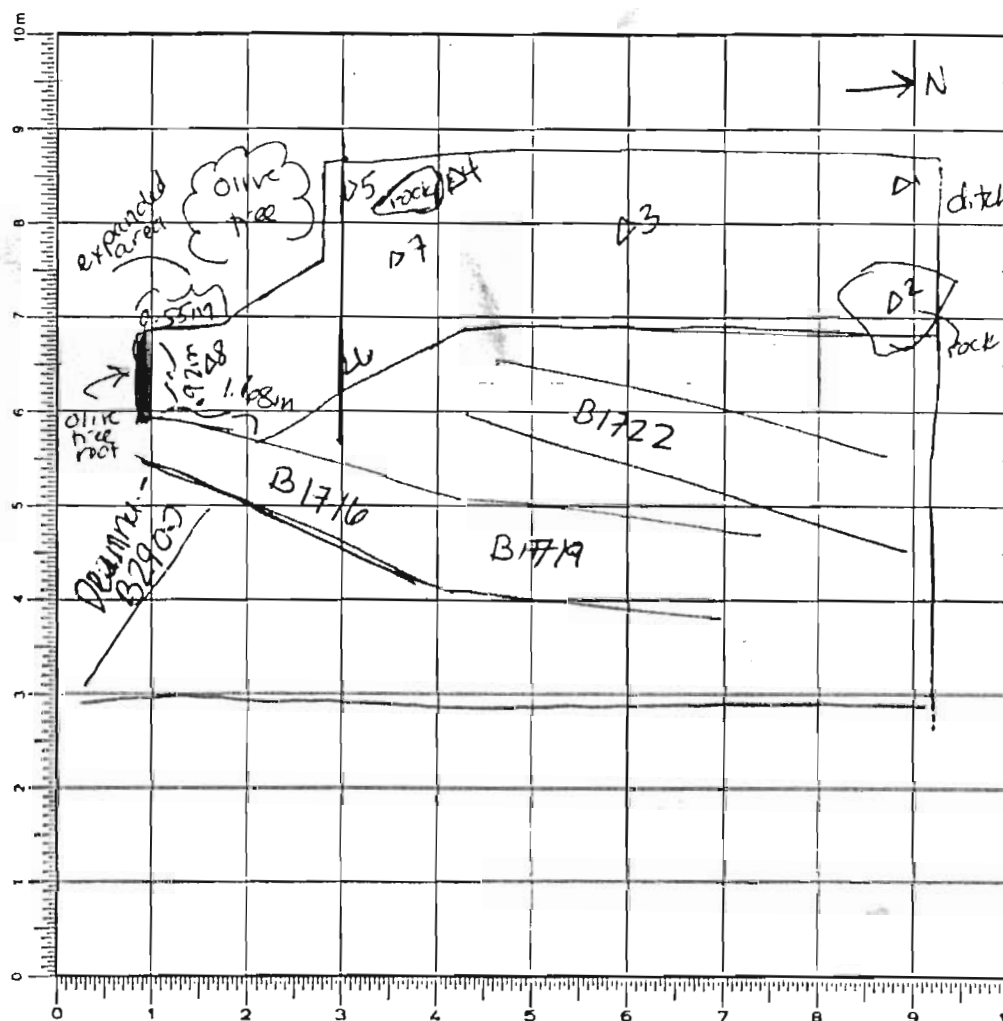
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### Elevations

Benchmark used: R-14  
Reading on (354,37m)  
Benchmark: 1,485  
H.I.: 356.30 m



Top elevations  
(Bottom elevations for  
B17244)

$\Delta 1 = 2.440$	353.92 m
$\Delta 2 = 2.345$	354.01 m
$\Delta 3 = 2.450$	353.91 m
$\Delta 4 = 2.470$	353.89 m
$\Delta 5 = 2.405$	353.95 m
$\Delta 6 = 2.375$	353.98 m
$\Delta 7 = 2.375$	353.96 m
$\Delta 8 = 2.355$	<del>353.95 m</del> 354.00 m

$\Delta 1 = 2.58$	<del>353.85</del> 353.85
$\Delta 2 = 2.455$	353.90 <sub>III</sub>
$\Delta 3 = 2.4105$	353.89 <sub>III</sub>
$\Delta 4 = 2.485$	353.87 <sub>III</sub>
$\Delta 5 = 2.465$	353.89 <sub>III</sub>
$\Delta 6 = 2.38II$	353.78 <sub>III</sub>
$\Delta 7 = 2.415$	353.94 <sub>III</sub>
$\Delta 8 = 2.370$	353.97

Bottom Elevations for B1724  
E-14

$$100 \times 1.9 = 1.990$$
$$HI = 35034$$

Rock by  $\Delta Z$  - elevation = 2.410

Rock by Δ5 = 2.360 | 354.00

### SKETCH

Today's date:

Locus above: B1723

03 June 05

Locus parameters:

Not a new locus, but expanded trench, so a new drawing was necessary.

Verbal description:

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Last 10 cm of the bulk ~~of~~ of B1700 as it was excavated last year.

Expanded trench to include an area on the south, which was previously dug as part of B2902.3, B2900K ~~and~~ adjacent to B1700 to the south.

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

On June 65 - Despite digging down to ~~zero~~ level of FN wall 31722, we still have no real micromatrix.  
Maybe there is a FN surface below it?



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Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1724 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

01 June 2005

After removing the layer of topsoil on the expansion of B1720, ~~pass~~ pail B1724.1 is the next layer. However, the stratigraphy is not very well preserved, probably because the area is on the edge of a terrace and has eroded/washed down.

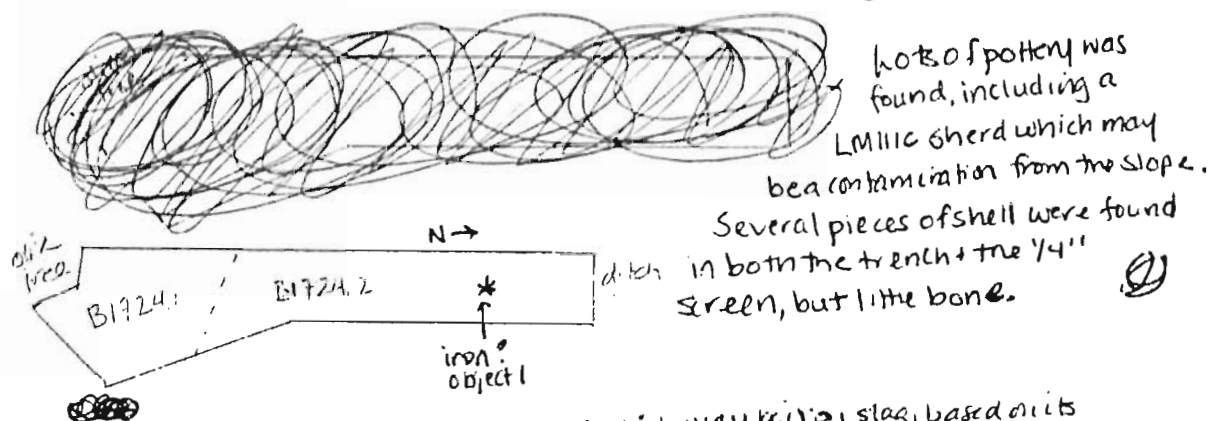
The dirt is a dark brown color with some small stones and some pottery, mostly coarseware, but not in the quantity found in B1723.1.

The locus is slightly wider than B1723 because the western edge slopes down to the kura below.

All dirt from the pass was screened, but only a few very small sherds and bone fragments were found. The pass began at the southern edge + moved north. About 1/3 of the pass was completed today.

02 June 2005

We began with another pass of B1724, starting with B1724.2. The pass again began at the southern end, at the boundary with B1724.1, and moved north. As the pass progressed, more small-medium stones were uncovered, as well as lots of pottery. The pottery was mostly coarseware, with ~~some~~ several sherds of fine ware.

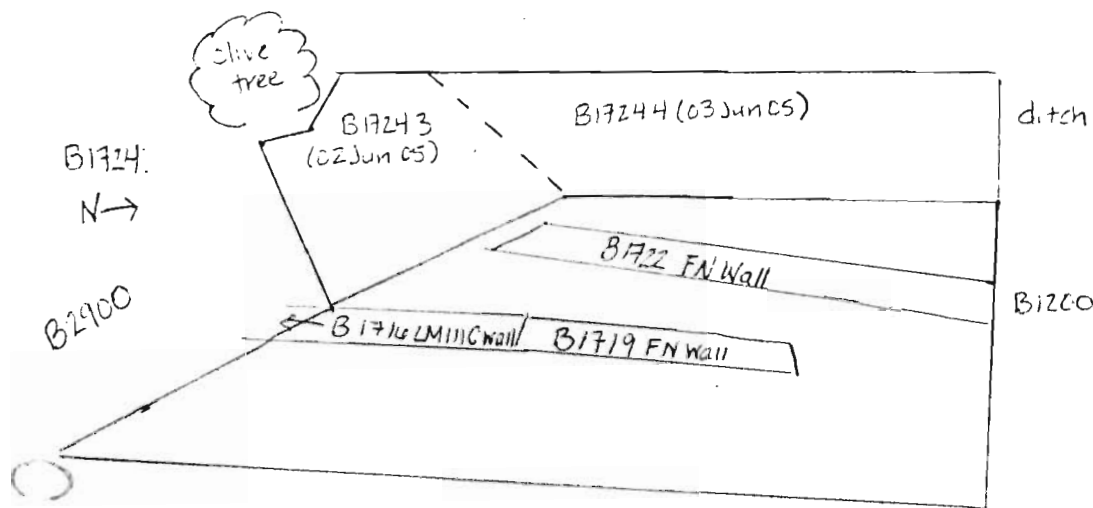


Near the northern end of the trench, an object was found which may be a slag-based milt weight. There were also some orange patterns suggestive of oxidation. However, the object was too dirty to immediately identify.

B1724.2 did not uncover any surfaces, so we began another pass with B1724.3. The dirt was the same: medium brown coloring with small stones. It was a little harder to dig through, but not much. The pass again began at the ~~southern end of the trench~~ south end of the trench. A similar ~~concentration~~ concentration of pottery was found, though it seems there is more fine-ware proportionally. ~~There was no bone found.~~ All the dirt was screened, but little pottery or bone was found. The pail ended because it was the end of the day.

Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1720/B1724 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:



03 June 05

Pail B1724.4 began in the morning at the southern edge of the pail boundary as indicated in the diagram above. The dirt was the same as in B1724.3 - medium brown with many small stones, still not very hard to pick through.

A similar amount of pottery was found as in the previous pails of B1724, again mostly ~~coarse~~ coarseware. Several sherds of fine ware were found. All dirt was screened, but little was found (mostly small pieces of shell). No objects were found.

The pail ended when the pass reached the northern boundary of the trench, at the ditch between the ~~new~~ area currently being excavated + the bulk in front of B1200.

Final elevations were recorded on the locus sheet for B1724.5 (a new sheet is needed b/c the trench was again expanded).

Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1724 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

03 Jun 05

After B1724.4, the trench was expanded to include a small area by the olive tree that was previously excavated as part of B2900 (most recently B2902.3). ~~The added area is bordered by the olive tree on the west, an olive tree root to the south, and the LM III c wall~~ B1716 ~~on the east~~. B1716 extends into B2900, but the part of the wall that ~~was~~ extends into B2900 was not added to B1724 - the wall only serves as the boundary.

This area was added because ~~it appears~~ it appears to be part of the same area of B1724. ~~the area is on the same side of B1716 and immediately adjacent to the area of B1724.1-4. The dirt also is similar: medium brown with small stones. Because the dirt did not change, a new locus was not needed, but B1724.5 has a new locus sheet so that the expanded area could be drawn.~~

With pail B1724.5 we intended to lower the level of the bulk to the floor surface of the ~~area~~ of B1700 which is adjacent to the east. The pass began at the SE ~~end~~ part of the area being excavated. This area is bordered to the east by the ~~LM III c wall~~ level <sup>to</sup> which we were digging in the current pass, so we began there to ensure a more level surface.

~~Mostly coarseware was found in this pail, at a constant concentration throughout the pass. All dirt was screened, but again little was found. A soil sample was taken on this pass.~~

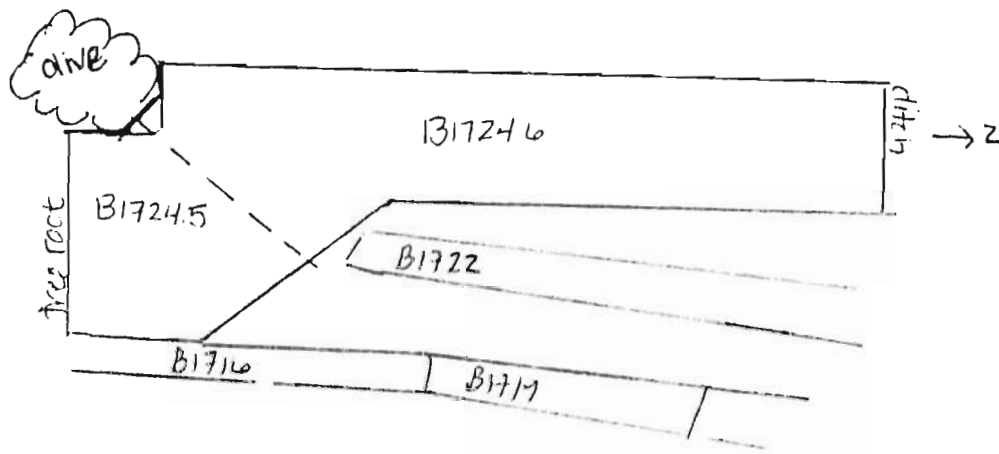
Although the pass did not progress very far today, in at least one place, ~~just~~ just to the east of the olive tree, a clay surface was found. The surface is poorly preserved, but seems to be either a floor or ceiling surface. There don't appear to be many stones in the uncovered clay surface.



