

FINAL TRENCH REPORT: D1400

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D1400 is located north of **D500**, west of **D900** and south of **D700**. Work in this area was completed from 07-14 July 2006. The benchmark used was **R25** (+357,111) and **R14** (+354,370).

Loci and Pail Descriptions:

Topsoil/tumble: D901.01-03

Eroding bedrock: D1401.01-02

Cleaning of the steps: D1401.03-04

Architectural Features:

D1402: E-W wall in the south.

D1403: stairway in the west leading to D900.

Verbose Pail Descriptions:

Pails **D901.01-03** removed ~30cm of topsoil from the area north of the Prytaneion and exposed the staircase. Pail **D1401.01-02** removed a mix of erosion and packing and exposed the eroded bedrock east of D1403. Pail **D1401.03-04** defined the stairway.

Conclusions

Excavation in D1400 exposed a stairway which was probably leading to the shrine D900. Between the stairway 1403 and the shrine the excavation exposed bedrock. Unfortunately we only have the remains of four courses of well built steps from sideropetra and schist.

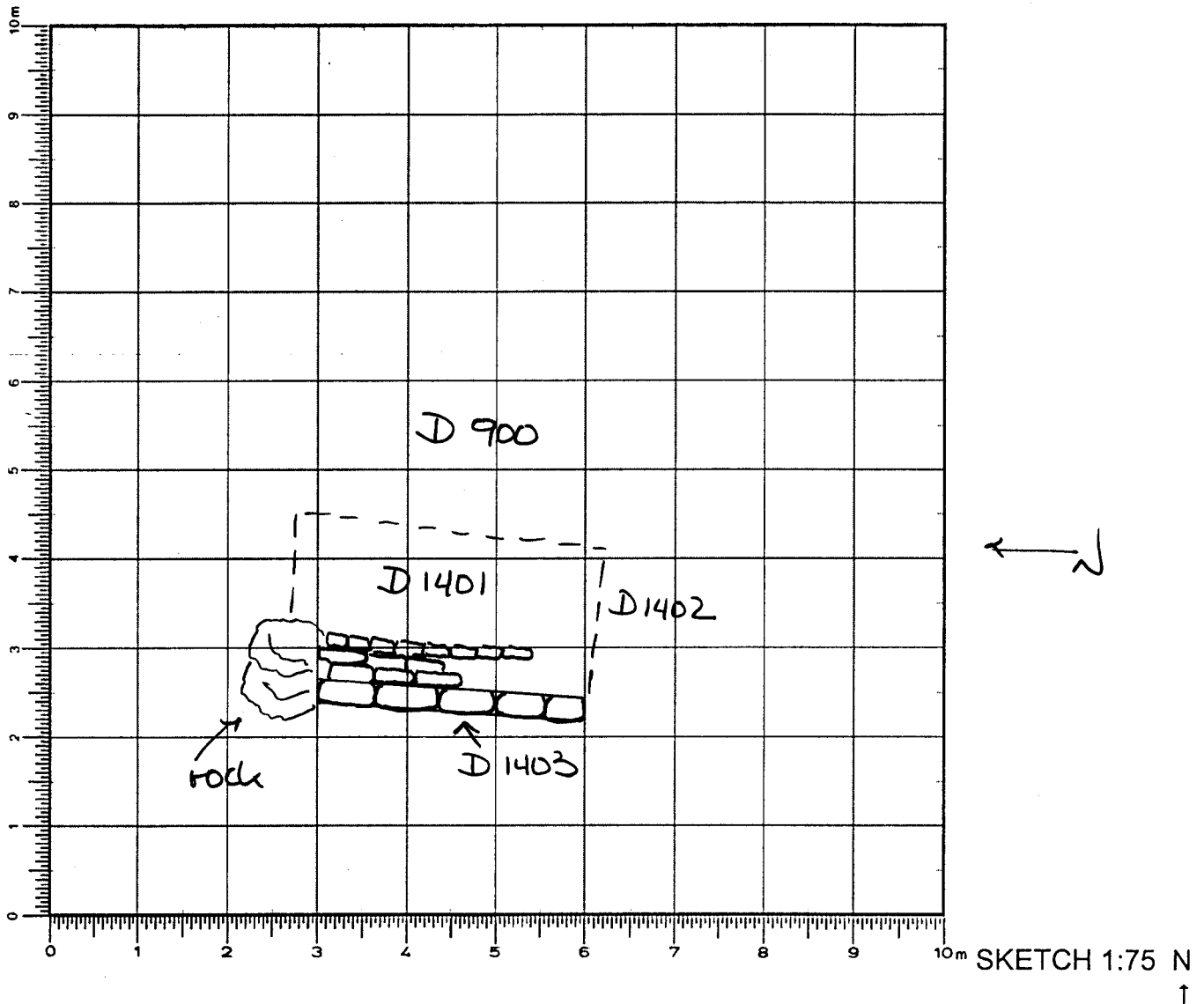
Year 2006 Trench/Locus D 1401 Excavator K-C**Elevations**

