

Locus L 9853	Dor 19 93	Fld G1	Sq A 933 1111	Loc. type SEALED FILL TO FLOOR
Open 06/07/93	Date 15.4.93	High at W1	Low at E1	
Close 12/07/93		15.2.93 W1	15.2.93 E1	
Floor: N/A type		1.5.1.5M	1.5.1.5M	
Length 1.5M	Width 0.5M	VOL		
Value 51	Remove 1/1/1	Drawn? N/D		
Photo # (1) 100921	Photo # (2) 100922			
Written by: GSIC	Checked by: JRZ			
Unit	Phase	Stage	Stratum	PoM

Summary

Opened: To EXCAVATE SEALED MATERIAL BELOW W9792.

Limits (N) BOUNDED BY CLEANING LOCUS L9788 (1992 season), L9853 AND F9853.
(S) BOUNDED BY CLEANING LOCUS L9854, L9863 (BELOW L9854), AND L9822 (FROM 1992 SEASON),
(E) BOUNDED BY THE EAST BAULK. AND POSSIBLY F9863
(W) BOUNDED BY THE BORDER BETWEEN L9853 / L9871 AND L9854 / L9863 (IN ACTUALITY A TWILIGHT ZONE)

Closed: CAME DOWN UPON SOUTHERN CONTINUATION OF F9853. LOCUS CLOSED AND THE WESTERN HALF BEYOND THE FLOOR BECAME PART OF THE TWILIGHT ZONE BETWEEN L9853/L9871 AND L9854/L9863.

Matrix: WHITE / GREY ACHY MATERIAL WITH INCLUSIONS OF POTTERY SHERDS, BONE AND IRON OF THE SAME DENSITIES AS FOUND IN L9863. F9853 IS OF CRUSHED KURKAR MIXED WITH VARIOUS SHERDS, AND MEASURES .50 cm x 75cm in [L9858]. POTTERY READERS DETERMINED THE SHERDS TO BELONG TO THE PERIOD IR2c.

Relations: W9792 SEALS L9858. W9792 PROBABLY HAD A FOUNDATION TRENCH (I.E., L9868) THAT WOULD CUT THE FILL OR PITS AROUND IT. TO THE NORTH, [L9858] CUTS L9788. L9788 IS A LOCUS DESIGNATED IN THE 1992 SEASON AND HAS PROBABLY BEEN DISTURBED BY WINTER WASH (L9853). L9853 REACHES [L9858]. [L9858] CUTS PIT L9871. [L9858] CAME DOWN ON F9853. IT WAS NOTED WHILE CLEANING F9853 IN L9853 THAT THE FLOOR SLODES UPWARD TO THE SOUTH AND POSSIBLY INTO [L9858] (L9858 WAS SUBSEQUENTLY EXCAVATED TO THE TOP LEVEL OF THIS FLOOR AND A CONTINUATION OF F9853 WAS INDEED FOUND WITHIN IT. F9853 EXTENDS ACROSS THE ENTIRE WIDTH OF L9858 AND APPROX. 75cm TO THE WEST. THE WESTERN OUTLINE IS NOT CLEARLY DEFINED. *

TO THE SOUTH, [L9858] CUTS L9822. L9822 WAS EXCAVATED IN THE 1992 SEASON AND WAS PROBABLY DISTURBED BY WINTER WASH. L9854. L9854 REACHES L9853. L9863 (PERSIAN PT) CUTS L9853.

TO THE WEST, A TWILIGHT ZONE (NOW ASSIGNED TO L9863) EXTENDS FROM THE WESTERN EDGE OF [L9858] IN ORDER TO SEPARATE THE MATERIAL FROM L9853 AND L9854, AND L9871 AND L9863.

* IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT F9863 LIES APPROX. 3CM BELOW THE LEVEL OF F9853 AND JUST TO THE SOUTH. ALTHOUGH F9853 AND F9863 DID NOT VISIBLY CONNECT, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THEY ARE CONTEMPORARY FLOORS AND THAT THE DIFFERENCE IN LEVELS SIMPLY MEANT THERE WAS A STEP BETWEEN THE FLOORS.

Additional Observations/Value: HIGH VALUE AS PEDESTAL MAY HELP DATE WALL 8792. SHERDS WERE NO LATER THAN LATE IRON AGE.