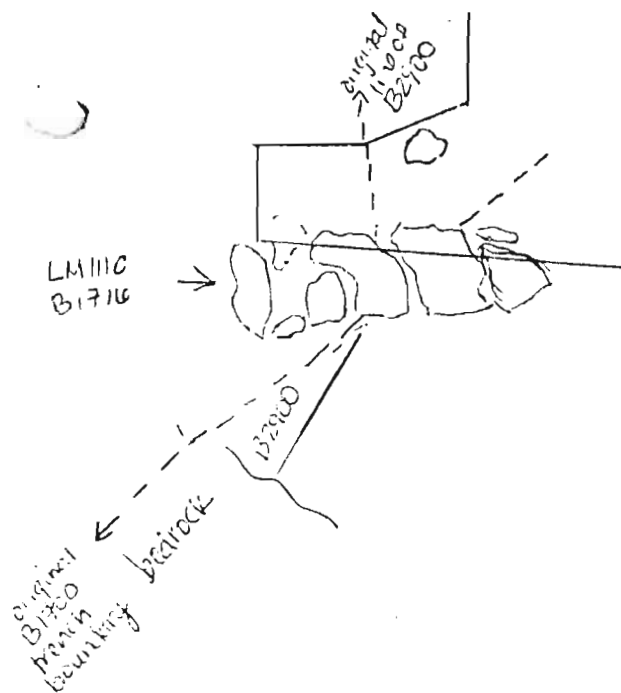
DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

We began pail B1724b in the morning at the southern end of the pail boundary as indicated in the diagram below. The intention again was to make the expanded area of B1720 equal with the surface on the west side of the FN wall B1722.

At the SW corner of the trench (near the olive tree) a large rock was found. It may be a part of the terrace wall that seems to be showing further down the slope on the west.



Boundary between B1700 and B2900:



The pass was completed from south to north. Lots of pottery was found at consistent concentrations throughout the pass, though perhaps a little less than in the previous pairs of B1724. Again it was mostly coarseware, and appears to be mostly early iron age.

All dirt from the pail was screened. Only a few small pieces of bone were found in the screen, and several pieces of shell. A standard soil sample was taken of dirt randomly selected through the pail.

The clay surfaces discovered in B1724.5 continued into the southern part of B1724.6. A similar surface was visible on the floor of B1720 just ~~west~~ west of B1722, which is the level we were digging to. The surface was not preserved very far into the pit.

At the NE corner of the trench another large rock was discovered, but it ~~was~~ <sup>is</sup> too far to the east to be part of ~~the~~ <sup>any</sup> terrace wall.

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DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery find(s)]:

06 Jun 05 ctd.

The pass was completed this afternoon. The area was swept for photographs, and final elevations were taken. Elevations on both rocks were taken.

Now that the surface of what was the bulk to the ~~west~~<sup>west</sup> of B1700 has reached the level of B1700 as it was ~~excavated~~ excavated last year, the area of excavation will be expanded. The eastern boundary will be the FN wall B1722, and the northern boundary is extended to include the small ditch that separated the bulk between B1700 and B1200. The western boundary will increase as we dig down the slope to the next terrace.

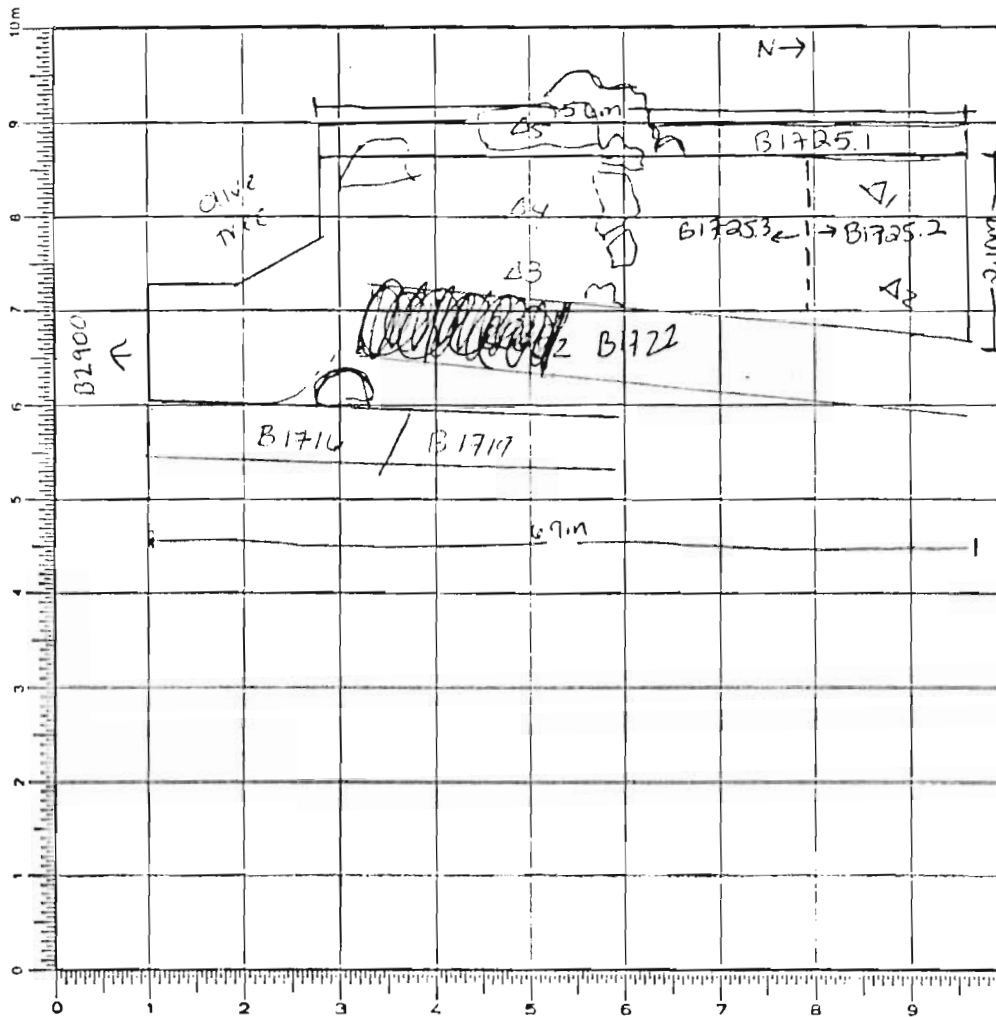
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In the afternoon, a terrace wall was discovered to the N of B1700, to the west of B2200/B2300. The stones visible down the slope in B1700 may be a continuation of this archaic terrace wall.

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Reading on (354.37 m)

Benchmark:

H.I.:

For top elevations see  
bottom elevations of  
B1724more top elevations  
reading on R-14 = 1.960  
HI = 356.33m

$\Delta 1 = 2.470$	353.80m
$\Delta 2 = 2.430$	353.90m
$\Delta 3 = 2.390$	353.94m
$\Delta 4 = 2.405$	353.92m
$\Delta 5 = 2.530$	353.80m

$\Delta 1 = 2.545$	353.80m
$\Delta 2 = 2.505$	353.84m
$\Delta 3 = 2.460$	353.87m
$\Delta 4 = 2.475$	353.87m
rdgm R14 = 1.975	
HI = 356.35m	
$\Delta 5 = 2.530$	353.82m
Bottom Elevations	

SKETCH 1.75 (1)

**DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):**

Today's date:

7 June 05

Locus parameters:

6.9m x 2.19m

Verbal description:

The bulk to the west of B1700

is no longer there. We are digging the area to the west of the FN wall B1722 up to the edge of the slope.

Although there is a clay surface in several places (especially in the southern area of the trench), the dirt is <sup>lighter</sup> ~~more~~ in color (medium brown) and picking difficulty (relatively soft). There are fewer small stones in it, except along the western edge of the slope where at least the modern brick wall was.Locus above: B1724. Changed locus b/c reached lowest level of B1700 as it was excavated last year, and have in places ~~more~~ at the bottom of B1724 a clay surface. Same clay is visible at lowest level of B1700 as excavated last year (W of B1722).**Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):**

Iron Age date but no obvious floor surface. Maybe a road or a terrace wall (7 Jun 05).

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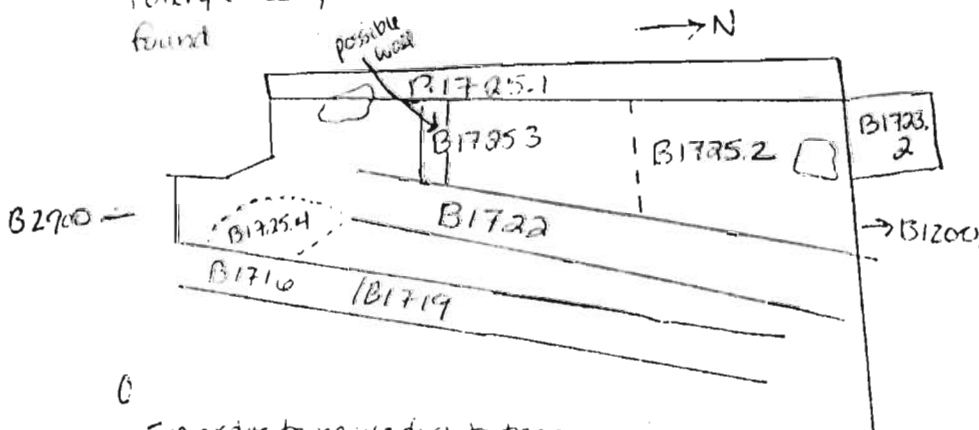
07 June 2005

This morning we began a new locus. Pail B1725.1 dug into the slope ~~along~~ along the west part of ~~the~~ the trench. We dug approximately a .4-.45m bulk along the western edge, at a width of approx 10cm.

The dirt was similar to that of B1724 - light brown with stones. In some areas of the pass the bulk was more shallow because there were several large rocks. It appears that these rocks are built up to a large chunk of the bedrock, probably as an ancient terrace wall. But this will be uncovered later.

The purpose of this pail was to reduce contamination of pottery / finds which could occur from the slope.

Pottery (mostly coarseware) was collected, but the dirt was not screened. No more was found.



In order to move dirt to the screening area more efficiently, we expanded B1723 (topsoil layer) north to include ~~about~~ about 1m<sup>2</sup> of the bulk to the west of B1200. We took off the topsoil layer to create a step. Pottery was collected but no dirt was screened. For more details see notes to B1723.2.

We began taking another pass of B1725 with B1725.2. The pass began from the norm in order to accommodate 2 diggers. This pass was dug from the western edge created by B1725.1 up to the edge of FN wall B1722.

The dirt was more moist than that of B1724, and so ~~softer~~ softer to pick through. It was ~~a~~ a slightly darker medium brown, with few stones.

Some pottery was found, still mostly coarseware, but with a higher percentage of fineware than B1724. Despite digging along the FN wall B1722, the pottery found was mostly ~~all~~ Iron Age in date.

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DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

07 June 05

B1725.2c1d

All dirt was screened ~~over~~ Very few pieces of bone were found in the screen, but some seashells were found. A standard soil sample was taken from dirt randomly collected from the pail.

Locked up the excavation last year, in B1700 of the area W of B1722. Associated pottery pails are ~~B1703~~ B1703.12 - FN, LM IIIc, EIA, A  
B1703.13 - FN, LM IIIc, A  
B1703.14 - FN, LM IIIc

There was a lot of tumble/wash in this area.

08 June 05

This morning we began the pass at the northern edge of where we let off yesterday afternoon and dug to the south. The dirt in Pail B1725.3 was similar ~~to~~ to that of B1725.2 - medium brown + soft, with few stones.

In line with the ~~pass~~ large bedrock or boulder uncovered in Pail B1725.1 a row of what appears to be 3 stones was uncovered. While it is too early to say that it is a wall without doubt, the stones are in a straight line. They line up with the southern corner of FN wall B1722, suggesting that the area of B1725.3 north of the wall is an interior space (though no floor-like surface was found in this pass).

The pass continued to the southern part of the trench. A ~~standard~~ standard soil sample was taken in the southern half for B1725.3. A standard soil sample for dirt north of the possible wall in B1725 was collected yesterday in B1725.2.

A group of large stones was uncovered in the southern half of the trench, just to the west of ~~B1716~~ B1716. This may be wall tumble.

All dirt from the pass was screened, but little bone was found. Mostly coarseware pottery was found in the pass.

