Hippos (Sussita) Excavations 2007 – 8th Season Daily Log + Drawing

Date:	1 July 07	Area:	NEC	Manager:S	chuler

Squares	F2	E8	A5	Nave		
Loci	L563	L505	L1219			
Baskets	2116	2115	2114			
Walls	W591, W1207					
Floors						

- Continued work in Square F2
 - Starting elevation = 130.55 (low point)
 - Ending elevation = 131.071 (average elevation)
 - o Soil is Horizon A/B
 - Re opened and leveled the square
 - On the south side of the square, what may be a podium of some sort is emerging.
 - o Continuation of W591 and W1207 to the north is uncertain.
- Continued work in Square E8
 - Starting elevation = 130.79
 - Ending elevation = 130.60
 - Soil is Horizon A
 - Recovered assorted tumble so far.
 - Looking for the wall/corner of masonry building on the decumanus that forms the south west corner of Cardo Two North. The building is 12.9 m from east to west on the decumanus. Assuming a squarish form, the foundation of the building would proceed into the square.
- Continued conservation work on the nave
 - Began removing coverings.
- Opened Square A5
 - Starting elevation = 134.35 (rock pile)
 - Ending elevation = 133.45
 - o Soil is Horizon A

Removed a large rock pile from the top of the square. (No shards collected due to disturbed nature of the surface area.) First task will be leveling the square. We anticipate that the square will reach Cordo Three North of the NEC insulae, as the west edge of the Cordo Three North is 16.8m from the east edge of the Cordo Two North. The exterior length of the church is 16.7m from east to west (W510).

Observations

The word insulae is used tentatively above. But the two cardines may provide the frame for the church compound itself.

Daily Drawing

