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Monday, 18 Feb 2002

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Str. 128, El Coyote, PVC
Subop 23G and 23AA

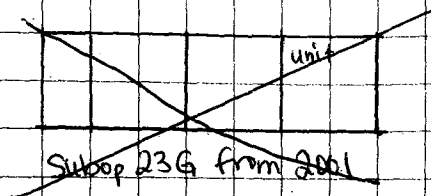
Intro:

7:45am This is the excavation of the summit of Str. 128 continuing from the investigation that Christian Wells (excav^{PVC} # 34) carried out during the summer of 2001. His excavations of this structure consisted of a 1 x 11 m axial trench (Subop 23G) oriented E-W. Str 128 is located on the western side of the main plaza group.

Goal:

After reopening up the excavations from 2001 by #34 and using them as a guide to locate architecture, the purpose of this investigation is to excavate the summit of Str. 128 + attempt to research its function. In addition, to investigate the exterior basal architecture + establish the dimensions for the structure as a whole. And lastly, if time permits, investigate the plaza side, or eastern side to take a closer look at the terraces + possible niches that were uncovered during the 2001 field season by Wells (#34).

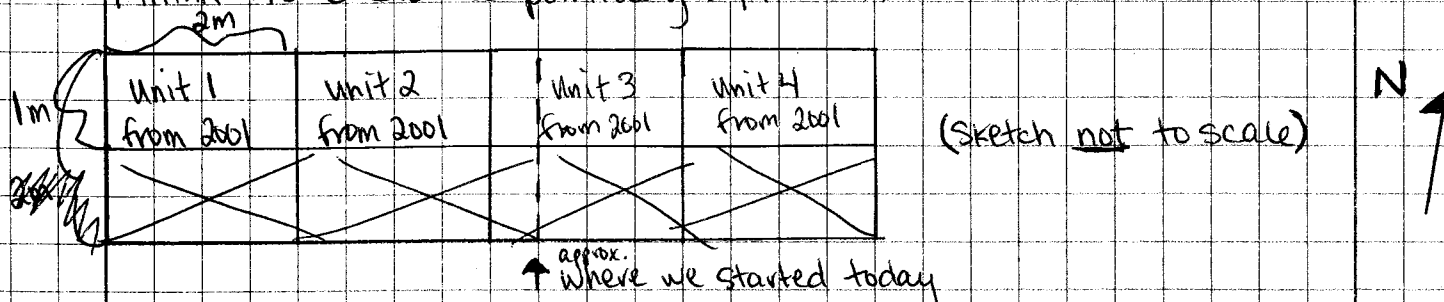
8:00am Currently, we are removing the backdirt ~~of~~ from the 2001 excavations. From the subop 23G profile, I attempted to estimate where the W. basal is + aligned units according to the subop 23G excavations as well as possible. Tried to start w/ units 3-5 from 23G, however they are more than likely off. Only the dirt + random cobbles are being removed and no artifacts are being collected since it is all from backdirt. The purpose of removing the backdirt at the moment is to find the W. basal wall + use it as the guide for further investigation.



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→ Str. 128 Subop 23G reopened from 2001 excavations. ←

8:33am After having looked over the length of Subop 23G from 2001, it is definite to me now that the units were 1x2m units. Therefore, I think I have started partially w/in unit 3.



Laid out stakes along the W $\frac{3}{4}$ of unit 3 and all of unit 4 (approximately.) When lateral expansion occurs, to the south it will be labeled Subop 23AA. And to the N it will be labeled Subop 23AB.

9:30am Continuing to go down deeper w/in both approximated ~~at~~ units. A team of 2 are excavating on the W side, or on the exterior basal wall. And the other team of 2 are on the inside, w/in the Summit. I have been trying to match up what is being seen w/ the profile drawing from #1, but it is still difficult @ the moment to determine what exactly is being seen w/ respect to the profile drawing. However, parts of the wall have been uncovered + are being worked around.

12:45pm Since about 11am until the start of lunch we were setting up our next excavation trenches. They cross over the approx. unit 4 in 23G. As of the moment ^{the} 5x1m unit that is aligned \perp to 23G + is to the south of it is 23AA. And the \perp x 1m trench to the north of 23G, + also \perp to 23G, is subop 23AB.

3:30pm It started raining around 12:45 + Ed finally called it around 1:30pm + we finished the day. Since we were waiting for the rain to stop, we never started excavating any of the newly setup subops. We thought it best to wait to start the excavation of 2 new subops until tomorrow when lots would be able to be completed.

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→ Subops 23AA + 23AB. Str. 128 ←

7:23am The weather still looks bad like it's going to rain like yesterday afternoon, but I had to start these 2 subops at some point. But the ground is very wet + will be messy to deal w/.

We have started subops 23AA + 23AB. 23AA is, at the moment, a 5x1m trench, but it definitely will be expanded.

Two guys are working in ^{EU} unit 1, starting 23AA/001 0-10 cm bgs. The other 2 are starting subop 23AB to the N + beginning in ^{EU} unit 1 23AB/001, 0-10 cm bgs. So far, they aren't finding any artifacts, but eventually when we continue deeper.

7:32am 23AA^B/001 0-10 cm EMPTY LOT. Starting 23AA^B/002 10-30 cm b/c I do not believe there is too much there that we need to be careful w/.

7:47am 23AA/001 0-10 cm ^{some sherds} ~~EMPTY~~ LOT. Starting 23AA/002 10-30 cm for the same reason as w/ 23AB. All excavations are w/in EU 1 for both subops.

8:18am I just tried to clean up around the inner summit wall from 23G that we exposed yesterday to use as a guide for subops 23AA + 23AB. Embarrassingly, I still don't really believe that I've located it. It's difficult to try to judge from the profile drawn of 23G b/c it is hard to read the scale. I also am not sure I understand how exactly backfilling works, since it looks like there is still a lot of tumble around where the wall should be. I guess I wasn't expecting to see that much since it was only excavated 6-7 months ago.

Still continuing in 23AA/002 10-30 (EU 1) + 23AB/002 10-30 (EU 1).

8:49am I still don't have much confidence that our 2 subops are going to catch the wall, especially since I still haven't found it in ^{the} 23G unit. I think the 23AA subop has a better chance of containing the inner summit wall along the west side than 23AB, b/c 23AB might be orientated too far to the east + the wall may be much further toward the ^{west} ~~east~~ + along the very ^{we} ~~eastern~~ border of 23AB as it is established now.

9:05am 23AB/002 10-30 cm (EU 1) a lot bajareque (which makes ^{sense} b/c of the wall), sherds, chert, obsidian. Starting 23AB/003 30-50 cm bgs (EU 1), but not much of any architecture exists in this unit at the moment.

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→ Subops 23AA + 23AB Str. 128 ←

9:35am Both 23AA/002 10-30cm (EU1) + 23AB/003 30-50cm (EU1) are pulling out a fair amount of bajaregue. And in varying sizes. It makes sense since both these subops are following the inner summit western wall to the N and S. 23AA^{has} will encounter^{more} problems b/c of our large tree. EU1 of 23AA is just east of this large tree + the roots have already begun to be a problem. But I still think that our chances of encountering the wall are greater in 23AA b/c of the way the subop is positioned.

I also just finished traveling around in 23G along the exterior basal wall + definitely found the start of that wall. I think I can now approximate where it is on the inside by following the profile, but space is tight b/c everybody is fairly close together right now.

10:05am P+E just came by + agreed that I will have to move \approx 50cm to the west w/ 23AB b/c I am coming in directly on the inside of the wall + need to move west a bit to make sure I also come down on top of it.

23AA → Also there was the suggestion to move another unit south (EU2) b/c the tree has probably messed up everything. And there probably isn't much need to go deeper.

23AB → whenever 23AB/003 is complete we will continue to 004 50-70cm bgs to make sure we are at the base of the wall.

10:24am 23AA → starting ϕ 3 0-20cm bgs in EU2. ϕ 2 10-30cm bgs recovered a lot of BJ + mainly slipping cobbles along the western edge of the excavation.

23AB → starting ϕ 4 50-70cm bgs in EU1. ϕ 3 30-50cm revealed a lot of BJ too, but it contains fewer cobbles along the western edge than 23AA. There is only one course along the surface in 23AB. But → 2 slipped (possible) courses in 23AA.

11:20am 23AA- ϕ 3 0-20cm bgs is complete + contained only bajaregue. The cobbles along the W side are very interesting. In the northern portion of EU2 the rocks were starting w/ the ones on the bottom coming out first + 2 other rocks on top slipping in toward the wall on the W. Toward the S of EU2 @ 0-20cm bgs the cobbles were all slipping downward + away from the wall. The ones in the N area must be in ~~there~~ their position due to their proximity to the tree + all the roots that must be pushing them in weird directions. Starting 23AA/004 20-³30cm 23AB/→ 004 50-70cm is coming along + they are almost done. The soil is hard down there + we aren't finding many artifacts. At the beginning of the lot 004 we found a couple pieces of bone. The workers were saying they were from a head, but they looked too thin for it to be human. No floors of any kind are discernable. P+E were saying it was kind of weird b/c of how large this structure is.

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→ Subop 23AA + 23AB Str. 128 ←

1:19pm → 23AB-004 50-70 cm bgs was completed before lunch + included sherds, BJ, chert, obsidian + bone.

EU 7, a 1m x 50cm unit was created just N of EU1 to investigate the top the wall since 23AB misses it too far to the east. We have already started excavating 23AB/005 0-²⁰cm bgs on top of the rocks on top of the wall.

→ 23AA 004 20-30 cm bgs was completed just after lunch.

23AA/005 0-30 cm bgs is being started now along the wall in EU3.

I have also been trying to define the inner wall even more.

2:30pm → 23AB - cleared off 005 0-20cm on top of wall + found a line heading towards the N, but only 1 course high w/ 1 layer of smaller chinking stones underneath it. Started 006 0-30cm bgs w/in EU3 of 23AB. And then we will create EU8 just N of EU3 + only 1m x 50cm... similar to EU7, just to the south of it.

2:42pm → 23AA - 005 0-30cm is finished + only a few pieces of obsidian + + sherds + bajareque were recovered. A possible line unsurfaced in the middle of EU3 + I'm leaving it be for now + will look at it again tomorrow for a possible new insight as to what it could have been. A few cobbles were removed + we are only cleaning since it is too late in the day to start another unit or even lot. But I'm thinking of maybe continuing deeper in EU3 below 005.

23AB/006 0-30cm is still being cleared down to an even level throughout the entire unit.

2:49pm As an aside, the time in b/w ~1:30 + 2:30pm, Pat visited + stayed awhile talking. She suggested to continue down below the line in 23AB EU7 to see if even more rocks are hiding deeper back behind the soil that can be seen from 23AB EU1.

8:51pm Along 23AA a lot of cobbles will have to be pulled b/c they are all tumbled + out of place. However, since the tree is in the way some units may be skipped altogether b/c the wall is more than likely very destroyed under it. 23AB is going very well, ~~exp~~ except that extra units will continue to be created b/c 23AB is exactly on the inside of the western summit wall.

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→ Subops 23AA + 23AB Str. 128

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- 7:13am It's bright and sunny already, so it'll probably be a hot one. The trench + all excavations appear to have been undisturbed during the night... always a good thing.
- 23AA. Due to the possible line that surfaced while excavating in EU3 yesterday, we decided to move over one more unit to try to come down on top of it + also see if it has a backside. We will need to go deep soon. 23AA/006 0-30cm EU4.
- 23AB. 006 0-30cm bgs was not completed yesterday, so we are finishing that lot + then will move back to the suggestion that Pat gave of trying to see if anything is below the portion of the line that is already exposed in EU7. There is a bag of mainly all BJ from this lot from yesterday that I forgot to bring out again, but will add any new artifacts to it.
- 7:32am 23AB → Along the wall side (W edge) of EU2 under some rocks which may be in a line there appears to be a line of bajaregue. I thought this might have been the case too from EU1, but it did not show up very clearly. The line is ~3-5cm below the line of rocks. It is not seen in profile on the N or E sides of EU2. There could have been some type of surface that we went through, but I don't think so. The BJ does not extend the entire western length of the unit.
- 7:57am 23AB → 006 0-30cm bgs is complete. Move BJ + some sherds + ~5 pieces of obsidian. Starting 23AB/007 20-70cm in EU7, but the lot is only 1m x ~5cm b/c it is all the soil under the line in EU7 + the small chinking stones to see if there are more rocks deeper + if the wall only consists of 1 course of large rocks.
- 8:03am Unfortunately, nothing appears to be under this line of rocks, only pretty hard soil, but it still contains a fair amount of bajaregue pieces + there is white flecking. But there is a lot of white flecking in the soil almost everywhere b/c there was a good amount of limestone used in this structure. But it's disappointing b/c it's weird there is only one line of that makes up the wall + nothing else.
- 8:20am 23AA Now that 3+ units have been excavated it's very clearly visible the soil stratigraphy along the eastern edge of the excavation units in 23AA. 0-10cm bgs it is mainly soil w/out barely any inclusions. Below it, however, from ~10-30cm bgs there are clear visible inclusions of BJ, some sherds, + a lot of white flecking from smaller rocks.
- I just keep having the horrible feeling that the wall, both to the N + S, is much further to the west than where I have established 23AA + 23AB + much chasing of the line to the W will have to occur.

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→ Subops 23AA + 23AB, Str. 128 ←

- 8:43am **23AB** → 007 20-70 cm bgs along the bottom of the 1 line is complete. NOTHING came of it except some pieces of BJ, but no other architecture exists below it. 008 0-15 cm bgs (EU 8) is being started. EU 8 was created to view the top of the possible wall. It is only 1m x 50cm, the same as EU 7, but one meter to the N + along the western side of EU 2.
- 23AA** We are still w/in 006 0-30 cm bgs (EU 4) b/c there are a lot of tumbled cobbles + it's a little ugly. There is still only the presence of slopping architecture falling from the wall to the west. No other cobbles are found in the eastern edges of units w/in 23AA.
- 9:18am **23AB** 008 0-15 cm bgs (EU 8) is complete + only 1 med-small piece of BJ. Clearing 008 only made things slightly more confusing. The lot is full of cobbles that appear to be in some order + are following some type of line, however they are further to the east than they are in EU 1 + 7. I am going to wait until Ed sees it b/c I also don't want to ruin the small line of bajareque that is below all the cobbles. 009 0-10 cm bgs (EU 3) has been started to investigate all that is going on w/ the wall further to the N.
- 9:39am **23AA** 006 0-30 cm bgs (EU 4) - sherds, bajareque, obsidian. This lot, 006, revealed a lot to me. I am beginning to have more confidence in where this western summit wall is w/in 23AA. How it appears now, it's different from 23AB... it seems to be further to the east in 23AA. 007 20-30 cm (EU 3) was started after we removed a bunch of cobbles to find the wall. 005 0-30 cm bgs (EU 3) represents the eastern edge of EU 3. 007 20-30 cm bgs (EU 3) represents the area under some tumbled cobbles along the W. edge of the unit. We will probably go deeper in this unit to see if there are any other cobbles under the ones that are presently exposed.
- 10:06am **23AA** 007 20-30 cm bgs (EU 3), I think, exposed the possible wall even though it does not appear to line up w/ the line that is found in 23AB. Started 008 30-40 cm bgs (EU 3) to investigate if the cobbles/wall continues deeper. (008 ~ 1m x 75cm b/c of wall on W.)
- 10:20am **23AB** 009 0-10 cm bgs (EU 3) Empty lot. 010 10-30 cm bgs (EU 3) has been begun + special care is being given around the area where there is the line of bajareque to make sure not to miss it if it continues.

During our break just now Ed came around + said that in **23AB** the cobbles above the line of bajareque in EU 2 are only tumble + can be removed + cleared to the level of the BJ. He said that we only had to continue down to that level b/c it could have been a possible surface, or a wall facing that has fallen flat.

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→ Subops 23AA + 23AB Str. 128

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10:32am Continuing w/ Ed's visit... W/ in **23AA** he thought that I for sure had the wall in EU 3 + 4. He mentioned that perhaps the diagonal line ~~I~~ was seeing in the southern area of EU 3 was not a line but only tumble; but that since it's not hurting anything, it can be left for the time being.

10:37am **23AA** There does not appear to be much below the one line of larger cobbles + then smaller rocks under those... similar construction to **23AB**, except not as set back to the west as **23AB** appears to be.

11:09am **23AA** **008** 30-40cm bgs (EU3) - sherds, bajareque; but more importantly no more cobbles of any kind below the layer of smaller chinking stones. It's all very similar to **23AB**
009 0-10cm bgs (EU5) has begun to continue chasing the wall further to the south.
009 at the moment is containing a lot of tumbled cobbles, more so than other units at the surface.

23AB **010** 10-30 cm bgs (EU3) is almost complete. There is not as strong a line of bajareque in this unit as there was in EU 2 @ approx. the same level; but there is still some + we are only removing the soil above it + trying to leave it in place as much as possible.

11:44am **23AA** **009** 0-10 cm bgs (EU5) - 1 sherd, 1 obsidian, 1 bajareque. We removed a lot of tumbled cobbles + we've continued into **010** 10-30 cm bgs (EU5) around the wall. The cobbles that make up the wall in EU5 appear to be more at an angle.

23AB **010** 10-30cm bgs - bajareque, sherds, obsidian

011 0-20 cm bgs (EU2+8) has begun to find the continuing line. We are cleaning it down to above the level of the bajareque line that has been left in place. It is 0-20 cm bgs b/c nothing else more was really removed from there before b/c of the line of tumble that could have been something, but has turned out not to be anything at all.

1:09pm **23AB** **011** 0-20 cm bgs (EU2+8) was completed just before lunch. → bajareque + 1 sherd.
012 0-10cm bgs (EU9) is being started to investigate on top of the line. EU9 is a 1m x 50cm unit N of EU8 + east of EU3.

23AA Now, the fun has begun! Just before lunch in EU5 as we were going down to 30cm in **010** 10-30cm bgs (EU5) we came upon a bajareque or burnt earth surface! At first we were going through it a little, but quickly realized it was a floor + are only going above it.

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L.E. Schwartz

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2:01pm It really took my high spirits away to come back + see the guys going through ^{the} floor (!)
23AA $\phi 10$ 10-30cm bgs (EU5) tons of burnt earth from the floor + some sherds, obsidian

2:20pm Now $\phi 11$ 0-10cm bgs (EU6) has started.

23AB $\phi 11$ 0-20cm bgs (E2 + 8) - only bajareque.

Now $\phi 12$ 0-10cm bgs (E3) has started.

2:23pm 23AA The pulling up of the floor really bothered me, but at least it's all bagged + it is still kind of brittle from what's left in the unit. It is only in the southern portion of the unit + does go under the wall to the west + out of the excavation unit to the east + south. We've moved on to the next unit to see if it is over there. All that is coming up for the moment in $\phi 11$ 0-10cm bgs (EU6) is more slanting, tumbled cobbles than in previous units. They can be seen from the surface, which is definitely different than in other units. It appears as if it could have been a little higher in this area starting around ~~unit~~ EU6 + continuing toward the end of the structure to the south. The higher of a construction feature that was once here would explain why there are more cobbles + why they are more slanted.

2:46pm 23AA $\phi 11$ 0-10cm bgs (EU6) bajareque, sherds

$\phi 12$ 10-30cm bgs (EU6) started w/ being very for the earthen floor that is about 30cm bgs. $\phi 12$ will not be able to be finished today, so we'll return to it tomorrow.

2:55pm 23AB $\phi 12$ 0-10cm bgs (EU3) is complete + was EMPTY.

6:30pm 23AB is shaping up better than I would have anticipated. EU2+8 have exposed more of the bajareque floor than I would have thought. There is only one long (7cm) patch that is still in profile, but there are other areas where it is peaking through + it is flat + all on one level. It is also at the base of the smaller line of rocks + was more than likely the a living surface for that occupational area. Opening up EU3 + eventually tomorrow EU9 to the west of EU3. I'm hoping it continues even in its fragmented way.

23AA is also going very well. Finding the earthen floor is very promising. EU6 is being opened to see if it continues to the south b/c it seems as if it would since it continues out of the excavation unit to both the south + east. But what is being difficult are all the added cobbles from something else that must have been higher to produce that much more tumble. But we're working through it trying to determine what happened there. But both surfaces are good signs + apparently unexpected by Ed.

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L.E. Schwartz

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→ Subops 23AA + 23AB Str. 128

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7:09am It's nice + sunny already + will probably get really hot... again.

Goal: 23AA To find more of PURPLE the earthen floor surface to the south

23AB Continue excavating to the N along BLUE + finding more of YELLOW, the fragmented remnant of a bajareque surface.

23AA Φ12 10-30 cm bgs (EU6) is being continued down to the level of where we hope to find the earthen floor PURPLE again.

23AB Φ12⁴ 10-15 cm bgs (EU4) has begun. In profile of the unit on the south there were some pieces of BT that look flat + approx. the same level as in the other places. So, we are trying to come down to that level + hopefully find more of it around the same depth.

NOTE: The western summit wall w/in 23AA is referred to as RED.

The western summit wall w/in 23AB is referred to as BLUE.

The earthen floor feature along RED in 23AA is referred to as PURPLE.

The bajareque floor fragmented feature near BLUE in 23AB is referred to as YELLOW.

The chosen "Silly name" theme are names of colors.

7:42am 23AA Φ12 10-30 cm bgs (EU6) The earthen floor PURPLE has showed up again(!). But it appears to be a little higher in the southern end of EU6 than in the southern end of EU5. They have not completely cleared it up well yet, so maybe it is all the same level.

23AB Φ12⁴ 10-15 cm bgs (EU4) complete - 3 sherds, BT, 1 obsidian.

Started Φ12⁵ 0-10 cm bgs (EU9) EU9 is a 1m x 50cm unit west of EU3 + N of EU8. It is coming down on top of tumble from BLUE.

8:17am 23AA Φ12 10-30 cm bgs (EU6) 1m x 30cm unit along E side of unit; BT, obsidian, sherds.

The floor PURPLE is still very much there + has 2 rocks on top of it that I believe fell a long time ago + have since destroyed the floor beneath it. But we removed some tumbled cobbles from the middle of EU6 + have now started Φ13 10-30 cm bgs (EU6) 1m x 30cm unit along the middle of the unit; spanning the whole 1m unit from N to S.

23AB Φ12⁵ 0-10 cm bgs (EU4) complete EMPTY.

Removed some tumbled cobbles + started Φ12¹⁰ 10-15 cm bgs (EU9) @ the same level as where YELLOW should be. There are some bajareque fragments, however nothing nice like in the previous units. There are some flat pieces, but nothing very distinct as a floor.

8:25am Φ12¹⁰ 10-15 cm bgs (EU9) complete; bajareque, sherds, 1 obsidian.

Φ12⁷ 0-15 cm bgs (EU5)

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L.E. Schwartz

AP-02-19-11

→ Subops 23AA + 23AB Str. 128 ←

9:09am On the previous page (10) there was just great confusion w/ 23AB. The lots got kind of messed up + needed to be corrected. Lot tags from 23AB from yesterday + today will have to be fixed too. But it's correct now + problem is solved.

23AA Φ13 cmbgs (EU6) complete. Bajareque (earthen floor), sherds. The ~~floor~~ floor, PURPLE, also showed up well at the base of Φ13, all very good signs. There are still other cobbles on the W that appear to be slipping but I'll wait to move them. But I do think PURPLE continues under the tilting cobbles.

Φ14 0-10 cm bgs (EU7) is being started.

9:14am 23AB Φ16 10-15 cmbgs (EU10) complete; bajareque (page 10)

Φ17 0-15 cmbgs (EU8) is almost complete

9:37am 23AB Φ17 0-15 cmbgs (EU8) complete. No real evidence of YELLOW, only some random chunks of bajareque, but nothing really flat. Φ18 0-15 cmbgs (EU11) started on top of BLUE to distinguish it more + hopefully find more flat evidence of a floor.

23AA Φ14 0-10 cm bgs (EU7) is being continued. It's only narrowly in the eastern portion of the unit b/c RED keeps bowing out toward the east + is making less + less space available to work along the eastern side of the trench. Also in this particular unit (EU7) is an old, dead tree stump/root. So, I'm sure when it was living it contributed to why the wall (RED) is so badly slumping + tumbling to the east. We will continue to work around it + remove tumbled cobbles + try to find a clear representation of RED.

after break

10:14am 23AA Φ14 0-10 cm bgs (EU7) was complete before break → sherds, bajareque
Φ15 10-30 cm bgs (EU7) started until top of PURPLE (which is being variable)

23AB Φ18 0-15 cm bgs (EU11) complete; 1 obsidian, 1 bajareque/sherd → can't tell.

→ This BT sherd piece leads me to an interesting observation in both 23AA + 23AB.

During break while I was sweeping off PURPLE in 23AA I noticed how a piece broke off + was quite thin + has big flakes of mica in it... almost like a sherd. It's kind a weird, but I guess it is just a BT type material. Then I noticed the sherd-like object from 23AB Φ18 0-15 cm bgs (EU11) + noticed how similar it looked to what PURPLE is composed of. At lunch hopefully Bill or P+E will stop by + tell me what they think.

10:23am An added note about 23AB I have noticed that almost all the bajareque that is pulled out has at least one flat, smooth surface... meaning it was more than likely once apart of a floor or perhaps a wall facing; b/c it is mainly all concentrated to the W w/in the units close to BLUE.

10:31am 23AB Φ19 0-15 cmbgs (EU6) started.

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10:54am **23AA** It is kind of disappointing; PURPLE appears to have given up $\approx 30\text{cm}$ into the unit from the N. It just kind of dies out, however I do believe the dense earthen surface under the primary layer we've been chasing, still exists. It's only the top pseudo-BJ surface that isn't there. $\Phi 15$ 10-30 cm bgs (EU7) will be complete soon + contains parts of PURPLE + other pieces of BJ + sherds.

11:08am **23AB** $\Phi 19$ 0-15 cm bgs (EU6) complete; bajareque, started $\Phi 20$ 10-15 cm bgs (EU11) a 1m x 20cm unit in front of BLUE after tumbled cobbles were cleared away. BLUE is becoming more clearly defined in EU5 + 11. But there is very little presence of the bajareque floor feature (YELLOW). Very little BJ in general is being recovered the further to the N we move.

11:23am **23AA** $\Phi 15$ 10-30 cm bgs (EU7) complete: bajareque, sherds, a weird rock.
starting $\Phi 16$ 0-10 cm bgs (EU8) east of RED
23AB $\Phi 20$ 10-15 cm bgs (EU11) complete
 $\Phi 21$ 0-15 cm bgs (EU12) starting on top of BLUE.

11:37am Continuing to "chug" along. **23AB** $\Phi 21$ 0-15 cm bgs (EU12) contains a lot of tumbled cobbles that will eventually need to be removed. For some reason, + I haven't figured out yet what it is, there are more fallen + tumbled cobbles in EU12 + 6. The surface rises more in that area, yet I'm not quite sure yet why that is.

11:43am **23AA** We are continuing to clear around the cobbles w/in $\Phi 16$ 0-10 cm bgs (EU8). Similar to EU7, there are a lot, so it is difficult to excavate + figure out why there are so much more there than in other places. (Mario, the fireman, came around + said that P + E have returned from Las Canoas, so hopefully they can come up + see what is going on.)

11:58am P + E just came by + said that things are looking good. They questioned a little whether the earthen floor in **23AA** had been burned before or after abandonment. There are 2 rocks that are flat down in the trench. I think that they fell on top of the surface. Therefore, the surface could have been constructed before abandonment. Pat also mentioned that I should dig into the wall (RED) in some area to follow PURPLE under it + see how far it goes. But I'll come back to that.

12:08pm **23AA** $\Phi 16$ 0-10 cm bgs (EU8) complete: sherds, 2 obsidian, bajareque, + lots of fallen cobbles.
23AB $\Phi 21$ 0-15 cm bgs (EU12) complete: sherds, BJ, 1 obsidian

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1:16pm Mava + David went in b/c they were sick, so now I have 2 more guys (David's) for a total of 6.

23AC is being started to locate the SW exterior basal corner. ^{lunch,} At Bill helped me set up a 1x2m trench that runs E-W to hit the wall + then move to the south to try to locate the corner.

001 0-10cm bgs (EU1) has started w/ David's workers.

23AA continuing to clean up around cobbles after some were removed during lunch.

017 10-30cm bgs (EU8) has started w/ all the tumble from RED.

23AB Have already done 022 0-15cm bgs (EU12) just W of 021. 022 was done to clean up the soil in b/w the cobbles along BLUE. 022 4 BT, 1 sherd.

023 0-15cm bgs (EU7) has started as we continue to the N following BLUE.

1:53pm 23AA 017 10-30cm bgs (EU8) complete; 15 BT, 16 sherds

018 0-10cm bgs (EU9) started.

23AB 023 0-15cm bgs (EU7) is being continued.

23AC 001 0-10cm bgs (EU1) complete. EMPTY LOT. A large root from the tree \approx 1.5m to the NE of EU1 was \approx 5cm bgs. They are chopping it away as we continue down to

002 10-30cm bgs (EU1)

2:34pm 23AA 018 0-10cm bgs (EU9) complete; sherds, bajareque, & again, many more cobbles.

019 10-30cm bgs (EU9) has started along the eastern most portion of the unit. A lot of slippage is occurring around these units, but we're also getting closer to the large rise of a feature to the very far south on this str.

23AB still continuing to clear w/ in 023 0-15 (EU7) toward BLUE. Here too, something w/ more cobbles is occurring b/c there is much more tumble than in other areas that have already been excavated.

23AC 002 10-30cm bgs (EU1) complete

003 30-50cm bgs (EU1) has started. Not much of anything has been found. Only a few tumbled cobbles have appeared but not much else. Not even a distinct change in soil.

3:00pm 23AB 023 0-15cm bgs complete; BT, sherds, obsidian, green obs. blade frag.

23AA 019 10-30cm bgs continue tomorrow

23AC 003 30-50cm bgs " "

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7:24am We're out here a little later today, b/c the new red Toyota finally worked + I came out w/ Bill. It's kind of hazy right now but it looks like it will burn off. And my nose is still bothering me.

7:26am **23AA** W/ in EU9 we removed a few more tumbled cobbles from the E of RED. Anything that comes from this area we'll make apart of 019 10-30 cm bgs (EU9).

23AB 024 0-15 cm bgs (EU14). NOTE: 023 0-15 cm bgs w/ in EU13 NOT EU7. EU14 is a 1m x 50cm unit. 024 0-15 cm bgs (EU14) is only a 1m x 10cm lot.

7:35 Ed just called + said that I'm going to be getting David's workers again. They will continue in **23AC**.

7:50am **23AA** 019 10-30 cm bgs (EU9) complete

020 0-5 cm bgs (EU10) started. We should reach the ^{SW} corner of the summit soon.

23AB 024 0-15 cm bgs (EU14) is being continued after removing a couple of tumbled cobbles. There is an old tree stump in this area that I've never noticed before. And it is clear that it is pushed some cobbles out of line... which sucks b/c there are more rocks in EU6, 12, 13, + 14 than in other units, and something different was going on here.

23AC 004 50-70 cm bgs (EU1) started. A few cobbles along the E side of the unit are showing up but are only tumble + are being removed.

→ I'm going to try to establish a datum today + take some measurements of my walls + depths + floor features. I also want to get some pictures soon. Right now would be a perfect time, but Bill just said over the radio that it might start raining.

GOALS:

8:07am **23AA** is very close to the SW interior summit corner... it would be nice to reach that by the end of the day.

23AB I think that trying to find the NW corner would be asking too much, but at least getting another 2m closer today would be real good for the start of the week on Monday.

23AC Find some portion of the W exterior wall. It will involve going very deep + moving into EU2. But I hope it's as easy to find as it was in Christians' 23F excavations.

8:44am **23AA** 020 0-5 cm bgs (EU10) continuing to clear around the tons of tumble.

23AB 024 0-15 cm bgs (EU14) complete: 2 obsidian, 2 osharda, 52 BT. Since I think the line (BLUE) is further to the W than EU14, we created EU15. EU15 is 1m x 50cm unit W of EU14.

025 0-15 cm bgs (EU15) has started to help clearly define how far to the W BLUE really is.

23AC 004 50-70 cm bgs is being continued. Some cobbles are appearing that may be in a line, yet they would be further to the W than where they are in Christians' (#34) 23F excavations.

I think the rain might burn off + the clouds will blow away. But it still looks pretty gray to the N...

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9:07am **23AA** **020** 0-5cm bgs (EU10) complete; 10 sherds, 4 bajareque
021 5-20cm bgs (EU10) started.

23AC **004** 50-70cm bgs (EU1) is encountering more cobbles + what I thought might be the wall, I'm starting to rethink it + feel that it is probably further to the E. + that we'll have to dig back to it... like I always thought.

9:30am **23AC** **004** 50-70cm bgs (EU1) complete; 30 sherds, 4 bajareque, 1 obsidian.

005 0-20cm bgs (EU2) started... + should be on top of ^{W.} wall.

23AA **021** 5-20cm bgs (EU10) is going well. Removing a lot of tumble from the center of the unit, which appears to be falling off from RED to the W. But we are also starting to see some tumble that seems to be slipping from the S, which is a good sign b/c we're probably getting closer to the corner + the S. interior summit wall.

→ After seeing Charlie's (#46) wall yesterday afternoon, I can't help but think that the large mound on the southern most end of this structure, that runs E-W, is a large wall like he had in subop in the SE group of El Coyote. Right now we're ~ 1.5-2m away from whatever the mound is.

10:15am **23AB** **025** 0-15cm bgs (EU15) complete

It is getting a little difficult to follow ^{BLUE} since it is bowing out + away from the summit to the W. It also appears to have gained a course since we are now in the raised area.

10:35am **23AA** **021** 5-20cm bgs ^(EU10) complete; 20 BT, 2 sherds, 2 obsidian

022 0-10cm bgs (EU11) started. RED looks very nice + appears to have more courses w/ in EU10.

23AC **005** 0-20cm bgs (EU2) complete

006 20-40cm bgs (EU2) starting. There are a lot of tumbled cobbles that are being removed, b/c even if the wall is being pushed further to the W, it will still be deeper than ^{our} where current depth.

10:58am **23AB** **025** 0-15cm bgs (EU15) complete.

026 0-15cm bgs (EU16) started. Even though it seems as if the original trench of **23AB** that was set up isn't follow BLUE very well anymore, I'm still going to continue chugging through it at 15cm b/c even if it isn't revealing much in the way of architecture, it is still at the/a hypothesized living surface b/c in almost every unit at least one flat piece of bajareque is being recovered.

23AC **006** 20-40cm bgs (EU2) is still being continued.

11:20am **23AC** **006** 20-40cm bgs (EU2) complete.

007 40-50cm bgs (EU2) only a 1m x 40cm lot from the W. Result of removing cobbles + trying to cut back to find the wall to the E w/ in EU2.

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11:25am 23AA 022 0-10 cm bgs (EU1) Complete; 4 sherds, 2 obsidian

023 10-20 cm bgs (EU1) w/ RED on W riding kind of high b/c of the close vicinity to the large raised area at the southern end of the summit. What is promising is the possibility that we have the southern summit wall to, and the SW interior corner. But then again, it is still quite messy + more tumbled cobbles need to be removed. But it does have potential...

23AB 026 0-25 cm bgs (EU1b) is still being continued.

11:42am 23AC 007 ~~008~~ 40-50 cm bgs (EU2) Complete: 8 sherds, 2 obsidian.

Nothing more became clear. So, now that there is more room to work w/ in 23AC, we've removed some cobbles from EU1 + are continuing down in the center of the unit 008 70-80 cm bgs (EU1) to try to find the wall. The tree near us has pretty large roots that have really just messed up a lot of what little is there. I hope it gets easier trying to find this back wall + then eventually the corner to the far SW.

1:10pm 23AA 023 10-20 cm bgs (EU1) Complete. Bajareque, sherds

Removed more cobbles + have definitely found the southern summit wall. The corner of where the 2 walls meet is not clear + needs to be taken back a little ~~to~~ to the E toward RED. 024 20-30 cm bgs (EU1) started after cobbles were removed.

The southern summit wall is designated the name ORANGE.

23AB still continuing w/ in 026 0-25 cm bgs (EU1b). Just before lunch we removed more cobbles so there is more to excavate down to the surface as the other units.

23AC 008 70-80 cm bgs (EU1) complete

009 20-40 cm bgs (EU2) in the middle of the unit (1m x 35cm) b/c no wall of any type is being able to be found. Working w/ in EU2 should have us land on top of where it is suppose to be. But I have a feeling it'll be kind of hard to find b/c the tree has also pushed a lot of cobbles out from where they would be.

1:42pm Jorge is handing out \$

23AC 009 20-40 cm bgs (EU2) ^{Complete} didn't reveal much of anything.

2:20pm 23AA 024 20-30 cm bgs (EU1) Complete: EMPTY lot

025 0-10 cm bgs (EU12) Started. EU12 starts to move E along ORANGE.

23AB 026 0-25 cm bgs (EU1b) is still being cleaned up but almost complete. There are more tumbled cobbles + I'm not seeing how they are suppose to make any kind of sense.

23AC 009 20-40 cm bgs (EU2) complete; EMPTY lot. And nothing is clearer.

010 80-90 cm bgs (EU1) Started.

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2:40pm The worst words I want to hear... I have bone.

23AC Ø10 80-90cm bgs (EU1) we found just a little piece of bone... but of course it scared me bc what else am I going to find near a corner on the exterior at 2:30pm on a Friday afternoon (!) But we also got a pretty good carbon sample @ about 75cm bgs. But no real sign of an external wall...

23AA Ø25 0-10cm bgs (EU12) ORANGE is there, it is only covered by a lot of other tumble from the high mound, which we are just directly N of at this moment. We'll probably wait until Monday to start another lot + find more of it w/ in EU12.

23AB Ø26 0-25cm bgs (EU16) is still being cleaned out. A lot of bajaregue + sherds are being found in this area. There is also another change in soil that has never been seen before in this subop. It contains some white flecking + starts ~15cm bgs.

2:48 23AC Ø10 80-90cm bgs (EU1) is also finding a lot of nice ceramics. Large fragments w/ rims + some w/ red slip.

2:00pm SUNDAY, 24 Feb 2002

Just after we left on Friday, it started raining really hard. Before it started I put more plastic covering over the earthen floor w/ in 23AA (PURPLE). I also tried to cover the bits of bajaregue floor w/ in 23AB. But I just have the feeling that they are going to be pretty damaged by tomorrow morning.

Tomorrow I also really plan on establishing a datum + taking some measurements of the features that have been uncovered.

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7:38am The rain on Friday didn't cause that much damage, it just made the excavation unit floors ugly. But they'll be fine once the sun dries them out + they can be swept out. The pieces of bajareque w/ in 23AB appear to be fine. I haven't looked at the earthen floor (PURPLE) w/ in 23AA but I think the plastic covering did a good job.

7:42am 23AA 026 10-³20cm bgs (EU12) started after removing a couple really large cobbles that were just tumble. But the wall (ORANGE) is still present behind it all.

23AB 027 0-15cm bgs (EU17). EU17 is W of EU6 + should be on top of BLUE, at least in the W portion of the unit. Only going to 15cm bgs b/c of the soil change, which is new in this area. From 0-15cm bgs it is the same as all the other previous units, but below 15cm bgs it contains white flecks + is a little more dense.

→ GOALS:

23AA Continue clearing to the N of ORANGE + moving to the E following it.

23AB Continue clearing along BLUE + hopefully finding the NW interior summit corner.

23AC More workers are being hired today, so when I get 2 more, I am determined to find the wall + then the corner as soon as possible, so that I can move on to the other corner, the NW basal corner, to get all my dimensions.

8:02am 23AC My 2 new guys just came. Don Julio who worked w/ Russell in 2000 + a new kid who has never worked for the project before. Starting @ 011 (EU1). Trying the route of going deeper in order to come at the wall from the side of it, rather than from on top of it b/c it's harder when coming down on top of it.

8:14am 23AA 026 10-30 cm bgs (EU12) complete; sherds, obsidian, bajareque. Some fairly large + thick pieces of bajareque. Some that may have been from a floor surface b/c they have one flat side that is very smooth. The other interesting observation is that of some white material @ the base of the excavation. It could have been a plaster floor at some point, but it could also just be a couple pieces of decaying limestone. Either way, it's all at the same level, so I'm leaving it for now + will watch to see if more appears.

027 0-10 cm bgs (EU13) started.

8:53am 23AB 027 0-15 cm bgs (EU17) is continuing after a bunch of cobbles were removed. There are a couple of pieces of bajareque w/ flat surfaces that are exposed at 15cm bgs. They appear very similar to other flat pieces recovered. Hopefully we will find more + more surfaces. But BLUE is now very clear + is still there.

23AC is still being very difficult + not revealing any walls for us. But there is the slight possibility that we have ~~the~~ the top of it. It's just not very nice. And it would be in EU1, not in EU2 like I would have expected.

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9:30am **23AA** $\Phi 27$ 0-10 cmbgs (EU13) complete.

$\Phi 28$ 10-30 cmbgs (EU13) started after removing cobbles. They were all in lines + in a row, but they were all slipping from off the top of ORANGE. They were removed so that we could clearly see ORANGE in the place where it is still preserved well + also go down to the same level as EU12 to see if the plaster type material is still present.

