

Cultural Resources

No archaeological sites were recorded during this reconnaissance. NMAS did record, however, several chert secondary decortication flakes within the northeasternmost quadrant of the location. The dearth of cultural remains within the surveyed area can be attributed to a general lack of raw material suitable for tool manufacture. Although chert cobbles do occur in the immediate vicinity, they tend to be small in size and, therefore, fail to meet the needs of the lithic artisan. In all probability, this area figured in the seasonal round of numerous peoples on an occasional basis from Archaic times onward. Observed flakes can be attributed to these activities.

Recommendations

NMAS recommends clearance for Coquina'a Patterson Federal Well No. 1 and suggests that work-related activities proceed without modification of existing plans.