FIELD WORK PROJECT 1: PREHISTORIC QUARRIES

Map Lithic Reduction Site 36AD0485

Site where material quarried nearby was reduced in size/weight to preforms for transport out of the region. Located on a bench east of Snaggy Ridge near a small spring. This site has been heavily impacted by artifact collectors. Extent of site unknown.

Project Tasks

- 1. Map the physical extent of the site and the level of impact by artifact collectors.
 - a. Using GPS map the site boundary.
 - i. Based on artifact presence.
 - ii. Examine tree bases, throws, looting pits.
 - iii. Flag perimeter artifact locations.
 - iv. Map boundary.
 - b. Using GPS mark locations/extent of looting activity.
 - i. Assign each looting pit an ID (ID 485-XXX).
 - ii. Mark centroid of looting pits.
 - iii. Record length and width of looting pits.
- 2. Determine the different proportions of rhyolite types used in preforms on the site.
 - a. Flag each surface assemblage of preforms.
 - i. Examine both looting discards and surface artifacts.
 - ii. Look in throws and tree base.
 - b. Record the location (GPS) of each assemblage.
 - i. Record groups of preforms, not individuals.
 - c. Record the number of preforms for each type of rhyolite.
 - i. Code by color (blue, red, mottled).
 - ii. Code by type (banded, not banded).
 - iii. Code by phenocrysts (yes, no).

Map Quarry Site 36AD0153

Quarry site on Snaggy Ridge. Appears to be only on banded rhyolite. Extent of site unknown.

Project Tasks

- 1. Record the location of each quarry pit.
 - a. Assign each pit an ID (ID 153-XXX).
 - i. All pits will need to be flagged prior to any recording. Total flags must be counted.
 - ii. After a pit is recorded by BOTH tasks (1&2) the flag is removed.
 - b. Record quarry pit centroid using GPS.
 - i. Min of 200 points per pit.
- 2. Record quarry pit characteristics.
 - a. Measure pit diameter and depth.
 - i. Diameter along the longest axis.
 - ii. Depth at center of pit.
 - b. Record rhyolite type.
 - i. Examine surface material within or on the edge of the pit.
 - ii. Record color, type, and phenocrysts.
 - iii. After a pit is recorded by BOTH tasks (1&2) the flag is removed.

FIELD WORK PROJECT 2: CHARCOAL HEARTHS

This project will involve recording soil profiles across many charcoal hearths and the site overall site characteristics. We will examine two different hearth areas: Augusta Furnace on Old Baltimore Rd. and

Project Task 1: Hearth Characteristics

- 1. Give each hearth a unique ID (for example Aug-XXX).
- 2. Record the length, width, and cut depth of the hearth.
- 3. Record presence of borrow pits, wagon roads, etc.
- 4. Measure slope angle of the hearth area.

Project Task 2: Soil Profiles

- 1. Use the same unique ID.
- 2. Using the soil probes, take samples every meter across the hearth's long axis.
 - a. Record the depth **TO** charcoal layer at each sample location.
 - b. Record the depth **OF** charcoal layer at each sample location.
 - c. Both these measurements will give a charcoal profile for each hearth.