9:34am **23AB** $\Phi 27$ 0-15 cmbgs (EU17) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian

$\Phi 28$ 0-15 cmbgs (EU18) started. EU18 is N of EU17, we have abandoned excavating in the units to the E b/c they are so far E now, it would sort of be a waste of time.

23AC $\Phi 11$ 90-100 cmbgs (EU1) complete; A LOT of sherds, bajareque, obsidian. A lot of piece ceramic pieces w/ red slip + handles + some censier pieces.

$\Phi 12$ 50-100 cmbgs (EU2) after a lot of big cobbles/rocks were removed, they were left in place b/c they looked as if they could have potential, but I just don't think that anymore + removed them. $\Phi 12$ 50-100 cmbgs is only on the W side of unit, b/c of other cobbles + rocks to the E w/in the unit.

9:58 **23AA** $\Phi 28$ 10-30 cmbgs (EU13) recovered the middle portion of a fragmented mano. It measures 11cm x 6cm + appears to have 2 sides showing ware. ORANGE is still there in EU13. It appears to be going in terms of courses, but that makes sense w/ the large mant to the south of it. The mano is an interesting find; at least to me to be w/in the summit of a structure like this one.

10:10am All appears to be going well everywhere, except in **23AC**, nothing has shown up + I'm getting a little confused as to where to go next.

11:08am **23AA** $\Phi 28$ 10-30 cmbgs (EU13) ORANGE is still there, + there might be more evidence for some type of a surface... then again it could just be decaying limestone, it is really hard to tell.

23AB $\Phi 28$ 0-15 cmbgs (EU18) is almost done. After removing a lot of tumbled cobbles, there was, like in **23AA** a lot of white material. It looked as if it could be only limestone but it's hard to tell, only a little of it was left on + we'll see when we move another unit to the N whether it is there too. Both of these summits are difficult, b/c I don't want to miss any important surfaces.

23AC $\Phi 12$ 50-100 cmbgs (EU2) we might have a wall. I need to check now that it's cleaned off.

11:17am **23AB** $\Phi 28$ 0-15 cmbgs (EU18) complete; sherds, bajareque, chert biface, obsidian
 $\Phi 29$ 0-15 cmbgs (EU19) started.

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12:00pm **23AA** **028** 10-30cm bgs (EU13) complete; mono fragment, sherds, bajareque, obsidian. When Pat + Ed came around, they confirmed what I thought that the white material around EU11+12 is, more than likely, plaster. They made the interesting observation that it is probably only preserved there b/c of all the extra tumble that fell there b/c it is in the corner. It only showed up a little in EU13 at the base of **028** 10-30cm bgs. **029** 0-10cm bgs (EU14) has started.

23AB **029** 0-15cm bgs (EU19) has started. Not enough has been exposed yet to see whether the white material, which Pat said could have been crushed rock. But we'll be sure to watch out for it. We're also coming on the corner since there are some cobbles that are slipping toward the S; as if they were slipping off the N summit wall.

12:13pm **23AC** **012** 50-100cm bgs (EU2) complete; sherds, obsidian, bajareque. Nothing is clearer, but I think I may know where it is in profile. **013** 100-110cm bgs (EU1) has started again to try to come at it from the W instead of landing down on top of it.

1:32pm **23AA** **029** 0-10cm bgs (EU14) complete: EMPTY lot.

030 10-30cm bgs (EU14) started. ORANGE is still present, only there ~~are~~ are 2 other cobbles that are still piled which could be something, so they are being left in place.

23AB **029** 0-10cm bgs (EU19) complete: 1 sherd, 2 obsidian. A lot of fill looking rocks were just under the surface. No other units on the inside of BLUE have had this. We are also probably really close to the corner. **030** 0-10cm bgs (EU20) started to see if we did hit the corner. EU20 is one unit E of EU19.

1:40pm **23AC** I think they went through what might have been part of the wall... again.

2:25pm **23AA** **030** 10-30cm bgs (EU14) well, everything was ripped out by the time I got back to seeing how the stacked cobbles were associated w/ ORANGE, so all that is left is ORANGE, which isn't bad. They also almost went through a crushed limestone surface, but luckily I was sitting there + stopped them before they could ~~tear~~ tear through that.

23AC Another ~~disaster~~ disaster. I don't think anything else exists b/c it's all been ripped out when all I said was "only dirt"! Our only other option that I see at this point is to move over a unit + see if it can be picked up over there.

23AB **030** 0-10cm bgs (EU20) is going well + is almost done. The excavation is great... it just sucks that what it is revealing is so ugly. The N summit wall appears to only be 1 course high, ~~surprisingly~~ surprisingly.

2:57pm **23AC** **0140** -40cm bgs (EU3) started

23AA **030** 10-30cm bgs (EU14) complete; sherds, bajareque

23AB **030** 0-10cm bgs (EU40) complete:

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7:35am It's a little hazy at the moment, but the sun is still pretty bright. I'm sure it'll only get brighter + hotter.

23AA $\phi 31$ 0-10 cm bgs (EU 15) started. This should be near to where the SE corner is.

23AB $\phi 31$ 0-10 cm bgs (EU 21) started. Along the southern edge of the N summit wall.

NOTE: The Northern interior summit wall will be referred to as GREEN.

23AC Continuing in $\phi 14$ 0-30 cm bgs (EU 3). Hopefully this unit will help reveal the basal wall + SW corner, eventually.

7:41am GOALS:

23AA Find the SE summit corner + continue to move N investigating the E summit wall.

23AB Continue following GREEN + find the NE corner + hopefully move south following the E summit wall, until 23AA + 23AB meet.

23AC Once again, attempt to locate the W basal wall + eventually the corner, if it is still preserved. I don't understand why it might be that badly destroyed... in terms of design of exterior architecture, this structure, Str. 128, is fairly similar to Str. 11 in the SW group. And those corners were not all that hard to find.

8:04am 23AA $\phi 31$ 0-10 cm bgs (EU 15) complete; 1 sherd, 6 bajareque. A lot of tumbled cobbles. And a lot of the smaller sized chinking stones that were also found in 23AB EU 19 + 20. I pulled the really large + tumbled cobbles + said to only leave the little rocks + remove only dirt. $\phi 32$ 10-20 cm bgs (EU 15) has started.

Orientation of 23AA: 339° (N-S along RED) E of N

Orientation of 23AB: 334° (N-S along BLUE) E of N

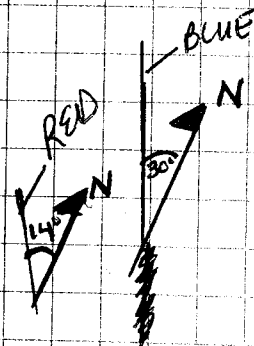
Orientation of 23AC: 65° E of N

orientation of BLUE: 330° E of N (30° W of N)

orientation of RED: 336° E of N (14° W of N)

orientation of ORANGE: 72° E of N

orientation of GREEN: 66° E of N



8:31am 23AB $\phi 31$ 0-10 cm bgs (EU 21) complete; Empty lot. The same small rocks from EU 19 + 20 DID NOT show up in this unit. GREEN is skimming the N edge of the EU. We're going down deeper to see, how deep the wall of GREEN extends.

$\phi 32$ 10-20 cm bgs (EU 21) started.

23AC $\phi 14$ 0-30 cm bgs (EU 3) complete; Empty lot. The soil appears to all be the same until around = 40-50 cm bgs.

$\phi 15$ 30-50 cm bgs (EU 3) started.

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8:55am 23AA 032 10-20cm bgs (EU15) contained a lot of small cobbles similar to 23AB EU19+20. I believe they must have been apart of the extended wall; + there are lots concentrated in corners b/c the tumble of 2 walls collapsing would produce more tumble debris than would only one wall coming down. We cleared the smaller rocks + other tumbled cobbles to better define ORANGE + eventually find the SE corner + the E summit wall.

→ In all, things aren't going too badly this morning. Hope we're able to locate the 2 E summit corners + begin moving along the E wall + completing the summit outline this week.

9:22am 23AA 032 10-20 cm bgs (EU15) still continuing + exposing ORANGE very nicely.

23AB 032 10-20 cm bgs (EU21) continuing as well.

23AC 015 30-50cm bgs (EU3) is almost done too. 015 should come down on top of a lot of tumble b/c it can all be seen in profile from the S side of EU1. What comes after 015 in EU3 should reveal more tumble + a wall/corner too.

9:38am 23AA 032 10-20cm bgs (EU15) complete; sherd, bajareque, obsidian. For the amount of small chinking-stone sized rocks from this unit, there are very few pieces of bajareque. This just strikes me as kind of weird, b/c I'm almost positive the smaller rocks are from a wall b/c they are inter-mixed w/ the tumble cobbles + appear as if the walls were collapsing the same time as the walls were falling out of place.

033 20-30cm bgs (EU15) started. The E wall + corner was also found w/ in 032. The E summit wall will be referred to as GRAY.

10:03am 23AA 033 20-30cm bgs (EU15) more small rocks are appearing + I'm not exactly sure what they were from. A wall of BJ would make sense, but I'm not finding much BJ at all; at least not in the quantities I would expect being at a corner where 2 walls meet.

23AB 032 10-20 cm bgs (EU21) complete. More of the white material has surfaced again. It is difficult to say whether it was a floor b/c it could also be a broken piece of decomposing limestone. 033 0-10cm bgs (EU22) started. This may contain the NE corner.

23AC 015 30-50cm bgs (EU3) complete; sherd, bajareque, obsidian.

016 50-70cm bgs (EU3) started. All tumble as of the moment.

10:20am P + E just came around w/ Carlos + said things were going really well. Pat agreed w/ my thought that at the corner of GRAY + ORANGE (SE summit corner), that all the little cobbles were probably from a wall, even though there is not a lot of bajareque present. She said the especially if there is a combination of large cobble tumble + smaller chinking-stone rocks. She thought the same for the NW corner in 23AB w/ BLUE + GREEN. Ed thought that maybe it was some EPC occupation that was late. But there has been no artifactual evidence for any EPC activity... i.e. no green obsidian or anything like that.

Tuesday, 26 Feb 2002 PVC El Coyote

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→ Subop 23AA, 23AB, 23AC

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11:24am **23AA** $\phi 33$ 20-30cm bgs (EU¹⁵) complete, sherds, BJ, obsidian, chert. Came down again on the broken white material surface. It definitely is suppose to be there... it is in every unit along ORANGE except EU¹³ b/c I think they just pulled it up before we knew what it was. But it's cool now b/c there's quite a bit of it + it is fairly clear now that it was a floor surface of some sort.

23A $\phi 34$ 0-10cm bgs (EU¹⁶) started following GRAY to the NE.

23AB $\phi 33$ 0-10cm bgs (EU²²) complete, empty lot... not even much tumble, only 1 cobbles.
234 10-20cm bgs (EU²²) started. In maybe one more unit we should have the corner where GREEN + GRAY meet.

23AC $\phi 16$ 50-70cm bgs (EU³) still continuing.

12:09 **23AA** $\phi 34$ 0-10cm bgs (EU¹⁶) complete

23AB $\phi 34$ 10-20cm bgs (EU²²) complete

23AC $\phi 16$ 50-70cm bgs (EU³) complete

$\phi 17$ 0-10cm bgs (EU⁴) started.

2:26pm After lunch everybody took a site tour starting w/ Bill's area. Then talked about the causeway, mystat (Str. 128), + then some of the elite residential stuff.

Now..

23AA $\phi 35$ 10-30cm bgs (EU¹⁶) started to investigate GRAY.

23AB $\phi 35$ 0-15cm bgs (EU²³) started + will probably contain the corner w/ GREEN + GRAY.

23AC $\phi 17$ 0-20cm bgs (EU⁴) continuing. Need to be watched constantly b/c they always just pull out cobbles!

2:33pm NOTE: The white surface found along ORANGE w/in 23AA is going to be referred to as WHITE.

NOTE: Established a datum to the NE of the tree w/in 23AA + 23AB in the middle of the summit. It is going to be labeled Datum #1 or D1.

D1 is ≈ 22 cm ags
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Thursday, 28 Feb 2002 PVC El Coyote

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7:48am Didn't come out yesterday b/c I went to the airport to get the little Mexican girl.
Cloudy + overcast, but it's burning off.

23AA $\phi 36$ 0-15cm bgs (EU17) started along GRAY.

23AB $\phi 36$ 10-15cm bgs (EU22³) started, cleaning to the E. after removing cobbles. We're
are probably at the NE corner w/ GRAY. But GRAY appears to be fairly shallow.

23AC $\phi 18$ 20-40cm bgs (EU4) started. It might come down on top of the wall. But I'm
trying to watch them more carefully so they don't blow through them again.

→ GOALS:

23AA Continuing to follow GRAY to the N.

23AB Defining the NE corner + continuing along GRAY to the S.

23AC We are finding this W basal wall today!

8:14am 23AB $\phi 36$ 10-15cm bgs (EU22³) complete; 4 obsidian, bajareque, sherds. One large piece of
bajareque, + 4 pieces of ceramic of real poor paste.
 $\phi 37$ 0-15cm bgs (EU24) started

8:52am 23AA $\phi 36$ 0-15cm bgs (EU17) complete; sherds, bajareque. Surprisingly, the wall ends + I
think it is the beginning of a doorway. It can be seen from the E side of the structure.
 $\phi 37$ 0-15cm bgs (EU18) started.

23AC $\phi 18$ 20-40cm bgs (EU4) complete; sherds, bajareque

$\phi 19$ 40-50cm bgs (EU4) started, only cleaning around the large cobbles, in the W side of the unit.

23AB $\phi 37$ 0-15cm bgs (EU24) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian

$\phi 38$ 0-15cm bgs (EU25)

10:20am 23AA $\phi 37$ cm bgs (EU18) complete; obsidian (3)

$\phi 38$ cm bgs (EU19) started. Completely in a doorway. No rocks of any kind. No tumble. And it seems
it will continue to the N for ≈ 2 m more until the next large pile of cobbles... + then again
another possible doorway b/c the surface goes down again + has a depression.

23AB is also coming close to a possible door; so I expect the cobbles to disappear for a while +
then come back when the soil rises again w/ some type of a divider that runs in b/w the doors.

11:09am 23AA $\phi 38$ cm bgs (EU19) complete; EMPTY lot. No soil change down to 20cm bgs.

$\phi 39$ cm bgs (EU20) started

23AB $\phi 38$ cm bgs (EU25) almost done + fewer cobbles are appearing in the S. unit. EU26 should
contain almost no cobbles, b/c it is very close to a doorway area, too.

23AC $\phi 20$ 50-60cm bgs (EU4) started

$\phi 20$ 50-60cm bgs (EU4) complete

$\phi 21$ 70-90cm bgs (EU3) started. Only 1m x 50cm along the E side in front of the possible wall.

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11:42am **23AB** $\phi 38$ 0-15cm bgs (EU 25) complete; sherds, bajareque. Again, very few artifacts in general have been recovered from the summit excavations. Very few cobbles are appearing in the Southern edge of EU 25. $\phi 39$ 0-20cm bgs (EU 26) started.
From what has been exposed, the doorways seem to follow the surface pattern.

12:14pm **23AC** $\phi 21$ 70-90cm bgs (EU 3) complete. There look as if there are some possibilities for the wall existing in this area. It's still really, really difficult to tell. The corner could also possibly be there, but there's way too much tumble to be able to tell for sure. Interestingly, there is a lot of tumble ~~also~~ along the Northern side of ~~the~~ EU 1+2... but almost none along the Southern side of EU 3+4. The corner is definately in the area, since there are not many cobbles in profile along the S side of the units, ~~etc~~

11:52pm NOTE: Marcela has been w/ me all day, so hopefully that serves as an explanation as to why my notes are pretty "skeleton"-like today. I also returned late from lunch b/c we were visiting Bill's area again.

→ **23AC** $\phi 22$ 90-110cm bgs (EU 3) started. $\phi 22$ is a 1m x 50cm lot, similar to $\phi 21$. It is hopefully going to expose the W facing of the W basal wall.

23AA $\phi 39$ 0-20cm bgs (EU 20) complete; 1 sherd, 3 obsidian. A couple of cobbles were exposed, however the line of GRAY has not been picked up.

$\phi 40$ 0-20cm bgs (EU 21) started. This unit should be on top of more cobbles + hopefully a little more of the feature / wall GRAY that is in b/w the doorway.

23AB $\phi 39$ 0-20cm bgs (EU 26) continuing. ~~There are~~ We are more-than-likely near an entrance if not w/in the entrance itself.

2:30pm **23AB** $\phi 39$ 0-20cm bgs (EU 26) complete; sherds, bajareque. No large cobbles similar to any others from the previous units along the N portion of GRAY. But, some smaller cobbles surfaced + they do not appear to be in any particular arrangement. One line of smaller flat rocks are in alignment slightly deeper than the line w/ in EU 25, 24, but they are in line w/ the second row of GRAY furthest to the E. GRAY on the N side of the summit w/ in **23AB** is 2 courses wide + this other smaller line, which we are hoping to locate in EU 27, runs in alignment w/ the E course but at a depth, just below the exposed line in EU 25, 24.

$\phi 40$ 0-20cm bgs (EU 27) started.

23AA $\phi 40$ 0-20cm bgs (EU ²¹ ~~20~~) complete

23AB $\phi 40$ 0-20cm bgs (EU 27) complete

23AC

Friday, 1 March 2002 PVC El Coyote

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→ Subop 23AA, 23AB, 23AC

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7:40am This is getting a little ridiculous. We need to get out here earlier + get started on time. It's really bright + sunny + probably will be hot all day. Marcela didn't come out w/ me this morning, so perhaps my notes will be a little more extensive. It hasn't rained since Wednesday when I didn't come out. And that didn't really mess things up as far as I could tell, besides destroying the part of the trench that Christian had already excavated.

23AA 041 20-30cm bgs (EU21) started. The wall (GRAY) has appeared again b/c I believe we excavated through the Southern most doorway yesterday, + are now back into architecture that would have been in b/w the Southern doorway + the middle doorway. I believe there are 3 in total. Christian (#34) w/ Subop 23F came through the middle doorway.

23AB EU27 is around where the N doorway is. 040 0-20cm bgs (EU27) continuing. There ^{is} ~~are~~ a line of smaller, flatter cobbles than the ones that appear to compose the wall (GRAY). They are being followed out to the South. Soon **23AA** + **23AB** are going to converge.

23AA 041 20-30cm bgs (EU21) is going deeper, in order to see how deep GRAY goes w/ in this area of construction. It is easy b/c there is no definitive living surface present any more, so going deeper will not destroy anything.

23AC The exterior, SW basal wall/corner is nowhere to be found. There are slight pieces of evidence that suggest something was once there. There are 3 cobbles that are sort of stacked. And there are 2 lines of smaller cobbles that are sliding to the W, suggesting they are slipping off something. But so far we haven't found ANY kind of a facing... or anything that resembles construction of a corner.

023 60-70cm bgs (EU4) started... the Southern edge of the unit only. 1m x 20cm lot b/c trying to remove cobbles + peel back slowly to try to reveal some architecture. So far, it isn't really working.

8:58am What a shitty day!

23AA 041 20-30cm bgs (EU21) complete; bajareque (!), sherds, obsidian, pearlite. The wall (GRAY) did continue down + looks good! 042 30-40cm bgs (EU21) is going deeper to continue following it down to see how far it goes.

23AB 040 0-20cm bgs (EU27) complete: sherds, bajareque, obsidian. A strange small line appeared in the middle of the lot that runs \perp to GRAY. 041 0-20 (EU28) started to continue picking up GRAY as it comes to be more architecture, b/c the doorway 'ending'.

23AC is such a mess I don't want to think about it! And it's not so much the decaying wall, as it is the poor, poor workers excavating it. I believe they might have pulled more of it out, + also they found bone. I am abandoning **23AC** for the time being. I thought of starting these guys up top to help finish the summit faster... but I can't risk them fucking it up. I'm going to start **23AD** to investigate the N basal corner, since that seems expendable as something else they can mess up. But I gotta get 2 other guys b/c they are just wasting my time.

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9:11am **23AC** There is some evidence of where a wall + possibly where a corner once was... but no definitive architecture is preserved. I feel so embarrassed that I let this happen + couldn't control them more. But one guy is new + has never worked, + the other, Don Beto, worked for Russell on only EPC architecture... + from what I remember, he wasn't very good.

23AD It would be nice to be able to find this corner... I know it's not necessary, but Ed said it would be nice to have if time permitted.

9:50am **23AD** ~~001~~ 0-10cm bgs (EU1) started. EU1 is only 2m to the W of EU19 from **23AB**.

23AA ~~042~~ 30-40cm bgs (EU21) continuing + GRAY is still going down.

23AB ~~041~~ 0-20cm bgs (EU28) continuing too. Coming on some strange cobbles + arrangements. GRAY is definitely still there, it just looks a little weird at the moment + I think some really funny things are going on around this doorway.

10:05am **23AA** ~~042~~ 30-40cm bgs (EU21) while continuing down, came upon a jute shell; plus there is a lot more bajareque + obsidian. I think it's probably some fill area + we've gone below the living surface area. We will continue to go down in order to find a possible base.

23AD ~~001~~ 0-10cm bgs (EU1) is already revealing a lot of tumbled cobbles. I hope I didn't set the unit up too close to the wall + have to move it back to the W one more meter.

11:14am **23AA** ~~042~~ 30-40cm bgs (EU21) complete; bajareque, sherds, obsidian, jute. The wall GRAY is continuing deeper. And we've definitely gone below the living surface b/c of the jute. ~~043~~ 40-50cm bgs (EU21) started, to continue deeper along GRAY.

23AB ~~041~~ 0-20cm bgs (EU28) complete; bajareque, sherds, obsidian. Almost half on the BJ that came out had a flat side to it. It could have once been part of either a living surface or part of a wall. ~~042~~ 0-20cm bgs (EU29) started.

23AD ~~001~~ 0-10cm bgs (EU1) complete, EMPTY lot. But a lot of tumbled cobbles have surfaced. I've decided to move W one meter + see what comes of it. My guesstimation of where ~~that~~ the wall would be did not account for the fact that BLUE bows out to the W, so therefore, the exterior wall would also bow out further than were it is from PVC #34 23F in 2001 excavations. ~~002~~ 0-10cm bgs (EU2) started. EU2 is one 1m unit W of EU1.

1:12pm **23AA** ~~043~~ 40-50cm bgs (EU21) complete.

23AB ~~042~~ 0-20cm bgs (EU29) continuing... plenty of tumbled cobbles to clear around.

23AD ~~002~~ 0-10cm bgs (EU2) complete; bajareque

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1:25 pm 23AA 044 50-60 cm bgs (EU2) ^{Started} The wall (GRAY) appears to continue down very deep. ~~It~~ It is surrounded now by the context of fill for sure + the soil is a little hard, but I want to see how deep it extends.

23AB 042 0-20 cm bgs (EU29) continuing after some cobbles were removed. It appears to be getting a little messy w/ a lot of tumble. There are also smaller chinking stone sized rocks which could have been apart of a wall at some point. And it would make sense to see this tumble where the wall would have been. It makes sense that there were no chinking-stone sized rocks where the apparent doorway is.

23AD 043 10-30 cm bgs (EU2). ~~042~~ 0-10 cm bgs (EU2) did not have any cobbles, so we will continue down in this area + proceed to go deeper until we arrive at some evidence for construction of some type of architecture.

1:54 pm 23AB 042 0-20 cm bgs (EU29) complete; bajareque, sherds, chert
043 20-40 cm bgs (EU29) started. only a 1m x 50cm lot b/c excavating along side GRAY on the E w/ in EU29. more chinking stone rocks were uncovered in 042 0-20 cm bgs (EU29). more evidence there once was a wall present... perhaps.

2:44 pm 23AA 044 50-60 cm bgs (EU21) complete. sherds, obsidian, 1 chert flake, bajareque. Interestingly, there are flat surfaces on the BT... as if it was a floor... they don't seem to be used for a wall. One piece even has 2 smooth sides. It's near the base of GRAY, which thinies was found at the bottom of this lot. But maybe it was another surfaces either lower than ones on the W side of Str. 128... or older, since there was fill debris, like a lot of gule shells + other garbage type things.

23AB 0423 20-40 cm bgs (EU25) is also producing a lot of bajareque, yet not so much looking like it came from a floor, but from a fallen wall w/ all the smaller rocks that were on top of all the BT on the W side of 043.

23AD 043 10-30 cm bgs (EU2) not revealing much of anything... which is good, b/c I don't expect to find anything so close to the surface. And no large cobbles is good too b/c it means we're a good distance away from the wall.

Wednesday, 6 March 2002 PVC El Cagote AP-02-19-29

→ Recording datum depths

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1:50pm I am only out at the site today for the afternoon. Was in Roatan Monday + Tuesday 4th + 5th. Finished lot cards + organizing notes this morning + are only going to take some datum points, shoot some photos, + attempt to draw some architecture, if time allows. No workers to, so no excavating will occur.

2:55pm Finished datum points for BLUE (23AB) and RED (23AA) using D1.

Datum information of Features

BLUE (23AB): Western interior summit facing w/in Northern half of summit.

Unit	Top bd (cm)	Bottom bd (cm)	Base of excavations (cm)
7	41	55	114
8	36.5	53.5	55
9	26	55	55
10	26	56	57
11	44	55	59
12	23	57	64
14	37	69	73
15	37	-	37 on top of BLUE
17	20	49	58
18	31	56	56
19	38	46	46

RED (23AA): Western interior summit facing w/in Southern half of summit.

Unit	Top bd (cm)	Bottom bd (cm)	Base of excavation (cm)
1	28	50	72
2	27	56	69
3	39	58	77
4	30	53	62
5	17	51	58
6	15	49	49
7	20	42	42
8	11	47	47
9	19	43	43
10	1	50	50
11	12 ABOVE D1	39	39

Thursday, 7 March 2002

PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-30

→ Subops 23AA, 23AB, 23AD

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7:45am A little cloudy at the moment, but I think all the bad weather that we have been having lately is all going to go away + it will be nice + sunny again.
Back to work excavating today for the first time since Friday.

23AA 045 0-20 cm bgs (EU22) started... continuing to move N along GRAY, along the E side of the summit. No longer in the doorway b/c of the nice wall that is present in EU21.

23AB 043 20-40 cm bgs (EU29) still continuing from Friday, 1 March. b/c there is a lot of bajareque that is being pulled out, + it is fairly dense soil... (also it's damp b/c the sun has not dried anything out in a couple of days b/c of all the rain).

23AD 004 30-50 cm bgs (EU2) started.

→ GOALS:

23AA Continue along GRAY + hopefully reach ^{from the S} Christians (PVC #34) excavation of 23F. → ~2m away

23AB Continue along GRAY from + N + reach Christians excavation ~3m away.

23AD Go down deep enough to move back to EU1 + look for the NW basal corner.

8:35am 23AB 043 20-40 cm bgs (EU29) complete; bajareque, sherds, obsidian. A lot of bajareque + even the floor of the lot had a lot of specks of BS. But I think they were from the wall + not from a floor like in other places w/in the summit. They had flat sides to some of the recovered pieces, yet there were also some thatch impressions... not sticks, but something else. They are fairly ~~thin~~ heavy but not as dense or as thick as other pieces from other places believed to be part of a floor. GRAY, the wall is also bowing in a little + may prove to be a little difficult to fit around excavating it w/out moving our EU's to the W a little. But 044 0-10 cm bgs (EU30) has started + will help determine if moving on EU to the W is necessary.

8:57am 23AA 045 0-20 cm bgs (EU22) complete; bajareque, sherds, obsidian. 14 pieces of obsidian... that is the most that I've found in 1 lot. They're nothing special, but still ^{only debitage} quantitywise, the most.
046 20-40 cm bgs (EU22) started. GRAY still continues in EU22 + we're continuing it down a little deeper to be sure + be sure it isn't stepping out toward the W at a depth not visible at the moment.

9:33am 23AB 044 0-10 cm bgs (EU30) still continuing... it's difficult b/c of all the rocks from GRAY + since it's near the surface... all the tumble from the wall is hard to work around too.

9:56am 23AB 044 0-10 cm bgs (EU30) complete; only 5 obsidian.

045 10-30 cm bgs (EU30) started. GRAY occupies all 50cm of E side of EU30... hard to excavate down.

23AA 046 20-40 cm bgs (EU22) complete; bajareque, sherds, obsidian.

047 0-20 cm bgs (EU23) started.

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10:15am 23AD ~~104~~ 30-50 cm bgs (EU 2) complete; bajareque, sherds, obsidian. A lot more cobbles have surfaced + we will continue to go down deeper. 005 50-70 cm bgs (EU 2) started.

10:20am P+E just came around during break + we discussed all of what is going on here + what else needs to be done. ① 23AA + 23AB need to meet around Christian's area (PVC #34 23F 2001.) ② 23AA ORANGE (\$ summit wall) needs to find bottom of wall + if BJ floor evidence that is near GRAY is near ORANGE. ③ 23AA investigate around GRAY on the N side of the southern most doorway to see if it is actually further to the S than how it is exposed now. ④ Further investigation of construction to the N w/in 23AB. Follow out some lines + see what turns up. ⑤ 23AB go deeper along GRAY to N + GREEN on the N to see how deep they respectively go. Lastly, P mentioned something of opening up more of 23F + that needed to look for the 2 E basal corners down the structure on the plaza side... have to look into that one... (hmmm.)

11:14am 23AA 047 0-20 cm bgs (EU 23) complete; sherds, obsidian, bajareque. GRAY appears to be "petering-out". We're getting closer to 23F + where the middle doorway appears to be from the surface. We're going deeper in EU 23 to make sure we know exactly how wide the doorway is. One large piece of BJ w/ a small stick impression was found... makes perfect sense being right up against a wall. But piece is much different from believed floor pieces b/c it's not as dense, compact + has a semi-flat side w/ a stick impression. 048 20-40 cm bgs (EU 23) started.

23AB 045 10-30 cm bgs (EU 30) is going well + uncovering the wall (GRAY) in between the N + middle doorway well.

11:26am 23AD 005 50-70 cm bgs (EU 2) is still continuing + only removing smaller chinking-stone size rocks that could have once been apart of a now fallen wall.

11:48am 23AB 045 10-30 cm bgs (EU 30) finding nice pieces of bajareque. Some looks very dense + thick like it's from a floor but the rest looks like it was from a wall b/c it's a lot lighter in weight, + in some cases a different color.

23AD I think I found the 2 greatest guys for test pitting, b/c they just like to dig + aren't conscious or aware of the rocks they pull out. They're not good for architecture but would be good w/ all they literally have to do is dig. 005 50-70 cm bgs (EU 2)... what can I say... it contains NO cobbles. Granted I do believe it's all fall, but I can't keep 2 guys that don't know what architecture is + all they want to do is pull out rocks. After lunch I will excavate it well myself until the wall is found.

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1:48pm **23AA** ~~048~~ 20-40 cm bgs (EU 23) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian

~~049~~ 0-10 cm bgs (EU 24) starting

23AB ~~045~~ 20-30 cm bgs (EU 30) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian

~~046~~ 0-10 cm bgs (EU 31) started

23AD ~~005~~ 50-70 cm bgs (EU 2) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, + either teeth or hoofs from large animal;
~~006~~ 10-20 cm bgs (EU 1) started. Only a 1m x 20cm lot b/c it's only within the W-most 20cm of EU 1. There are tilted nice rocks that I don't want to remove yet.

2:05 **23AD** ~~006~~ 10-20 cm bgs (EU 1) complete; EMPTY lot

~~007~~ 20-30 cm bgs (EU 1) started. Same place as ~~006~~, only 20-30 cm bgs. ^{It's possible that we are near a wall.}

23AA ~~049~~ 0-20 cm bgs (EU 24) is actually a 1m x 1.3m unit. This is b/c it was only an additional 30cm to the edge of **23F** from 2001.

2:38pm **23AD** ~~007~~ 20-30 cm bgs (EU 1) continuing a little after removing some cobbles that were tumbled. I think we're really close to finding something so I want to continue going very, very slowly + carefully so we don't blow through it. I'm trying to watch + direct Don Beto + the new guy very carefully so they don't blow this one again.

2:43pm **23AA** ~~049~~ 0-10 cm bgs (EU 24) is being carefully b/c it is next to a large backfill pile that should be moved soon... no to mention the edge of EU 24 should be next to **23F** + also in the middle of the middle doorway of Str. 128.

10:00pm **23AA** ~~049~~ 0-10 cm bgs (EU 24) complete; 2 sherds, 2 obsidian, 3 BJ
23AB ~~046~~ 0-10 cm bgs (EU 31) complete; 2 obsidian. A lot of tumble + definitely on top of GRAY. It may even step to the W further along the N. Side of EU 31.

23AD ~~007~~ 20-30 cm bgs (EU 1) complete; sherds, obsidian, bajareque. Still continuing to find wall coming from the W

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9:36am It's such a late start b/c I was helping Bill sight in points w/ the TopCon in the NE complex + in the SE area.

23AA 080 10-20cm bgs (EU24). A 1x1.3m unit started. Going deeper should not reveal much more in the way of architecture b/c it should be w/ in the middle doorway facing the plaza.

23AB 047 10-30cm bgs (EU31) started. GRAY is still present + continues the whole length of the unit from N to S. I expect GRAY to stop soon... perhaps in the next ~~to the~~ ^{EU} to the S.

23AD 008 30-70cm (EU1) removing cobbles to find the w basal wall.

9:54am Jorge + Julian just came to pay the workers. It's always hectic on Fridays!

GOALS:

23AA Complete following GRAY or the area of the doorway if GRAY stops. 23F From 2001 should probably be cleared out too just to see all of what's there. If that's done w/ enough time, we'll go deeper along ORANGE in EU 12 or 13 to see how deep it goes.

23AB Continue moving S following GRAY until we reach 23F.

23AD Continue excavating in EU 1 + 2 until we find something resembling architecture that can be the wall.

10:42am Screwy, screwy morning!

23AA 050 10-20 cm bgs (EU24) complete; only 2 obsidian. Almost no cobbles... I believe GRAY really does end here to the S of the middle doorway facing the plaza. Going deeper anyway to make sure there are no lower cobbles. 051 20-40cm bgs (EU24).

23AD I gotta get rid of these guys.

008 30-70cm bgs (EU1) is complete; bajareque, sherds, obsidian. Always have to watch w/ them b/c they just pull everything out. Started to remove slanting cobbles from surface even though they are in a nice line + it's the only line I've got going at the moment. But I've got to see what's under it, b/c I believe the wall could be lower than it. There are some glimmers of hope that I can see peaking out but I'll have to get a better look. 009 10-30 cm bgs (EU1). 20cm x 1m lot in the middle of EU1. Similar to 006 + 007 but to the E of them.

11:24am 23AD These Western basal walls just suck! Christian found such a nice one in 23F in 2001!
009 10-30cm bgs (EU1) complete ^{of sherds} + revealed a lot of possibilities, yet nothing that I think will resemble a wall. This is so frustrating!!
010 70-80 (W end of EU1 + E 50cm of EU2) hoping that going deeper will help at finding something.

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11:44am 23AD ~~00A~~ $\phi 10$ 70-80 cm bgs (EU 1+2) continuing.

23AB $\phi 47$ 10-30 cm bgs (EU 31) complete; Shards, basaltic, obsidian. GRAY is present throughout the whole unit. $\phi 48$ 0-10 cm bgs (EU 32) started. EU 32 is next to 23F from 2001.

23AA $\phi 51$ 20-40 cm bgs (EU 24) almost complete + there is no architecture... it is definitely w/in the middle doorway facing the plaza. Shards, BT, obsidian.

2:28pm A lot of moving around of backdirt has occurred w/ the 2 guys from 23AA. Not much else that needed to be written about for 23AA b/c since lunch nothing has been excavated w/in it.

23AD Still a mess! $\phi 10$ 70-80 cm bgs (EU 1+2) complete; Shards, BT, obsidian. A lot more artifacts b/c it's deeper... the same as the deeper lots from 23AC. $\phi 11$ 10-20 cm bgs (EU 1) 1 m x 30 cm lot from the middle of EU 1 to the E side of EU 1 border. Hoping to reveal ANYTHING resembling architecture... anything at all at this point.

23AB $\phi 48$ 0-10 cm bgs (EU 32) complete;

2:48pm We're going to finish a little earlier today since it's Friday + I need to think about what else to do.

23AB At the base of $\phi 48$ 0-10 cm bgs (EU 32) GRAY continues halfway through + there is one long rock that goes \perp to GRAY on the S where it appears to end mid-way through the unit. On the N side, W of GRAY, there is this small deposit of pebble sized rocks... it's only in that area + it's kind of weird. I decided to to excavate any more there today until I look at it better + try to make some sense out of it. Perhaps, I'll come out on Sunday ~~ag~~ + do some "house-cleaning" things so that I can figure out a little better what exactly is going on.

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7:46am It started off cloudy, but it's slowly getting better & probably will be sunny for the rest of the day.

23AB 049 10-30cm bgs (EU32) started. EU32 contains the end of GRAY to the S as it opens up into the middle doorway by 23F.

23AD 012 30-50cm bgs (EU1) middle of unit after removing cobbles. This wall again just as in 23AC is being so frustrating b/c I can't find the damn thing. And I always feel like I'm pulling it out.

→ GOALS:

23AA Continue removing backdirt from 23F trench from 2001.

23AB Finish excavating along GRAY & go back to other areas along the N to find to bottom to GRAY & GREEN.

23AD Find to NW basal wall area & corner already!

8:16am 23AD After returning from the SE complex from dropping off Jojo's water bottle, I got the greatest surprise. 012 30-50cm bgs (EU1) actually revealed the wall!! I'm so excited & it's almost completely along the E edge of EU1. But it looks very nice. I just haven't decided exactly how I want to follow it down. It could step out to the W a little deeper down & I don't want to miss that. I think we'll continue w/ the same amount of caution we've always had. But it's just great to finally have something along this W basal facing.

9:00am 23AD 012 30-50cm bgs (EU1) complete; sherds, bajareque. It definitely contains a W basal facing. I'm so happy that we'll have something to ^{follow} as we move to the N looking for the corner.
013 50-60cm bgs (EU1) in the middle of the unit started

9:13am 23AB 049 10-30cm bgs (EU32) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian. We removed a couple more tumbled cobbles & continued to clean up.

050 30-40cm bgs (EU32) started to investigate how deep the wall at the edge of the doorway is.
23AA 052 20-40cm bgs (EU20) started to take a closer look at the cobbles on the edge of the N doorway for the Southern-most doorway facing the plaza on the Summit.

9:56am 23AD 013 50-60cm bgs (EU1) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian. ^{AQUAMARINE} ~~Aquamarine~~ still continues down deeper after poking around at the base of 013.
014 60-70cm bgs (EU1) middle to E up to Aquamarine has started to continue chasing the wall to see how deep it goes.

NOTE: The Western basal exterior wall is now going to be referred to as ^{AQUAMARINE} ~~Aquamarine~~.

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- 11:11am **23AA** 052 20-40cm bgs (EU20) complete; sherds, obsidian, bajareque, chert, jule. GRAY did slightly appear as we went further down in this lot. It's difficult to say whether we have the edge of the doorway already. I believe it may be slightly into EU 19 + to the E of EU 19 + EU 20.
- 23AB** 053 ~~15-40~~ 15-40 cm bgs (EU20) started by its only a 1m x 50 cm lot. It's only along the E side of EU 20 to investigate if GRAY does continue to the S, or if the real end + start of the S-most doorway is at the border b/w EU 19 + EU 20 along the E edge of the EU 15.
- 23AB** 050 30-40cm bgs (EU32) is almost complete + has revealed a lot more architecture to the E before the doorway begins, than I would have expected.
- 23AD** 014 60-70cm bgs (EU1) complete; sherds, bajareque. AQUAMARINE is still very much present + going deeper. 015 70-80cm bgs (EU1) started to ^{continue} following it down.
- 12:00pm **23AB** 050 30-40cm bgs (EU32) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, chert. A lot of nice B) pieces. And a nice part of the wall surfaced + it goes deeper than just to the N of it. we'll go deeper after lunch. Flat pieces of BT, perhaps a wall, perhaps a floor.
- 23AD** 015 70-80cm bgs (EU1) complete; sherds, obsidian, bajareque. Beautiful pieces of ceramics. Nicely red painted pieces + fairly moderately large sizes. AQUAMARINE still continues deeper, so after lunch we'll chase it deeper until we reach the base, then move N to find the corner.
- 1:13pm **23AB** 051 40-50cm bgs (EU32) started. There is a lot of wall present + it goes down fairly deep.
- 23AD** 016 80-90cm bgs (EU1) started, continuing to follow AQUAMARINE + hopefully also collect some nice ceramic pieces like w/in 015 70-80cm bgs (EU1). They appear to be really nice examples of late Classic pottery... they're just really nice + the nicest things I've found except for **23AC**.
- 1:35pm **23AA** 053 15-40cm bgs (EU19) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian. A lot of bajareque, but also more medium sized cobbles have been uncovered at the base of the lot. Some what similar to **23AB** N-most doorway which has a line of med. sized cobbles w/in the doorway.
- 23AD** 054 15-40cm bgs (EU18) started to see if the line of med. cobbles continues to the S + the whole length of the S-most doorway.

