

Jebel Khalid

2010

Area 5

Field Record Book

Name.....	STAN. FOSTER
Trenches.....	T.42 & T.43 AREA "5"
	T52 T56
Dates.....	26-4-2010 - 20/5/10

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43 □ □ 42

ADVICE to TRENCH SUPERVISORS

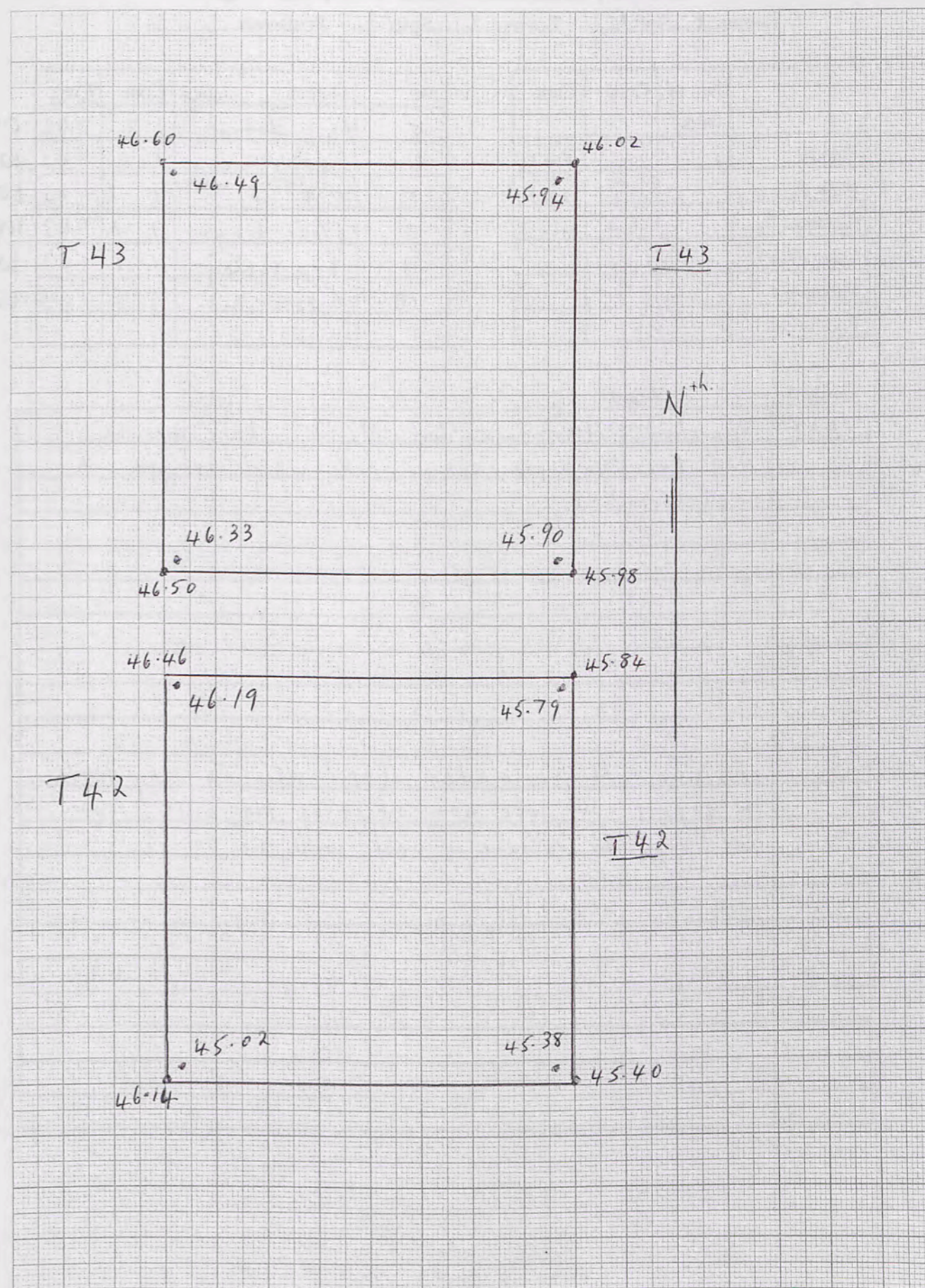
1. Take a **new page** for each day. (Each day may take several pages).
2. Draw a **scale plan** of the trench **each day** on the graph paper (essential), with North at the top (if this is not convenient, mark North direction clearly).
When starting a square, this plan may be nearly empty but draw it all the same and mark in emerging tumble. The graph paper can also be used for sketching objects etc.
3. Mark **depth** from surface at the beginning of each day, at designated points. Also record, each day, the depths taken on the sheet provided (kept in the back of your field record book)
4. Draw arrows on your plan to indicate **direction** in which you are excavating.
4. Every time you designate a new context, (on the occasion of a new spit, a new feature, a new soil colour) fill in the **Context Record Sheet** for that trench, as well as describing it in your report. Store the accumulated context record sheets in the plastic sleeve in your record book.
5. **Structures** . Measure carefully any structure (wall, doorway, threshold, ovens, pit, any large dressed stones or columns) and record exact location, height, width in your report as well as on the scale plan.
6. **Floors** - marked by very hard tough surface or layer of white crushed limestone. May be softer adjacent to wall. Record thickness of floor, if we decide to dig through it.
If your floor is particularly good, collect a few bags of surface material - there may be seeds.
7. **Objects**. e.g. glass, figurine or lamp fragments, metal, stucco, loomweights, spindle whorls, beads, graffito-ed sherds, coins, gold jewellery (some hope). Mark in the location and depth of any objects clearly and accurately. If necessary, draw another sketch plan as the day progresses. A quick sketch of the object in the report would be helpful, if it is too mysterious to name e.g. Mattie's metal blobs.
8. **Pottery**: label bags clearly in waterproof pen, with one label inside the bag and one outside. **Record daily the number of bags per context** . Be very careful to separate pottery from different contexts.
It is absolutely essential to double-bag the pottery. A broken bag of pottery without context is useless.
9. **Bone**: Collect all bone and label as for pottery. Record number of bags per context daily.
10. **Charcoal**: Collect all charcoal and label as for pottery. Record number of bags per context daily.
11. **Tile**: it is important to record the location and amount of tile.
12. **Very important**: at the completion of a trench,
 - i DRAW (TO SCALE) a section of the exposed baulk, with details of stratigraphy clearly marked.
 - ii DRAW (TO SCALE a top plan of the completed trench, with contexts clearly marked.
 - iii WRITE a short summary with your interpretation of the trench.

Trench 42/43 Initials SF Date 1/5/10 Page 2
 Locus 1 Spit 1 Locus 1 Spit 1 Feature/s

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1:1 1:1	T42 T43
Bone	∅	∅	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
②	V. small Mot. obj	1:1	T43 093
③	Lamp Frag	1:1	T43 087
④	Metal obj	1:1	T43 092

Context	Report
T43 1:1	Some rocks are appearing and the possibility of a wall is emerging are should be made clearer tomorrow
T42 1:1	Nothing seems to be appearing for the moment



Trench ⁴³² 432 Initials ^{HJ for SF} SF Date 3/5/00 Page 4
Locus ¹ 1 Spit ² 2 Locus Spit Feature/s

