FLORISTICS

ACA encountered a relatively homogeneous, but sparse floral assemblage in this locale. The density of vegetation was approximately 20 percent. The community is dominated by shrubs. Among the species present are creosote bush (Larrea tridentata), desert holly (Perezia nana), engleman pricklypear (Opuntia englemannii), ephedra (Ephedra trifurca), plains yucca (Yucca glauca) and broom snakeweed (Gutierrezia sarothrae).

Only two species of grasses were identified, black grama (Bouteloua eriopoda) and buffalo grass (Buchloe dactyloides). No forbs were observed.

CULTURAL RESOURCES

ACA did not encounter any archaeological sites, however, a series of 22 isolated lithic artifacts were encountered at various points within the survey area.

- 1M-1: Is a uniface flake tool, possibly a scraper, made from a flake of purple quartzite. The edges appear to have been retouched. This artifact is located within 300 feet of the center of the NW%, Section 13 (see figure 3).
- IM-2: This is a decortification flake of petrified wood. It is located in the NE42NW4NW4, Section 13,
- 1M-3: A gray chert decortification flake, located in the $NW^{1}_{4}NE^{1}_{4}NW^{1}_{4}$, Section 13.
- IM-4: Two decortification flakes, one of a dark red chert and the other of a dark grey quartzite.
- IM-5: This consists of three decortification flakes located within 10 feet of each other. Two of these flakes are of a gray chert and, one is a purple quartzite. This material is in the NE¹₄SW¹₄NW¹₄, Section 13.
- IM-6: Two decortification flakes, one of gray chert, the other of purple quartzite. These were found in a dirt road, 250 feet north of the SWPNW¹₆, Section 13.
- 1M-7: This is a biface made of a gray-brown chert. All of the edges of this piece appear to have been utilized. The artifact is located 300 feet northeast of the $SW^{1}_{4}NW^{1}_{4}$, Section 13, (see figure 4).
- 1M-8: A single purple chert decortification flake was located in the SW¹₄SW¹₄NW¹₄, Section 13.
- 1M-9: A series of six decortification flakes were encountered within the NE¹₄SW¹₄NW¹₄, Section 13.