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5 June 2005 Mary Hostenke

PO5-17-01

Monday - first day at El Paraíso.
Toured three of the four sites currently considered for excavation in the El Paraíso valley. First went to El Paraíso. Climbed to top of biggest mound (struc 1), fell into Ant hill on way up, am glad I am not going to be excavating larger structures. It was interesting to see how far the structure possibly extended, though sad to see how much information has been lost. The entire final phase is gone down to the fill. Then on to El Cafetal. The coffee is beautiful, it is kind of sad to cut it all down. The plaza was filled w/ corn/ ~~etc~~ tall grass, but the basic layout could be seen when compared to the map. Went in search of households which were behind str 3/4(?), the long/low str ~~to the~~ on the W side of the plaza → too much coffee to explore alone. Next attempted to visit El Guayabal, but couldn't get through. So drove to Las Aquidias. Interesting site. Makes me wonder if ~~the~~ normal citizens built up earthen platforms to live on, to go w/ the earthen str. And if so would they be visible?
Young steers in field → not dangerous yet.

7 June 2005 Mary Hostenke

POS-17-02

Today I learned how to use the EDM for the first time. It is not as hard as I expected, however I have trouble focusing on the machine or the mirror. First we back shot to locate the machine in space. The command buttons go in order from right to left \rightarrow need to make sure $<$ is the same. Then we practiced shooting points. transverse \rightarrow sideshot \rightarrow attributes - solve.
Worked w/ Nat we each had to take up/put down before we could shoot \rightarrow leveling the machine is a complicated process. While we weren't doing the machine w/ wandered around w/ a tape measure & compass making a sketch map of the site. Found what appear to be other related stre in the next block across from the pulperia.

8 June 2005 Ellen

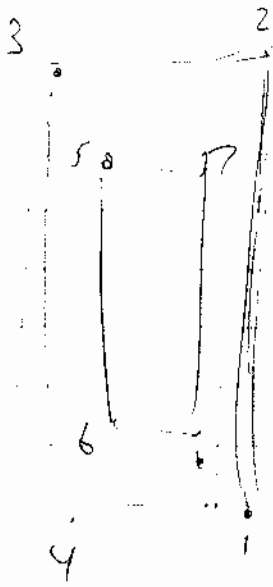
Nat, Yife & I used the transit to make a 2×2 N/S trench on the W side of Str. 1.

~~We later~~ After lunch we continued the 1×1 trench (1 sq) across the fence.

~~Before~~ We continued using only measuring tapes to start the second part of the trench. To start out w/ we made practice squares in the middle of the plaza.

We also make a sketch map of the trees in the plaza using a tape & compass.

St. #	Distance	Bearing	St. #	Dis.	Bearing
1	8.42m	75°	16	14.04m	307°
2	9.55m	74°	17	17.19m	303.5°
3	9.58m	64°	18	19.57m	303.4°
4	13.08m	49°	19	24.74m	306°
5	19.30m	24°	20	17.60m	295°
6	15.12m	21°	21	20.63m	292.5°
7	17.45m	18°	22	10.92m	287.5°
8	12.84m	17.5°	23	24.02m	277°
9	17.01m	9°	24	20.39m	269°
10	19.87m	5°	25	22.89m	258°
11	19.49m	357°	26	22.50m	250°
12	18.88m	356°	27	12.32m	250°
13	9.85m	338°	28	18.13m	245°
14	5.52m	314°	29	15.47m	198°
15	8.13m	307°	30	15.02m	182°
			31	10.60m	158°
			32	17.59m	147°
			33	11.43m	146°
			34	16.96m	138.5°
			35	12.78m	133°
			36	12.28m	127°



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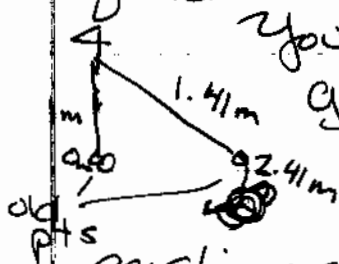
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Jim and I spent a semi frustrating morning laying out the rest of the trench. Nat, Yiefe & I started yesterday → going over the str to the S of Str 1.

It was hard ~~using~~ coordinating the measuring tapes, line levels, plumbobs & stakes. We did a decent job though.

For flat ground Jim has a really efficient method of using a flag and a soft tape measure & the two previous stakes to easily/painlessly find the other 2 pts. (see illustration

you the switch ~~to the~~ sides to get the 4th point. Frustrating time getting the points in the machine. Not only ~~the~~ were our eastings off, but we had to cut down about half a palm tree to take the shots, and ~~3~~ we couldn't get done at ~~the~~ all. I think we are going to do the same to la Aquidias tomorrow.



June 10, 2005

POS-17-04

When we arrived at Areguidias to lay trenches @ 8:00am the sky was completely clear blue → No clouds, no real breeze. The students, directed by Pamela estimated the corners of the str's she wanted to excavate: the large str, the neighboring (east) small struc, and the supposed ball court. Pam then put flags approx. where she wanted trenches to go: 1 long across and thru both "ball court" str, across the middle of the small mound & across a supposed ramp on the NE corner of the large str. Jim & I tacked this trench, using his 'patented' method. Probably should have used pombob on rising/falling/steep areas, but things seem to have turned out ok. Now that A station on the top of the large struc has been set up (shot from El Paraíso) we are going to shoot them into the machine. I am kind of worried that the short stakes we use here will get lost in the grass → some already have.

Marcello showed me how to properly use my compass (ie what the mirror is for). There are now very beautiful clouds slowly coming in. There is a wonderful view of Sierra Azul from here → probably since L.A. is a pasture & is on a rise.

13 June 2005

~~POS-17-04~~

I'm rather angry. Today Jim, Larry, & I were actually going to start @ El Cafetal, but I got food poisoning on Sat, & my stomach still isn't feeling very stable. So I have to stay in today. I will probably go visit El Paraíso this afternoon though.

14 June 2005

05-17-005

Went to Cafetal today w/ Jim, Larry & Ellen. While Larry set up the EDM to shoot in phosphate pts. Ellen, Jim & I went over to inspect the residencial plaza. We decided on Plaza _____ part of the milpa that Salvador manages for Doña Roberta. Jim is going to do phosphate tests throughout & behind the stcs. and then excavate the large center stc where there was a large looter's pit (see picture) I am going to excavate a mid sized stc to the west of the large stc. followed by a low rise that might possibly be a storage stc of some sort. to the north. I'll then work on one of the stc to the east of the large stc. On the mid sized stc I am going to do a N/S AXIAL & then only $\frac{1}{2}$ a bi-axial coming from the east since ~~on the~~^{the} west side of the stc runs into the neighboring finca, hence out of our control. Salva and 3 other guys went to chop the milpa. SALVA's dad was already there planting. Marcello, Ellen & I went to Ask Doña Roberta's permission to chop her milpa, which actually helps her by clearing it so it can be planted. Doña Roberta is such a tiny lady. Ellen is probably 2x her height. She is maybe 60/70, I was very surprised at how stiff she was when she tottered in from going to the store. M/E/Salva convinced her that we wouldn't be in the way at all, & that it would be to her benefit & then presented me. Then ellen & I went back and shot in points to connect the plaza to the Cafetal grid. One on top of stc 3/4 (?) AND on to the SW of it (-20, -20)

15 June 2005

05-17-06

Got out to the field fairly on time today. Only Larry, Ellen, & I; Jim wasn't feeling well, & staid in to do soil samples in the lab. Cloud cover this morning, so it seems rather humid. Now @ ≈ 9 AM it is starting to clear off. Ellen has set me to the task of mapping the household plaza to get a feel for it. There are so many damn bees/"heat" wasps \rightarrow so annoying. I have done all the structures in the cleared area, that I can identify. The workers clearing today are: SALVA, Lorenzo, Constantino,

By looking from above I think that I can see some rises in the uncleared corn waste "maleza" to the south of the cleared land. Am not sure about the area to the east of the cleared space b/c it ~~was~~ under heavier grass/foliage. Ellen investigated the coffee finca area of the res plaza. There are 3-4 ^{large} ~~stres~~ back there, so it turns out the one I am working on is actually str 7. Based on the size of the stres we now think it is probably an elite res site not a normal res plaza. This will make for better comparison btwn it & El Paraiso, but different comparisons to what I worked on at Las Canoas.

Elite ^{Teuca} to Elite Maya & Elite Teuca to NONelite Teuca. Ellen & I layed a 14 m long trench approx through the middle of the struc going $\hat{=}$ N/S. There are a ton of rocks so we had some trouble w/ stakes & white out markings. Some of the dirt was loose but filled in w/ rocks on the top of the struc which may ~~indicate~~ indicate a filled in hooters pit \rightarrow unfortunate but makes sense, w/ what happened to the others. The trench laying took the rest of the day \rightarrow frustrating. Took scaled photo of



EU's A \rightarrow H N&S sides of STR. Tomorrow will start excavating 2 men
 on Subop 1 (southern trench) & 2 men Op10 Subop 2 (northern
 side) when done will then consider biaxial from E.
 EU's A \rightarrow F


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05-17-07

Operation 10; Subop 1 (south side)


Overcast day so far. Am a bit disappointed b/c will not get to start excavating until this afternoon, so almost 2 weeks of not working. Then it will probably rain & I will not get anything done. Workers are building the rain champa this morning. Got a late start anyway due to arranging new workers & redistributing tools, now that both Orquidias & Cafetal are going to start excavations. Jim & Larry are finishing up soil testing by Str. 1. I set up the EDM at the pt near Str 3/4 so Ellen & I can shoot over to S-07 to extend the grid. Then I think we are going to shoot in my trench. That will be interesting. She went to take ppl to Orquidias & isn't back yet. I had a hard time getting the 2nd level on the machine correct. Ellen has returned bearing children. Shot from top of m to top of mound —, to from station on mound to station in stand of bananas, and then to 2 stations in res plaza field. Shot in trench points. Am finally starting 1st lot → EUA. It is a 10cm lot, or until soil color change. Salvador y Rambeeto ~~are~~ working together on it. Took surface collection → piece obsidian blade that E. found & a jar handle that Oscar, Jim's worker found. Am not sure how to label it yet. E has to ask M. Am stopping @ 10cm for today due to rain.  So far have not found any artifacts only rich, dark brown soil. Looks wonderfully fertile for the corn that's been growing on the mound. Will continue from 10-20cm tomorrow.

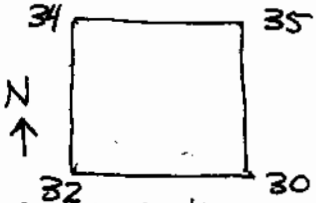
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05-17-08

Am ~~continuing~~ continuing down to 20 cm bag in Lot 1 EU A. After 10 cm have started finding sherds. Found a tiny bit of obsidian blade.

Soil seems to be the same clay loam as subop 2. in lot 1 found 30 piece of redish ceramic. several of them appear to have incised lines. You can see workmanship lines on some of the pottery, but the other lines are definately deeper/purposfully made. One piece has incised concentric triangles.  These resto of the pieces have = lines. Found one piece of jar rim as well. Found 1 1" piece of prismatic obsidian blade. E

said one of the incised pieces might be part Continued in Lot 2 EU A until the soil changed to a sandy clay. Lot 2  no construction units

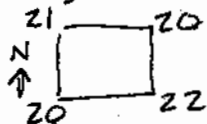
5 pieces of ceramic, including 1 insiced piece.

Am now starting Lot 3 EU A → ~~to~~ light brown sandy clay. This will be a 20 cm lot. The soil is 10 YR/3/4.

Still going through clay, only 1 ~~to~~ tiny fleck of obsidian.

Am eventually going to continue EU A down, but since space is getting tight we are opening EU B & will take it down to the same level to get more room to work. Lot 4 EU B is starting as a 10 cm lot, but may become a 20 cm one.

It was a 20 cm lot.



Sbop
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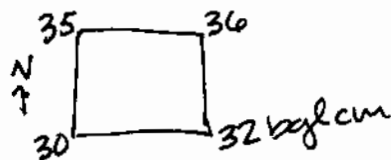
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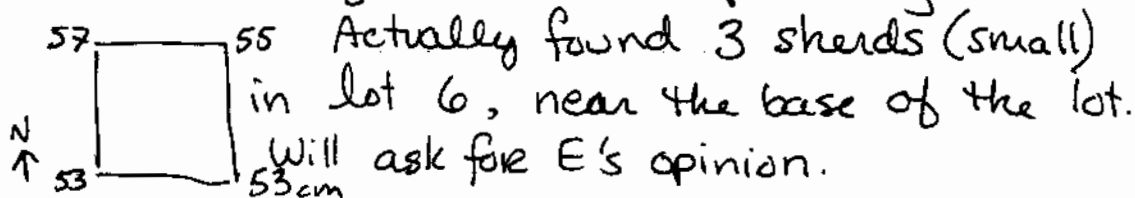
Started off day by spilling Spectra sunscreen down the back of my pants. My workers were the ones who noticed that my bottle was leaking. Attempted to discretely wipe it off. 'Visited' El Paraíso today to see what has been found. Will visit Orquidias this afternoon. Am starting lot 5 a 20 cm lot in EU B.



It is the same clay loam. Just found censer prong. Salva joked that it was a 'chichita maya'.
22 sherds, 1 censer prong, 1 piece of bajareque.



Am starting lot 6 EU B, a 20 cm lot that will take us through the sandy clay layer to be level w/ EU A. Salva and Ramberto are patiently cutting through the clay → no artifacts of any kind. E said that we can continue in towards the structure after this lot. So we will be moving into EU C, probably tomorrow.



Actually found 3 sherds (small) in lot 6, near the base of the lot. Will ask for E's opinion.

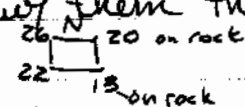
For the time being am starting Lot 7 EU C, it is starting as a 10 cm lot. Stopped w/out finishing.

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05-17-08 10

OPERATION 10; Subop 2 (North side)

For Morning intro notes see subop 1 page. Jorge y Lorenzo are working together on this ~~subop~~ EU. This is the northernmost unit, and will be called EU A. At Ellen's suggestion we are doing an initial 20cm lot, or until a soil color change. Ellen is helping ~~us~~ them this afternoon. Stopping lot for day due to rain.  Have come up a line of tumble will stop lot here, since they went a bit farther than I would have wanted, in the Northern corners. Need to make sure to draw the tumble into my lot card sketch tomorrow. Prob. should take picture as well. Will continue down until soil color change in next lot. Need to continue in EU A until Sterile soil.

Subop
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05-17-11

sketched tumble ~~3~~ uncovered in A lot 1. Set them to start new lot EU A lot 2 - 10cm but leaving in tumble for now. The soil is a clay loam, but is not packed & is therefore easy to excavate. Lots of tumble. Took photo and then started to remove some of the rocks. I have a hard time telling what is rock and what is soil, since the ~~same~~ color of the crumbly rock is the same as the soil → plus it disappears into the soil. They have found several pieces of what appears to be a reddish color ceramic, including part of a handle. Upon clearing out the tumble Jorge & Lorenzo uncovered what appears to be a cobble patio in the S $\frac{1}{2}$ of EVA. They went down a little bit farther ~~to~~ w/ the patio, so I am having them level out the north $\frac{1}{2}$ to see if there is more floor.

Basically On floor found bit of a carved ceramic vessel → has a glyph on it
pass bak-yi patio. Took photo



They dug & uncovered a bit more of the



36 pieces of ceramic
Soil was same as previous soil.

Am starting lot 3 in EU B to follow the cobble patio S towards the str. It will be a 10cm lot. Uncovering some tumble. No artifacts in lot 3. $\begin{matrix} 8 \\ N \\ \uparrow \\ \square \\ \downarrow \\ 7 \end{matrix}$ had them remove the tumble and continue $\begin{matrix} 7 \\ \uparrow \\ \square \\ \downarrow \\ 14 \end{matrix}$ down 10 more centimeters this will also be part of lot 3. Extended lot 3 is $\begin{matrix} 12 \\ N \\ \uparrow \\ \square \\ \downarrow \\ 21 \end{matrix}$ only found 1 tiny shard in the entire 20cm.

Am starting Lot 4 EU B. It is starting out as a precautionary 10cm lot, but will probably extend to a 20cm one. Jorge pried out what might be a 5" x 3" chunk of bajareque. Need to check w/ ellen. It was inbetween/under some of the tumble.

Subop
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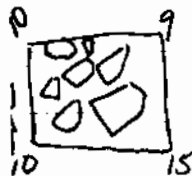
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Am continuing down another 10 cm → am removing all
tumble → this should put us at the same level as
the cobble floor. Didn't finish getting down to floor
today → it does continue though. Buried the ceramics

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Am continuing lot 4 in EU B down to uncover
the level of the cobble surface. They are continuing
to uncover the patio floor @ about $\frac{1}{2}$ way into the
unit. Marcello gave me permission to use nonsense
names, as long as they relate to Pootie Tang. So the
cobble surface in EU A & B will hence forth be called ^{WATDATA}
Have found a lot of carbon → large 1'x1' chunks. Unfortunately ^{sp?}
they touched it w/ their hands & I picked up a large chunk
before I realized what it was. ~~they pieces~~ were also laying on
a leaf. But maybe they can be cleaned. The carbon is kind of
textured. I ~~am~~ think they kind of look like corn cob patterns,
but I haven't seen pieces of carbon this big before to know
how burnt chunks of wood would look. The carbon was sitting
directly on top of the cobble surface, ~~WATDATA~~ WATDATA.
Also found a possible chert blade.

Am starting Lot 5 EUC. It is starting out as a 10cm
lot. E thinks that the ^N basal wall will either be in the
southern end of EUC or in EU D. We are going to
follow ~~the~~ WATDATA in ^(south) towards the structure. Removed
tumble, about 5 rocks either definitely slanted, or not on top
of other rocks. Am stopping w/ 10 cm lot for today.
Visible rocks look like tumble, not wall. Found 9 sherds &
a snail shell (caecol).



Subop
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20 June 2005

05-17-13

Continuing w/ Lot 7 EUC it will be a 20 cm lot. Overcast day → very humid, but cool breeze. Ants ~~have~~ have taken over my nice bench, so I am now sitting in subop 1, I think the hole is cooler anyways. Learned word for termite → roca, they look kind of like scarabs.

Have actually come across tumble in EUC. It was all under the surface. Found some very soft pieces of bajareque in the N "wall" of the EUC. 15 tiestos ^{red/orange slip}, bajareque

Starting lot 8 EUC - Am starting w/ a 10cm lot, which will probably become a 20cm lot. Removed 1 tumbled rock uncovered by last lot. 31 pieces of ceramic & a

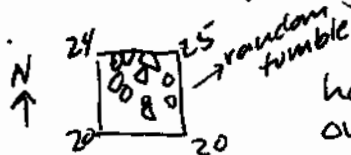
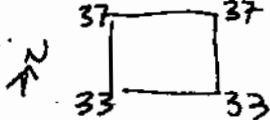
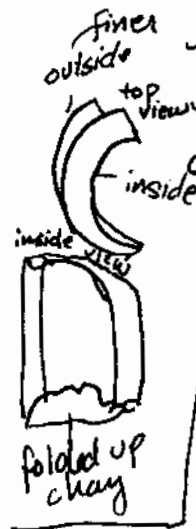
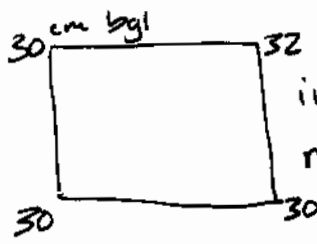
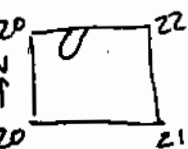
few small pieces of bajareque were found in Lot 8. One of the pieces looks like it might have been part of a candelero chamber. It is really interesting since you can see

how it was formed → where someone's fingers pushed in the clay. The inside has a sharper curve than the outside. Washed 1 piece of ceramic → tan w/ 1 ^{bright} red strip

Am starting Lot 9 EUC → starting as a 10cm lot. We are now into the sandy clay layer again, haven't found any artifacts since entering clay layer. Found a small bit of carbon on top of the clay in the NE of EUC.

Some of it touched plastic. ^{6/7 tiestos} done of the ceramics were below clay layer ∴ moved on

Am opening EUC D w/ lot 10; a 10cm lot. We should probable start finding constructions soon → OR at least more tumble. Removed 2 tumbled rocks. E brought 2 more tarps, so now we are completely covered → looks rather funny. Removed tumble.



5 tiestos of one of which had red paint & a ^{tan} incised design on TAN.



Subop
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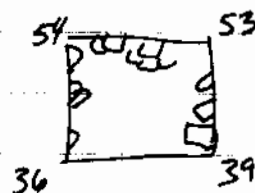
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Continuing lot 11 a 20 cm lot → removed some tumble. Found what might be the middle part of a mano amongst the tumble. Rambereto's ^{11 yr old} son is dying of kidney failure, so he was given the day off. ∴ Salva is working alone. The clay is rather sticky in the trench today. Am coming across a lot more tumble than before. Salva found a piece of what both he & Jorge say is burnt sand, the both promised me it was 'puka arena', so we'll see what E says. Salva found a decorated piece of pottery, looks like it might have been an applied type of design. Salva thinks its a bird, I can't tell what it is.



47 tiestos

1 3" chunk burnt sand ↑
bajareque 1 poss. mango part



removed a lot of random tumble

Am opening EU E - lot 12 a 10 cm lot. Lot 12 is uncovering tumble. Must be leading up to a high back wall → poor Salva no interesting arch only clay & tumble. Found a decent sized bit of a matate. 25cm long / 15cm wide

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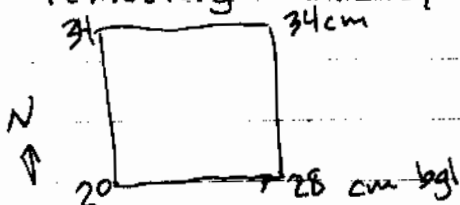
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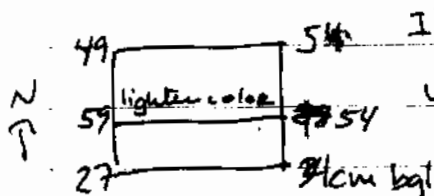
Continuing lot 12 EU E. Ramberito is back today, his son is feeling better; however, still needs a kidney transplant to live. Bk of last night's rain the clay is all sticky. The clouds are really low over the mountains & it is really humid \rightarrow no sun though. Am

removing tumble, then will measure.