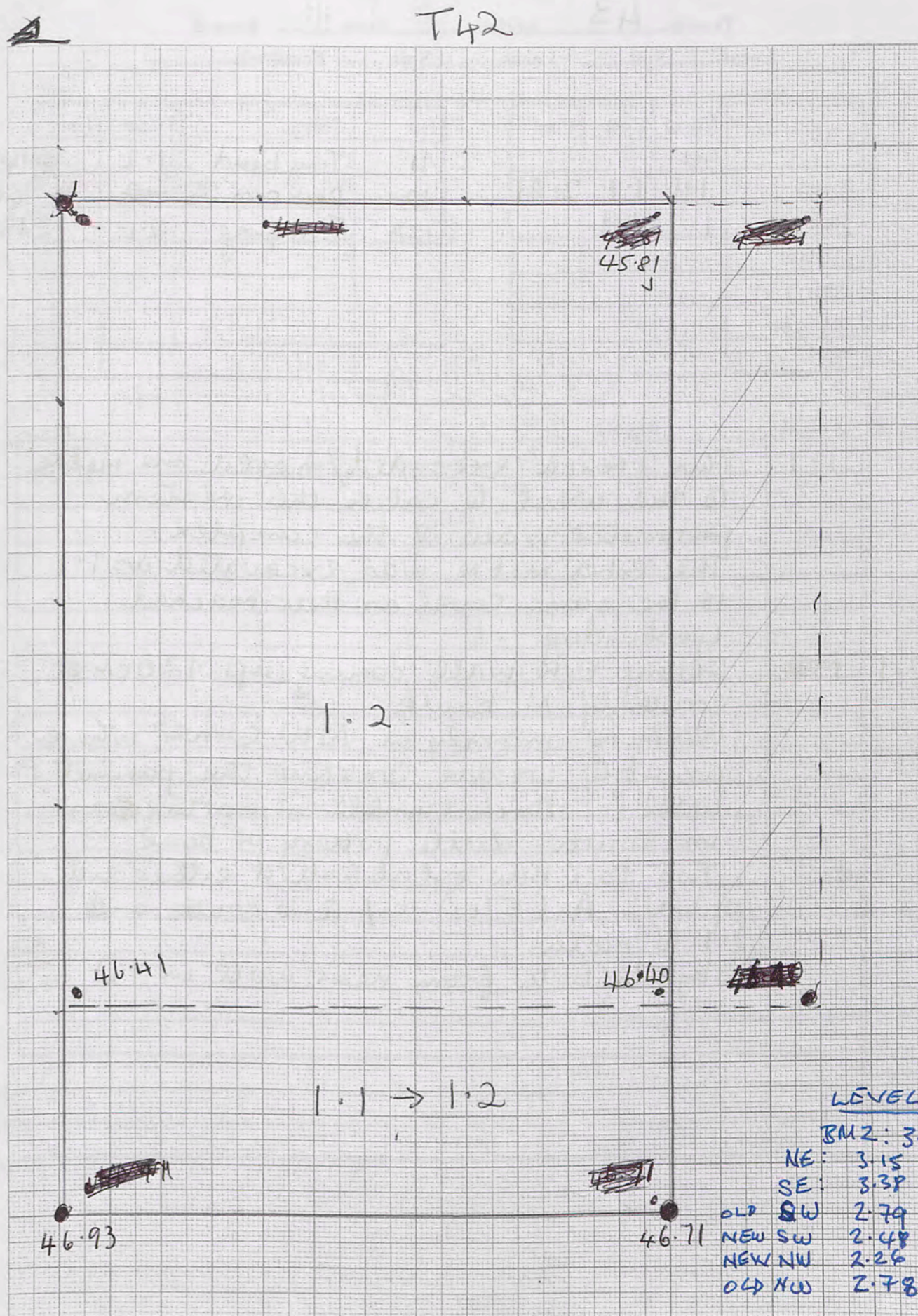
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1+1	1.1	1.2
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
#1	Fing bead	1.2	
#2	Disc-ceramic	1.2	

Sorry!
Wrong
See 43

Context Report

Context	Report
1.1	Trench extended 1m to west to try and catch N/S boundary wall. Trench still 4x4 but moved 1 metre west. Today working on topsoil removal of extra metre. Trench size now 3x5 (3 N/S, 5 E/W). Tumble thick and heavy but not in wall formation! Much deeper in adjacent trench to S is an E/W wall - this trench should eventually find that plus the junction with any N/S wall.



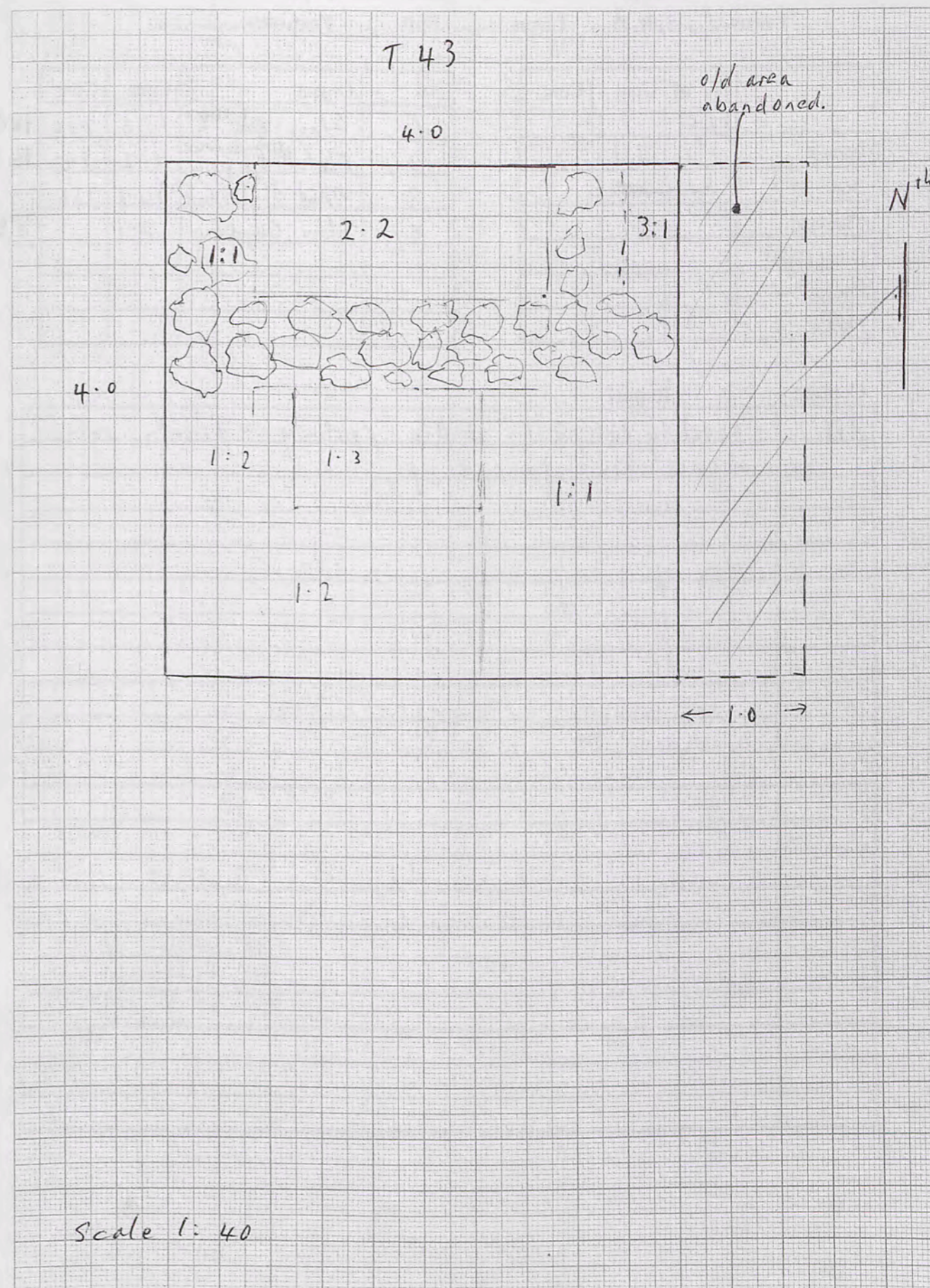
Trench.....43.....Initials.....sf.....Date.....4/5/10 Page..6
 Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont	
13	Nail head Metal Obj	2:1	T43	183
14	Lamp Frag	2:1	T43	193
15	bronze wire Metal Obj	2:1	T43	179
16	" " (needle) bronze wire pins fibula	2:2	"	185

Context Report

Context	Report
2:2	Has been dug and exposed wall on the West & South of trench and possibly to the east
3:1	Digging here to possibly establishing another wall
1:2	Working from the border of 1:1 & 1:2 westward we are hoping to define the wall on the west side of T43
1:3	Digging in 1:3 has defined the E/W wall on the southern side we have momentarily stopped here to concentrate on 1:2



Trench 43 Initials SF Date 5/5/10 Page 8
 Locus 2 Spit 3 Locus 3 Spit 2 Feature/s

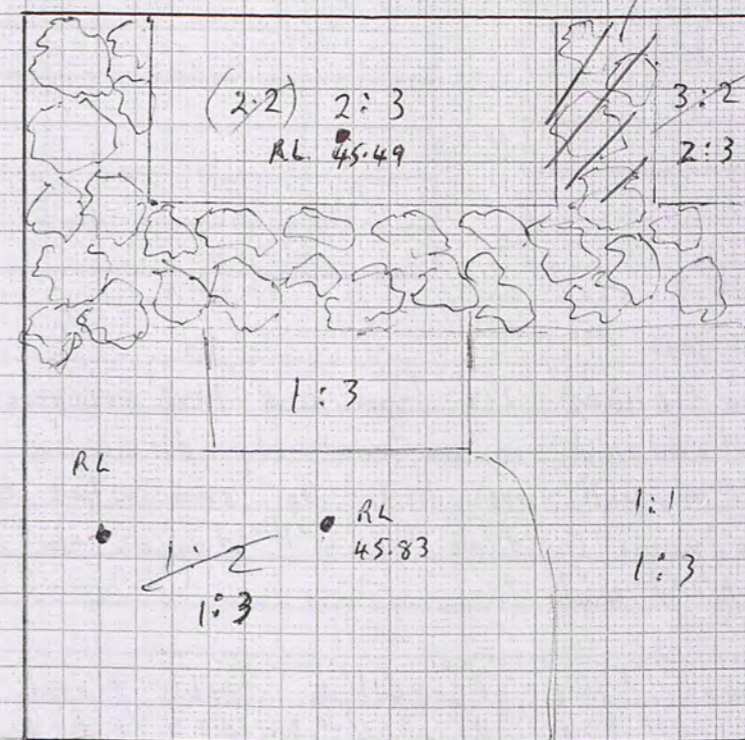
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1:2 2:3	
Bone	1	2:2	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
17	Object?? Burnt bone	1:3	

