Hippos (Sussita) Excavations 2005 – 6th Season Daily Log + Drawing

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| Squares | D0 | B4 | | | | | |
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| Loci | L547 | L503 | | | | | |
| Baskets | 1961 | 1962 | | | | | |
| Walls | W540, W521, W510, W512, W554 | | | | | | |
| Floors | | | | | | | |

- The team began the season by devoting early hours to clearing weeds and brush from the dig site
- Continued work in Square D0
 - Starting elevation = 131.57
 - Ending elevation = 131.14
 - o Soil is Horizon B
 - o Work began removing the north/south balk between W540 and W521.
 - o Early indications point to the staircase including the column in C0
- Started work in Square B4
 - Starting elevation = 132.82
 - Ending elevation = 132.71
 - o Soil is Horizon A
 - Cleared surface rubble and weeds
 - o Identified a wall (W554) running parallel with the south wall of the domus (W510). Its south face is 6.25m from the south face of W510 (suggesting a 5.5 meter space between the walls). The gap is rather large for a side chamber (measure widths of rooms south of Polish church). A 1.5m section of the wall is visible on the surface. It begins 3.85m west of the line formed by the exterior east wall of the church (W509). Intersection with W512 would support the hypothesis that the NEC is part of a larger complex.

Observations

Daily Drawing