6 tiestos
5 bajareque



Starting lot 13 EU E; going down another 20 cm, removing tumble. Came across soil change



It was not visible earlier/higher up, only when some of the tumble was removed. bajareque, toba, 1 tiesto

Stopped lot 13

Am excavating lot 14 EU E as the 7.5 yr/3/1 color soil (down to the 10 yr/3/4). Am then going to make new lot for the new soil color.

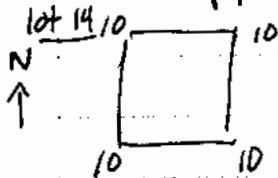
Salva uncovered rough cobble patio might have cut through part of it

Lot 14 Jorge/Lorenso are ~~excavating~~ savoring the dirt from

EU H.

the patio floor runs into the soil color change. E said that a color change can often indicate the inside of a structure.

This appears also to be the case on the N side.



\rightarrow fill!

Starting lot 15 EU F, A 10 cm lot \rightarrow will follow patio. Seem to have come ~~across~~ across wall, will clear back to it a bit more \approx 40cm above patio, but currently only appears to be 1 course.

Subop 1

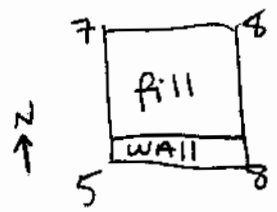
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Ramberto/
Salva →

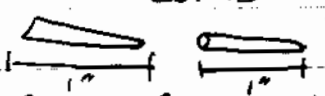
Continuing Lot 15 cleared away a bit on the face of the wall. Think that I will remove fill & go down behind it.



Jorge/
Lorenzo

Lot 16 EU H Am cleaning down a bit into the fill between the wall in Subop 2 EU F & Subop 1 EU H. Am taking out some fallen fill & dirt only.

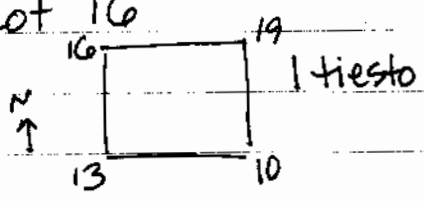
Lot 15 - found 2 tiny bones down in the fill.



don't know what type of animal they are from.

Ramberto has basically burrowed into the fill behind the wall → they came from that hole. The southern basal wall is now DAIME. Under some of the fill there was a color change the 7.5 vs the other new color.

Lot 16



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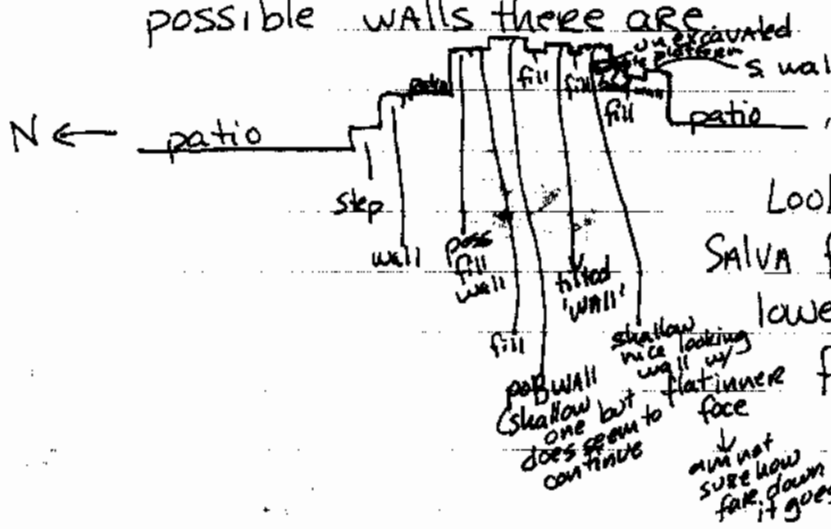
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05-17-17

Rained rather hard last night, so the clay in the trench is sticky & everything is muddy. It is really humid, and the clouds are really low, so it may start raining again this morning. At least Larry & Jim stayed at the Cab, so they will not be cramming themselves into my trench when it does. I have one more unit to excavate, this afternoon I will draw/sketch my trench, and I'll set Jorge & Lorenzo to the task of going laterally.

Rampero y Salva are continuing Lot 15 EU F subop 1 going down behind the wall. Jorge & Lorenzo are going to start Lot 17 EUG.

Lot 15 EU F: had Salva remove a few rocks from the top of the wall that had tumbled. They revealed a hole in between the front of the wall & what I thought was the badly formed inner (fill) wall. I need to decide ~~with~~ which side of the trench I want to draw. On the south side (Subop 1) the E side of the trench looks better. E looks ok to draw on the N side as well (Subop 2). Am now not sure if any inner walls can be identified. They either are only 1 course high or tilted in on themselves. Well, they could just be shallow. I always get confused w/ how many possible walls there are.



Looks like the back of the nice/shallow wall may be in the Lot 17 unexcavated unit -> EUG. Looks like I'm correct. In Lot 15, SALVA found what appears to be another, lower/earlier wall beneath a bit of fill. The wall is in the side of EUG. Fact SE outer wall

Subop
1

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The lower wall discovered in EU F appears to continue down to a second course, so SALVA/Rampereto are going to continue to follow it. There is a lighter brown, more clay like soil in between the 2 layers/ under the fill. (Lot 15*)

has reached area below fill that seems to be mainly clay vs tumble/fill rocks

removed fill/tumble

Lot 17 is continuing down ward to define the other face of the wall in EU H & to possibly reach the back of the low wall that starts in EU F.

People are planting corn in the S 1/2 of the field. I am not sure how that will affect future plans. The mts are disappearing under gray clouds -> I gueß this means it will rain soon.

Found cobble floor in the W 1/2 of EU F btwn the 2 walls. It looks like it could be a continuation of the outside cobble patio. Found carbon on the clay side of EU F (the part not occupied by the patio -> however it was right at the cobble patio level. It looked like another bit of burnt CORN cob. Found other 1/2 of patio floor; however wall has at least 1 other course (at least 3 total) so am removing ^{East} 1/2 of the patio floor & continuing down looking for base of wall.

The soil that has been used w/ the recent fill & now continues under ^{over} the patio floor has 3-5% fine inclusions it is clay

color = 7.5 YR/4/3. 10 YR/4/2. Dug down to find base of wall.

Wall is 3 courses high. 1 course below the patio floor.

Lot 15 - 11 sherds, 1 toba I think that I am going to

draw the east end of the trench anyways & have them leave a barrier. This is b/c the base of the wall was uncovered in the E side.



Subop 1
&
Subop 2

23 June 2005

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The guys were convinced that we had cut through a wall on the S side, while removing the fill above the inner wall. So had E come & take a look. Seems to be just flat fill → can see poss. cut through wall in section. Am following level of earlier wall back towards the nice inner/vertical wall. (Lot 17 EU H)

Starting Lot 18^F below the floor. Found carbon. Some small bits of this carbon got mixed in w/ that in Lot 15. The Lot 15 pieces were generally bigger though. Am going below floor to confirm the base of the wall, maybe find an earlier patio.

One of the men planting said that while digging a post hole near my structure he found $\frac{1}{2}$ of a figurine face. "Bien hecho, con una oreja?"

Lot 18 EU F yielded 14 tiestos w/ an orange color than those found earlier. E says that the orange is an earlier color of ceramic. Ramperto/Salva are cleaning the trench, while Jorge & Lorenzo are going down in front of the step on the N side of the str. → Subop 2 EU C thru the cobble patio to see if it similarly matches what

Subop was found on the buried S original platform. This is lot 14 EU C. Found a bit of carbon beneath patio & wall level.

I think
↓
bajareque
carbon

So far I would say that the original platform was 12 tiestos 3-4 courses high, built of nice flat-faced stones. It had a cobbled surface. On the southern side a cobble patio was added after the construction of the platform. Am still working on investigating the northern side. In the south a taller wall was added over part of the cobble patio to extend the living space & raise the height of the structure. Excavation has shown that the step on the N doesn't continue beneath the patio → am finding same orange pottery though.

Subop
1/2

7 July 2005

05-17-20

Am continuing w/ Lot 19 EU H Subop 1. Removed LESTER down to level of pass floor/wall that is the base of SEPATOWN. Am now working Lot 19 into EU F? Subop 2 by starting to remove DIRTY D.

Definitely think DIRTY D was a fill wall. → there are verticle piles of rocks that are not really in horizontal lines w/ each other. The verticle piles are always slanted too → not stable wall examples. The floor (cobble) that seemed to be the base of SEPATOWN appears to continue. This is a bummer that it is a cobble floor & not flat fill. It will now be a separate entity known as CHERRY PIE.

Chatted w/ Ellen. Compared levels on drawing POOTIE TANG & ~~SEPATOWN~~ SADATAY are same level 1.6m bd & therefore are original basal platform. CHERRY PIE might line up w/ PITY on the N side & be the next vertical addition. We think SEPATOWN/FROGGY were one wall that formed south outer wall when all fill was added. ∴ it makes sense that the fill interdigitated w/ SEPATOWN, since connecting the wall to the fill would make the str more stable.

Subop
4

While shooting in the outlines of the walls, realized that if the step SADATAY was extended it would include the odd pile of rocks, and would make a right corner w/ HOT, TOO in the NE. Am therefore reopening several units starting w/ EU C to go down to the base of the step/wall SADATAY and then to follow that out, seeing if the lower courses are better preserved/corner better. Today has been a day of intellectual discoveries. This will be EU C - F. Lot 11 Am cutting through the cobble floor in these units to go down lower

Subop
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1 Get traps!

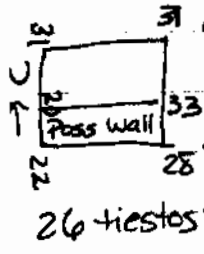
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Am starting Lot 6 EUC. This will continue EUC down towards WADAHTA, the cobble patio. It will be a 10 cm lot. Removed the small visible rocks, since they were arranged in no order and had no rocks beneath them ∴ tumble. Am going down another 10 cm w/in this lot to make it a 20 cm lot. The tumble so far does not seem to suggest a wall. There are 2 flat stones in a row in the southern 1/2 of the unit, so I am having Jorge & Lorenzo clean down ^{the} 10 cm in front of the stones to see if it continues to suggest being a wall. They don't think that the wall will start until the next EU (D), which I actually agree w/, however I still feel like there should be some type of low wall/terrace, especially w/ a patio on the N side. The N side faces into the plaza, so this side should have some type of entryway → stairs, terrace etc. EU D is almost on top of the structure, so that would mean there was very little living space. Have not been finding very much. Removed some definite tumble. The ceramics found have been fairly thick pieces of orange slip pottery mixed in w/ the tumble. Am almost reaching possible wall. Can't tell if it is a wall or not. There are 2 rocks perfectly on top

nublina-flog

laka-shale



of one another, & all the rest are tilted/sloped. The 2 nice rocks apparently don't continue down, & they are on top of tilted ones. Still 20 cm above WADAHTA. Am taking pictures. E came and said that there was a good possibility it was a wall. We are continuing down 10 cm ^{in front of the wall only} starting in the N & working in towards the wall. → Lot 7 EUC. They continued lot 7 down to patio.

On patio surface found piece of what they tell me is toba stone that appears to have been smoothed/carved (took picture) Also uncovered the 2 pockets of carbon → correctly excavated. Labeled East/West for placement. Also found piece of obsidian blade.

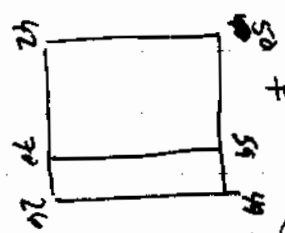
Subop
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20 June 2005

05-17-22

There is a very large flat/thick stone lying directly on the pavement on the w side of EUC. x Correction x the flat stone is $\approx 3/4$ in of dirt off of pavement. Patio is continuing beautifully, towards the jumble of rock. Finally found base of wall on east side \rightarrow the patio stops and the nicely set stone is lower than patio level. E said to continue removing all of the tumble & to head for the level/quality of the newly UNCOVERED basal rock. Found another large rock next to the 1st, under all of the tumble. This wall or terrace is now

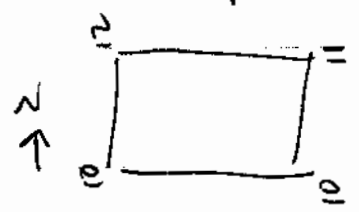
sp? \leftarrow 'SADATAY' Am now cleaning down to the top of SADATAY. It was at least one course high, w the other courses possibly \rightarrow ^{or not} overhanging off. It is possible to have been 2 courses wide.



26 trestos, obsidian blade, 1 piece toba
took picture of wall

Am starting lot 8 EU D \rightarrow a 10 cm lot.

Am looking for stairs/ other terraces have some possibilities in EU D, but not too many. only 2 trestos



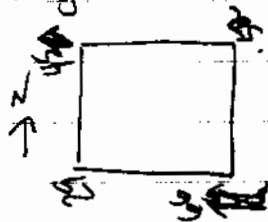
Subop
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21 June 2005

05-17-23

Starting lot 9 EU D looking for next wall/terrace. Am clearing the dirt away on the east side of EU D to see if 2 rocks on the west side are part of a stairway or just tumbled. After clearing away dirt it was evident that even though there was a line of rocks, they were all tumbled. So, we took them out and are now clearing down to the next layer of rocks. Looks like we are uncovering another step. The step doesn't look/is missing the stone on the west side. To get a better view of the whole picture, I am having Jorge & Lorenzo clear the dirt off the tumble in the rest of the unit. Am uncovering a cobble floor on the terrace by removing tumble.

Pulled gigantic rock out from floor to see if floor continued under the stone → it is a good 6-8 in thick, however it appears like the floor continues underneath it, maybe it compressed the floor when it fell? It was maybe 2-3 in above the rest of the floor level. The large rock must have been part of the floor, since upon removing it we uncovered a distinct layer of cobble floor underneath the first one. We (ie Jorge & Lorenzo) set the rock aside, out of the trench. We are continuing to take out rocks on the S side of EU D, hopefully we can follow the floor back to the next wall, which I now suspect might be in the NW of the next unit. Haven't found much pottery.



Starting EU E → lot 10 a 10 cm lot.
5 tiestos Lot 10 seems to be uncovering a rather high wall & then a possible cobble summit floor. I think that there

has to be some sort of ~~step~~ step between the 2nd patio & the wall though → it is just too high. @ least 50 cm.

Subop
2

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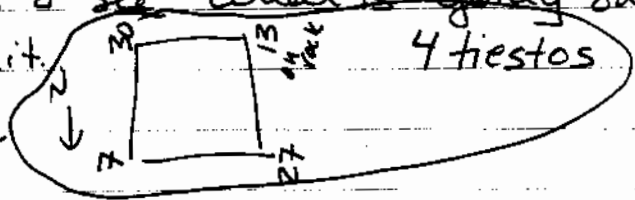
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E came over to look at the progress. Also thinks that the wall is in the N part of EU E. Says that there may have been another step, or we are missing an entry way w/ our trench. Variety of possibilities. Am cleaning down in front of wall to see if I can find more of it. Am then going to clean out tumble from summit area. Not exactly sure how far I want to go down → does it need to be reinforced. Cleaned wall - can't tell what has fallen, what is/was part of the wall but there are rocks that indicate it as a wall. ∴ am going to clear down behind the wall to see if the back looks better.

∴ am removing tumble. 20 tiestos, 1 perdernal

Starting lot 11 → behind the wall. Had Ellen come & look @ the fill. Now looking @ it she suggests that what I thought was a wall might just be part of well laid fill (like EL P ste 1). The 1st floor might have been the original floor, & then the wall was where I thought it was a second step (SADATAS) & then everything inside is fill to create a tall living space.

Am starting lot 12 EU F a 10cm lot to clean on rocks & see what is going on in the next ~~to~~ on the summit.

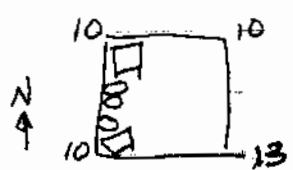


Subop
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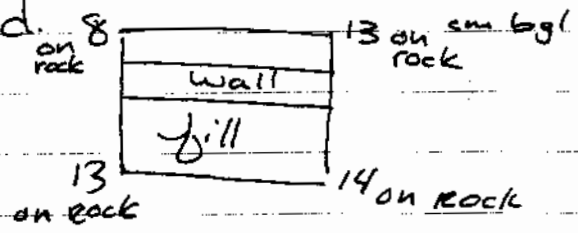
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Am continuing to clean in lot 12 EU F, to get a picture of what is going on w/ the fill. EU F was the last unit in subop 2. I just had them uncover the fill. There might be the remains of a transverse wall on the west side of EU F.



There is a very nice rectangular cut block in line w/ some smaller stones, several of which seem to have fallen, so am not sure. Will probably return to work in this unit after consulting w/ Ellen. 27 tiestos, 1 jute

Starting lot 13 EU F. E thinks that there are possible walls in EU F, so we are clearing down between them. It might have been a bench of some kind.



4 tiestos
1 bajareque

Continuing summit excavations into Subop 1 EU H.

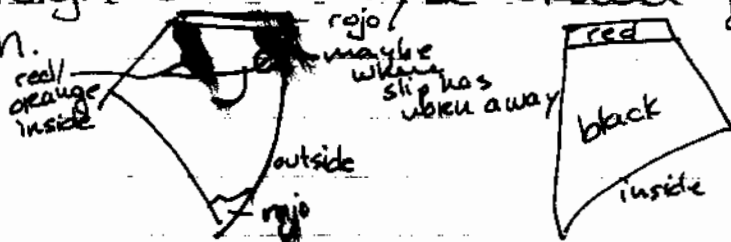
Subop
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23 June 2005

05-17-26

It is possible that there were elevation differences on either side of the str that lead to the construction variations. Perhaps the second wall, w/ its cobble surface was the original platform in the north w/ the step & outer cobble patio added later. The 2nd wall then could have been expanded vertically and filled in to raise the platform. Four interior walls were added: the northern most as a support for fill, the 2nd northern as a summit wall, the 3^d as a support for fill, and the 4th as a summit wall, w/ its nice face facing north. The southern most summit wall was probably the earliest addition, since it is lower than the other walls, even though it is hard to tell how many courses it had ~~to~~ due to fill & the ^{height} fill wall. The other summit wall is up in the air, it is only 1/2 courses high, even though it includes a nice post cut block. The areas on the summit walls are surrounded by fill & the 2 fill walls.

In Lot 14 EUC (under the step) found interesting piece of pottery black w/ red strip around inside/outside rim. The outside seems to have an orange/tan slip and there is a design (what maybe eroded glyphs) around the rim.



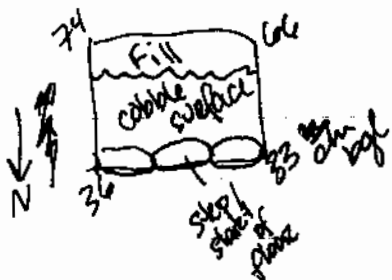
Cleaning lot subop 2 Lot 15 EU B → 4 pieces pottery

Sibop
2

12 July 2005

05-17-27

Am working in EU D Sibop 2 - following the floor level of the original platform to the south. Removed top 'course' from wall, found nice course below it that was at same level as nice cobble floor PITY. HAVE been removing some of what appears to be fill. It is very similar to the fill ~~is STR~~ on the S side. This was Lot 10. It was an empty lot.



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24 June 2005

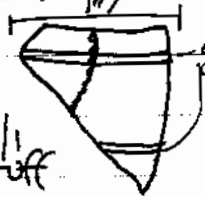
05-17-

Today will be a short day due to our copán trip. We arrived at 8:20 and will be working until quarter of 11. I was going to sketch my trench today, but there will not be enough time. ∴ Jorge, SALVA and I are setting up new trenches following the wall on the south side of ~~the~~ Str 5 to the E. We set up 2 squares. This will be Subop 3 (EU's on S side of Str. 5)

~~The~~ EU A, the southernmost of the 2 units is to the E of Subop 1 EU E. The second unit EU B of Subop 3 is located to the east of EU F Subop 1.

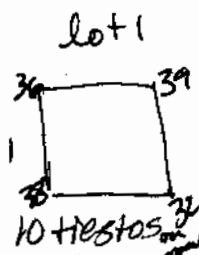
Lot 1 EU A Subop 3 is currently being excavated w/ the purpose of finding the cobble patio and following it East. This unit might also find the face of the southernmost wall. It will be a 20 cm lot. A 20cm buffer between my axial & my new lateral trench is being left until I draw axial trench. Wrote up new subop form & Add the squares to my map of Str 5 squares.

Lot 1 is going well. Am finding some grooved & some red slip pottery. Am removing a lot of tumble. One of the



grooves red pieces might be part of A bowl. interesting curvatures

The soil being uncovered is the 7.5 YR/3/1 stuff



Am not sure how ~~the~~ wall fits into EU A. I can't tell if it is angling NW → SE or if we haven't found the face yet & it will be in EU B to the north. If it does < then we cut through it, but I think it's tumble since we found pottery mixed to the n. Did find continuation of cobble floor though.