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Context Report

Context	Report
2:2	Have completed this layer are now continuing to the next - 2:3
1:2	Have excavated 1:2 layer and now leveling out this area to 1:3. We are also excavating 1:1 down to 1:3 layer as well.
1:3	Completed and now starting 1:4
2:3	Excavating down we have gone from a light brown layer to a dark brown layer with a deposit of charcoal - We have taken a soil sample of the dark soil & of the charcoal deposit. Have taken photos and will now take out the wall (Robble) to 3:2 and will excavate 3:2 down to the same level as 2:3 Late afternoon completed 2:3 and started 2:4



B/S	I/S	RL	Rem.
2.79		45.96 B/B	
	3.24	45.49	Mid. 2:3

B/S	I/S	RL	Rems.
2.79		45.96	B/B
	2.92	45.83	1:3 Mid
	2.64	46.11	1:2 Mid
	3.25	45.50	2:2 "
	3.35	45.40	2:3 "

Scale 1:40
 Photo 800 E-W
 601 W-E

Trench...42.....Initials...SF.....Date...5/5/10 Page...9
 Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

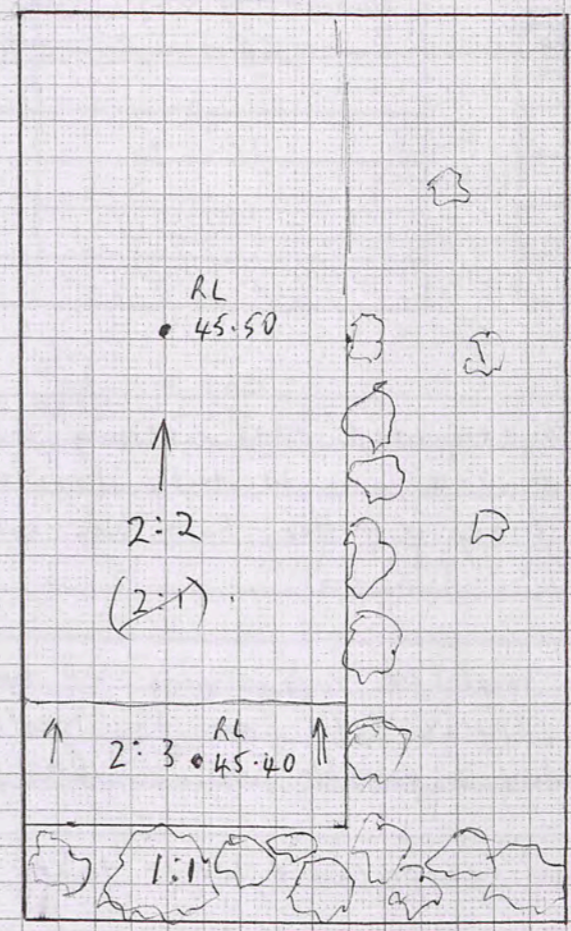
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	2:2 2:3	
Bone	1	2:3 2:2	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
5	Obj Obj ??	2:3	

Context Report

Context	Report
2:1	We have finished 2:1 layer and have commenced 2:2 and extended in an easterly direction following the E-W wall into 1:1 to see what happens. At this point in time we will stay on the N th side of the E-W wall.
2:2	As usual little of anything in this trench. We have completed this layer to the East and have now commenced from the Western wall at 2:3
2:3	Late afternoon we have completed 2:3 a little pottery or objects as usual and commenced 2:4 starting from the East going west

Nth ———



RLs - See previous page.

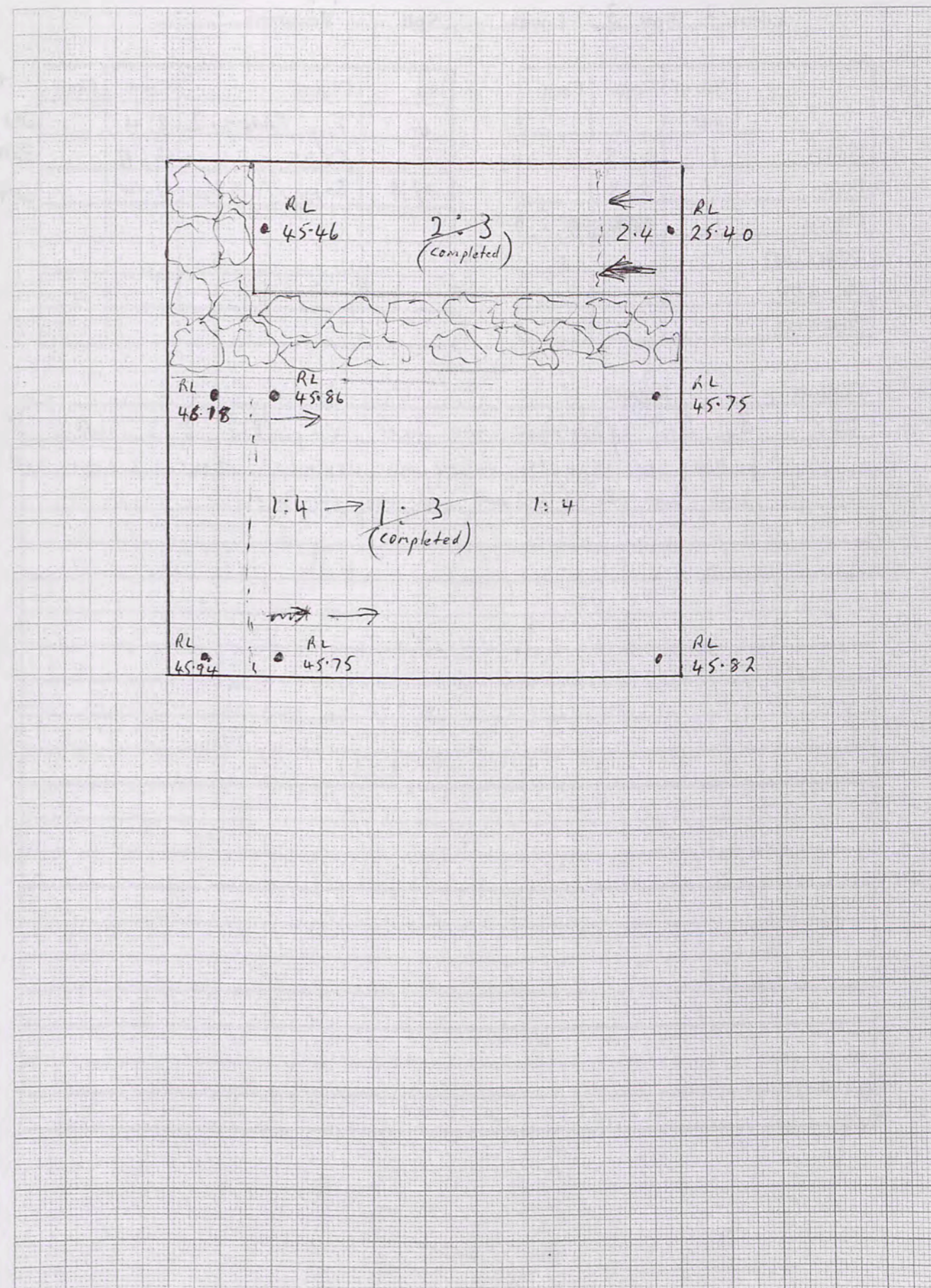
Trench... 43 Initials... SF Date... 6/5/10 Page... 10
 Locus... 1... Spit... 3... Locus... 2... Spit... 3... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1:3	2:3
Bone	1	1:4	2:3
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
6	Frag frags	2:4	T42
7	Glass	2:4	T42

Context Report

Context	Report
2:3	Layer 2:3 was completed this morning and have now commenced 2:4 in a Westaly direction from the East wall. 1 bag of pottery has been collected
1:3	Layer 1:3 was completed mid-morning and have now commenced 1:4 approx. 0.7m from the Western wall in hope of finding a possible wall. Little pottery found in 1:3 -
1:4	Layer 1:4 is completed & levels taken as per diag.
2:4	Layer 2:4 completed & levels taken as per diag.
1:5	Is being commenced from the West to the East



