Standardized Forms used during HbRf-39 Excavations

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As described in the introduction to excavation records (HbRf39201), standard forms were used during excavations. Most of these were developed for the 1983 excavations, with another added in 1991.

In 1983 the following forms were used:

Level record: used to record what was found in a particular 1 by 1 metre excavation unit for a particular layer and level.

Layer record: used to summarize the overall attributes of a particular layer in a particular excavation unit. Typically filled out after all the levels in a layer had been excavated.

Floor plan: used to draw a more detailed plan of the finds in a particular level in a particular excavation unit; typically used if the information could not be included in the level record; not used for all levels.

Artifact record: only used in 1983; brief description of formed artifacts recovered during excavations; not used for lithic debitage; not used after 1983

Faunal form: only used in 1991; describes clusters of faunal remains found in close association; rarely used.

Blank copies of these forms are provided in the archive, as well as the instructions for filling out the forms.