Am cutting further N to where the wall might be. Can barely see the mt due to low clouds, put some ^{small} patches of blue in the SW

Am starting Lot 2 EU B Subop 3 → search for wall since it wasn't in EU A. Seem to be uncovering wall in EU B. Am moving traps a bit to cover new areas.

Subop
3

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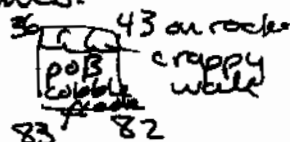
Salvador & Ramperto are continuing lot 2 in EU B, the search for the exterior southern wall. It is going to be hot today. It is only 9 AM, I am already sweating, need to remember to drink water today. Lot 2 also includes the removal of both 20 cm burms used/left for drawing. Both ugly & nice walls are continuing lot 2

19 tiestos

1 3" piece bajareque

Am moving rocks to expand out another 2 units to the east. Am going to run into tarp problems.

Lot 1 measure ments using line level = N



Lot 3 EU C a 20cm lot to uncover the cobble surface & southern face of the S basal wall. EU C is east of EU A Subop 3.

* DATUM is the NW corner of EU F in *
(at ground level)
Subop 1

Lot 4 EU D → a lot to uncover the original architecture/cobble floor, if they continue.

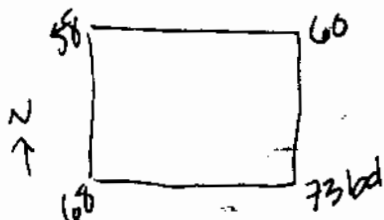
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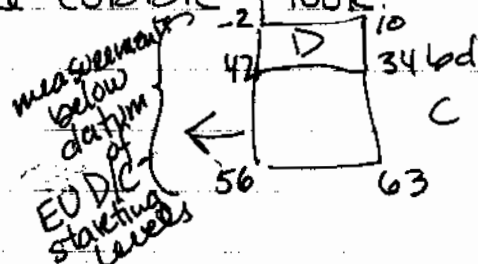
05-17-30

Am continuing w/ lot 3 EUC, after the guys finish constructing champas over the area.

The rough floor continues in EUC, as does the possibility of a rough wall. 7 tiestos, 1 3" bajareque



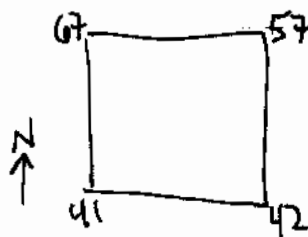
Am starting Lot 4 EU D, A lot that will follow the nice original wall down to the cobble floor.



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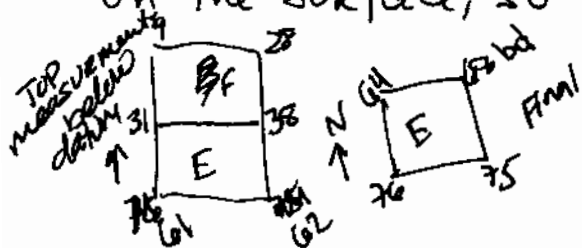
Am continuing lot 4 EU D; following the wall down to the cobble floor.

only 2 tiny tiestos in the entire lot



W/some trouble ~~set~~ set up EU's E & F in Subop 4.

E is east of EU C. Lot 5 EU E is going to follow the rough wall & the possible patio. Salva/Ramperto think that the rough wall corners or stops in this unit, since it isn't visible on the surface, so we'll see.



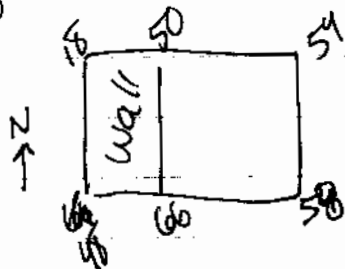
- 14 tiestos
- 1 bajareque
- 1 obsidiana
- 2 tba stones

SURP

30 June 2005

05-17-31

Lot 6 EU F following N corner of rough wall.
This wall appears to obscure the end of the nice
wall of the inner platform. Will probably
cut through it tomorrow to find the end of the
original stakes.



6 viestas
3 bajareque

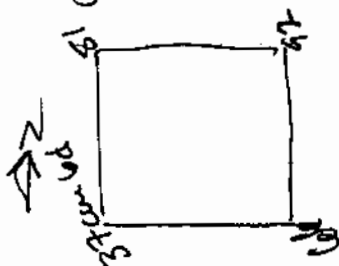
Subop
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1 July 2005

05-17-32

Lot 7 EU F. Am removing the part of the rough wall that covers the corner of the original platform, in order to find the corner of the original → took photo yesterday. Marcello & Ellen came to view the structure this morning. Since we were kind of losing part of the corner of the original wall, he suggested we cut down through what I thought was cobble patio & he thinks is fill, and follow the base of the original wall to the east. Found one tiny sliver of obsidian (or glass) Lot 7 is being expanded to include following the ^{the course of the} ORIGINAL WALL eastward through EU B, D, & F.

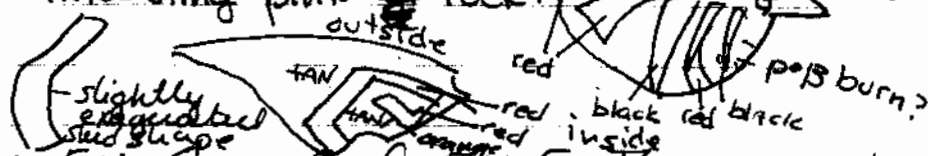
Found carbon beneath one of the rocks we removed in EU B & the 3^d course of the original wall. The original wall is continuing in the lower levels, through EU F. Will have to start new EU to the East of EU F to continue following it. Found a small carbon sample beneath the level of the ORIGINAL WALL.



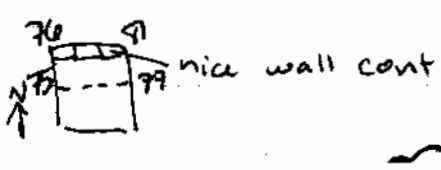
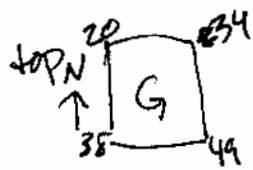
11 tiestos - one of the larger pieces has a red paint on tan design.

1 toba

1 interesting pink rock



~~Created~~ Created EU G, east of EU F. This is going to be a 1/2 EU excavation. Salva Rampero don't think that the wall ~~to~~ will be picked up much by the unit, so we are only excavating the N 1/2 of EU G. This is lot 8. The wall continues through EU G



tiestos 6
baja regue
1 toba

4 July 2005

05-17-33

Started new unit EU H, east of EU G. Only the northern 1/2 of the unit is being excavated - this is Lot 9. We are continuing to follow the old platform in search of a corner, which I hope is in this unit, since we are nearing the end of the tumble.

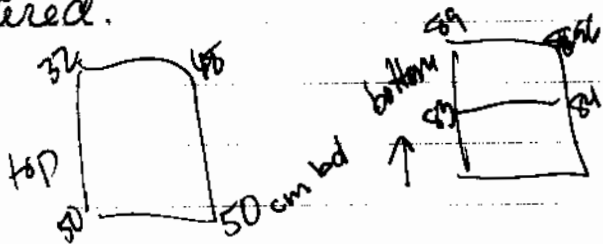


20 tiestos → some very thin
small bits beige → tan w/ red black painted designs

Started EU I, Lot 10 → east of EU H. This is also a 1/2 EU excavation. (N 1/2) seem to have found the SE corner of Str 5 → finally!

HAVE been finding a lot of scattered, tiny bits of carbon.

Am not feeling too well → think I stayed up a bit too late last night, reading. I hope that it is just b/c I'm tired.



56 tiestos

flat piece they say is a comal, but looks like a joint, so I say it is a cylinder base incising & other designs

3 small beige

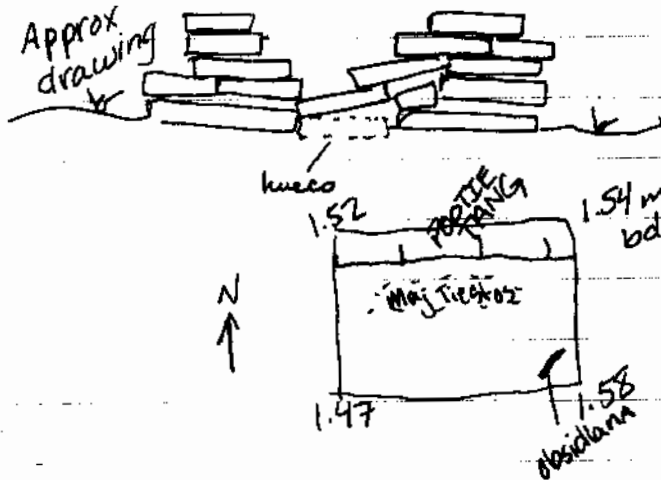
Scoop
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30 July 2005

05-17-34

Am reopening EU F Scoop 3. The purpose of this investigation is to go down in front of ~~the~~ POOTIE TANG to investigate the missing rock from the bottom course. This was Lot 11.

Measured below datum from the new ^{panel} Datum point.



1 3" long prismatic blade
12 tiestos → nothing from inside hole, all from outside the wall.
All at or slightly below wall level.

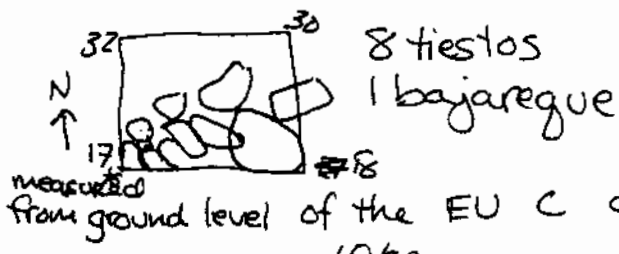
Subop
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28 June 2005

05-17-35

Subop 4 is a lateral trench moving off of EU C Subop 2 on Str 5. This unit will follow the 'step' ~~unit~~ and the cobble patio on the N end of the Str. It is following them to the east. Jorge & Lorenzo are excavating this subop.

Lot 1 a 10 cm lot in EU A. Uncovered some tumble



Started Lot 2 a ~~10~~^{10/20} cm lot. Removed the previously uncovered tumble to continue down in search of the step.



3 tiestos
bajareque
1 "worked" piece of stone



Lot 3 ~~12~~^{12/20} cm lot going down to cobble patio/step (continues nicely).
tiestos 36
interesting rocks 8
obsidian 1



Subop

4

29 June 2005

Lot 4

05-17-36

chancha = post hole digger
toldo - tarp
rampas - staples
lambre(a) barbwire?

Am opening EU B to the east of EU A Subop 4. This unit (lot 4) will continue to follow the step to the east. This expansion will begin as soon as they finish constructing new champas for the late ^{east} expansions. I'm going to have a champa palace when we are done.



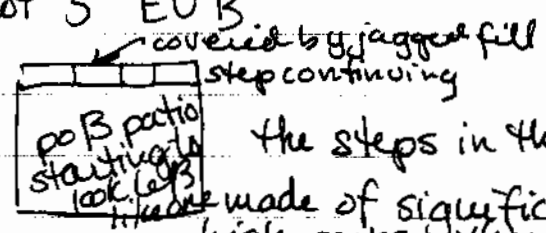
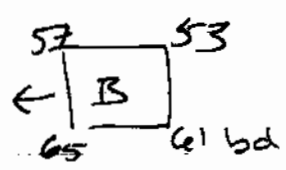
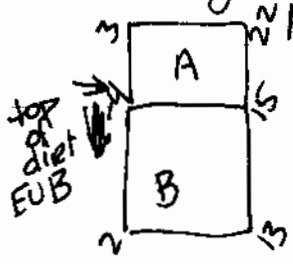
3 tiestos

7.5 YR/3/1 Clay loam

Am starting lot 5 EU B to continue down to the floor/step, which hopefully continue.

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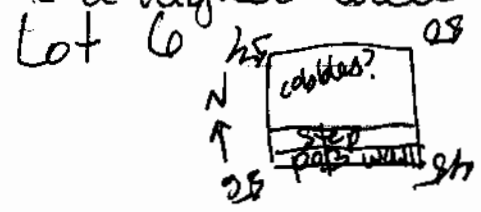
Am continuing w/ lot 5 EU B



9 tiestos - one a fairly large cylinder fragment

- 3" chunk of bajareque
- 2 small pieces of tuba
- 3 interesting rocks.

Set up EU C, east of EU B. Am taking it down to cobble patio/wall/step. Step is continuing in this unit & a higher wall has partially appeared.

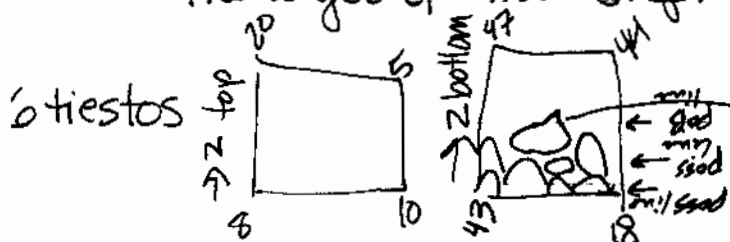


Subop
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1 July 2005

05-17-27

Starting Lot 7 EU D to continue following the step / poß wall to the east. It is possible that the corner will be in EU D. The step / possible upper wall seem to stop $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way through the unit. I am not really sure what to make of this. Doesn't really look like a corner. Removed a gignormous (sp?) rock from the unit. It had fallen tilted in towards the wall. It was huge! \approx 2 ft long, was buried under the layer of the step.



Looks like there are 3 possible lines. The step seems to stop $\frac{1}{2}$ way into the unit. The other 2 lines are rather tumbly.

Starting Lot 8 EU E. EU E is east of EU D. Am following the "walls" east; looking for a corner, in a manner similar of what has come before

Lorenzo found a "sopo" - looks like the cross between an ant & a spider. He & Jorge said that they eat diet & wood. Don't know exactly what it is, will have to ask, since according to Chepe they are what is eating my papers. My subop 3 notes fell victim today. My stuff must be a feast for them.

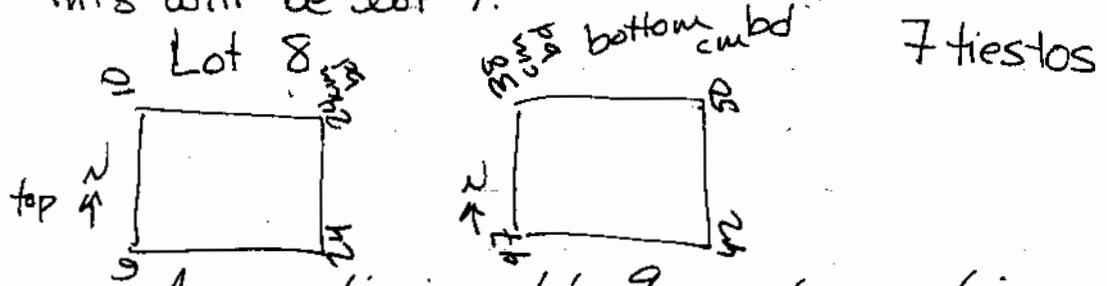
In lot 8 EU E Jorge/Lorenzo had just uncovered a unit full of tumble, so I stopped them there for the day, we will continue tomorrow.

Subop
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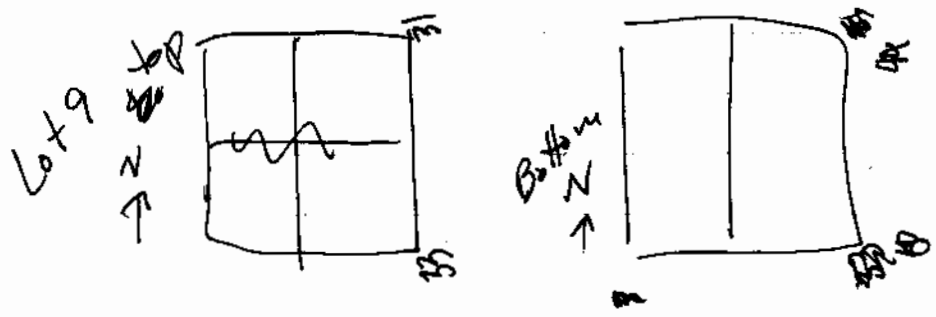
4 July 2005

05-17-38

Decided to start new unit, as what I assumed was a pile of tumble, Ellen thought might be a late addition → therefore started EU F east of EU E. This will be lot 9.



Am continuing lot 9, and making in the continued excavation, by tumble removal in EU F. There were only 2 rocks in the 1/2 EU F excavation (W 1/2). Now that some of the tumble has been removed → a bit more of the poorly preserved ~~step~~ ^{wall} has been uncovered, don't know what happened to the step. It also is possible that what I decided earlier was tumble, might have been a bump out ∴ therefore I left the bottom layer of rock & am now going down in EU F (the 1/2 unit) to see if the walls continue (this is taking it down to the same level as the ^{pop} bump out).

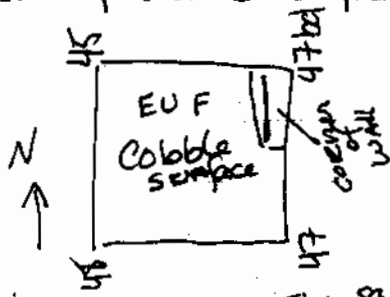


46 trestos → some incised
→ on oddly shaped
2 small bajareque
1 interesting shark
tooth shaped rock.

A 6 July 2005

05-17-39

Jorge & Lorenzo are now opening up the other 1/2 unit of EU F, Subop 4. This will be lot 10, and will connect EU F to EU D of the new Sub op 9, which runs 'perpendicular' to Subops 3 & 4 connecting them, w/ the purpose of uncovering/following the eastern wall of Str. 5. They are removing the tumble uncovered in lot 9 EU F. Hopefully Ellen will have returned by the time they are done w/ this lot, to advise me as to where I should cut through on top of the Str, and then Jorge/Lorenzo will be assigned to that. I had better take pictures before they start.



Jim says it looks newly carved, I would have to agree → looks fresh

24 tiestos ; 1 tiny perdernal
1 nice 2" piece of obsidian prismatic blade
Small chunks of bajareque.

Including one that appears to have had a face carved into it



am not sure if it is modern or what. They said they found it right on top of the floor → will ask Ellen.

Also a small pink rock that resembles a pre-mobae

Jorge/Lorenzo are now working in EU H Subop 1

(lot 19) They are going down to the N (in front of) wall Sepatown & will be removing part of wall DIRTY D. This unit is really confusing it almost seems as if we are coming across a lower/earlier wall. SEPATOWN is only the 2 originally visible courses. Where the giant white rock was (which I thought was fill) might be an earlier wall & DIRTY D is now appearing to be a nicer wall.

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B 6 July 2005

05-17-40

Found what might be a cache under one of the eastern rocks of DIRTY D. We first found more carbon which appears to be burnt corn cobs & then w/ further clearing came across a well preserved bone. Called Ellen. The bone doesn't appear to be human, but couldn't really identify it. There doesn't appear to be more than the 4 pieces we found, which all fit together. Took photo of bone site/location

Am now removing a

few tumbled/shifted stones from the top of DIRTY D to see if it is better defined in lower courses / how many lower courses there are.

Have not found anything except the bone/carbon.

Removed some of the ~~the~~ wall (now LESTER) in between DIRTY D & SEPATOWN. Took picture first. I think that SEPATOWN must have been a late addition on top of fill, since when one of the LESTER rocks was removed, one of the nice flat faced SEPATOWN rocks was on top of it. Removed several of the flat faced SEPATOWN rocks → they appear to be on top of fill. Most unfortunate.

Found a little bit of carbon under $\approx \frac{1}{2}$ of the fill under SEPATOWN → is definitely fill w/ no order. Am clearing all the way down to POOTIE TANG'S floor. At one ^{two} level(s) of rocks above POOTIE TANG'S FLOOR we seem to have uncovered a possible higher floor or wall, or it could just be a trick of the fill again. A bench would be nice though. Going to rain soon → Clads moving fast. A bench would be nice too.

Ellen came to see said to take out Lester & then decide whether to continue taking out floor or not.

Subop
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Lot 11
EVD?

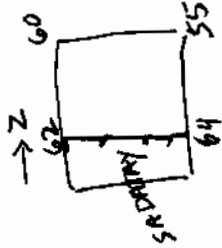
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ceiba like
found lots
of the stubs

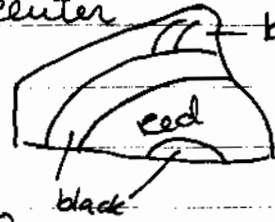
Found a piece of what Ellen says is a studded [?] censer.
Am now finding flecks of carbon in the same level
as the second rock down. - just under floor

found a bowl piece - center

PRIMER
LUGAR?



29 normal trestos
plus 6 censer
stubs = 30



brownish tan

red on back

3 obsidian - prismatic blades

1 peridermal

1 interesting rock

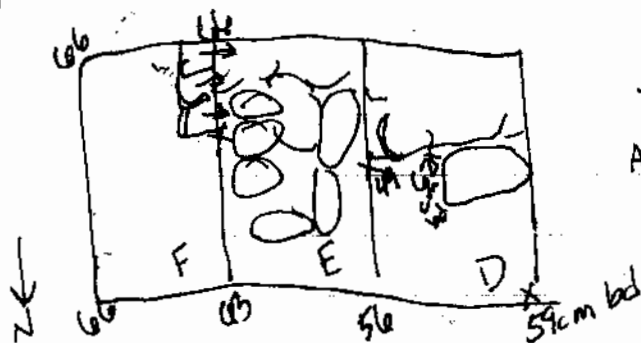
Subop
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11 July 2005

05-17-42

Am starting Lot 12 - EU D - a continuation of our process of wall following that began in EU C (Lot 11). EU D is where the top course of SADATAY disappears, so hopefully it will continue in a lower course to meet up w/ where the E wall should continue to. Found a little bit of Carbon in EU F. Lot 12 has continued through EU E & F.