Benchmark used:

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

Today's date: 07 JULY 06 Locus above: D 903Locus parameters: D 1006 in the N, D 1402 in the S.Verbal description: eroded bedrock surface

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

Year 2006

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D1401

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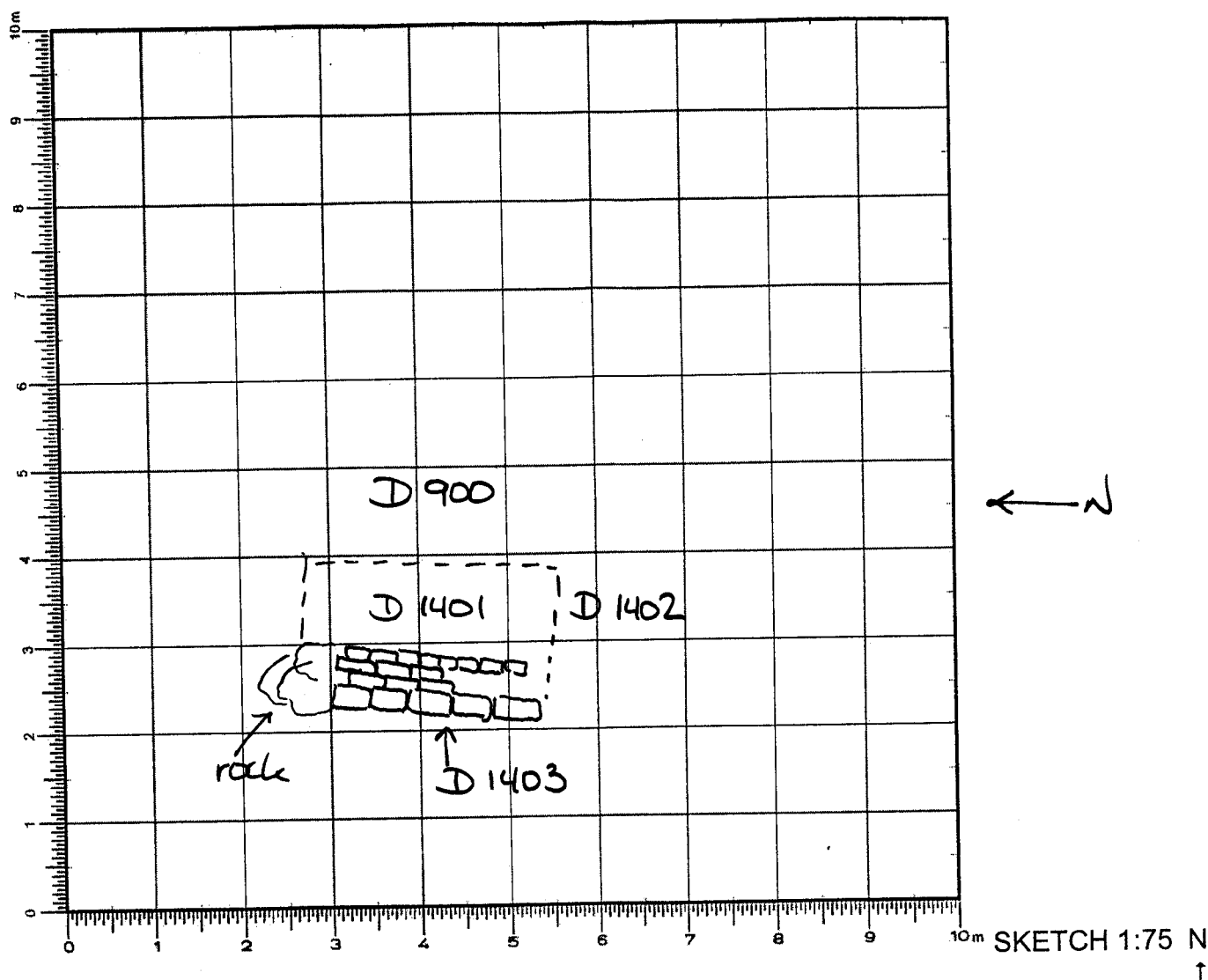
Year 2006 Trench/Locus D 1403 Excavator K-C**Elevations**