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23AD ϕ 16 80-90 cm bgs (EU1) complete; sherds, bajaregue, obsidian, + 1 white weird crystal. First of all, now my nice pretty new wall has numbers drawn all over it. It's only limestone + it'll come off, but when they finally do something really cool, they have to do something else like that to screw it up + make me upset! At the base of ϕ 16 there is a large rock + even a smaller one that looks to be purposely placed there b/c the previous 2 lots had almost no large cobble tumble debris.

ϕ 17 90-100 cm bgs (EU1) started b/c the absolute bottom of AQUAMARINE has not been found.

23AB ϕ 51 40-60 cm bgs (EU32) is going very, very well! The wall, GRAY, near the N side of the middle doorway keeps going deeper. I have no idea what it means or why it might even be doing that... It's just really cool to me at the moment. Perhaps it's b/c the doorway edges needed more support to stabilize however a doorway would have been constructed. But we are also finding a lot of bajaregue associated w/ it, which is always good. Perhaps more BJ was needed for support.

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23AA ϕ 54 15-40 cm bgs (EU18) still continuing. I think there is more of the smaller med sized cobble line still continuing, but it's difficult to tell since we're not at the base goal for this lot.

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23AD ϕ 17 90-100 cm bgs (EU1) complete; sherds, BJ, obsidian. A lot of nice large pieces of BJ. And I think we've reached the bottom of the wall.

23AB ϕ 51 40-60 cm bgs (EU32) complete; sherds, bajaregue, obsidian. Many more cobbles from the wall.

23AA ϕ 54 15-40 cm bgs (EU18) complete; sherds, bajaregue, obsidian. A lot of cobbles of a line that continue all along through the suspected doorway area.

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7:58am It keeps getting later + later when I am able to get started in the morning. This morning it's mainly b/c P + E went to Las Canoas + Bill + I were left here. But at least it's nice + sunny + everybody is here + working already.

23AA 055 15-40cm bgs (EU17). Only a 1m x 50cm lot b/c we're only investigating the E side of the EU + following GRAY around the area of the S-most doorway.

23AB 052 60-70cm bgs (EU32) started. GRAY in the wall area in between the N + middle doorways... on the S closest to the middle doorway. The wall continues to go deeper + we need to determine exactly how deep it goes.

23AD 018 0-10cm bgs (EU3) started. We did a great job yesterday of identifying AQUAMARINE early enough in the morning + were able to get the whole wall excavated down to the base. We're now moving over w/ the intent to locate the wall again 1 EU to the N + attempt to locate the NW basal corner.

8:13am GOALS:

23AA Continue investigating the walls associated w/ the S-most doorway + hopefully find some bases to the walls.

23AB Continue investigating the walls associated w/ the middle doorway + identify how wide the doorway is in the middle area.

23AD Excavate to the N following AQUAMARINE to establish the NW basal corner for Str. 128.

8:31am 23AD 018 0-10cm bgs (EU3) complete; only 1 fragment of a metate... the edge + part of the grinding surface 8.5cm wide x 8cm long x \approx 2.5cm thick. There were only 3 other cobbles of tumble that needed to be removed. A line of cobbles was on the surface that aligns well w/ where AQUAMARINE is exposed in the EU to the S; EU1. The line was left in place + 019 10-30cm bgs (EU3) started.

9:48am 23AA 055 15-40cm bgs (EU17) complete; bajareque, sherds, obsidian + carbon sample. A lot more of some type of wall construction is at the base of 055. The edge walls of the doorway appear similar to other places w/ in 23AA + 23AB. Carbon sample of what looks like a burnt stick b/c it's a long tube @ a depth of 40cm bgs.

056 40-50cm bgs (EU17) started to investigate wall to its base.

★ 23AB 052 60-70cm bgs (EU32) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, chert. A lot of nice flat pieces of BT. Perhaps part of a wall b/c they aren't very dense. Some nice ceramics that are painted. The wall, GRAY, stops at \approx 60cm bgs.

053 0-70cm bgs (EU33) started. EU33 is only 1m x 30cm before 23F starts to the S, it should have been part of EU32, but it's difficult to see exactly where 23F is only ground the surface.

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10:15am 23AD Φ19 10-30cm bgs (EU3) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian. A lot of jumble is slipping from the E to the W. But a line can still be made out along the E edge of the EU. A good amount of bajareque was recovered... makes nice sense since hopefully we're right near the corner.
Φ20 30-50cm bgs (EU3) will continue down deeper to reveal AQUAMARINE more.

11:02am NOTE: New name designations for construction units + features.

- cu → GRAY(N) refers to the portion of the E summit wall w/in 23AB that corners W GREEN to the W + is N of doorway #1 GOLD.
- cu → GRAY(S) refers to the portion of the E summit wall w/in 23AA that corners W ORANGE to the W + is S of doorway #3 BRONZE.
- cu → LAVENDER refers to the portion of the E summit wall that is blw doorway #1 GOLD to the N + doorway #2 SILVER to the S.
- cu → PERIWINKLE refers to the portion of the E summit wall that is blw doorway #2 SILVER to the N + doorway #3 BRONZE to the S.
- Feature → GOLD refers to the N-most doorway that faces E towards the main plaza. OR doorway #1. Blw GRAY(N) to N + LAVENDER to the S.
- Feature → SILVER refers to the middle doorway that faces E towards the main plaza. It's blw LAVENDER to the N + PERIWINKLE to the S. OR doorway #2.
- Feature → BRONZE refers to the S-most doorway that faces E towards the main plaza. It's blw PERIWINKLE to the N + GRAY(S) to the S, OR also doorway #3.

11:36am 23AA Φ56 40-50cm bgs (EU17) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian. GRAY(S) still continues to go down. Unfortunately since Φ56 is only 1m x 50cm lot, it's getting more + more difficult to go down deeper chasing the walls. But since each one really seems to be different from the next, the bases of all of them need to be found.

Φ57 40-50cm bgs (EU18) started to continue following the small line that appears to be w/in BRONZE + could be the last step before entering the ^{Summit} ~~plaza~~ ... i.e. the threshold of the doorway.

23AB Φ53 0-70cm bgs (EU33) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, + some pearlite. Revealed more of the S edge of LAVENDER as it goes into SILVER. We also hit right on the mark of 23F. Now we're removing the backdirt from 23F around the area of SILVER. Removing down to a depth of ≈ 70cm bgs.

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12:00pm **23AD** 020 30-50cm bgs (Eu3) complete; sherds, obsidian, bajareque. It's interesting, along the N edge of the Eu, I think there might be another wall that runs E-W right where I'd imagine the N basal wall to be + where we might find a corner. I also think I'm seeing a line at the base of 020 that runs // to AQUAMARINE. I'll look at it all after lunch again... I've had a lot of sun so far this morning.

1:04pm **23AD** 021 0-10cm bgs (Eu4) starting. We plan to hopefully come down on top of where the possible corner might be. I really hope there isn't a line that runs off to the W away from the str., that would just be confusing.

1:45pm **23AA** 057 40-50cm bgs (Eu18) complete; sherds, obsidian, bajareque, chert. A few nice pieces of bajareque w/ stick impressions from being apart of a wall. A small portion of a wall is surfacing at the base of the excavations. Similar small cobble line construction as seen in some areas near GOLD.

058 40-50cm bgs (Eu19) starting. Continuing to zig-zag S to N to S to N again. I just don't want to miss these little lines that go through the doorways.

1:54pm **23AB** Almost done removing all the backdirt down to 70cm bgs from 23F. There are a few cobbles at the same depth as others in 23AB Eu's that look as if they could be in alignment w/ LAVENDER from the N. There are some other cobbles in the middle of 23F that I can't tell if they were cobbles thrown in w/ backdirt in 2001, or if they are actually apart of some kind of construction.

2:24pm **23AD** 021 0-10cm bgs (Eu4) complete; 5 fairly large pieces of bajareque. 022 10-25cm bgs (Eu4) started to see what is going on if there is a corner + also if the wall-type feature that is 1 to AQUAMARINE really is a construction + not just tumble that looks as if it's in an alignment.

23AA 058 40-50cm bgs (Eu19) complete; sherds, BJ, obsidian

23AD 022 10-25cm bgs (Eu4) complete; sherds, bajareque

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7:56am Pepe broke down this morning near the SE group + we had to wait for a ride w/ all our stuff to get back to our N areas to start work. The weather is nice + sunny. It really hasn't rained at all recently, so all my excavations are looking nice from one day to the next.

23AA $\Phi 59$ 40-60 cm bgs (EU24) 1 x 1.3 m unit. Trying to determine what is going on w/ the S end of the doorway w/ in **SILVER**.

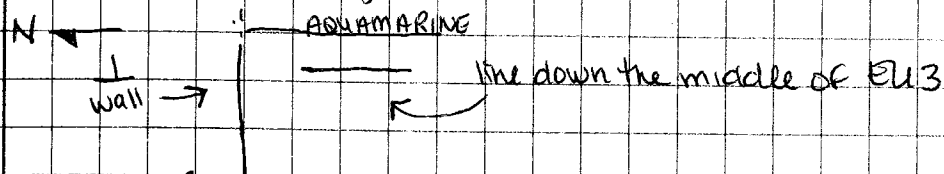
23AA $\Phi 60$ 50-60 cm bgs (EU17) 1 m x 50 cm lot. Trying to determine what is going on w/ the S end of the doorway w/ in **BRONZE**. It's a narrow area to be excavating in, now that we're so deep, but hopefully the base of **GRAY(s)** won't be too much deeper.

23AD $\Phi 23$ 50-60 cm bgs (EU3) on the west side of the EU. Trying to see if the \perp feature is really anything at all, or just tumble that looks strangely like construction.

8:56am **23AA** $\Phi 60$ ^{D.R.} 50-60 cm bgs w/ in EU17, 1 m x 50 cm lot. The bottom of part of the N-extent of **GRAY(s)** has been found. Complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian.

23AA $\Phi 61$ ^{D.R.} 30-50 cm bgs w/ in (EU13) started. Looking for the base of **ORANGE** in between **WHITE** + the corner of **ORANGE** + **RED**.

9:26am **23AD** $\Phi 23$ 50-60 cm bgs (EU3) complete; sherds, bajareque. Interestingly, the N-S running line that is in the middle of EU3 may actually be a wall. And the \perp construction may also be a wall too. It's too difficult to tell for sure though. $\Phi 24$ 60-80 cm bgs (EU3) is being started, but only W of the middle line. Only a 1 m x 40 cm lot along the W wall of EU3. Hopefully both the \perp ^{possible} wall + the line ^{down} the middle of the unit will be able to get a little more established.



(NOTE: sketch not to scale + direction is not exact)

9:32am **23AA** $\Phi 61$ ^{D.R.} 30-50 cm bgs (EU13) is going well. A few nice pieces of bajareque have been recovered. They have nice flat surfaces on one side. But it's difficult to tell whether it was part of a floor construction or wall. There are no stick impressions, but it is also not as dense as earlier believed floor bajareque. But at 30 cm bgs there was ~~remains~~ ^{occupational} remnant of a floor construction b/c of all the white rock... the feature name given to the surface construction → **WHITE**.

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10:36am **23AA** Both $\phi 59$ 40-60cm (EU 24) + $\phi 61$ 30-50cm bgs (EU 13) are going very well. $\phi 59$ is identifying part of the N-extent of PERIWINKLE but we're also in the area where it starts to fall apart + tumble into the doorway SILVER. $\phi 61$ is exposing ORANGE at much deeper depth. I think it may even continue down below the base of $\phi 61$ (below 50cm bgs) but it nicely preserved.

11:36am **23AA** $\phi 59$ 40-60cm (EU 24) complete; sherds, bajareque, dosidian, chert. Part of PERIWINKLE was definitely uncovered + more than likely the base of it. The soil was very hard to excavate through. Interestingly, Christian (PVC #34) pulled out part of the construction in 2001. This is understandable since this would be one of the hardest places to identify something if that was all you were looking at. $\phi 61$ 30-50cm bgs (EU 13) complete; sherds, bajareque, the base of ORANGE was found + it didn't take much more than what had been previously uncovered. But it's well preserved. My **23AA** guys, Don Raymundo + the taller one Ramon are cleaning RED b/c I don't know exactly where to put them next + it's only a little more time until lunch.

23AB $\phi 54$ 15-25cm bgs (EU 23) started in the corner of GREEN + GRAY(N) to find how deep of them go.

23AD $\phi 25$ 0-10cm bgs (EU 5) to see if we really have the corner... if so, EU 5 will be the first EU along the N side of Str. 128 along the basal wall.

1:18pm **23AD** $\phi 25$ 0-10cm bgs (EU 5) complete
 $\phi 26$ 10-30cm bgs (EU 5) started.

23AB $\phi 54$ 15-25cm bgs (EU 23) complete

~~23AB~~ A few med.-sized cobbles have appeared next to GREEN, but GRAY(N) does not appear to go down any further.

$\phi 55$ 25-35cm bgs (EU 23) started to see how far down in front of GREEN the medium-sized cobbles go down.

$\phi 23AB$ $\phi 56$ 0-10cm bgs (EU 34) started. EU 34 is 1 unit E of EU 16. Looking closer at the line that runs E-W w/ in EU 16.

2:14pm **23AB** **$\phi 55$** 25-35cm bgs (EU 23) complete; 2 sherds, med.-sized flat limestone cobbles appeared at the base of **$\phi 55$** . They continue into EU 24. **$\phi 57$** 15-35cm bgs (EU 24) has started to see if this unsuspecting feature continues.

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2:17pm 23AB 056 0-10 cm bgs (EU 34) ^{w/ D.R.} Complete; 1 sherd. Nothing appeared in this EU, but as you can see from EU 6, the line should continue into EU 34 - 25 cm bgs.
058 10-25 cm bgs (EU 34) started to find the possible continuing line.
23AD 026 10-30 cm bgs (EU 5) complete; sherds, bajareque. The wall to the N is there + we do have the corner in EU 3+4. However, at the base of 026 there are 2 cobbles that are long (N-S) that are in front (on the N side) of the wall + could be part of the possible L feature that extends to the W.
027 30-40 cm bgs (EU 5) started + is aimed to continue following the N basal wall down + to determine if it is stepping out to the N by not removing the 2 flat cobbles found in 026, or at least not yet.

Note 23AC This whole afternoon I have been w/ in EU 4 attempting to find the SW wall + subsequent basal corner. I've been digging myself in EU 5 on the E of EU 4. I think I may have found the wall but am not positively sure. Ed said he was going to stop by this afternoon + it would be nice to discuss it w/ him, but it doesn't look as if he's going to make it. The possible wall appears to be \approx 10cm w/ in EU 5; that is only 10cm away from the border b/w the 2 EU's + where I was saying it was.

2:50pm 23AC I found the wall!! :-)

23AB 058 10-25 cm bgs (EU 34) complete; sherds, BS. A piece of an ocarina - more of the cobbles was found.

23AB 057 15-35 cm bgs (EU 24) complete; sherds, bajareque, bone. More of the flat limestone pieces have been found at the base of 057! They probably continue into EU 25. We'll check tomorrow.

23AD 027 30-40 cm bgs (EU 5) complete; sherds, bajareque

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7:47am It's beautiful + sunny right now... not too hot yet. No rain at all, so that's really good. I hope it'll be another good day.

23AB 059 0-10cm bgs (EU35) started. EU35 was started to follow the strange line of cobbles that are at the base of EU 13, 16, 34. EU34 did not turn out to be as promising as I had hoped yesterday. Some cobbles are present, but not as many as I was planning. But it does seem as if some of the cobbles do continue down w/ in EU35... so we'll see...

23AB 060 15-35cm bgs (EU25) started. Continuing to follow the flat limestone cobbles that have appeared at the base of EU 23 + 24 at ≈ 35 cm bgs. It could be some form of an earlier surface. It would be really interesting if it still continued to the S, which is the direction we are continuing to follow it in.

23AD 028 0-20cm bgs (EU6). EU6 is a new EU + it's only 1m x 50cm. It's to the N of EU5. We needed to step back from the wall bc yesterday 3 large cobbles at the base of EU5 were uncovered. We needed to step away from the wall to see if it steps out or has some additions fact on to it.

8:23am 23AB 059 0-10cm bgs (EU35) complete. Empty lot. Not much of anything. A few larger cobbles can be seen peaking through at the base of the lot. And also a large deposit of bajareque ^{is} was in the middle. 061 10-20cm bgs (EU35) is being started to uncover the cobbles + the large bajareque deposit + expose them. All of these cobbles appear to be at a higher depth than the limestone rocks that are being uncovered in EU's 23, 24 + 25.

9:04am 23AD 028 0-20cm bgs (EU6) ^{complete, sherds, bajareque,}. Not too much as far as architecture was uncovered, but then again opening EU6 was the attempt to try to create space for excavating. 029 25-35cm bgs (EU4) started. Ed came around + said ~~the~~ the 1 feature is not a purposeful construction. The one cobble closest to AQUAMARINE is + is apart of the line that is parallel to AQUAMARINE. After traveling around, we found another large cobble near the possible corner. 029 is being started to investigate more around the corner.

9:12am 23AB 060 15-35cm bgs (EU25) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian. Revealed many more of the limestone rocks + the level at which they are at appears to meet up w/ the level of the white flat rocks in EU 26, 27 that were excavated earlier. 062 0-15cm bgs (EU36) started to follow limestone rocks to the W from EU 24 + along GRAY(N). First we're only going to the level of a surface that was uncovered in EU 22. ~~At~~ At least we're going in at that level + hoping to find more of it + then maybe go down deeper to find the other limestone rock surface.

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9:19am 23AB 061 10-20 cm bgs (EU 35) complete; sherds, bajareque. More lines have become clear. There are no approx. 3 lines that are aligned E-W + run parallel to each other. Some stop, while others to continue in certain directions. At the base of 059 0-10 cm bgs (EU 35) there was this gravel-type of layer that has also appeared in other places on the S. edge of the summit. This layer can be seen easily in profile + doesn't have to much of a soil color change, only the presence of inclusions + the size of the inclusions are pebble-like to small, but it's just more so the fact that they are there. 063 0-10 cm bgs (EU 37) has started to follow some of the lines to the E, while at the same time, paying attention to the presence of the white limestone rock surface to determine at which level, if any, there is a relationship b/w the 2 surfaces of purposeful construction.

10:20am Break time I feel badly... I totally forgot! Pat came around + we were talking about what should happen next. 23AD 029 25-30 cm bgs (EU 4) complete; sherds, bajareque. The corner is becoming more + more apparent to me. We still do not exactly have it, but we're really close to completely defining it. 030 cm bgs (EU 6) started to define more clearly MAGENTA.

NOTE: The N basal wall the corners w/ AQUAMARINE on the N~~W~~ side will be referred to as MAGENTA.

23AB 062 0-15 cm bgs (EU 36) complete; sherds, bajareque. Only a portion of the sporadic white surface material was able to be recovered. It is really sparse in EU 22 + even more so in EU 36... only = 5 stones. But, interestingly there is the gravel surface present at this very same level. It appears to be ≈ 1-2 cm thick. 064 15-25 cm bgs (EU 36) has started to continue through the gravel material + eventually hope to find the other limestone cobble surface later.

23AB 063 0-10 cm bgs (EU 37) complete; empty lot. Nothing new as far as any type of construction has surfaced + probably won't until deeper. 065 10-20 cm bgs (EU 37) started w/ cation for the cobble lines continuing from the W + the possible limestone surface from the E. The 2 could meet up in this area soon + hopefully a relationship between the 2 will be able to be made. A dense layer of the gravel material was also found here ≈ 10 cm bgs + is similar to that from EU 36 + other EU's excavated in the past couple days/ weeks in the same S. area of the summit.

10:36 065 10-20 cm bgs (EU 27) recovered and type ceramic object. ≈ 3.5 cm long + 1 cm in diameter. It's fragmented + I have no idea what it could have been for.

062 0-15 cm bgs (EU 36) forgot to mention above!! A couple pieces of nice really fine, fine paste ceramics were found + may even have some red paint. Never seen ceramics like them before.

Thursday, 14 March 2002 PVC ElCoyote AP-02-19-46

→ Subops: 23AB, 23AC, 23AD

Str. 128 ←

11:08am **23AC** After traveling around yesterday + finding the wall, I now can have some guys come in + excavate to finish it up + find a corner for the SW side.

Φ24 70-80cm bgs (EU4) started along the wall, which is exactly near the border b/w EU4 + EU5. EU5 is E of EU4 on top of the wall NAVY BLUE.

→ NOTE: the W basal wall that is exposed in **23AC** near the SW corner will be referred to as NAVY BLUE.

12:01pm **23AC** **Φ24** 70-80cm bgs (EU4) complete; only bone, mainly cleaning up after all the searching that I've been doing.

Φ25 0-10cm bgs (EU5). EU5 is on top of NAVY BLUE + is all mainly tumble.

23AB **Φ64** 15-25cm bgs (EU36) complete; sherds, obsidian, BS.

Φ66 25-35cm bgs (EU36) started looking for white limestone. Carbon sample #3

23AB **Φ65** 10-20cm bgs (EU37) complete; sherds, bajareque. Almost no new cobbles of the W lines + no real evidence of the limestone rocks from the E.

Φ67 15-25cm bgs (EU17) along the W summit wall BLUE has started. Going deeper to see if there is more construction of the weird lines.

23AD **Φ30** 20-30cm bgs (EU6) complete; sherds, BS, obsidian.

Φ31 30-40cm bgs (EU6) started going deeper along MAGENTA

1:19pm **23AC** **Φ25** 0-10cm bgs (EU5) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian.

Φ26 80-90cm bgs (EU4) started along NAVY BLUE. Carbon sample #4 - 80cm bgs. Charlie's workers are working **23AC**.

2:02pm **23AB** **Φ66** 25-35cm bgs (EU36) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, chert. More really cool ceramics. A few pieces that are dark, kind of gray colored w/ fairly large inclusions; also they have a lot of mica. Really different than anything I would expect to see w/in the summit of this structure.

Φ68 20-30cm bgs (EU27) started w/ in GOLD to see what else is going on.

23AB **Φ67** 15-25cm bgs (EU17) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian. Exposed a lot of cobbles along BLUE but they mainly looked like tumble + I pulled a few of them. There are getting to be a lot of cobbles in this area + they are a part of some lines, but not all of them are.

Φ69 15-25cm bgs (EU13) started. Going deeper to see what the cobbles look like that were at the base of. **Φ23** 0-15cm bgs (EU13) from 21 Feb 2002.

Thursday, 14 March 2002 PVC ElCoyote AP-02-19-47

→ Subops 23AB, 23AC, 23AD

Str. 128 ←

2:14 pm 23AD Φ31 30-40 cm bgs (EU 6) complete; sherds, bajareque. MAGENTA is being defined really well at its corner. Φ32 40-50 cm bgs (EU 6) started. Continuing to keep going down to really get a sense of how large of a wall MAGENTA really is. There are still lingering possible construction features w/in EU 4, but since the location + definition of the corner of AQUAMARINE + MAGENTA are more important, that is where all the attention is going to be focused.

23AD Φ32 40-50 cm bgs (EU 6) complete; sherds, bajareque. The wall, MAGENTA is just looking better + better as we go down!

23AB Φ68 20-30 cm bgs (EU 27) complete; sherds, BT, obsidian, chert. Not much of anything was revealed. No new cobbles or anything.

23AB Φ69 15-25 cm bgs (EU 13) complete; sherds, bajareque. Just more cobbles that are more than likely not a part of tumble but were definitely once a structure.

23AC Φ26 80-90 cm bgs (EU 4) complete... only a bone stopped at a limestone surface... the same surface I know we took a little out when we were looking for NAVY BLUE + didn't know where it was. I think they are just limestone slabs + not crushed prepared plaster-type surface... b/c the slabs are decaying like a solid piece of limestone does.

Friday, 15 March 2002 PVC @ Coyote
→ Subops 23AB, 23AC, 23AD

AP-02-19-48

Str. 128 ←

7:57am 23AB Φ70 25-35 cm bgs (EU 34) started to go a little deeper + see if there are any more cobbles associated w/ the other strange lines in the W side of the summit.

23AB Φ71 15-25 ^{cm} bgs (EU 6) started to see if cobbles continue to the S.

23AC Φ27 20- cm bgs (EU 2) for E side of EU 2 against NAVY BLUE. Only removing all of the tumble against the wall down until the level of limestone slabs.

23AD Φ33 35-⁵ 55 cm bgs (EU 4) started to remove all debris that is tumble. At first it was all left there b/c it could have been something, but now it just needs to be removed so that a better picture can be taken.

→ It's really sunny + beginning to get hot. I don't have too much left to do here + probably don't need all 8 guys for the whole day. It would be great to be able to finish all excavating today + only do final notes next Monday + Tuesday.

8:42am 23AD Φ33 33-55 cm bgs ^(EU 4) complete; sherds, bajareque, 1 obsidian, large red pigment rock. There were also 3 very nice ^{large} rims from this lot. All the tumble debris is cleared out + the corner can be seen very easily. Φ34 55-80 cm bgs (EU 4) started around the edge of the corner to see how ^{much} deeper it goes.

23AB Φ70 25-35 cm bgs (EU 34) is almost complete + is exposing a good amount of cobbles. And they appear to all be going in a line from W-E.

23AC Φ27 20- cm bgs (EU 2) is going well + exposing a good amount of NAVY BLUE to the N.

9:30am 23AB Φ70 25-35 cm bgs (EU 34) complete; sherds, bajareque.

Φ71 ²⁵⁻³⁰ cm bgs (EU 35) started to continue following lines that continue to the E + S.

23AB Φ71 15-25 cm bgs (EU 6) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian. A few cobbles surfaced near the W portion of the EU. Φ73 15-25 cm bgs (EU 12) started just W of Φ71 to follow the cobbles up along BLUE. Since they are right along BLUE, it may be a little difficult trying to determine whether it is tumble off of BLUE or if it's part of some other construction.

→ In all, it is very interesting that all this activity appears to be going on in the N half of the summit, but there is not much going on in the S half. It's hard to say what all of the cobbles were at some point. Perhaps once part of a bench. Some of the cobbles that are simply tumble would have to be cleared off + hopefully reveal something that makes a little more sense... ~~especially~~ especially since there are other cobbles under them.

9:48am 23AC Φ27 20- cm bgs (EU 2) going fairly slowly, but well. NAVY BLUE is being uncovered well... getting close to the tree, so it might get a little ugly + pushed out.

Friday, 15 March 2002 PVC El Coyote AP- ϕ 2-19-49

→ Subops: 23AB, 23AC, 23AD

Str. 128 ←

10:37am 23AB ϕ 72 20-30 cm bgs (EU 35) complete; sherds, bajareque, + weird piece of obsidian that looks like a core for where blades were chipped off. A lot of cobbles + there appear to be more under the ones that are completely visible from the top.

ϕ 74 20-30 cm bgs (EU 37) started to see if cobbles from EU 35 continue to the E.

23AB ϕ 73 15-25 cm bgs (EU 12) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, + carbon sample #6. Not really any new cobbles associated w/ the other large concentration, but it does seem as if there are more cobbles that go deeper that compose BLUE.

ϕ 74⁵ 0-10 cm bgs (EU 38) started E of EU 6 to see if cobbles of construction continue off more to the E. We ~~may~~ have the boundaries for these line of cobbles.

11:08am 23AD ϕ 34 55-~~70~~⁷⁰ cm bgs (EU 4) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian. The NW corner looks better + better. ϕ 35 50-~~70~~⁷⁰ cm bgs (EU 6) ~~can~~ started only along MAGENTA blk eventually we'll have to go very deep + search for the base.

23AC ϕ 27 20- cm bgs (EU 2) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, Carbon sample #5.

~~we~~ Stopped at the top of the limestone layer. It extends from NAVY BLUE to 50-60 cm to the W. It did continue further to the W, however, I remember at the time we were not exactly sure what it was + removed portions where it was really eroded + decaying.

ϕ 28 0-10 cm bgs (EU 6) starting. Mainly a surface collection off the cobbles directly on top of NAVY BLUE + E of EU 2.

2:03pm 23AB ϕ 74 20-30 cm bgs (EU 37) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian. Nice obsidian blade fragment. More cobbles were uncovered but nothing is still very clear.
 ϕ 76

23AB ϕ 75 0-10 cm bgs (EU 38) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian. Come down exactly on the pebbly surface. ϕ 77 10-30 cm bgs (EU ~~38~~ 38) is continuing through the pebble surface in the hope of revealing more of the cobbles + identifying S extent of all the cobbles.

23AC ϕ 28 0-10 cm bgs (EU 6) complete; sherds, obsidian, bajareque. Ventronecy exposes the top of NAVY BLUE. ϕ 29 0-10 cm bgs (EU 7) started to follow NAVY BLUE to the S + hope to expose the corner.

2:14pm 23AD ϕ 35 50-70 cm bgs (EU 6) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian. MAGENTA still continues down deeper. ϕ 36 70-80 cm bgs (EU 6) started to continue down to the base of the wall.

Friday, 15 March 2002 PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-50

→ Subops 23AB, 23AC, 23AD

Str. 128 ←

3:05pm 23AB $\Phi 76$ 25-35 cm bgs (EU 6) complete; Shards, bajareque. Exposed more cobbles & possibly new lines.

23AB $\Phi 77$ 10-30 cm bgs (EU 38) complete; Shards, bajareque. Not very many new cobbles exposed. Possibly getting close to S. extent of whatever feature all of the cobbles were once a part of.

23AD $\Phi 36$ 70-80 cm bgs (EU 6) complete; Shards, bajareque, obsidian, carbon sample #8 \approx 75 cm bgs.

23AC $\Phi 29$ 0-10 cm bgs (EU 7) complete; Empty lot. It exposed a lot of the wall. The corner will hopefully be found in this unit below this lot.

Blue - 23AB western ^{summit} wall

Purple - 23AA ~~western~~ wall earthen floor

Red - 23AA western ^{summit} wall

Yellow - 23AB bajareque floor feature

Orange - 23AA southern ^{summit} wall

Green - 23AB Northern ^{summit} wall

Pink

Brown

White - 23AA plaster-type floor feature

Black - 23AB cobbles feature

Gray - 23AA + 23AB Eastern wall

Tan

Navy blue - 23AC western basal wall (Southern ~~end~~)

Aquamarine - 23AD Western basal wall (Northern ~~end~~)

Hazel

Fuchsia

Magenta - 23AD Northern basal wall

Sage

Heather

Pewee - 23AA ^{E summit} wall b/w doorways SILVER (#2) to N + BRONZE (#3) to S

Lime green

Forest ^{Bronze} → S doorway to E (#3) 23AA

Silver - middle doorway to E (#2) 23AA + 23AB

Gold - N doorway to E (#1) 23AB

Rust

Beige

Maroon - 23AC Southern basal wall that corners w/ NAVY BLUE to form SW corner.

Mauve

Khaki

Teal

Canary yellow

Lavender - 23AB E summit wall b/w doorways GOLD (#1) to N + SILVER (#2) to S

Sky Blue

Taupe

Violet

Rose

Pearl

Cream

Salmon

Coral

Ebony

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Monday, 18 March 2002

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AP-02-19-51

→ Subops: 23AC

Str. 128 ←

7:45am Nice + sunny day... not too terribly hot + I hope it doesn't get that bad today b/c I'm not feeling all that well + need good weather to get all of this done. No rain over the weekend, but it does seem like somebody had been walking around up here. A lot of dead leaves from the tree starting to shed all of its leaves.

→ 23AC 030 10-30cm bgs w/ in (EU7) started. The corner is more than likely in this EU. There are some cobbles that are not only tilting to the W as they are sliding off of NAVY BLUE, but now also tilting to the S as if falling off a Southern facing wall.

→ Somebody else (all 6 others) are sweeping + cleaning out the excavations + also removing all the backdirt + piles of cobbles from inside the summit in order to get better pictures. Soon I will start final notes + take all measurements + a few sketches + then pictures when the sun gets a little higher in the sky + doesn't make large shadows.

9:09am I just got done walking around w/ Ed + talking about where I'm going to work next. And also what else needs to be done up here on Str. 128. He said to only define a little more the cobbles in the Northern half of the summit. Specifically to the S + E. There is a fairly decent boundary for the N + BLUE is the western boundary.

23AB 078 25-35cm bgs (EU6) started to investigate a little more in front of the S edge of cobbles associated w/ the cobble pile feature to the N on the summit.

→ 23AC 030 10-30cm bgs (EU7) complete; sherds, Bajareque. NAVY BLUE is becoming more + more defined. It is very possible the SW basal corner is w/ in the SE corner of EU7. 031 30-50cm bgs (EU7) ~~can~~ started to go deeper to see where exactly it is if we really are still on it.

10:09am 23AB 078 25-35cm bgs (EU6) complete; sherds, Bajareque. No new cobbles have surfaced. I believe this is the S extent of this cobble feature w/ in 23AB inside the summit.

11:09am ~~23AB 078 25-35cm bgs (EU6)~~

Continuing to take photos w/ project digital camera + my 35mm camera.

11:40am NOTE: From now on the large cobble feature w/ in 23AB will be referred to as BLACK.

Monday, 18 March 2002 PVC El Coyote

AP- ϕ 2-19-52

→ Subop 23AC

Str. 128 ←

12:24pm 23AC ϕ 31 30-50cm bgs (EU7) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, carbon, bone. Revealing more of NAVY BLUE + hopefully we have located the SW corner. There is a lot of tumble + it mainly from the fact the 2 structures are so close. Carbon sample #9 came from ϕ 31 ~ 50cm bgs. A small bit of bone was recovered too... only \approx 3 pieces + it doesn't really look human... + I don't plan on finding more.

→ Otherwise... continuing to take pictures. Almost all walls + features w/in 23AB have been photographed. Will finish + move on to 23AA + 23AD as the sun changes + helps to create better pictures by not ~~be~~ casting shadows.

2:00pm 23AC ϕ 32 50-60cm bgs (EU7) complete; large sherds, obsidian, chert, bone. NAVY BLUE keeps going to the S. EUS a 1m x 50cm unit is being started b/c if the SW corner is where we believe it to be, then it will be difficult to see exactly if we don't move again slightly to the S.

2:41pm 23AC ϕ 33 0-20cm bgs w/ (EUS) started + revealing more tumble

4:25pm 23AC ϕ 33 0-20cm bgs (EUS) complete; sherds, bajareque. NAVY BLUE may continue... it's too shallow to tell for sure at the moment. The possibility exists that the/a wall continues to the S all the way to the structure to the S. They may continue + connect.

Continued taking pictures all afternoon and also looked at structures w/ Alison south of the ballcourt. Decided on the structures @ S + on both sides of the ballcourt.

Finished taking pictures of

<u>23AA</u>	<u>23AB</u>	<u>23AD</u>
- PERIWINKLE	- BLUE	- AQUAMARINE
- SILVER	- YELLOW	- MAGENTA
- BRONZE	- GRAY(W)	
	- LAVENDER	
	- GOLD	
	- GREEN	
	- BLACK	

Tuesday, 19 March 2002

PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-53

→ Subop 23AC + Measurements + Drawings of all features

Str 128 ←

Subop	Feature	Height(m)	Length(m)	Width(m)	(E of N) Orientation	Courses	Material	Function
23AB	BLUE		9.90	0.25-0.48	336°	1-2	RC	N portion of W summit facing
23AA	RED		11.45	0.22-0.48	338°	1-2	RC	S portion of W summit facing
23AA	ORANGE		5.05	0.34	58°	4	RC	S summit facing
23AA	WHITE	—	1.80 1.30 1.15	0.30 0.60 0.35	58°	—	Plaster	Surface feature
23AA	PURPLE	—	1.8	0.55	338°	—	Earthen/ Bajareque	Surface feature
23AB	YELLOW	—	1.15	fragmented	336°	—	Earthen/ Bajareque	Surface feature
23AD	AQUAMARINE		exposed 1.9 actual 2.6	0.52	337°	8 base found	RC+CS	N extent of W basal facing
23AD	MAGENTA		exposed 1.4 actual 6.8	0.86	62°	5 exposed	RC+CS	N basal facing
23AB	GRAY(W)		4.10	0.68	333°	1	RC	N portion of E summit facing
23AA	GRAY(S)		3.030	0.22-0.35	333°	2-4	RC	S portion of E summit facing
23AB	LAVENDER		5.20	0.52	333°	1-3	RC	N portion of W Gold + SILVER
23AA	PERIWINKLE		5.15	0.33-0.38	334°	2	RC	S portion of W SILVER + BRONZE
23AB	GOLD		0.86	0.86	333°	—		doorway
23AA 23 23AB 6	SILVER		1.06	1.06	334°	—		doorway
23AA	BRONZE		1.14-2.10	2.10	334°	—		doorway
23AB	GREEN		5.1	0.1-0.3	63°	1-2	RC	N summit facing
23AB	BLACK		~3.5	~0.4-2.5		exposed 1-2	RC	bench? platform?
23AC	NAVY BLUE		exposed 3.10 actual 2.6	0.47	337°	exposed 6	RC+CS	S extent of W basal facing
23AC	MARDON		exposed 0.36 actual 6.80	0.37	72°	exposed 4	RC+CS	W extent of S basal facing

NOTE: BLUE is the western summit facing N of 23G. RED is the western summit facing S of 23G. AQUAMARINE + NAVY BLUE are probably all the same Western basal facing also. Both the basal + summit western facings are probably continues construction features.

1.09 m
long = 2.26

7:41am A little change in plan...

After discussing w/ Pat, Ed, Bill + Miranda yesterday, we've concluded that there are more aspects of Str. 128 that need to be investigated. 23G from Christian (PVC #34) from 2001 will be completely opened up to research the niches on the E, plaza side, + to expand off from them. I will still move on to another structure S of the ball court, but have a team here following out the plaza facade of Str. 128. For now, I'm am not starting Final Notes but will continue w/ photos, measurements + sketches. It's bright + sunny now, so it probably will be all day.

23AC #34 20-60cm bgs (EUS) started. Still searching for the exact location of the SW basal corner.

10:21

23AC #34 20-60cm bgs (EUS) complete; sherds, obsidian, bajareque, chert. The corner is there. #35 60-80cm bgs (EUS) started to go deeper to define SW basal corner. Just found a tooth + part of another. More than likely human, but I don't want more!

Tuesday, 19 March 2002 PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-54

→ Subop 23AC + Measurements + Sketches

Str128 ←

11:14am [23AC] $\phi 35$ 60-80cm bgs (LUS) Continuing. Finding a lot of cool sherd, large ones + ~~things~~ that are painted. One ceramic has red paint + part of a design engraved in. The design is not complete but there are areas where other designs that were broken off can be seen. And just now we found a large tooth... or at least I think it is. We found 2 human teeth earlier + have also come across what could be some large bone fragments. Hopefully not human + hopefully there won't be much more.
→ Photographed everything except ~~the~~ NAVY BLUE + the SW basal corner. When it's more defined 23AC will all be photographed.

12:34pm I just talked to Ed + he said that what I was told was a large tooth is a worked + burnt bone. It's ~~fine~~ ground down to a point at one end + it black at that tip. The rest is still really white from having been burnt. Probably used for sewing or something w/ leather working. And the ceramic that is incised is not usual for around here... especially w/ the red slip + the incised design.

2:09pm [23AC] $\phi 35$ 60-80 cm bgs (LUS) complete: FINALLY! 1 whole ~~15~~ 15x25 bag of sherds, some chert, obsidian, very little (1-3) bajareque, bone, 2 human teeth, burnt + worked bone, carbon sample #10. This lot took so long to complete b/c ① these guys are really slow, + ② there were a lot of nice artifacts + at first it was a little hard to identify the SW corner. But we completely have the SW basal corner now + only need to find the base of NAVY BLUE + maybe around the corner on the S side. Ed also wants me to go through ~30cm of the plaster to see what is going on behind it since it runs right up against the wall + even slopes up as it gets to ~~the~~ NAVY BLUE.
- Took some really good pictures of the nice ceramics + other artifacts from this lot.
 $\phi 36$ 0-20 cm bgs (LUS) started. on top of MAROON.

NOTE: the S basal facing, ~~that~~ ^{which} corners w/ NAVY BLUE at the SW corner, will be referred to as MAROON.

Tuesday, 26 March 2002 PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-55

→ Measurements + Sketches

Str. 128 ←

8:42am Returned back after a couple days vacation in Miami. Since this is the week of Semana Santa, we're only working 2 days this week... yesterday + today. Finishing up some measurements + drawings before continuing to excavate terraces on Eastern plaza side of Str. 128. The backdirt from 23B Christian's excavations (PVC # 34) will probably be done next Monday. The attempt is trying to be made of finishing everything on the summit before investigating the plaza facing + moving to another structure near the SW group.

Datum information of Features (ALL using D1)

GREEN (23AB): Northern interior

Summit facing.

Unit	Top bd (cm)	Bottom bd (cm)	Base of (cm) Excavations
19	31	42	42
20	29	52	52
21	35	53	53
22	35	55	55
23	39	60	69

ORANGE (23AA): Southern interior

Summit facing

Unit	Top bd (cm)	Bottom bd (cm)	Base of (cm) Excavation
11	10 Above D1	35	35
12	25 A D1	35	35
13	17 A D1	47 ^{base of orange}	60
14	15 A D1	34	43
15	8	40	40

GRAY (N) (23AB): Eastern interior summit

facing w/in Northern half of summit

Unit	Top bd (cm)	Bottom bd (cm)	Base of (cm) Excavations
23	36	65	73
24	34	71	84
25	42	58	78
26	74	83	83

GRAY (S) (23AA): Eastern interior summit

facing w/in Northern half of summit.