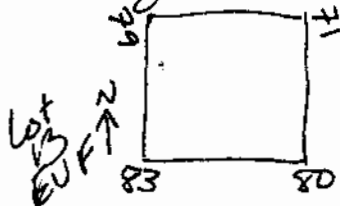
Found Carbon in EU F amidst the odd rock pile. Found larger chunks of carbon in EU F, below/wall level. Below/next to wall level a lot of ceramics have been found. 3 main types → red, delicate/more pink/tanny, & black w/ sparkly flecks → have never seen anything like it.



Need to look @ shed bags to total ceramics found (on back of)
Also found chert, obsidian tags
bajareque & several interesting rocks.

12 July 2005

Am starting Lot 13 EU F. There seems to be a lot of ceramic below the level of the wall in this unit, so we are going down another 10cm or so to see how far down this continues. Just found some carbon.



37 trestas - including 1 that seems to be a continuation of the glyph pot found yesterday
2 perdenal
1 obsidian thin prismatic blade.

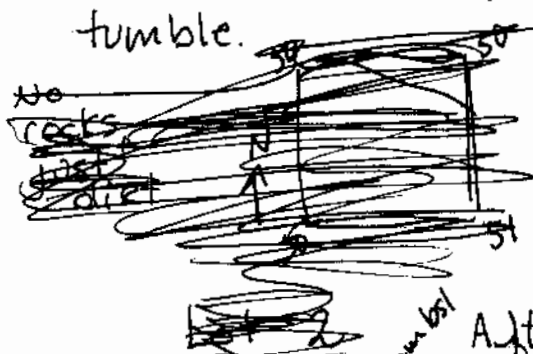
Subop 4

13 July 2005

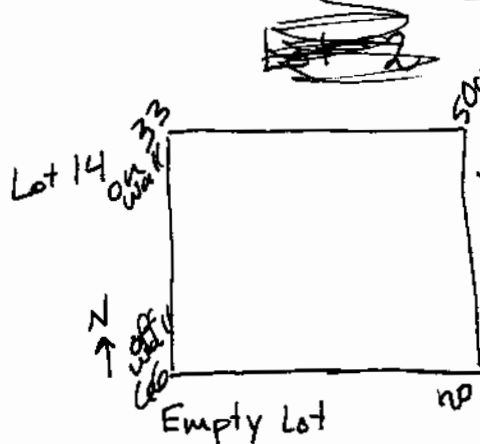
05-17-43

Created new unit (EU G) to the S of EU D Subop 4. This ~~new~~ EU has the purpose of looking for a possible inset corner in the NE of Str 5.

Lot 14 EU G is a ≈ 20 cm lot \rightarrow am removing tumble.



- ~~20 tiestos~~
- ~~2 obsidian~~
- ~~2 chert~~
- ~~2 small rocks~~ - possibly smoothed.



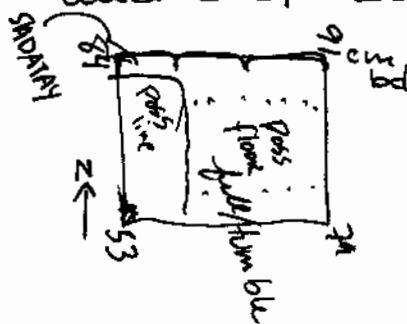
After much discussion w/ Ellen I have decided to stop this unit. There doesn't seem to be evidence for Marcello's inset corner.

Possibility 1: the large stones were part of an earlier phase covered up by the nice wall phase on the other side

Possibility 2: steps were located there \rightarrow gradually added to overtime

Possibility 3: the corner was torn apart to make the post hole/pot stand off the NE side of the structure.

Starting EU H, Lot 15. EU H is S of EU A Subop 4 and E of EU D Subop 2. took photo



measured from the EU D SE stake
tiestos = 6
 \therefore EU E NE = 7997.62
3 interesting rocks.

Went down to level of approximate/possible floor \rightarrow doesn't look as nice as other floor.

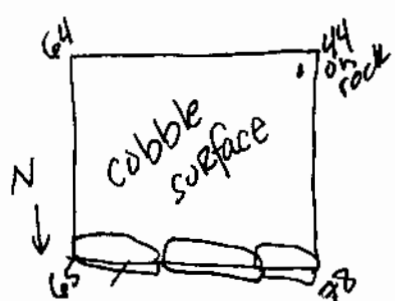
Starting EU I, Lot 16. EU I is E of EU H & S of EU B Subop 4. This lot is to follow level of poss slanted out outer wall to see if there is a terrace etc or not.

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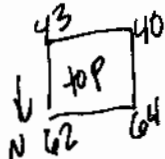
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Continuing w/ Lot 16 EU I to determine if it is a terrace or not. Think it is a terrace.



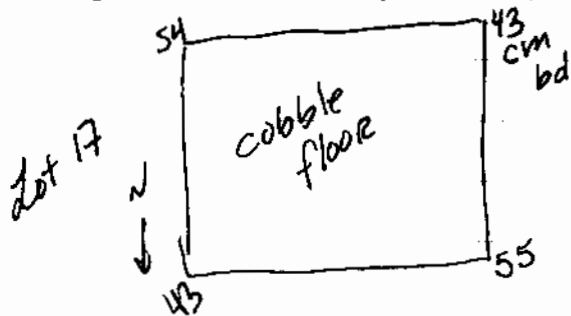
measured bd w/ datum @ SE corner of EU E = NE corner EU F = 997.88

5 tiestos



Lot 17

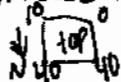
Opening EU J to the S of EU H. Have removed several large rocks 2' wide to uncover a cobble floor higher than that in EU I by at least a foot. → well maybe not a foot, but I don't think the 2 floors are contemporaneous. The large rocks appear to have been used to easily make this argument this area of summit to raise it to the final height.



measured below datum w/ datum @ SE corner of EU E

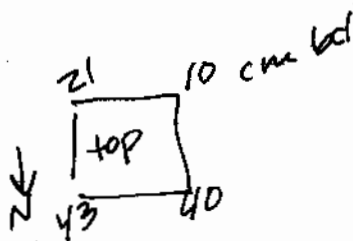
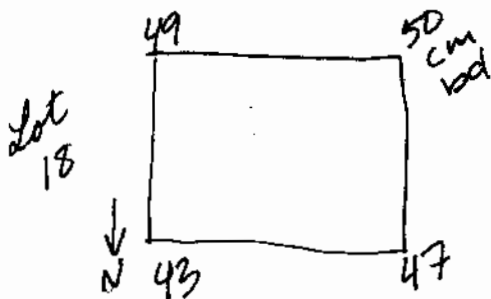
9 tiestos → apparently copaloe → glistens

4 interesting rocks → including 1 poss red pigment stone & 1 toba



Opening EU K to E of EU J & S of EU I.

This lot (Lot 18) is meant to follow the cobble floor uncovered in EU J to the east. Also to determine its relation to the cobble terrace in EU I.

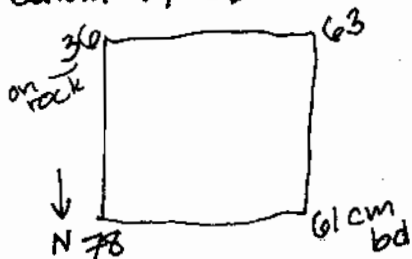


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Jorge & Lorenzo are currently removing all loose rocks from the top of the STR. We are then going to start EU L. Lot 19, to the east of EU I* & west of EU G.

Lot 19 will be a 20 cm start out Lot. Measured below datum w/ SE ^{corner} EU E. The cobble surface is rather rough, but does appear to be a continuation of that on EU I. Am now removing a few rocks from btwn EU G & L to expose a possible corner. Not sure how corner like it could be, but we will see.



Lot 19 4 trestos; 1 obsidiana

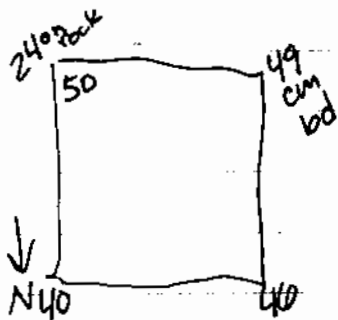
Am starting new EU \Rightarrow EU M \Rightarrow S of EU L. This will be part of a line of squares that will connect Subop 4 excavations to Subop 9 excavations.

26 July 2005

05-17-46

Am continuing Lot 20 EUM. Am removing large fill rocks to reach down to a "hopeful" continuation of the patio floor.

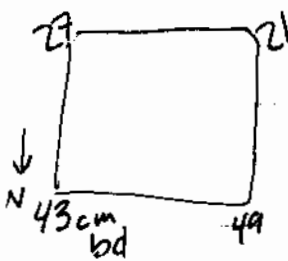
Ellen agrees with me that I might have found an inset corner in EU L/G. The inset might have been a work space → since 2 large flat stones filled in the inset. It also might be a work space based on its relation to the post hole. The corner was probably taken away to make this work area.



2 trestos
1 small white rock

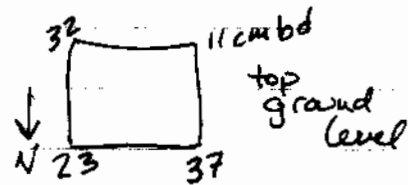


Am opening EU to the S of EUM to find a possible center (E→W) wall. This will be Lot 21 EU P.

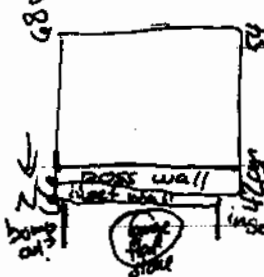


Lost line level during lunch ∴ will measure tomorrow.

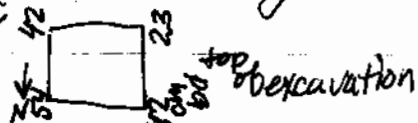
1 tiny obsidian
1 pass. chert



Am opening EU N, S of EU G. To continue Lot 22 following the floor from EU M ≠ possibly one of the walls in EU P *EMPTY LOT*



The jumbled rock surface seems to relate to a possible superficial wall in the inset EU G(?). Stuff is starting to make sense? Hopefully!



Subop
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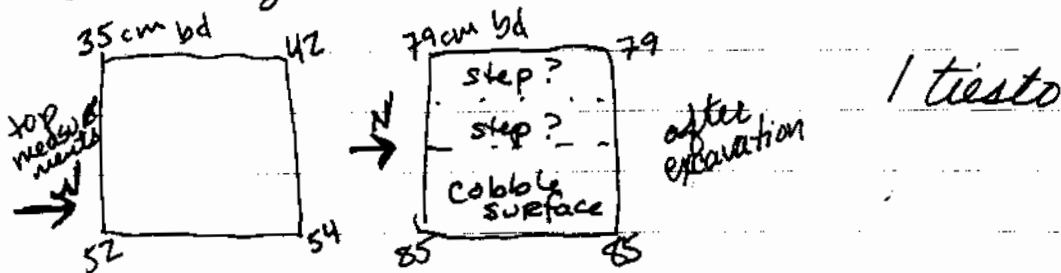
26 July 2005

05-17-47

Am opening EU O, which will connect Subop 4 to Subop 9. This will show how the surfaces related to HOT, TOO, the N/S wall in the east. This will be lot 23.

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Am continuing with lot 23. Am removing some tumbled rocks.

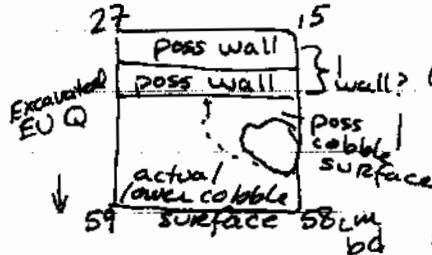
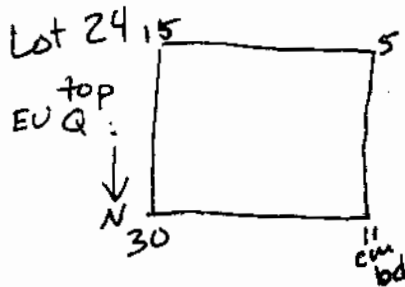


Am opening EU Q to the Sof EU K Subop 4. am going it at level of floor to see how the cobble surface works at the cobble surface about FROGGY & ~~the~~ POOTIE TANG, the Southern wall. This will be lot 24 EU Q.

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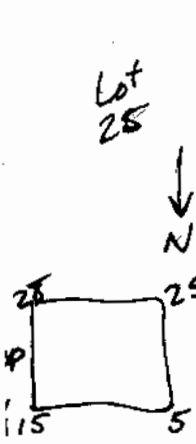
05-17-98

Am continuing with Lot 24 EU Q. Am removing fill to continue following an ephemeral center wall, located in the S of EU Q. Found large chunk of bajareque here yesterday.



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wall? 6 tiestos
4" chunk bajareque
Datum is at new random point @ top of str. that needs to be shot

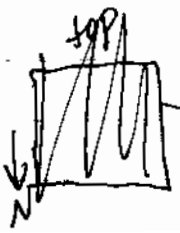
Am starting Lot 25 EU R, located to the S of EU Q. This lot is to define the summit & to see if the summit wall uncovered in EU Q is a wall.



fill
after excavation
2 tiestos
2 bajareque
- rather large

The summit wall does seem to be a summit wall. Am a little confused as to if the floor/terrace continues on other side. ∴ am going to open EU S to find out, hopefully will find another FROGGY like terrace.

Lot 26 EU S, south of EU R, to hopefully find froggy like wall/terrace. Am not really sure if I found froggy or not → lots of flat, albeit fallen/slided stones. Am taking pictures before taking out 2 pop tumbled rocks that also pop. might be part of FROGGY's floor. One is huge & flat.



→ see next page

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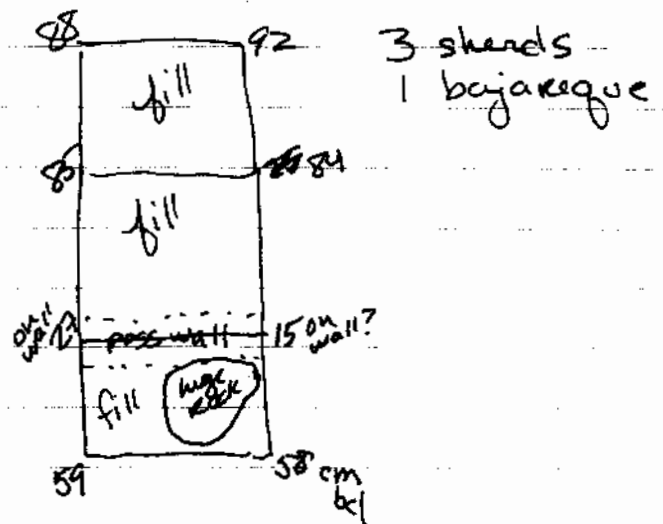
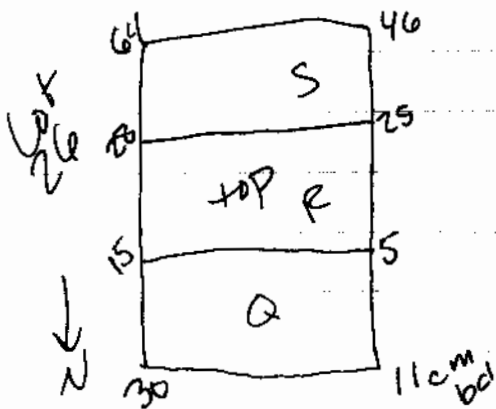
29 July 2005

05-17-49

Marcello gave me 4 options for Str 5. *These are them (I think)*

- 1) ~~was~~ The original platform was only 4-5 courses high & the rest of the str is fill from a heightening addition.
- 2) Since ground level seems to be \pm the height of what has been preserved: \therefore there were at least a total of $7/8$ courses that went up to the "FROGGY TERRACE" on S side \therefore everything exposed is fill.
- 3) these "floors" are actually different phases of construction.
- 4) There was an earlier construction that is now buried by the fill of later construction.

To test these theories am now completely cutting through all the fill in Str 5. We are continuing Lot 26, & are removing all fill @ the level of the ~~the~~ nice looking pt of POOTIE TANG. By the way Marcello thinks that what I have been hoping was a floor on top @ POOTIE'S level is actually fill. To test that, we are cutting through, & will then cut down in the center of the str to look for earlier phases. Am stopping lot, since we are level w/ wall. Am now measuring all 3 units from a new random Datum that will need to be shot in.



Sibap
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B 29 July 2005

05-17-50

Am still finding flat ~~top~~ laid fill.
∴ Am starting Lot 27 in EUs R&S, we are systematically taking out the poss fill or poss floor layer by layer. Maybe we'll find something maybe we will ~~not~~. Have taken off 3-4 layers of fill → are down below current wall level. Took off several rocks to uncover a ~~good~~ 10cm layer of ^{clay} dirt. This was unusual since ~~never~~ previously the underneath rock was visible when the one above was removed. Found 1 pot's piece of chert in the clay layer. Am going to stop/start new ~~lot~~ Lot.

Lot 28 EU R&S will continue down into the fill.

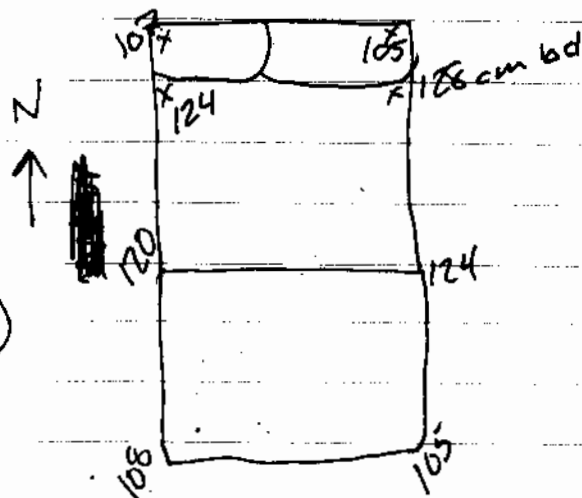
Lot 27 info

2 tiestos

1 1" chunk bajeaque

1 chert

~~carbon~~ carbon (tiny unworkable) bit



Lot 28 EU R&S is continuing down into fill

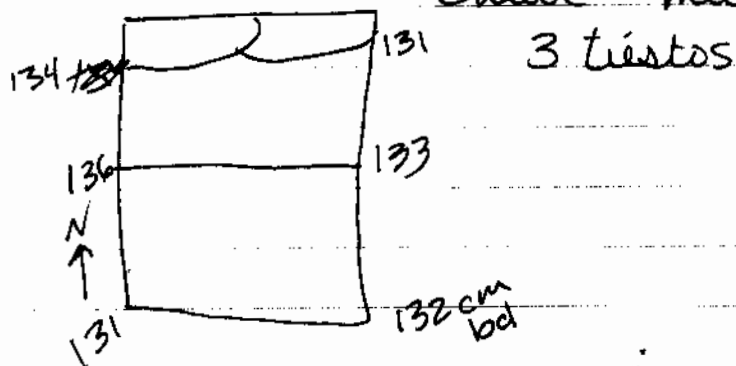
Found carbon → looked like burnt coen w/in clay layer near big rocks.

Scoop
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29 July 2005

05-17-51

After removing the layer of rocks below the 10-15cm clay layer → Lorenzo y Jorge reached ^{PURE} clay fill. need to get clay color, but don't have munsell!



Am stopping here - was definitely fill → no earlier construction that I could see. What I thought looked like a floor continued down for @ least 4-5 layers, nice looking & floor like ∴ it is all fill.

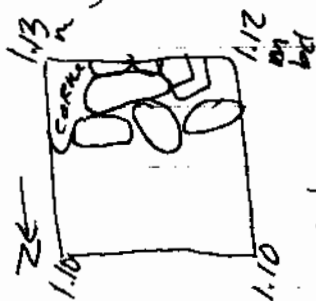
Subop

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30 July 2005

05-17-52

Checking TRUCKY, the pot stand/post hole
for carbon etc. Carefully wrote it up/sketched/
photographed it & then had Jorge & Lorenzo
carefully take it apart. This was EU ~~EU~~
EU E, lot 29.



measured below the SE C of EUE subop/
3 trestos datum

1 small white rock

The shards were found below the
stones, in the center of the circle.

Subop
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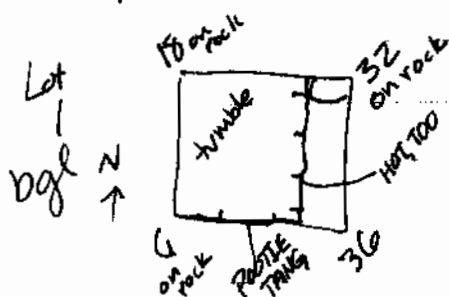
6 July 2005

05-17-53

Was out yesterday due to the severe intestinal backup that plagued me the day before. The guys worked @ El Pasaíso, but apparently Don Romero was a little worried about whether or not I would be returning or not. I hope that I feel alright today, I am kind of worried that the medicine might catch up to me. The guys finished setting up the new champa addition. I am kind of worried about where the water from the center will go, now that we are going to be making a moat $\approx \frac{1}{2}$ of the structure.

Am starting a new subop \Rightarrow subop 9. This involves the area inbetween (joining) subops 3 & 4. This will hopefully follow the eastern wall inbetween the 2 corners we found 7 days ago. I am ~~am~~ worried about its level of preservation, I don't think it will be very high.

Am starting Lot 1, EU A, Subop 9. EU A is the southernmost EU in Subop 9. It is just N of EU I, Subop 3. Lot 1 is being excavated by Salva/Don Romero it will be a 20 cm lot. We had some confusion creating the 4 EU's that make up Subop 9, since they link ~~the~~ Subop 3/4 together & apparently Subop 3/4 were not exactly parallel. Ah well. The guys strung up pita & we estimated. The squares don't have right \angle 's.