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DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain **why** you changed locus numbers):Today's date: 10 JULYLocus above: D 1401Locus parameters: D 1006 in the N, D 1402 in the SE, D 1401 in the E.Verbal description: stairway to D 900.

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

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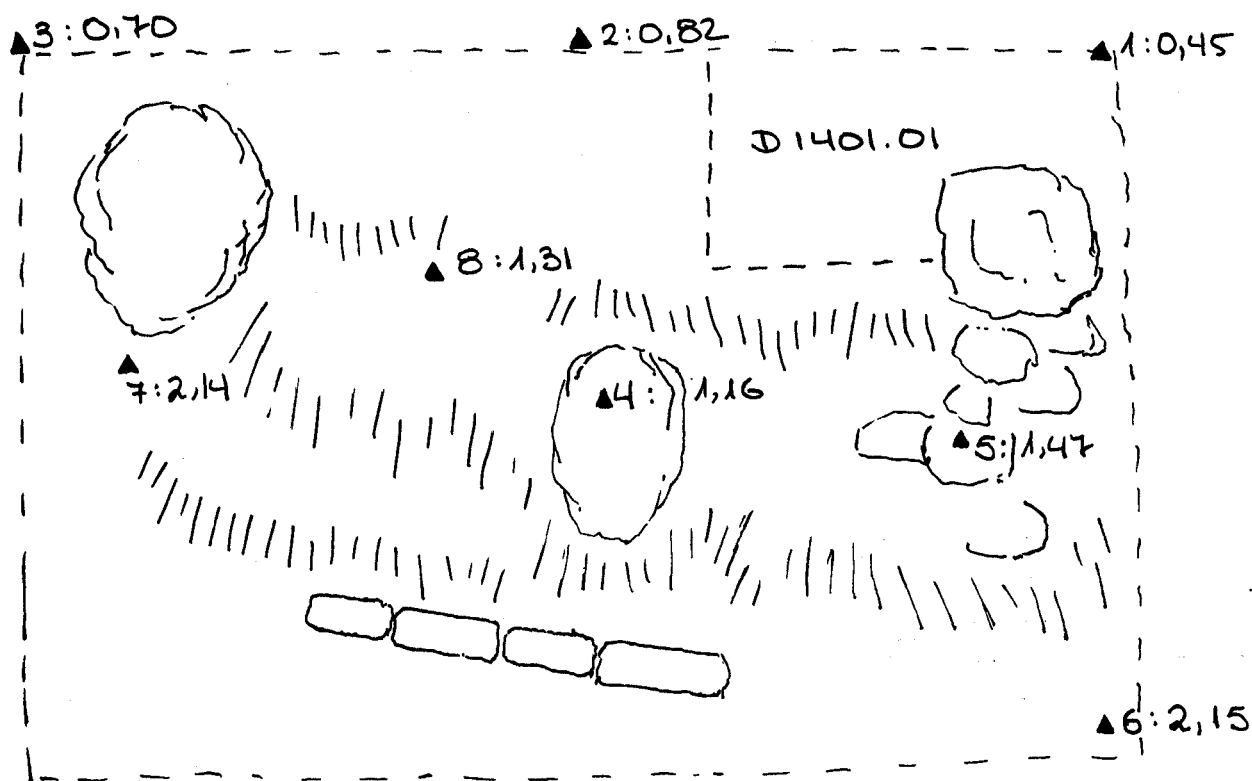
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DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]: 07 JULY 06 (p. pail: D 1401.01)

We started digging W of D 900 where some nice big well built blocks (steps?) were found during excavation (removing of a modern terrace wall) in 14. JUNE. It's trench D 1400 and the first locus (surface) D 1401. Before digging we took elevations. We are screening the dirt and hope to find something from the shrine (D 900) above the trench. We started from the SE part of the trench near the eroded west wall (D 903) of the shrine. After removing small and medium sized rocks from the tumbler we found bedrock. We had pottery (fine and coarse ware) and a bone bag from the screen. The p. pail D 1401.01 was finished and closed. We took 1 standard soil sample.



