

Final Report for B2400

TRQ

21 July 2006

This trench marks the area between two sets of steps that lead into the temple and also further north. It was dug only on 10 July 2006. No elevations were taken from this sounding.

This trench consisted of only one locus, B2450, and had two pails associated with it. The pottery included Early Orientalizing, Orientalizing, Late Archaic, and Hellenistic.

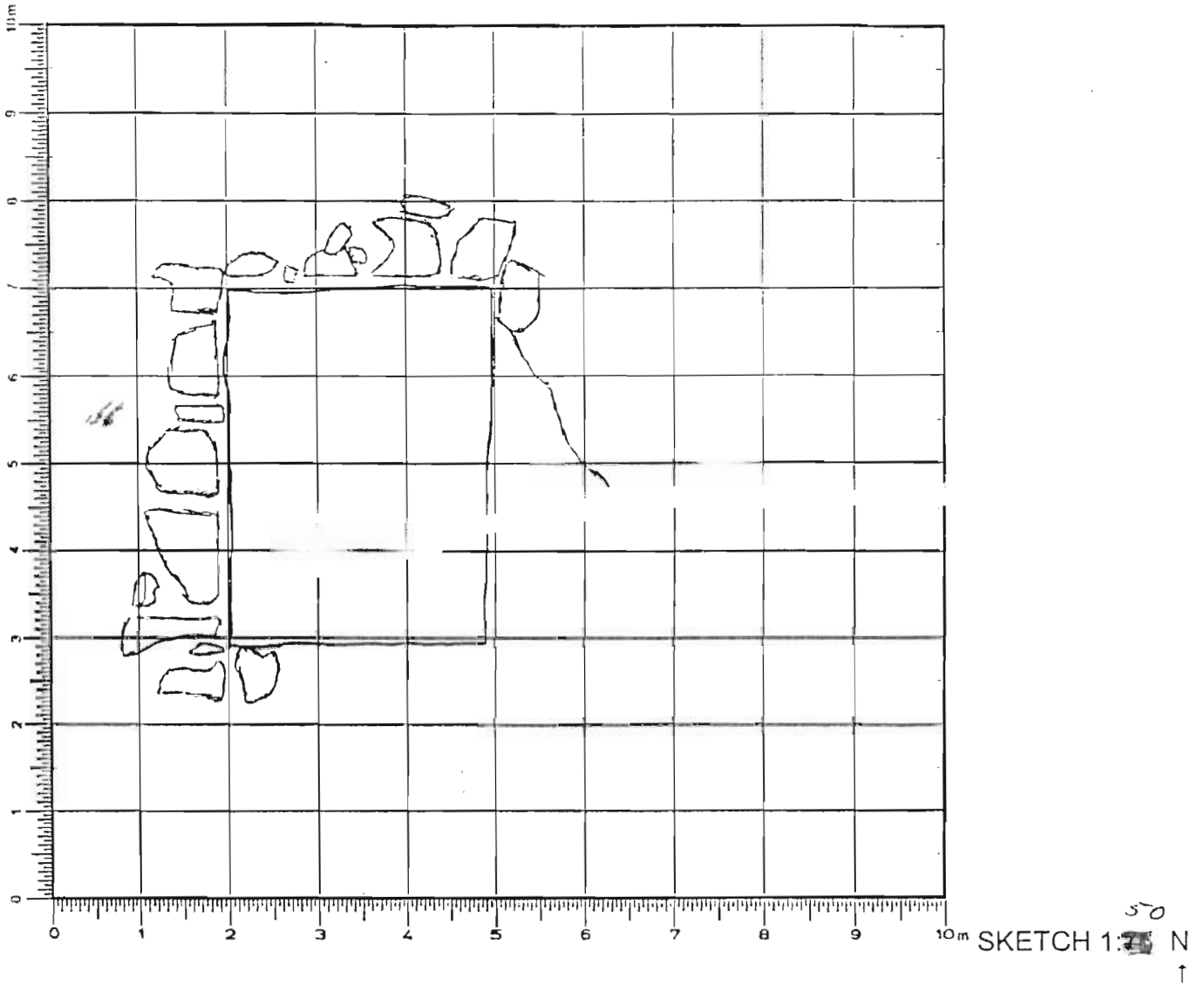
This locus was dug in one pass, the purpose of which was to bring the level of the road down to the Archaic surface. DCH seemed content after one pass, so the trench was closed.

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Elevations

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



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

Today's date: 10 July 06 Locus above:

Locus parameters:

Verbal description: rectangular structure on the western side of the "temple" the stones that comprised the SW corner have eroded away. The soil is a dark brown clay with several small stones packed within. There is little to no bone within the matrix and pottery is frequent. Much of the pottery is of a very light brown, light weight fabric.

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary): We are shaving off a layer of soil in this small structure outside the "temple." DCH believes that we are coming down on the Archaic surface. Several fragments of a very light brown pottery have been revealed which I initially mistook for pumice based on color and weight.

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

11 July 06 B2450.2

Maria explained to us that the area in which we are digging is a road that leads up a stair, one leading North, the other west into the temple.

Our pass was completed, bringing us to the level of the road surface. A very large amount of pottery was found, including several pithos sherds. Our bone consisted of only a few small fragments, most found near the Northern stair. Much of the pottery appeared Hellenistic.

After finishing the pass, the sounding was closed. Dell did not seem interested in final elevations, probably because we brought the level down to a previously dug level outside the stairs.