

Date (dd/mm/yy): 09/06/08 EU: 5 SU: 5404

Area: VIGLA Supervisor: NA Recorder: NA

Summary: Excavating ~~the wall~~ south of wall 5402-f1.

Chronology: \_\_\_\_\_ (to be filled out by RSM or MH)

**Harris matrix**

	<u>5402</u>	
	<u>5404</u>	

**Coordinates**

N	<u>1451.62N</u>		
W	<u>4449E</u>	E	<u>4450E</u>
S	<u>1450N</u>		

**Soil description**

Munsell (wet): 10YR 5/6 Yellowish brown

Soil type: sandy clay

Consolidation: cemented

Stoniness: 10 %

Dominant clast size: pebble

Maximum top elevation: 55.62 u.a.s.l.

Minimum bottom elevation: 55.42 u.a.s.l.

(\*Indicate elevations on SU plan)

Slope: flat

**Features**

- f1.
- f2.
- f3.
- f4.
- f5.

List all **photographs** of this SU (p1, p2, etc.):

p.1, p.2.

List all **drawings** of this SU (d1, d2, etc.):

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**Procedure**

Dry sieve  Water sieve \_\_\_\_\_ If water sieve, # of bags: \_\_\_\_\_

**Finds (# of bags)**

Ceramic 2 Stone \_\_\_\_\_ Bone 1 Metal \_\_\_\_\_ Organic \_\_\_\_\_ Plaster 2 Other Shell 2

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Description: Scraping down just a few centimetres to discern whether the ashy patch continues further down. It seems that it does but it's not very concentrated.

In the process we uncovered a thin (4cm) limestone slab, only the thin side of it is visible in our south scarp. It is 52 cm long.



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Description: Scraping back 3-4 cm with a pick; ~~we~~ we were originally doing this so that we could delineate the ashly patch, but that seems to have disappeared. However, we found a couple of clumps of mudbrick at about 1450.79 N, 4449.51 E. ~~also~~ We're also noticing that we are getting pebble sized limestone chips; I think these might be pieces that got clipped off the wall by the plow or other disturbances.

There is another greyish patch along the eastern scarp just south of ~~the~~ wall 5402. The soil seems to be ~~the~~ ~~so~~ of the same texture but of a slightly different colour. A rather large (c. 10cm long) piece of mudbrick came out of the SU, which I think is interesting in terms of the construction technique: it has small pieces of sandstone, as well as, the ~~the~~ river gravel inclusions that we find in the plaster.

We can see a thin layer ~~of~~ of grey ash in the east scarp, but it didn't extend into the trench for more than a couple of cm.

~~Remember~~ Since we've had other ashly patches and we're getting a couple of <sup>very small</sup> charcoal pieces we will close this SU and start a new one in this area.

Bottom elevations for SU 5404: NE: 55.42, NW: 55.42, SW: 55.44, SE: 55.47 m.a.s.l.