13 trests

1 prismatic obsidian blade ≈ 2 " long

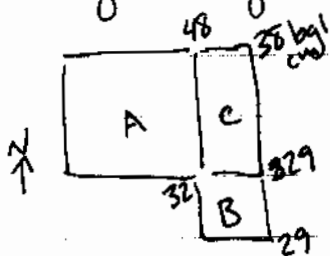
Subop
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Am expanding the trench 50cm east, all along the entire length. The first 50cm unit is 50cm^2 since it is directly east of Subop 3 EU I (which is 50cm wide). This is EU B Subop 9, lot 2. We are expanding out, since the corner/eastern wall (HOT, TOO) is $3/4$ of the way into EU A & we need more space to go down in front. Am going to shoot in the points tomorrow, so that I can go by below ground level elevations, since the datums from the rest of the structure will not stretch.

Lot 2 also in ~~area~~ includes the $1 \times .5\text{m}$ unit (EU^C) that is N of EU B subop 9 & E of EU A Subop 9. Am finding a lot of ceramics.



3 obsidian
91 tiestos
kajarecup

Am starting Lot 3 EU's D & E. EU D is a $1 \times 1\text{m}$ N of EU A. EU E is a $1 \times .5\text{m}$ unit E of EU D & N of EU C.

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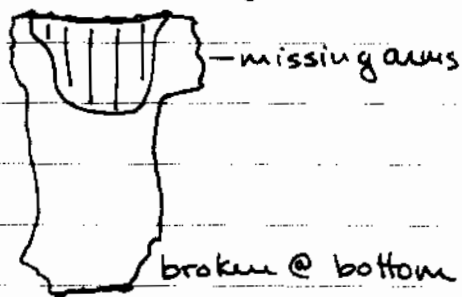
Am continuing Lot 3 EU's D&E to UNCOVER
in front of & on top of ^{eastern} WALL HOT, TOO, as well
follow it to the N. The wall continues nicely, but is a
bit the base is higher than the base at the corner.

Am clearing off some of the tumble from on top of the
exposed part of the wall to see if the rice cobble
floor continues over there. While doing so in EU D
Don Romberio \rightarrow ^{real} name found a partial solid figurine.

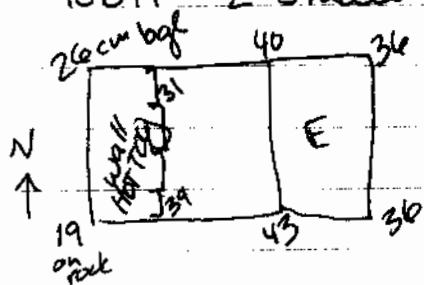
Looks like it might have been a person w/ a pectoral
or beard. \approx 2" high by $1\frac{1}{2}$ wide

tiestos 28 including figurine

bajareque 5 including one where you can
see where it was put
on a stick



tobA 2 small chunks

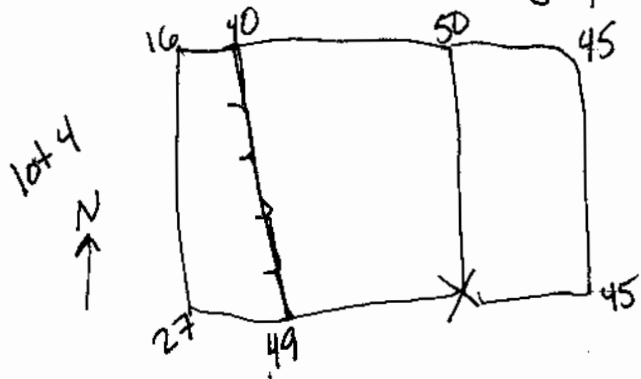


Subop
9

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05-17-56

Am continuing w/ Lot 4 EU ■ F&G. Am following
HOT, TOO to the North. Found some flecks of CARBON.
The carbon is coming from below the wall. Found more carbon.



carbon (2 packs)
 perdernal 3
 tiestos 101 - some appear to be burned on
 one side - touched w/ hands
 bajareque 4

Subop
9

190
26
216

12 July 2005

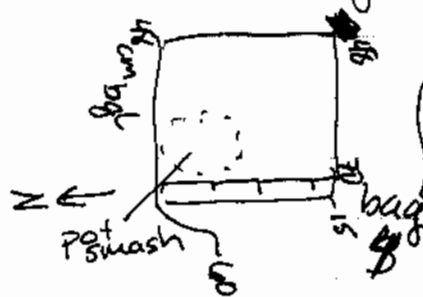
05-17-57

Salva & Romberto are continuing w/ Lot 5 EU H.
This EU will link Subop 9 w/ Subop 4. They are following
wall HOT, TOO to its intersection w/ SADATAY.

Have been finding carbon. Found pot smash. Salva carefully
cleaned it off w/ a stick/brush. Took picture w/ pieces
that had been previously removed & then w/ out.

Removed pot smash. One piece definitely had burnt on
stuff (touched w/ hands, but wrapped in foil put in w/
other pot smash pieces. Smash represents pieces from
more than 1 pot. Lots of carbon specks in this area.

Have found several large chunks under pot smash, near base of
wall pot smash was located between 12 & 36 cm E of HOT, TOO
approximately 64 cm bgl.



- 26 - pot smash bag
- tiestos III bag 2
- 3 perdernal @ bag 3 - 3 burnt 4 bags + carbon
- 1 toba 1 studded sensor fragment
- 1 "matate" ? basalt piece
- 7 obsidiana (small pieces)
- 9 bajareque (bag 2)
- carbon

Subop
10

11 July 2005

05-17-58

Am starting Subop 10, an axial trench approximately (hopefully) perpendicularly bisecting Str. ~~12~~¹⁴, the previously un-noticed small str. to the north of Str. 5. Subop 10 is ~~the~~ EU's long. ^{currently} Once Dony and Paco finish setting up the champa & Ellen & I shoot in the points, Excavation will start at the N end of Subop 10. I am starting in the N due to current excavations near the southern end of the trench, since it is located only 2-3 m from Subop 4 Str. 5. More EU's might be later added to both the N & S ~~see~~ sides due to the possible need to step back, since very little of the structure is visible on the surface; and the later wish to connect Subop 10 to Subop 4 to get a better idea/picture of the relationship btwn the 2 str.

bop
0

12 July 2005

05-17-59

Dony y Paco are setting up the rest of the tarps. I wish that they had allowed more space btwn the tarp & the ground, it is going to be sweltering under there. I feel so bad. SALVA's corn is beautiful & is over knee height, but we have killed so much of it setting up this excavation. It is a 12m trench w/ an average 3 corn plants per m, plus the surrounding ones that have been injured in the process.

EU A is the northern most unit in Subop 10. The first Lot (Lot 1) EU A will be a 20 cm lot. Hopefully, this unit is far enough N of Str 14 ¹⁴ itself, but I am a little worried about tumble from Str 9.



3 obsidiana

100 ceramics including another carved piece

It is odd to find so much, so close to the surface - in comparison to what I found on Str 5.

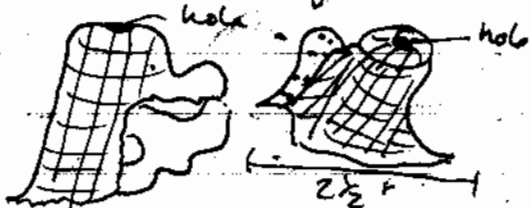
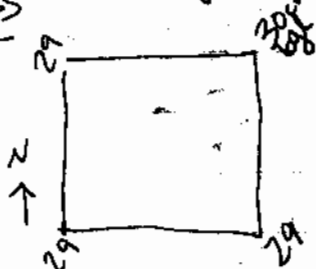


possibly same as 1st carved glyph

Starting Lot 2 EU A another 20 cm.

Removed a little tumble. Found what Ellen thinks might have been the smoke holes for an incensario. Hard to draw -> took photos.

bags



1 obsidiana

bag 1 - 50 tiestos

bag 2

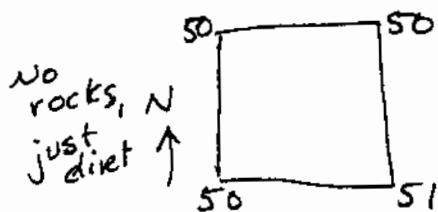
112 & 1 chert tiestos

Subop
10

13 July 2005

05-17-60

Am completing lot 3 EU A (A 20cm lot)



20 trestos

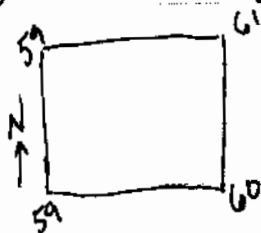
2 obsidian

2 chert

2 small rocks, possibly smoothed.

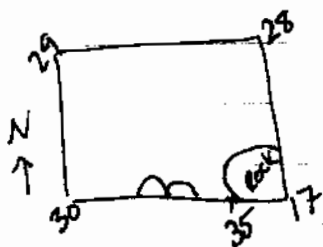
hit color change to yellow clay
from sandy loam

Lot 4 EU A (A 10 cm lot). Empty lot
have reached skile \therefore am stopping even though Ellen
suggested going to 1m.



Tarps are up just in time - is starting to rain - cool
though, probably will not last long.

Lot 5 EU B (A 20 cm lot). EU B is south of
EU A. The first 10 cm were accidentally excavated
during lot 1, although no artifacts were found 3
rocks were uncovered.

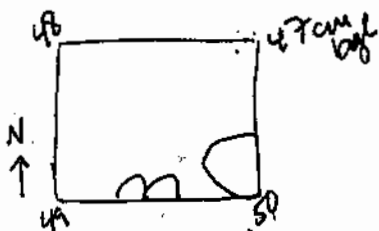


11 obsidiana

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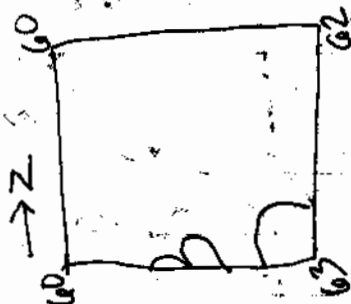
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Starting Lot 6 EUB, a 20 cm lot.



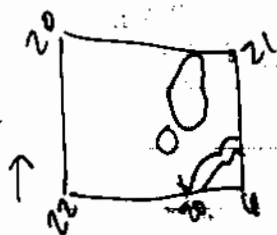
tiestos = 11
dirt only

Lot 7 EUB, am continuing to level of EUA - about 10 cm down.

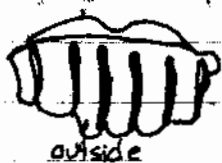


Down into yellow clay layer.
tiestos = 7 tiny pieces

Opening EU C to the S of EU B. Lot 8 EUC will be a 20 cm lot. Removed 2 rocks visible in EUB.



tiestos = ___ including what appears to be a figurine or ocarina fragment. - took photo



EUU said that it might be a handle or part of a modeled cursor.

Starting Lot 9 EUC, a 20 cm lot. Removed some (3) apparent tumble rocks. Left the 2 overlapping ones in the SE corner for now.

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Continuing w/ Lot 9 EUC.



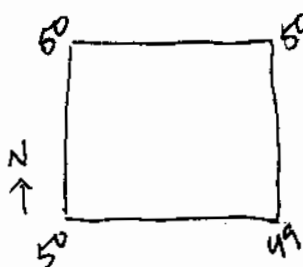
tiestos = 28
Obsidian = 2

Subop
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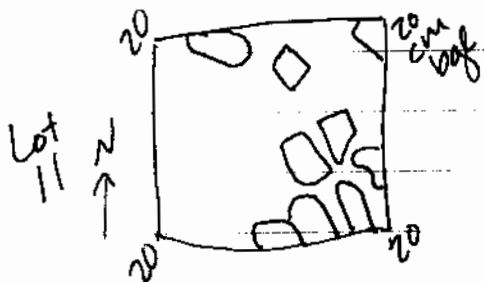
Starting Lot 10 EUC, a 10 cm lot to get below some of the tumble uncovered in Lot 9.



Paco found a tiny green stone bead - I don't know how he noticed it → it is almost seed bead size. - Amazing. First bead I have ever excavated.

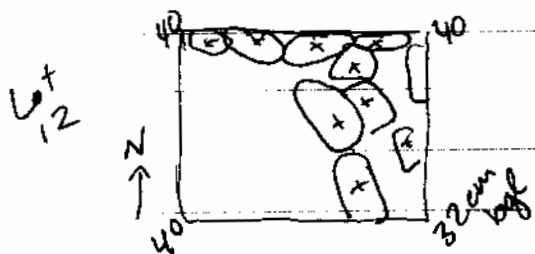
tiestos = 13 & 1 stone

Opening EU D to the S of EU C. Lot 11 EU D will be a 20 cm lot.



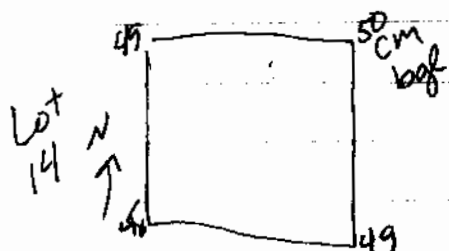
tiestos = 49
obsidiana = 2

Starting Lot 12 EU D, a 20 cm lot. Told them to leave rocks for now - am pretty sure they are tumble, though.



6 tiestos

Starting Lot 14 EUD, a 10 cm lot. Am removing rocks w/ "x's" in above sketch.



4 tiestos
2 obsidiana

Subop
10
South

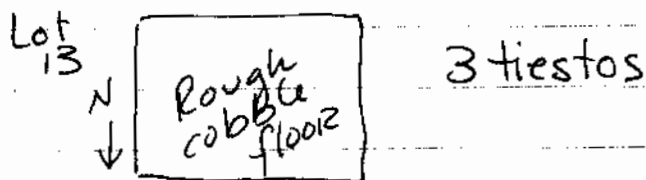
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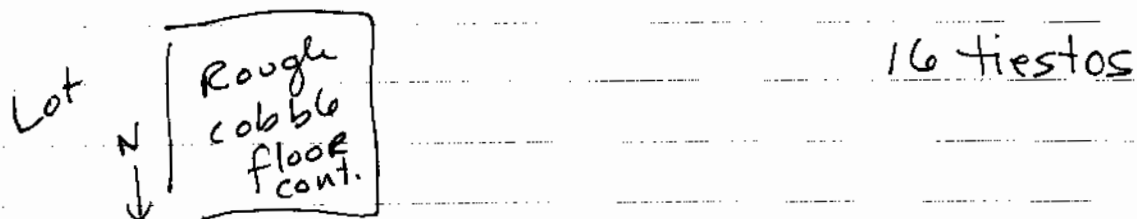
Subop 10 ^{Str 14} was just expanded 4 m to the south to meet up w/ Subop 4 Str 5. Salvador & Rampezo are working on the southern end → the Champas have been connected. We need 1 more piece of plastic.

Lot 13 EU 0 is the first lot starting in the south → it is a 20cm lot. The southern excavations are meant to uncover the relationship between Str 5, its cobble patio & Str 14

Stopped Lot 13 a bit early to to the appearance of a possible, though very rough cobble floor \approx 20cm down. Am starting



Am starting Lot 15 EU ^N to see if these cobble continue.



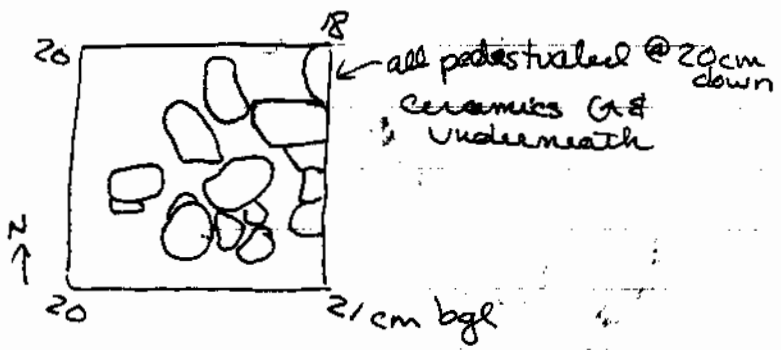
Subop
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NORTH

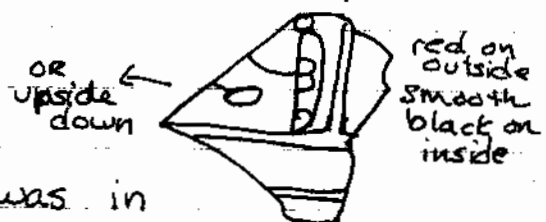
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05-17-04

Am starting EU E, south of EU D. This is Lot 16,
a 20cm or until soil change lot. Hopefully will uncover
architecture in this unit → had better!



tiestos = 76 - 1 pot covered
1 triangular stone
5 obsidian



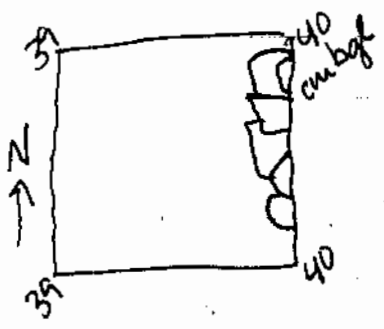
Removed tumble, except for what was in
the side wall (East). Continuing down 20 cm in Lot 18 EU E.

Subop
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North

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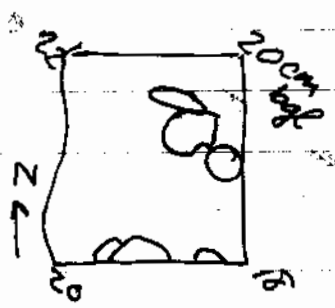
05-17-65

Am continuing w/ Lot 18 EU E. But first Ellen finally convinced them to rework the champa, so it will not be so hot under there. Ellen suggested uncovering the rocks all the way down the trench to look for patterns. So I will continue using that approach.

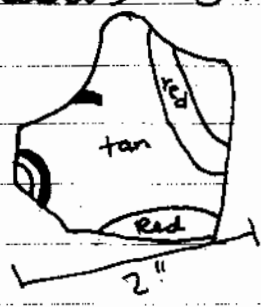


tiestos = 22 ~ 2 painted
perdermal = 1
obsidiana = 2

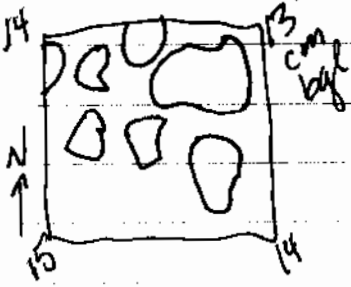
Opening new EU, EU F, to the S of EU E. Lot 20 EU F will be a 20 cm lot, with the purpose of uncovering whatever rocks are there, to hopefully see a pattern later.



tiestos = 59 ~ 2 painted poss bowl pieces
1 bajareque
1 perdermal



Opening EU G, to S of EU F. Lot 23 will be a 20 cm lot w/ the purpose of uncovering the rocks in the EU.



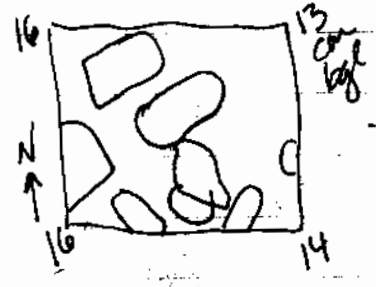
26 tiestos - many insized some studded ceramic bits
1 bajareque
2 perdermal
1 poss. metate leg

Subop
10
North

26 July 2005

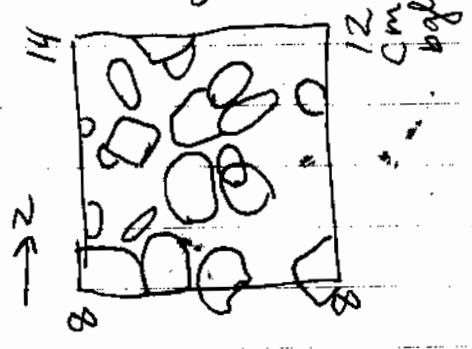
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Opening EU H to the S of EU G. Lot 25 will be a 20cm lot to uncover the rocks.



tiestos = 7
obsidiana

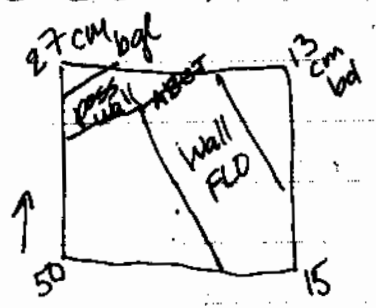
Opening EU I Lot 26. A 20cm rock uncovering lot.



4 tiestos

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Am continuing w/ lot 28 EU I. Am removing the odd rocks from the surface in an attempt to follow the N/S wall uncovered in EU J.



tiestos = 13
obsidiana = 2 → really nice 3" long prismatic blade.

Drew EUs A → G, so now am filling in before expanding

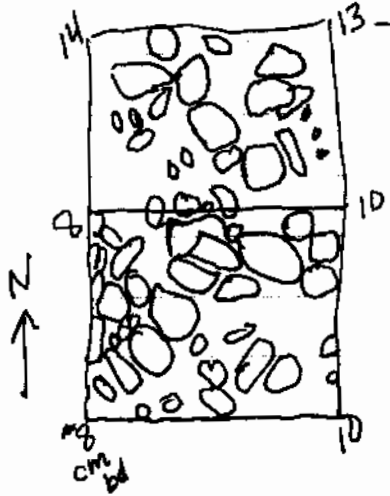
Subop 10

South

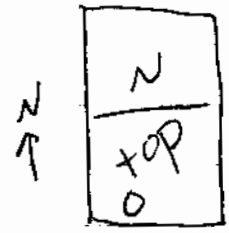
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05-17-67

Am cleaning off the 2 EU → & to take a photo of the possible cobble surface & to do a measured drawing of the patio.



→ final measurements below datum. Datum is at SW corner of EU Subop 10.