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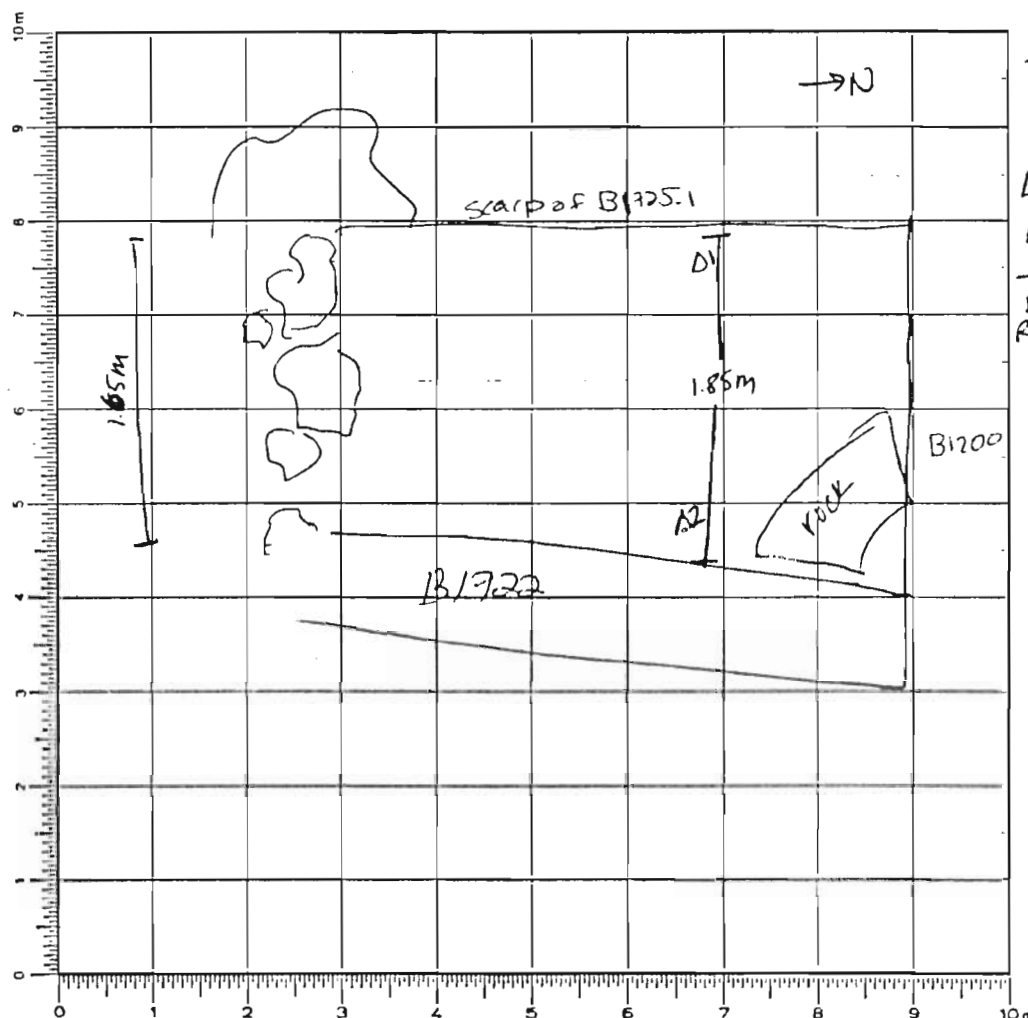
8 Jun 05 c'td.

Pail B1725.4 was a ~~one~~ pass over a small area of tumble uncovered in B1725.3 at the Southeast end of the trench, and along ~~across~~ LM IIIc wall ~~B1725~~ B1716. Little was clarified - another pass will be required.

The dirt (a very small amount) was screened and some pottery was collected.

Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1724 Excavator EEG**Elevations**Benchmark used: R-14Reading on (354.37m)Benchmark: 1.960

H.I.:

**Top Elevations**~~Top Elevations  
B1725.1  
B1722  
B1720~~
 $\Delta 1 = \cancel{2.580} \ 2.545 \ 353.78m$   
 $\Delta 2 = \cancel{2.580} \ 2.505 \ 353.82m$ 
**Bottom Elevations**Reading on R-14 = 1.975H.I. = 356.35m
 $\Delta 1 = 2.625 \ 353.72m$   
 $\Delta 2 = 2.580 \ 353.77m$ 
**DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):**

Today's date:

8 June 2005

Locus parameters:

Locus above: B1725 - changed locus b/c we ~~are~~ discovered a possible wall + want to excavate the N half. Dirt was also a little darker.

Verbal description:

Northern half of B1725, with possible wall as the southern boundary. Eastern boundary is Fin wall B1722. Western boundary is bulkline created in B1725.1.

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

~~There is a wall in the northern half of B1725, with a possible wall as the southern boundary. Eastern boundary is Fin wall B1722. Western boundary is bulkline created in B1725.1.~~

Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1726 Excavator EEG

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## OBJECTS

[illegible]

ADDITIONAL COLLECTED MATERIAL

[illegible]

Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1726 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

08 Jun 2005

Pail B1726.1 began at the northern boundary of the trench. The purpose was to take a pass through the area to the north of the possible wall, which should be the interior of the building based on its relation to ~~B1722~~ FN wall B1722.

The dirt was even darker and a little softer than the dirt in B1725. We seem to have uncovered a harder surface underneath of a lighter color, well-preserved over ~~a good~~ a good part of the pass, especially in the ~~upper~~ eastern part, nearest to ~~B1722~~ FN wall B1722.

Mostly coarseware pottery was found, and one bone fragment right up against the western face of B1722. All dirt was screened, and several small bone fragments were found. A soil sample was taken of dirt ~~and~~ randomly selected from the pass.

We found more definition of the possible wall - there seem to be 2 rocks in line at the western edge, but the third rock which forms a corner with B1722 is still largely obscured.

Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1726 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery find(s)]:

14 June 05

This morning, before taking another full pass in the northern half of the trench as separated by B1728, we cleaned the western edge of FN wall B1732 in part

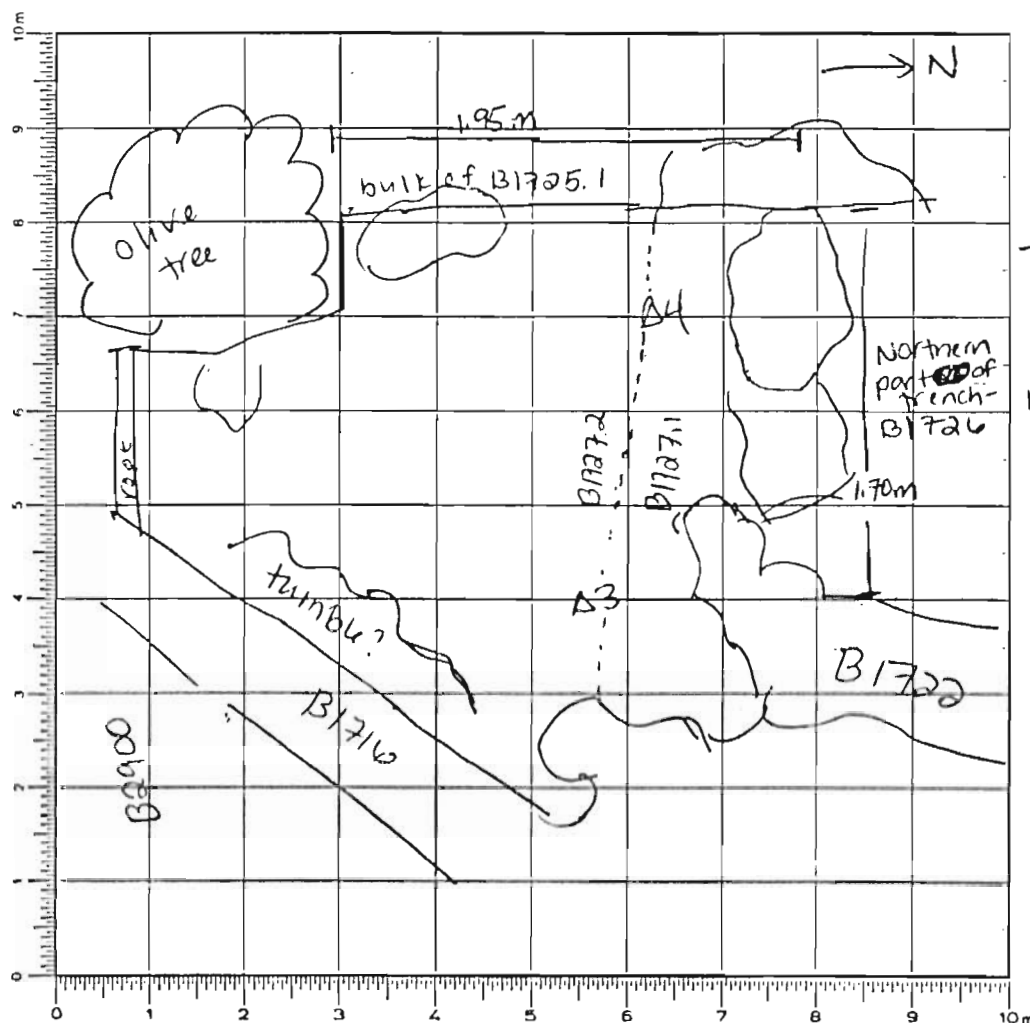
B1726.2. The wall boundaries were clarified as much as possible.

All dirt was screened. No bone was found in the trench, and very little in the screen. Very little pottery was found, but the volume of dirt was small.



Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1727 Excavator EEG**Elevations**

Benchmark used: R-14  
 Reading on (354.37m)  
 Benchmark: 1.960  
 H.I.:



~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~  
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~  
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~  
 $\Delta 3 = 2.460$  | 353.87m  
 $\Delta 4 = 2.475$  | 353.81m

**Bottom Elevations**

$\Delta 3 = 2.505$  | 353.84m  
 $\Delta 4 = 2.530$  | 353.82m  
 Reading on R-14 = 1.975  
 H.I. = 356.35m

**DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):**

Today's date:

8 Jun 05

Locus parameters:

Locus above: B1725. Changed locus #1c we wanted to excavate the area to the south of the possible wall separately, although the dirt is the same.

**Verbal description:**

Southern half of trench - south of possible wall which is N boundary.

~~Room~~ Eastern boundary is wall B1716. Olive tree root is southern boundary, and bulk created by B1725.1 is western boundary.

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

8 Jun 05, ~~Room~~ Room created by B1722 + possible wall.

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Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1727 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery find(s)]:

08 June 05

Pail ~~B1726~~ B1727.1 began this afternoon to excavate the southern part of the area excavated in B1725, as separated by our possible wall.

The dirt was exactly the same as that on the northern half of ~~B1726~~ (B1726.1) - medium brown and soft with small rocks.

The pass ~~only progressed~~ several centimeters from the possible wall to the south b/c of time constraints. Some pottery (mostly coarseware) was collected. All dirt was screened.

09 June 05

This morning we continued the pass <sup>with B1727.2</sup> in the southern part of the trench bounded to the north by the possible wall, and bounded to the east by LM11C wall B1719.

The dirt was medium brown and fairly soft. It revealed a surface of clay (cracking clay?), especially well preserved next to the walls.

Lots of Early Iron Age pottery was found, mostly coarseware. There was an especially high concentration of pottery in the southeast corner of the pass, near a large rock and the olive tree.

Much more bone was found, especially in the scraps, than in previous loci on the same spot. All dirt was screened. A standard soil sample was collected of dirt randomly selected through the pass.

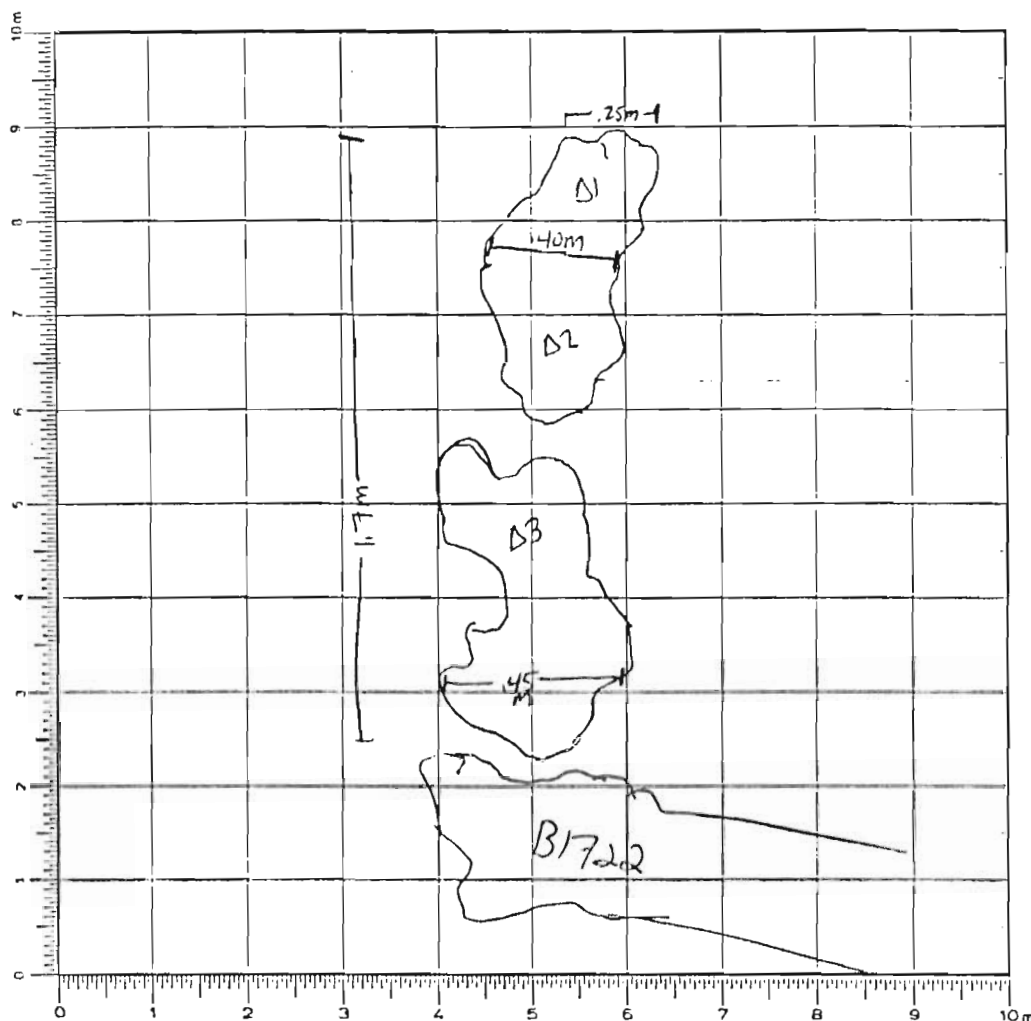
The surface revealed extends all over the area of B1727.1-2. It is a harder clay, lighter in color, with few stones. It extends all the way up to the walls (our possible wall and B1719). It is partially obscured by the wall tumble in the southeastern corner, which will need to be cleared up with another pass.

