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quartzite flakes (exhibiting unifacial retouch on two margins), and one triangular retouched chalcedony flake (bifacially retouched on all three margins). Numerous unmodified primary, secondary and tertiary decortication flakes are also present.

In addition to the large number of flakes, a number of quartzite hammerstones were observed. These artifacts often appear on the edges adjacent to shattered platform remnants. In some cases flakes accidentally detached from the artifact have created a nearly bifacial edge on the battered end.

This site was apparently used intensively as a source of lithic raw materials. The artifact density varies from three to four pieces per square meter in the core area, to two pieces per square meter across the remainder of the site. Despite the large number of artifacts observed in the site area, ACA did not record any diagnostic artifacts. Therefore, the cultural and temporal provenience of this site cannot be determined.

A review of the National Register did not find any properties listed for this location.

Recommendations

ACA recommends that the proposed well be moved 200 feet to the south and 100 feet to the west of the currently staked position. This relocation will remove the pad from the site area, and still allow the well to be drilled in an orthodox location. ACA recommends clearance for the access road and suggests that construction be allowed to proceed as currently planned.