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2: 354,020
3: 354,140
4: 353,680

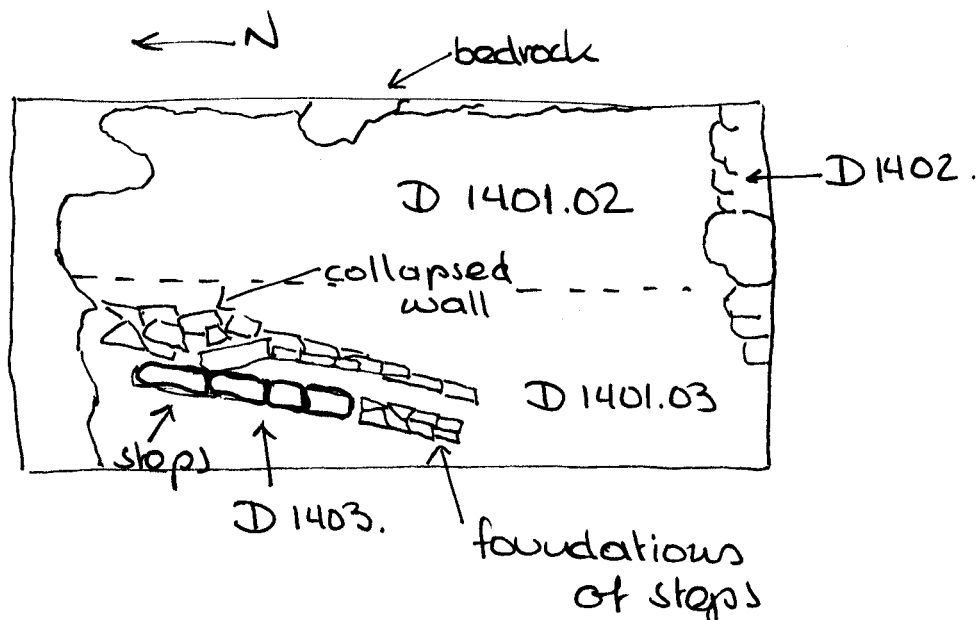
5: 353,370
6: 352,690
7: 352,700
8: 353,530

R 14: 354,370
Reading on B: 0.47
H. 1: 354,840

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DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]: 10 JULY 06 (p. pail: D 1401.02/03)

D 1401.02 We are continuing the pass from the 07 JULY 06. We finished the pass in the NE part of the trench after exposing the bedrock and the package fill of small and medium-sized rocks. We got definition of the wall (1 course) D 1402 that doesn't have a clear face in the N. It was probably built up against bedrock. The soil is hard packed with small inclusions of dark reddish color. We found pottery and some bones (1 + 1 screen). The dirt was screened. The p. pail D 1401.02 was finished and closed. We took elevations. We took 1 standard s. sample. We are digging a pass W of D 1401.02 to get more definition of the big well built steps (?) uncovered during the ~~past~~^{last} weeks (D 1401.03). We call this architectural feature D 1403. We exposed the remains of the back-wall of a building (the steps or bench are part of it) with 3 ^{horizontal} courses of long flat ~~horizontal~~ stones. We also exposed a collapsed part of the wall near the N part of the trench where the steps are better preserved. In the S part of D 1403 we only found the foundations (flat stones) of the well built steps. On some steps and near the back-wall we found thin patches of sealing clay. The soil was light brown filled with small inclusions. We found some sherds and had some bones from the screen. The p. pail D 1401.03 was finished and closed.