Unit	Top bd (cm)	Bottom bd (cm)	Base of (cm) Excavations
15	19	43	43
16	19	52	52
17	40	100	113
18			

LAVENDER (23AB): Eastern interior summit

facing b/w GOLD + SILVER.

Unit	Top bd (cm)	Bottom bd (cm)	Base of (cm) Excavation
28	32 50	110 71	110 86
29	110 40	110 73	110 82
30	41	69	84
31	42	71	82
32+33	72	113	133

PERIWINKLE (23AA): Eastern interior summit

facing b/w SILVER + BRONZE.

Unit	Top bd (cm)	Bottom bd (cm)	Base of (cm) Excavations
20	58	88	88
201	58	89	109
202	60	84	84
23	57	81	81

Tuesday, 26 March 2002 PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-56

→ Measurements + Sketches

Str. 128 ←

12:24am Completed measurements of wall facings w/ in the summit. Will continue w/ surface features for the summit + measurements for basal facings.

PURPLE (23AA): Bajareque surface along western summit facing RED.

Unit	Top bd (cm)	Bottom bd (cm)	Base of Excavation (cm)
5		58	58
6		49	49
7		42	42

YELLOW (23AB): Bajareque surface along western summit facing BLUE.

Unit	Top bd (cm)	Bottom bd (cm)	Base of Excavation (cm)
2	60	63	73
3	58	59	75

GOLD (23AB): Doorway furthest to the North along the Eastern summit wall.

Unit	Top bd (cm) <small>ground surface</small>	Bottom bd (cm)	Base of Excavation (cm)
27	70	92	92

SILVER (23AB): Doorway ^{in the middle} furthest to the along the Eastern summit wall

Unit	Top bd (cm) <small>ground surface</small>	Bottom bd (cm)	Base of Excavation (cm)
23A	73	140	140
24	72	114	114

BRONZE (23AB): Doorway furthest to the South along the Eastern summit wall.

Unit	Top bd (cm) <small>ground surface</small>	Bottom bd (cm)	Base of Excavation (cm)
17	42/50	108	108
18	56/82	906	99
19	52/72	94	102

WHITE (23AA): Plaster surface along Southern summit facing ORANGE.

Unit	Top bd (cm)	Bottom bd (cm)	Base of Excavation (cm)
11		35	35
12		35	35
14		43	43
15		40	40
16		52	52

AQUAMARINE (23AD): Northern most extent of Western basal facing

Unit	Top bd (cm)	Bottom bd (cm)	Base of Excavation (cm)
1	60	175	192
3	75 / <small>addition</small> 146	160	170

MAGENTA (23AD): Western most extent of Northern basal facing.

Unit	Top bd (cm)	Bottom bd (cm)	Base of Excavation (cm)
5/6	86	106	184

NAVY BLUE (23AC): Southern extent of Western basal facing

Unit	Top bd (cm)	Bottom bd (cm)	Base of Excavation (cm)

MAROON (23AC): Western extent of Southern basal facing.

Unit	Top bd (cm)	Bottom bd (cm)	Base of Excavation (cm)

Monday, 1 April 2002 PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-57

→ Drawing Eastern Summit facing w/ doorways.

Str 128 ←

9:36am Clear day w/ bright blue sky. Have been out since 7am, however the drawing of the E Summit, plaza-facing, facing, which was started Wed, 27 March is going very slowly... to the point where its worth is being questioned. Almost half of LAVENDER w/ 23AB has been mapped beginning in the NE corner of the summit.

After lunch, regardless of how much gets mapped up here, I'm going to move to the SW group area + begin laying trenches over Str 5, 75 + 74 w/ in of 20. Str. 75 is the structure that caps the LC balcony to the SW. Alison (PVC #) is excavating str. — that caps the balcony to the SE. Her excavations have already begun + have revealed a basal facing along the E side.

Work will continue to occur here @ Str. 128, however after the rest of 23B is emptied. The goal will be to continue the search for niches that Christian (PVC 34) came across during summer of 2001.

11:32am Calling it quits for this drawing for the day. Almost to SILVER, the middle doorway w/ in 23AB + 23AA.

Things to be done on Str. 128

- ① Remove backfill from 23G on plaza side
- ② Excavate off of 23G searching for terraces + niches
- ③ FINAL NOTES of whole structure (ie. Summit + basal facings)
- ④ Finish section drawing of E summit wall w/ doorways.
- ⑤ Photograph ~~SW~~ basal corner + any + all features from plaza facing
- ⑥ Plan sketch of all summit walls

Thursday, 4 April 2002 PVC El Coyote AP-02-19-58

→ Removing backfill from 23G

Str. 128

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10:43am Today I finally got the section + 4 workers; Raphael, Nelson, Benjamin, + Ramon (the last 2 are from Alison b/c she is sick today.) They are continuing to remove the backfill from the E, plaza facing, from 23G of Christian's (PVC #34) from 2001.

They have begun from the base on the plaza surface + are moving up the str. to the summit area where it's the last place that it's been cleaned to. I've been over once + helped identify to 2 walls furthest to the E + need to go back soon to help them identify some of the other features from the section.

Monday, 8 April 2002 PVC El Cayote

AP-02-19-59

→ Subops ³20AE, ³20AF 23G

Str 128 ←

10:32am Begun laying out trenches N-S along the first terraces, or the construction unit that is 1 W of the Easternmost basal wall. Extend a trench to the S 2 x 8m of 23G. And another to the N of 23G, 2 x 9m. Raphael + Nelson and Ramon + Celbie are working over there while I spend the majority of my time at str. 75.

23AE 001 0-15cm bgs (Eu1) Lot 2 x 8m area. Essentially only cleaning off the top soil + not removing any ~~too~~ cobbles. It is all one large lot since it's on the steep slope... anything that is on it has no provenience anyway.

23AF 001 0-15cm bgs (Eu1) same as 23AE, only 23AF is 2 x 9m.

Tuesday, 9 April 2002 PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-6 10

→ Subop 20AE, 20AF

Str. 128 ←

9:20am

Yesterday did not get to finish either lots since that area was so large. But what was uncovered is looking very very good + promising. Especially the N side. There is already a line that is 3 courses high just from the ground surface. I will venture over there soon again to begin removing cobbles so that excavating something can begin.

23AE 2 x 8 m subop to the S of 23G

23AF 2 x 9 m subop to the N of 23G

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10:00
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Began excavating in 2 x 2 m units going both directions.

23AE ØØ2 15-35 cm bgs following the bottom terrace, in a 2 x 2 m unit. Unit designation is EU1E.

23AF ØØ2 15-35 cm bgs following the bottom terrace in a 2 x 2 m unit. Unit designation is EU1F.

2:00pm 23AE ØØ2 EU1E. Uncovered some area of architecture, yet like Ed hypothesized, I believe there is an opening on both sides of 23G + ~2 m both to the N + S a wall ⊥ to the Str. sticks out to the E + then turns + continues N + S again respectively. Since this might be the case, the architecture is really low + needs to go down deeper to find it.

Wednesday, 10 April 2002 PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-61

→ Subop 23AE, 23AF (Eastern facade)

Str. 128 ←

9:10am It's amazing how long it can take for me to get over here in the morning. But it looks good + everything was cleaned up well yesterday. Pat + Ed took Raphael + Nelson to help clear at Las Canoas today. I wish someone had told me that instead of walking here + finding them gone. Oh well.

23AF 003 15-35 cm bgs (EU2F) Starting the next sectioned off 2x2m area w/in 23AF. only 2m North of EU1F. Ramon + Celbie are the only ones here + Kristin was really nice + helped explain to them why they were working here + how it was not punishment. They understood well + that is really good. We've cleared away more cobble + defined more of the wall heading off to the N. This will probably be all the work done in this area all day since there are only 2 of them working here.

001 0-15 cm bgs (EU1), completed yesterday; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, chert. That clearing really revealed a lot of the architecture since a lot of it is at the surface.

002 15-35 cm bgs (EU01F) revealed how the facing turns again + ~~stretch~~ stretches slightly to the E before turning N again + heading N. 002; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, chert, 2 bone.

23AE 001 0-15 cm bgs (EU1) completed yesterday; sherds, chert, obsidian, bajareque. Revealed some architecture, but definitely more tumble to the S than to the N along this terrace.

002 15-35 cm bgs (EU1E) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, bajareque. Somewhat of the same thing is occurring as to the N, except it's just not as nicely preserved, or it's deeper. Also I believe their turn is further to the S outside of the 2x2m area of EU1E.

The line that has been found close to the wall in 23G does, so far, consist of 3 cut limestone pieces that are ending.

Wednesday, 10 April 2002 Prc El Coyote

AP-02-19-⁶2

→ Subop 23 ~~AF~~ Eastern Facade.

Str. 128 ←

2:32 It was a good visit this afternoon.

[23AF] ~~003~~ 15-35 cm bgs (EU2 F) is going well. So much architecture gets uncovered its difficult to describe it all. The 2-course high wall that was visible from the surface has even more exposed now that it was excavated 10 cm down in front of it. Its hard to count exactly how many at the moment, but there are at least 2 other lines behind the 2 course high one that run directly behind + parallel to the Sone. Some of them have slipped + slipped down into the other lines that it is a little hard sometimes identifying which cobbles belong to which line. But as Ed mentioned on Monday, the wall exposed in [23G] continues at that level + then turns E + turns N again, only lower down the structure facing... maybe 1m lower down the facing.

Tomorrow it will be interesting to see more of what is occurring on the South side of the facade. Its all going smoothly + only appears slow, but I know it really isn't going all that slowly at all.

Thursday, 11 April 2002 PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-63

→ Subop 23AE, 23AF Eastern facade

str. 128

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10:11am Everybody is back today. Nobody was taken from me to go clear anything... always good when there are only a few select people that I want excavating this facade. And today is turning out to be a really great day to excavate in. Today is a project personal day, so people had the choice of whether they wanted to work today or not. Many people choose to stay in, so I have hella guys working today. I have 4 here, as usual, but 12 on str 75.

12:56pm

23AE

003 15*35 cm bgs (EU2E) 2x2m EU following wall from 23G. Similar to the pattern of construction features from 23AF how the wall steps out + then continues N-S again.

23AF

004 15-35 cm bgs (EU3F) 2x2m EU following wall N from 23G.

Friday, 12 April 2002 PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-684

→ Subop 23AE, 23AF, Eastern facade

Str. 128 ←

8:28am Sunny today, unlike yesterday, which was perfect for working in. This whole facing is looking really good, only from what is exposed of this terrace I don't believe we've run into anything that could be associated w/ being another niche. Since both EU2E + EU2F, there has just been a solid wall both N + S of [23G]. Perhaps these were only features in the middle of the facade.

[23AE] DD4 15-35 cm bgs (EU4E) is being completed + then DD5 15-35 cm bgs (EU5E) will be started... + that'll probably take all day. Nelson + Raphael.

[23AF] DD5 15-35 cm bgs (EU5F) started. They've done a great job of clearing up some of the lines. Ramon + Elbie.

Pat is suppose to venture out here today... + when she does we've got lots to talk about as far as what's going on here + how we should continue if we should continue at all.

8:44am DD4 15-35 cm bgs (EU4E) complete;

[20AE] DD5 15-35 cm bgs (EU5E) started in the last 2x2m designated area, farthest to the South.

Monday, 15 April 2002 PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-05

→ Subop: 23AE Eastern Facade

Str 128

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8:58am Only have 3 guys on this facing today b/c Celso is not here today. Only Raphael, Nelson + Ramon are here. Therefore, everybody is working w/ 23AE today. A few clouds are in the sky but look like they'll just blow away.

23AE DOG 35-50 cm bgs (EU2E) started. Clearing a 2x2m area S. of the niche area that Christian (PVC#34) uncovered in 2001. Hopefully more of some type of construction will exist in this area. But all 3 guys are excavating everything out following the facing, so perhaps it will go faster + more will be able to be excavated.

2:28pm Checked back over at 1pm, just after lunch. Continuing in DOG 35-50 cm bgs (EU2E). And it looks good. A limestone cut block wall has been uncovered as the wall facing that continues to the S from 23G. Still not low enough or at the depth of where the other side of the niche is hypothesized to be.

PVC El Coyote Tuesday, 16 April 2002

AP-02-19-628

→ Subop 23AE, 23AF Eastern facade

Str 128 ←

10:26 Now it's cloudy, but it's been sunny all morning. I also haven't been feeling that well this morning. I'm slightly tired, but something didn't sit well in my stomach this morning.

→ Made a visit earlier than usual this morning + got the first look at everything that was excavated yesterday... + man, is that gorgeous. Only 23AE was excavated in b/c Celbie was ill. The other 3 were able to excavate 2 more cut limestone terrace walls that are very well preserved. They also dug down deep in one little area + exposed what looked to be another flat limestone slab another 10 cm below the present base of excavation w/in EU 2E.

20AE 007 35-50 cm bgs (EU 3E) started. This EU 2x2 m contains the corner where the terrace extends out further to the E + continues ~~at~~ in that position until (probably) the end of the structure. In this area by the corner there are what seem to be 2 more cut limestone slabs. They're still covered w/ too much T.D. to tell for sure what they are, but they do not appear to be simply tumble, but rather apart of some type of purposeful construction. But this will all be revealed after lot 007 is complete, b/c they are mainly in this lot + not EU 2E.

20AF 006 35-50 cm bgs (EU 2F) started. Following architecture from 23G over to the N + deeper to see what else is revealed. Hopefully ~~will~~ it'll look as nice as in EU 2E. But Celbie just came up to me at break + said he was sick + going home, so Ramon is working alone, or either w/ Nelson ~~or~~ + Raphael.

Take that back... w/ in 20AE 007 35-50 cm bgs (EU 3E) is actually 007 50-100 cm bgs (EU 2E). They did not really move over to the other 2x2 EU → EU 3E. Went down more in first 2m S of 23G. Found 2 more terraces/steps of cut limestone. This structure is turning out to be better than I expected.

Wednesday, 17 April 2002 PRC El Coyote AP-02-19-6~~8~~7

Subop: ~~2~~³AE, ~~2~~³AF

Str. 128

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9:22am Surprisingly, quite a lot got done yesterday considering leaving for Las Canoas for the whole afternoon. Sunny w/ a few puffy clouds, but NO rain to speak of like they apparently got in Naco.

23AE All work really good in this area. Yesterday, 2 more cut limestone flat ~~condensed~~ terrace/steps were uncovered + they're gorgeous! At the far edge of EU2E there are a few more flat cut limestone slabs that are away from + not touching the structure. Bill believes that the limestone steps could have been a earlier construction phase + that a lot of construction episodes occurred on this structure.

008 60-80cm bgs (EU2E) started b/c I believe there are more terraces + I'd love to follow them all + get off this stupid structure to the S.

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23AF 006 35-50cm bgs (EU2F) was not completely finished yesterday. Celie is back today, but not up to 'bar'. So, 006 is continued to be finished.

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23AE Only Raphael today b/c Nelson is not around.

2:39pm

23AE 008 60-80cm bgs (EU2E) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, bajareque, jute, bone. There are no 4 uncovered cut limestone slab steps w/in this EU. They do not appear to continue to the South b/c of the overlay of a different construction episode. 009 0-60cm bgs (EU6E) EU6E is a 1m x 2.5m EU that is due E (or down the slope) from ~~EU2E~~ EU2E. EU6E carries under EU2E for 50cm to the S. The goal is to uncover more of the slabs that appear to be slipping off from being either a niche or a platform.
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23AF 006 35-50cm bgs (EU2F) complete; sherds, obs., chert, BT, bone, carbon. Nothing more for this subop today. Something different is occurring here than to the South.

Thursday, 18 April 2002

PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-608

→ Subop 23AE, 23AF

Str. 128 ←

10:10am Everything is going very well + everybody has showed up for work today, which is why both Subops are able to be excavated in. Right now + for the majority of the morning so far it's been fairly cloudy... good time to take photos. But things are a little messy for photos at the moment. And b/c of our grand site tour w/ the Las Canoas people today, I'm having all 4 guys clean up the trenches + excavations to have them look presentable. I told them to stop working at 11am so that both the facade + summit excavations can be cleaned.

23AE ØØ9 0-20cm bgs (EU 6E) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, bajareque, bone, yute. The clearing further down the slope from the plaster stairs is going well. A good deal is slowly being uncovered. More cobbles close to the ones hit down the slope as if they were an addition for a platform are surfacing. They themselves appear to be sliding down slope + tumbled out of place, but they definitely look as if they were once purposely apart of something → 1m x 2.5m EU
ØØ 20-60cm bgs (EU 6E) started to come down on + attempt to follow the first basal facing that is made of cut stones + 3-4 courses high that Christian found in 2001 (PVC # 34).

23AF ØØ7 0-40cm bgs (EU 6F) started. EU 6F is E of EU 2F + is a 1 x 2m EU. It's goal is to clear to the large basal wall found in 2001 w/ Christian, but also to attempt to reveal if there is any similar architecture w/ in this area N of **23AE** as there is to the South w/ in **23AE**.

Nelson + Raphael are working w/ in EU 6E in **23AE**
Raynaldo + Celbie are working w/ in EU 6E in **23AE**

But today is essentially only going to be a half day, b/c of the big tour planned w/ the Las Canoas crew too.

Friday, 19 April 2002

PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-609

→ Subop: 23AE, 23AF

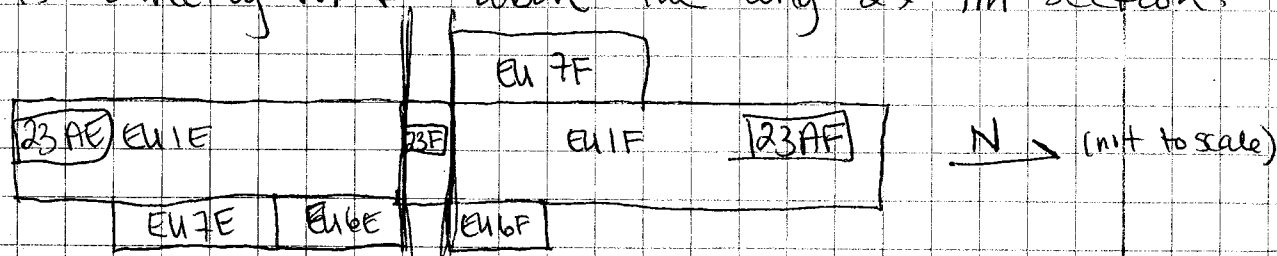
Str. 128 ←

11:00am These days aren't feeling a hectic as they have in the past, perhaps it has to do w/ having less workers on str. 75 + having more free time to check up on the work done here. It's been sunny all morning, but hopefully these clouds that are near will blow closer so that some pictures can be taken. The site tour went well + they did a great job clearing up the trenches in preparation for the visit of a bunch of people.

23AE $\phi\phi$ 20-60cm bgs (EU6F) was almost complete yesterday. They were able to clear off almost all of the first basal step, all the way to the South. There was only a little more that needed to be excavated today around the area of the tumbling large limestone facings that were probably once part of a platform. In all it looks gorgeous. Continuing $\phi\phi$ 20-60cm bgs (EU6E) today.

23AF $\phi\phi$ 7 ϕ -40cm bgs (EU6F) complete; sherds, BT, obsidian, chert, carbon. Completed yesterday before the site tour came around at 3pm. They were able to excavate + clear down to the top of the first basal wall. On both sides, the N + S of **23E** the first basal wall appears chipped along the edges all the way across where it is exposed. What's interesting is that another smaller line that extends // to it along the top + composed of the same construction material is not chipped at all. Ideas of burning ~~the~~ the chipping resulting from being fire-treated. But I believe that Pat still wants to think about that. Interestingly again is the incredible amount of carbon that is in the soil in this area + around where construction is.

11:55 am EU 7F was created today + it consists of a 1.5 x 4m spread that is directly W. + above the long 2 x 9m section.



Monday, 22 April 2002 PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-70

→ Subop: 23AE, 23AF Eastern facade

Str 128 ←

9:18am Hot + a little hazy. Excavations were thankfully undisturbed during the weekend. I always feel somebody is going to mess w/ it now that so much has been removed from this structure + it all looks very nice.

Late in the afternoon on Friday, Bill came over + we talked more about things that are going on. He helped establish where things should continue to next + also helped me describe out-loud what I thought was occurring w/ what has already been exposed. We discussed the chronology + relationship of the limestone slab stairs to the river cobble construction + concluded, for the moment, that w/ in the Southern half 23AE, the limestone slab steps were constructed first + then the limestone platform extension was added + covered up one of the lower steps. And then the river cobble construction was a feature added on towards the end of the time it was in use. However, after Bill left I made an observation w/ the long cobble constructed terrace w/ in 23AE. It appears as if there could have been a couple phases of construction occurring in this area as well. The construction of the wall is not all completely uniform. The center portion (~2m worth) is constructed of nicer shaped RC w/ a lot of chinking stones, where the RC constructions N + S of the center are made w/ poorer RC + no smaller chinking stones at all. Additionally, there is a definitive line that appears to separate the construction of the center construction w/ what is N of it.

23AE 011 0-20cm bgs (EU 7E) continuing from Friday. His continuing to follow what ever is or may be in front of the large + long terrace RC wall. Raphael + Nelson working together.

23AF 009 30-50cm bgs (EU 7F) started upon EU 1 / EU 2F to investigate further the terraces + possible niches that Christian (PVC #34) found in 2000.

2:19pm
23AE 011 0-20cm bgs (EU 7E) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, bajanézque. A lot of tumble was revealed around the area of the plaster surface.
012 20-50cm bgs (EU 7E) started to remove tumble down to level of basal wall up to the level plaster surface.

Tuesday, 23 April 2002 PVC El Coyote
→ Subop 23AE, 23AF

AP-02-19-⁷01

Str. 128 ←

10:41am It was nice & cloudy all morning... gave me a lot of time to take some good photos of Str. 75 to try to get that one completely finished. But now the sun has come out & I fear that no more clouds will roll in.

Raylando & Raphael appear to both be sick today. Something w/ their stomachs... So, only Nelson & Celbie are working together today. They are both working w/ in 23AE & trying to continue in front of the floor by the cobble constructed wall. There is a lot of tumble present, so it's pretty difficult to clear it out quickly. 20AF is not being excavated in today.

20AE 012 20-50cm bgs (EU 7E) continued from yesterday. May take a little longer than other excavations in this area b/c if there is a wall feature behind all the tumbled RC, it may not be all that well preserved... Not to mention we're just not exactly sure what's going on in this area where the slabs of limestone end & where the RC wall addition features begin.

1:00pm Just before lunch Bill made a visit to Str. 128 & we discussed the different construction phases of the cobble wall that I noticed last Friday after the last time he came over to visit. He agreed & said he saw some of the same types of patterns occurring w/ the different construction phases representing the probable ever-changing facade of this structure.

012 20-50 cm bgs (EU 7E) is still continuing & going through a lot of tumble. Tumble that I can't tell whether it's coming from construction features further up or if there is another around the area of the present excavations that I'm just not finding yet. (Still only Nelson & Celbie.)

Wednesday, 24 April 2002 PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-722

→ Subop 23AE, 23AF Eastern facade

Str. 128 ←

10:00am The story keeps changing daily! And man do I need to spend more time here at this structure! It keeps getting more + more interesting. Apparently, yesterday after I last checked over here w/ Bill the wall that was producing so much tumble w/ in 23AE EU 7E finally surfaced. It still has a lot of tumble on top of it that needs to be cleared away, but at the base of the excavation where it is been revealed it gets much better + more nicely preserved. It is in front of the other cobble terrace facing that has the several ~~additions~~ additions on both sides. However, I can not tell at the moment whether the new wall follows a similar pattern of construction as the one directly above it. It's all really interesting + I want to find the base of the new wall to see how far down it extends or if there is another terrace-type construction that did not show up in 23G, Christian's trench from 2001.

23AE 02 20-50 cm bgs (EU 7E) was completed yesterday + is where the new cobble wall was revealed. Shards, obsidian, bajareque, chert, a tenent (sp?). But Ed explained that a tenent is the piece of stone that a sculpture or mask would have been attached to + then stuck into a wall so that the sculpture would just be sticking out. He noticed it b/c, even though it looks like the leg of a metate, only the part that would have had the decoration applied on was smooth. The rest of it was definitely shaped, only since it was known that it was simply going to be stuck into a wall + hidden from view, it was not really smoothed or made to look nice. 03 0-50 cm bgs (EU 8E) started in front of new cobble facing following it out all the way to the Southern extent of EU 8E. Nelson + Raphael both working today.

10:31am

23AF 09 30-50 cm bgs (EU 7F) continuing since it was never complete w/ everybody being sick. But both Reynaldo + Celbie are here + they have found part of some purposeful construction, I think, + are better organizing to tumble broken cobble debris.

2:20pm

23AE 03 0-50 cm bgs (EU 8E) continuing + will be done by the end of the day. Interestingly the wall w/ in EU 7E + EU 8E ~~is~~ is beginning to fade out a little... looking strangely more + more like fill type of construction w/ smaller rocks. The darker soil is also more present + all around us, the lighter, less clay rich soil from ~~23~~ EU 4E.

23AF

09 30-50 cm bgs (EU 7F) also continuing only very slowly, found an upper cobble wall for sure though.

Thursday, 25 April 2002 PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-713

→ Subop 23AE, 23AF Eastern Facade

Str. 628

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11:14am Sort of cloudy, but not very hot. Even though essentially almost done w/ FINAL NOTES for Str. 75 in the SW, I wasn't able to get over here until now bc I helped Kristin haul her grass for her BT houses back to the site.

Everybody is here working today. I'm debating putting more people on this structure to get it going a little faster, but I'm afraid of all the chit-chat that possibly ^{might} ensue.

23AE 014 20-40cm bgs (EU 7E) started. This lot actually represents removing all the tumbled cobbles + loose soil on top of the exposed wall/terrace to actually be on top of the wall. Only removing tumble. ^{Roman + Nelson}

23AF 009 30-50cm bgs (EU 7E) still being continued... it's mainly bc they are only inching along + have waited for me at the end of almost every meter to ask where + how to continue to ~~the~~ next. But a plaster floor, + very thick, has been partly uncovered ~~the~~. We are continuing down to that level + trying to be careful to monitor what it might do next.

11:55am

23AE 014 20-40cm bgs (EU 7E) found a little head w/ an incised face w/ eyes, nose + a line for a mouth. It appears it could have been part of a figurine, but I've never seen anything that's shaped like this.

3:00pm

23AE 014 20-40cm bgs (EU 7E) still continuing... doing a great job clearing away tumble debris. Moving further to the south along wall, where for some reason in general, everything has gotten poorer + "less-well" preserved. But exposing it all will be important. It's interesting how much better ^{preserved} the architecture appears to be w/ in the middle of the structure than as you expand further to the edges of the structure.

23AF

009 30-50cm bgs (EU 7E) FINALLY complete!; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, etc. Found the gorgeous plaster floor that is ~10cm thick + up close to the wall is very well preserved + only has a few cracks in it. But the cobble wall also continues very nicely from Christian's trench where it first originated from. - Starting to clear area of EU 8F... down further below on top of basal wall only further N of EU 6F. Laid out area of EU 8F... it's 3x11.5m

Friday, 26 April 2002

PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-704

→ 23AE, 23AF

Eastern facade

Str. 128 ←

8:30am Kind of hazy so the sun isn't at its max force... & hopefully it won't! Very happy it's Friday & am thanking my guys today by buying them soda at lunch.

23AE Φ14 20-40 cm bgs (EU 7E) still continuing. Wall does look very nice cleaned off & w/out all the clutter of the tumble. Nelson & Raphael should be done soon.

23AF Φ1Φ 0-40 cm bgs (EU 8F) started. A 3 x 1.5m EU area to look closer at area on top of basal wall & other possible cobble construction that may be similar to feature W in EU 6, 7, 8 E of 23AE. Both Celbie & Raylando are clearing this area out.

10:06am **23AE** Φ14 20-40 cm bgs (EU 7E) getting really close to being done, however the wall definitely thins out to the south toward the end of the designated EU area. A base line near the base of excavation continues but what's above it appears to step back toward the west. A lot of it all appears like tumble & that the upper part of the wall ^{corners +} turns directions & then continues further back. We'll continue to just clear the soil away & pick out all the cobbles that seem to only be tumble. (Found a nice applique head attached to a bowl rim.)

23AF Φ1Φ 0-40 cm bgs (EU 8F) continuing as well. Here too the wall seems to disappear, however it could also be a problem of depth & that it's not visible any more this close to the ground surface. Continuing to clear away & chase where we thought it would be.

12:32pm **23AE** Φ14 20-40 cm bgs (EU 7E) seems to have almost come to a dead-end. The wall just does appear to come down to simply ^aone-course high construction level.

23AF Φ1Φ 0-40 cm bgs (EU 8F) complete; sherds, bajareque, chert, obsidian. A little of almost everything nice. 2 large pieces what could be chert cores... b/c they look as if they have flakes taken out of them. And large pieces of bajareque that look to have been a part of a wall b/c some type of stick impressions are visible

23AF Φ11 40-65 cm bgs (EU 8F) started in front of wall.

23AE EU 9E created above all the other excavations to the south of 23G. It's a 1.5 x m EU

Monday, 29 April 2002 PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-725

→ Subops: 23AE, 23AF Eastern facade

str. 128 ←

7:31am Today has the potential to be a very tiring day, I'm feeling a little "under-the-weather" physically, but plan to just stay in one place + take it easy. Still kind of hazy + hopefully clouds will last into the afternoon.

23AE 015 0-20cm bgs (EU9E) started. EU9E was laid out Friday afternoon to investigate the upper terraces south of 23G. EU9E is 1.5×5 m EU.

10:00am **23AE** 015 0-20cm bgs (EU9E) continuing + going well. Took a photo of the floating cobbles of the late construction that can be seen in profile above the nicely preserved limestone slab stairs... which is what is also being excavated right now.

23AF 011 40-65cm bgs (EU8F) forgot to comment about it earlier this morning, but it is also going along well. Have exposed a good portion of the basal wall or at least it is in the same position as the basal columnar basalt from within 23G. There is both plaster on the side of the wall + also at the base of it, anything that might have extended away from the wall really ~~is~~ not preserved, or at least isn't visible at the moment. Found large piece of what looks like animal bone. Not planning on chasing it to the East out of the EU though.

11:18am **23AE** 015 0-20cm bgs (EU9E) continuing... 5m is a long way to go, especially in hard soil.

23AF 011 40-65cm bgs (EU8F) complete; shreds, obsidian, chert, bajareque, 2 metate frags (1 leg + 1 grinding surface frag) + bone... probably animal. Exposed a lot of plaster material. There is a fair amount of it still attached to the wall facing but there is also remnant at the base that could be evidence for a floor surface as well... the only question is then... is this still the basal wall b/c it's parallel to the one from 23G, or has it stepped out to the East.

23AE 012 0-80cm bgs (EU9F) started extending to the Noff of 23G, in the area where the basal wall was exposed. Going down deep to hopefully catch what's going on at the most bottom portion of the structure facing the plaza side.

2:00pm **23AE** 015 0-20cm bgs (EU9E) continuing. Kind of difficult also b/c it's hard to access.

23AF 012 0-80cm bgs (EU9F) going well + getting to the base of the basal wall.

Tuesday, 30 April 2002 PVC PC Coyote

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7:30am It's really quite cloudy + hazy this morning. No sun at all. I finally remembered garbage bags to cover up all the plaster floors that are exposed. I've been playing w/ fire these past couple days w/out covering them up.

23AE 015 0-20cm bgs (EU9E) still being continued from yesterday. It's almost completely cleared. Photos might need to be taken before other cobbles can be removed. But other large limestone slabs are appearing under the later RC construction. They are probably associated w/ the fully exposed steps from EU2E + EU3E.

23AF 012 0-80cm bgs (EU9F) continuing from yesterday. Pieces of limestone are being uncovered near the base of the well; leaving the limestone in place + continuing deeper around it.

9:08am **23AE** 015 0-20cm bgs (EU9E) still continuing but almost done.

23AF 012 0-80cm bgs (EU9F) complete; sherds, bajareque, bones (maybe from a head). Found more of a plaster floor. Surprisingly, none of this appeared in 23G. I don't completely understand what's going on w/ these plaster surfaces b/c the one in EU8F is ~15cm higher.

23AE 016 0-80cm bgs (EU10E) started to investigate whether the same thing is occurring on the southern side in front of the large columnar basalt basal wall.

1:12pm Still during the day it's still hazy + sort of cloudy.

23AE 016 0-80cm bgs (EU10E) has gone down to the same level as the top of the columnar basalt cut block cobbles of the basal wall. A good amount of bajareque has been recovered as well as a mano fragment. It's quite slender + doesn't look to have been used b/c the edges of how it was shaped do not appear to have been worn down at all.

015 0-20cm bgs (EU9E) still continuing... but EU9E is also a 1.5 x 5m area.

2:00pm

23AE 015 0-20cm bgs (EU9E) is essentially complete. Sherds, chert, obsidian, bajareque over the span of days that it took to complete.

016 0-80cm bgs (EU10E) still going + working around the basal wall, or at least what is being called the basal wall for the moment; but I have the feeling the wall may step out again to the East... but that may be wrong.

→ We're all now heading over to Kristin's area b/c she's planning on burning her first house today. Everybody is watching + the project is buying everybody frescos... It should be nice.

Wednesday

~~Thursday~~, 1 May 2002 PVC @ Coyote

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7:39am

It's already starting to feel really hot... humid hot that we haven't had too much of... or at least anything that's really bothered me. Even though I got all the plastic covering over the plaster surfaces, we still have not yet had any rain. It's not going to be good when we do.

23AE

Φ15 0-20 cm bgs (Eu 9E) ALMOST, ALMOST complete.

Φ16 0-80 cm bgs (Eu 9E) continuing from yesterday, but not really down to the depth goal anywhere yet. The ^{top of the} wall is being exposed well, but beneath it is what needs to be looked at.

7:52am

★ Labeling of features from the Eastern facade w/ naming scheme.

23AE

BROWN - River cobble facing w/in Eu 6E, 10E. To the south of PINK + at the same level as VIOLET.

TAN - River cobble facing aligned w/ BROWN but constructed ^(2 courses, instead of 1) higher + perhaps at a different time. North of HAZEL, w/in Eu 7E

HAZEL - Single-low lying river cobble line aligned w/ BROWN + TAN. The base is at the same level as the area of the base of TAN.

w/in the southern extent of Eu 7E + all of Eu 8E.

FUCHA - 2 course high river cobble construction that was an addition over top of LIME GREEN, RUST, BEIGE, + TEAL. (the limestone earlier stairs)

MAUVE is the old trace of a plaster surface at the base of FUCHA. Located in the southern portion of Eu 2E + w/in Eu 3E.

MAUVE - Thin, fragmented portion of a plaster surface at the base of FUCHA to the North + probably carries out all the way to the Southern end of Eu 1E as a whole. Exposed fully at the base of HEATHER, but more-than-likely continues under the cobble tumble at the base of SAGE to the South.

10:43

23AE

Φ17 20-40 cm bgs (Eu 9E) started (+ a while ago); clearing away tumbled cobbles to above a layer of what could be an old plaster surface or just more steps of the earlier limestone, + the white is simply the decaying limestone.

Φ18 0-50 cm bgs (Eu 9E) complete; it actually only goes as deep as 50 cm b/c of another plaster surface that was uncovered. Sherds, bajareque, chert, obsidian, pink/peach color pigment rock, green rock... closest thing to copper that I can identify.

Wednesday

~~Thursday~~, 1 May 2002 PVC El Coyote

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11:57am

23AE

Created a new EU... EU11E + it extends 1.5 x 5m to the south of EU8E. $\phi 18$ 0-50cm bgs (EU11E) started. Celbie + Raylands are first only clearing away the plants + random cobbles from off the surface.

EU11E was created to see how far to the south HAZEL continues + if HAZEL is the bottom most basal wall, then to find a SE corner... but if HAZEL is not the basal wall, then still continuing to the end of HAZEL + then dropping back down to the East to pick up where a bottom terrace might be.

1:14pm I spoke w/ Ed this morning about what all is occurring here on this Eastern Facade. It was his idea to expand 23AE further to the south in order to reveal more of HAZEL + possibly the basal wall, if HAZEL turns out to be it. We also just talked again of the different phases of construction + how this facade was constantly changing... + also being robbed of its construction materials in the end. He mentioned that the nice 10cm thick plaster surface looked as if it could have been cut through, + not necessarily in modern times. There is a large rectangular shaped columnar basalt cobble directly to the S of the floor + another flat topped cobble in blw. Ed thinks that perhaps there could have been a cache + it was dug out, which would explain why the plaster is cut away + that a cobble was placed in there on top of the area that somebody wanted to get at. In all, he agreed that there seem to be 2 different stories going on blw 23AE + 23AF; some lines + construction features continue whether physically or in idea... as in some symmetrical occurrences. He thinks that tomorrow + Friday I should only concentrate on some FINAL NOTES + then see where I'm at after that.

Thursday, 2 May 2002 PVC @ Coyote

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7:40am Humid already. The hotter weather is beginning to come through lately... Still fine at night, but can be brittle during the day.

23AE 018 0-50cm bgs (EU11E) continuing from yesterday, + should be revealing a wall once a lot of the tumble is removed.

019 40-60cm bgs (EU9E) Started. Will continue to clear up there until a corner or some end of the structure is found w/in EU11E. Like Bill said yesterday, apparently, a lot of this work at the moment is just icing on the cake + the larger priority jobs are complete.

9:00am P+E passed through on their way into the city. Pat agrees that something else is going on in front of SKY BLUE b/c the level at the base of it would just be too high + is not level w/ the plaza surface. Embarrassingly, Pat thinks there's something else in the profile that was lower + further out into the plaza. Perhaps there is + I've been a moron for not knowing it + thinking this whole time that I know what's going on. But even if there is, something different is going on in front of SKY BLUE + BROWN + TAN w/in 23AE.

10:34am Completed the construction feature w/ excavation outline map sketch. Continuing descriptions of construction features w/ naming scheme.

23AE

CANARY YELLOW - At the base of PINK w/in EU10E directly south of 23G, which is why it wasn't uncovered in 2001. Only 2 cobbles long construction + ~ 2 courses high.

FUCHIA - The Northern addition around HEATHER w/in EU3E, ~ only a 3 course high construction + not containing many, if any, smaller

2:21pm 23AE 018 0-50cm bgs (EU11E) continuing + looks pretty good. There are some possibilities for where a corner may be, only it's a little closer in to the N than I would have expected. But perhaps it isn't the corner. 4 metate fragments have been found. 1 surface; ~~one~~ 1 surface w/ lg broken off; 1 surface frag w/ a good portion of the lg; + lastly some unidentifiable frag.

019 40-60cm bgs (EU9E) complete; sherds, BT, obsidian, chert; A gorgeous plaster floor again + spans ~ 2m in front of a floating line of cobbles that I believe are tumble + want to peel b/c the surface continues underneath. It appears to be in some sort of a symmetrical position to the other 10cm thick floor w/in 23AF EU7E. It not only is in front but continues under the floating line of tumble. It also ^{sort of} spreads across the top of HEATHER.

020 50-60cm bgs (EU3E) clearing more of MAUIE in front of HEATHER.

Friday, 3 May 2002 PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-80

7:50am Today we have no workers + people are suppose to be starting FINAL NOTES b/c yesterday was suppose to mark the last day of excavating. I will continue w/ 23AE on Monday, b/c the SE wall / corner needs to be found + clarified. Now, continuing notes for descriptions of construction features along the Eastern facade.

23AE Description of Features

HEATHER - In the middle of FUCHA + SAGE, + earlier than either one of them. Constructed w/ more chinking stones, has traces of plaster being on the wall facing, + is higher than the 2 additions to the N + S of it. Also clear + distinct lines are present where it exists + where FUCHA + SAGE were added abutting HEATHER. MAUVE is at the entire base.

SAGE - To the South of HEATHER + built later. 3-courses high; very few - to no chinking stones, no plaster traces on the facing itself only sprinkles of a possible old surface, but not as nicely preserved as MAUVE.
EU 4E + 5E + continues to the South ^{out} of excavation.

LIMEGREEN - Very low-lying early (possibly earliest) construction step. 5 cut pieces of limestone + the one at the very end to the N is ^{columnar} basalt. It was a step that was hidden + covered over by what is left of MELON. It's step #1 in the series of early cut limestone steps. EU 2E. 1-course high (from what's exposed)

RUST - Step #2 in the series of cut limestone stairs that were probably covered over. However, RUST was probably the uniform platform level that was probably established after LIMEGREEN was covered up. ~ 3 cut-block ^{slab} courses high. 6 ^{slab} long (exposed.) At the same level w/ the large limestone slabs found w/ in 23G. RUST - EU 2E, above LIMEGREEN.

BEIGE - Step #3. 3 courses high, but thinner + more closely compacted slabs than RUST b/c it's just not as high as RUST. Only 4 1/2 slabs exposed + all but large limestone. EU 2E.

TEAL - Step #4 in series + last nicely exposed step. 3 courses high + all of limestone. Slightly higher than BEIGE + possibly a little narrower. To the N of TEAL + what it actually runs into is ROSE. ROSE appears to be a little further out to the E, like it was a RC addition built on top of TEAL. The connection w/ ROSE marks TEAL's Northern extent.

