

APPENDIX 7

ARCHEOLOGICAL SITE SURVEY FORMS

HIGH ROCK AREA

EAST OF CANYON HOME RANGE, HIGH ROCK HMA

IN THE

BITNER, NUT MOUNTAIN, AND WALL CANYON HMAs

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE SURVEY RECORD

1. Site _____
2. Map High Rock Lake 7.5'
3. County Washoe
4. Twp. _____ Range _____; _____ of _____ 1/4 of Sec.
5. Location _____
6. Contour elevation 5020'
7. Previous designations for site none
8. Owner USDI - BLM
9. Address Susanville, CA
10. Previous owners, dates _____
11. Present tenant _____
12. Attitude toward excavation Permit required
13. Description of site Large rockshelter at base of cliff above major seasonal drainage.
14. Area 50' x 20'
15. Depth Poss. 2'
16. Height ---
17. Vegetation Greasewood, rabbitbrush, sage
18. Nearest water Seasonal, 500'
19. Soil of site Rocky, brown organics
20. Surrounding soil Talus slope
21. Previous excavation none
22. Cultivation none
23. Erosion none
24. Buildings, roads, etc. High Rock fee trail 1500' E
25. Possibility of destruction slight
26. House pits _____
27. Other features _____
28. Burials _____
29. Artifacts Very sparse chippage of cherts and basalt (basalt occurs in talus down slope).
30. Remarks Shelter is used by wild horses, who have left a thick organic layer which obscures deposit. Chippage visible only outside of shelter, beyond dripline.
31. Published references none
33. Sketch map USGS map plot
34. Date June 17, 1977
35. Recorded by C. Corson
36. Photos X

COWHEAD-MASSACRE SPRING SURVEY

Spring name (if any) none

County Washoe BLM Planning Unit Massacre

Legal description U.S.G.S. 7.5'

Map reference High Rock Lake Elevation 5940'

Location (approach) _____

See map for more specific access.
Sites recorded (attach Site Survey Records) _____

Site types Large base camp (?) at spring above drainage.

Present vegetation type Big sage, Great Basin Wild Rye, low sage, Sitanion hystr
Bromus tectorum, Poa, meadow at spring.

Water output (volume est.) Less than 1/4 gallon per minute at present.

Remarks An extensive meadow (850' x 20') indicates a much more reliable output
past years. There is evidence of heavy wild horse use of this water source as we

The spring supported an impressive and diverse site with dense concentrations of
various lithics, and butchering tools. No millingstones were recovered, but this
may be due to the limited time allowed for survey rather than their actual absence

Map (attach USGS 7.5' Xerox or 15' Xerox and field sketch map) _____

U.S.G.S. 7.5' High Rock Lake xerox attached

Photos Yes Date 7/15/77

Total area surveyed (est.) ca. 33 acres of slope where lithic concentrations lie.

Recorded by Melinda Leach

No Habitat Type information is available

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE SURVEY RECORD

Site _____ Map USGS Yellow Hills East 7.5' Quad County Washoe

Legal Desc. _____ UTM _____

Location _____

_____ Status public

Description lithic scatter on rim-edge above gorge - - (hunting/chipping station)

Size 40m x40m Depth ----- Elevation 6240

Slope 8% Aspect south Soil gravelly, sandy silt

Vegetation: Type sage grassland

Shrubs big sage, rabbitbrush

Grasses squirreltail

Trees none Forbs ---

Water: Type seasonal stream Dist. and Direction 100m south and 200m west

Modern Cultural Intrusions none

Associated Features none

_____ Erosion severe

Artifacts secondary trimming flakes of obsidian, rare chert and basalt chippage.
15/m²

Remarks prolific sign of wild horse activity

Chief Impacting Factors wild horses and erosion

Date 8-24-82 Recorder Melinda Leach Map sketch Photos no

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE SURVEY RECORD

Site _____ Map Yellow Hills East 7.5' County Washoe

Legal Desc. _____ ITM _____

Location _____

Status public

Description small chipping station overlooking a substantial drainage

Size 15m n/s x 10m e/w Depth surface Elevation 6200

Slope 0-5% Aspect east Soil rocky grey silt

Vegetation: Type sa sagebrush grassland

Shrubs low sage

Grasses Stipa

Trees --- Forbs ---

Water: Type intermittent wash Dist. and Direction 400' to west (permanent water within 1.5 miles)

Modern Cultural Intrusions none

Associated Features --

Erosion sheetwash

Artifacts Large primary and thinning flakes of a black glossy obsidian (predominant) and a grey sugary obsidian. No cores present. Density ranges from 1-6 flakes per square meter.

Remarks High Rock Tablelands Survey Unit 2.21.

Isolated flakes occur throughout section 12.

Chief Impacting Factors erosion and wild horse activity

Date 8-24-82 Recorder Garth Portillo Map usgs Photos no

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE SURVEY RECORD

Site _____ Map YellowHills East 7.5' County Washoe

Legal Desc. _____ UTM _____

Location _____

Status public

Description Very small chipping station on upland slopes

Size 2m x 2m Depth _____ Elevation 6360'

Slope 1% Aspect west Soil gravelly silt

Vegetation: Type low sage-grassland

Shrubs low sage

Grasses bunch, cheat

Trees none

Forbs _____

Water: Type seasonal stream

Dist. and Direction 3/4 mile north

Modern cultural intrusions none

Erosion slight

Associated Features none

Artifacts 10-15 secondary flakes of obsidian

Remarks _____

Chief Impacting Factors wild horse

Date 8/24/82

Recorder M. Leach

Map xerox topo Photos no

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE SURVEY RECORD

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Site _____ Map Yellow Hills East TQ 17.5' County Washoe

Legal Desc. _____ UTM _____

Location _____

Status public

Description light lithic catter on upland flats

Size 20m x 20m Depth _____ Elevation 6380'

Slope 1% Aspect north Soil tight brown silt

Vegetation: Type big sage-grassland

Shrubs big sage, rabbitbrush, sparse ribes (?)

Grasses cheat, squirreltail

Trees none Forbs _____

Water: Type seasonal stream Dist. and Direction .9 miles north

Modern cultural intrusions jeep trail 40m north

Erosion slight

Associated Features none

Artifacts basalt knife fragment, rare chert and obsidian secondary chippage, (less than 50); the possible Elko Corner-notched (see illustration)

Remarks _____

Chief Impacting Factors wild horses (much trampling and large stud piles noted)

Date 8/24/82 Recorder M. Leach Map over Photos no