The presence of so much bone in this half of the trench (S half) as compared to a near absence of bone in the north half certainly indicates a differentiation in the use of the space.

We were able to define the edges of the possible wall a bit - it seems to be probably only 2 stones. ~~But~~ The corner where it may join with FN wall B1722 is still very obscured by dirt. But we can say that this is a wall - B1728.

Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1722 Excavator EEGElevationsBenchmark used: 2-14

Reading on

Benchmark: 1.975H.I.: 356.35m

$\Delta 1 = 2.410$	353.94 m
$\Delta 2 = 2.400$	353.95 m
$\Delta 3 = 2.485$	353.86 m

## DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):

Today's date:

Locus above: B172509 June 2005changed locus - new wall.

Locus parameters:

Approx 1.7m long (east-west).

Verbal description:

Crosswall running east-west.Joins to ~~crosswall~~ Southern corner of ~~B1722~~ FN wall B1722.Also seems to join up w/ bedrock/boulder on slope at the west end.

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

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Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1728 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

13 June 05

This morning we cleaned the southern edge of B1728 in pail B1728.1. ~~Q28~~  
~~to B28~~ We cleaned from the western edge of the exposed wall ~~Q28~~ at the bulk created in B1725.1,  
to the ~~Q28~~ intersection of B1728 with FN wall B1722. It is not yet clear whether or not B1728  
extends further east to B1719/B1716, and this area will be cleared up—it is full of tumble.

The small amount of dirt was screened. No bone was found, and very little pottery. However, the  
amount of dirt was less than 1 Zembili.

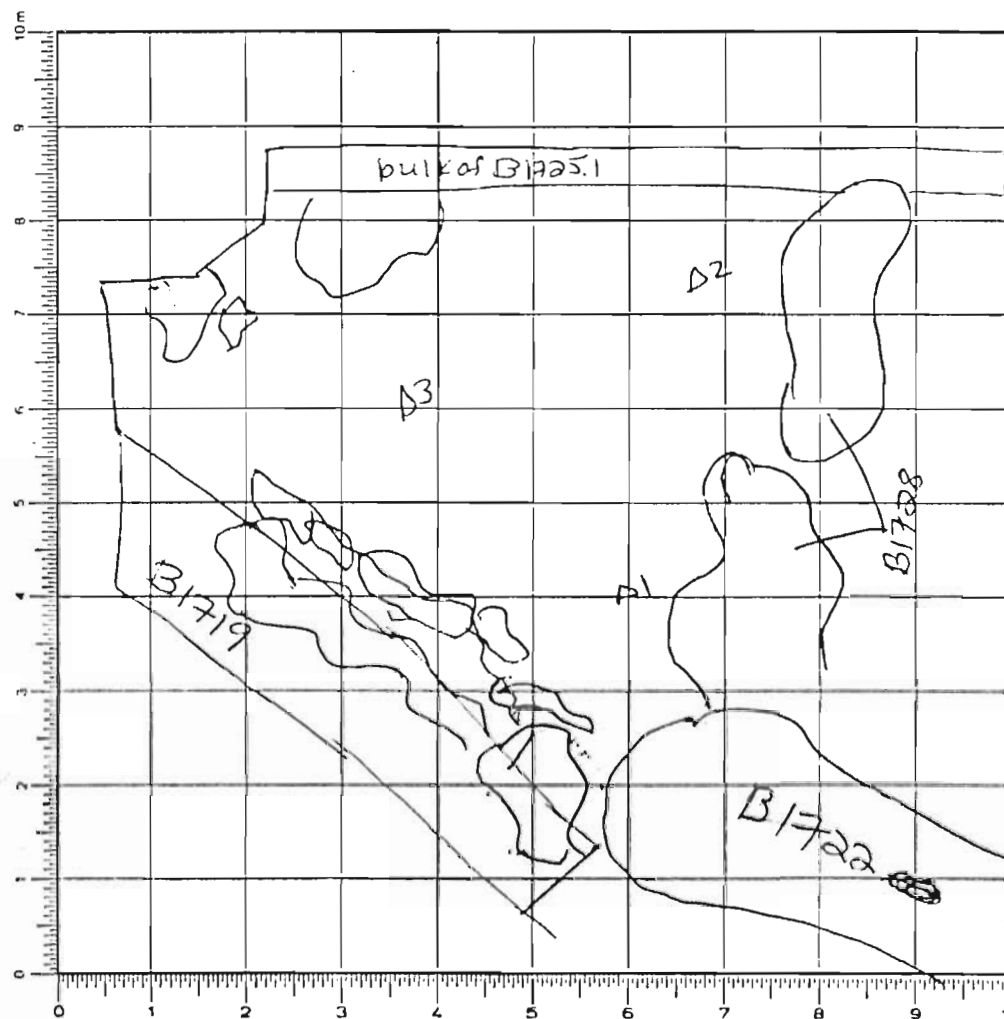
Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1729 Excavator EEG**Elevations**

Benchmark used:

Reading on

Benchmark:

H.I.:

For top elevations see  
bottom elevations of  
B1727Bottom Elevations  
ragon R-14 = 1.974 $\Delta 1 = 2.550$  | 353.80m $\Delta 2 = 3.580$  | 353.77m $\Delta 3 = 2.565$  | 353.78m

HI = 356.35m

SKETCH 1:75 N

**DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):**

Today's date:

9 June 2005

Locus above: B1727

Locus parameters:

Changed locus b/c we have some surface-possibly  
roofing clay - lighter in color.

Verbal description:

Southern part of area excavated in B1725. North boundary is wall B1728. East  
boundary is LMLIC wall B1719. Olive root is southern boundary & boundary with B2900.Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional  
pages if necessary):9 June 2005 roofing clay  
& rubble.



Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1729 Excavator EEG

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## OBJECTS

[illegible]

ADDITIONAL COLLECTED MATERIAL

[illegible]

Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1729 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

09 June 05

This afternoon pail B1729.1 began a pass through the southern part of the trench, bounded on the north by B1728 and on the east by B1719. The pass was through a hard, lighter colored clay. The pass began at the north end by wall B1728. The clay tended to peel off in large chunks when picked, suggesting a surface underneath. ~~There does not seem to be a~~ There does seem to be a ~~uniform~~ hard surface under the clay, ~~was~~ uniformly through the trench.

Again, as in B1727.1-2, a lot of bone was found in the trench + in the screen (all dirt was screened). Again, lots of coarseware Early Iron Age pottery was found. The presence of bone again suggests a difference in ~~area~~ function from the area north of B1728, where ~~was~~ little or no bone was found.

A standard soil sample was taken of randomly selected dirt.

Photographs of the trench were taken.

Pail B1729.2 was the removal of the wall tumble in the SE corner of the pass of B1729, just to the west of LM III C wall B1719, and presumably fallen from this wall. Many of the stones were resting on or above the surface uncovered in B1729.1, or on dirt slightly above the level of the surface. So we wanted to take out these stones and make the surface level. Elevations were taken on ~~many~~ several of these stones before their removal (see next page of notes).

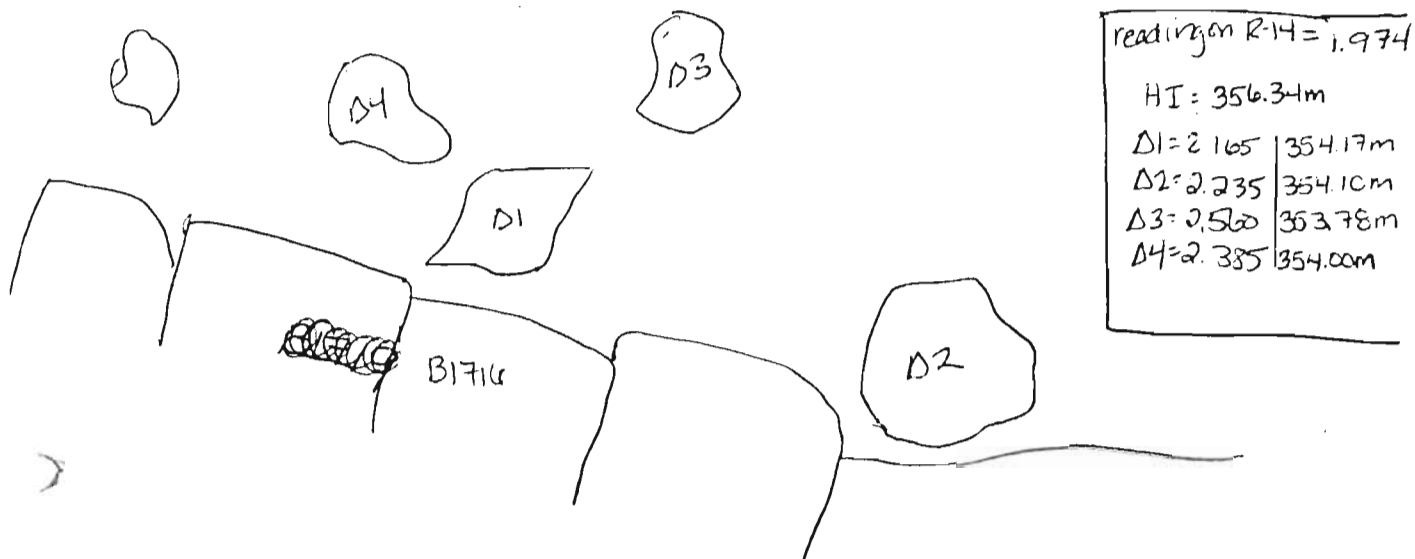
The same clay surface was found under the stones removed. Suggests that the clay surface was exposed long enough for the wall to tumble onto it.  
 Two of the larger stones ~~was~~ have fallen below the level of the clay surface and so were not removed.

Pottery (Early Iron Age) and bone were collected. All dirt was screened.

The edges of LM III C wall B1719 were then cleaned on the western face, and the pottery was collected with the same pail, since the tumbled stones had made it difficult to clean these stones.

Year 2005 Trench/Locus B729 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:



Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1730 Excavator EEGElevations

Benchmark used:

Reading on

Benchmark:

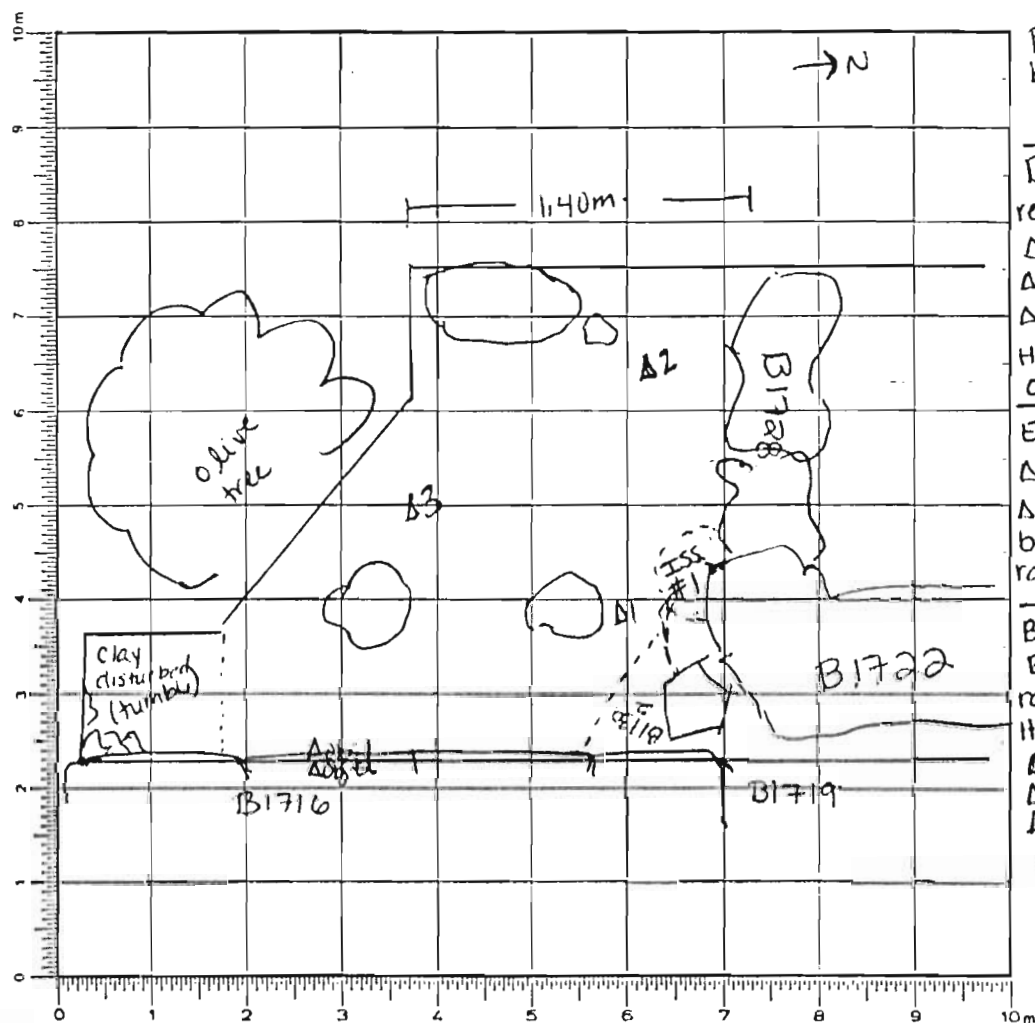
H.I.:

For top elevations see  
bottom elevations of  
B1729

Bottom Elevations  
reading on R-14 = 1.810  
 $\Delta 1 = 2.530 \rightarrow 353.45m$   
 $\Delta 2 = 2.570 \rightarrow 353.61m$   
 $\Delta 3 = 2.650 \rightarrow 353.53m$   
 H.I. = 356.18m  
 on B1730.4

Elevations on objects  
 $\Delta obj 1 = 2.598 \rightarrow 353.58m$   
 $\Delta obj 2 = 2.602 \rightarrow 353.58m$   
 bottom stone tools  
 rdg on R14 = 1.810

Bottom Elevations of  
B1730.6  
 rdg on R-14 = 1.100  
 H.I. = 355.47m  
 $\Delta 1 = 1.950 \rightarrow 353.52m$   
 $\Delta 2 = 1.780 \rightarrow 353.69m$   
 $\Delta 3 = 1.960 \rightarrow 353.51m$

DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):

Today's date:

10 June 2005

Locus above: B1729. We changed locus because we hit  
another clay surface.