MELON - The jumble of some cut limestone slabs + other RC's that once composed the hypothesized uniform platform that was at the same level as RUST. It's just sloping down now to the E. It covers LIMEGREEN + is sort of at the base of FUCHA. No real organization b/c it's just ~~the~~ what's left after some other construction feature collapsed.

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→ Descriptions of features named w/in 23AE, 23AF Str. 28 ←

23AE

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TAUPE - The thick (~40cm) soil fill unit laid in on top of TEAL w/in EURE. Part of a different phase of construction designed to cover TEAL so that a different RC construction could be built on top. KHAKI is built on top of TAUPE. There are some traces of more (possible) limestone slabs peaking out in the soil, which could represent step #5 in the series up to the summit, b/c further behind KHAKI there is a stack of 3

KHAKI - A floating (tumbling + slipping) line of 1-course high RC resting on top of TAUPE. Not very nice RC's; fairly angular, but a good representation of later construction, + poorer construction using RC's. To the Southern ~~extent~~ where KHAKI seems to fade out, PEARL, the nice plaster floor appears + is riding at a level higher than KHAKI. There isn't too much else more to KHAKI + other older limestone possible constructions can be seen behind it. But definitely lower than PEARL.

CANTALOUPE - Another poorly preserved floating RC construction of only 1 course (EURE) exposed w/ older limestone traces peaking out underneath it. Possibly continues to the N into 23G + maybe across into 23AF, but not as far as EBONY; the 10cm thick plaster surface. CANTALOUPE is the line that Ed suggested I remove in order to get a better look at the earlier limestone construction under it. PEARL does not extend as far N as CANTALOUPE, but if it did, it would be at the base of it. Above KHAKI. Probably the next in the RC series of later steps after KHAKI.

9:35am

PEARL - A nice + ~~pretty~~ fairly well preserved plaster surface. Large whole uniform sections are still intact + in their appropriate positions; but only close up to the area of the well + soil fill that is sitting on top of it. FOREST GR. is the soil fill that has bits of white flecks + DENIM BLUE is on top of F.G., which is built on top of PEARL. It gets less + less preserved the closer to the south but it still appears to continue under everything... i.e. DENIM BLUE + SALMON to the South. These are also other possible constructions that Ed may want me to take over + follow PEARL back + see how far it extends.

DENIM BLUE - Yet again, another poorly preserved, slumping + tilting out of place single course RC construction. It appears to be in line w/ CANTALOUPE only it is tilting in a different way... same as SALMON to the North. D.B. cobbles are really facing downward... a string of ~6 cobbles. PEARL is at the base + D.B. is constructed on top of FOREST GR.

FOREST GR. - Soil fill C.U. that D.B., SALMON for sure, + possibly CANTALOUPE are constructed on top of. It's not as thick a C.U. under D.B., but then again D.B. is tilting and SALMON is more level + more of F.G. can be seen + w/ PEARL underneath. A lot of either old plaster or just limestone piece inclusions, but nothing much else.

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→ Descriptions of Named Features Eastern facade.

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23AE Naming theme C.U. Features cont'd.

SALMON - The last of the poorly constructed single course RC lines that are above PEARL plaster surface. Built on top of FOREST GREEN; it is not slipping or slumping compared to how out of position DENIM BLUE appears. But SALMON is again one of the possible lines that may be pulled out if the limestone steps are truly going to be pursued. However, the likelihood that the limestone steps extend this far to the south would only be speculation considering nothing like that has been seen this far to the south.

Construction features that span both 23AE + 23AF + also 23G,

PINK - The proposed basal wall facing initially exposed by Christian (PVC#34) in 2001. Composed of columnar basalt shaped into block slabs. Continue both to the N + S until they reach SKY BLUE + BROWN, respectively.

SKY B. + BROWN are RC constructions. Additionally, hypothesized to be the basal facing for here in the (smack) middle of the structure but even the surface of the base of the wall, could easily + believable slope down to a plaza level surface. However, beyond out to BROWN + SKY BLUE, the case for being the basal wall is no longer convincing. The top edges of the basalt slabs appear as if they're chipped... perhaps tumble breaking them as they fall, or they were purposefully damaged + meant to be left appearing semi-destroyed. But they seem to also chip + fracture easily.

VIOLET - Only a step up toward the W of PINK. Extends almost as far as PINK in either direction but stops short + other construction features continue on. Composed of shaped columnar basalt as well as PINK, however, made into smaller sizes; more rectangular + narrow snow-boy sized. They all seem to have the edge of them shaved a shaped at an angle facing outward toward the plaza. And there's only one missing + it's from the 23G axial trench.

11:28am

23AF

VERMILION - A surface at the base of PINK but only w/ in **23AF**. At first from the South it seems like some type of flat stone surface but the closer to the N + where SKY BLUE starts, there is some evidence of plaster surfacing. Where it's bonafide surface or plaster facing traces falling off I can't tell. But even though it's sort of represents a few types of things going on as far as cobble + plaster surface, VERMILION is how it will be referred to as a whole in front of PINK.

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→ 23AF Naming descriptions Eastern Facade

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23AF Naming feature descriptions cont'd

SKYBLUE - The RC constructed wall that continues at the same alignment as PINK. Considered 2 separate construction features b/c of the construction materials + the way they were constructed. SKYBLUE is ~ 3 courses high + has evidence for having been plastered on its facing as well as at the base, which is labeled CREAM. Very compact + well constructed... visually it's similar to the HEATHER looks. Used the technique of packing them in tightly + also using chinking stones to fill in the smaller gaps.

12:47pm CREAM - Plaster surface at the base of SKYBLUE. Or perhaps it's not a floor but simply the crumbled pieces of the plaster that was once on the facing, but has fallen off. It extends the entire length of SKYBLUE + probably further to the North out of the excavated area.

CRIMSON - The second terrace up from the Eastern side. It somewhat can be lined up w/ FUCHSIA from 23AE, but CRIMSON appears to have been built further down the slope. But they appear as if they could contain some symmetrical properties. ~ a 3 course high construction made of RC that are flat + ~ all the same size... large cobbles. Pretty fairly poor construction technique of stacking the cobbles on top of each other in columns + also no chinking stones used as support in b/w the areas. North of ULAC, EU-F.

1:11pm ULAC - Is aligned w/ CRIMSON + is North of it + appears to possibly continue to the North out of the excavation. ULAC is similar to HEATHER, which leads me to believe that a similar story is occurring here as it did to the South w/ in ~~23AE~~ 23AE. It is possible that ULAC was constructed first b/c it is simply constructed better (as compared to CRIMSON). ULAC has a lot of chinking stones to hold it in place + fill in the gaps b/w the larger cobbles. In some places it is still constructed w/ the cobbles stacked.

Monday, 6 May 2002 PVC El Coyote

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7:51am Kind of a cloudy morning, but only white puffy clouds, no rain as of the moment. And no rain over the course of the weekend... as much as it might be nice... it would ruin a lot of open excavations. Today is one of the last days for excavating... I've got my usual 4 + probably will tomorrow as well.

23AE 021 20-60cm bgs (EU9E) started. Removed northern 3 cobbles of DENIM BLUE that was sitting on top of the fill unit FOREST GR. + also the plaster surface, PEARL that continues underneath. Want to see if there is another wall or some other type of construction + how far to the west PEARL extends. 022 50-70cm bgs (EU1E) started. Mainly only around a large cobble believed to possibly be a corner; whether it's a basal corner or just where a terrace ends, is unknown for the moment. Simply checking to make sure it's a corner first.

23AF is not being excavated w/in for the moment.

8:50am 021 20-60cm bgs (EU9E) excavating through DENIM BLUE + removing fill unit **23AE** FOREST GREEN complete; sherds, bajareque, site. Right away another line of white limestone w/ RC underneath was identified; ~10cm to the west + PEARL continues the whole way back + only goes up to the base of the new wall. The new line will be called COPPER, ^{Not 100% + Raphael} 023 60-80cm bgs (EU 2E + 9E b/w both) started. Removed 2 Northern cobbles that compose KHAKI w/ the intent of looking at what's closer behind them. Have already revealed more limestone slabs part of a step probably above TEAL. Went through part of TAUPE, fill unit above TEAL. Only a 50cm section b/w 2 middle cobbles of KHAKI.

9:51am 023 60-80cm bgs (EU 2E + 9E) b/w TAUPE + KHAKI is another 2 steps!! complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, chert. 2 additional limestone slab steps have been revealed. Cleared 50cm across all the way up to CANTALOUPE. Created a great area for a section. 024 40-80cm bgs (EU9E) started by removing middle 2 cobbles of CANTALOUPE w/ the intent of following the limestone steps up as high as possible. Should be near a continuation of where COPPER should be.

11:23am 024 40-80cm bgs (EU9E) going well. And going the whole 1.5m of the EU from the E to the W. going through tumbled area above CANTALOUPE.

1:33pm **23AE** 022 50-70cm bgs (EU1E) is continuing well. Starting to think that the line does continue across to the south but still very hard to tell, due to all the tumble. In some places there are more than 1 course high. Perhaps a corner stone type construction has been identified, but still clearing around it to tell for sure.

Monday, 6 May 2002 PVC El Coyote

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1:42 pm

[23AE]

Ø24 40-80cm bgs (E9E) continuing up to the western extent of E9E; as close to the summit as it has been able to be laid out. Continuing around CANTALOUPE. 2 new limestone slab construction features probably associated w/ the other 6 steps have been uncovered. They are going to be named PINE + OLIVE, respectively.

PINE is the lower one... Step # 5 in the series of limestone slab steps. And OLIVE is the next one up from PINE... Step # 6. COPPER I believe is present in this same area as it is behind DENIM BLUE only around CANTALOUPE it appears to have more RC construction; Versus COPPER near DENIM BLUE is almost all limestone.

[23AE]

E97F ... not exactly a lot or depth of excavations, but only removed the large cobble to the south of EBONY, the ^{10cm} plaster surface, + CORAL, the wall to the W. of EBONY. It was the possible area where Ed mentioned something of a possible cache that once existed under the plaster floor, but there is evidence the floor was purposely destroyed to get at something... + then the large cobble was placed in the area that was dug into. In any case, the cobble was removed + the area cleaned a little, but nothing surfaced or caused a need for anything to be excavated deeper.

Tuesday, 7 May 2002 PVC El Coyote

AP-02-19-86

7:49am It's already starting to feel really humid. Miranda mentioned that it rained a little last night, but I don't remember. I haven't got too much else going on around here. The excavations in the EU1E area are basically done... only removing some tumbled cobbles + the soil around them. Nelson + Raphael are cleaning the excavations w/ in 23AF for photos b/c they haven't been touched in a long while. I'm waiting on Pat + Ed to come around + tell me what else they think I need to do, if anything. I believe it's all done + there really aren't even little things that I can do. anymore, b/c I feel I did them all yesterday. All the back dirt + cobbles need to be moved, but I also wanted to take some photos from on top of them before it was all moved. Then again, I just don't know what else to do w/ my guys. There's too much sun at the moment to take good photos.

- 8:30am
- ① follow BEIGE to the S to find extent
 - ② on top of ROSE to find N extent of cave.
 - ③ follow SKY BLUE to the N + look for more highs + lows
 - ④ extend to the E off around HAZEL + figure out what's going on w/ the higher surface + not matching up w/ the plaza surface.

10:50am After talking to first Pat + establishing all the list of 4 more sort of heavy + involved things that she wants me to do, I've started w/ #1 from the list. 025 10-40 cm bgs (EU2E) started. Continuing off from the same level as BEIGE + exposing the facing of TEAL to try to establish exactly how far to the South the limestone stairs extend. It's apparent that OLIVE continues through 23G + into 23AF, except that it's not as well preserved. But LIME GREEN, RUST, BEIGE, + TEAL, + PINE come to a stop + don't continue into 23G. Excavating through the fill + cobble feature that was constructed on later.

022 50-70 cm bgs (EU1E) was also worked on a little more this morning + was cleaned up. A corner can kind of be identified but there's a lot of tumble. And there's a lot of tumble at the very ^{South} edge of the excavation. Complete now. Shards, obsidian, chert, bajanegue, jade and a 3rd metate piece. 026 0-40 cm bgs (EU1E) started. EU1E is new + is a 1.5 x 1.5m EU that is 1.5 m south of the Northern extent of EU1E + 1.5 cm E of it. The ~~goal~~ goal is to try to find a possible basal line since there is part of a floor + still high above the plaza surface.

Tuesday, 7 May 2002 PVC El Coyote

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1:40pm

23AE

Φ25 10-40cm bgs (EU2E) seems to have run into a problem. 2-3 more cobbles to the south were uncovered by these excavations around BEIGE + following it into the E cobble fill of the later overlay construction. I just don't know whether I should peel out more of the purposeful RC construction. I feel I'm already destroying it + should leave it alone, then again, I really want to know how far it extends... but there is also ~~PEARL~~ the plaster floor that is riding on the top of the cobbles. I think it's gone as far as it can w/out ^{being too} ~~obvious~~ ^{taking out} about sort of destroying architecture + not full. Perhaps it's the most I can get + simply hypothesize that it goes only a cobble or 2 sabs away to the south + way under the construction of HEATHER.

(Pat's #4 thing to do on list)

- Φ26 0-40cm bgs (EU2E) continuing. Surprisingly (JOKING) finding a lot of tumble. This is near the base so there's bound to be tons of it after having fallen from on top of the structure all the way down to the bottom. But so far, no type of construction has been uncovered.

Φ25 10-40cm bgs (EU2E) complete; sherds, bajoneque, chert, jute. Decided to simply stop bc at the moment it's not worth going through + destroying purposeful construction, whether it's a wall, floor, or even fill.

2:12pm

23AF

Φ13 50-60cm bgs (EU7F) started. Starting task #2 on Pat's list of suggestions from this morning. There is a continuation of OLIVE from 23AE all the across in 23G is fragments in to 23AF in a decaying limestone form. It's not at all as well preserved in 23AF as it is in 23AE. Cutting back just above ROSE in only a ~35-40 cm area to the south of the columnar basalt rectangular corbe that I thought could have had a ~~cache~~ cache to the N side of it. Going down deeper to the N side of what's left of OLIVE to see if it really ends there since at the moment cannot really establish what is the So. extent.

2:54

23AF

Φ13 50-60cm bgs (EU7F) complete; sherds, bajoneque. Not much uncovered, perhaps only more of OLIVE that keeps going to the N + doesn't stop at the columnar basalt piece.

23AE

Φ26 0-40cm bgs (EU11E) complete; sherds, animal bones. a lot of tumble + maybe a line but I think I'm coming at it from the wrong way... not following anything, only where I THINK it should be.

Wednesday, 8 May 2002 PVC @ Coyote AP-02-19-38

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Eastern Facade

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8:00am Already starting off a little humid, but we haven't had any rain yet... sometimes it only looks like it will. But I'm super tired + don't know if I'll be able to get myself motivated to finish up some notes + sketches today.

- [23AE] Started, again, another new EU. EU12E is a 1.5 x 1m area W of EU9E. It's 50cm South of 23G + extends 1.5m to the West, toward the summit. The intent is to continue up the slope to investigate whether there are more of the limestone steps that continue up to the summit.
- 027 40-60cm bgs (EU12E) started. Continuing deeper to try to identify some type of feature that would help explain why the ground surface is so high by HAZEL compared to the plaza surface.
 - 028 0-40cm bgs (EU13E) started. EU13E is the new EU established to find more of the limestone slab stairs + see how high they extend.

8:50am [23AE] 027 40-60cm bgs (EU12E) complete; sherds, wajareque No architecture, only a lot of the crumbled limestone bits, which makes me think there was something once there, but what, I have no idea. It's been left alone for now until P + E can take a look + see what they can see + if there is some type of construction + I just don't recognize.

[23AE] 014 0-40cm bgs (EU10F) started. EU10F was just established to follow SKY BLUE to the N + to see if it does similar things as BROWN, TAN, + HAZEL do to the S; i.e., do they fluctuate + go up + down in terms of height + if it possibly could be symmetrical from what's already exposed to the south.

10:45am [23AE] 028 ~~0-40~~ ⁰⁻⁴⁰ bgs (EU13E) continuing... ^{surprisingly} a lot of tumble from broken limestone pieces. Haven't exactly identified new lines yet. The possible limestone lines seem really broken up + don't have the large slabs as the others.

Continuing descriptions of construction features.

[23AE]

04 → the line of RC + 4-6 courses high w/ in EU2F. Almost at the same elevation + sticking out to the East as much as RUST from w/ in [23AE]. Only 2 limestone slabs + the rest are all river cobbles. Set further back than CRIMSON + extends from the Northern edge of 23G all the way up to the back side of CRIMSON. Again relatively poorly constructed b/c the cobbles are mainly stacked on top of each other w/ no clinching stones in between. It's fairly well preserved considering the cobbles used are fairly round + that the other building materials

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around PEACH have probably been stolen + that's why so much of PEACH is visible.

2:11pm Ed came around ~11am + said that backfilling was about to take place on str. 75 to the south + I still had more to do down there as far as finish up FINAL NOTES... so I went down + completed all that during lunch. Needless to say, ~~watch~~ watching them backfill can be a very stressful thing to watch.

[23AF] Φ14 0-40cm bgs (EU10F) is continuing, yet very slowly. Soon all 4 guys will need to be put here to excavate to get as much of it exposed... perhaps tomorrow will be the last days excavating.

[23AE] Φ28 0-40cm bgs (EU13E) complete; shreds. A few other lines were uncovered. However, they were not very distinct as being completely constructed of limestone or of only RC. They appear similar to some of the lines found w/in 23G from Christian (PVC #34). None of them have been named as of yet.

Φ29 70-80cm bgs (EU11E) started. Only excavating w/in the southern most corner of EU11E where 5 cobbles that are tumbled have all fallen in a row + on top of each other. Ed said to remove them b/c he thought he saw something that could resemble a corner.

[23AF] Descriptions of named features

ROSE - Is the oldest construction to me w/in the whole subop. It's exposed at its highest height w/in 23G + it's blw 4-5 courses high + w/in 23AF only ~3 courses high. All very round large - XL RC. Almost has the appearance of being the back of a wall b/c there are no flat facings... especially w/in 23G. As it moves to the N + toward into 23AF it is directly behind PEACH. It seems that it could continue to the N as part of this terrace line that continues intermittently until the end of excavation w/in 23AF EU11E.

EBONY - A very thick (~10cm) plaster surface. It lays at the base of CORAL. What's interesting is that it appears to be built on top of some smaller sized rocks AND that it's been cracked + according to Ed purposely destroyed to possibly get at something.

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EBONY

23AF

like a cache that was buried under the plaster surface that seems as if it could have extended further to the South, but since it was probably destroyed to get at something, it more than likely only continues up to the edge of CORAL, the wall to the west of EBONY. AND it probably also continues out of the limits of current excavation.

CORAL - A relatively poorly constructed, yet still well preserved, ^{RE} facing of a terrace that has EBONY, a plaster surface, at the base. I think it is present in 23AE & continues to the North into 23AF, yet it seems to change appearance a little w/ that change into the differing areas. At first w/in 23AF, it's not very well preserved & jumbling out of place slightly... probably b/c the only thing underneath it is the small traces of OLIVE (23AE) that extend over. But OLIVE is an old, eroding & decaying limestone terrace/step feature.

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7:37am Today has to be the last day for excavating since, including today, I only have 4 more days left. It's kind of hazy-sunny this morning. I hope more clouds roll in b/c I have a ton of pictures to take. But I'll also start **FINAL NOTES**.

[23AF] **Φ14** 0-40cm bgs (EU10F) continuing. Only excavation taking place + it's only following **SKY BLUE** to the N to see how it might change + go up + down like **HAZEL** w/in 23AE to the south.

11:18pm [23AF] **Φ14** 0-40cm bgs (EU10F) still continuing... a lot of really nice ceramic artifacts have been pulled out... some handles + pieces w/ red paint designs still preserved. All 4 have been working here all morning.

I've taken some photos of construction features from 23AE. The lighting could stand to be nicer w/ more clouds + everything, but it's sort of hazy. But the morning is also the best time to try to take photos when the sun is out b/c it's in the E + directly hitting the facade + there really aren't any shadows caused by other rocks.

LIST of things to complete on Str. 128 by

- ① chart of measurements for Eastern facade
- ② **FINAL NOTES** (descriptions) for Summit + Eastern facade.
- ③ photos: 23AE, 23AF, 23AC (SW corner)
- ④ section drawing of Eastern Summit wall
- ⑤ drawing of Summit using drawing grid.

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→ Subop 23AF

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7:31am Have already started **FINAL NOTES**, but just continuing to excavate further along **SKY BLUE** (all 4). And I'll take photos so that when I'm done they can slowly move away the backdirt.

[23AF] **Φ15** 40-60cm bgs (EU10F) started. Going deeper around + in front of **SKY BLUE**. Should be done by lunch. **Φ14** 0-40cm bgs (EU10F) complete yesterday, shards, bajareque, obsidian, chert, metal frag.

8:39am 23AF **Φ15** 40-60cm bgs (EU10F) just came down on a gorgeous + ^{very} well preserved plaster surface. The Eastern of ~~EU10F~~ **EU10F** is ~ 80cm away from **SKY BLUE** + it extends all the way to the edge of the EU. I really want to keep following it down to the East but I just don't know if we have the time w/ everything else that needs to be done.

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9:49am

23AF

015 40-60cm bgs (EU10F) complete; sherds, bajanque, metate leg frag, bone. Beautiful plaster floor. Will have the ~~name~~ ^{CREAM} ~~AAAR-6000~~ from now on, just like the other part exposed. EU11F was created it's a 1x1m EU that's 1.5m W of the end of EU10F. EU11F's intent is to follow the plaster surface to the East in only a little section to see what else is below... possibly more plaster, even though it looks like it's at an angle w/ the slope *... or is there another wall/terrace construction. Plaster floor still very high up at a different level than the plaza surface... something else is going on b/w this floor + the base of the plaza. 016 0-40cm bgs (EU11F) started to try to find a wall or something

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23AF

016 0-40cm bgs (EU11F) complete; sherds

Again, similar to wlin 23AE, nothing is really appearing here. CREAM has appeared to sort of end at the western most extent of this EU + there were a lot of medium-sized cobbles. Those were taken up to reveal a more dense + compact uniform surface. It's just all very strange... b/c there has to be some other type of construction b/c what else would be displacing to height at which the structure is so that it's not meeting up w/ the plaza surface. SKY BLUE is just ~~regular~~ ^{as far as elevation} high, + is not a very tall construction... what else is around that's making it so high?

017 40-60cm bgs (EU11F) started.

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017 40-60cm bgs (EU11F) not really finding much... soil is hard + dark + contains NO cobbles/rocks of any kind... but it still has pieces of ceramics + BT.

Called it quits w/ excavations for the time being + moved the guys on to moving the backdirt piles away from the edges of the excavations + continued to take some photos. Lighting wasn't very good... it was fairly sunny.

USING DATUM 2 (24 cm abs 25 cm abs) DATUM 3 197cm Below DATUM 2

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→ Measurement Chart Subops: 23AE, 23AF, 23G Str. 128 ←

	Subop	Feature	Height(m)	Length(m)	Width(m)	(EoFN) Orientation	Courses	Material	Function
	D3	AE PINK	188-T 238-B	4 m 55 cm	40 cm	336	3-4 H 1 W	CB RC	Step / T
	D3	AE VIOLET	167-T 181-B	4 m 55 cm	max-49 min 12	336	1 H 1 wide	CB	Step / T
	D3	AE CANARY YELLOW	238-T 264-B	20 cm exposed	30 cm	336	2 H 1 W	L RC	Step
	D3	AE BROWN	169-T 209-B	210 cm	47 cm	336	2 H 1 W	RC L	T
	D3	AE TAN	112-T 125-B	220 cm	90 cm	340	3-4 W	RC	T
	D3	AE HAZEL	142-T 170-B	247 cm	62 cm	336	1-2 H 2-3 W	RC	Low T
	D3	AE FUCHIA	44-T 119-B	100 cm	77 cm	336	2-3 H 2 W	RC	T
	D3	AE HEATHER	44-T 106-B	170	44	336	4 H 2-3 W	RC W / plaster Has chinking along	Projection?
	D3	AE SAGE	840-T 103-B	3 m exposed	45	336	4-5 H 1 W	RC	T
	D3	AE LIME GREEN	168-T 176-B	205 cm exposed	33 cm	330	1 H 1 W	L + CB	Step
	D3	AE RUST	139-T 169-B	2 m	40 cm	330	3 H 1 W	WL L	Step
	D3	AE BEIGE	112-T 142-B	2 m	35 cm	330	3 H 1 W	L WL	Step
	D3	AE TEAL	81-TOP 108-BASE	230 cm	48 cm	330	3 high 1 wide	WL	Step
		AE MAUI	106 cm	260 exposed	40	Abuts Heather		Plaster	floor
	D3	AE KHAKI	13-T 45-B	2 m exposed	57	330	2-3 H 1-2 wide	RC	T
	D2	AE CANTALOUPE	146-T 173-B	164 cm	48 cm	336	1-2 High 1 wide	RC	Step T
		AE PEARL	O	360 cm exposed	70 cm preserved	abuts copper		Plaster floor	floor
	D3	AE MELON	126-T 168-B	102	107		2-3 H 4 W	RC WL CB	T
	D2	AE DENIM BLUE	139-T 176-B	182 cm	36 cm	336	1-2 H 2-3 W	RC	T
	D2	AE SAUMON	134-T 179-B	150 exposed	50 cm	330	1 H 2 W	RC WL	T
	D2	AE COPPER	139-TOP 146-BASE	37 cm	2 m exposed	336	3 HIGH 1 WIDE	RC WL L	STEP
	D2	AE CHARCOAL	92-TOP 139-BASE	41 cm	2 m exposed	336	3-4 HIGH 5 WIDE	RC WL L	TOP STEP OR TERRACE
	D2	AE SPARKLE	70-TOP 98-BASE	28 cm	2 m exposed	336	2-3 H 4-5 W	RC WL	Step
	D2	AE PLUM	31-TOP 98-BASE	67 cm	2 m exposed	336	3-4 HIGH 3 WIDE	RIVER-OB WHITELINE	EAST SUMMIT EXTERIOR
	D3	AE TANGERINE	116-T 160-B	205 cm	66 cm	340	3 H 2 W	RC L	T
	D3	AE COTTON CANDY	137-T 166-B	140 cm exposed	60 cm	336	1-2 H 2 W	RC WL	T
	D3	AE PINE	40-T 80-B	90 cm exposed	37 cm	330	4 high 1-2 wide	WL	Step
	D2	AE OLIVE	142-T 222-B	1 m exposed	43 cm	330	2 high 2 wide	WL L	Step
		AE KIWI GR.	124-T 169-B	370 m exposed	35 cm exposed	240	1 H 2 W	CB RCL	corner?
	AF	SKYBLUE	130-T 141-B	850 cm	45 cm	332	3-4 H 2 W	R WL	T
	AF	CRIMSON	124-T 136-B	450 cm	80 cm	332	4 H 1-2 W	RC	T
	AF	ROSE	33-T 136-B	280 exposed	66	360	4-6 H 1-2 W	RC WL	T
	AF	PEACH	88-T 169-B	2 m exposed	55 cm	332	4-5 H 1 W	L RC	T
	D3	AF VERMILION	238-T 249-B?	145 exposed	40 cm exposed	336	1-2 W 3 H	RC WL	Step
	AF	EBONY	155-T 114-B	140 exposed	50 cm preserved	abuts coral		Plaster floor	floor
	AF	CORAL	50 cm above D3 20-B	460 cm exposed	47 cm	340	3-4 H 1-2 W	RCL WL	T
	AF	LIAC	45-T 103-B	290 cm	60 cm	336	3-4 H / chinking 2 W / w/ stone	RC WL	T
	AF	CREAM	186	850 cm	76 cm exposed	abuts sky blue		Plaster	floor

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23AB Description of features.

BLUE The western interior summit wall located North of 23G from Christian Wells' excavations (PVC# 34) in 2001. It is a very low 1-course, in some places 2-course, high construction of all river cobbles. On the average size of cobbles... mainly large. Some have slumped + are tilted in toward the summit; + those were left in place considering how shallow the feature was constructed from the beginning. BLUE + RED (23AA) are probably the same feature; however since neither one could be clearly identified or salvaged ~~from~~ after removing the backfill from 23G, as they were uncovered in the separate subops... they were given separate name designations. Somewhat preserved near EU 2 or W of it is part of a fragmented bayareque floor (YELLOW). Once it was identified, ~~BLUE~~ BLUE was only followed down to that level in the hopes that more of the same would be preserved around it. Further to the N along BLUE, BLACK begins to appear + abutt up next to BLUE (BLACK being some RC construction feature in the middle of the designated summit area.) And, further beyond where BLUE + BLACK abut each other is the NW interior summit corner w/ GREEN. In the corner there is a lot of stone sized rocks, which at first were thought to be part of a floor, but later concluded on being what was left over of a wall feature that once stood in the corner + the smaller chinking stones were all that was left.

GREEN The Northern interior summit wall + the furthest excavated feature w/ in 23AB. To the west GREEN corners w/ BLUE, but since the corner is fairly poorly preserved it can't be determined what their relationship is. It's all a tumbled mess + very shallow, so one can't tell whether the corner was integrated or abutting. Similar to BLUE, GREEN is a low 1-2 course high construction, near EU 21 - 23, broken pieces of limestone surfaced all at ≈ 15 cm bgs + span all the way from GREEN to the southern extent of the EUs. GREEN corners w/ GRAY (N) w/ in EU 23 + from what it seems they are abutting + aren't integrated. In all GREEN is not very well preserved + composed of rounded + irregularly shaped river cobbles. Range in size from chinking stone sized cobbles of $9 \times 5 \times 4$ cm to larger cobbles of $37 \times 22 \times 21$ cm.

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23AB Description of features cont'd.

GRAY(N) - The Eastern interior summit wall b/w the NE interior corner + the Northern extent of the first doorway entrance, GOLD. Similar to BLUE + GREEN, it is an all RC construction feature that is only 1 course high. It appears to abutt GREEN to form the NE interior corner, but being a corner there is a lot of jumble, making it somewhat difficult to tell the exact relationship of the abutting corner. But GREEN really appears to have built first... + then GRAY(N) up against it.

Approx. 35cm bgs there is a layer of small-medium sized decaying limestone pieces all at the same level + possibly composing some type of surface. However, they only extend \approx 45-50cm west of GRAY(N) + run all along GRAY(N) from the North 2.3m... almost the entire length of the designated feature of GRAY(N). The cobble constructed wall ends + some other low + flat lying river cobbles + limestone pieces continue... + that sort of continues into the doorway furthest to the North, GOLD, or doorway labeled #1.

The limestone stones are \sim 10cm below where GRAY(N) ends + appear to continue under the soil fill that is b/w the limestone rocks + cobbles of GRAY(N). But there are none present in E1.36.

GOLD - The doorway furthest to the North w/in the summit. On the Northern boundaries of GOLD are the low-lying flatter cobbles that due to their low depth could have been covered over. But some are rectangular shaped + positioned E-W in a line. Then w/in the Southern boundary of GOLD, it is an open + empty of cobbles area. This probably was the 1a designated threshold of the doorway... however, w/ the excavation of the Eastern plaza facade, it does not appear there was any type of a formal staircase or entrance that led up to this doorway. Yet, excavations on the facade below GOLD do not extend all the way up to GOLD, however, from what's exposed, there are only terraces + does not hold strong evidence as there being a formal entrance to the summit from this Northern most doorway.

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Descriptions of features cont'd

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LAVENDER - One portion of the Eastern interior summit wall that is in b/w the Northern most doorway, GOLD, & the center doorway, SILVER to the south. Varies from being a 1-2 course high construction, slumping inwards towards the summit room slightly. Composed of med.-large sized cobbles. The ~ 1.5m to the North is only ~ 1 course high, but closer to SILVER it becomes more into 2 courses high. & w/ some chinking stones. Note the most well preserved or even constructed ^{well} from the beginning. But interestingly, it does appear to rise higher than GRAY (N) to the North & also ~~it~~ it drops down in height as it extends to the South into the 2nd, or middle doorway, SILVER. The cobbles as a whole are pretty irregular & all different shapes & sizes. Some have flat facings & others do as well, but they are just tucking out of the wall & sloping inward. A fair amount of bajareque was found at the base of this wall, ^{at} intermittent levels of depth indicating that perhaps it was all from a wall, & not actually a surface.

Closer toward the area of the middle doorway, SILVER, it is simply a wall 3 courses high, contains no small chinking stones, & is set back further to the East than the rest of LAVENDER. It definitely is some area used as support for the threshold of the doorway itself. It was not constructed to be exposed b/c there is no way it would have been stable to stand being exposed.

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SILVER - Doorway #2, or the middle doorway. Possibly at some point in time the formal & main entrance into the Summit room. From the excavations in 23AE of the Eastern facade, it appears there ~~are~~ is an early construction unit of ~~limestone~~ limestone stairs that more than likely extended (9 stairs in total) up to the top of the exterior summit wall, PLUM. Similar to the southern extent of LAVENDER, SILVER appears to have all of the few cobbles associated w/ it, under some level of occupation. As in, they were constructed as supports to be some level as a stabilizing construction unit. There is just too much space in b/w all the cobbles for it to have been open & exposed to the elements. There appear to be ~ 2 courses of ~~limestone~~ this purposely constructed feature.

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PERIWINKLE - The middle wall construction in b/w doorway #2, the middle doorway, SILVER, + doorway #3, the southern most doorway, BRONZE. Somewhat similar to LAVERNER b/w GOLD + SILVER in that it sort of contains a mixture of different sized + shaped cobbles, but also that it ranges from 1-2 courses high. Similarly, it also has the same feature, that the wall was a construction that was covered over as a support + then extends up high again to form the part of the wall that would have been exposed + been the formal part of the wall that would have supported the dividing wall b/w the 2 doorways. As the wall continues to the south it does become ~ 2 courses high + of a similar the solid construction method. But then again, further more to the south, it lowers + becomes part of the construction associated w/ the southern doorway, BRONZE. But before it does that it does step inward into the summit again similar to LAVERNER. And as it becomes BRONZE, the underlying wall steps back out again to the East.

BRONZE - The southern + 3rd doorway found w/in the summit facing toward the East. Similar to SILVER, it contains low lying cobbles that are not arranged in a particular manner that would be well engineered to being exposed... but rather be covered up + in the middle of a doorway as support. The dipping of the soil as the cobbles get to their deepest in the center really shows the extent of how large the doorway could have been.

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* NOTE about all 3 doorways. From the Eastern facade excavations, the only distinctive stairs that could be identified were ~ 1m N of the boundaries of SILVER. It could be possible that the early limestone stairs extended a little to the N, or + also, that the opening of SILVER was slightly more to the south in line w/ the staircase. Or Pat had a suggestion that perhaps the steps didn't line up exactly w/ the middle opening to the summit, but went up a different way, + at some ~~angle~~ level was a platform to be able to walk over ~~the~~ to the middle entrance.

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7:30am

23AB

Description of features cont'd

GRAY(S) - The southern Eastern summit wall that joins w/ ORANGE to form the SE Summit corner. At least in one place it is a 4 course high construction, however closer to the SE corner area, it is probably shallower. Yet, similar to BRONZE to the south, GRAY(S) has low-lying cobbles probably part of the foundation of the doorway as support. The area that has the 4 courses exposed probably mostly covered + not exposed. This area does ~~not~~ "stick out" slightly to the west, or inward toward the summit like all the other walls along the Eastern side have done. The cobbles that are constructed in the 4 course high stack are somewhat flat + of the large-size persuasion, however closer to the SE corner w/ ORANGE the cobbles vary more in size ^{thickness on top} + are slumping out of their original constructed positions. The cobbles toward the bottom ^{or at the} base of excavations appear to be flatter + better situated + constructed than the cobbles that are lying on top of them + falling out of place. It's difficult to determine the exact relationship of how the 2 ~~walls~~ walls meet to form the SE corner of the summit. There are few cobbles + a lot of soil but no real evidence that they are integrated or interdigitated. GRAY(S) appears to continue on to the south + ORANGE is constructed up against it. If a label has to be given to their relationship, the most accurate would that they seem to be abutting, + it's ORANGE that abuts up against the construction of GRAY(S).

7:51am

ORANGE - The southern interior summit wall. All constructed w/ RC + it extends the whole length of the southern boundary of the summit, similar to GREEN to the North, but unlike BLUE + RED or the whole Eastern wall b/c of all the doorways that break up a constant line of construction. It's only 3-4 course high. Constructed very well compared w/ a wall like GREEN. Large-med sized cobbles used for the most part + very few smaller-sized chinking stones used. The bottom or base is fairly well preserved. Cobbles on the top are slipping forward toward the summit room. But due to how much spacing is present b/w the cobbles + no real smaller chinking stones, it might be safe to say that parts of the base were not fully exposed, but covered. Additionally, there is a large

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23AA Descriptions of Features cont'd

ORANGE

rise to the south of ORANGE. It is a little taller than the highest area of ORANGE + is probably some high wall... similar to the construction that Charlie webber uncovered in his original excavations of the SE group. A lot of the cobbles chosen for the top of the wall are a little irregular in shape + some don't necessarily have a flat facing. The cobbles at the base were a little more carefully chosen. At the base all along ORANGE, there is the remnince of a plaster surface. It was not very well preserved in the middle, which is where excavations continued deeper to find the base of the wall. The surface has been referred to as WHITE.

ORANGE forms both the SE + the SW summit corners of the structure. And yet again, similar to other construction features w/in this summit, it is difficult to determine exactly what's the relationship b/w 2 walls that meet. They do not appear to be integrated or interdigitated; rather abutting in some way.

8:21 am

RED

— The southern half of the western interior summit wall. This is the wall that could possibly be of the same construction as BLUE from w/in 23AB. However, for the time being, they are being referred to as 2 different constructions. But like BLUE, RED is a shallow 1-2 course high construction composed of a wide assortment of cobble sizes. A few ~~are~~ fairly large cobbles are contained in this wall. It is constructed considerably better to the south closer to ORANGE, which is a fairly high construction in itself. But ~1.5m North + away from the SW corner, the wall begins decay + is not very well preserved, at least not on the top of the wall. The cobbles on the top of the wall are slipping in all different directions. Some inward + some out + away from the summit, which is not difficult b/c it's relatively flat west of the structure but it has been leveled out + that's why the almost 2m high western basal wall that Christian (Arc#34) identified was so tall + large.

But in all it's not very well preserved. Toward the south on the outside near to 23AC + the SW basal corner is a large tree, so the effects of the root system can be seen w/ how some of the cobbles are being pushed in. Likewise, at the Northern extent of RED is another large tree that has pushed the wall out so much it wasn't really worth picking around at it to see what it ~~on~~ was once like

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RED - b/c the cobbles have been pushed out of place. In all the low, 1-course high construction that is the majority of RED is not very impressive. A depth of ~30cm bgs was carried out almost everywhere along RED b/c w/in eas of 23AA a preserved bajareque floor, PURPLE, was uncovered + it continues to line RED for ~2m. It seems to abutt up against the soil that RED is constructed on, but no excavations were carried out at a depth lower than PURPLE, except in one spot, one 1x1m area, where the base was trying to be found.

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PURPLE - The ~~big~~ bajareque floor at the base of RED along the southern half of the western interior summit ~~area~~ wall. For the most part it is still uniform, only slightly cracked + at different elevations in different places. It really appears to be a surface + not simply a wall facing that has fallen off b/c it's smooth + has no stick impressions + quite thick + dense, which would prove to be heavy if it were attached to the side of a wall. But it's only isolated in one particular area along RED, ~~perhaps~~ somehow it was just preserved here better + just not anywhere else. YELLOW is slightly similar.

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YELLOW - W/in 23AB is slightly the same as PURPLE, only there is A LOT more of PURPLE preserved... enough to really be able to picture it as a surface. YELLOW simply consists of a few fragmented flat pieces of bajareque next to BLUE. They are flat dense pieces that do not appear typical of being wallfacing fragments. But there are a few pieces that are close to BLUE + in some cases next to it... yet not enough is preserved to tell for sure whether YELLOW was constructed first w/ BLUE on top or if YELLOW is built up abutting BLUE + after it was constructed. In all, only a little + could have easily been loosed over, but at some point there probably was once a larger uniform surface.

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23AD Description of features.

Aquamarine - The Western exterior basal facing only exposed near the NW basal corner of the structure. Only ~1.5 m of the facing is exposed + 1m of that is down to the base of construction. It is a mixture of all types of River cobbles ... some large, some medium + some of smaller chinking stone size. At the base + not included into the construction of the wall are a few large cobbles ... however, they were not removed for fear of the possibility of the wall being supported by them now. A few ^{white} limestone pieces are included in the construction, but they are relatively smaller sized.

≈ 60cm bgs to the west of the facing is a line of 3 cobbles that is aligned // to AQUAMARINE, yet they are still only 3 cobbles + they are simply floating on soil. It's possible that they are nothing but they appeared to be in a line when we came down on them. Only tumbled smaller ^{broken} cobble bits under them in the soil. They also come 50cm shy of the corner w/ MAGENTA. But for the most part it's a complete straight facing w/ no ledges near the top ... at least not ones that were w/ in any excavation units.

