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PROYECTO VALLE DE NACO
CATALOG FORM

DATE: 12/10/96

LOT NUMBER: 410D/27

SUBSTANCE: Stone, ground

OBJECT: Metate surface fragment w/o leg

CATALOG #: 410D/27-1

MULTIPLES?

DRAWN BY:

CATALOGED BY: ES

PASTE GROUP:

CENSER FORM CODE:

EXCAVATOR: 56

HGT/LENGTH:

WIDTH:

THICKNESS:

DIAMETER:

VERBAL DESCRIPTION: This is an intact ~~broken~~ metate surface.
It includes no ~~1~~ 2 - 3 - 4 finished edges.

The edge ~~is~~ is not convexly curved on the underside. If not, describe:

The junction of the underside and topside is ~~sharp~~ rounded - blunted - chipped - battered.

The underside is chipped (as a manufacturing process) - pecked - not ground down at all -
ground only on the highest parts - ~~moderately ground~~ - ~~ground smooth~~ slick

The underside does ~~does not~~ show a leg scar. If so, it is a corner - central leg.

The upper, working side is lightly ground on the highest parts - moderately ground - ~~smooth~~ - glossy - slick.

If the surface is heavily used, slick, and/or glossy, the shine does ~~does not~~ continue to the edge.

There is ~~is not~~ a lateral (side-to-side) curvature.

There is ~~is not~~ a lengthwise curvature.

Near the edge, the surface does ~~does not~~ curve down slightly to meet the underside.

The material used to make this metate is vesicular basalt - volcanic tuff - limestone - ~~granite~~ - other (describe).

If basalt, the item is very - moderately - lightly porous.

Drawn ~~Not drawn~~

very informal - underside looks as though it may
have been used to sharpen something (or polish?)