

Date (dd/mm/yy): 10/06/08

EU: 5

SU: 5405

Area: VIGLA

Supervisor: MA

Recorder: MA

Summary: ~~Excavating S of wall 5402 f1~~ Excavating S of wall 5402 f1.

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

Harris matrix

5404
5405

Coordinates

N 1451.62 N

W 4449 E

E 4450 E

S 1450 N

Soil description

Munsell (wet): 7.5YR 4/6 Strong Brown

Soil type: Sandy Clay

Consolidation: Cemented

Stoniness: 10 %

Dominant clast size: pebble

Maximum top elevation: 55.47

Minimum bottom elevation: 55.18

(\*Indicate elevations on SU plan)

Slope: Flat

Features

f1. 5405-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.):

Procedure

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

Finds (# of bags)

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

FS 5405-1001 Clay/Ash?

FS 5405-1002 Ceramics

FS 5405-1003 Slag

~~5405-1001~~  
~~5405-1002~~

Date (dd/mm/yy): 11 / 06 / 08 EU: 5 SU: 5405

Description: Continuing to excavate through sandy clay, we are finding much pottery.

In the area  $\pm$  20-30 cm south of wall 5402-f1 we are encountering a lot of disintegrated material: plaster; sandstone. We also found a clump of grey ashy material that is very fine and smooth. I'm wondering if this is some sort of clay. ~~Plaster was seen to the west~~  
 (This is find FS 5405-1001 (451.34 N, 4449.58 E) elevation: 55.31 m.a.s.l.)

We've uncovered the length of the block that we first traced in SU 5404, which is just visible in the South scarp. It is 53 cm long and 18 cm thick. There is a second block sitting directly below, but directly to the west of that which is 22 cm thick and 34 long. (I don't think we've uncovered all of it yet).

It's strange that there doesn't seem to be another block directly below the top one. It should be noted that ~~we~~ we've found mortar in this area. \*This is feature 5405-f1\*

We are finding a lot of pottery, especially centered close to the west scarp. The pieces are rather <sup>(c. 10cm)</sup> larger with very sharp breaks. Several seem to be part of the same vessel and these will be FS 5405-1002.

FS  
5405-1001

Feature  
5405-f1

FS  
5405-1002

Date (dd/mm/yy): 11/06/08 EU: 5 SU: 5405

Description: We have found a big piece of slag  
and we've uncovered another ashly patch  
as well as a couple of charcoal ~~specks~~ specks.  
We will finish this pass and close the  
SU. The slag ~~is~~ will be FS ~~5405-1003~~ 5405-1003.  
(1451.10N, 4449.61E, elevation 55.23 m.a.s.l.)  
We also found a bit more of the ashly/clay  
that was FS 5405-1001.

~~Other notes about this site~~

FS  
~~5405-1003~~  
 5405-1003



Date (dd/mm/yy): 13/06/08 EU: 5 SU: 5405

Description: We've uncovered an ash layer that seems to extend over the whole SU, as we were taking our last pass.

The sherds that I recorded on 11/06 are sitting right on top of the ash layer. (FS5405-1002). Also, I think there are pieces of flooring in the scarp in that same area.

It looks like the ash is on top of the flooring. There is also more broken up ~~plaster~~ <sup>mortar</sup> towards the wall 5402-ft. but I'm not sure if its flooring or wall plaster.

We will separate the current SU into two new ones in order to excavate the ash layer first and then address the disintegrated plaster.

Bottom elevations for SU 5405:

NE corner: 55.20, NW: 55.22, SW: 55.18, SE: 55.18.