Lot 17

The surface is an uneven jumble of rocks → possibly too uneven to be a surface. Am now removing it in Lot 17 EUs, will continue down @ least another 10 cm in this Lot. Have been finding ceramic on/directly under "surface." Str. 14 will be a friend/family trench ∴ ~~will be~~ the surface will be BOB.

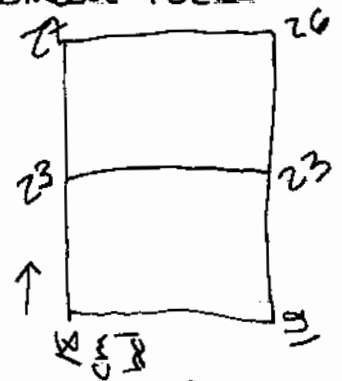
BOB continues down in Lot 17 → like it was a pile of small rocks.

Found some carbon → had to wrap it in a piece of foil from my sandwich, so it might be contaminated

- tiestos = 113 - 2 carved
- 6 obsidiana → some small/fine
- Carbon
- 1 very white rock



Lot 17



Starting EU → North of EU Lot 19 EU is a 20 cm lot. Don't really know what is going on in EUs will ask → still finding BOB, so stopped & moved on.

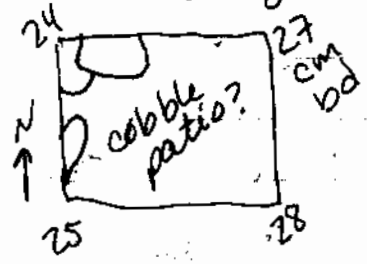
N&O

Subop
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south

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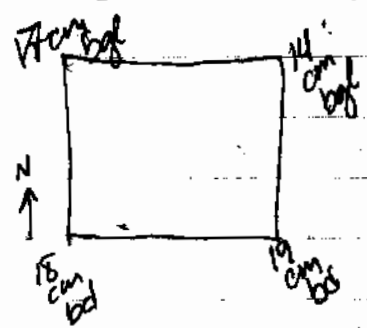
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Continuing Lot 19 EU^M. Removed 1 large rock from the center of the unit. Am taking it down to cobble patio level.



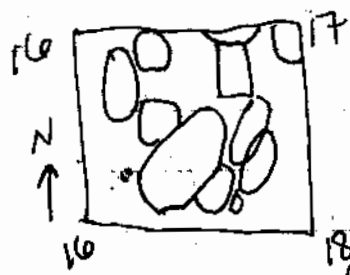
carbon
tiestos = 100
bajareque = 3 1" pieces
obsidiana = 6 prismatic blades
chert = 1

Opening EU^L to the North of EU^M. This will be lot 21, a 20 cm lot to uncover whatever rocks are in the unit.



tiestos = 17

Opening EU^K, N of EU^L, this will be a 20 cm unit to uncover the rocks in EU^L. This will be Lot 22 EU^{M.K}



14 tiestos
2 obsidiana flakes(?)

Opening EU^J, N of EU^K. Lot 24 will be a 20 cm lot to uncover the rocks.



6 tiestos → 1 carved

Subop
10

South 26 July 2005

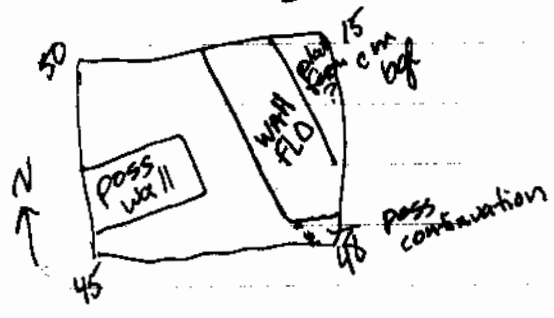
05-17-69

Think we might have uncovered part of a wall (on angle) in EU Lot 24. Therefore Lot 27 is removing some of the definitely tilted rocks to hopefully follow the wall down to its base → hope it continues!

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EU J

Am continuing with lot 27 in search for the base of the two walls.



Obsidiana = 3
tiestas = 30

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

Subop
10

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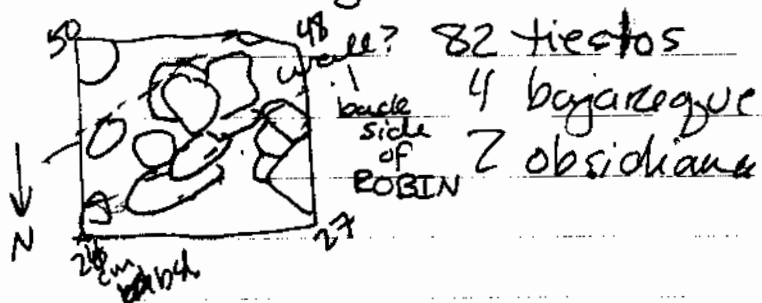
05-17-70

Salva & Ramperto are reopening EUH Subop 10 to see where the N/S wall of Str 14 (not FLO) goes. This is whatever, hopefully corners w/ ~~ROBIN~~ @ FLO.

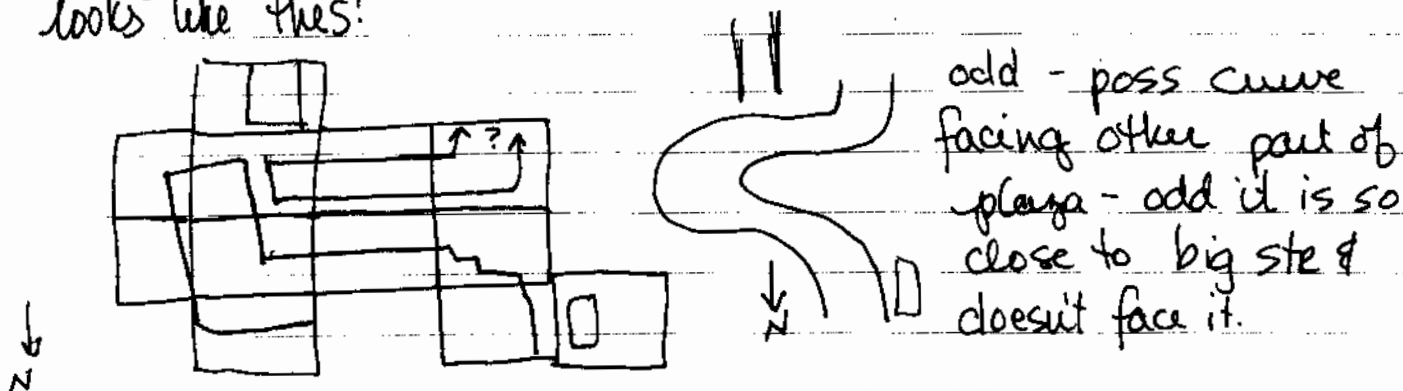
Lot 29 EUH is a 20cm Lot.

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Continuing w/ Lot 29 EUH.



Am moving Jim's tarp to cover cover area Sof Subop 13 EU F, b/c it seems like SKIPPY turns S. Very weird str. Victor? - apparently Doña Roberto's son is visiting. He & Salva say they don't think there was tobacco farming here, but it sounds like there was several fields over. Right now Str 14 looks like this:



Just found what appears to the guys to be a poss watch battery @ 40cm down, in the clay, of Paco & Dony's unit. Don't understand how modern thing could turn up there - Salva said that he has always seen site like this. But yes str could have been destroyed.

Subop 10

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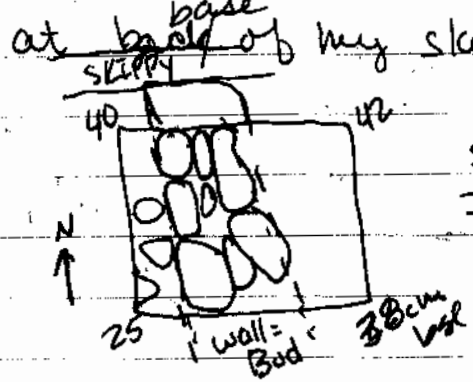
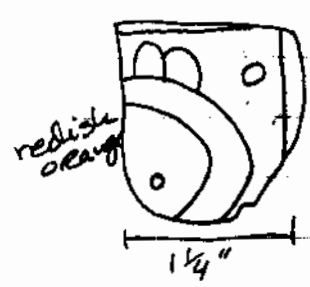
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Am starting Jorge & Lorenzo in Subop 10 EU K.

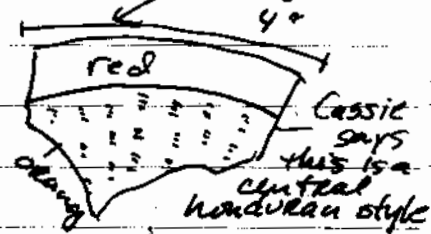
It is possible based on the rocks visible on the surface that there is a N/S wall that goes through these units. Lot 30 is a 20cm lot, in EU K.

Found bit of Cerlowe (sp?) Can't tell yet if wall & continues there appears to be some fall. Don't really understand why we are finding so much pottery rather above the buried walls. Have weird tingy headache

at base of my skull, yuck.



49 tiestos - carved also red w/ orange
7 obsidiana
2 chert



Cassie says this is a central honduran style

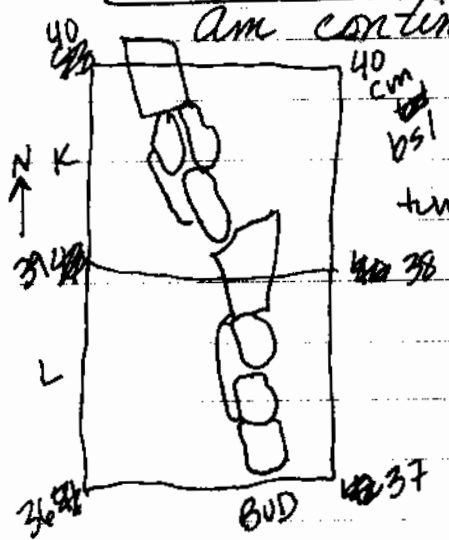
Moving on to EU L to follow wall BUD South. I think it corners/ends in this EU.

This will be Lot 31 EU L.

Didn't finish will continue Monday - buried ceramic carried out ceramic.

1 August 2005

Am continuing EU L Lot 31.



possible line kind of continues Lot 31 was expanded into EU K -> to remove timber/in associated rocks.

42 tiestos
1 chert
3 obsidiana

tiny bit carbon - base of BUD in EU K.
↳ ant got into packet

Subop 11

13 July 2005

05-17-72

SALVA y Roberto are starting a new Subop #11 to the west of Subop 1. This subop has been created to follow wall FROGGY to the West to determine whether or not it was an outside wall or not.

Lot 1 EU A. EU A is west of EU - Subop 1.



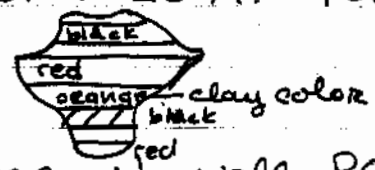
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Am continuing w/ Lot 1 EU A. POOTIE TANG is continuing to the West.

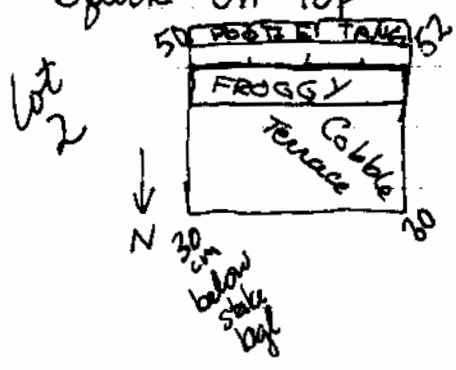
tiestos = 26

carbon - found near base of wall POOTIE TANG.



Opening EU ^{Lot 2} B to the N of EU A. This is to hopefully uncover wall ~~to~~ FROGGY as it continues W. A surface line indicates a possible ~~surface~~ transverse/perpendicular line in the middle of the unit. We'll see.

found froggy -> beautifully preserved & a terrace floor on top



tiestos = 6

Subop
11

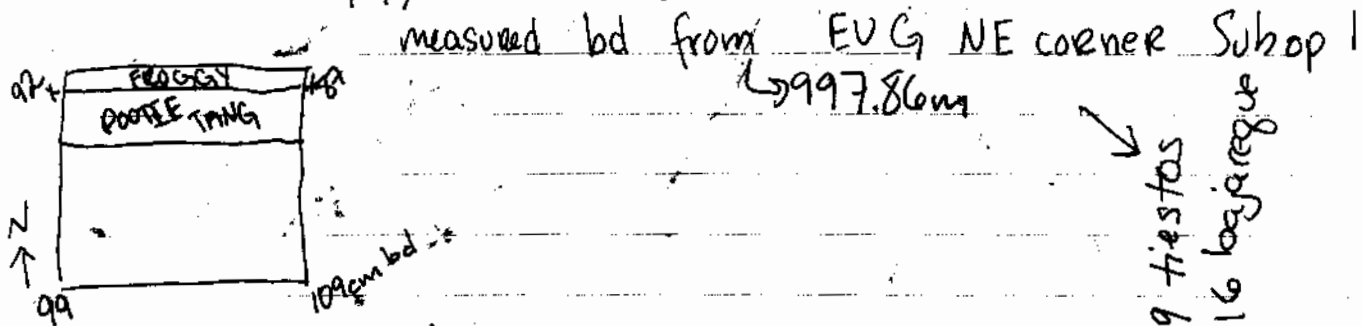
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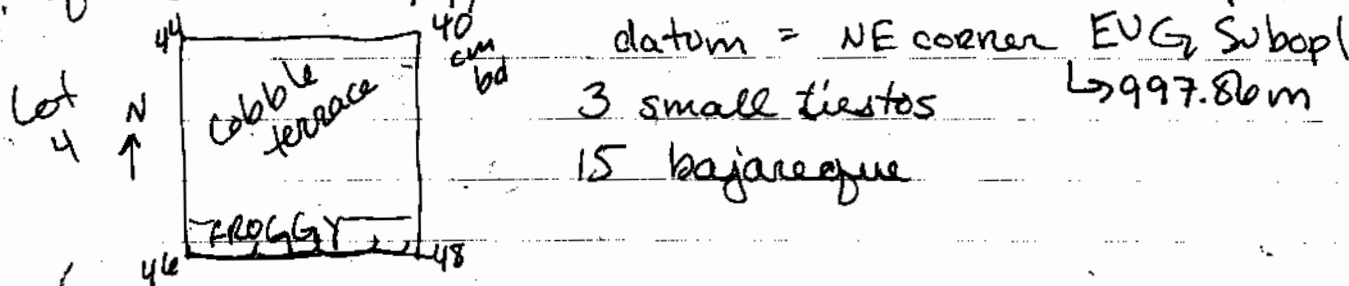
Opening EU C to W of EUA. This will be Lot 3 → following POOTIE TANG East.

15 July 2005

Finishing Lot 3 EU C. POOTIE TANG continues, as does FROGGY at various levels.



Starting EU D₂ to the N of EUC. This is to follow the FROGGY terrace to the East. Lot 4.



perhaps the large amount of bajareque is present due to not completely removing earlier superste before adding next structure.

Stopped here for now. Am moving Salva & Ramperto to the S End of Subop 10, which has now been expanded by 4 meters to join w/ Str 5 subop 4.

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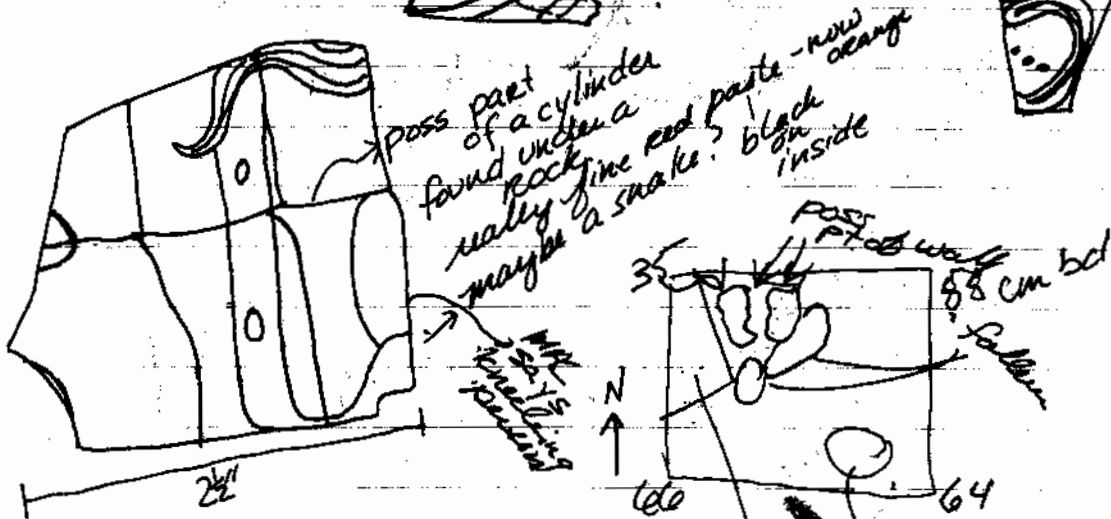
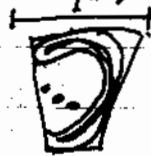
Am starting new Subop; Subop 12, for all excavation units East of Subop 10 Str 14.

The current purpose of this subop is to follow out a possible corner of wall FLO. EUA subop 12 is located east of EU J Subop 10.

Lot 1 EUA is looking for FLO's possible corner. Found corner, am now following FLO east. Found a lot of burnt corn cob \approx the ^{base of the} 2nd course from the bottom. Am finding a decent amount of ceramics outside the wall (to the S) including several design painted pieces & two carved pieces. Including one which is either a hand or a ka \rightarrow looks more like hand, but is missing thumb.

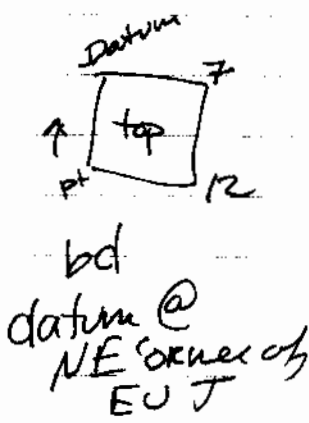


and another which might have something to do w/ corn &/or a tun \rightarrow maybe corn w/ tablets



\approx 200 shards
3 bags
Obsidian
Lajaque

Corner of FLO
Carbon



Subop
12

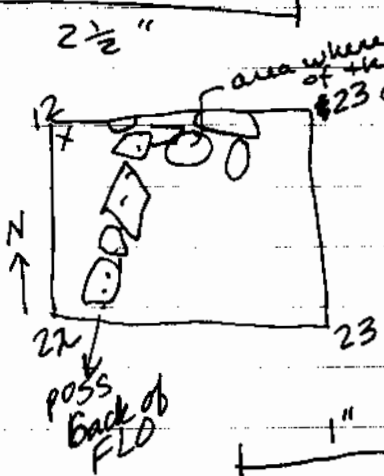
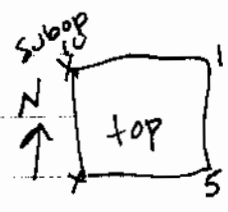
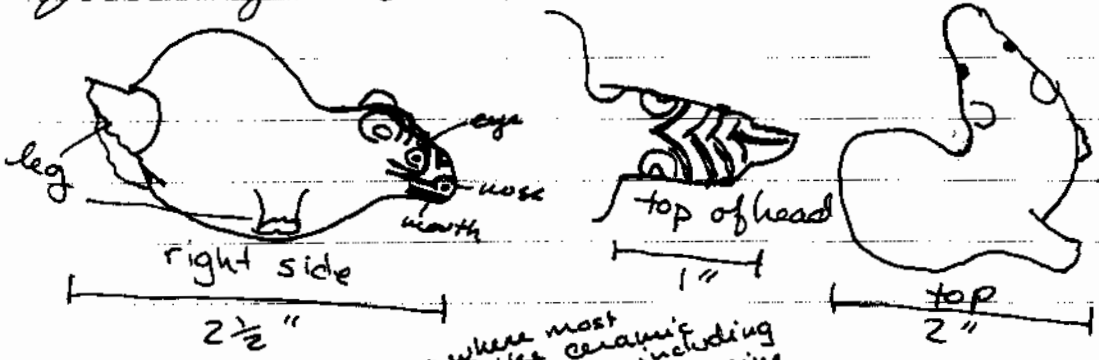
A ± 29 July 2005

05-17-75

Am starting new EU, EUB located to the North of EU A.

Lot 2 EUB will serve to look for the other side of FLO. Marcello hopes that Str ~~14~~ 14 is some kind of ritual str & that FLO is some kind of addition off it to the south. Am to take soil sample of small midden area off S end of FLO. Have never taken soil sample before.

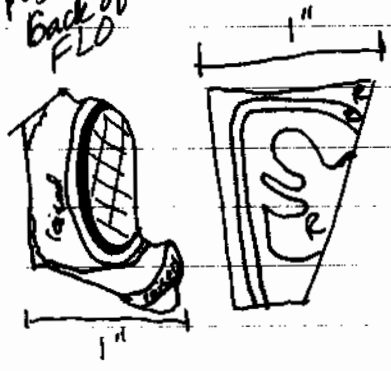
On what could have been the back side of FLO - am still investigating (we are only ~10 cm bgl.) Found the better part of a dog figurine. The head/face looks kind of like the ones Jocelyn was finding @ Canvas.



tiestas - 86 including more carved w/ con/concentric circles & the dog/rat figurine.

