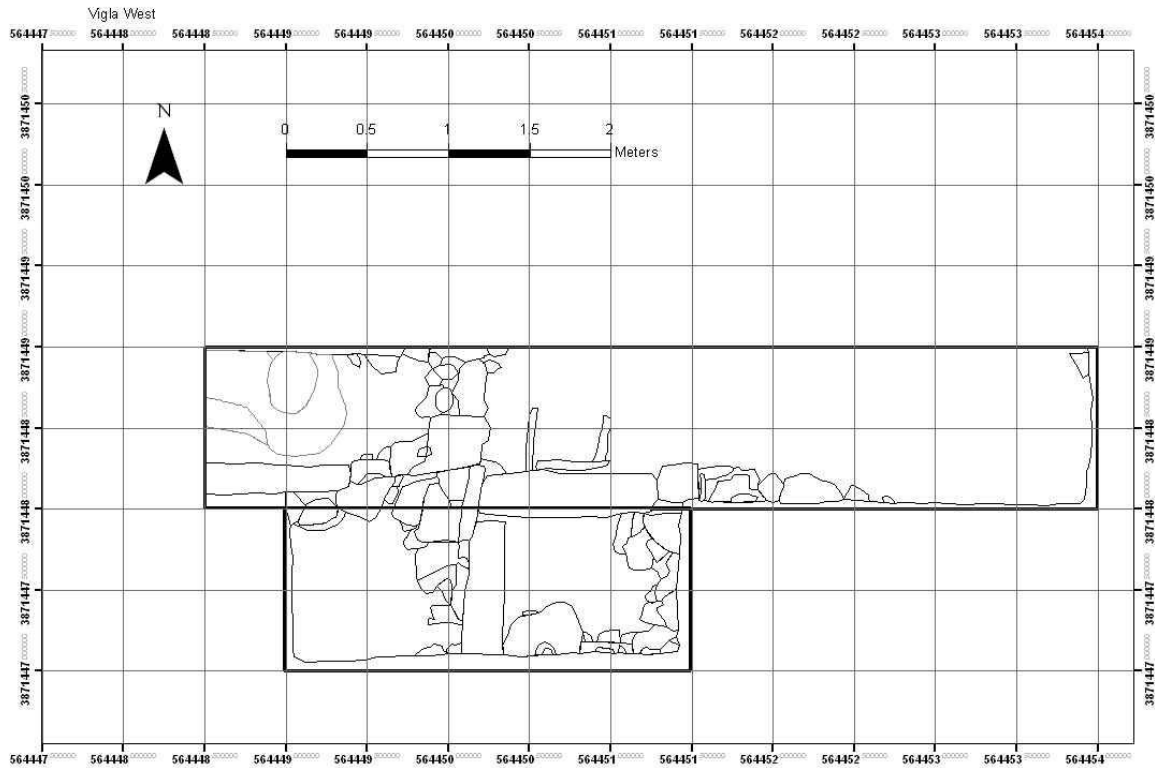


Vigla: Excavation Unit 2

Final top plan:



Summary: Excavation Unit 2 was excavated from 30 May to 17 June 2008 on the Vigla plateau. The features in the trench include cross walls running east-west and north-south, flooring of multiple phases, and a cistern-like feature carved into bedrock in the northwest. There are two separate phases of architecture and three phases of occupation. The primary finds consist of ceramics, metal, shell, stone objects, mortar, plaster, and bone; significant among these are a coin, metal projectile point, and the bottom half of a limestone statuette. Preliminary readings of the pottery date the assemblage to the Iron Age and Classical/Hellenistic periods, while the variety of ceramics found and the quality of the wall construction suggest domestic habitation rather than a monumental building. There is evidence that there was a significant destruction by fire late in the history of the building. Overall, this finds from this excavation unit seem to represent domestic habitation of the Classical/Hellenistic periods.