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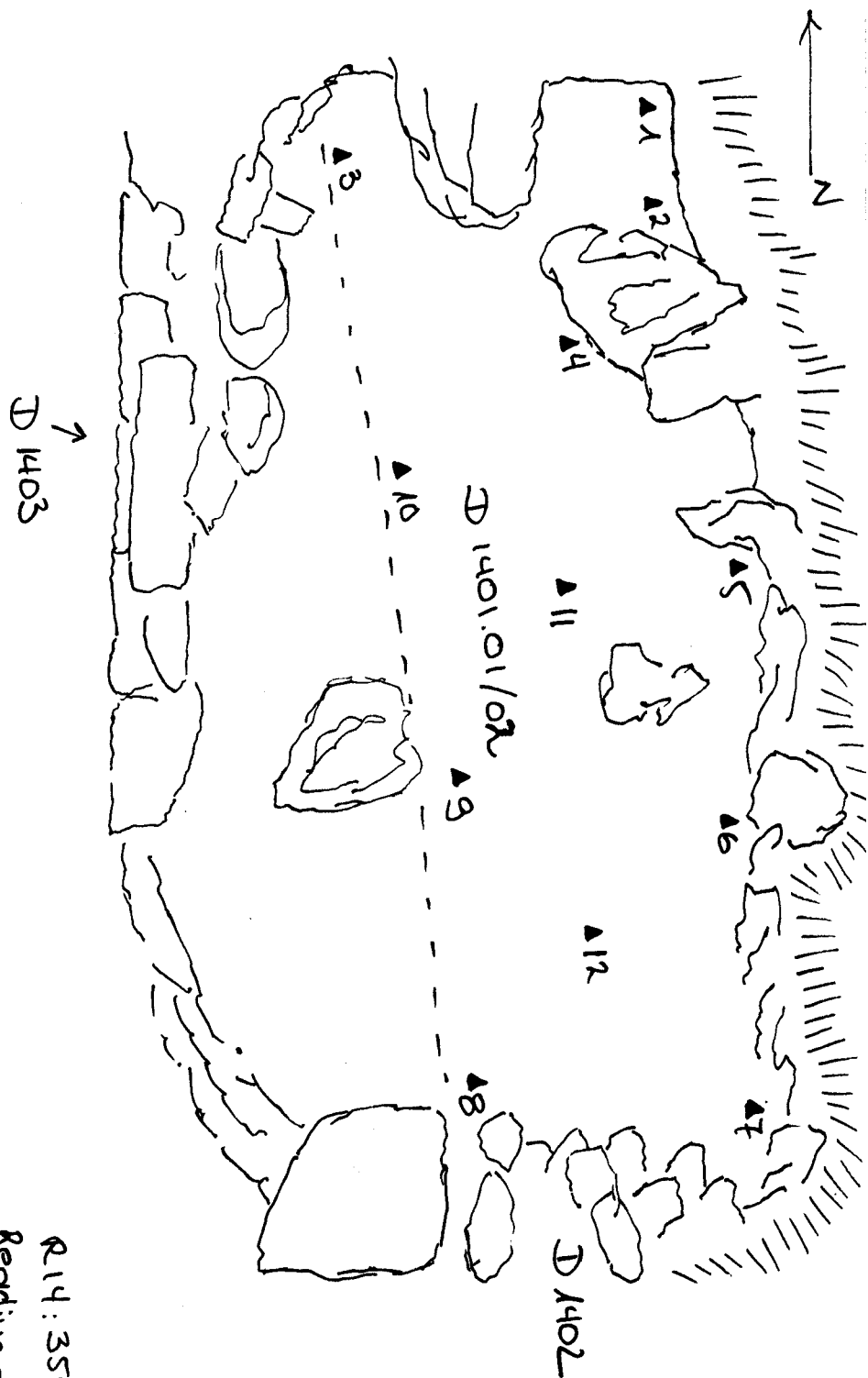
DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]: 10 JULY 06

Bottom of D 1401.01/02

1: 1,70 : 353,170
 2: 1,90 : 352,970
 3: 1,45 : 353,420
 4: 1,18 : 353,690
 5: 1,07 : 353,800
 6: 1,02 : 353,850
 7: 0,86 : 353,910
 8: 1,04 : 353,830

9: 1,18 : 353,690
 10: 1,27 : 353,600
 11: 1,18 : 353,690
 12: 1,05 : 353,820

Q.14: 354,370
 Reading on B: 0,50
 H.1: 354,870



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DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]: 14. JULY 06. (D 1401.04)

We took more definition on the steps in the NW part of the trench. We removed the collapsed part of what we thought is a wall and exposed three courses of steps. The 2 courses are built by schist stones and the highest step is built by irregular rocks of local limestone and dolomite. The 2nd course of steps continues under the big rock in the N end of the trench. The big boulders forming the 1. course of steps are built by sideropetra. We think that the steps were leading to the shrine (D 900). We didn't found pottery or bones. The pail D 1401.04 was finished and closed.