~10 pieces

3 bags



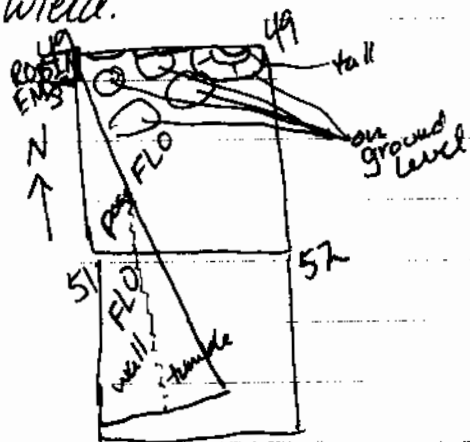
Subop
12
B

29 July 2005

05-17-76

Am starting lot 3 EUB, a 20 cm lot that will hopefully uncover the back of FLO → right now I am not so sure of this.

Have taken out some rocks that appear to be in the right place, though are on top. Nothing beneath → wild.



tiestos 78
1 obsidiana

Lot 4 EUB - cleaning lot
20 tiestos

Subop
13

west 28 July 2005

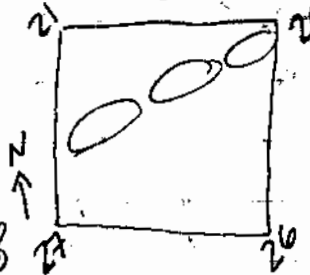
05-17-77

Starting new Subop for all excavations west of Subop 10 Str 14. This new Subop is Subop 13.

Subop 13 EU A is located to the west of EU I Subop 10.

EU A Lot 1 is a 20cm lot to follow the progress of possible wall ROBIN to the west.

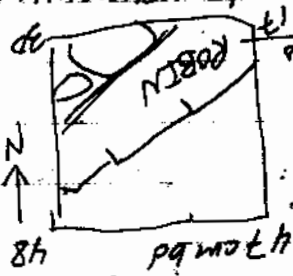
Datum is set from the NE corner of EU J Subop 10



ROBIN appears to ~~be~~ continue west.
17 tiestos
2 obsidiana - nice prismatic blade bits

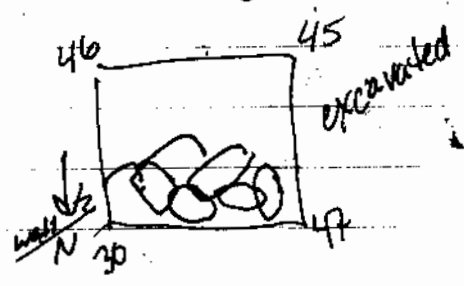
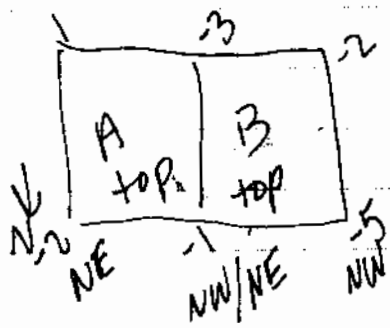
Lot 2 EU A is a 20cm lot to follow the continuation of ROBIN to its base.

17 tiestos
2 obsidiana
1 chert



Opening EU B to the West of EU A.

Lot 3 EU B will follow ROBIN to the west.

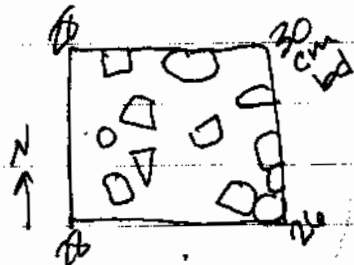
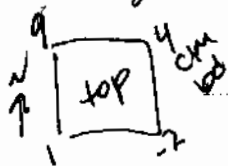


40 tiestos
2 obsidiana

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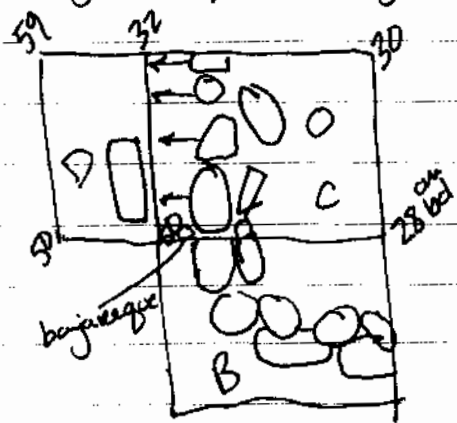
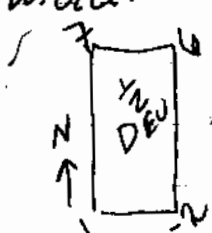
05-17-78

Am starting EU C, to the N of EU B. Lot 4 EUC is to find/follow a possible corner ^{to the N} in ROBIN, which might indicate it as a str vessel a conglomeration of odd walls



93 tiestos - some painted w/ black red or tan some w/ cool grooves some real on black
2 bajareque
1 pob chert

Am starting lot 5 EU C, to see if the wall actually ^{to the west of EUC} continues. Am expand EUC out to EU D a 1/2 unit, because it kind of appears that the pob wall continues to the W. Am not really sure -> rather disjointed/confusing. Apparently it doesn't continue -> weird.



25 tiestos
1 fist size chunk bajareque

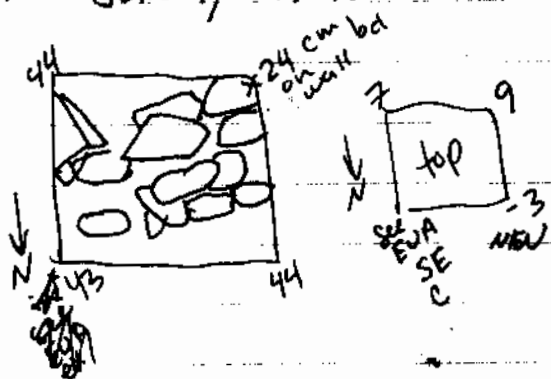
Lot 6 EUC - cleaning down behind wall to see if wall turns or goes straight. Removed some tumble. It seems to continue straight ^{it does but really} North. Weird ass structure... cleaning lot -> 6 tiestos
rough poss cause not 2 like ROBIN

Lot 7 EUE -> EUE is S of EUA, a 20cm lot to follow new poss wall ^{to the SW}.

30 July 2005

05-17-79

Am continuing w/ Lot 7 EU E. A 20 cm lot to follow out possible wall SKIPPY, which runs from E → W. Removed some tumble & are continuing down another 20 cm → am still not sure if it is a wall or not.



More ceramic was on S "outside" of wall, though 2 pieces were found @ N base of wall.

1 tiny obsidiana
12 tiestos

Am moving dirt to open new unit to W of EU E (EU F) to follow SKIPPY to the west, hopefully. This will be Lot 8 EU F.

Found modern fake metal plastic circle 40 cm down under ancient pottery in the clay layer → at base of the wall. The guys think it might be a watch battery. It is definitely modern - looks like silver, has outer silvery layers, but inner thicker black layer - not pos. in antiquity. Am expanding EU. 5m W to see if SKIPPY continues W or not.

Didn't get to starting the expansion → buried tiestos S of SKIPPY - modern thing in cuaderno

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30 July 2005

05-17-80

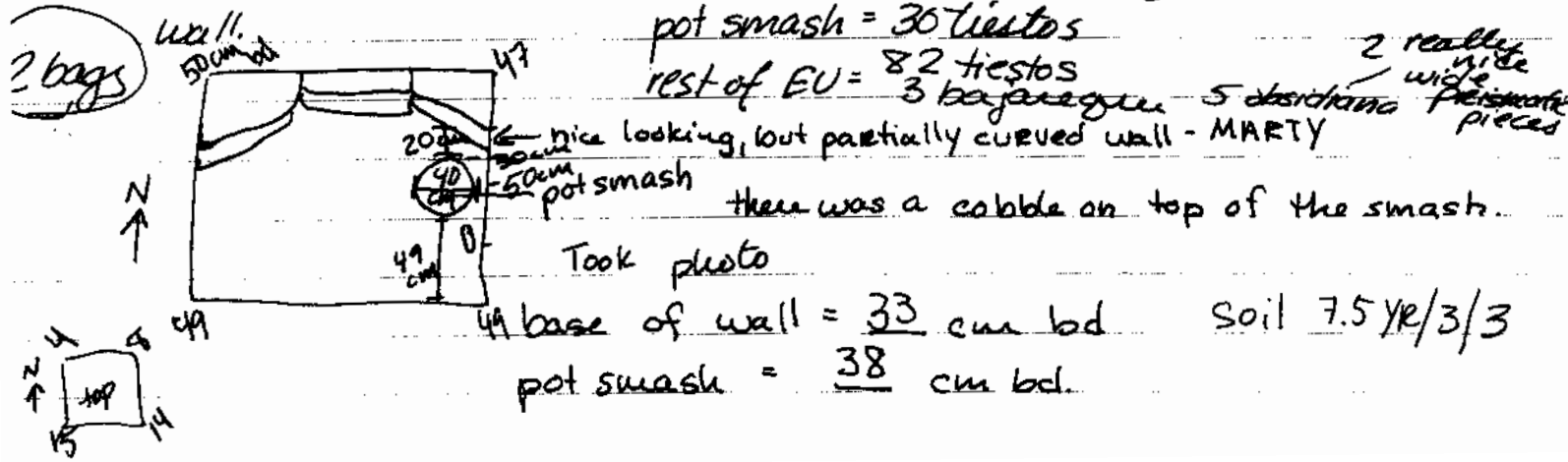
Salva/Ramberto are starting new EU G to the S of EU F to see if SKIPPY turns a corner there, since there appears to be another wall (N/S) coming through there. Unfortunately, they have to move all the dirt again & we only have 1 shovel. Didn't get to starting new EU.

1 August 2005

Had hard clenches all last night, so only got 3 hours of sleep. Think I might have heartburn from the sausage this morning. Am starting People visited site. Apparently they found a piece of chalk, so some of the rocks now bear unreadable writing. They also stole a lot (most) of the pita from Subops 10, 12, & 13. → Not a huge deal, unfortunately they knocked some of the stakes out too. Starting EU G Lot 9.

Found pot smash. Am not sure @ what level it is yet. Salva/Ramberto are still cleaning it up. Am feeling better, ü. Yann arrived to tell me that he bought a pig for roasting from Chepe's cousin. Salva is currently clearing away at the base of wall - MARTY, the nice wall at the W end of SKIPPY.

Pot smash is at or below wall level. Found bajareque closer in to



Subop
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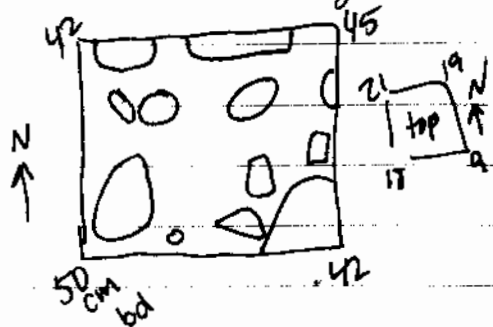
05-17-81

Am starting unit caty corner (NE) of EU A Subop 2 in order to see how far the patio continues.

This is EU I, 2 EUs south of EU G Subop 13.

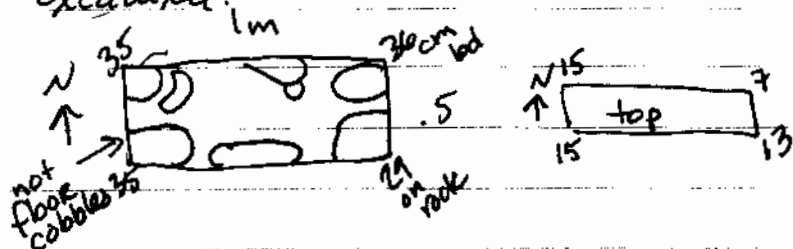
Lot 10 EU I will be a lot going all the way down to the cobble surface → if it continues. Poor Lorenz & Jorg, they get all the clean up jobs.

Have reached floor level. Found a lot of pottery as well as a 4" long → *Complete* prismatic obsidian blade.



tiestos = 76 - all in 7.5 YR/3/1 soil
 perdernal = 2
 Obsidian = 2

Am opening a 1/2 EU of EU H (N of EU I & S of EU G) to find N edge of the cobble patio. I suspect that it continues doesn't continue much further. This will be Lot 10 EU H. The S 1/2 of H will be excavated.



13 tiestos

~~Handwritten scribble~~

2 August 2005

05-17-82

Starting cleaning lot EUC. Am removing the rocks that don't actually appear to be part of WALL-ROBIN. These are the stones in the N of the EU

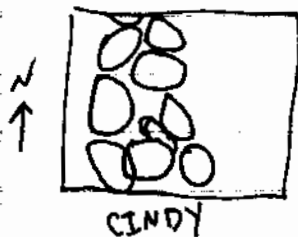


being removed. They will

take out the dirt to the level of the lower course of rocks on the front side of ROBIN.

This lot is EUC Lot 11.

The wall actually does appear to continue, roughly N. This will be called CINDY.



cleaning lot

1 obsidiana

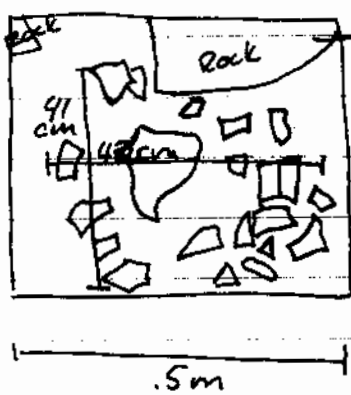
1 worked stone - poss mano. - very smooth

5 tjestos

1 August 2005

05-17-83

Since, unfortunately Paco & Donny were fired on SAT, SALVA & Rambeito are finishing up Lot 8 EU F. We removed a lot of rocks that had a lot of dirt in between them & the rocks beneath, are now cleaning up. Added to lot 8 will be a little chunk of the EU to the East ^{to G} $50 \times 50 \text{ cm}$ ^{SE of EU F} this is to completely uncover SKIPPY - which after removing tumble, Ellen thinks is a real wall. The $.5 \times .5 \text{ m}$ bit is ~~extension of EU J~~ EU J. Found a pot smash in the $50 \text{ cm} \times 50 \text{ cm}$ unit. Pot smash located at 34 cm bd.



part of SKIPPY.

Is this smash related to smash in EU G?

same level

Yes

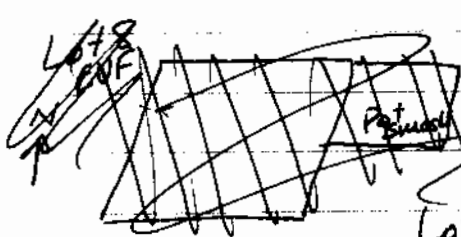
pot smash bag contains 28 tiestos
↳ from more than 1 pot.

in same 7.5/3/3 soil layer as before

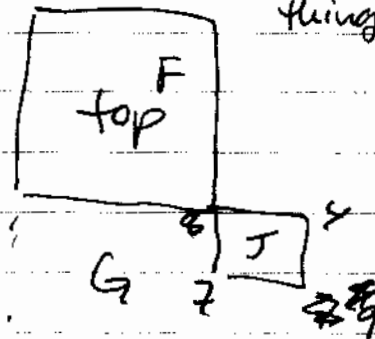
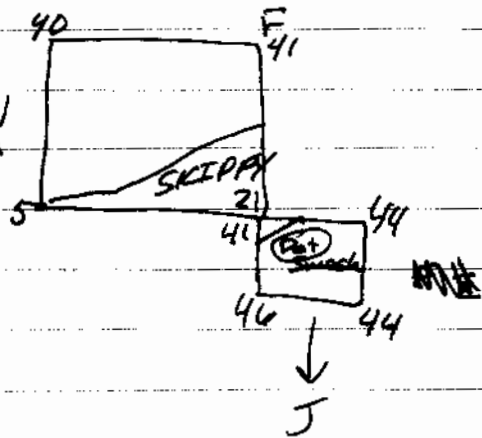
normal 57 tiestos

- 2 obsidiana
- 2 turquoise
- 1 modern disk thing

took photo.



Lot 8 EU F



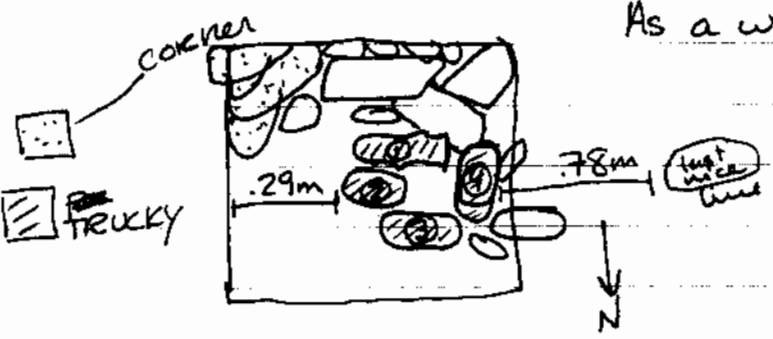
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Final write UP

for

05-17-84

poss pot stand/post hole TRUCKY
took picture - not labeled as (trucky)



As a whole TRUCKY is 40cm N/S
52cm E/W

Rock	TYPE?	N/S to Width	E/W Length
1		.11m	.27m
2		.13	.24
3		.13	.26m
4		.39m	.17m

3 August 2005

05-17-85

Name	TOP BD (m)	BOTTOM BD (m)	# Rocks	orientation	length (m)	width (m)
DADDY TANG	1.3 m	-	-	-	1 m	??
SADATAY	1.12	1.28	11	80°	4.2	.36
DAIME	.71	1.37	rock pile	265°	4.5	.9
WAH DATA	1.24	-	82	-	2.72 ^E	5.85 ^E
FROGGY FILL	.49	.95	-	-	2.17	1.0
POOTIE TANG	.95	1.39	-	265°	8.65	.33
PITY FILL	1.04	1.12	13	-	.82	.93
TOP of FILL	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
HOT, TOO	.98	1.31	61	172°	4.6	.3
(cont) WAH DATA	1.3	-	13	-	1	1 (poss)
BUD	1.01	1.28	11	3°	1.9	.34
SKIPPY	.97	1.29	16	268°	2.28	.37
ROBIN	.77	1.13	20	270°	2.2	.6
FLO	.76	1.10	18	356°	1.5	.54
CINDY	.98	1.16	15	256°	1.54	.35
BOB	1.20	-	47	-	1	?

3 August 2005

05-17-86

IMPORTANT NUMBERS - SHOT IN By Machine

① Datum @
Highest Point } = 997.95 m
on Str. 5

② Datum accident } = 997.81
(see Subop 11)
only

③ fill level just
Above SADATAY } = 996.97
(step) PITY FILL

④ FROGGY Fill } = 997.43
level

⑤ Upper fill level on
N side (level before } = 997.57
large fill rocks)

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Str. 5

05-17-87

SADATAY - 1 remaining course of large
doesn't corner is possible corner was
taken out in the east
wasn't excavated completely in the W.

30cm x 23cm
average

HOT, TOO - looks as though it used to interdigitate/
was a longer wall



at highest pt = 4 courses high
S side interdigitates
3 courses are preserved @ the corner

POOTIE TANG

has between

4 & 5 courses preserved
it interdigitates w/ HOT, TOO in the East
it was not excavated completely in the W

DAIME -

pile of rocks 30cm ^{sq} ~~from~~ POOTIE
ends 3.3m from end of
corner w/
HOT, TOO

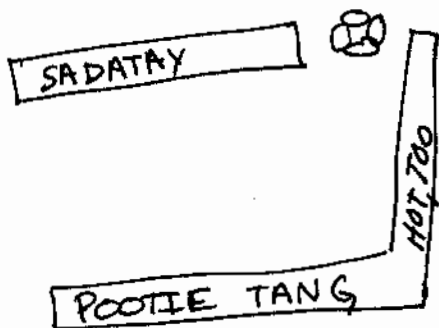
All rocks are the same - flat breaking kind.