Trench... 42 Initials... SF Date... 10/5/10 Page... 17
 Locus... 2... Spit... 6... Locus... 3... Spit... 1... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	3:1	2:6
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

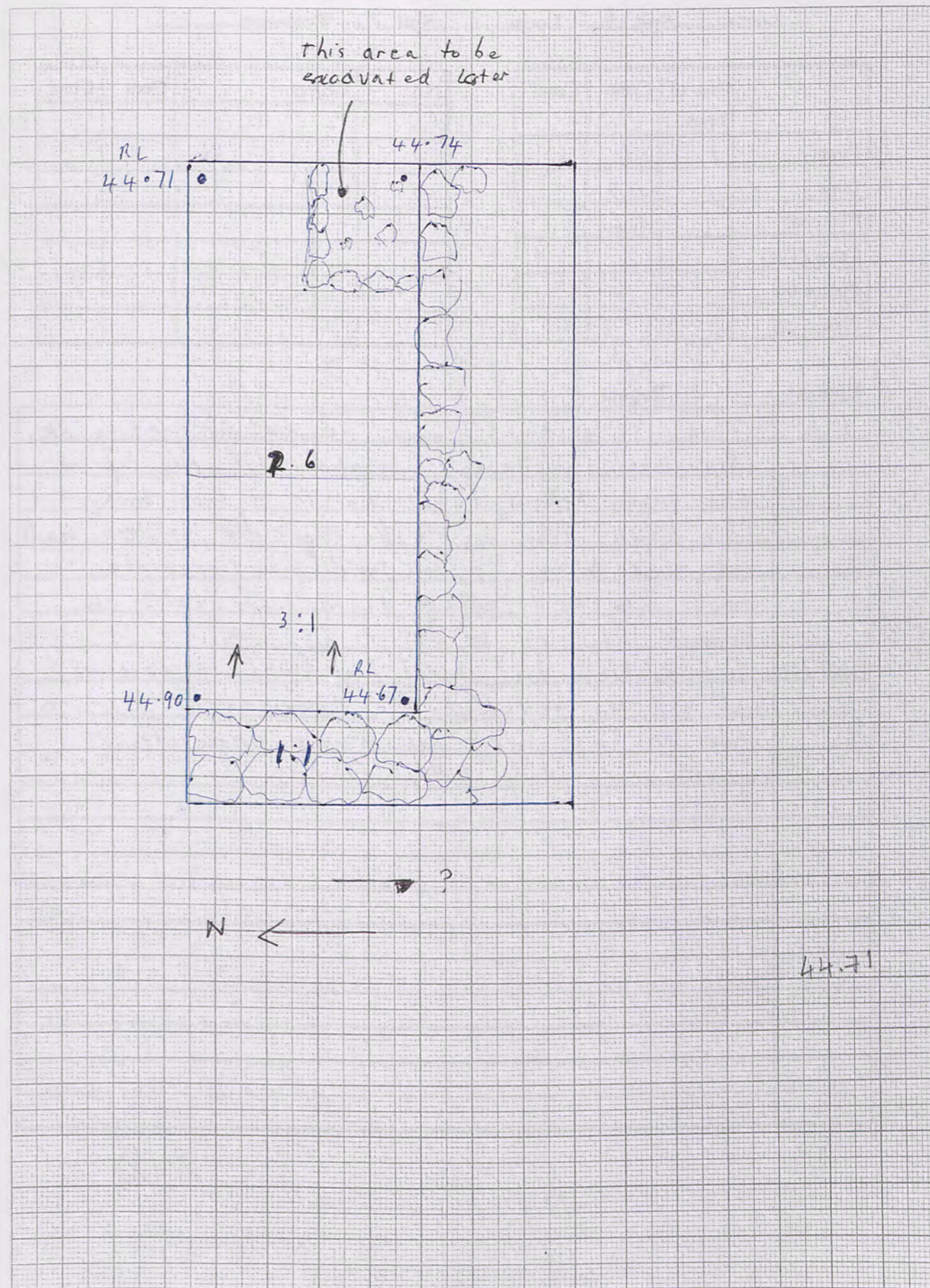
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
9	Coin? ✓	2:5	
10	Fossiliferous Rock?	2:6	
#	Stone fragment	2:6	
+	Stone (concrete)	2:6	

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Context Report

Context	Report
2:5	Finished 2:5 and have commenced 2:6 in a Westerly direction from the East wall apart from a very degraded coin found early this morning very little has been retrieved.
2:6	May have reached Floor Level, some rocks in the SE corner maybe something. - approx 1x1m I am now splitting 2:6 in half to create 3:1 Level of photo was taken before we started to excavate 3:1 - Photo No 846 W to E
3:1	Excavation is starting from the west wall eastward. Have gone down to what maybe floor level of
3:1	Excavation has started from the west wall



Trench.....⁴².....Initials...*SF*.....Date...*12/5/10* Page...*21*
 Locus...³.....Spit...²..... Locus...⁴.....Spit...¹... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1		
Bone	1	3:2	1-3:2
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
14	Nail (large)	3:2	
15	Stone Obj.	3:2	
16	Copper ^{wire} obj.	3:2	
17	Fig Frog	4:1	
18	Blue Bead ^{glass}	4:1	
19	Amp. Stamp	4:1	
20	Fig Frog		

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Context Report

3:2	We have reached the Jebel and will clean up for photos & levels - then do an exploratory trench around the SE corner stones to see what's there. We have dug a trench around the stones to a depth of 300-400 mm and still exists - now that we have established it's construction we are digging inside the stone wall and calling it 4:1.
4:1	It hasn't taken long & have retrieved a Fig frag, and a blue bead and an amp. stamp. - We have defined the wall surrounding this little alcove and now changed our priority to defining the Southside of the EW wall to be known as 1:2 - 4:1 area may have been used as a storage area?
1:2	Is fairly full of tumble at this early stage.

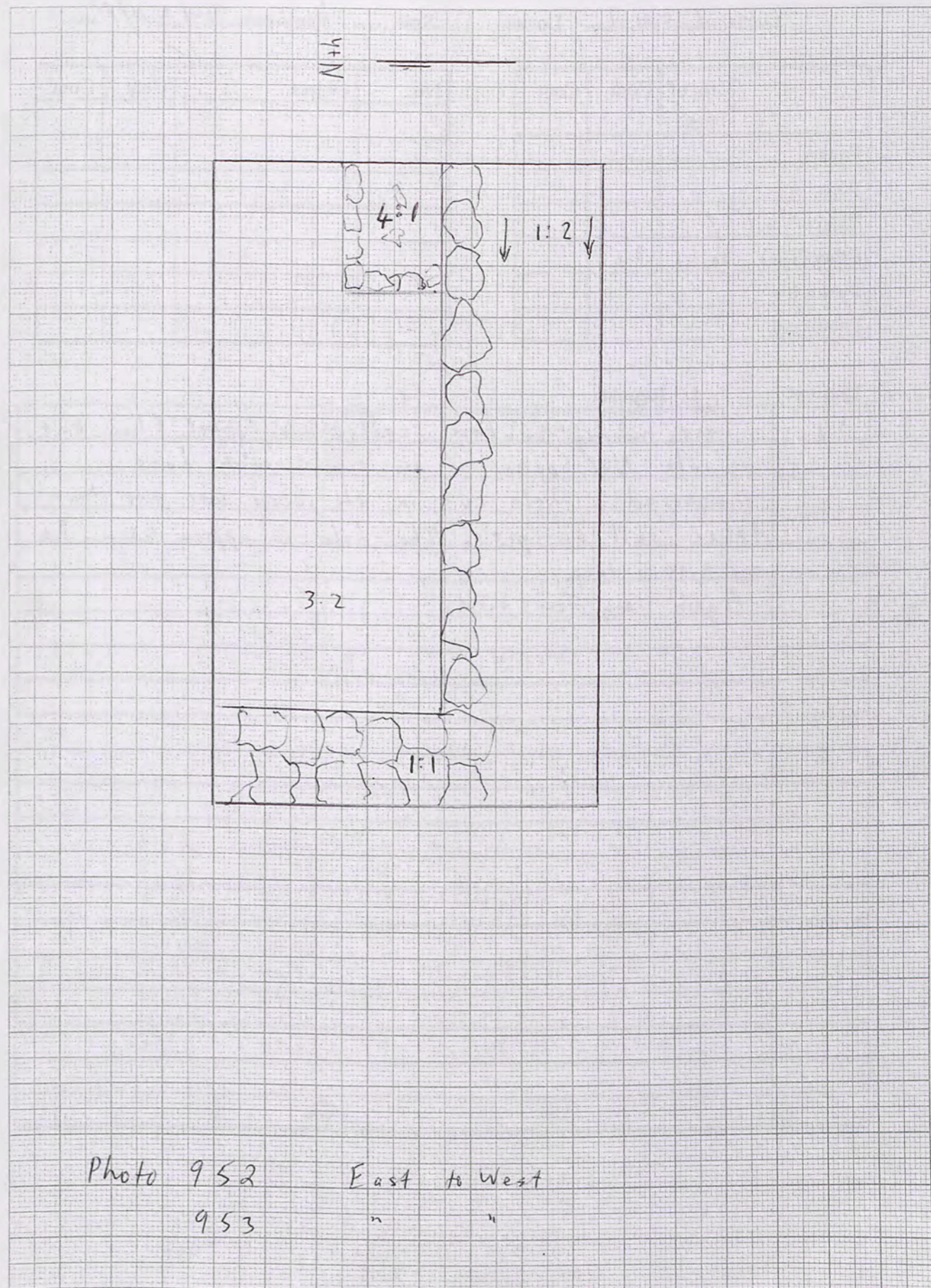


Photo 952

East to West

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Trench.....56.....Initials.....SF.....Date.....15/5.....Page.....26
 Locus.....1.....Spit.....1.....Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s..... 5+3

