

Locus L 3863	Dor 19 313	Fld G1	Sq A1633	Loc. type PIT TO FLOOR
Open Date 016/07/313	High at 115.219 W1	Low at 115.115 E1	Seals: N/A	_____
Close Date 12/07/313	Center 115.113	115.018 W1	Sealed by: N/A	_____
Floor: type CIP	115.11 N1	115.017 S1	Locl 3854	_____
Length 3.6m	Width 1.8m	Vol	above	_____
Value d1	Remove	Drawn? YES	Locl 3890	_____
Photo #(1) 100829	Photo #(2) 100830		below 3901	_____
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Unit	Phase	Stage	Stratum	PoM
Summary				

Opened: AT BEGINNING OF SEASON AFTER REMOVAL OF WINTER WASH L9854.

Limits (N) Bounded by L9858, F9852, L9870, L9853, L9871, AND L9868.  
 (S) W9425, W9278 AND A PRESENTLY UNNUMBERED LOCUS BETWEEN THESE TWO WALLS.  
 (E) Bounded by the East Bank.  
 (W) Bounded by L9862, L9875, L9864 AND L9889.

Closed: CAME DOWN OF F9863; THEREFORE, AREA WAS SPLIT INTO 2 NEW LOCI - L9890 FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE WESTERN PIT AND L9901 FOR FLOOR MAKE UP AND BELOW.

Matrix: THE WESTERN PIT CONSISTED PRIMARILY OF GREY ASH, SAND AND CHARCOAL FLECKS. POTTERY SHEARDS LITTERED THE ENTIRE LOCUS, AS WELL AS IRON SLAG AND BONE. F9863 1.6m x .7m, IS OF CRUSHED KURJAR W/ INCLUSIONS OF POTTERY SHEARDS. THE MTRX DIRECTLY ABOVE F9863 WAS HARDER THAN THE WESTERN PIT AND BROWN IN COLOR. SHEARDS RECOVERED IN F9863 WERE GENERAL IR / IR2c / IR / EGR / ATC / PR.

Relations: TO THE NORTH, L9858 (sealed masonry) YIELDED IRON AGE MATERIAL AND PROBABLY CUTS L9863. L9863 PROBABLY CUTS L9853/L9871, AS THE MATERIAL WITHIN THIS PIT IS EARLIER THAN THAT OF L9853/L9871. THE SAME REASONING AND RELATION APPLIES TO L9862, L9864 AND L9889 BELOW. L9863'S RELATIONSHIP TO L9875 IS UNCERTAIN - THEIR MATRICES ARE DIFFERENT, BUT THE MATERIAL WITHIN THEM DATE TO THE SAME GENERAL PERIOD. THEY MAY BE CONTEMPORARY PITS.

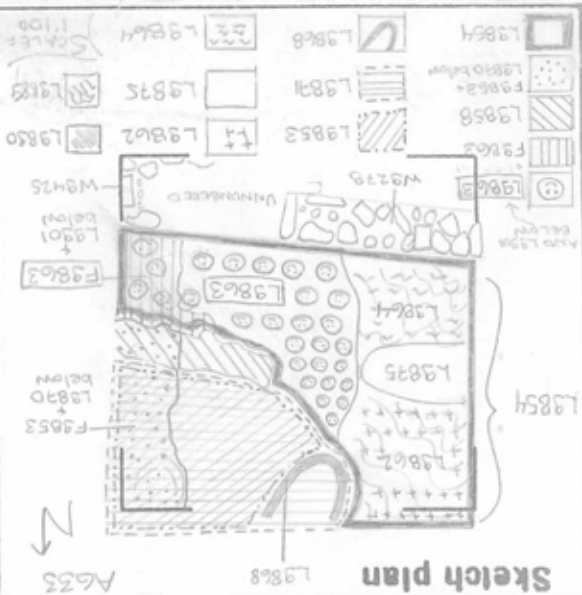
TO THE SOUTH, L9863 IS CUT BY W9278 AND W9425. ITS RELATIONSHIP TO THE UNNUMBERED LOCUS BETWEEN THESE TWO WALLS (L9773 IN THE 1992 SEASON) IS UNCLEAR, AS THAT AREA IS UNEXCAVATED. L9863 APPEARS TO BE A PERSIAN PIT CUTTING THROUGH A LATE IRON AGE DEPOSIT BASED ON THE COLLECTION OF SHEARDS.

F9863 IS A PARTIAL FLOOR THAT UNDULATES AND HAS POCKETS OF NON-FLOOR MATERIAL. ITS WESTERN EDGE IS NOT WELL DEFINED. UPON EXCAVATION OF L9870 (BELOW F9853) TO THE LEVEL OF F9863, IT WAS FOUND THAT F9863 DOES NOT EXTEND INTO L9870. \* F9863 ALSO REACHES THE EAST BANK, THE UNNUMBERED PEDESTAL BELOW W9425 AND THE UNNUMBERED AREA THAT WAS L9773. THE WESTERN SIDE OF L9863, A PIT; CUTS F9863 ON THE WESTERN EDGE.

\* AN EXPLANATION OF THIS MAY BE THAT SUCH A SMALL HEIGHT DIFFERENCE BETWEEN FLOORS 9852 AND F9863 (~7cm) COULD MEAN THAT A SMALL STEP SEPARATED THE TWO AND THAT THE FLOORS WERE CONTEMPORARY. THE NORTHERN SECTION OF F9863, HOWEVER, DID NOT SLOPE UP AND INTO F9853

Additional Observations/Value: LOW VALUE. PERSIAN PIT CUT INTO LATE IRON AGE DEPOSIT. LOTS OF GOODIES, THOUGH. ADDITIONAL PHOTOS = 100831-832

Iron bag						
98588	AG33	15.46	15.15	pt	ma Vg	d
seed pod (?)						
98606	AG33	15.15	15.15	pt	tw ir	d
iron pieces- spear point						
98636	AG33	15.27	15.06	pt	sh cr 2	d ir2
pottery- 1 pr						
98637	AG33	15.17	15.07	pt	sh cr 2	d pr
POTTERY- a few ir2c, 1 ATC						
98653	AG33	15.17	15.07	pt	ma bn	d
bone						
98657	AG33	15.17	15.07	pt	ma ir	d
iron						
98666	AG33	15.17	15.07	pt	tw ir	d
iron thing						
98756	AG33	15.33	15.06	pt	sh cr 2	d ir2
pottery- 1 IRS						



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