The NW corner w/ MAGENTA appears to be integrated + constructed at the same time.

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MAGENTA -

The Northern exterior basal facing only exposed near the NW basal corner. Composed of a combination of very large RCs to smaller chinking stone sized cobbles. The base was not found for MAGENTA but of what was exposed, there are ~4 courses that are nicely aligned in rows of ^{very} large + flat cobbles stacked + laid very nicely on top of

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23AD Descriptions of features cont'd.MAGENTA -
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each other. However, unlike AQUAMARINE, MAGENTA appears to have a lower ledge + then ~ 40cm back goes up again in height to the same height as AQUAMARINE. The lower construction of the wall itself almost appears to have a kind of "pancake"-like construction in that there seems to be one layer of the larger RC's + then a smaller thinner layer of chinking stone sized cobbles w/ another layer of larger flat cobbles on top. Not completely consistent throughout all of what's excavated but a pattern in some of what's exposed.

23AC Description of features w/in SW basal corners.

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NAVY BLUE -

The western basal wall exposed only w/in the southern portion of the facing as a whole. It is completely possible that AQUAMARINE + NAVY BLUE are the same construction feature + are the same back wall the extends the entire length of the western wall; however, since large portions of the western wall were not exposed I don't feel comfortable assuming they are all the same uniform feature. (Plus, it's easier to describe the differences w/ the different names.) BUT, ~7 courses high + a mixture of large cobbles used as construction w/ smaller med-sized + chinking stone sized cobbles used in b/w^{as} filler for the gaps. There was possibly a ledge once w/in the area of E02, but so much tumble has fallen to the west that it's not very clear anymore. The base was never found b/c there is a plaster surface at the base of the ~ 7th course. It's a thick plaster surface that does not have a name but will be discussed in relation to NAVY BLUE.

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NAN BLUE

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23AC Descriptions of features cont'd w/in SW basal corner.

- It continues ~~the~~ the whole length until the SW basal corner where it meets w/ MAROON + they appear to be integrated + one construction unit.

MAROON

- The southern exterior basal wall. However, ~ only 10-15cm of this facing has actually been exposed. Only enough to find the corner wrap around the building on this SW side was excavated. It forms the corner w/ NAN BLUE; the western basal facing exposed w/in the southern portion of the wall.

The base of MAROON was never found b/c there was not enough time + the soil was very hard to dig through. Also there were a lot of artifacts that came from this area. Interestingly though, is the fact that the plaster surface in front

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Description of features w/in the Eastern Facade, or plaza facing of str. 128. Separated into 2 subops for excavation; 23AE to the S of excavations carried out in 2001 w/ E.C. Wells (PVC#34) + 23AF to the N.

23AE Descriptions of features from southern half of facing.

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KIWI GREEN

Not very much of a specific feature of any sort... but interesting enough, so it's worth being named. Only a large deposit of crumbled, decayed white limestone that was probably once part of something. Found all throughout the middle of EU 12E. Came upon blc excavations to the W w/ TANGERINE were revealing architecture + plaster surfaces higher than any level that could be the same as the plaza surface. Opened up EU 12E w/ the hope of finding another CU, but nothing. Time, permitting we were not able to go further down the slope to investigate what else could be down there + going on. But the limestone pieces (on average 6cm x 6cm) were once part of something + needed to be recognized. KIWI GR. is ~ 0.90 m away from the facing of TANGERINE, KIWI GR. itself is 0.40 m in width.

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COTTON CANDY

A low riding 1 course high construction that is at the very southern end of the excavations w/in EU 11E. The goal was to follow C.C. until a corner was established, but due to so much tumble + debris from both str. 128 + the one to the South, which is larger, it's either been destroyed or just doesn't exist anymore blc a clear corner is not present at the moment.

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COTTON CANDY

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23AE

The other interesting aspect is that C.C. is ^{at} so high a level + it doesn't match up w/ the plaza surface... it makes me believe that I don't really have the basal wall + that there is another C.U. further to the E down the slope of the structure. That's what the hope was while finding KIW GR. but that's all ~~that~~ that was uncovered. Only a line of ~4 RC w/ a plaster surface still preserved at parts of it.

Large size, irregular shaped RC used as construction. Miranda had the idea yesterday that C.C. + TANGERINE + HAZEL were all the same base line + TANGERINE was an addition being built up but only in that area. Looking at it now, I do believe that TANGERINE is different from C.C., even besides the difference in height aspect.

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TANGERINE

To the North of COTTON CANDY w/ in E.U.I.E. A 2-3 course high all RC construction w/ some REALLY large cobbles, but then also smaller chinking stone sized rocks. There is still parts of a plaster floor sporadically at the base in more [] ed toward the south near C.C.

TANGERINE + C.C. do not appear to have been constructed at the same time... but when C.C. was going to be added on a little more of height at the south was given to TANGERINE in order to build an extension an well. There is a lot of slumping material behind TANGERINE that was cleared ~~by~~ but never really cleaned + taken away to expose how it looked... only the ~~plaster~~ facing was cleared nicely. Consists of ~6 larger cobbles constructed on top of med- + small sized cobbles. Not a very nice wall or very well preserved.

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 23AE Descriptions of features from southern ^{side of Eastern} facing.

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HAZEL

- Another low-lying single course construction similar to COTTON CANDY, yet on the Northern side of TANGERINE. Composed of 7 cobbles aligned w/ TANGERINE + TAN to the North. Nothing much is back behind it. SAGE is the next Cu. up the slope to the W behind HAZEL... but HAZEL is low like C.C. + only has some RC tumble to the south of it, but interestingly some soil fill to the North of it. On top of the tumble + soil fill behind HAZEL is a plaster surface that is exposed further to the N, but not behind HAZEL b/c it's too poorly preserved + crumbled. But it can be seen in profile + a band of crumbled plaster is present. The back of the tumbled area until the start of SAGE behind it is ϕ .58 m. Not all are RC's. 2 large irregular shaped limestone compose HAZEL, ~~HAZEL~~ is probably slightly intergrated w/ TANGERINE, but it's hard to say b/c HAZEL is ~~low~~ low + it would be easy to build up from it. w/in ~~2~~ EU SE

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TAN

- 2-3 course high construction found w/ EU SE. Similar to the idea of TANGERINE b/c it is higher than HAZEL + BROWN to the S + N, respectively. Constructed all of RC's + mainly large-medium sized cobbles. Definitely a separate building construction episode than HAZEL + it occurred first. TAN contains better construction materials... nicer cobbles that are flat + some have flat facings. Not irregular shaped like w/in HAZEL. Compact type of construction technique. And it has some backing to it... even though it's tumbled + slipping, the back structuring of the facing can be made out. And also ~~where~~ where MAWE, the plaster surface at the base of HEATHER rides on top of the top of TAN.

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23AE Descriptions of Features on Eastern facing, south ^{half} ~~of~~

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BROWN

- To the North of TAN + south of PINK. A line that only consists of 4-5 RC that are somewhat irregular in shape. Preservation is fairly poor, but then again since it's only 1 course high, there isn't much to help keep it preserved. Cobbles do have flat facings, + they are only constructed on top of small chinking stone-sized cobbles. Very similar to both HAZEL + COTTONWOOD in that they are low-lying + only 1 course high. BROWN is part of the pattern associated w/ this terrace facing that appears to undulate w/ respect to the elevation of the walls. The pattern appears to contain 2 projections of larger height constructions spaced b/w 3 lower lying constructions. BROWN is the furthest one to the North. Very flat behind it up until the plaster surface of MAUVE + then the little bit of FUCHA w/ large cobble fill or tumble in front of it.

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FUCHA

- 2 course high construction of only 3 cobbles that is above to the west of BROWN + is an addition to the N side of HEATHER. Composed all of RC's w/ one white limestone cobble. The back of FUCHA is composed of fill of cobbles + soil that covers over 4 stairs of the original white limestone staircase filled over by RC construction. A lot of tumble of cobble fill in front of FUCHA but it was all left there b/c a small bit of MAUVE surfaced; so decided to keep it all at the same level in case it once was ~~in~~ in front of FUCHA. But FUCHA contains large cobbles + only a few smaller chinking stones... then again FUCHA just isn't all that large of a construction.

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Q3AE Descriptions of featuresHEATHER

- Is an old RC flanking construction that existed before FUCHA + SAGE b/c they are constructed on to the sides of HEATHER. ~ a 4 course high construction, yet there doesn't appear to be that much organization as far as rows in the way it was constructed. A mixture all around of large to small chinking stone-sized cobbles. The bottom 2 courses appear to still have parts of a plaster facing on them... besides MAUVE the very nice + well preserved plaster surface at the base. Very tightly compacted + constructed w/ every space filled in + no gaps left. The line on the top contains some fairly irregular shaped medium-sized cobbles, but everything else under it is flat + of a good construction material. MAUVE is all at the base of HEATHER + goes up to it + not under. But there are definite + distinct lines where FUCHA + HEATHER meet ~~to~~ on the N side of HEATHER + likewise w/ SAGE + HEATHER on the south side. Lines go back all the way to the extent of the crumbling plaster surface of PEARL.

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SAGE

- The other addition along w/ FUCHA, that was built on to the southern side of HEATHER. Composed all of RC except for 2 limestone cobbles. Also composed of larger + more irregular shaped cobbles w/ almost no smaller chinking stones to fill in the gaps (one big difference w/ this + w/ HEATHER). Not as nicely preserved as HEATHER probably due to all the gaps simply filled in w/ soil material. MAUVE, the plaster surface is somewhat present in front of SAGE, yet only in a ~~crumbled~~ crumbled fashion + not whole + complete as it is in front of HEATHER.

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9:59am **23AE** Descriptions of features @ Eastern facade.
 NOTE: on **HEATHER** came first + then **MAUVE** on top of it + **FUCHA**, **HEATHER**, then maybe **SAGE** b/c there is all that plaster **SAGE** + **MAUVE**, bits in front of it. But nothing else has plaster on the facing except for **HEATHER**. But then **FUCHA** is constructed + a plaster surface of **PEARL** from up above at the next terrace as fits in there.

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SALMON - A single course all irregular-shaped RC floating on top of a layer of soil fill that has **PEARL** a nicely preserved plaster surface running underneath it. The soil fill under **SALMON** is ~ ϕ . 40 m deep from the plaster surface until the floating line of cobbles that is **SALMON**. South of **DENIMBLUE** + South of **CANTALOUPE**, I have a feeling that they were once all apart of the same RC line that w/ a few cm of soil were made to cover over Step #7, **COPPER**, of the white limestone staircase. **SALMON** rides higher than **DENIMBLUE** b/c it was slumping severely.

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DENIMBLUE - North of **SALMON** + probably apart of the same RC terrace on top of soil fill burying the #7 step in the limestone staircase. Designated differently b/c of how much more the RC's are tilted + slumping as compared w/ **SALMON** + **CANTALOUPE** to the North. The plaster surface of **PEARL** continues under this line built on top of soil fill. 2-3 cobbles on the Northern portion close to **CANTALOUPE** were removed b/c they were slumping very badly + to see what else was behind them. **COPPER**, Step #7 was found behind D.B. + the soil it was constructed on... + **PEARL** goes up against **COPPER** + Steps. **COPPER** came first, then **PEARL** + much later the soil fill + the construction of D.B. + **SALMON** + **CANTALOUPE** on top.

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23AE Descriptions of Features

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CANTALOUPE

- Is the Northern extension of the single RC line that was floating on a layer of soil fill. Again, SALMON, DENIM BLUE, + CANTALOUPE were probably all not different construction features, but the same, only they have just slipped out of place in different ways in different places. Not much is left visible of CANTALOUPE b/c just like DENIM BLUE, part of it was removed to go through the soil fill to see what was behind it... + as the same as DENIM BLUE, COPPER was behind it. Only 1 very large cobble + 2 medium-sized cobbles left in place. The 2 middle cobbles were removed. Photos were taken of the way it all looked before anything was ripped out.

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PEARL

- The plaster floor at the base of DENIM BLUE, COPPER, + SALMON. First found when D.B. was uncovered + followed it to the south along D.B. + then SALMON. Later removed part of D.B. + found that PEARL continues under D.B. + runs up against COPPER. It's very well preserved up by the bases of the walls + starts to ~~fall~~ + tumble apart + crumble down the slope, on to on top of the ~~above~~ back cobble fill of HEATHER + possibly part of FUCHIA. PEARL seems like it could match up + be somewhat symmetrical to EBONY which is w/in 23AF + at the approx. same level. And just like EBONY it ~~can~~ continues away toward the end of the structure but does not extend any further toward the center of the structure ~~than~~ than where it is now. It runs up until CANTALOUPE + then stops + doesn't continue any more. Did come later than limestone steps, but before the were built over + buried.

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23AE Descriptions of featuresMELON -

The whole mess of a mixture of columnar basalt + white limestone slabs that have slumped + tilted out of their original positions, yet as a whole make some sense to the fact that they were probably all once apart of the same thing. They lie in line VIOLET to the East + LIMEGREEN, step #1 to the west. They are in line w/ where BROWN meets up w/ PINK to the East. They are also sitting to the North of the tumble cobble material that is laying in front of FUCHA. The theory is that these were all once part of a uniform platform that was at the same height + level as a RUST + the large limestone slab found w/in Amistán's excavations. But they seem as if they would have buried LIMEGREEN to make this uniform platform level. And perhaps it was constructed after the building of HEATHER + FUCHA, but that doesn't make sense b/c then they would have switched back to using nice construction materials after using ~~bad~~ ones of the simply RC construction units. 5 cobbles compose the bunching of MELON.

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LIMEGREEN -

Step #1 in the series of 9 shaped limestone slabs. 7 slabs in total; yet the one furthest to the end to the N is a columnar basalt rectangular slab. From what's exposed it's only 1 course high + probably continues further to the south under the soil fill that FUCHA is constructed on... but how far under the fill to the south... it can't be determined. But it does come to a definitive end w/ the columnar basalt. This step was probably also covered over by MELON + other similar construction materials that have since been robbed... ~~to~~ covered over to create the hypothesized uniform platform at the level of RUST.

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RUST

23AE Description of features (Limestone staircase)
- Step #2 in the series of stairs, 2-3 courses high + 6 worked slabs across. Definitive end of stairs to the N as it gets closer to the soil fill that ROSE is constructed on top of a little further up the structure. Still very well preserved + contains no cracked slabs. RUST is the level that MELON probably once extended to at some point but has slipped + been picked away at + robbed of it's materials, so not much is present any longer. Probably continues more to the South, like LIME GREEN, under the soil fill + cobbles that compose FUCHA.

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BEIGE

- Step #3 + just as well preserved + in existence as RUST. ~ 2-3 courses high w/ all slabs intact... eroded + decaying along the edges, but not cracked. Almost all slabs are white limestone - one very flat + thin piece of columnar basalt is on top. BEIGE is the feature that was trying to be followed to the South back behind the cobble fill behind FUCHA + in front of the line of TEAL. The plan worked well b/c BEIGE continues to go behind FUCHA + it is being buried under it... but the cobbles were too large to move w/out ruining other construction features. Slab sizes the same as LIME GR. + RUST.

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~~1:26pm~~TEAL

- Step #4. 3 courses high w/ more of the facing of the wall exposed b/c it was followed further into the soil + cobble fill behind FUCHA. The soil + cobble fill of KHAKI can easily be distinguished on top of the large slabs of TEAL. Interestingly, it appears as if w/in LIME GREEN + RUST the cobbles are aligned w/ the

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lengthwise sticking out from the wall ~~the~~ & they appear
to be wider steps. However TEAL appears to have
the slabs going the other way + being narrower.
Since the majority of the slabs are exposed in
profile, it seems as if the slabs look to be going in
a different direction than w/in steps #1-3.
Overall, still very well preserved.

TEAL -
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PINE - Step #5 that was only identified after cutting
back through KHAKI to see what else was behind it
b/c it looked like there was more behind the soil fill +
floating line that was in front of it. Not as well
preserved + all the slabs on top that are exposed are
cracked. The pieces are still there, but they're
broken. But KHAKI rides directly on top of PINE on top
of the soil fill layer labeled TAUPE.

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OLIVE - Step #6 just like PINE, was found after removing cobbles
+ soil fill. But it was also found w/in Christians
trench + also extending into 23AF. Like PINE, the
few cobbles that are exposed are broken in place +
not as well preserved as steps #1-4. There is a nice
stack of 3 slabs found w/in 23F. Slabs are slightly
smaller than in the other steps + they appear to be
getting narrower.

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COPPER - Step #7 + again, like PINE + OLIVE, it was identified
by digging through CANTALOUPE + the soil fill it was
constructed on top of to see what else was back there.
But COPPER was also found by digging back behind DENIM
BLUE as well. And after exposing the limestone steps in those 2
places... they became more visible w/in Christian's area.

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COPPER
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- The first step to have other RC type construction materials also. On top are limestone slabs, but underneath are nice RC stones. W/in 23F it almost seems like the construction material changed to all RC, but I'm not completely convinced they are exactly the same line.

CHARCOAL

- step # 8 + where they really start to get hard to distinguish as lines b/c they are so eroded & poorly preserved. CHARCOAL is completely sumping out & the limestone is all in pieces & broken apart. There are some RC pieces mixed in w/ the construction. The ~~line~~ line is a little nicer preserved w/in 23F than in 23AE.

SPRUCE

- Step # 9, last step of the limestone staircase series. ~~Again~~ Again, it's broken apart in pieces & has decaying limestone everywhere. But there is a sort of a level surface where the last step probably once was. It can also be seen a little better w/in 23F.

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PLUM

- The exterior summit wall facing East. Exposed w/in 23F + 23AE very well. 2 courses high & composed all of large to medium sized RC. Some are surprisingly odd & irregularly shaped. But fairly well constructed in that even though there are little to no chinking stones & a lot of soil & in b/w the cobbles... it has survived very well, w/in 23F. There's one line of really large cobbles on top & then a layer of thinner medium sized w/ a little of small at the bottom. 23AE only 2 lines of mix med + large irregular shaped.

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23AE + 23AF Descriptions of Features

PINK! - The "so-called" exterior Eastern basal facing. It's magnificent as if to be the basal facing b/c it's all constructed out of columnar basalt that's been worked in to cut blocks. ~ 2 courses high w/ a much thicker layer of blocks at the bottom... kind of cube shaped + thinner rectangular shaped on top. ~ 13 smaller, thinner rectangles on top + ... ~ 7 large blocks at the base. The edges are all chipped off + it could have been from the falling tumble as the building was in decay... but Pat seems to think it could have been something purposeful to destroy it. But they're all there + nothing was robbed.

Under the LARGE block cubes in some places are a mixture of other types of cobbles that the columnar part was built on. CANARY YELLOW is at the base of PINK w/ in 23AE but only consists of 2 cobbles length construction that is 2 courses high. The bottom course is something like shaped limestone, but the top course are nice flat topped + faced RCs.

VIOLET - Similar to PINK in that they're both columnar basalt + large long rectangular slabs + that they extend the same length. VIOLET is only set back 0.27 m away from the edge of PINK but sits on top of it. And like PINK, the cobbles have been chipped + are broken off in places for whatever reason. But the outer exposed edge of VIOLET has the edge cut off... like it's been filed down in a way on purpose. This is not seen on PINK, however. The one middle columnar basalt column is also missing... that is if there really ever was one there. I'm assuming there was, but that it's gone now.

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23AF Description of Features

VERMILION - low lying floor feature at the base of PINK ... it seems similar to CANARY YELLOW in that it is med-sized cobble construction. The more I look at it, the more I think it is like C.Y., it extends the whole length that PINK does up until SKY BLUE. Then there's a step up in elevation up to CREAM, the long plaster surface at the base of SKY BLUE that extends the whole length. But VERMILION is cobble constructed surface similar to C.Y., but not as nice + only at a depth of 0.35m below the top of PINK.

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SKY BLUE

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CREAM

- Long continuous "basal" wall that continues to the N where the columnar basalt of PINK ends. A 3 course high RC construction that is very well + preserved. Even the plaster that was once applied to the facing is still preserved. All across the whole bottom, the plaster extends + covers at least the bottom layer of smaller cobbles. Don't know the base of the wall but the plaster floor, CREAM, runs up to the wall + not under it, so SKY BLUE was constructed first + the CREAM was applied up to + all along the base for ~ 0.70m outward to the East. S.B. has intermittent areas where there are some chimney stones used in smaller gaps, but others where only soil was left. B.S. abuts w/ PINK + the Northern extent is not known. Probably only 2-1.5m more to the North. The applied swipes of the wet plaster can still be seen in some places along the floor surface. But just like S.B. ... I'm sure CREAM continues out as far as S.B. The plan was to see if there were similarities w/ the up + down w/ in 23AF w/ HAPP etc. but there was none ... + S.B. is all the same + the same height.

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23AFCRIMSON

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- The next terrace up toward the summit after the basal facing of SKYBLUE. Similar to S.B. CRIMSON is 2-3 course high composed + constructed similarly w/ lots of larger RC's w/ gaps of soil in b/w. But unlike S.B., it doesn't extend the whole length + comes to a stop at ~~HEATHER~~ LILAC which is similar to HEATHER w/ in 23AE. It's a different construction episode that contains a lot of chinking stones + overall a much denser construction technique. But in front of both CRIMSON + LILAC there is a another plaster surface that is not as nicely preserved as CREAM + not completely exposed either b/c it is so crumbly. It's mainly only exposed in front of LILAC, where it was ~~first~~ found first. It's not exactly clear whether LILAC continues all the way to the end of excavation or if it changes again w/ in 23AE from HEATHER to SAGE. If it does it's not as drastic a change as it was w/ in 23AE.

PEACH -

Completely ~~are~~ a RC construction that extends solely from the middle of 23F where Christian found the large limestone slabs to the North up until the start of CRIMSON... It's not in line w/ CRIMSON, but only extends that far. All RC + large cobble too... no small chinking stones. Very rounded + looks like the back side of a wall.

ROSE -

Almost // w/ BEIGE from where BEIGE ends w/ in 23AE. ROSE starts + is fully exposed w/ in 23F + continues to the North at least as far as PEACH also... yet it could cont'd as a line above CRIMSON, yet if it does, it wasn't cleared off on top of CRIMSON.

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ROSE

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- Similar to PEACH, there are a lot of rounded cobbles used + that are stacked on top of each other. Again looks nicely constructed, but the cobbles are all fairly rounded + none of them have flat facings ... which is why it seems to be like the back of a wall + some facing has been pulled off.

However, as is the theory for this middle in blue area of 23AE, 23F, + 23AF, Pat seems to think it was all once some uniform level platform area at the same height as Rust ... yet how far over to the N it extended nobody knows b/c the theory is that all the cobbles have been stolen + reused + used in other structures.

EBONY

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CORAL

- 10cm thick plaster surface that is in front of CORAL + nowhere else. Not much of CORAL was exposed to determine how far over to the N it extended ... but it definitely has a southern boundary b/c it's been dug into for some reason or another according to Ed.

The all RC wall of CORAL extends to the south until the gray area of getting closer to 23F.

Christian, I believe, pulled out a lot of construction that he didn't know what it was. But CORAL

stretches from S to N + over top of OLIVE + on top of soil fill that is on top of + ~~slightly~~ slightly upward to the summit. But CORAL progresses to get nicer the closer to EBONY + to the North.

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Str. 75 + 74 operation 20

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Introduction:

The following will be the excavation of structures 75 + 75, at the site of El Coyote. Str's 75 + 74 are located south of the Late Classic ballcourt, which is south of the elite residential area. Specifically they are located on the western side of the southern edge of the ballcourt alley.

Str. 75 is roughly a rectangle-shaped structure aligned E-W @ 80° E of N. From surface measurements the basal foundation is \approx and the

summit area is \approx

As an estimate the height is more than-likely between 2-3m tall.

Str. 74 is more square-shaped compared to Str. 75.

~~Str. 74~~ It is located off the NE corner of Str. 75 + is ~~part of the constructions that from the surface cap off the southern most extent of the LC ballcourt area.~~ From surface measurements the basal foundation is \approx

Goal:

The purpose of excavating Str's 75 + 74 is to investigate the basal architecture + summit function. The basal dimensions + construction style need to be established; along w/ the summit in order to better understand the purpose + position of this particular edifice. The location^{4.515E} of these str's make them interesting... in that what is their correlation w/ being apart of the southern structures that flank the LC ballcourt. In addition, what are their relationships to other structures located w/ in the SW group since it is not physically that far away.

Str. 75 + 74 Operation 20

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Methodology:

Str. 75

To begin excavating str. 75, an axial trench will be established across the width of the structure from the N side up across the summit to the S side of the structure. It will be a $1m \times \approx 20m$ trench oriented $\approx 350^\circ$ E of N (10° W of N). This axial will expose possible N + S basal architecture, as well as a section of any summit construction + organization. Off from the axial trench w/in the summit, any facings will be followed to establish not only the dimensions but acquire more data to help research the function.

An additional trench will probably get established along the E side to investigate the rise that occurs in that area. But a trench that extends the length of the str. is not likely b/c it will take too long + the W side has far too many trees that will prove to be obstacles.

And lastly, Eu's will be established around the area of the corners to help determine the dimensions.

Str. 74

This structure might not require much more than an axial trench established + aligned E-W over the entirety of it. Depending on what is revealed, the decision to expand + pursue other features will be made at that moment, time permitting.

Monday, 1 April 2002

PVC El Coyote Str. 75

AP-02-19-122

1:11 pm

Starting to lay trenches on Str. 75, operation 20. Subop designation will start at 20AA b/c op. 20 was also excavated in 2000 by Garrett Silliman (PVC #18).

2:40 pm

Attempted to lay out a trench orientated 350° E of N. However, it didn't turn out very well b/c Str. 75 is a fairly steep structure & is full of cobbles everywhere. The large wooden stakes that the guys cut are just not going to work. I need to bring out some nails tomorrow & try laying it out w/ those instead of the wood stakes.

→ The attempt, & where I'll continue tomorrow, was on the S side of Str. 75. Tried to ~~to~~ lay out a trench started on the S back side, clearing over the top of the summit & continuing down the steeper N side of the str. Additionally, another axial trench will be laid out \perp to the N-S trench & ~~cover~~ cover the length of the str. Str. 75 is ≈ 14 m wide \times — m long.

From the S side it appears as if there are some areas toward the summit that alternate w/ dense []'s of cobbles to very few cobbles. Slightly similar to Str. 128 & the 3 plaza, E, facing doorways. Yet at the base on the S side as well there are places where there are almost projections that flank out & then it becomes narrower in the middle of the str. This narrower area is where the N-S aligned axial trench will go through.

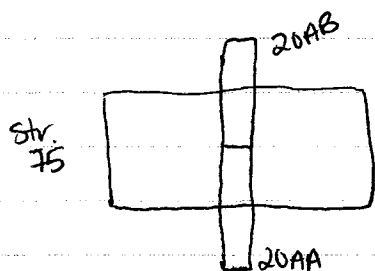
There are a few trees ~~a~~ around the str... mainly to the W. There is 1 tree in the western half of the summit & a few others on the W toward the base.

Tuesday, 2 April 2002

9:13am

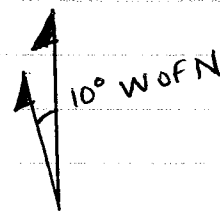
PVC El Coyote Subop 20AA, 20AB Str. 75 AP-02-19-123
Bright + sunny already. Thought today would start off bad, but David helped me set up my axial trench + my guys have gotten started working.

The axial trench is established N-S along the width of Str. 75. It's a 1 x 20 m trench. It's oriented 350° E of N.



NOTE: sketch NOT to scale.

20AA contains 10 EU's
20AB contains 10 EU's



20AA
B

01 0-10 cm bgs (EU 1) started w/ Ramon (the tall one that use to work w/ Don Raymundo) + Don Beto's sketchy partner. EU 1 is situated on the N side of Str. 75 + is the furthest EU off + away from the structure.

20AA

01 0-10 cm bgs (EU 1) has started w/ Nelson + Raphael. EU 1 w/ in 20AA is the furthest EU to the S + away from the base of the structure.

Based on surface visibility, the positioning of this axial trench will hopefully have us encounter the N+S basal facings head-on + \perp to the orientation of the trench.

10:00am

20AB

01 0-10 cm bgs (EU 1) complete; empty lot. Nothing at all was in this lot, not even cobbles of any kind. Munsell: 10YR 2/2
02 10-20 cm bg (EU 1) started

→ Str. 75 Subop 20AA, 20AB ← AP-02-19-124

10:08am

20AA

☐☐ 0-10 cm bgs (Eu1) almost complete. A few cobbles have been uncovered at the base of the lot. They have potential for being in a line // to the structure + ⊥ to the trench, but it's too soon to tell for sure. A fair amount of ceramics are being recovered. Some nice pieces w/ rims + one very small fragment w/ red paint still on it. Also some large debitage of chert of assorted colors + 2-3 pieces of bajareque-like material. Expanding the trench one more Eu to the S, ~~off~~ S of Eu1, might be necessary, but that will be determined when ☐☐ 0-10 cm bgs (Eu1) is complete.

11:14am

20AA

☐☐ 0-10 cm bgs (Eu1) complete: Sherds, chert, bajareque. After all soil was removed, the cobbles appeared to be tumble + out of place. A few were removed, + ~~☐☐~~ 10-20 cm bgs (Eu1) has started around 2 cobbles along the N edge of the Eu that were left in place to see if they have potential while we continue deeper.
Munsell: 10YR 2/2

11:22am

20AB

☐☐ 10-20 cm bgs (Eu1) complete: 1 sherd. 2 cobbles are at the very base w/ in the souther section of the Eu but they were left there.
Munsell: 10YR 2/2.

☐☐ 20-30 cm bgs (Eu1) started to continue going deeper to see what else is below.

12:20pm

20AA

☐☐ 10-20 cm bgs (Eu1) complete; sherds, chert, bajareque. More out of place + tumbled cobbles have been uncovered. Nice ceramics w/ the majority of them having fairly large inclusions in the paste... + a lot of large mica inclusions. Some large chert core debitage as well. More cobbles were exposed + they'll definitely be removed b/c they do not appear to be apart of anything.
Munsell: 10YR 2/2

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→ Subop 20AA, 20AB Str. 75 ← AP-02-19-125

12:27pm 20AB 003 20-30 cm bgs (L11) complete; sherds, obsidian, bajareque.

More cobbles have been uncovered + may even be apart of some type of a construction unit, yet it's too early to tell anything for sure. Munsell: 10YR 2/2.

For the afternoon I will not be excavating but helping Kristin gather cobbles from the river so that she can begin constructing her second structure. I'm needed to drive the truck + help her haul the cobbles around.

Excavations w/ in 20AA + 20AB will continue tomorrow + hopefully I'll be able to lay out another trench along the E where the little pulge occurs + also to gain a better sense of the architecture from that side. And I'll get 2 more workers to begin that excavation.

Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC Str. 75 AP-02-19-126

8:24am

It's hot.

20AA~~003~~ 20-40 cm bgs (EU1) started. A few cobbles were removed, but the ones hanging out the edge of the EU were left in place b/c they would only destroy the excavation walls.20AB~~004~~ 30-40 cm bgs (EU1) started. Only in the middle + around the cobbles that are the W + S side of the EU aligned at an angle.

NEW!

20ACA second trench was laid this morning along the E side of the structure. It is a 1 x 12 m trench oriented 80° E of N. It is aligned w/ EU10 from 20AB, however they do not meet. EU12 is 6m E of EU10 from 20AB.~~001~~ 0-10 cm bgs (EU1) started. EU1 is the furthest EU to the E of Str. 75. Beto (who worked on occasion w/ me in 2000) + El Lewis (spelling is wrong, but pronounced El w/ Lewis. ^{are working in this subop}) And I believe Beto is the only one who has excavated before.

8:50am

20AB~~004~~ 30-40 cm bgs (EU1) is finding a lot of ceramics + chert. A fragment of a vertebrae was also found... but I think it's too big to be human.

9:58

20AA~~003~~ 20-40 cm bgs (EU1) complete; sherds, ~ 2cm into the lot the soil changed + became hard + compact + turned a different color. More of a brown than the darker - closer to a black than it was in the 20cm above it. Munsell: 5YR 3/2~~004~~ 0-10 cm bgs (EU2) started b/c I believe we hit some sterile-type of level b/c no artifacts were pulled out for the last ~15cm of~~003~~ 20-40 cm bgs (EU1).20AB~~004~~ 30-40 cm bgs (EU1) complete; sherds, bayareque, obsidian, chert, + the vertebra bone fragment. The cobbles in the SW portion of EU1 have been left there w/ the thought that they really might be apart of something. Munsell: 10YR 2/2~~005~~ 40-50 cm bgs (EU1) ^{started} ~~complete~~; At first this lot was going to be screened, but the soil is just too hard + compact.

10:28am

20AC

Subop: 20AA, 20AB, 20AC Str 75 AP-02-19-127

001 0-10 cm bgs (Eu1) complete; EMPTY lot. At first the lot looked really sloppy, but I gave them the edge straightener + it looked great in the end. Munsell: 10YR 2/2

002 10-20 cm bgs (Eu1) started. + has already been finished; sherds, chert, obsidian, bajareque. A few cobbles surfaced at the base ~ 20 cm bgs. Munsell: 10YR 2/2

003 20-30 cm bgs (Eu1) started. Leaving the cobbles in place for the time being but will probably remove them soon b/c they look really out of place.

20AA

004 0-10 cm bgs (Eu2) is really starting to look ugly. They'll probably all come out soon since they're tumbled from the str. to the N. The next lot will probably also be screened.

11:01am

20AA

004 0-10 cm bgs (Eu2) complete; 7 sherds. A lot of cobbles of all different sizes were uncovered. They all appear to be tumble except for 2 larger, rectangular-shaped cobbles closer toward the base of the Eu that could be in place even though Eu2 is not close to the predicted place for a basal facing would be. All other tumble-looking cobbles were removed + 005 10-20 cm bgs (Eu2) started around the few cobbles left in place. Munsell for ~~004~~ 0-10 cm bgs (Eu1) 10YR 2/2.

20AC

As the trench was being laid out, a fragment of a metate was found during a "quick + dirty" surface collection episode. This will be labeled as "20AC/0000" + it will represent the Surface Collection.

11:25am

20AB

005 40-50 cm bgs (Eu1) complete; sherds, chert, obsidian. The soil got fairly hard + compact. Even though a sterile level has ^{not} been reached. ~~006~~ 0-10 cm bgs (Eu2) has started b/c there is too little room to go deeper in Eu1 w/ all the cobbles left in place. But it will be returned to to make sure we reach a sterile level. Munsell for ~~005~~ 40-50 cm bgs (Eu1): 7.5YR 3/4

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Wednesday, 3 April 2002

Subop: 20AA, 20AB, 20AC Str. 75

AP-02-19-128

12:06pm

20AA

~~005~~ 10-20 cm bgs (Eu2) complete; only sherds. Lots more cobbles + one really huge cobble that was even removed. Everything still appears to be a mess + falling from upslope from the structure.

~~006~~ 20-25 cm bgs (Eu2) started + is the attempt to clear up some of the really ugly + tumbled cobbles @ the level of the really hard + densely compacted soil level. It's not necessary to go below it... at least not at the moment. Munsell for ~~005~~: 10YR 2/2

20AB

~~006~~ 0-10 cm bgs (Eu2) complete; EMPTY lot... nothing in it at all... not even cobbles. After lunch we'll continue 10cm deeper. Munsell for ~~006~~: 10YR 2/2.

20AC

~~003~~ 20-30 cm bgs (Eu1) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, bajareque. There are ~2 (maybe 3) large cobbles length-wise along the W edge of Eu1 + appear to have some promise as being a line. There are also 4 tumbled-looking cobbles at the base of this lot which we will excavate out + continue down 10cm more. Munsell: 10YR 2/2

20AB

~~004~~ 30-40 cm bgs (Eu1) will start after lunch.

~~007~~ 10-20 cm bgs (Eu1) will start after lunch.

1:27pm 20AB

~~007~~ 10-20 cm bgs (Eu1) started + is being screened... even though NOTHING appears to be in the lot.

1:50pm

20AA

~~006~~ 20-25 cm bgs (Eu2) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert. The Eu itself looks pretty bad but there are just so many cobbles that aren't anything that need to be cleared out from the excavation area. Munsell:

~~007~~ 0-10 cm bgs (Eu3) started.

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Wednesday, 3 April 2002

2:19pm

20AA

Subop: 20AA, 20AB, 20AC Str. 75

AP-02-19-129

007 0-10cm bgs (Eu3) complete; EMPTY lot. No artifacts only tons of tumble. The soil is fairly soft all around the cobbles, so it's another good indication that they have just all fallen into the positions they're in. Munsell: 10YR 2/2

20AB

008 10-20cm bgs (Eu3) started. Removed a lot of cobbles + now just cleaning up the loose soil associated w/ the removed cobbles.

007 10-20cm bgs (Eu2) complete; 2 bajareque. Great lot to start screening w/. The soil was soft + easy enough to get through a screen, only there were NO artifacts at all... kind of weird... Munsell: 10YR 2/2.

20AC

008 20-30cm bgs (Eu2) started. At this depth should come down on cobbles from Eu1 + hopefully there will be more.

004 30-40cm bgs (Eu1) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, ~~etc.~~

There are definitely 2 large rocks length-wise along the W edge of the Eu. There is a line of smaller, uglier cobbles in front, or to the E of them away from the structure. I really believe this is our first glimpse of architecture + it is so feature that continues along the whole extend of the E facing of str. 75 all the way until the area of the LC ballcourt to the N. Munsell: 7.5YR 3/4

005 40-50cm bgs (Eu1) started in front of, or on the E side of the line to determine how deep it continues + if there are more cobbles to the E of it.

There was a slight change in soil color + consistency in 004 30-40cm bgs (Eu1). The soil has become more compact + brown in color. In addition there are more small stone/pebble inclusions. W/in both 004 + 005, there is no change in artifact quantity. It could possibly be a fill episode + that could account for the smaller pebble inclusions + artifacts near + below a possible line of construction.

Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD

AP-02-19 - 130

8:52am

Busy, busy morning! Sunny + bright blue sky. Thankfully nobody has stolen any of my nails that are laying out my trenches like everybody said they would.

Laid out 20AD this morning w/ Rahaldo (Ramon's younger brother) + Melbie who work w/ Bill (blc he's out mapping today w/ Bryan).

Also 20G is being cleared out on str. 128 in the main plaza w/ Raphael + Nelson (blc they will continue working there later) + Benjamin + Ramon from Alison since she is sick.

20AA

009 20-30cm bgs (EU3) started w/ Don Julian + Don Juan from Bill. A lot of the cobbles that were all tumble were removed + they're cleaning out the soil.

20AB

009 30-40cm bgs (EU2) started w/ Ramon + Celbie (Mario's son or nephew). They're finding a lot of artifacts; nice ceramics, large rims, handles, ceiba spikes from incensarios. Also when Ed came around he said that all the cobbles that are at the base of EU1 are probably a floor. The guys will clean up around it after 009 + make it look nicer. Also the diagonal line of cobbles is probably nothing at all + could be removed... but I'll still opt to wait.

20AC

006 (*a slight change here*) 45-50cm bgs (EU1) started + complete, shards, bayreque, obsidian, chert flakes. The wall along the W edge of EU1 is definitely a wall + after discussing w/ Ed he said that in Garrett Silliman's ^(PVC #18) excavations from 2000, he had a wall similar to that a little to the N where he was excavating. So, it is probably a continuation.

20AD

001 0-10cm bgs (EU1) started. 20AD is the newly established trench that runs up the W facing of str. 75. Ed mentioned last night that each facing should be investigated. 20AD is only a 1m x — m trench oriented 90° E of N.

Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD

AP-02-19-131

10:15am

20AC

007 50-60 cm bgs (Eu1) started + complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, bajareque. Need to continue down to sterile level, but the soil is very hard. Munsell 10YR 3/3

008 0-10 cm bgs (Eu2) started

20AB

009 30-40 cm bgs (Eu2) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, BJ. Nice ceramics. Need to continue deeper + see if stone floor in Eu1 is also present in Eu2 at the same level. Munsell: 10YR 2/2

10:24am

20AA

009 20-30 cm bgs (Eu3) complete; sherds, chert, bajareque. Really kind of a mess. There is the possibility of a wall but it's difficult to say for sure. 010 0-²⁰~~10~~ cm bgs (Eu4) started. Munsell for 009: 10YR 2/2. (Note: Juan Carlos, NOT Don Juan... he's very young.)

20AD

001 0-10 cm bgs (Eu1) complete; EMPTY lot. No cobbles. Munsell: 10YR 2/2.

002 10-30 cm bgs (Eu1) started.

10:37am

20AB

010 50-55 cm bgs (Eu1) started to clean up around the stones that Ed said was a floor. But only 5 cm more b/c the soil is very hard.

11:30am

20AC

008 0-10 cm bgs (Eu2) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, bajareque. Uncovered to top of the wall. Munsell: 10YR 2/2

009 10-20 cm bgs (Eu2) started.

20AB

010 50-55 cm bgs (Eu1) almost complete... nice ceramics. The supposed diagonal wall was removed.

20AD

002 10-30 cm bgs (Eu1) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian. A lot of cobbles that appear to be flat + are confusing as to whether they are part of a floor or tumbled, or others seem to possibly make out a line. Munsell: _____

003 30-35 cm bgs (Eu1) started b/c ~ 35 cm there is a change in soil + it becomes more compact, dense + different color.