Locus parameters:

Longest E-W length = 1.7m (along B1728).

Verbal description:

B1730 has as its northern boundary wall B1728, and LMLIC wall B1719 as its eastern boundary. The western boundary is the bulk from B1725.1 and the terrace slope. The olive net which was the southern boundary has been removed, but the boundary is in the same place, and B2900 is to the south.

The dirt is a light brown, hard clay.

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

Year 2005

Trench/Locus

B17 30

Excavator EEG

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## OBJECTS

Object Number	Associated Pottery Pail	Identification (material/form)	Location	Elevation	Catalogue Number
1	B1730.4	stone tool	in wall B1716	353.58m	
2	B1730.4	stone tool	in wall B1716	353.58m	
3	B1730.6	lead fishing weight	unknown - in 1/4" screen	unk.	

ADDITIONAL COLLECTED MATERIAL

[illegible]

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Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1730 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

10 June 2005

This morning we started another pass, pail B1730.1, into the half of the trench that is south of wall B1728 and west of B1719. This pass dug into a thick layer of clay that was uncovered on the last pass.

The clay surface was slightly disturbed and inconsistent at the far southern end of the trench, probably due to the roots of the olive tree nearby - we found ~~one~~ at least 1 larger root in the pass above and its removal may have disturbed this layer of clay.

We were able to remove most of the tumble that was too deep to remove yesterday with B1729.2. However, even more tumble was uncovered at this deeper level. Although this tumble is still in the southeastern corner of the trench, it is even closer to the Lull wall B1719 (on the west side of the wall). There must have been another surface beneath this level for the wall to tumble on, but we haven't reached that depth yet.

The pass began at the southern end at the boundary with B2900, and moved north. A standard soil sample was collected of dirt randomly selected throughout the pass.

As we reached the corner of B1722 and B1728, the dirt became softer, looser, and a darker brown. ~~There seems to be no surface at this corner.~~ There seems to be no surface at this corner.

Although there was no pottery or bone visible on the surface of this dirt, we collected Intensive Soil Sample 1 from this corner.

All dirt was screened, and as in the locus above (B1729) a lot of bone was found. It will be very informative to compare the amount of bone found on the same level in the northern half of the trench.

The pass was finished and the trench & surrounding areas were swept for trench tours.

13 June 2005  
This morning we finished the pass from Friday, digging out a small sector of tumble at the corner of B1722 and B1728. The small amount of dirt was screened. ~~There seems to be no surface at this corner.~~



Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1730 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

13 June 2005

This morning pail B1730.2 completed the pass in the southern half of the trench which was begun on Friday with B1730.1.

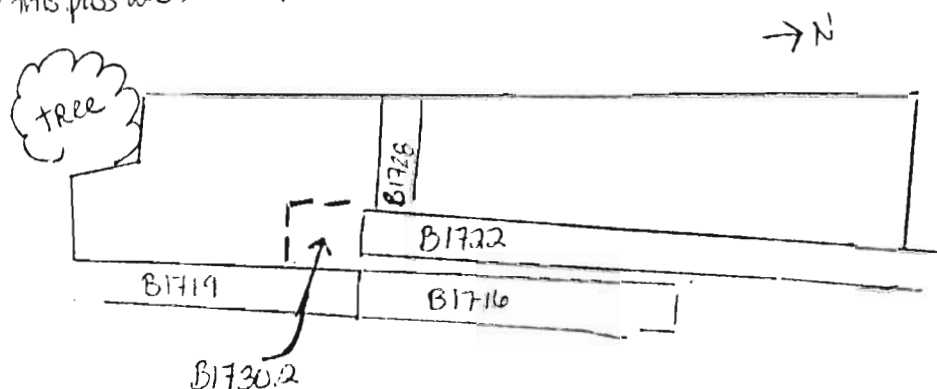
The area included the corner of walls B1722 and B1728, and along ~~B1722~~ B1716.

A small amount of bone and pottery was found. The pottery was mostly coarseware.

All of the dirt was screened, and again a small amount of bone was found.

The dirt was similar to B1730.1 - hard, light brown clay.

After this pass was finished, we cleaned the southern edge of B1728 - see B1728.1.



Pail B1730.3 began another pass into the southern half of the trench as separated by wall B1728. The pass began at the NW corner of the area and was about 15cm deep.

In the northwest area of the pass, a small amount of carbonized material was found. It was collected as carbon sample #1. The soil immediately around it was collected as intensive soil sample #1 (NW Quadrant).

As the pass continued east, part of an Archaic rim base was discovered just south of B1728. Although the pot was not intact, there were other sherds nearby. The soil around the sherds was collected as I.S.S. #2 (around sherd scatter). The presence of an archaic pot in an area where FN sherds were found in the pass above suggests that the area was filled in in the Archaic age, possibly at the construction of the terrace wall.



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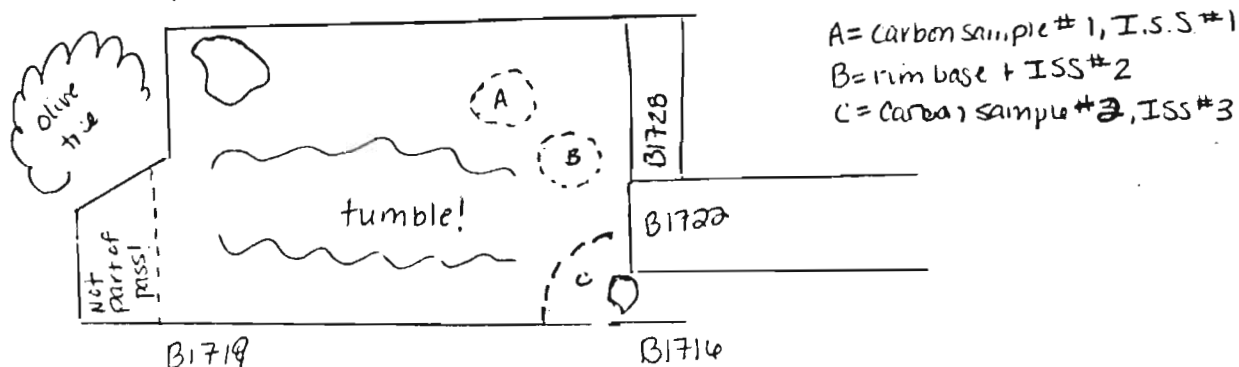
DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

[13 June 05, B1730.3 ctd.]

As the pass progressed further east, the digging became more shallow due to the presence of many large rocks. These were discovered under the tumble which the pass was meant to remove. We left them in situ so as not to dig below the level of ~~the~~ the beginning of the pass. ~~also~~ We also considered the possibility that the rocks form an extension of the FN wall B1722. They ~~are~~ seem to be aligned at a slight angle to B1722, but some of the rocks ~~would~~ would have tumbled, if this were a wall. However, because of the proximity with B1716, it is more likely that the rocks fell from B1716. We left them in situ for a closer examination in ~~the~~ the morning, when they could be cleaned and better defined.

At the corner of B1728 and B1722, several more carbonized pieces were found and collected as ~~also~~ Carbon sample #2 <sup>soil</sup> ~~the~~ around the carbon was collected as ISS #3 (S' corner of B1722 and B1728).

All dirt from the pass was screened. Several pieces of bone were found in the trench, but much more bone and shell were found in the screen. A large amount of pottery was collected along the pass, including some large pinas sherds. Mostly coarseware. A standard soil sample was taken of dirt randomly selected throughout the pass.



The pass did not include the far southern tip that was included in B1730.1 - the space is too small and full of tumble to dig and get any useful information.

The stones of B1716 ~~do~~ <sup>much</sup> do not seem to extend deeper beyond this pass - some pottery was found wedged underneath one of the stones, i.e. the stone underneath, the wall does not seem to be in blocks, but in small pieces. However, we did not dig deep enough yet under the ~~walled~~ lowest exposed ~~course~~ course to be sure that the wall does not continue deeper.

Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1730 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

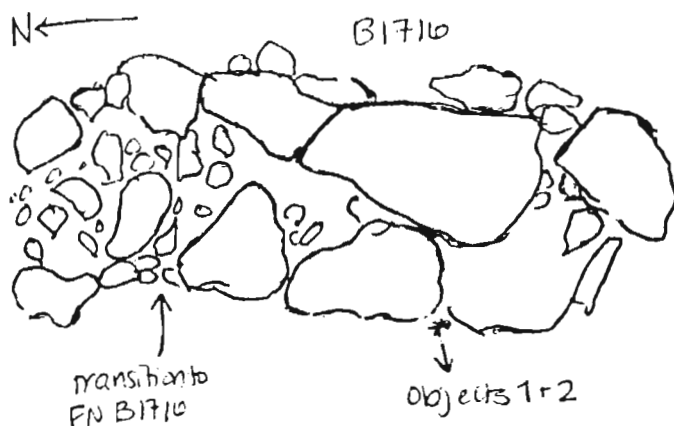
14 June 2005

This morning we ~~started~~ started by cleaning off LM III C ~~20100~~ wall B1710, with pail B1730.4. The cleaning of the western edge of this wall was included with the previous locus b/c the dirt was the same, and we did not dig below the level of the pass B1730.3.

All dirt was screened. Several pieces of bone and pottery were found both in the screen and in the trench, but the volume of dirt was small.

- ) In a niche above the lowest exposed course, 2 stone tools were found. Object 2 was right behind (to the west) of object #1. They are both small rounded stones that appear polished on many surfaces. Elevations were taken on both objects.

The goal was to clarify whether there is another course of stones below the lowest exposed course. Unfortunately this is still unclear - it appears that at least one of the large stones may extend further, however. We will need to excavate further south along the wall, in the area which was not included as part of B1730.3.



Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1730.5 Excavator EEB

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

15 June 05 - B1730.5

This morning after removing more of the bulk around the olive tree at the southern end of the trench in pail B1723.3, we began more wall cleaning along LM11C wall B1716, the western edge.

The face of the rock at the intersection of B1716 + B1719 was cleaned, where the walls have ~~been~~ a transition between FN + LM11C.

The wall at the southern end of the trench was also cleaned, and the area which we had decided not to excavate with B1730.3 was excavated.

We did not expose a lower course <sup>in all places</sup> ~~but~~, but it appears that the lowest course that is presently exposed continues farther down with some rocks. At the far south of the trench another course is now visible.

Some coarseware pottery was found, and a little bone. All dirt was screened.

B1730.6

We then began another pass through the southern half of the trench as separated by B1728, to try to find a surface. The pass began at the western end of the trench, at the slope to the terrace below. There is no longer a shallow bulk around the western edge of the trench, b/c that level was reached in the previous pass (B1730.3).

The western edge of the trench seems to have a very flat surface, and the clay seemed to come off of it in clumps. However, this is also the area under the large boulder which was just removed. It may be flat for that reason, or because the clay is soft and easy to flatten when picked.

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Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1730 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

15 Jun 05, B1730.6 Ctd

We decided to continue to pass east into the area of tumble, to decide whether the tumble was sitting on the "surface" or not. A lot of it was removed, however, some pieces of tumble extend below the level of the current pass. It is possible that they fell through the surface of the floor. But some more tumble was also discovered under the stones which were removed. ~~also~~

Therefore, although the stones may be tumble on a surface, they may also make up a course of a very poorly constructed FN wall, as the tumble is quasi-linear and in line with the FN wall B1722. However, there appears to be no difference in the clay that we dug through in the western end of the trench, and the clay in between the stones of the tumble. So most likely this is not ~~also~~ a N-S extension of B1722.

In the western end of the trench, before the tumble was reached, a small group of carbon clumps was collected as carbon sample #1. Several specks of carbon were found just at the western edge inside the tumble, carbon sample #2. Carbon sample #3 was collected just east of most of the tumble several larger chunks. The carbon collected is nowhere near enough to indicate burning/destruction under the tumble.

A piece of pumice, about 10 cm diameter, was found just north of the tumble, between the tumble and wall B1716. It is rounded but oblong.

As we approached B1716 from the west, we found definite patches of green-gray roofing clay along the western edge of B1716. The ~~also~~ clay definitely goes right up to the edge of the wall. It is very difficult to pick through.

We were able to expose the top of another course of B1716. The presence of this lower course, as well as the roofing clay/tumble mixture, suggests that there is a room surface underneath.

More archaic pottery, mostly coarseware, was found, as well as a few pieces of bone and some sea pebbles. All dirt was screened and more bone was found, but we are not collecting nearly as much bone as in the passes above.