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

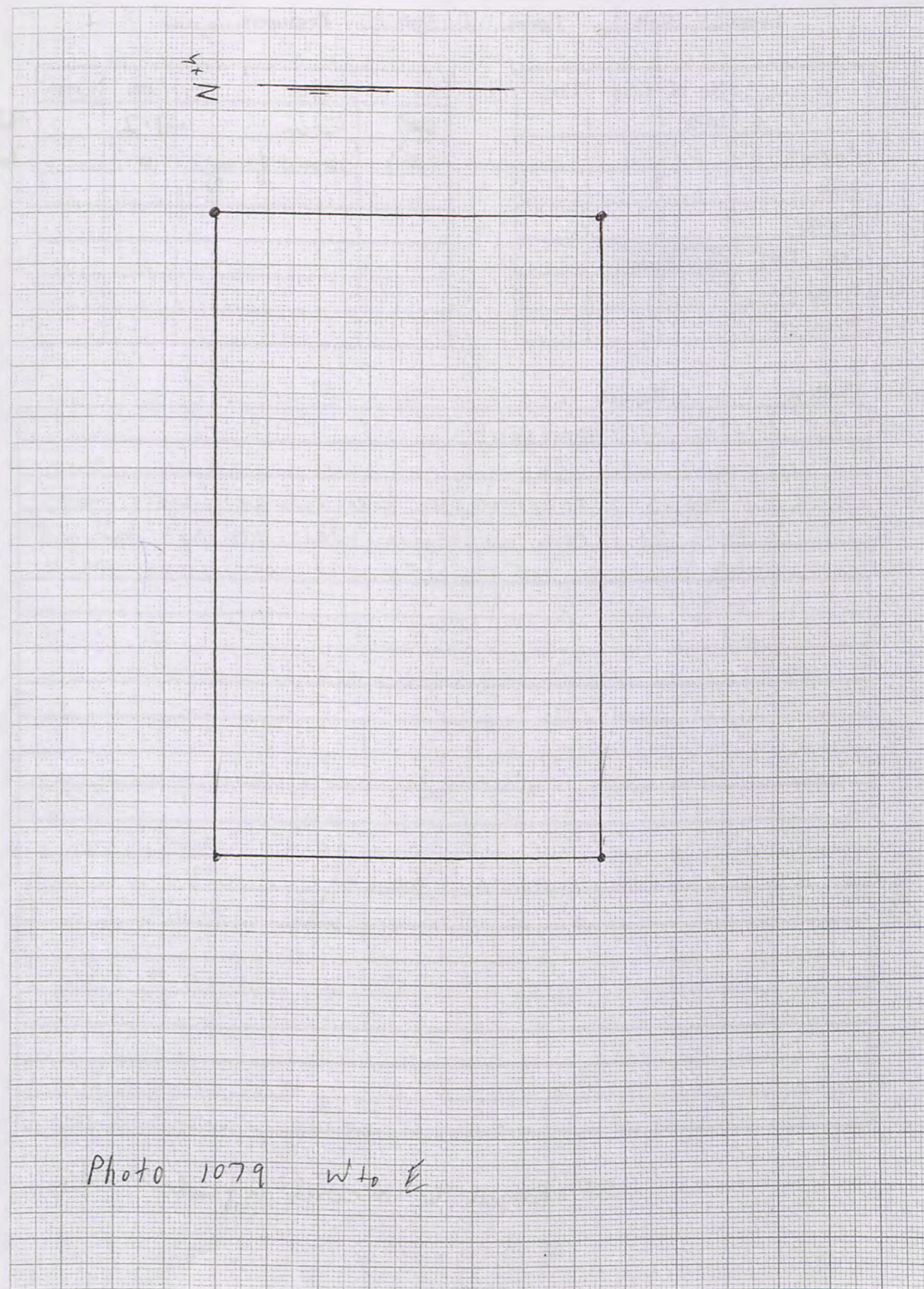
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
7	Lamp Base 6-holes	1:1 1:1	

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Context

Report

1:1	Top soil removal.
1:2	Made a start only of removing some loose rock and soil



Trench.....52.....Initials...SF...Date...15/5...Page...27
 Locus.....1.....Spit.....1.....Locus.....1.....Spit.....2.....Feature/s.....4x4

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1:1	
Bone	1	1:1	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile) soil	1	1:1	
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

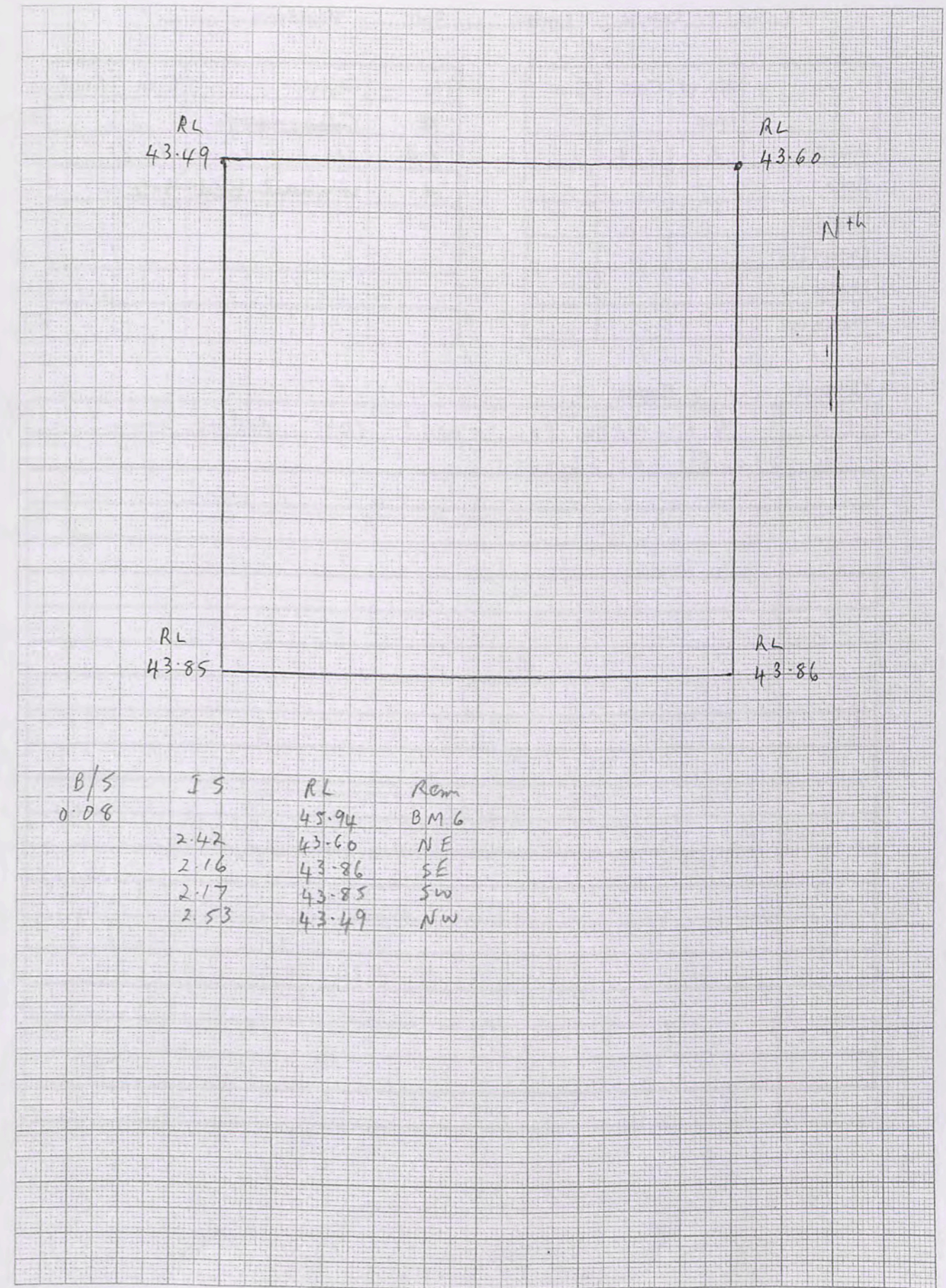
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(2)	coin	1:2	
(2)	lamp frag	"	

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Context	Report
1:1	Top soil removal
1:2	Made a start from the East side going west and have started already to reveal the E/W wall and the beginnings of the N/S wall going through the middle

SF forgot to record 2 finds 15/5.