SADATAY

≈ 5.73m unexcavated

≈ 4.34m Pootie unexcavated

POOTIE was at least 7-8 courses high of the
≈ 1.1m high nice small wall of
rocks - then
the fill of
larger rocks
starts



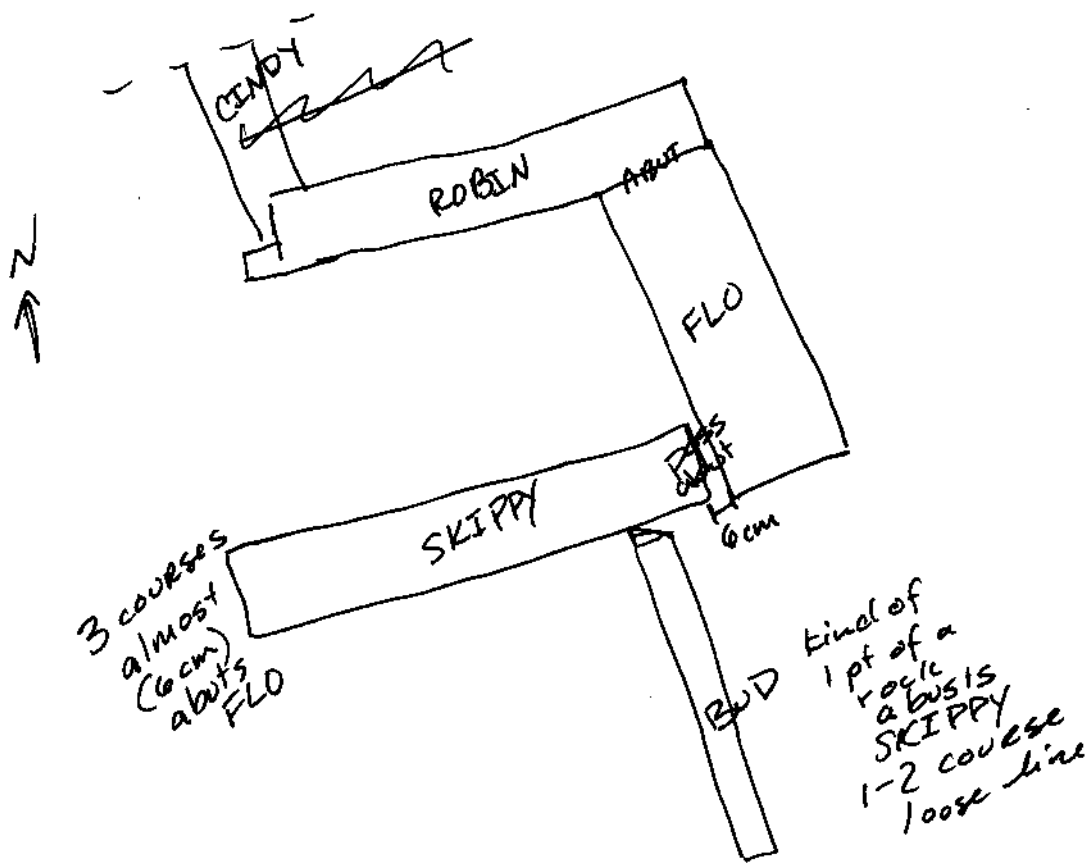
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FLO - 3 courses Abuts in N Robin

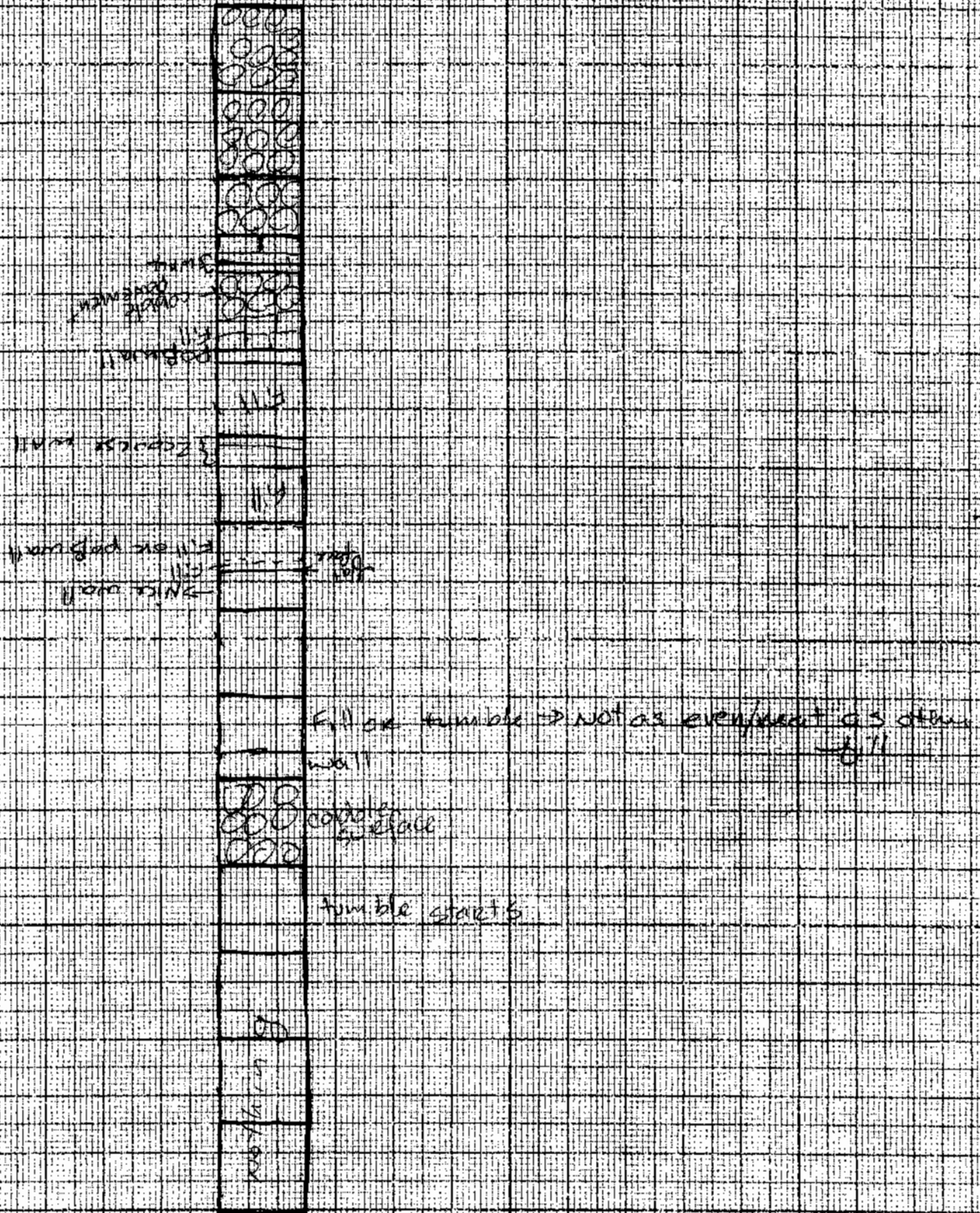
ROBIN - 2-3 courses Abutted by FLO in NE

Cindy - 1-2 courses Interdigitates badly w/ Robin in SE



STR 5 AXIAL TRENCH

↑ N

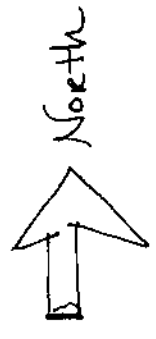


Subop 10

	O	
	N	
	M	
996.99	L	996.95
997.01	K	996.92
997.06	J	997.1
997.1	I	997.14
997.14	H	997.14
997.09	G	997.14
997.13	F	997.09
997.09	E	997.08
997.01	D	997.05
997.02	C	996.96
996.94	B	996.94
996.92	A	996.92

N ↓





Subop 10

Subop 13

Subop 12

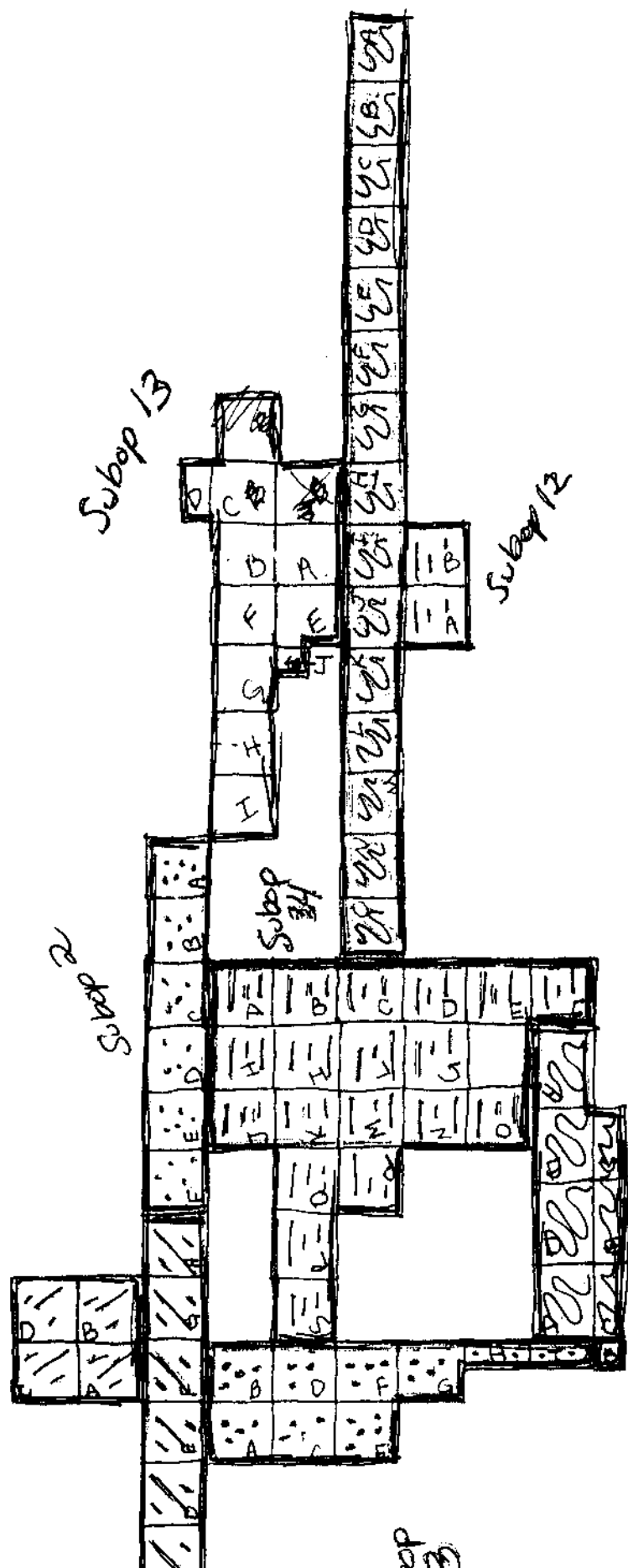
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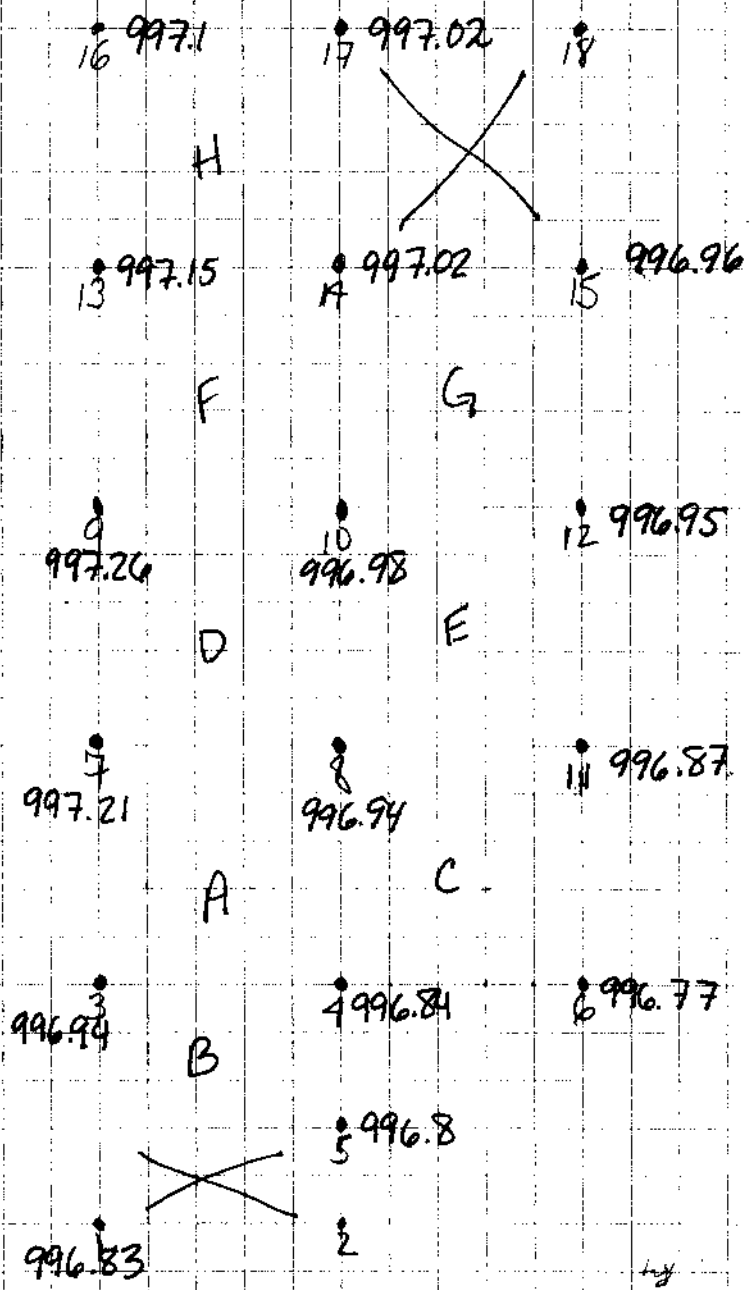
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Subop 11

Subop 3



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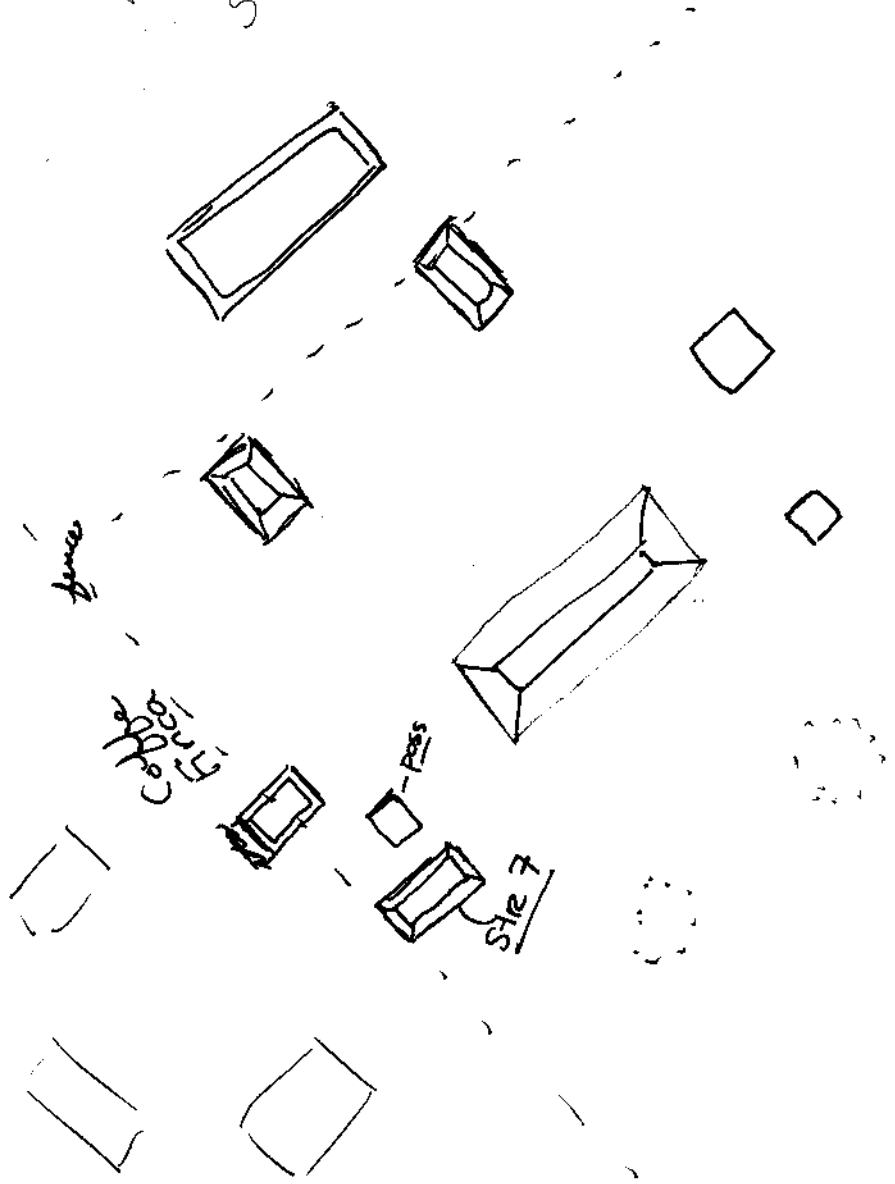
Subop 2

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ms 8h.9bb	D	1S.9bb
996.55	B	996.51
8S.9bb	C	6S.9bb
996.64	A	996.64
76.9bb	E	996.85
997.22	F	997.27
4h.9bb	G	997.50
98.9bb	H	997.80
78.9bb	I	998.03
	J	
997.88	K	997.86
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997.25	M	997.28
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997.07	O	997.03
996.95	P	996.89
996.82	Q	996.80

Op 10
Str 5

Site 07
Op 10



Operation 10
Subpp 1

✓ +

✓

EU	Lot	Ceramics	Chert	Obsidian	Bag	Bone	Carbon	Elev Start/Finish	Location Describ.
A	1	30	0	1	0	0	0		
A	2	5	0	0	0	0	0		
A	3	0	0	1	0	0	0		
B	4	✓							
B	5	22	0	0	1	0	0		
B	6	3	0	0	0	0	0		
C	7	15			✓				tumble
C	8	1							tumble
C	9	7							
D	10	5							tumble
D	11	47			✓		chunk burnt sand	poss manopt	tumble
E	12	0			✓	5		matate	tumble
E	13	1			✓			Hoba	
E	14	empty?							
F	15	empty?						Hoba	fill
H	16								
H	17								tumble/ fill
F	18	14					✓		
H	19	empty?							

Operation 10
Subop 2

EU	Lot	Ceram.	Chest	Obs	Bag	Bole	Carbon	Steel/finish Elev (bgl)	Location Description
A	1	6	0	1	0	0	0	996.8 / 928	tumble
A	2	36	0	0	0	0	0		
B	3	1	0	0	0	0	0		tumble
B	4	✓	1	0	0	0	✓		
C	5	9				1 snail shell			tumble
C	6	26							wall/ fill/tumble
C	7	26		1 ✓		1 top	2 east west		patio
D	8	2							
D	9	5							tumble, fill
E	10	20	1						wall → fill summit floor?
E	11	4							
F	12	27						1 jute	fill
F	13	4			1				wall fill
C	14	12			✓		✓		cobble patio
B	15	4	cleaning lot						
D	16	empty							step, surface wall?

Subop
3



EU	Lot	Ceram	Chest	Obs	Brj	Bone	Carbon	Rock	Description
A	1	10							patio floor
B	2	19			1				wall
C	3	7			1				wall
D	4	2							wall cobble floor/patio
E	5	14		1	1			2-toba	wall
F	6	6			3				walls
(BAD) F	7	11						1 pink 1 toba	wall
G	8	6			✓			1 toba	wall
H	9	20	1/2 unit		✓				wall/platform
I	10	56	1/2 unit		3				
F	11	12		13"					investigated missing stone in POOTIE → nothing interesting

Operation 10
Subop 4

EU	Lot	Ceram	Chest	Obs	Big	Bone	Carbon	Rock	Description	
A	1	8			1				tumble	
A	2	3			✓			1 shaped stone	tumble	
A	3	36		1				8 rocks	step/patio	
B	4	3								
B	5	9			1			2 toba 3 rocks	cobble surface	
C	6	16 ²		1					SADATAY	
D	7	6							step/wall	
E	8	7							tumble	
W ¹ / ₂ E F	9	46			2			1 tooth like rock	tumble	
F	10	24	1	1	✓			1 premolar like rock		
MOA D	11	30	1	3				✓ 1 rock		
F/E/D	12	14 ²	3	2	✓			✓ 2 samples	corner, HOT, TOY post hole/pot stand	
F	13	37	2	1				✓		
G	14	empty								
H	15	6						3 rocks		
I	16	5								
J	17	9						4 rocks		
? -K	18	? EMPTY LOT						7	fill	
L	19	4		1					tumble/fill	
M	20	2						1 small white rock		
UP	21		1 pass	1						
N	22	empty								
O	23	1								
25 Q	24	6			1				fill	
R	25	2			2				fill	
S	26	3			1				fill	
R/S	27	2	1		1			✓	fill	
R/S	28	3						burnt corn	fill	
E	29	3						1 small white rock	tumble/pot stand TRUCKY	

✓ Operation 10
Subop 9

EU	Lot	Cream	Chut	Obs	Brj	Bone	Carbon	Rack	Descrip
.A	1	13		1					corner tumble
.B&C	2	91		3	✓				
.D/E	3	28			5			2 toba	wall
.F/G	4	101	3		4		✓		wall
.H	5	216	3	7	9		✓	1 toba 1 mistake	POT swash

* ALL LOT CARDS DONE *

✓ Operation 10
Subop 10

✓+

EU	Lot	Ceram	Chert	Obs	Bay	Bone	Carbon	Rock	Description
A	1	100		3					
A	2	162	1	1					
A	3	20	2	2				2 smooth	
A	4	empty	= sterile						
B	5			✓					
B	6	11							
B	7	7							
C	8	✓ ?							
C	9	28		2					
C	10	13						jade bead	
D	11	49		2					
D	12	6							
O	13	3							
D	14	4		2					cobble floor?
N	15	16							cobble floor?
E	16	76		5				1 D stone	wall? tumble
N/O	17	113		6			✓	1 very white rock	cobble floor/rock pile
E	18	22	1	2					tumble?
M	19	100	1	6	3		✓		tumble
F	20	59	1		1				
L	21	17							
K	22	14		2					
G	23	26	2		1			1 poss to metal leg	
J	24	6							walls
H	25	7		1					
I	26	4							
J	27	30		3					walls
I	28	13		2					
H	29	82		2	4				poss wall
K	30	49	2	7					wall? tumble
L	31	42	1	3				Carbon	

✓
Operación 10
Subop 11

EU	Lot	Ceram	Chert	Obs	Bay	Bone	Carbon	Rock	Description
A	1	26					✓		DRIME/POOTIE
B	2	6							wall FROGGY
C	3	9			16				POOTIE
D	4	3			15				FROGGY

✓
Operation 10
Subop 12

✓+

EU	Lot	Ceram	Cheet	Obs	Baj	Bone	Carbon	Rock	Description
A	1	200		3	✓		✓		^{3 bags} FLO wall tumble
B	2	86							FLO ^{3 bags} tumble
B	3	78		1					FLO
B	4	20							cleaning

Operation 10
Subop 13

✓ +

EU	Lot	Ceram	Obs	Bay	Bone	Carbon	Rock	Description
A	1	17						ROBIN-wall tumble
A	2	17	1					Robin
B	3	40						Robin
C	4	93	1					Robin
1/2 D/C	5	25		2 1 fist sized				ROBIN
C	6	6						ROBIN
E	7	12						SKIPPY -tumble
J/F	8	85						SKIPPY -tumble/
G	9	112						pot smash/tumble/SKIPPY
I	10	99 cobbles	2					no actual cobble surface
C	11	5						tumble/CINDY

cleaning lot

1 modern plastic piece 40cm down

2 bags

1 poss mano-very smooth