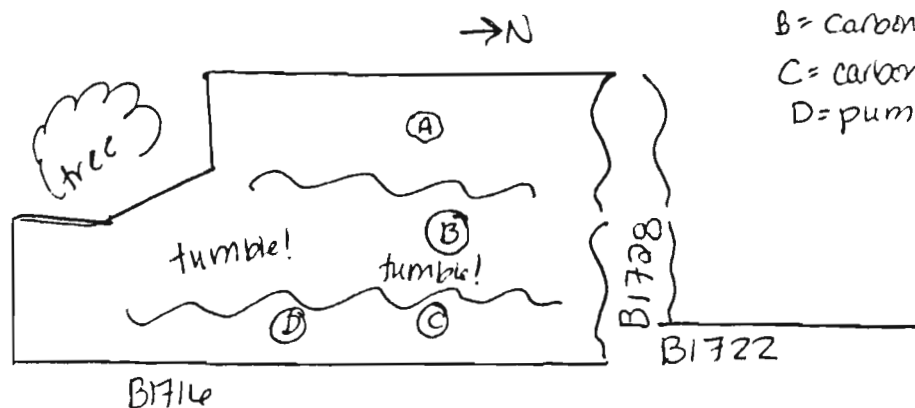
A standard soil sample was collected.

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Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1730 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

15 Jun 05, B1730. 6 c'td.



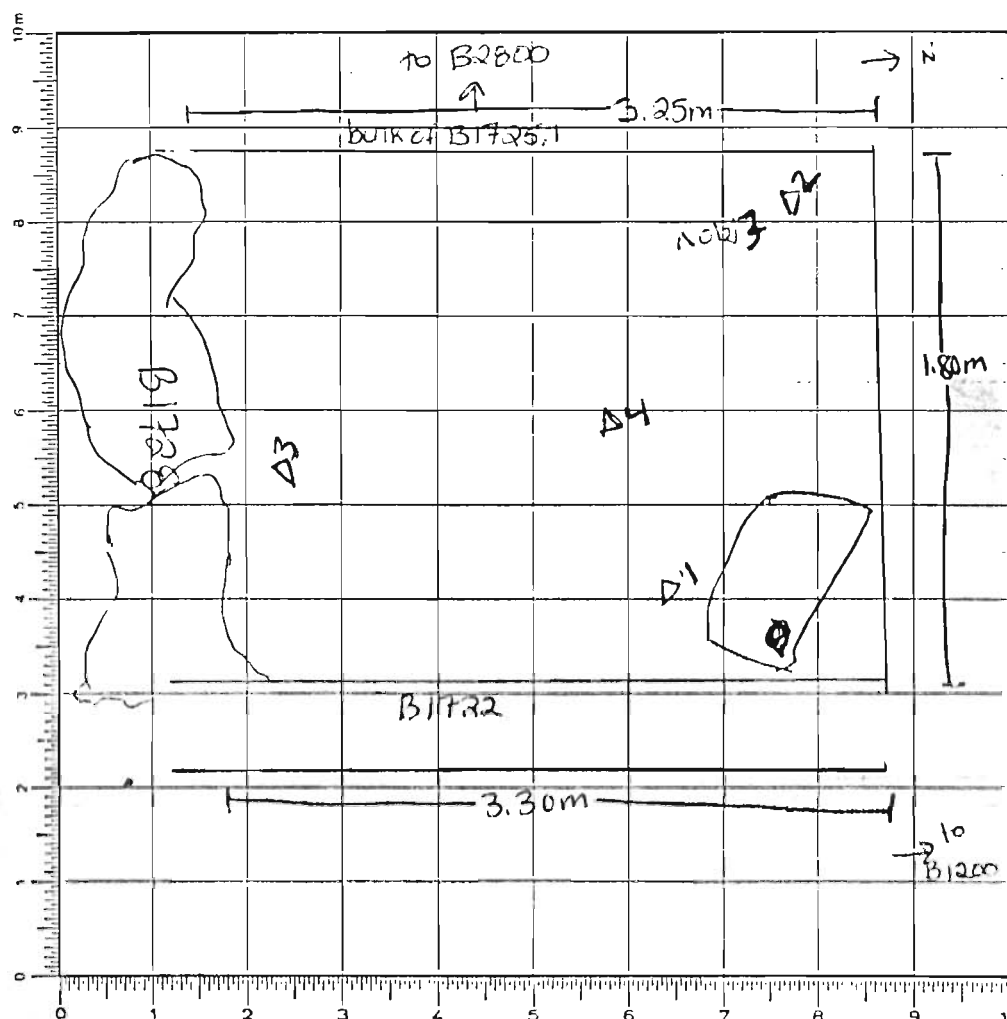
A = carbon sample #1  
 B = carbon sample #2  
 C = carbon sample #3  
 D = pumice

At the study center, it was discovered that a lead fishing weight was found in the bone bag from the 1/4" screen. It was bagged & given a catalogue number.

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## Elevations

Benchmark used:  
Reading on  
Benchmark:  
H.I.:



For top elevations, see  
B1726 bottom elevations.

### Post-Test Elevations after BIF 31.1

reading on R-14 = 0.890

$\Delta 1 = 1.560$	353.70 m
$\Delta 2 = 1.630$	353.63 m
$\Delta 3 = 1.550$	353.71 m

H.I = 355.26 m

Elevation on object's  
reading on R.I.4 = 20.63  
 $\Delta \text{obj 3} = 2,800 \mid 354.63m$   
(Same tool)  
H.I. = 357.43m

Bottom El- vs after  
B1731.3

$R-12 = 1,740$   
 $\Delta 1 = 1,920 \quad 353.65m$   
 $\Delta 2 = 1,994 \quad 353.58m$   
 $\Delta 3 = 1,874 \quad 353.70m$   
 $\Delta 4 = 1,928 \quad 353.64m$   
 $HI = 355.57m$

DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):

Today's date:

14 June 05

Locus parameters:

Locus above: B1726 - we are now digging through a surface of clay.

Verbal description:

Global description:  
~~B1730~~ B1731 is the area north of B1728 and west of B1722.  
 The northern boundary is the original northern boundary of the trench.

The dirt is a hard, light brown clay.

Bottom Floor  
offer B1731.10  
rd on R-12  
1.740

$$H.I = 355.58m$$

$\Delta 1 = 1.985$	353.59 m
$\Delta 2 = 2.048$	353.53 m
$\Delta 3 = 1.925$	353.65 m
$\Delta 4 = 1.923$	353.40 m

Bottom Elev. after  
81731.7

$$R-12=1.781$$

$\Delta 1 = 2.083$	353.53m
$\Delta 2 = 2.185$	353.42m
$\Delta 3 = 1.975$	353.63m
$\Delta 4 = 2.144$	353.47m

HI:  
355

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

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Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1731 Excavator PEG

Locus/Pottery Pail Number	Weight of Sherds	Number of Sherds	Chronology & Comments
B1731.1	2.05 kg	283	A, O, LM IIC
B1731.2	0.75 kg	109	LA, A, LG?, LM IIC
B1731.3	0.12 kg	39	LM IIC, A
B1731.4	0.33 kg	14	Middle, A, EIA
B1731.5	0.05 kg	13	A, EIA
B1731.6	2.35 ← 91.35 kg		A, LM IIC
B1731.7	2.6 ← 0.85 kg		Hell, LA, LM IIC, (A?)
B1731.8	0.63 kg	133	Hell, A, LG-ED, LM IIC
B1731.9	0.02 kg	11	RPD

## OBJECTS

Object Number	Associated Pottery Pail	Identification (material/form)	Location	Elevation	Catalogue Number
1	B1731.1	iron slag	link (found in screen)	link	
2	B1731.1	iron slag	link (found in screen)	link	
3	B1731.1	stone block	N part of B1100	364.63m	

## ADDITIONAL COLLECTED MATERIAL

Locus/Pottery Pail Number	Bones	Shell	Carbon	Pumice	Soil Sample	Other (specify)
B1731.1	2		1			
B1731.2	2				1	
B1731.3	2					
B1731.4	0					
B1731.5	1					
B1731.6	2				1	over 50 pebbles
B1731.7	1					
B1731.8	2					

Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1731 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

14 June 2005

Most of the morning and all of the afternoon was taken up with pail B1731.1. This was an approximately 12 cm deep pass through a light, hard clay, possibly roofing clay. The pass included the half of the trench north of wall B1728 and west of B1722. The ~~area~~ area is east of the bulk on the W slope created by B1725.1.

Because of the consistency of the clay, it came off in large chunks, suggesting that a surface may lie underneath.

The pass began at the north end of the trench and moved south. ~~All~~ All dirt was screened. Two small pieces of iron slag (objects 1 and 2) were found in the screen, so their location + elevation are unknown, but they came from the far northern area of the pass. A much larger piece of iron was found in pass B1724.2 (obj #1 of B1724), ~~in~~ in the same approximate area of the trench.

As the pass continued south, a small stone tool was found at the western edge of the pass. It is only a little larger than a size pebble, and may ~~be~~ come from a piece of conglomerate, but it is highly polished. We sent it in as object #3 and took an elevation (see locus sheet for location).

Lots of Archaic, coarseware pottery was found, including several pinus sherds. Some bone was found, especially near wall B1722, but less than in the corresponding pass in the southern part of the trench (B1727.1-2). All dirt was screened, and bone was found there as well.

A standard soil sample was taken of dirt randomly selected throughout the pass. The northern edge of wall B1728 was better defined. ~~It is~~ It is either very large boulders or bedrock - the edges ~~are~~ lack any smooth surfaces.



Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1731 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pair(s)]:

17 June 05 B1731.2

After uncovering what is likely an Archaic surface associated with B1716 in the southern half of the trench, we began a pass in the northern half, as separated by B1728. We have not yet hit a floor surface in this half of the trench, and are still digging through a ~~lot~~ gravelly dirt, so we are continuing with the previous locus. The pass began at the northern end of the trench, at the boundary with the bulk in front of B1200. The goal is to further define the "face," such as it is, of B1722 and to find a FN surface to accompany it, ~~as well as a floor surface~~.

- ) As the pass moved south, we discovered that the large rock in the NE corner continues still deeper, and there was harder-packed clay around it. It seems large as compared to the rocks of wall B1722 but is not flat enough to be a working surface.

All dirt was screened. We found some Archaic coarseware, and little bone. We were unable to complete the pass all the way to the northern face of B1728 due to time constraints. A standard soil sample was taken.

Year 2005 Trench/Locus ~~B1732~~ B1731 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

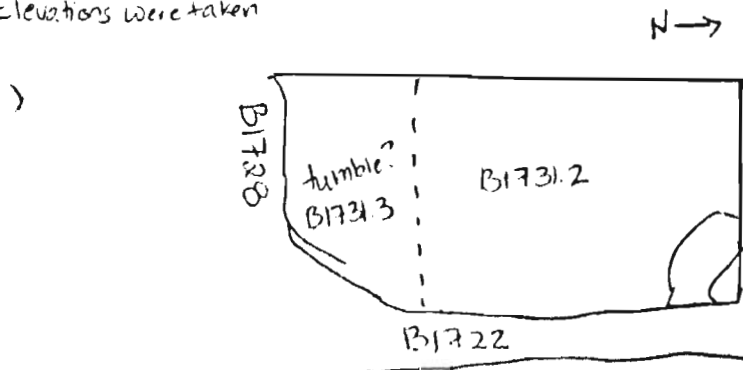
20 June 05 - ~~B1732~~ **B1731.3**

This morning we began finishing the pass started on 17 Jun 05 in the northern half of the trench, north of B1728. All dirt was screened, more tumble from B1722 was removed.

Several pieces of bone were found in the trench and in the screen. Several pieces of coarseware were also discovered, but the amount of dirt was fairly small.

We are beginning to uncover the northern face of B1728.

Elevations were taken

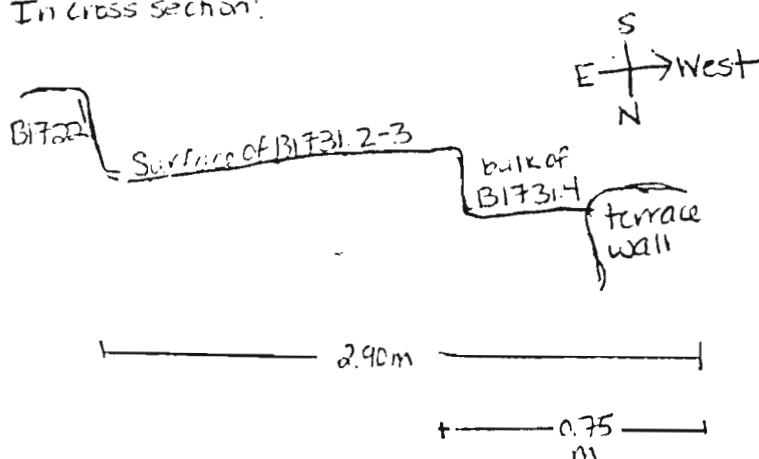


### **B1731.4**

After completing pass B1731.3, we took a pass along the western edge of the slope, about 10 cm wide. We wanted to cut the bulk down lower in order to reduce contamination of pottery from the slope. The dirt was not screened, but some pottery was collected.

We took the bulk down to the level of the ~~ancient~~ terrace wall, so the tops of the rocks of the wall are now visible. So far only one course of stones is visible, and only the west face is visible. It is still unclear whether the terrace wall is ancient or modern.

In cross section:



Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1731 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

20 June 05

**B1731.5**

We began another pass into the northern half of the trench after cutting down the bulk on the western slope in pail ~~B1731.4~~ B1731.4. The pass began at the western edge and moved east. All dirt was screened. The pass included only about 10 cm from west to east - the western edge is isolated in its own pail to avoid contamination as much as possible.

Very little pottery was found, no bone was found - a little shell was found in the screen.

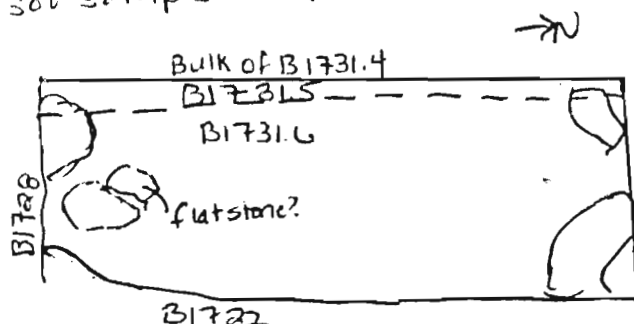
**B1731.6**

The pass was continued from west to east in a separate pail.

