

Hippos (Sussita) 2015 – 16th Season Daily Log and Drawing

Date: 27 July. Area: NIP Manager: Schuler

Squares	DQ41	DP40	DP41	
Loci	2136 2139 (probe)	2140		
Baskets	3406 3405	3404		
Walls	2132			
Floors				

1) Continued work in DQ41

- a) Goal = ascertain form and function of space
- b) Basket = 3405, 3406
- c) Starting elevation = 130.68
- d) Ending elevation = 130.45
- e) Soil = Horizon B
- f) Comments
 - i) Opened probe next to window wall (1x1.5)
 - ii) Found cobblestone floor at elevation 130.39 (F2141)
 - iii) Recovered a coin (denarius size; 2cm diameter, 0.3 cm thick) just west of the window wall (Item #795) at elevation 130.62

- g) Soil profile of east balk
 - i) Profile was photographed and documented
 - (1) Two layers of top and sub soil followed by a large layer of destruction fill with little pottery.
- 2) Continued work in DP40
 - a) Goal = ascertain form and function of space
 - b) Basket = 3404
 - c) Starting elevation = 130.85
 - d) Ending elevation = 130.41
 - e) Soil =
 - f) Comments
 - i) Opened 1x1.5 probe next to bench and W1270
 - ii) Some wall plaster fragments in probe (white)
 - iii) Possible stone for floor at elevation 130.56

- 3) Began work in DP41
 - a) Goal = ascertain form and function of space
 - b) Basket = none (due to tractor work)
 - c) Starting elevation = 132.12
 - d) Ending elevation = 131.45
 - e) Soil = Horizon B
 - f) Comments
 - i) Used tractor to remove high mound to a level below the top of W1270
 - ii) DQ41, DP41, and DP40 now have much soft fill from the tractor that requires removal.
 - iii) Task next day is to level the squares to about 10cm above the floor. Then we will follow the level of the floor from the window wall.