1mm Squares



Trench 56 Initials S.F. Date 17/5 Page 30
 Locus 1 Spit 2 Locus Spit Feature/s

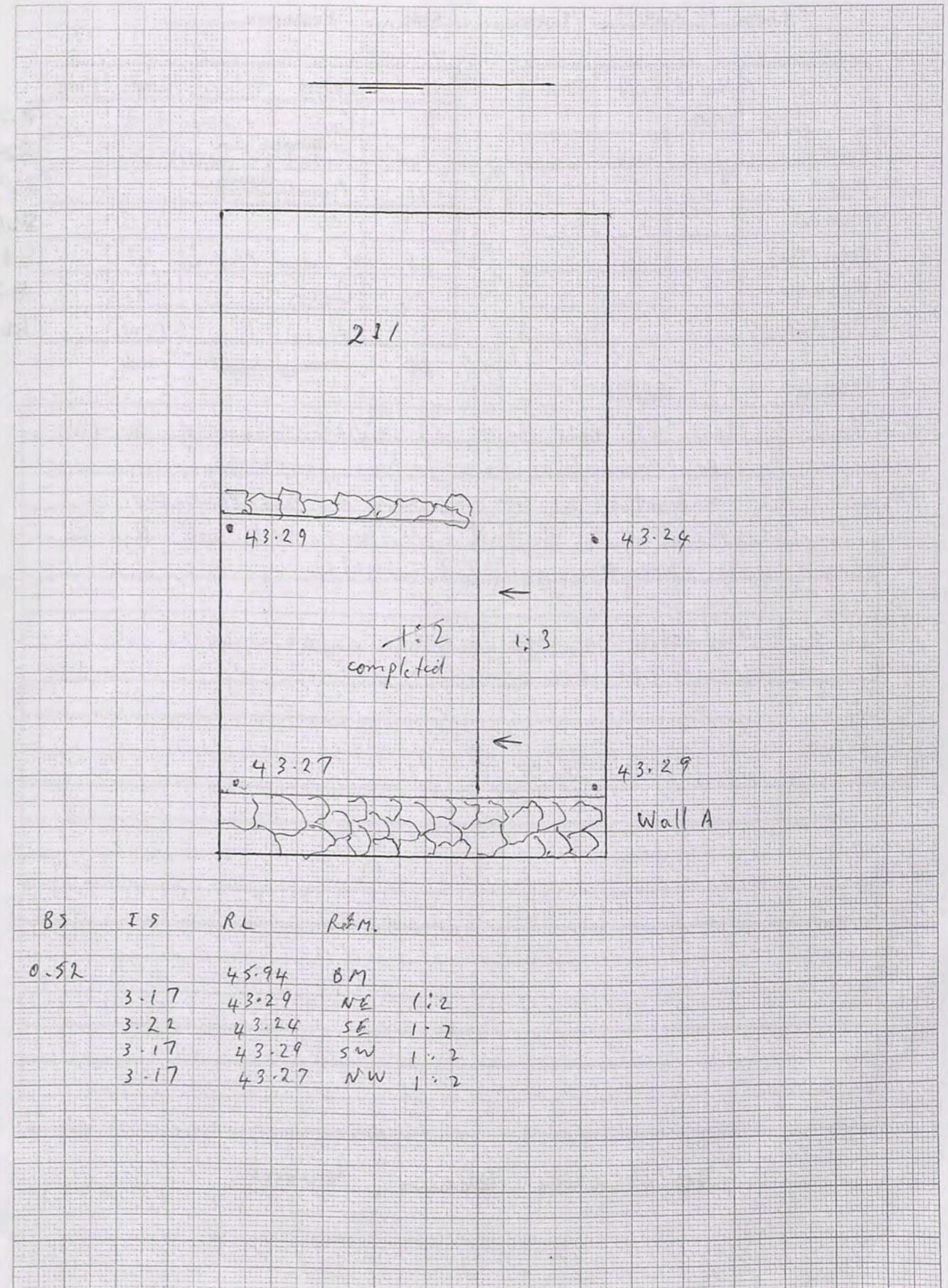
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1:2	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1 (a)	Meta* Ring ^{bangle}	1:3	863
10	Cat figurine	1:3	
2	Bead-stone	1:3	859
3	Partial fig. head	1:3	858
4	Loam weights x 2	1:3	976

Context Report

Context	Report
1:2	We will be finishing off this spit this morning and I will be splitting the trench in half to in attempt to locate the E-W wall.
1:3	I have created a 1m wide spit (1:3) to locate the the Southern E-W wall ASAP as we have only a few days left and finding the walls are a high priority for this season. — Excavation has revealed what appears to be a doorway along the southern face and have decided to complete 1:3 thov to the northern wall. — Because of the possible doorway we have asked Barry to widen the trench 0.5m to the south.

* 10.863 bronze bangle



Trench...56.....Initials...SF.....Date...18/5 Page...32
 Locus...1.....Spit...3 Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

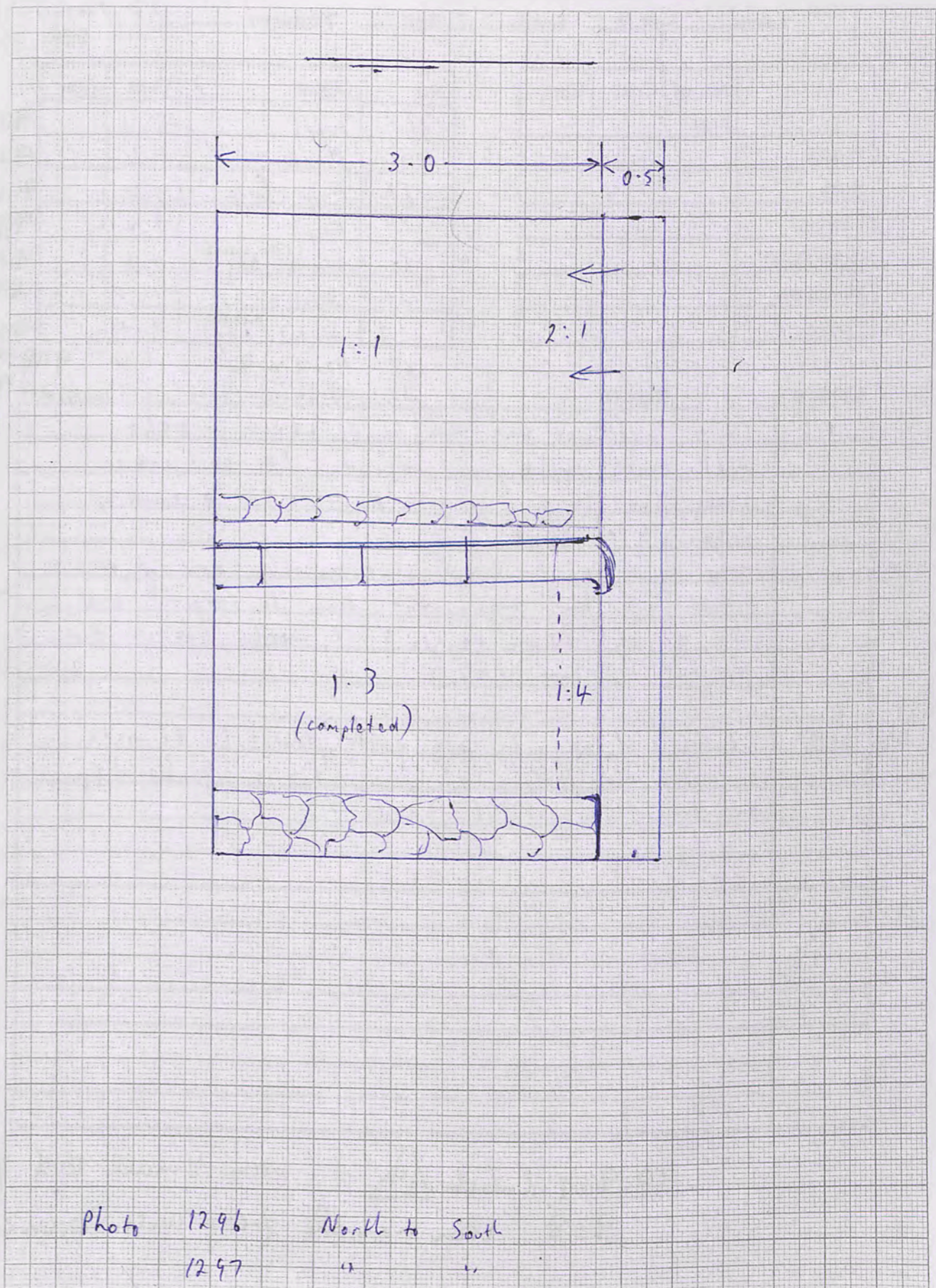
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1:3	
Bone	1	1:3	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
5	Fig. Frag/lamp	1:3	
6	PLASTER (yellow?)	1:4	