As the pass continued east, even more tumble was discovered, but not yet removed. Most of it ~~is~~ is from the southern end of the pass, possibly from B1728, including one fairly flat stone that appears to have slipped at an angle.

Not a lot of pottery was found, the majority was coarseware. Several pieces of bone were found in the trench. All dirt was screened, and several sea pebbles were found in the screen.

A standard soil sample was taken.



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DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

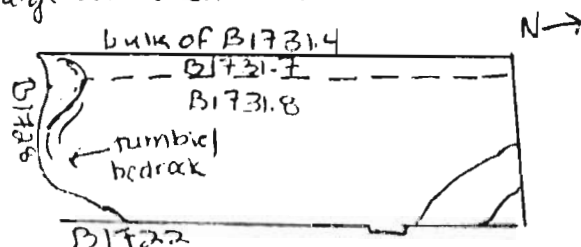
20 June 05

B1731.7

We began another pass through the northern half of the trench, again beginning on the west side. We took this pail approx. 70 cm from east-west along the western edge in order to localize contamination of pottery from the slope into this pail.

All dirt was screened, some coarseware pottery was collected. ~~Nothing was found.~~

Several large coarseware sherds were found.



B1731.8

This pail is the continuation of the pass begun with B1731.7, beginning at the western edge of the pail boundary & moving east.

Again, the dirt seems relatively poor in cultural material, especially as compared to the southern half of the trench, south of B1731.8. As the pass continued further east, the dirt became slightly darker. This change as well as the lack of material suggest that it may be a transition layer? However, several pieces of bone were found, along with some coarseware pottery.

The flat stone identified in B1731.6 is not a plaque after all, and looks to be just rubble.

We are discovering bedrock along the surface of B1731.2 and also along B1731.8, which seems to be mostly bedrock in situ. The walls seem to be breaking out, and no surface has yet been found to go with them. Maybe if there was a FN surface it was also disturbed in the archaic surface as in the southern half of the trench?

Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1731 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery find(s)]:

21 June 05

B1731.9

This morning we completed the pass that we began yesterday afternoon by clearing off the dirt around the northern face of B1728, in the southern area of the northern half of the trench. It was a very small quantity of dirt, but we uncovered more bedrock around B1728. It seems that the trench bottoms out with no FN surface.

The dirt was screened. A few sherds of coarseware were found, and several pieces of bone.

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Year 0005 Trench/Locus B1732 Excavator EEG

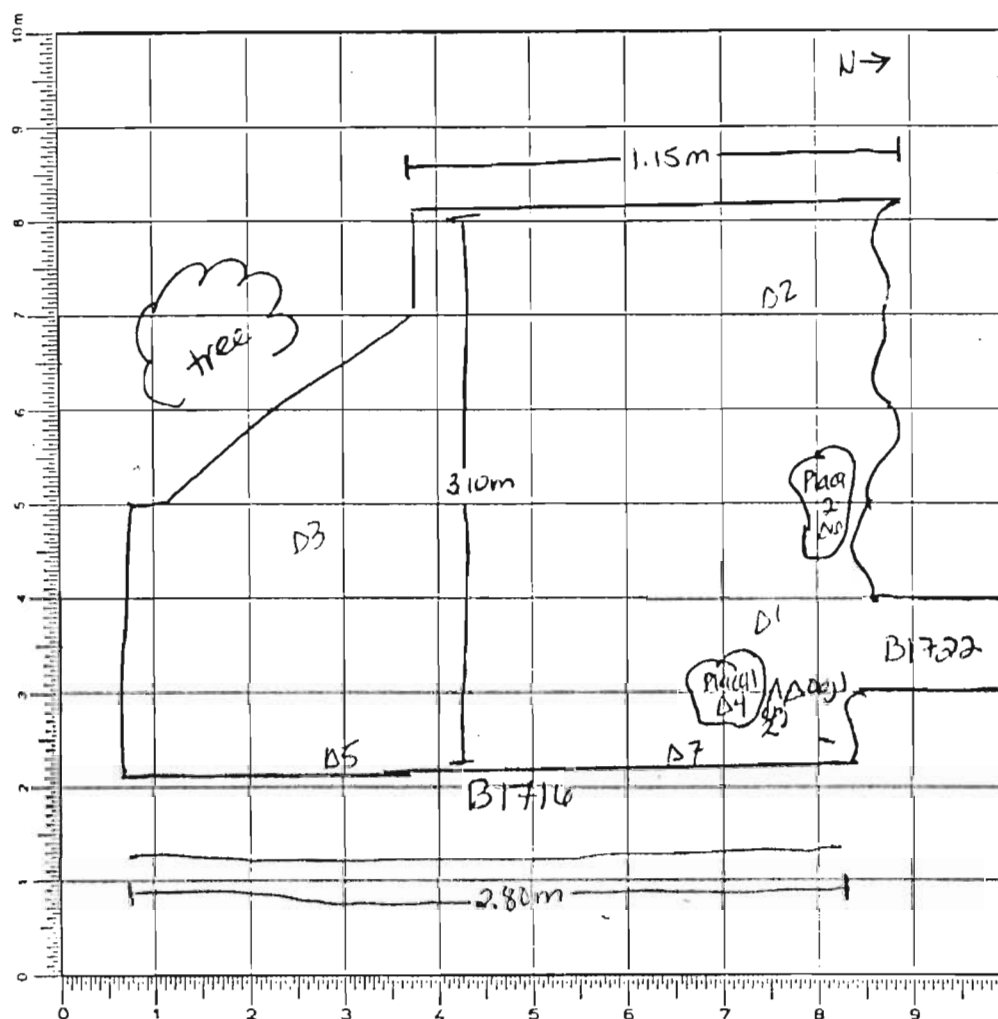
## Elevations

Benchmark used:

Reading on

Benchmark:

H.I.:



For top elevations  
see bottom elevations  
of B1730

Bottom elevations of  
B1732.1

reading on R-14 = 1.234

H.I. = 355.60m

$\Delta 1 = 2.143$	353.41m
$\Delta 2 = 2.100$	353.50m
$\Delta 3 = 2.145$	353.45m
$\Delta 4 = 2.146$	353.45m

Height of objects

reading on R-14 = 1.232

H.I. = 355.60m

$\Delta \text{obj 1} = 2.180$	353.42m
$\Delta \text{obj 2} = 2.170$	353.43m

Bottom Elev. of B1732.3

reading on R-14 = 1.045

H.I. = 355.42m

$\Delta 1 = 2.053$	353.37m
$\Delta 2 = 1.819$	353.60m ??
$\Delta 3 = 2.001$	353.36m
$\Delta 5 = 2.011$	353.41m
$\Delta 7 = 1.965$	353.43m
$\Delta 6 (\text{pit 2}) = 2.032$	353.39m

## DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):

Today's date:

16 June 05

Locus above: B1730 - changed locus b/c we have more  
roofing clay than pass above, although it is  
still a lot of clay & tumble.

Locus parameters:

longest N-S Side = 2.80m, longest E-W = 3.10m.

Verbal description:

Northern boundary is B1722. Eastern boundary is wall B1716.

Western boundary is terrace slope, and Southern boundary is N end of B2900.

Dirt is hard clay and lots of tumble.

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

16 June 05 Roofing clay + ~~clay~~ wall tumble - see next pages for reasons.

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Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1732 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

16 June 05 B1732.1

This morning we began another pass through the southern half of the trench as separated by B1728 + west of B1716. The object was to remove more tumble, and to hopefully find ~~the~~ a surface under the tumble/clay.

The pass began at the western edge of the trench. As we moved east, just at the ~~edge~~ western edge of the tumble we found several small chunks of carbon - carbon sample #1. Some carbonized material was also found in the screen - carbon sample #2 (found in screen).

The pass began at about 3.4cm but deepened as we moved east - the previous pass had sloped up to the east slightly b/c of the tumble, as the final elevations of B1730.6 show. The western end of the trench already was mostly flat, especially in the area under the large ~~tumble~~ boulder recently removed.

As the pass hit the tumble, we were able to remove most of it, and although some tumble was discovered underneath, there is much less than in previous passes.

All dirt was screened - very little <sup>bone</sup> ~~bone~~ was found from the dirt from the western area of the trench. Once we dug into the tumble, however, more bone was found.

More coarseware pottery fragments were found in the NE corner of the tumble, about where we found the Archaic rim base several passes above. Very little fine ware was found.

Just east of the ~~tumble~~ coarseware fragments, a large place was found, lying just ~~west~~ west of B1716. It may be that the place was a stand for the pottery - it is very close to the wall to serve as a column base. The place is not very round, more oval, with the following dimensions:

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As we continued up against B1716, the ceiling clay again became more compact and harder to pick through. The wall was therefore very difficult to clean off, however, we are exposing the western face of the 3rd visible course. The wall appears to lean to the west a little (downslope, as expected).

The walls were cleaned more carefully & the pail was closed. Elevations were taken.

We have not yet reached the floor surface, but the place suggests that there is a floor that it is resting on.



Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1732 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

16 June 05

B1732.2

Because we have not yet reached the end of the tumble/clay, and we have not yet found a floor, we took ~~another~~ another pass in the southern half of the trench (south of B1728).

The pass began again at the western end of the trench, at the terrace slope, in order to approach the remaining tumble from the side.

The clay was still approx. the same - very gravelly but not too hard.

In the western end of the pass we encountered more rock tumble than in the pass above, where the large boulder was removed. The rock tumble was of smaller rocks.

As the pass moved east into the crev of tumble, ~~cor~~ a large ovalar chunk of pumice was found, approx. 10cm long. It was slightly farther west than the pumice found in the pass yesterday, but it was in approximately the same location.

Along the southern edge of B1728, another placa was discovered. It is less smooth than the placa to the east found in pass B1732.1, and slopes slightly down to the south. But like the other placa it is not round but elongated:



As the pass continued east, two stone tools were found right next to each other. Object #1 was found just to the north of object #2. They are both two very rounded stones, approx. 8cm each in diameter.

They were found immediately to the north of Placa #1. Perhaps the tools were used with the smooth surface?



We did not finish the pass this afternoon, so we did not get to further expose the western face of the lowest course of B1716. We have uncovered more of B1728 - it looks a lot like bedrock.

Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1732 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

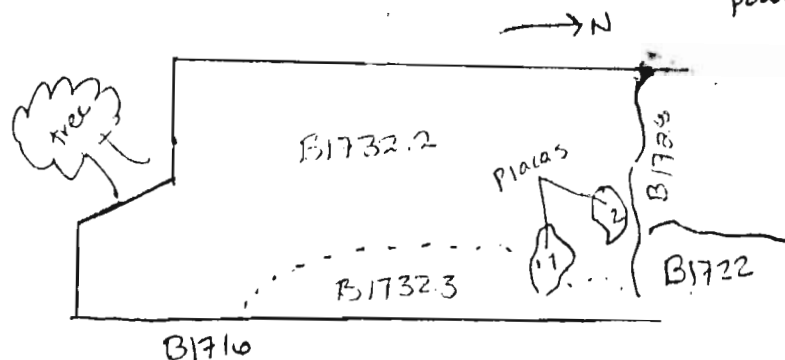
17 June 05 B17323

This morning we completed the pass which we began yesterday in the southern half of the trench, S of B1728. Only the very eastern section of the pass was left to excavate. The western face of B1716 was also cleaned up.

All dirt was screened. Several pieces of bone were found in the screen, but none in the trench. Some (Hittite?) coarseware pottery was found. No objects were found.

We discovered that wall B1716 continues further. However, the presence of the 2 places suggests that we may have reached a surface. It does not look like a surface - it is not very flat and is too gravelly. However, the tree roots may have destroyed the floor. Also, the easternmost place is resting (at least the eastern half is resting) on a large rock, so it maybe that we've hit the floor. We'll call it a possible surface and take another pass under a new locus.

The trench was swept + photographs were taken to document the possible surface. Elevations were taken - I added 2 elevations just ~~east~~ west of wall B1716 in order to document the possible surface next to it.



Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1733 Excavator EEGElevations

Benchmark used:

Reading on

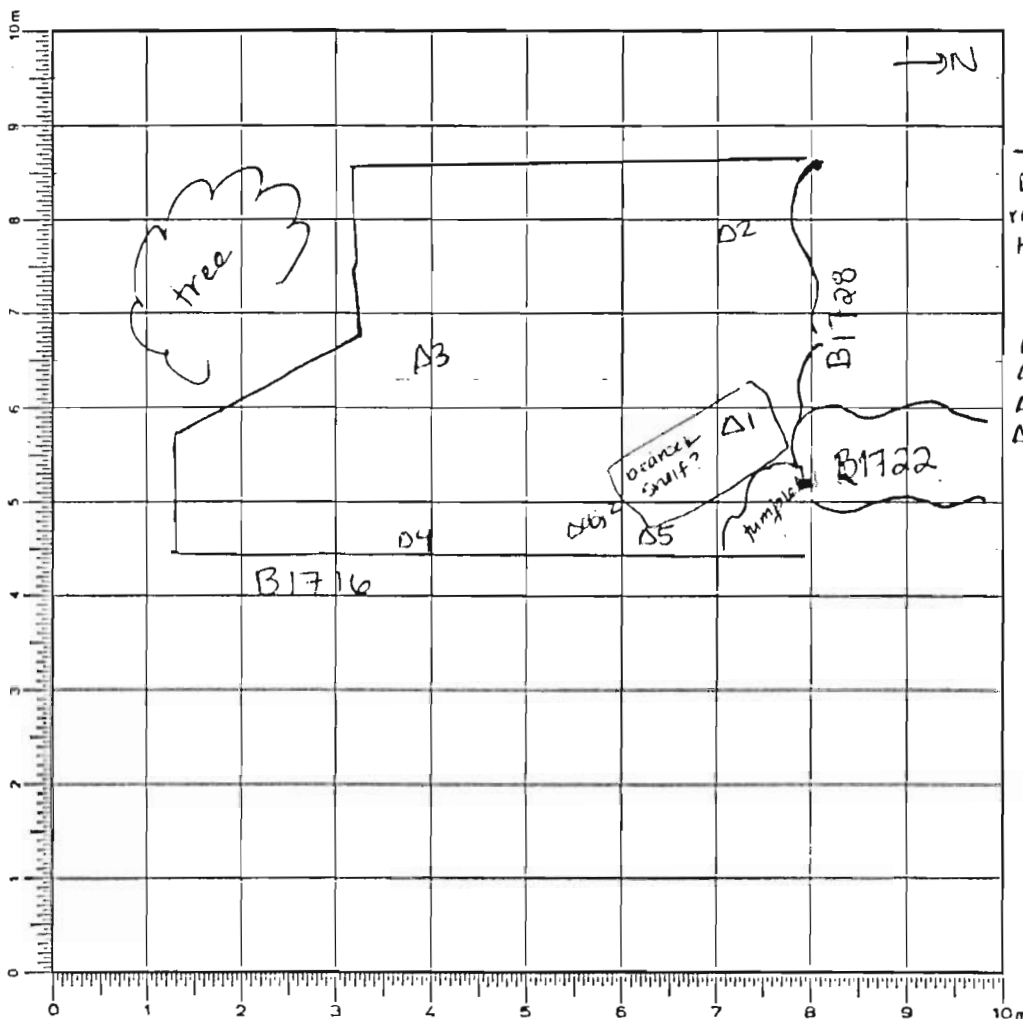
Benchmark:

H.I.:

For top elevations,  
see bottom elevs.  
of B1732 3

Bottom Elevations  
reading on R-12 = 1.749

H.I. = 355.57m

 $\Delta 1 = 2.265$  | 353.30m $\Delta 2 = 2.200$  | 353.37m $\Delta 3 = 2.268$  | 353.30m $\Delta 4 = 2.250$  | 353.32m $\Delta 5 = 2.231$  | 353.34m $\Delta 0b2 = 2.283$  | 353.29mDEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):

Today's date:

17 June 05

Locus parameters:

Locus above: B1732 - we changed locus b/c we may have  
hit a "possible" surface after B1732.2-3. However, the soil  
is very similar - ~~and~~ light brown clay with lots of small  
stones.

Verbal description:

Northern boundary is B1728, eastern boundary is western face of B1716. Western boundary  
is slope to the lower terrace, and southern boundary is B2900.

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional  
pages if necessary):

Year 2005

Trench/Locus

B1733

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Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1733 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

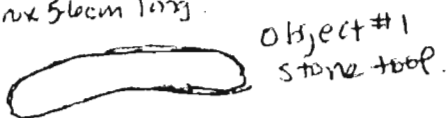
17 June 05 - B17331

After uncovering a "possible surface" and documenting it in photos after B1732.3, we began another pass through the southern half of the trench, south of B1728. The dirt was very similar to the locus above - light clay w/ lots of gravel, but we changed locus in case the possible surface really was a surface.

The pass began at the western edge of the trench. Almost immediately a very large rock was uncovered at a shallow depth - only a centimeter or 2 under the possible surface. It may be more rock tumble, but it looks a lot like bedrock.

As the pass continued east, we exposed more ~~rock~~ bedrock material, which the eastern half of plica #1 is resting on. The western half of the plica is resting on dirt above the level of the current pass, suggesting again that we hit the floor on a pass B1732.2-3.

A small stone tool, so small that it may even be classified as a geo pebble, was found in the southeastern corner of the trench ~~at the~~. But it was so small that it was found in the screen, so the exact elevation is unknown. It is approx 5 cm long.

Object #1  
Stone tool.

As we approached the NE corner of the trench, at the corner between B1716 and the tumble which separates B1716 and B1722, a patch of dark red clay was found. This was sent in as "ISS #1 - Western face of B1716." A standard soil sample was also taken over the entire pass. All dirt was screened. Some bone was found, mostly from the far eastern part of the pass, near B1716. Although some shell was found in the western part of the trench, most of the bone came from along B1716. A standard soil sample was taken.

At the eastern end, very close to B1716, a shelf of bedrock was discovered just to the ~~east~~ north of a large boulder that looks like tumble. Although the bedrock + boulder appear linear (NW-SE), and it may be that the bedrock was worked along the western side, it does not appear that they line up with anything else to form a wall. Because the eastern plica is resting on it, the bedrock may be a working surface.

Another possible stone tool, object #2 (a whetstone?) was found leaning against this boulder on the south side.

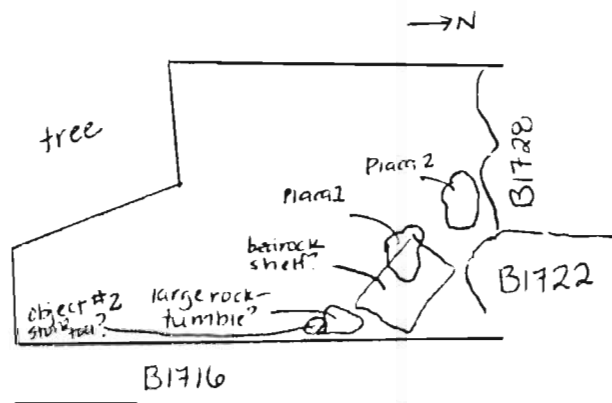
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Year 2005 Trench/Locus B1733 Excavator EEG

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

17 Jun 05

B17331 continued



I think that we discovered an Archaic surface in this pass rather than in B1732.2-3. Initially I had thought that the first plac would have rested on the floor, in which case the current pass (B1733.1) dug too far beneath it for this to be the floor. However, I now think it more likely that the plac was resting on the working surface which we uncovered, and has partially slipped off, in which case the surface uncovered in this pass is more likely to be the floor.

The surfaces look similar after the pass - because of the tree roots, no flat, easily-recognizable floor surface survives. The clay is soft + moist and easy to flatten when picked. But especially in the middle of the pass, just east of the working surface, the clay appears ~~very~~ very flat.

If this is a surface, we must reconsider the date of wall B1716 - it was previously dated to the LH IIC period, because of the LH surface found on the east side of the wall. Although that surface is a good deal higher than the Archaic surface on the western side of the wall, it is likely that the room was dug into the terrace from the west side during the Archaic period, disrupting any FN/LH surface on the west side of the wall. Then B1716 was built, which explains why the FN portion of B1719, while in line with B1716 to the north, does not seem to continue under B1716. The impressive size of B1716, which was unexpected, also suggests a date later than LH IIC.

Now the question arises - how did this space relate to the Archaic surface of B6900, south of the olive tree, which appears ~~about~~ about 1/2 m. lower, and the long terrace wall on the west. It may be difficult to determine without removing the olive tree.

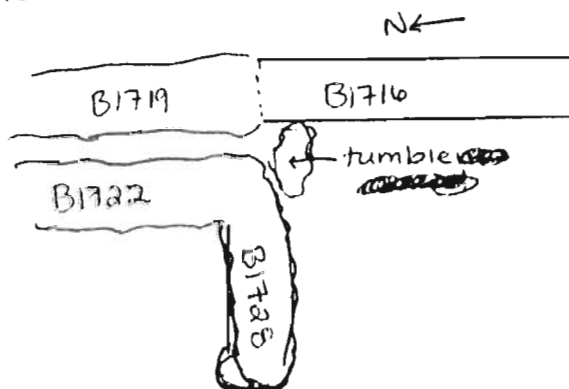
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DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

17 Jun 05, B1733.1 continued

we were also able to define the South face of B1728 - it appears that this is one large chunk of bedrock, with a jagged southern edge. The top of the ~~rock~~ rock is also very jagged and would be difficult to build on ~~because~~ Because of some tumble between B1722 + B1716, it appeared that B1728 might extend east to the corner of B1716 (at the point where it intersects with B1719). However, the angle of these rocks suggests that they were tumble, ~~as~~ as does the fact that they were at an angle to B1728. Therefore B1728 appears to intersect B1722 but not B1716. However, the tumble has not yet been removed.

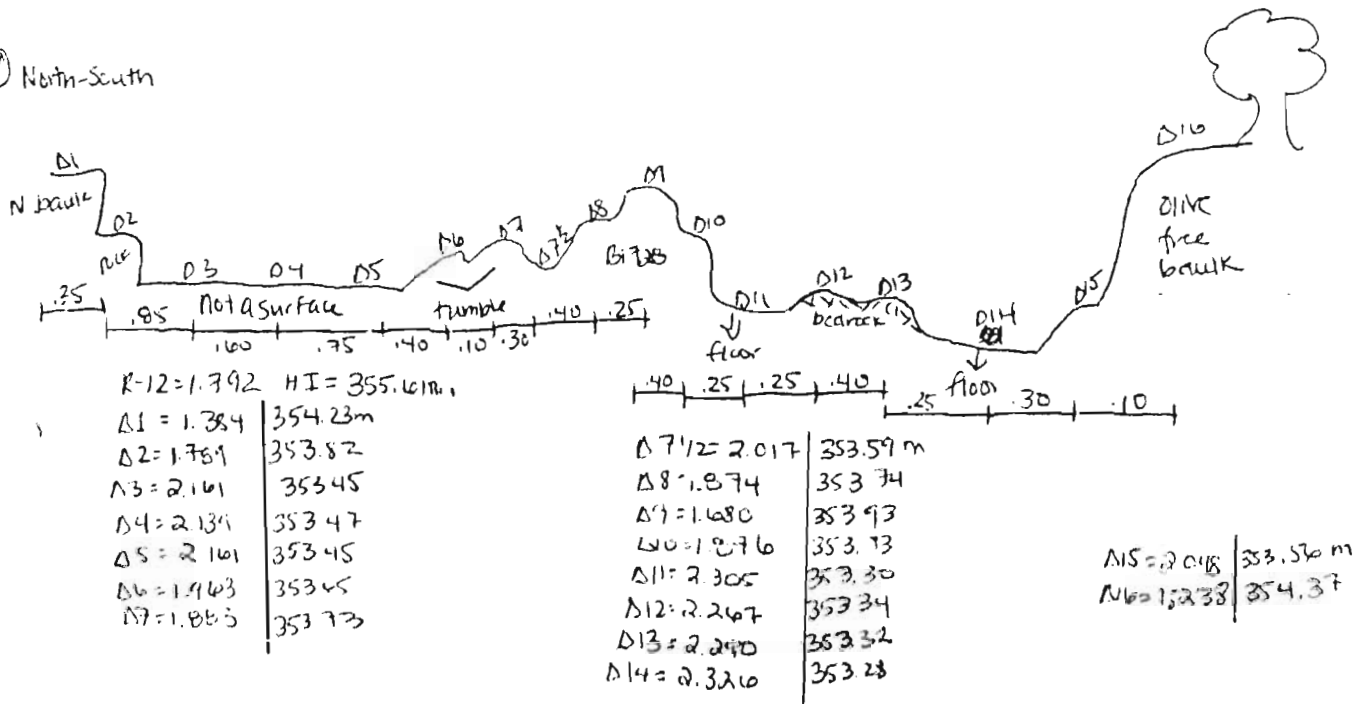


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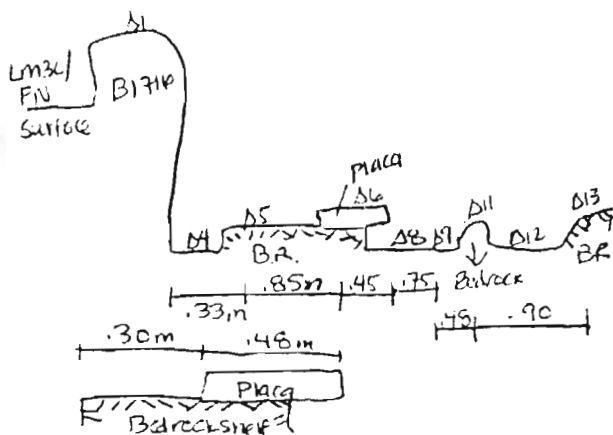
DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

Final Elevations for Cross-Sections

① North-South



② E-W #1 (South 1/2 of trench)

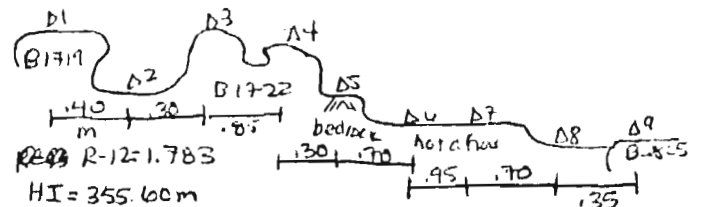


R-12 = 1.783

HI = 355.60m

D1 = 1.274	354.33m
D4 = 2.343	353.32m
D5 = 2.209	353.39m
D6 = 2.140	353.46m
D8 = 2.314	353.29m
D9 = 2.339	353.26m
D11 = 2.257	353.34m
D12 = 2.249	353.33m
D13 = 2.139	353.46m

③ E-W #2 (North 1/2 of trench)



D1 = 1.400	354.20m
D2 = 1.710	353.89m
D3 = 1.373	354.23m
D4 = 1.639	353.96m
D5 = 1.930	353.67m
D6 = 2.123	353.47m
D7 = 2.234	353.37m
D8 = 2.400	353.20m
D9 = 2.426	353.17m