Hippos (Sussita) Excavations 2012 – 13th Season Daily Log + Drawing

	Date:	19 July 2012	Area:	NIP	Manager:	Schuler	
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Squares	DH40south	DI40 North	DI40 South					
Loci	L1237	L1238 L2101	L2101					
Baskets	Nothing collected	3127	3128					
Walls 1285								
Floors								

1) West Zone

- a) Continued work in Squares DH40 south (with the NE corner of DH38 and the west edge of DG39)
 - Goal = identify the south end of the Beta Building and the function of the space intervening between it and the Alpha Building to the south
 - ii) Basket = none
 - iii) Starting elevation = 130.524
 - iv) Ending elevation = 130.154
 - v) Opened area and removed tractor fill
- b) Continued work in Square DI40 north.
 - i) Goal = identify the structure and function of Beta Building
 - ii) Basket = 3127
 - iii) Starting elevation = 130.88
 - iv) Ending elevation = 130.194
 - v) Soil is Horizon A
 - vi) Continued to work through the topsoil of the square
 - vii) Probed the column next to W1285. It is a drum sunk about 25cm into the surface. It does not seem to be the remains of an earlier construction.
 - viii) Ceramic analysis
 - (1) Mainly dating to 7th
 - (2) Stratigraphic context: Sq. DI40 (above the interial walls, North)
 - (3) Description: Bodyshards of jars and cooking vessels
 - (4) Indicative wares: ARS (form 104C, 550-625 AD), LRC (form 10C, early\mid. 7th AD)

- c) DI40 south
 - i) Goal = identify the structure and function of Beta Building
 - ii) Basket = 3128
 - iii) Starting elevation = 130.46
 - iv) Ending elevation = 130.194
 - v) Soil is Horizon A
 - vi) Ceramic analysis
 - (1) Mainly dating from 6^{th} to 7^{th}
 - (2) Stratigraphic context: Sq. DI40 (under the B.3123)
 - (3) Description: Small amount of pottery that consists of Beisan jars and cooking vessel unindicative bodyshards
 - (4) Indicative wares: Beisan jar fragment (?)