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Context Report

1:3	Excavation at this level seems to be a floor level as the ground is fairly compact, with little pottery or objects.
1:4	Small exploratory trench adjac. to N th side of doorway. This trench has produced some plaster and revealed the Sebel below.
2:1	We have started area 2:1 hoping to reveal more of the E/W wall on the southside of the trench. Progress is slow because of all the rubble.



Trench... 56 Initials... SF Date... 19/5 Page... 34
 Locus... 1 Spit... 3/4 Locus... 2 Spit... 1 Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
7	Coin	2:1	
8	PLASTER	2:1	

1008
1017

Context Report

Context	Report
2:1	The excavation is going slowly as there is quite a bit of tumble - but steady progress is being made and hopefully we can be finished by tomorrow for levels of photos.
13/14	These layers have been photographed and tomorrow we will back fill to protect the floor surface and plaster pieces that may possibly exist after excavation of 1:4 produced some examples and some pieces exposed in 1:3 surface.
2:2	We have cleared out between the a stone wall & the boundary of the baulk and have reached the Sebel.

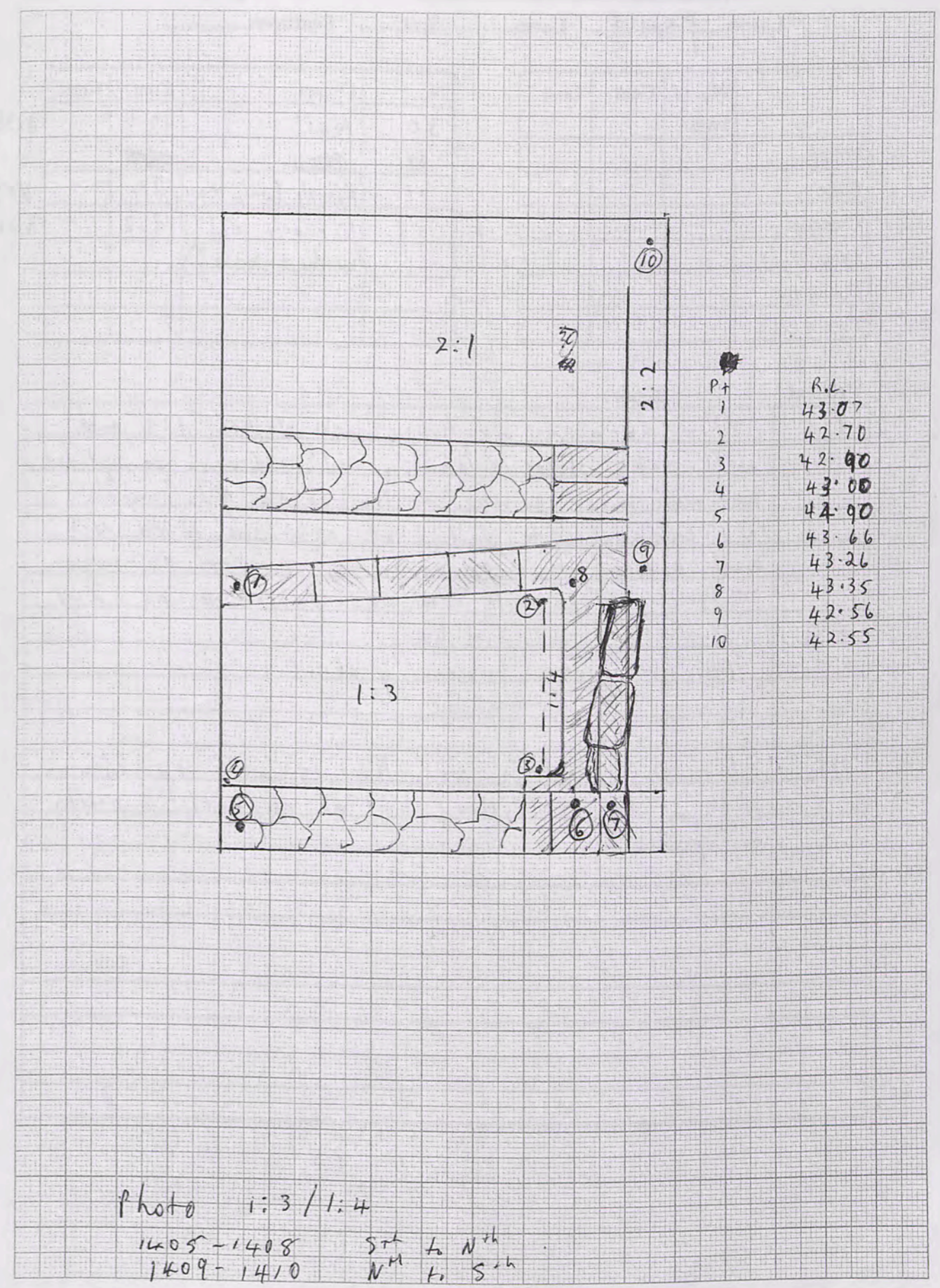


Photo 1:3 / 1:4
 1405-1408 S+ L Nth
 1409-1410 Nth E Sth

Trench ~~52~~ 52 Initials SP Date 19/5 Page 35
 Locus ~~1~~ 1 Spit ~~5~~ 5 Locus Spit Feature/s

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
30	Nail	1:5	
31	Green	1:5	
31	Rosette Lamp Fran	2:1	
32	Unknown Obj? (worked stone?)	2:2	

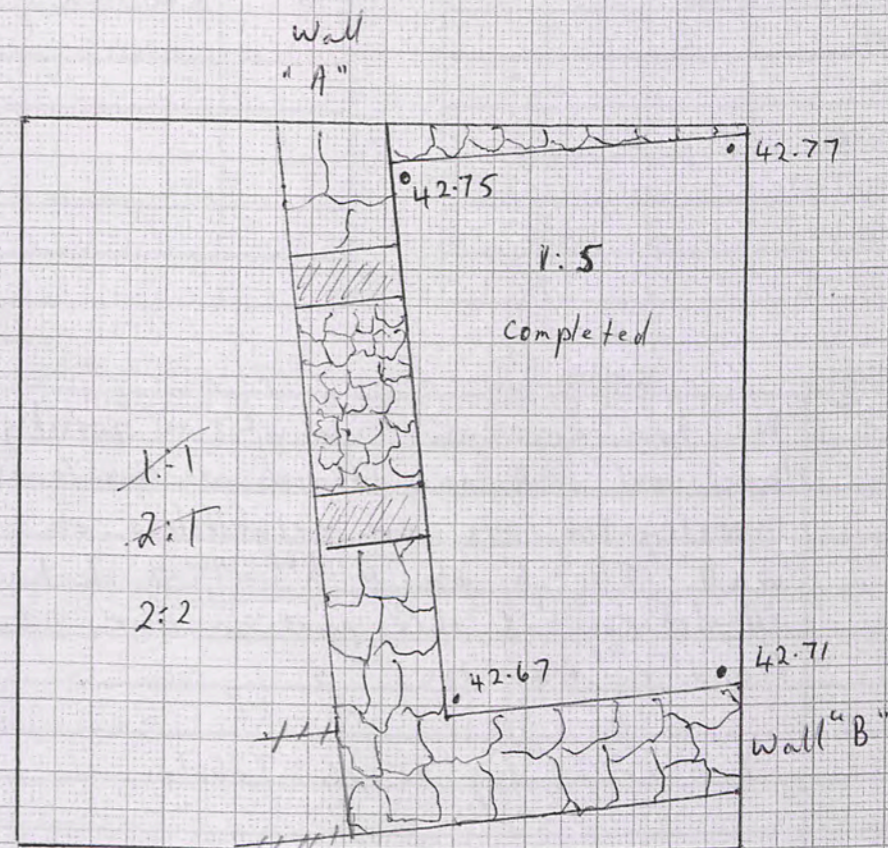
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Context Report

Context	Report
1:5	This morning we have completed 1:5 and will take photos & levels. When this is completed we will move to the Westside of the N/S th wall and excavate to define the other side of the N-S wall before all excavation is complete tomorrow. Trench 1:1 will now be referred to as 2:1
2	
2:1	This is just a renaming of 1:1
2:2	A+ this level we are clearing out tumble with, so far no pottery but an object(?) maybe a spindle?



