

Date (dd/mm/yy): 02/06/09

EU: 13

SU: 7109

Area: Leontsopetria

Supervisor: DJD

Recorder: DJD

Summary: Silt under the eastern portion of 7108 & is defined by the pinkish-gray soil; concentrated debris context below top soil

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

Harris matrix

Coordinates

	<u>7108</u>	
	<u>7109</u>	

N 168.50

W 409.00

E 410.40

S 167.75

Soil description

Munsell (wet): 7.5 YR 7/2 pinkish gray

Maximum top elevation: 7.58

Soil type: Sandy clay loam

Minimum bottom elevation: 7.25

Consolidation: firm

(*Indicate elevations on SU plan)

Stoniness: 10 %

Slope: level

Dominant clast size: gravel

Features

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

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

p1, p2 (SU in process)
p3, p4 (bottom SU)

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

d1 (bottom SU)

Procedure

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

Finds (# of bags)

Ceramic 9 Stone _____ Bone _____ Metal 1 Organic _____ Plaster _____ Other 19 (mortar)

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Description: SU 7109 sits under the eastern portion of 7108, & its extent is defined by the pinkish-grey soil that we have encountered (again, prob. the result of high levels of plaster bleeding into the soil).

Immed. it is apparent that we will be digging through a mass of mortar/plaster. Most chunks are in the 10-12cm range, though we also encounter 15-20cm sizes as well. Tile fragments are still present, though mortar/plaster more common. Tile is typically 8-10cm range in size. Sandstone in (10-15cm) range.

The debris we encounter in this SU is incredibly dense - making it much more difficult to excavate than our earlier SUs - again, probably just a result of reaching levels below the plow zone & fill. The 19 bags of mortar amply testify to this.

The SU is closed when we encounter a new soil color - 10YR 7/4 very pale brown - which is encountered only in SU 7109. Again soil type remains the same as does the context material. By this point we are only a few cm above the "wall." It is not immed. clear what this change could represent.

It is very subtle & it's possible we're being too cautious here - it's also most concentrated in the SE portion of the SU.

* 16/6: Addendum: It's possible that a portion of this SU dug into the interior fill of the wall, which is full of debris. The compactness here would support this, & we can easily imagine the north face falling away at an earlier date (poss. bc of D of A) certainly 7112 is wall interior. (exc.)

Bottom Elevations

W: 7.26 C: 7.25 E: 7.30