Subop: 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD Str. 75 AP-02-19-132

11:45am 20AA

~~008~~ 0-20 cm bgs (EU4) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, obsidian, metate frag. A lot of tumbled cobbles + Juan Carlos pointed out 3 very slanted cobbles + said they were a wall. Not that he was exactly right, but good observation b/c I believe the wall may be directly back behind the very slanted cobbles b/c the soil is very loose + one flat faced cobble is already exposed. However, this is all in the next EU... EU5 so it's being left alone until that EU is started.

Munsell: 10YR 2/2. ~~009~~ 011 20-30 cm bgs (EU4) started.

12:05pm

20AB

010 50-55 cm bgs (EU1) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, bajareque. Not much else besides the cobbles that were exposed before.

Beginning to have less confidence that it's a stone floor.

Munsell:

1:55pm

20AC

~~009~~ 10-20 cm bgs (EU2) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert. A few random, tumbled rocks as well. Munsell: 10YR 2/2

010 20-30 cm bgs (EU2) started

20AB

011 0-10 cm bgs (EU3) complete; Empty lot. A couple tumbled cobbles that are being removed. Munsell: 10YR 2/2

012 10-30 cm bgs (EU3) started.

20AD

~~003~~ 30-35 cm bgs (EU1) complete; Sherds, obsidian, chert.

Munsell: 10YR 2/2

~~004~~ 35-45 cm bgs (EU1) started + incorporates the soil change as far as color + composition. Munsell: 10YR 2/1

20AA

011 20-30 cm bgs (EU4) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, bajareque, metate frag. All tumble + it's all coming out. Munsell: 10YR 2/2

012 30-50 cm bgs (EU4) started.

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Thursday, 4 April 2002

Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD

AP-02-19-133

2:31pm

20AC

Ø1Ø 20-30 cm bgs (Eu2) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, bajareque. Coming down on top of a fill episode b/c there is another line that is // to the line in Eu1 + again along the wedge of Eu2. Ed said that the E-most was probably an addition to the 2nd line that's been found + the fill (hence it's name, honk, honk) was placed in b/w.

Ø munsell: 10 YR 3/1

Ø11 0-10 cm bgs (Eu3) started.

20AD

NOTE: Ed also mentioned that the diagonal line running at $\approx 56^\circ$ E of N is another structure.

20AA

Ø12 30-50 cm bgs (Eu4)^{almost} complete: Munsell:

20AB

Ø12 10-30 cm bgs (Eu³) complete: Munsell:

20AC

Ø11 0-10 cm bgs (Eu3) complete: Munsell:

20AD

Ø14 35-45 cm bgs (Eu1) complete: Munsell:

Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD str. 75

AP-02-19-134

7:53am

Partly cloudy, especially around where the sun is coming up over the mountain to the E. Hopefully it will be a cloudy in the afternoon as it was yesterday. It was gorgeous + easy to work in.

20AA

Φ12 30-50cm bgs (EU4) was not exactly complete by Don Julian + Juan Carlos by the end of the day. I've held off on excavating off from 236, str. 128 that was cleared off yesterday... so Raphael + Nelson are working here.

20AB

Φ13 30-40cm bgs (EU3) started. Cleared away a few cobbles at first, but nothing is there + this lot is going into the ^{some-what} heavily dense soil. (Ramon + Celbie)

20AC

Φ12 10-20 cm bgs (EU3) started. Some tumble present, but also the back side of the wall from EU2 along the Wedge of the EU. Beto + Ellewis.

20AD

Φ15 0-20 cm bgs (EU2) started. As Ed said yesterday, the diagonal feature that appeared in EU1 is part of another structure that is to the NW of str. 75.

8:33am

20AA

Φ12 30-50cm bgs (EU4) complete; (today) sherds, obsidian. Not much else in the way of ^{architecture} ~~artifacts~~ or anything that could be related to definitive architecture. The hope is that there is some type of wall feature to the N in EU5. Munsell:

Φ13 0-10 cm bgs (EU5) started.

20AC

~~Φ12~~ Φ12 10-20 cm bgs (EU3) complete; sherds, obsidian, bajareque. More tumble was revealed + possibly another line. One cobble completely exposed in the EU looks really good w/ another one ^{to the N} of it that's in the Nedge of the EU. But it's kind of struggling to the S. Only continuing down 5 cm more in b/w the walls + 10 cm more behind the possible construction to the E. Munsell: 10YR 2/2

Φ13 20-30 cm bgs (EU3) started.

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AP-02-19-135

9:33am 20AB 013 30-40 cm bgs (Eu3) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, BT. Nothing at all is down there. After picking away into Eu4, a wall might have been found. 014 0-20 cm bgs (Eu4) started to determine if there is a facing. Munsell:

20AD 005 0-20 cm bgs (Eu2) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert. Again, nothing at all but a few tumbled cobbles. Munsell: 10YR 2/1. 006 20-40 cm bgs (Eu2) to bring it to the same level as Eu1, which I believe means going through the dense, hard soil again.

9:39am 20AA 013 0-10 cm bgs (Eu5) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert + the most amount of tumble sloping down one could imagine. Eu5 is on a very steep slope + what's interesting is that we still really haven't found a wall. Sometimes there are glimpses of possibilities, but it's slightly concerning since by judging from the ground slope + surface, something should be uncovered very soon. Hope it won't be difficult like Alison's S side. Munsell: 10YR 2/2.

014 10-50 cm bgs (Eu5) started. It's all tumble + can all come out,

9:58am 20AC 013 20-30 cm bgs (Eu3) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert.

Unsuspectingly another line has been found + it's bonafide. 3 large rectangular cobbles laid flat orientated E-W. As a total, I count ~5 lines. Munsell:

014 0-20 cm bgs (Eu4) started.

10:05 20AD 006 20-40 cm bgs (Eu2) almost done... very dense + hard soil. Munsell: 10YR 2/2

10:45am 20AB 014 0-20 cm bgs (Eu4) complete; only a metate leg frag. More tumble... again, maybe have a location for a wall but not sure. Munsell: 10YR 2/2. 015 20-40 cm bgs (Eu4) started

20AD 006 20-40 cm bgs (Eu2) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert. Nothing down there. Munsell: 10YR 2/2. 007 0-20 cm bgs (Eu3) started.

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Friday, 5 April 2002

Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD Str. 75 AP- ϕ 2-19-136

11:17am

20AA

ϕ 14 10-50 cm bgs (EU 5) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert
Still lots of tumble, but a little more hope for actually locating a feature of some sort. The cobbles are still slightly sloping down the structure to the S, but they appear as if they could still have some potential to them as being apart of something that is still preserved. Munsell:
 ϕ 15 50-60 cm bgs (EU 5) started in front of a/the potential facing. This will help determine if it is or not.

11:54am

20AC

ϕ 14 0-20 cm bgs (EU 4) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert.

A lot more tumble + possibly another line. Removed some of the tumble. Munsell: 10 YR 2/2. ϕ 15 20-30 cm bgs (EU 4) started.

20AB

ϕ 15 20-40 cm bgs (EU 4) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, bajareque. I guess I'm just kidding myself. What I thought was a wall really isn't, so we're continuing up + into the structure hoping to find something soon. Munsell:

ϕ 16 40-50 cm bgs (EU 4) started. around where possible wall is.

20AD

ϕ 17 0-20 cm bgs (EU 2) is almost done.

1:36pm

20AA

ϕ 15 50-60 cm bgs (EU 5), we've decided to keep the 3 large cobbles in place. They appear as if they've slipped from something only ~10 cm up the structure but ~~there~~ there is nothing under them. Once I draw them + take a photo, the middle cobble will probably be moved only to investigate if the wall is under + behind where they presently are.

20AB

ϕ 16 40-50 cm bgs (EU 4) began as only being w/in the N-extent of EU 4, but as cobbles were removed + it was determined that nothing is there, the lot now incorporates the whole EU. No architecture has been found + we're moving up the slope.

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Friday, 5 April 2002

Subops 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD Str. 75 AP- ϕ 2-19-137

1:49 pm 20AC

ϕ 15 20-30 cm bgs (Eu4) almost complete. Keep going back + telling them which cobbles can come out; so the lot is almost incorporating the entire Eu as well. But it's just so weird that found so many lines already w/in this trench.

20AD

ϕ 7 0-20 cm bgs (Eu3) almost complete. Again, on several occasions I keep telling them to remove cobbles that do not look good to me anymore. So, this lot has been continuing for a while. But will be done very soon.

2:30 pm

20AD

ϕ 7 0-20 cm bgs (Eu3) complete; sherds, obsidian. No architecture yet. Munsell: 10YR 2/2.

ϕ 8 0-10 cm bgs (Eu4) started.

20AA

ϕ 15 50-60 cm bgs (Eu5) complete; sherds, obsidian. We're leaving the 3 large cobbles in at the moment. There is potential for a wall being under them. Munsell:

ϕ 16 0-10 cm bgs (Eu6) started.

PVC El Coyote

Monday, 8 April 2002

Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD Str. 75

AP-02-19-138

9:05am

Welcome to Monday. Sunny + a little hazy. It doesn't feel quite hot yet bc there is a slight cool breeze every now + then. But I'm also not feeling quite up to par this morning. A lot of dancing that went late into the night on Saturday.

20AC

Φ17³ 0-20 cm bgs (EU6) started. Clearing up around furthest visible line. Normal guys Beto + Ellis.

20AB

Φ17 0-20 cm bgs (EU5) started. Keep looking for a line of any sort. Have 2 guys from Adam, so Ramon + Celbie are on str. 128 today.

20AD

Φ09 10-30 cm bgs EU4 started to keep looking for construction of some type. Have 2 guys of Adam; Jose + Roberto Fernando.

20AA

Φ17 10-20 cm bgs (EU6) Continuing to find tumbled cobbles that appear to be from w/in all one unit of construction. Yet, still need to find that unit of construction. Nelson + Raphael are on str 128 today, so I have Don Julist + another young guy from David since he is doing Final Notes in the SE area.

NOTE

The naming scheme is going to be EMOTIONS / FEELINGS. The 4-5 features found w/in 20AC will be named as follows:

Furthest E w/in EU1: HAPPY

Next to HAPPY to the W w/in EU2: SAD (on the border w/ EU3)

10:02am

20AC

Φ16 30-40 cm bgs (EU4) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert. Not much of anything. Continuing to the W to identify other construction. Murrell:

Φ17 0-20 cm bgs (EU5) started.

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Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD Str. 75

AP-02-19-139

10:19 am

20AB

017 0-20 cm bgs (EU5) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, chert. Again, nothing is here. We're doing our hardest to find some kind of construction b/c we should be getting really close to where something should be. Munsell:

018 20-40 cm bgs (EU5) started.

20AD

009 10-30 cm bgs (EU4) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, ~~bajareque~~. Again, no architecture or anything else. Munsell:

010 30-40 cm bgs (EU4) started,

20AA

017 10-20 cm bgs (EU6) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, 1 tooth (human), metate leg w/ part of the grinding surface + corner. Munsell:

10:29 am

018 60-70 cm bgs (EU5) started. Removed center cobble from line of 3 from w/in EU5. Possibly found a construction, yet it's difficult to determine for sure since the 2 cobbles along the side of the trench have been left in place in case we don't have anything.

10:45 am

20AB

018 20-40 cm bgs (EU5) almost complete; found a wall of 3 shaped cobbles, only they're a little out of place + appear to have been pushed by something like tree roots.

12:13 pm

20AA

018 60-70 cm bgs (EU5) complete; empty. Not b/c sterile but b/c only cleaning around cobbles around what I believe to be a wall. It's a little ugly but I do believe it's a wall Munsell:

20AC

017 0-20 cm bgs (EU5) complete; sherds, obsidian, bajareque, chert. Nothing, only tumble. Munsell:

018 20-30 cm bgs (EU5) started

20AB

018 20-40 cm bgs (EU5) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert. Found part of what is probably a basal wall. A little out of place but there. Munsell:

019 0-20 cm bgs (EU6) started

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12:21pm

20AD

Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD Str. 75 AP-02-19-140
Φ10 30-40cm bgs (EU4) complete; sherds, obsidian. Nothing else to speak of! Munsell:

Φ11 0-20cm bgs (EU5) started & complete; sherds, obsidian. ~~Again~~ Again, a lot of tumble & cobbles falling from above to the ~~top~~ from the top of the structure.

1:30 pm 20AA

Φ18 60-70 cm bgs (EU5) complete; EMPTY lot but not sterile.
Φ19 20-40 cm bgs (EU6) started. I found the wall in EU5.

20AB

Φ19 0-20cm bgs (EU6) continuing up the structure.

20AC

Φ18 20-30cm bgs (EU5) complete;

Munsell:

Φ19 30-40cm bgs (EU5) started.

20AD

Φ12 20-40 cm bgs (EU5) complete; sherds, obsidian

Still tumble. Perhaps a few lines could be possible, but they are all ~~still~~ still covered w/ soil.

Φ13 40-50cm bgs (EU5) started. I believe I see a wall & now we're trying to clean around the cobbles.

Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD Str. 75 AP-02-19-141

7:57am

Sunny + a little hazy. Physically feeling better today though. Have to stay more focused w/ notes + keeping track of lots.

20AA020 30-40 cm bgs (eu6) started. Continuing up the slope looking for more features. David's 2 workers again... Don Julio + —.20AB020 20-30 cm bgs (eu6) started. Only on top of a possible wall.However, what is facing ^{to} the N may be the back of the wall, which is why it looks wall-like, but not exactly a facing.
(Miguel + Manuel from Meghan)

8:47am

20AC

Beto + El Lewis

019 30-40 cm bgs (eu5) started + complete; sherds, obsidian, chert. All w/ in tumble. However, it appears as if there could be another line. Munsell:020 40-50 cm bgs (eu5) started to continue going deeper to see if it really is another line of something.20AD013 40-50 cm bgs (eu5) started + continued from yesterday. Pedro (Raul's partner from 2000) + someone else are excavating here.

8:57am →

Since I have 4 trenches laid out on a 4 cardinal sides, Ed mentioned this morning that I would not have to search for corners + since I should already be able to determine basal dimensions through the exposed architecture... to which I believe I have architecture in all 4 trenches now. I do believe Pedro just came down on 3 rather large flat cobbles in 20AD eu5. They are tilted + slipping away to the W of the structure, but I'm sure they were once apart of some type of construction.

9:26am

20AB020 20-30 cm bgs (eu6) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, chert

Exposed top of possible wall that is facing out. Munsell:

021 0-30 cm bgs (eu7) started in all tumble.

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Tuesday, 9 April 2002

Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD Str 75 AP-~~02~~19-142

9:32am [20AD]

Φ13 40-50cm bgs (EU5) complete; sherds, bajareque, chert, obsidian. Nice large wall pieces of BT + some beautiful pieces of polychrome bowl. BT still has stick impressions.
Φ14

11:40am

[20AA]

Since it's been a while since I've taken notes b/c I went to check on the facade on Str. 128 + then down^{to} the SE group to explain final notes to David... I will do an overview of everything right now.

[20AA]

Φ20 30-40 cm bgs (EU6) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, chert. Munsell'. Finding a lot of tumble. It's possible that there is another wall in EU5-6 but since they are all slipping down to the S away from the wall, it's difficult to pinpoint the exact location.

Φ21 0-20cm bgs (EU7) started to continue moving up the trench + looking for a larger wall. Weird thing is that in almost every unit regardless of how steep it seems to get, we encounter the hard, dense soil that's difficult to excavate through - 30-40cm bgs. It keeps following up the slope of the structure.

[20AB]

Φ20 20-30cm bgs (EU6) complete; sherds, bajareque, chert, obsidian. Found another part of a wall, or at least something that has potential. It's a line of 3-4 cobbles, but the border b/w EU5+6 is right up against it + needs to be stripped away. But for now cleaning up on top of newly found cobbles + will investigate possible wall after lunch.

11:55am

[20AC]

Munsell'.

Φ20 40-50cm bgs (EU5) complete; sherds, obsidian, bajareque, chert. ~~But~~ All tumble + tried to get the EU down to the same level as EU4 b/c nothing is there. Munsell'.

Φ21 0-30cm bgs (EU6) started. We aren't very far up the ~~wall~~ trench, but we should be getting into some serious tumble.

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12:08pm 20AB
Cont.

After lunch, I'm hoping to get started on ~~0-20cm bgs (Eu 5)~~ in order to peel the tumble away from the possible wall. 020 40-50 cm bgs (Eu 5) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, bajaregue. Munsell!

021 0-30 cm bgs (Eu 6) started to move up + keep looking for architecture.

12:20pm

20AD

013 40-50 cm bgs (Eu 5) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, bajaregue. Munsell!

Pedro did find me a wall. It's at the base of Eu 5. It's a little pushed out of place just like the wall in 20AB, but then again, there is a rather large tree to the south of the trench that has large roots going through the walls.

014 0-20 cm bgs (Eu 6) started.

12:47pm 20AD

014 0-20 cm bgs (Eu 6) complete; sherds, bajaregue, obsidian, chert. No new architecture... only more tumble, but Pedro + Co. did do a good job excavating.

20AB

021 0-30 cm bgs (Eu 7) complete; sherds, bajaregue, obsidian, chert. Exposed more of another wall + peeled away tumble from in front of the 2nd facing. 3 wall facings in total.

20AC

021 0-30 cm bgs (Eu 6) complete; sherds, bajaregue, obsidian, chert. Definitely more tumble, but organized tumble that it can tell it fell from somewhere, like a line that is just beneath it. Tomorrow we'll have to go in + remove it carefully to see what else is going on.

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Wednesday, 10 April 2002

Subop 20AA, 20AC, 20AD

Str 75 AP-02-19-144

7:49am

basal

Of course it's sunny again. Slightly hazy. Ed just made a quick pass by + we discussed issues w/ the trenches. Since architecture has been found on all sides except for 20AC, the East, I won't have to search for corners. At the moment I only have 3 crews here b/c P + E are taking guys to Las Canoas to help clear some of the brush away to make it safer for them out there. Today notes, excavations, + overall concentration is going to be better b/c I will be w/out distractions!! (20AB is not being worked in at the moment) (Only 6 workers here)

20AA

022 20-30 cm bgs (EU7) started. Definitely have 2 lines w/in this trench. The only thing is they are both slanting outward toward the South. They are being left in place only b/c they are so drastically slipping. (Don Juan + partner from David are working here.)

20AC

022 30-40 cm bgs (EU6) started. Still entering into tumble from the structure. All the lines that were uncovered w/in EU1-5 are related to something occurring outside the formal dimensions of the str. limits. So, as of the moment, have not encountered architecture belonging to str 75 on the East side. It would/will be interesting to see how similar this facing will be to Alison's excavation of str. 81 to the East. (Beto + Ellewis)

20AD

015 20-40 cm bgs (EU6) started. Besides the line at the base of EU5, no other architecture has been found w/in this trench. A lot of tumble + the large tree on the S. side is really messing things up.

9:51am

20AC

022 30-40 cm bgs (EU6) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, chert. Still all tumble. Peeling it off in layers so that nothing is missed. Munsell: 10YR 2/2
023 40-50 cm bgs (EU6) started.

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9:55am

20AA022 20-30 cm bgs (Eu7) complete; Shards, obsidian.

It all appears to be tumble, yet it's difficult to simply say that's all it is since Eu7 is fairly far up to the summit. Some larger piece of construction, in my mind, is to be expected + there really isn't. There are the 2 lines that are sliding a lot down to the South, but I don't believe that's all there is for a structure this large. Munsell: 104R 262.

023 30-50 cm bgs (Eu7) ^{started} ~~complete~~ to go deeper into the tumble to see what else there is.

10:04am 20AD

015 20-40 cm bgs (Eu6) almost complete. ~~0200~~ On a really steep part of the slope on the West side. It's all just taking a while since the angle of the slope is so great and I just think these guys are really slow + I don't know who they were working for.

Naming theme for features is EMOTIONS/FEELINGS.

20AC

HAPPY - 1st line in Eu1 (N-S) large cobbles similar to 2000 excavations

SAD - 2nd line in Eu2 (N-S)

MAD - 3rd line in Eu3 (N-S) 3 large flat cobbles

20AB

ANGRY - 1st line in Eu4-5 (E-W) 3 " " cut blocks ^{basal wall} that are ended + tilted.

EXCITED - 2nd line in Eu5-6 (E-W) tilted toward N; perhaps back of wall

DEPRESSED - 3rd line in Eu7 (E-W)

20AD

ANXIOUS - 1st line in Eu5 (N-S) basal wall 3 large cobbles ^{tilting to the W,}

20AA

WEARY - 1st line in Eu2-3 (E-W) basal wall

ANNOYED - 2nd line in Eu5 (E-W) very slanted + tilting wall toward the S

~~SURPRISED - 3rd line in Eu (E-W)~~

SHOCKED 3rd line in Eu (E-W)

10:55am

20AD

015 20-40 cm bgs (Eu6) complete; Shards, bayareque, obsidian, chert

2 large pieces of BT that fit together + look as if they're thick, + dense enough to have once been apart of a floor, but Eu6 is still very much on the side of the Str. Also a large ^{prong} ~~sharp~~ handle that is 5 cm long 3 cm wide. circular. Munsell: 104R 262 016 10-20 cm bas (Eu7) started.

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11:13am

20AA

ϕ 23 30-50cm bgs (EU7) almost complete, Very confused at this point. We're going through a lot of tumble, but at ~40cm bgs the soil gets harder + is dense + difficult to excavate through. Even though there is still what looks to be tumble into the more dense soil, by assumption I would think it's too hard + there isn't anything of construction down there anyway. Yet, perhaps I'm wrong. Getting closer to summit area + don't have much in the way of clear basal architecture. Munsell:

 ϕ 24 0-20 cm bgs (EU8) started. ϕ 23 30-50 cm bgs (EU7) Now complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian

11:29am → General Observations:

From what has been exposed in all 4 trenches, it appears that terracing up the slope of an intended tall structure was the means for constructing this structure. Alison on str. 81 just due East has much larger facings... + taller. In comparison, there is not much that is similar + it is slightly suprising to me. For being S of the LE ballcourt, there is not much monumental type of activity going that one might ~~expect~~ expect to witness. Many metal frags have been uncovered. And many of the facings don't appear to have been all that well preserved. They are there, but they're slipping out of place.

12:58pm

20AA ϕ 24 0-20cm bgs (EU8) complete; sherds, bajareque, ~~no~~ obsidian.

Only more tumble! Munsell: 10YR 2/2. Not even one sign of construction

 ϕ 25 20-40cm bgs (EU8) started20AC ϕ 23 40-50cm bgs (EU6) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian.

Again, more tumble +, again, no construction. Munsell:

 ϕ 24 0-20cm bgs (EU7) started.

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Subop: 20AA, 20AC, 20AD Str. 75 AP-02-19-147

2:17pm

It's gotten really cloudy w/in the past half hour + these dark gray-blue clouds are starting to roll in now. We were hearing thunder for a while too, but I haven't heard much in the past 10 minutes. If it does rain it'll probably come much later... but it is pretty windy.

20AD

Φ16 0-30cm bgs (EU 7) almost complete; it has taken so long since there was a lot of tumble + large cobbles that all had to be removed. Besides, of course, is the fact that I have no idea where these guys came from + I don't think they were working at all the times when I went over to Str 128.

Overall, still not much else is going on w/ this str. The basal walls haven't been that difficult to locate, but all other subsequent construction features are much more difficult since they all seem to be falling outward + away from the building.

Subop: 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD Str 75 AP- ϕ 2-19-148

8:00 am

Today might prove to be a very interesting day. It's a project personal day, so some people choose not to come out + take the day off. SO, there are plenty of guys to go around + it's nice b/c it's only me + Alison out here today. AND it's quite overcast + cloudy at the moment so it's pretty cool + comfortable.

20AA

ϕ 26 40-60 cm bgs (EUS) started. Continuing to remove tumble, yet I want a wall or something soon... we're getting fairly close to the summit + I would expect to find some type of exterior summit architecture. ~~Beto + Ellewis~~ Don Juan + partner

20AB

ϕ 22 0-10 cm bgs (EUS) started on top of new wall w/in EU 7. Adan + Alex from David are working here.

20AC

ϕ 25 20-40 cm bgs (EU 7) started removing tumble + there appears to be another line along the W side of EU 7 at the base of ϕ 24 0-20 cm bgs. Beto + Ellewis

20AD

ϕ 17 30-50 cm bgs (EU 7) started. Really strange b/c no architecture + also not very much tumble. Hopefully something will surface soon.

8:12 am \rightarrow 4 more workers just came ~~to~~ my way. Don Beto + partner + Raymundo + ~~Enrique~~ (Enrique) Keque (sp!). They are going to begin expanding off from HAPPY from w/in 20AC to both the N + S. I believe that Garrett Sillman's (PVC #18) excavations from 2000 had found HAPPY further to the N, but I also want to see how far to the S into the open area where we sit it extends.

8:28 am

20AB

ϕ 22 0-10 cm bgs (EUS) complete; sherds, obsidian. Probably have top of wall. Munsell: 10YR 2/2 ϕ 23 10-20 cm bgs (EUS) started.

8:34am

Subop: 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD, 20AE str 75 AP-02-19-149
 Everybody is almost done removing backdirt to be able to expand both N + S of HAPPY from 20AC. All EU's opened to the N will be a part of 20AC + all EU's opened to the S will be designated w/ a new subop 20AE.
 → NOTE: 12 workers on str. 75 + 4 workers on str. 128 = 16 total

9:18am

20AC

Φ25 20-40 cm bgs (EU7) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, chert. Came down on top of a possible wall + a little into fill blw 2 walls. munsell: 10YR 2/2. Φ26 0-10 cm bgs (EU8) started ALSO Φ27 0-20 cm bgs (EU13) started following HAPPY to the N. Laid out another 6m at 350° E of N. Laid out new trench. Furthest EU N is EU1 from 20AC + is a 1 x m subop oriented 350° E of N (US) following HAPPY from 20AC to the South. Keque + partner are w/in 20AE.
 ΦΦ1 0-20 cm bgs (EU1) started.

9:46am 20AA

Φ26 40-60 cm bgs (EU8) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, chert, bone (animal). Nothing more than more tumble + we've gone down deep enough into it. Φ27 0-20 cm bgs (EU9) started. A line of some type of feature can be seen from the surface + that line was actually one of the reasons why this trench was laid where it is.

20AB

Φ23 10-20 cm bgs (EU8) complete; sherds, obsidian. munsell: 10YR 2/2 Continuing to clean around in blw the walls which have yet to be named. Φ24 20-30 cm bgs (EU8) in blw wall... only w/in the middle of the EU.

20AD

Φ17 30-50 cm bgs (EU7) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian, chert. ~~Again~~ Again, more of nothing at all except for soil... really weird. Φ18 0-20 cm bgs (EU8) started, munsell for Φ17: 10YR 2/2

Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD, 20AE str 75 AP- ϕ 2-19-150

10:06am 20AC ϕ 26 0-10 cm bgs (EU8) complete; sherds, obsidian, munsell: 10YR 2/2. Coming down in blw another + in front of another possible construction unit. ϕ 28 10-30cm bgs (EU8) started on top of + in front of a wall.

11:27am 20AA ϕ 27 0-20cm bgs (EU9) complete; sherds, bajareque, obsidian. They might have removed some cobbles that I did not want them to, but then again there is only soft soil in the area where they would have been, so I guess it's okay. ϕ 28 20-40cm bgs (EU9) started. munsell for ϕ 27

20AC ϕ 28 10-30cm bgs (EU8) complete; sherds, bajareque, chert, obsidian. It got pretty ugly in there really quickly. There was almost no soil in blw the cobbles. And I believe there is another wall/feature, but there is almost no soil so it's all falling. I'm afraid to move too much for fear that if it is all purposeful construction, I can all fall out really easily since there's no soil holding the cobbles in place. ϕ 29 0-10cm bgs (EU9) started.

12:09pm 20AA ϕ 28 20-40cm bgs (EU9) complete; sherds. They were given as strong a talking to as I could communicate about ~~the~~ this slanting + sloping units shit! Just b/c the tumble is sloped does not mean the base of the unit is sloped! Munsell: 10YR 2/2. ϕ 29 40-60cm bgs (EU9) started + they were directed to go 5cm on the S side of the EU + at least 20cm on the N side + to make it all even + level.

20AB ϕ 23 10-20cm bgs (EU8) complete; sherds, obsidian
 ϕ 24 20-30cm bgs (EU8) complete; sherds, obsidian in blw wall ^{only in middle}
 ϕ 25 0-10cm bgs (EU9) complete; sherds, obsidian ^{only}
 removing med-sized tumble as we get closer to the summit.

Subop: 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD, 20AE Str: 75 AP-02-19-151

12:24pm 20AB 026 10-20 cm bgs (EU9) complete; sherds, obsidian

Only cleaning around the cobbles,

12:43pm 20AC 028 10-30 cm bgs (EU8) complete; sherds, obsidian, ~~bag~~ bajareque, chert. On top of + in front of a wall. Munsell:029 0-10 cm bgs (EU9) started20AD 018 0-20 cm bgs (EU8) complete; sherds, chert, obsidian.

Again, almost no cobbles or tumble of any kind, only soil.

Very weird: Munsell: 10YR 2/2. Decided to go back to EU7 + go down to the same level as cobbles in EU6.

019 50-70 cm bgs (EU7) started.1:48pm 20AA 029 40-60 cm bgs (EU9) complete; sherds, obsidian. Absolutely nothing... there is no significant basal architecture associated w/ this structure.030 60-70 cm bgs (EU9) started. Going through tumble.20AB 027 0-10 cm bgs (EU10) started20AC 027 0-20 cm bgs (EU13) FINALLY complete; sherds, obsidian, bajareque, chert. Slow as BITCH! They're following architecture + it's taken this long to go 20cm!030 20-30 cm bgs (EU13) started.20AE 001 0-20 cm bgs (EU1) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert. Slow as BITCH also! Glimpses of HAPPY are in both EUs.002 20-30 cm bgs (EU1) started.

Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD, 20AE Str. 75 AP-02-19-152

7:55am

Well, it does not appear as if it's going to be as cool + cloudy a day as it was yesterday...which will suck.

20AA 030 60-70 cm bgs (EU9) continuing from yesterday.

But almost done. Don Juan + partner. → Tito

20AB 028 0-10 cm bgs (EU11?) started. Having the same problem as in 20AC w/ the very loose soil that has been dug out by an animal. Adan is working alone b/c I think Alex is helping David w/ notes down the hill.

20AC 031 0-20 cm bgs (EU10) started. The eaten away soil is really becoming a problem in this area. I feel that if there was a wall around here anywhere, it's all been destroyed anyway + nothing of it is left b/c all the soil has been removed. Beto + Elowis.

20AD 020 20-40 cm bgs (EU8) started. This could be all fill, all the soil that is, but there is almost NO basal architecture at all. I just don't understand how this building is standing so tall when there is no architecture to be holding it up.

20AE 003 30-60 cm bgs (EU1) started to continue chasing HAPPY down. EU1 looks very similar to EU1 of 23C.

→ I was not interested in taking on a lot of guys like I did yesterday b/c it was completely insane!

9 on str 75, 4 on str. 128 = 13 in total (Adan 20AC is done)

9:38am 20AA 030 60-70 cm bgs (EU9) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert. Perhaps we have a wall along the N side of the EU. Munsell:

031 0-10 cm bgs (EU10) started

20AB 028 0-10 cm bgs (EU11) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert. Hard b/c of all the loose soil but Adan working alone has done a good job. 029 10-20 cm bgs (EU11) started + complete;

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Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD, 20AE Str. 75 AP-02-19-153

9:52am 20AD

~~Φ30 20-30cm bgs (EU 8)~~

Φ20 20-40cm bgs (EU 8) complete; sherds, basalt, chert, obs.
Nothing again, not even cobbles!

Φ21 0-20cm bgs (EU 9) started.

20AC

Φ31 0-20cm bgs (EU 10) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert.

Φ32 0-10cm bgs (EU 11) started.

20AA

Φ31 0-10cm bgs (EU 10) complete;

Removed a lot of little cobbles. Φ32 10-20cm bgs (EU 10) started.

10:37am

20AE

ΦΦ3 30-60cm bgs (EU 1) complete; sherds, obsidian, BJ, chert

ΦΦ4 0-20cm bgs (EU 2) started.

ΦΦ3 A tube handle of some kind that is only the end + the firing core is present.

10:48am

w/ Alison
I have recently discussed the wose + absence of soil among the cobbles that I have been witnessing w/ in 20AC + 20AA, 20AB on top w/ in summit. Ed apparently told her that its all fill + the cobbles were all just thrown in there w/ out any soil around them.

11:11am 20AD

Φ21 0-20cm bgs (EU 9) complete; sherds, obsidian.

A few large cobbles were uncovered. But still only soil beneath them. Φ22 20-40cm bgs (EU 9) started.

11:36am

20AA

Φ32 10-20cm bgs (EU 10) complete; sherds, obsidian

All w/ in the loose soil from the dumped in cobbles.

Φ33 20-40cm bgs (EU 10) started.

20AB

Φ29 10-20cm bgs (EU 10) complete; sherds. Loose soil again

Φ30 20-40cm bgs (EU 11) started.

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Swamp 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD, 20AE Str. 75 AP-02-19-154

11:43 am 20AC

Φ32 0-10 cm bgs (EU11) complete; sherds. Still all just tumble but we're getting closer to the top of the landing where we stopped laying out units. So, the ground surface is starting to flatten out + will hopefully reveal something interesting.

Φ33 10-20 cm bgs (EU11) cleaning around removed tumbled cobbles, started.

1:27 pm 20AC Φ33³ 10-20 cm bgs (EU11) complete;

Φ34 20-30 cm bgs (EU11) started to keep cleaning the tumble + soilless debris away.

20AA Φ33 20-40 cm bgs (EU10) complete; sherds. Possibly the backside of a wall. Φ34 0-10 cm bgs (EU11). EU11 is due East of EU10 on the summit following possible back side of wall.

1:45 pm 20AA

Φ34 0-10 cm bgs (EU11) complete; sherds, obsidian. Only removed the topsoil. Φ35 10-20 cm bgs (EU11) started

20AB Φ35 20-40 cm bgs (EU11) complete; sherds. More of empty space of cobbles. Φ31 0-10 cm bgs (EU12) started. EU12 is due E of EU10 following front side of possible wall.

20AC Φ34 20-30 cm bgs (EU11) complete; sherds, obsidian. Φ35 0-10 cm bgs (EU12) started ... almost flat (the ground surface, that is, for some reason.)

20AD Φ22 20-40 cm bgs (EU9) complete; sherds, BT. Pat mentioned something about the pebble-lie surface. She mentioned that it could be a ~~pebble~~ floor, but there's nothing else there. Φ23 0-20 cm bgs (EU10) started. EU10 is one more EU up the slope to the E.

20AA

PVC El Coyote

Monday, 15 April 2002

Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AE Str 75 AP-02-19-155

8:06am

Pretty cloudy morning + it's tough to say whether it'll burn off or last all day. No rain over the weekend + excavations do not appear to have been disturbed over the weekend.

B

20AA

Ø33 20-30cm bgs (EU12) started. Trying to establish a level to go down to that would be suitable for the whole summit. (Alex + Adan working here from David.)

Ø34 0-30cm bgs (EU13) started. EU13 is 1m EU E of EU11.

Again, attempting to go down to a universal level.

20AC

Ø36 10-30cm bgs (EU12) started. Continuing to go down to any level looking for some architecture in b/w the cobbles w/ no soil. Beto + Ellis,

20AE

ØØ5 20-30cm bgs (EU2) started following HAPPY w/ Dugue + partner. Although HAPPY might stop... but this is the reason for going deeper here.

→ Discussed w/ Ed what ALL else needs to be done w/ this structure before I can call it quits. It sounds to be only 3 tasks. (1) Define basal architecture w/ 20AA trench (2) same for 20AD trench + (3) clear summit more for a better understanding of what's going on.

9:33am

20AE

ØØ5 20-30cm bgs (EU2) complete; sherds, bajareque, chert, obsidian.

~~ØØ6~~ 30-40cm bgs (EU2) started to follow HAPPY down a little further b/c there is a possibility that it may stop.

9:49am

20AB

Ø33 20-30cm bgs (EU12) + Ø34 0-30cm bgs (EU13) are still being continued. Even though I said to remove ALL the cobbles I still had to move them for them again. But P+E are drawing Alison's section to the E, so my guys will definitely be working all day.

PVC El Coyote

Monday, 15 April 2002

Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AE Str. 75 AP-02-19-156

9:53am 20AC Φ36 10-30 cm bgs (EU12) complete; Shards, bajareque, chert, obsidian. Not much of anything except that there may be more soil in b/w these cobbles than there are w/ other cobbles used as fill w/in other parts of the structure.

Φ37 0-10 cm bgs (EU13) started ... & will be the last EU w/in this subop that will be opened up.

10:43am

20AB

Φ33 20-30 cm bgs (EU12¹) complete; shards, obsidian. It's possible we've identified a construction feature of some type that extends E-W along the Southern edge of EU12.

Φ34 0-30 cm bgs (EU13²) complete; Shards, obsidian. The possible feature is also present in EU13 along the N edge of the EU.

Φ35 0-30 cm bgs (EU14³) started w/ Alex + Adam.

20AA

Φ36 0-30 cm bgs (EU12) started. Following along the edge again... possibly have S summit edge in the form of a wall, but in all it's difficult to tell for sure.

11:30am 20AC

Φ37 0-10 cm bgs (EU13) complete; shards, obsidian. More tumbled cobbles; however, they do have more soil around them than other areas that have been excavated in this area + others on the structure.

Φ38 10-30 cm bgs (EU13) started.

11:40am 20AA

Φ36 0-30 cm bgs (EU12) still continuing.

20AB

Φ35 0-30 cm bgs (EU13) continuing also... + there is a fairly large root along the W edge of the EU. It might also help account for why things are slightly screwy + a mess up there, besides of course the lack of soil in b/w the cobbles.

~~20AC~~ ~~Φ37~~ ~~0-10 cm bgs (EU13) complete; shards, obsidian. More tumbled cobbles; however, they do have more soil around them than other areas that have been excavated in this area + others on the structure.~~

PVC El Coyote

Monday, 15 April 2012

Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AE Str 75 AP-02-19-157

11:52am

20AE

~~006~~ 30-40cm bgs (EU³) started. HAPPY may be starting to trail out + loose its momentum, but I'll continue following it until it disappears or changes directions.

~~006~~ 30-40cm bgs (EU3) complete; Shards, BT, chert, obs. ~~007~~ 0-20cm bgs (EU3) started

12:04pm

20AC

~~038~~ 10-30cm bgs (EU13) complete; Shards, obsidian.

Nothing, only tumbled cobbles, ~~039~~ 30-40cm bgs (EU12) started. Moving back to clear away cobbles that no longer look good + are really only tumble.

1:39pm

20AA

~~036~~ 0-30cm bgs (EU12) complete; Shards, obsidian. More tumbled + cobbles that look like they're apart of nothing.

20AB

~~035~~ 0-30cm bgs (EU13) complete; Shards, obsidian. Still appears to only be cobbles used to fill in the summit.

~~036~~ 0-30cm bgs ~~EU13~~ (EU1⁴) started by D. Juan + Tito. EU1⁴ is E of EU12 + E of EU10.

~~037~~ 0-30cm bgs (EU15) started w/ Alex + Adam

2:22pm

20AE

~~007~~ 0-20cm bgs (EU3) complete; Shards, obsidian, chert. HAPPY is no longer present + I believe probably officially ends in the S edge of EU1 + only tumbles into EU2.

20AA

~~037~~ 40-60cm bgs (EU6 + EU7) started w/ Augue + partner. Part of Ed's suggestion to clear back at a level behind a line to try to catch something + work w/ the ugly slope. In the least w/ the hope of catching something in profile.

PVC El Coyote

Monday, 15 April 2002

Subop: 20AA, 20AB, 20AC

Str 75

AP-02-19-158

2:35 pm → A slight overview of the summit thus far. Still uncovering all the cobbles w/ very little-to-no soil in b/w the cobbles.

In the middle of the ~~to~~ summit (i.e. EU'S 12, 13, 14, 15 of 20AB) the cobbles seem slightly more medium sized; ~~but~~ versus near the edges (not that formal summit walls have been established) the cobbles are slightly larger.

20AC is actually extending up fairly high into the summit. It was not originally suppose to go this high up b/c the other 2 subops were going to be designated to clear the summit. But nothing much is being found either.

8:08am

Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD Str. 75 AP-02-19-159
Sunny already... + I'm feeling a little sluggish w/ some stomach issues, however thankfully we're only working until lunch + then heading out to Las Canoas for a site tour for the afternoon. But I wish we had some cloudy weather like we had almost a week ago!

20AA 038 60-70 cm bgs (EU 7) started + working around a possible feature. All the cobbles are slipping nicely in a very logical manner... away from the structure. The only thing ~~that~~ that's concerning is the steep Δ that they're sloping at. It may prove to be hard to find another facing. Duque + partner are working here.

20AB 038 30-40 cm bgs (EU 15) started from clearing away a lot of fill cobbles w/ little soil around them. (Alex + Adan)
036 0-30 cm bgs (EU 14) is being continued from yesterday b/c it needed more fill cobbles removed.