Photo

1391 - 1393 Sth to Nth
 1394 - 1399 Nth to Sth
 1400 - 1404

Trench...56...Initials...SF...Date...20/5/10...Page...36
 Locus...2...Spit...1... Locus...2...Spit...2... Feature/s.....

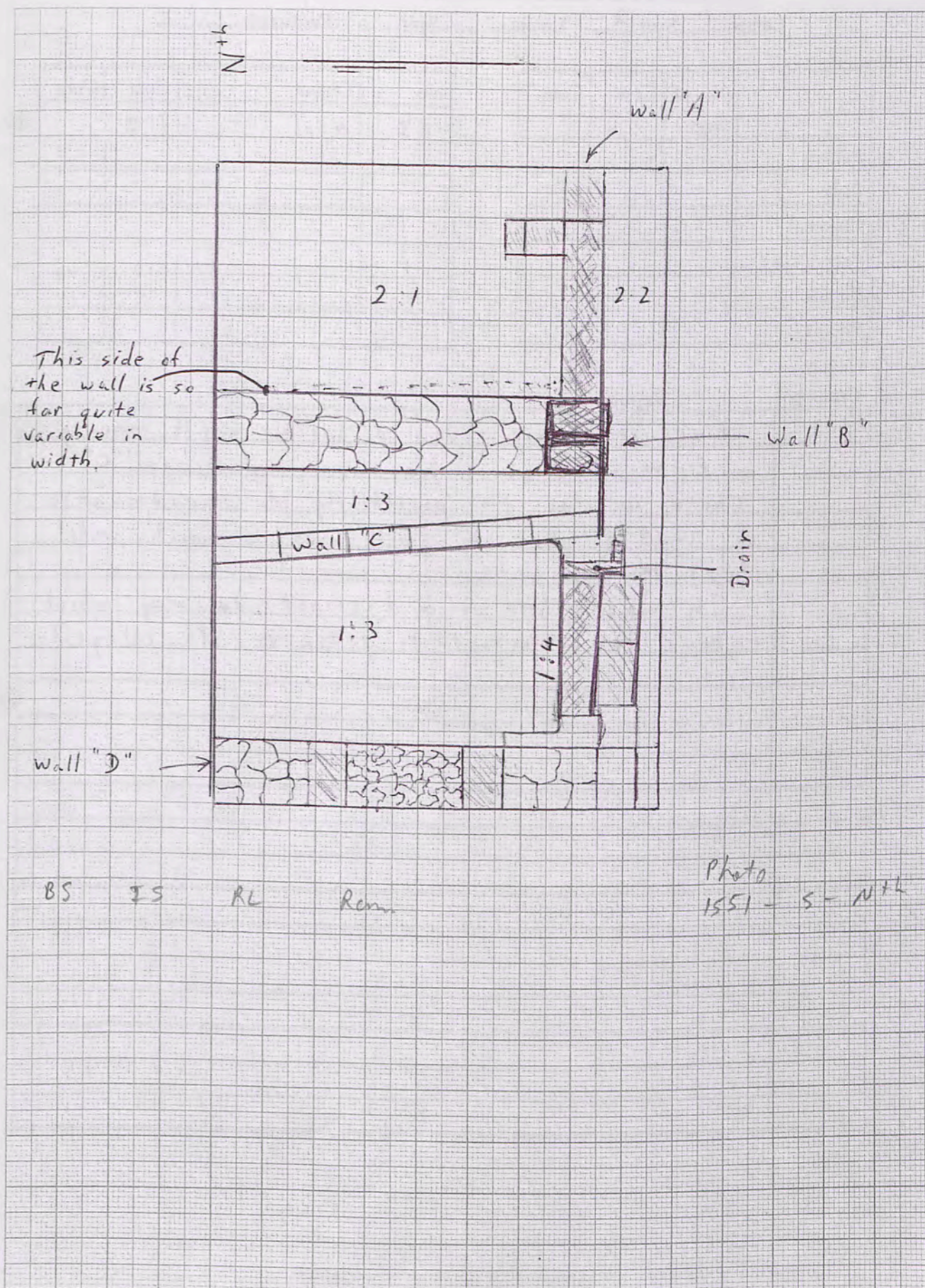
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
9	PLASTER	2:1	

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Context Report

Context	Report
2:1	We have excavated to what is possibly a floor level and will now finish at this level for future investigation. We have established the Southern E-W wall. Though the N-S wall at 2:1 is somewhat ill defined at this point in time. - Lump of plaster found in Am too.
2:2	Has been dug to the Jebel.
1:3	The Western side of wall "B" is quite well defined. Wall "C" is just appearing and is quite a bit lower than wall "B" - ie just above the floor level of 1:3 layers 1:3 & 1:4 have been covered with loose soil to protect the floor which so far has revealed some deposits of plaster.



BS IS RL Rem

Photo 1551-5-N12

Inventoried objects SF.

Trench	Context	No.	Description	Inv. No.
43	1:1	1	Bronze pin frag	10.014
43	1:1	2	Metal	
43	1:1	3	Lamp frag	10.087
43	1:1	4	Metal	10.092
43	1:2	5	Flat bronze strip	.093
43	1:2	6	Ceramic fig. frag head	.101
43	1:2	7	Bronze wire frag	.107
43	1:2	8	Glass fragments	.104
43	1:2	9	Clay head	.103
43	1:2	10	Bronze Coin	.122
43				
43	2:1	12	Iron frag	.170
43	2:1	13	Hemi head of iron nail	.183
43	2:1	14	Lamp frag - terracotta	.193
43	1:3	15	Frag. bronze wire	.179
43	2:2	16	" " "	.185
43	1:3	17	Bone frag - burnt	.247
43	1:4	18	Bronze coin is serrated.	.333
43	2:5	19	Iron nail	.460
43	1:4	20	Unknown obj slag?	.424
43	1:4	21	Glass frag	.384
43	1:5	22	Bronze plate frag	.398
43	1:5	23	Ceramic frag	.581

Trench	Context	No.	Description	Inv. No.
42	1:2	1	Glass frag	10.165
42	1:2	2	Frag. Bronze wire	10.163
* surface find		3	coin slag cancelled	
42	2:1	4	Glass frag	10.180
42	2:4	6	Ceramic fig frag	10.293 + 10.497
42	2:4	7	worked stone - poss. whetstone.	.300
42	2:4	7A	Translucent stone - possibly ^{semi.} precious	.299
42	2:4	8	Ferretic slag	.342
42	2:6	—	Loom weights * 2 - Stone	.573
42	2:5	9	Coin	.586
42	3:1	11	Bronze pin frag	.607
42	3:2	13	Iron nail	.783
42	3:2	14	Iron nail (large)	.719
42	3:2	16	Copper wire (twisted)	.638
42	4:1	17	Ceramic fig. head	.690
42	4:1	18	Glass bead (tiny blue)	.688
42	4:1	19	Ceramic Amphora handle - stamped	.693
42	1:2	20	Bronze Coin 10mm	.677
42	3:2	13A	Limonite	10.859

* surface find off site Bronze coin
 " " " " " "

10.316
 .634

Trench	Context	No.	Description	Inv. No.
52	1:1	1a	Bronze coin 19mm	10.678
52	1:1	1b	" " 15mm	.679
52	1:1	1c	" " 10mm	.680
52	1:2	2	Bronze coin 14mm (bevelled)	.726
52	1:2	?	Ceramic lamp frag	.727
52	1:2	4	Iron pin?	.787
52	1:2	6	Iron nail bent.	.772
52	1:3	7	Ceramic lamp base	.816
52	1:3	9	Ceramic fig.	.853
52	1:3	10	Bronze pin	.828
52	1:3	11	Iron "	.829
52	1:3	12	" "	.860
52	1:3	13	Clay tokens	.870
52	1:4	14	Bronze coin 20mm	.822
		13 8		
52	1:4	21	Bronze coin 15mm	.879
52	1:5	24	Bone applicator	.901
52	1:5	28	Ceramic fig	.884
52	1:5	29	Plaster	.878

Trench	Context	No.	Description	Inv. No.
56	1:1	1	Ceramic lamp base	10.734
56	1:2	2	Glass frag	10.771
56	1:3	3	Ceramic fig head.	10.858
56	1:2	1A	Bronze beaded bangle	.863
56	1:1	1	Ceramic lamp base	.734