20AC 039 30-40 cm bgs (EU 12) is continuing into today as well. Cleaning up tumbled cobbles + removing the soil. All looks like tumble + no architecture.

20AD 024 20-40 cm bgs (EU 10) started. 024 is only w/ in the NW corner + along the Nedge of EU 10. Focusing there to see if there is more of a possible construction feature behind the 3 exposed large cobbles.

9:15am **20AB** 038 30-40 cm bgs (EU 15) complete; Shards, obsidian. All fill
036 0-30 cm bgs (EU 14) complete; Shards, obsidian, chert
039 0-30 cm bgs (EU 16) started w/ Alex + Adan looking for anything at all.

20AA 038 60-70 cm bgs (EU 7) complete; Shards. Maybe found a facing... it looks a little nicer along the W side in the section but it's just all so tumbled + slipping. I don't think we'll find any construction.

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Tuesday, 16 April 2002

Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AC, 20AD Str 75 AP-0249-160

20AA

040 6-70 cm bgs (EU8) started to clear away more slipping cobbles to find some architecture, + in the least in section.

20AC

039 30-40 cm bgs (EU12) complete; sherds, bajareque, chert, obsidian. But basically no architecture... just removing tumbled or fill cobbles.

040 0-10 cm bgs (EU13) started.

20AD

024 20-40 cm bgs (EU10) ~~is~~ complete. No luck finding any type of construction after following Eel's instruction. Perhaps something is lower, but I really do not feel interested in going after it.

Subop: 20AA

Str. 75

AP-02-19-161

8:21am

Harder + harder to get notes started earlier. Bright + sunny; no rain at all unfortunately. Yesterdays half day was somewhat productive, today will be better though(!)

20AA

As of the moment, ^{almost} everybody is w/in the summit + w/in this subop.

Φ41 0-30cm bgs (EU 14) started w/ Don Juan + Tito. Continue to clear the summit + push further to the E toward 20AC.

Φ42 60-70cm bgs w/in (EU 6 + 7) started back in the axial trench w/ Beto + Ellis. Ed requested that I remove a few more cobbles + clarify a line a little more b/c he thought something better could be behind it.

Φ43 40-60cm bgs (EU 10) started w/ Alex + Adan. Going deeper along the S side of a potentially extending E-W wall, which is 2 cobbles wide + ≈ 3 cobbles long from the E-W.

Ed mentioned that I only have a few more things to clarify + finish clearing places on the summit + I'll be done w/ excavating this structure. HAPPY w/in 20AC + 20AE needs to be clarified as to exactly where it corners since that is exposed, but that type of a job will not take very long.

9:12 20AA

Φ42 60-70cm bgs (EU 6 + 7) complete; sherds, obsidian. Cleared up more of the line + exposed more of it very well. It's all slipped + out of place, but it'll look fine in a profile + it will be able to be seen.

Φ44 70-80cm bgs (EU 8) started. Again clearing soil away from top of a possible line to see what else could be behind it. Beto + Ellis.

PVC El Coyote

Wednesday, 17 April 2002

Subop 20AA, 20AB

Str. 75

AP-02-19-1602

9:57 am

20AA

041 0-30cm bgs (EU14) complete; sherds, obsidian.

A possible feature might have surfaced along the N edge of the EU running E-W, but it's difficult to tell for sure.

043 40-60cm bgs (EU10) complete; sherds, obsidian. Exposed the depths of a possible wall feature along its Southern edge, but since the soil is so loose some of it is slumping out + it's hard to tell if it's purposeful construction, versus the chaotic cobble fill everywhere else.

20AB

040 0-10cm bgs (EU18) started. EU18 is on the W side of the axial trench. Almost all is done on the summit on the E half, so moving to the W is all that's left.

041 0-10 cm (EU17) started. EU17 is on the E side directly W of 20AC EU12. Possible lines from the surface but I'm not holding my breath for anything too nice.

11:34 am

The days are becoming more + more cloudy. It's really quite nice + pleasant b/c the provide breeze + they aren't really dark that makes you think it's going to rain.

20AA

044 70-80cm bgs (EU8) complete; sherds, obsidian, bajureque. Helped to clearly define final construction feature before the summit area w/in S. half of axial trench.

~~20AB~~
20AB

040 0-10cm bgs (EU18) Empty lot. 043 10-40cm bgs (EU18) ^{started}

041 0-10 cm bgs (EU17) empty lot 042 10-30cm bgs (EU17) started

043 10-40cm bgs (EU18) complete; sherds, obsidian, bajureques

044 0-30cm bgs (EU19) started

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Wednesday, 17 April 2002

Subop: 20AA, 20AB, 20AE

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11:45am
20AE
008 0-20cm bgs (EU4) started. EU4 is 80cm S of 20AC EU2 + in blw 20AE EU's 1+2. It's the attempt to locate the corner of HAPPY along its Southern extent.

2:19pm 20AE

008 0-20cm bgs (EU4) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert, bajareque. Probably where the wall of HAPPY turns + corners, but there is a good amount of tumble + it's difficult to tell for sure.

009 20-40cm bgs (EU4) started along the S half of EU4.

20AB

042 10-30cm bgs (EU7) complete; sherds, obsidian, bajareque. Still tons more cobble fill but possibly also another line similar to the 2 cblde wide, E-W oriented feature W of this EU.

045 0-30cm bgs (EU20) started

044 0-30cm bgs (EU19) complete; sherds, obsidian, bajareque. Again, just more of the same cobble fill... but this area is starting to show cobbles that are much larger in size than w/in the E area.

20AA

045 0-30cm bgs (EU15) started. EU15 is 1m W of EU10. On the Western side of the axial trench.

PVC El Coyote

Thursday, 18 April 2002

7:46am

Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AE

Str. 75 AP-~~02~~-19-164

Damn, it's still pretty early + it's HOT already! Today might be a little better as far as the heat. But luckily, we're having an all project site tour today here at El Coyote. All Las Canoas people are coming here early, during lunch. I still have 6 workers excavating on Str. 75 at the moment. I think they might be a little too much for the amount of excavating that I have left, but we'll see.

→ The corner of HAPPY along the E side of the structure appears to be present, but since it's only 1 cobble course of a construction... it's difficult to determine what exactly is tumble vs. part of the purposeful construction. But I don't believe there is too much more to it.

20AE

~~049~~ 20-40cm bgs (EU 4) continued today bc it was not exactly completed yesterday. Beto + Ellis

20AB

~~045~~ 0-30cm bgs (EU 20) continuing as well. Difficult to tell what to pull since it's near where one would think the ^{inner} N₁ Summit Facing would be... that is, if it was there... I haven't been able to locate it. Don Juan + Tito

20AB

~~046~~ 0-20 cm bgs (EU 21) started. EU 21 is 1m W of EU 18, which is 1m W of EU 9, which is w/in the axial trench.

8:40am

20AE

~~049~~ 20-40cm bgs (EU 4) complete; sherds, baguette, chert, obsidian. It's weird bc I really do believe that HAPPY ends w/in EU 2, but EU 4 didn't reveal a convincing corner to me. And I think we did hit upon where SAD appears + might have removed a cobble in the S extending line of SAD. But oh well, I really do believe I'm done w/ all of this on the E side + have the 2 cleaning + sweeping up the excavation units w/in 20AC + 20AE.

Subop 20AA, 20AB

Str. 75 AP-02-19-165

9:11am 20AB 045 0-30cm bgs (EU20) complete from yesterday; sherds, obsidian, BT. Still more of sort of nothing. Again, perhaps there are some lines in this area where 20AA + AB become close w/ 20AC, but it's difficult to tell.

046 0-20cm bgs (EU21) w/ Alex + Adan is still continuing. Again, really nothing is showing up. Then again, this is a really bad area to find anything at all b/c there are 2 large tree stumps. One is in the middle of EU 21 + the other is closer + more-so in EU 22. So things are even more jumbled around + are a mess.

20AA 046 0-20cm bgs (EU16) started. EU16 is 1m W of EU15, which is 1m W of EU10, the furthest NE EU w/in 20AA in the axial trench.

9:24am → Ed just came around + we discussed what else could be going on around + in the vicinity of HAPPY. He mentioned that perhaps I excavate another 50m S of EU 4 w/ in 20AC to see if I did how through SAD + see if it still continues to the South. Also was the suggestion of continuing to the N following HAPPY for another 50cm or so to see what's going on there. But I mentioned the possibility of whether a section should be drawn + he said he + Pat needed to think about whether it should be drawn or not. But I did tell him that I wanted the trenches clean for this afternoon + then also to take pictures tomorrow before it all goes to pot + gets dirty + ugly again.

PVC El Coyote

Thursday, 18 April 2002

9:46 am

Subop: 20AA, 20AB

Str. 75

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Φ46 0-20 cm bgs (EU21) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert.

20AB

And of course all the large destructive roots from old dead trees to deal w/.

Φ47 0-20 cm bgs (EU22) started. A line may have developed in 20AA EU16 that extends N-S + may show up in EU22, but that may also be a long shot b/c the line is very close to the surface + is only composed of medium-sized cobbles. But then again it would also be weird for a line to just appear on its own on top of a structure.

PVC El Coyote

Friday, 19 April 2002

7:38 am Subop 20AA, 20AB, 20AE Str 75 AP-02-19-1167
Hot + sunny already! I hope we get some clouds + breeze this afternoon like we got yesterday during our site tour. (The site tour went well by the way... a little longer than expected, but informative none-the-less.)

20AA

047 0-20cm bgs (EU17) started. Continuing to clear away on the summit. Interestingly this SW area of the summit is the only area up here that's really revealed something resembling a line even from the surface. (Don Juan + Tito)

20AB

048 0-20cm bgs (EU23) started. Nothing is present in this area from the surface + still in all the unconsolidated fill of only river cobbles. (Alex + Adan)

20AE

010 0-20cm bgs (EU5) started. EU5 is only a 1m x 50cm unit that is South of EU4 + W of EU2 + it lines up w/ the Southern edge of EU2. Hoping to locate SAD since I have a good feeling that it did continue to the South w/ in EU4, but it was removed. (Beto + Elewis)

9:43 am

Okay, now that they're FINALLY done w/ messing up another line + being slow as all hell about it... I've FINALLY gotten rid of Beto + Elewis. Beto is the one I'm most happy about. He never worked + just sat around doing nothing at all!

20AE

010 0-20cm bgs (EU5) complete; sherds, obsidian, chert
Part of SAD was revealed + possibly some other lines that may lie in b/w HAPPY + SAD. But I'm done w/ this area + as of the moment have no further plans to excavate anything else besides the summit.

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Friday, 19 April 2002

Subtop: 20AA, 20AB

Str. 75

AP-02-19-168

9:55am [20AA]

047 0-20 cmbgs (EU 17) complete; sherds. Possibly 3 E-W running lines have surfaced + some continued from EU 16 from the East. It's almost break + I'll decide after break what much more to do up there if anything at all. Starting some final notes sounds pretty good to me at the moment.

[20AB]

049 0-20 cmbgs (EU 24) started w/ Don Juan + Tito.
048 0-20 cmbgs (EU 23) complete;

There is still no presence of architecture on this Northern side of the summit. As mentioned before, there ~~are~~ are some lines of possible purposeful construction w/in 20AA, W of the axial trench w/in the boundaries of the summit along the South side. These might need to be followed out a little longer to see far they extend to the West. But getting to start some FINAL NOTES is very appealing at the moment.

10:42am

[20AB]

048 0-20 cmbgs (EU 23) complete; sherds, obsidian. I believe there is a line that runs along the Southern excavation wall of EU 23.

050 0-20 cmbgs (EU 25) started on more EU to the West. Now in blw 2 trees... one in the SW corner + in the ^{NW} corner... trying to salvage anything at all from this area since it seems to have something going on in it, vs. the Eastern half of the summit. (A+A)

049 0-20 cmbgs (EU 24) complete; empty lot. Another line I believe is present along the Southern edge in this EU also. If it's something it's tilting toward the North. It's all difficult to see b/c there are so many trees on this summit that besides the unconsolidated cobble fill, the old roots have done their part to cause destruction.

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Friday, 19 April 2002

Subop: 20AA, 20AB Str: 75

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2:13pm →

Info. for taking pictures

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20AA

Str. 75

PHOTO LOG

Project digital camera

<u>Content</u>	<u>Photo #</u>	<u>Direction Facing</u>
20AA S axial trench	1	N
20AC E trench	2	W
20AB N axial trench	3	S
20AB closer up	4	S
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My 35mm camera

<u>Content</u>	<u>Photo #</u>	<u>Direction facing</u>
20AA S axial trench	18	N
20AC E trench	19	W
20AC closer up ^{OF HAPPY, SAD, MAD}	20	W
20AB N axial trench	21	S
20AB closer up	22	S

FINAL NOTES_{pg 1} Str. 75

AP-02-19-170

This is the beginning of the final documentation after the completion of excavating Str. 75 w/in suboperations 20AA-AE.

Description

Str. 75 is a x m construction oriented length-wise at $\approx 80^\circ$ E of N. It is located to the SW of the Late Classic ballcourt w/in the southern elite residential area group / SW group that was excavated in 2000. From the surface it is a large mound that is rectangular in shape & has no visible physical connections or additions to any other structure in its vicinity.

PURPOSE

The purpose of Str. 75's excavation was to investigate its preserved architecture, establish constructional dimensions, & research the Summit region in the attempt to gain more knowledge relating to function. In addition, combine information resulting from the excavations of Str. 81, which is due ~~South~~^{East} of Str. 75 & is the SE flanking structure to the LC ballcourt, & relate it to what was going on w/in Str. 75.

RESULTS

Str. 75 was revealed to contain all basal architecture on all 4 sides. Architecture was revealed first on the S + N sides due to the positioning of the axial trench, which covered 20m of the structure from the width ~~to~~ from N to S. Other terracing architecture was uncovered from the trenches that extended from the base of the structure to the summit, however, only on 3 sides; the N, S + E. The W side barely contained any remembrance of architecture & mainly only soil.

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AP-02-19-171

Descriptions of trenches / suboperations**20AA**

Is a 1x10m trench oriented 350° E of N along the southern side of the structure. The attempt was made to position the trench directly in the center of the structure + I think we accomplished our goal very well.

This trench was able to expose 5, possibly 6 features of construction. The 6th feature is only somewhat questionable b/c it is close ^{to} the area where the summit is + well w/ in the area of all the unconsolidated fill composed of the RC + no soil around them. If valid it would be the exterior summit wall; the wall delineating an outline for the summit.

The excavations w/ 20AA began \approx 2m away (S) of the first feature, WEARY, + away from the str. The soil ^{w/ in EU1} became hard + quite compact after \approx 20cm + mainly contained tumble from the str to the N. Culturally sterile was never established w/ in this trench or even subop b/c it just became too difficult to excavate through. However, it is very doubtful that sterile is very far deep from where we've stopped + it is only a couple cm beneath the base w/ in EU1.

Continuing to the N, WEARY is the first CU hit upon w/ in 20AA + it is only a 1 RC construction of med-sized cobbles that extends the whole width of the trench - i.e. 1m. This is not the basal architecture but perhaps a marker designating a platform area that would have been all along this side of this structure. \approx 2.5m further to the N we encountered ANNOYED. ANNOYED is the Southern basal facing for Str 75. Again, it is only exposed to the width of the trench, 1m, but it more-than-likely extends the whole Southern facing of the structure.

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20AA cont'd ANNOYED only appears to be ~2-3 courses high, but it's difficult to tell for sure since there is a lot of tumble. In addition, practically every feature within this trench + subop is tilting + sliding out of place due to in part (a) loose cobble fill w/ no soil + (b) cobbles of architecture were robbed, which would only add to the poor preservation of the structure as a whole.

Additionally w/ ANNOYED is that the base of excavation to the South of it was kept at the same level as WEARY for fear of going deeper behind WEARY + only coming upon fill. But ANNOYED has larger cobbles on top + med-sized to some smaller chinking stones constructed within it. As w/ most other walls + terraces on this structure, ANNOYED is bowing out toward the South + away from the structure. Perhaps this is due to the heavier cobbles on top or to the poor preservation of the structure as a whole.

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AP-02-19-173

10:26am

All morning, up until now, it's been very cloudy + overcast. I've been taking advantage of this by taking photos of everything on the structure. Already completed 20AA, 20AB, + only half way done w/ 20AC. Even though the sun is breaking out I'll finish the photos before lunch + continue descriptions of features w/ in 20AA axial trench after lunch.

Pat + Ed are NOT here today drawing my section; they took another day out at Las Canoas to finish the mapping + will probably come out tomorrow to draw the axial trench profile of 20AA + 20AB.

1:13 pm

Pat + Ed have NOT made it out here + will probably be here tomorrow to draw the section.

Description

20AASHOCKED

Cont'd

SHOCKED is the next feature up toward the N + toward the summit of the structure. It too is very poorly preserved + at present is mainly only identified by 4 large irregularly-shaped RC aligned together in a row. They too, again, have slipped + tilted out of their original position. There is some slight hint of another tilted course that lies beneath the main cobbles associated w/ the feature; but it's difficult to determine whether they are simply tumble too.

The front of SHOCKED is only $\approx 0.23\text{m}$ away from the back of ANNOYED. SHOCKED probably represents the first terrace along the South side of the structure. Although it is difficult to tell for sure from the surface, but it could be hypothesized that SHOCKED continues the whole length of the str.

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(axial trench)CONFUSED

CONFUSED is yet again, or at least more-than-likely, another terrace feature along this S side of the structure. Like the others, it's // to WEARY, ANNOYED, + SHOCKED. In addition, it is also slumped + tilting out of position + tumbling down the slope of the structure toward the South. There are \approx more-or-less 2 courses exposed w/in this exposed area of CONFUSED. The line that is furthest to the South actually contains some cobbles that have smooth flat sides; yet the cobbles behind that line to the North are slightly smaller + a little more angular. On both sides of the section of the trench, the East + West, are gorgeous representations of the tilting wall. The W contains 5 classic-tumbling off of a cobble wall cobbles. The E has \sim 3 good representations. The front of CONFUSED is $\approx \phi$.84 m away from the back of SHOCKED. And CONFUSED lies in b/w EU 7 + 8.

LAZY

LAZY is probably the last terrace along the Southern side, at least from what has been exposed w/in this axial trench. ~~Again~~ Again, like all the other construction features, LAZY is tilting as well... ~~not~~ yet not at such a great \angle as SHOCKED + CONFUSED. There are probably 4 exposed courses representing LAZY w/in this trench. Cobbles that appear to be closer to the bottom of the exposed LAZY seem to be med-sized + sort-of rectangular in shape. Not that they are purposely shaped cobbles, but that they have 2 flat sides. The 1-2 courses that appear to be on top these rectangular cobbles are medium-sized + are funny shaped to also having 2 flat sides. It appears that more care might have gone into

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20AA LAZY

cont'd

axial trench

Description

this construction feature b/c ~~its~~ its construction materials seem to have had a little more extra care taken when they were being chosen. But in comparison, besides possibly ANNOYED, LAZY might be the best preserved construction feature w/in the axial trench portion, or even the whole thing, of 20AA.

The front of LAZY is $\phi.4\phi$ m away from the back of CONFUSED. And there really isn't much in the way of tumble that is visible in the section on either side to the East or West.

APATHETIC

2:08pm

APATHETIC is the last construction unit before continuing up to the North into the summit of the structure.

APATHETIC may even be the exterior summit wall along the Southern side of the structure. Due to the problem ^{of unconsolidated fill of cobbles} that has plagued many aspects of the structure, this wall feature is very poorly preserved if it's even a construction feature in the first place.

It appears to be at the most, 6 courses high, + composed of medium-size, odd-shaped cobbles w/ a lot of soil + no small chinking-stone type materials in b/w the main cobbles of the feature. It's difficult due to all the loose cobbles to even be sure if it's a purposeful construction.

However, unlike most other encountered constructed features on this structure, APATHETIC doesn't appear to really be tilting or slumping to the South, which is just one reason why it's questionable that it even is purposeful construction + not just tumble. But if it isn't purposeful, then there is no apparent marker delineating the area of the summit. At least not w/in this subop or axial trench.

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20AA **APATHETIC**

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The front of APATHETIC is $\approx \phi .82$ m away from the back of LAZY. ~~And~~ And APATHETIC mainly lies w/in EU 8+9.

20AB

Descriptions of construction features w/in the axial trench investigating the North side of str. 75.

2:26 pm

ANGRY

ANGRY is the first construction unit found w/in the axial trench on the Northern half of the structure. It is the purposeful construction feature found furthest to the North + away from the structure, at least w/in the axial trench part of 20AB. It is more than likely the BASAL WALL; marking the Northern wall + boundary of str. 75.

It only consists of 3 large shaped cobbles + nothing used either tumble or fill materials under them. They are probably either limestone or a type of basalt or tuff.

I'm not exactly sure, but they are similar to materials that probably would have been used in the Main Plaza of the site. On average they are $\sim \phi .45$ m long,

$\sim \phi .35$ m wide + $\phi .\phi 8$ m thick. They are not completely flat or level w/ any surface. All 3 are tilted + angled in weird + funny positions... the cobble furthest to the West might be the most flat + closest to its original position. But the middle cobble is tilting to the west + even one corner is slightly under the slab furthest to the West. And the slab to the E is tilting upward in front (as in the side facing to the North.)

It is possible that there are ~~more~~ more cut block slabs that compose ANGRY, yet nothing can be seen in profile

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20AB ANGRYcont'd
axial trench
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to either direction; East or West. However, since ANGRY is the hypothesized basal wall, it's almost assured it continues to the East & West composed of some type of construction materials; if not cut block slabs the entire length of the Northern Facing. ANGRY is found w/in EUS of 20AB. And there are no real heavy amounts of tumble as can be seen in this section that can be associated w/ ANGRY.

2:47 pm

EXCITED

Terrace #1 originating from the North & going up the slope of the structure to the South is EXCITED. Similar to some of the features on the North side of the axial trench w/in 20AA, EXCITED is ever-so-slightly slipping down to the North & away from the structure.

From what is exposed of EXCITED from w/in the axial trench, it appears to have 2 rather large courses of large - to - med-sized irregularly, but rounded cobbles w/ a fair amount of small to chinking stone sized stones in b/w. The line from the top definitely suggests it's a feature b/c of the 4 cobbles all in a line, however, what is under them is a little more suspicious. But again, they have slipped, so it's perfectly possible that a more nicely constructed feature is a little further behind what's exposed now.

EXCITED is $\approx \phi .36$ m away from the base of ANGRY. And it appears that there could be a flat surface of cobbles in the space b/w the 2 construction features.

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7:27am

Sunny already + no sign of clouds unfortunately.

20AB

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Descriptions

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DEPRESSED

The second terrace from the base of the structure w/ ANGRY as it progresses up the structure to the South. Again, it too is slightly slumping down + outward. From what is visible, it appears to be a 3 possibly 4 course high construction. The construction materials of all river cobbles except for 2 limestone, white, cobbles range from medium-to-large sized cobbles. From what can be seen the more medium-sized cobbles are in the middle while the larger cobbles are on top. I not convinced we've exposed the entire wall/terrace + that there is more that is covered by tumble; but since it's slumping outward, I think the tumble is holding the decaying construction as a whole together. But from the top there is definitely a line of 4 cobbles that are part of some kind of construction.

The front of DEPRESSED is $\phi 7\phi$ m away from the back of EXCITED.

7:49am

SLEEPY

SLEEPY is the 3rd + last terrace found through the excavation of 20AB along this Northern side of the structure. And in comparison to the other 2 + even other terraces on the structure, it is fairly well preserved considering how unpreserved + even almost non-existent some of the other terraces are.

The top line of cobbles do not appear to be slumping forward to the North + away from the structure. They are all laying relatively flat + are fairly large

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20AB SLEEPY

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Axial trench

Descriptions

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stones. The other construction materials, which are all river cobbles, range from "good-sized" small stones - to medium-sized rocks. It's somewhat difficult to tell b/c this terrace appears to have been poorly constructed, but there are probably 4 courses. To the East, there are still some cobbles of tumble that are abutting SLEEPY, but it's b/c it's helping hold the CU together.

There is quite a bit of soil in b/w all the construction cobbles. Additionally, the unconsolidated fill material of only cobbles is beginning to appear in this area. Perhaps this is why the soil is ^{loose + falling out easily}. SLEEPY is w/ EU's 7 + 8 + the front of it is

φ. 45 m away from the back of DEPRESSED.

In the sections around SLEEPY there is other tumble that was possibly once associated w/ the construction of SLEEPY.

8:18 am

NOTE:

Ed just walked around + informed me that EXCITED + DEPRESSED are probably the backs of walls. EXCITED is probably the back of ANGRY (MAYBE!) + DEPRESSED might be the back of EXCITED (Again, MAYBE!) But he definitely thought that they were the ~~B~~ backs of constructions + that the front wall facings had been torn out. This would explain why the layers under them would look so poor + ~~badly~~ badly preserved... b/c ~~they~~ they weren't exactly constructed to be the sides that were exposed.

8:24 am

FRUSTRATED

Quite possibly the exterior summit wall, if one really does exist since there isn't much of a summit + no architecture w/ in it. Like every thing it is really

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FRUSTRATED**20AB**

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Axial trench

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8:48am

Slumping outward. **FRUSTRATED** is really w/in the area of unconsolidated fill of just river cobbles that has not helped the preservation of it. It's composed of mainly ~~the~~ large cobbles that are fairly angular. Ed mentioned that **FRUSTRATED** was a possibly a later addition ^{in the attempt} to create a different boundary for the Summit area, b/c perhaps **SLEEPY** was the original boundary for the Summit. But it is so difficult to tell. And even the back side, or Summit facing side isn't anything too special or well preserved by any means. From the surface it appears as if could continue to the East from the look of all the tumble that could be related to **FRUSTRATED**. In all, this is one of the poorest preserved construction features w/in this subop. The front of **FRUSTRATED** is $\phi. 45$ m away from the "back" of **SLEEPY**.

10:38am

20AC

Description of construction features found w/in this Eastern trench that extends 13 meters E-W up the side of the structure + 1m N + 2-3 m to the S.

HAPPY

HAPPY is the very first construction unit found w/in **20AC** + along the Eastern side of the str; + for the structure as a whole! It was came down upon w/ in the 1st EU, + was easy to identify w/ the one very large rock that composes it w/in ~~the~~ EU1. It consists of a line of 4 medium-sized cobbles in front of, or East of 3 other much larger cobbles directly behind them + the larger rocks are at a higher level. The average size of the med-sized cobble is $\phi. 23$ m long, $\phi. 16$ m wide, + $\phi. 08$ m tall.

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The larger cobbles behind the smaller ones actually continued into EU2 + HAPPY as a whole was on the border b/w 2 EU's. The largest cobble in the construction of HAPPY w/ in ~~the~~ 20AC. is ϕ . 6 ϕ m long, ϕ . 38 m wide, + ϕ . 15 m tall.

HAPPY is only some type of terrace or platform but is not directly associated w/ the construction of Str. 75. HAPPY is not the basal wall. ^{HAPPY} ~~It~~ was actually found in 2000 in Garrett Sillimans (PVC #18) excavations of the Late Classic ballcourt. I remember the Northern equivalent of HAPPY being exposed in line w/ where it is presently w/ in 20AC, but further N + closer to the structures + associated construction features relating to the ballcourt.

Knowing that HAPPY continued to the N by evidence from 2000, more effort was put toward attempting to establish the Southern extent. However it appears that HAPPY only continued South of EU1 for ~ 1 more meter + then cornered or ended. It's difficult to tell for sure b/c it really looks as if SAD, the next terrace platform line similar to HAPPY to the West continues further to the South when HAPPY just stops. Only tumbled debris can be seen in the excavation profiles to the South.

Additionally, as HAPPY continued to the South, it was only the larger cobble constructed line + there were no more medium-sized cobbles. And HAPPY only appears to be a 1-course high construction feature on top of harder + more compact reddish-brown soil.

To the N, however, the one EU that HAPPY began to be chased in, produced slightly more tumble + confusion than had hoped. I believe it's still present + continues, only that it has fallen out of position slightly here in this location. But the line of medium-sized cobbles also continues, where it had stopped to the South.

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20AC**SAD**cont'd
trench area

SAD is the next line that is somewhat similar to HAPPY in that it is not directly associated w/ the construction of str. 75, but is definitely related by virtue of proximity. SAD is simply a one course construction line that is parallel to HAPPY + all other construction features w/in 20AC trench. The 2 large cobbles in the middle of the trench are limestone + one of them is badly chipping + decaying. SAD is found b/w EU 2 + 3. The other limestone rock is fine + in place... not decaying. The other 2 cobbles half out of the EU respectively to the N + S are river cobbles that could be categorized as large. There is a lot of rock + cobble fill type debris w/in the ϕ , 8 ϕ m that are b/w the back of HAPPY + where I've delineated the beginning of SAD to be. SAD does appear to be at a slightly ~~low~~ higher elevation than HAPPY... but then again the next line, MAD could be at the same level.

11:22am

MAD

MAD is only a similar idea to HAPPY + SAD, but it is definitely constructed w/ different materials. MAD is a ^{the} flatly laying feature that probably extends N + S out of ^{the} 20AC trench. From what is exposed in 20AC, it is a 3 cobble feature of rectangular (^{purposely} not shaped) shaped flat slab cobbles aligned nicely w/ HAPPY, SAD + w/ the basal wall of str 75. There appears to be a possible line of other poorly shaped RC in b/w SAD + MAD, however they also look tumbled-like. Behind MAD is one cobble w/ 6 pocked out holes. It's been left there, for not knowing what else to do w/ it. But MAD is nicely preserved + could easily have been apart of a surface feature of some sort w/ respect to how flat

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20AC **MAD** the cobbles chosen to construct it are. The area b/w the back of SAD + the front of MAD is only ϕ 45 m. But I have a feeling this whole area, marked by HAPPY to the East + MAD to the West represents some type of uniform platform or possibly ... perhaps a few very shallow terraces leading up to the front of the Eastern extent of Str. 75.

11:38am

EXHAUSTED

Probably is the beginning of architecture associated w/ Str. 75... the basal wall facing along the Eastern facing of the structure. It is very, very poorly preserved + mainly only consists of 2 large cobbles that appear to be in line w/ each other + another medium-sized cobble to the South of the trench that is sloping + tumbling downward to the East. What is also slightly unsettling about this feature, is that there is also this huge, large cobble under all the others + it's difficult to imagine where it really fits in exactly. But in the other areas, the other cobbles thought to be apart of EXHAUSTED are on top of other random tumble, or fill cobbles. It's not very well preserved at all + fitting in all kinds of directions. Interestingly though is there was nothing at all but tumble leading up to EXHAUSTED ~~from~~ from the back side of MAD w/ the packed marked cobble. That is a distance of \approx 1.4 m EXHAUSTED only appears to be ^{course} 1 high.

11:46am

SPENT

SPENT is the first in kind - of a long string of terraces that are poorly preserved + continue up the whole Eastern facing. But SPENT is designated a purposeful construction b/c of the 3 cobbles that, even though they're tilted, they are arranged in a purposeful line. There is a lot of other slumping + tumbled

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trench area

SPENT material around the feature that I know it use to be something. It is possible that SPENT + some of the other terraces along this East side are similar to the terraces on the North side w/in 20AB... they are only the backs of walls b/c they're ugly + poorly preserved... + possibly poorly preserved b/c they've been destroyed + the fronts of the walls have been pulled out. SPENT appears to be only 1 course high, but perhaps that's b/c it's the back of a wall. Also, the area b/w EXHAUSTED + SPENT is ~~at~~ at a pretty uniform level + they are only $\approx \phi$ 8.5m away. SPENT is on the border b/w EU 6 + 7.

12:05pm

AROUSED

1:40pm

Sitting at the same level as the top of SPENT, AROUSED just looked exceptionally good as a line that is b/w SPENT + INDIFFERENT that it had to get its own name designation. Only consists of 5 cobbles of the medium-sized persuasion. Some have got flat sides that are facing up, only the top is exposed, so an actual count of courses isn't exactly possible. $\approx \phi$ 20m b/w the back of SPENT + the front of AROUSED.

1:45pm

INDIFFERENT

Directly right above AROUSED, + is a very very poorly preserved terrace... terrace #2 after SPENT. It appears that it could have once been \approx 3 courses high, but since it's slumping both directions, front + back, E + W, it's difficult to say for sure. It's falling backwards b/c the unconsolidated fill area begins in ~~the~~ this region on this Eastern side of the structure.

The largest cobbles appear to be on the top w/ med-sized ones in the middle + toward the bottom. ~~Again~~ Again, this could be the back side of a wall or terrace, like Ed mentioned for the terraces on the N side. And that

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20AC

INDIFFERENT

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would explain why there are lines that appear like construction but they look horribly preserved b/c they've been purposely destroyed + taken apart.

BASHFUL

3:04 pm

Terrace #3 along this Eastern edge of str 75. Like almost everything else, it's very poorly preserved + only sort-of discernable as a feature from the top w/ the line of 3 cobbles. Additionally, are other cobbles underneath them that are falling + slipping out w/ the slope of the hill + also probably b/c of all the unconsolidated material of cobbles behind it.

Again the larger cobbles are on top, while the more medium-sized stones are beneath. \approx 30cm bgs w/in what is called BASHFUL + part of the wall are cobbles w/ nothing around them + holes can be seen in b/w the rocks. Approx ~ 2-3 courses high + ~ ϕ .20 m away toward the West from INDIFFERENT.

3:11 pm

WIRED

Terrace #4 + very faintly existent. Again, only a couple of lines on the surface exist + are preserved, but everything else from under has been pushed out by the fill of cobbles or just tumbled away. Only the top is really ~~in~~ showing b/c removing too much of the surrounding tumble would cause a lot of intended architecture to fall out + get destroyed.

Only a line on the surface - 10cm bgs of 4 cobbles w/ cobbles in profile going out to the N + S of the trench. Med-sized cobbles. Another slanting line of 3 rectangular cobbles are in front of it.

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20AC WIRED

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trench region

Descriptions

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WIRED is $\approx \phi.8\phi$ m away from the back of BASHFUL; but it's a complete unconsolidated cobble fill $\phi.8\phi$ m. Then again that is to the beginning of the tumble associated w/ WIRED that I believe is holding it up in place since everything is so poorly preserved.

3:30pm

TIRED

Quite possibly the Eastern exterior summit wall even though it's completely a mess b/c of all the unconsolidated cobbles. It's a complete mix of all different types of sizes of cobbles. Small + large but in no organized order to it. Not even completely sure it's a wall b/c all the cobble fill pushing it out. Or perhaps the cobbles were stolen + this is the back of a wall like Ed suggested was going on in 20AB. It's ≈ 3.0 m away from WIRED. And in b/w there are a couple possible lines but it's hard to tell b/c of all the loose cobbles. ~ 4 courses high. But hard to tell b/c of how badly it's falling apart.

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11:30am

Have been driving Kristin all over Petca this morning picking up her cut-down grass. Trying to complete descriptions this morning. Largest task is describing the summit since it is the ugliest, + most empty construction out there + open at the moment.

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20AD Descriptions of architecture features w/in the Western trench of Str. 75.

SURPRISED

SURPRISED is the first representation of architecture related to Str. 75. Part of a ^{possible} different structure surfaced w/in EU1, but it's further to the W away from Str. 75. SURPRISED makes up the basal wall. But, from what's exposed, it's only 3 large cobbles that are sloping toward the West at the slightest angle. The one cobble w/in the ~~N~~ Northern section of the trench is sloping the most + only half w/in the subop of 20AD. Only appears to be a 1 course high construction, however, the soil in the immediate area is quite difficult to excavate through, so it's possible that it may continue deeper, but doubtful. The one fully exposed stone in the middle of SURPRISED is ϕ .45m long, ϕ .35m wide, ϕ .18m tall. Does not appear purposely shaped, w/in ~~the~~ EU5.

SYMPATHETIC

SYMPATHETIC is the first + only cobble constructed terrace. It's mainly composed of 3 med-sized cobbles that are falling out of place + tilting forward. Fairly poorly preserved, but definitely the last identifiable type of cobble construction. Some tumble in the profile on the N + S sides supporting the idea that it was constructed on purpose.

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The remainder of the structure that has yet to be discussed is the summit region. The information that the summit excavations revealed have turned out to be less than desirable results. First of all, deciding what exactly to excavate or even designate as an interior summit wall was difficult; therefore it was hard to follow any lines of construction.

In all, subops 20AA + 20AB represent the majority of the summit area that was excavated. Very few features have been deemed identifiable purposeful construction features b/c of all the unconsolidated cobble fill.

20AA → Descriptions of what can be seen of the ^{designated} summit area w/ in 20AA to the East of the axial trench & along what would be a summit wall if there were architecture & it existed. Description all w/ in EU's 11-14.

EU 11-14 Began moving toward the East off of axial trench & EU 10 w/ in axial trench, keeping in mind that APATHETIC is possibly the exterior summit wall, or so it's been labeled. There is a possible line that at one point in time consisted of large cobbles... however, that's not based on the fact that any thing appears tilted or slipping out of place, but the fact of the presence of large cobbles that seem to somewhat outline the summit region along the southern side of the summit. However, there is very little else to draw conclusions on b/c the cobbles in the loose soil thrown in as fill. Perhaps there could have been other architecture at some point in time, but my thinking is that a lot of cobbles used to construct this building have been stolen & it was left abandoned robbed of ~~its~~ its materials... but also at some point, the loose cobble was thrown in.

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20AB

Description of 20AB East of axial trench w/in Summit
8 \times 1 m EU's in total were exposed w/in this half of the
designated summit area. Similar to the Southern side
excavated w/in 20AA, there are no identifiable
features. A faint interior summit wall could be possible
but after moving away from FRUSTRATED w/in the
axial trench, there appeared to be nothing else
preserved. The rest of the summit area in the
middle excavated w/in 20AB is simply the unconsolidated
RC fill. It is the most prevalent here than in
any of the other surrounding structures, (i.e.
Alison's, Patrick's, or Anya's). If there ever were
features here, they've been ripped out or the materials
have been robbed for other reasons.

A summit probe, which even went as deep as _____ cm,
revealed nothing more than simply more RC fill.
And fill of all shapes + sizes... no apparent organization
to it.

20AA

Description of 20AA West of axial trench w/in Summit
Again + similar to the East side of the axial
trench, there are no preserved, visible construction
features w/in this area of the summit. Of the 4
1 \times 1 m EU's that were opened up there is possibly one
line that extends E-W; consists of ~ 7-8 med-sized
cobbles + only extends ~ 80 cm. A Summit "probe"
through all same unconsolidated RC fill was conducted
only to reveal more RC fill.

20AB

Description of 20AB West of axial trench w/in Summit.
Same as all other areas of the summit... only RC
fill + a mess. Not to mention also a mess +

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+ no distinct construction features b/c of 2
large old + dead tree stumps in the center of
where 20AB was designated. Again, could possibly
be a line of wall, except it's highly doubtful b/c
it is right up next to the large tree stump + it
has pushed everything out of the way.

E-W along N = 16m
 " " S = 9.4m
 N-S along middle = 3m

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Subap	Feature	Height (m)	Length (m)	width (m)	Orientation (E of N)	Courses	Material	Function
20AA	WEARY	0.09	0.75	0.25	83°	1	RC med age	terrace
20AA	ANNNOYED	0.38	1.0	0.62	84°	2-3	RC large	base facing
20AA	STOCKED	0.42	1.02	0.45	81°	2 fitting	RC med-L	terrace
20AA	CONFUSED	0.44	0.87 exposed	0.47	82°	2 fitting	RC	terrace
20AA	LATZY	0.48	0.93	0.30	81°	4	RC	terrace
20AA	APATHETIC	0.93	0.83	0.50	82°	5	RC	terrace
20AB	ANGRY	0.14	0.90	0.51	78°	1	old cut column base	summit facing
20AB	EXCITED	0.58	0.93	0.52	78°	2	RC	base facing
20AB	DEPRESSED	0.82	1.03	0.33	74°	2-3	RC	terrace
20AB	SLEEPY	0.68	1.03	0.51	79°	1-3	RC	terrace
20AB	FRUSTRATED	0.57	1.03	0.52	75°	2	RC	base or summit facing
20AC	HAPPY	0.22	2.06	0.56	348°	2	RC large	terrace
20AC	SAD	0.15	1.04	0.40	347°	1	RC med-L	terrace
20AC	MAD	large flat	0.88	0.38	350°	1	RC L	terrace
20AC	EXHAUSTED	0.26	0.94	0.42	353°	2	RC	base facing
20AC	SPENT	0.45	0.94	0.52	351°	2-3	RC	terrace
20AC	AWOUSED	large flat	0.94	0.28	358°	1	RC	terrace
20AC	INDIFFERENT	0.34	0.95	0.33	353°	2-3	RC med-L	terrace
20AC	BASHFUL	0.70	0.92	0.37	353°	2-4	RC	terrace
20AC	WIKED	0.22	0.96	0.42	352°	2-3	RC	terrace
20AC	TIREP	0.58	1.05	0.45	353°	3-4	RC	summit facing
20AD	SURPRISED	0.11	1.02	0.58	353°	1	RC L-L	base facing
20AD	SYMPATHETIC	0.11	0.86	0.30	353°	1	RC	terrace

away from