

GENERAL INFORMATION

Site #8: HA00177First site form recorded for this Site? Update form for a site previously recorded at FSFIdentifying code (field date, if none then form date): 199903Cultural resource type: Archaeological SiteForm type code NORMAL form (new System 3 forms)Form status code Newly Scattered Form (Needs Processing)Form quality ranking Newly scattered form of standard qualityRecorder #: MAR-02Field date: 03/02/1999Form date: 04/07/1998

Staffer:

Date of FMSF computer entry: 10/27/1998Site name(s): HOOKE'S HOMESTEADAlternate names: RAVINE TOP; ALSO SEE LUCKY HOLE (8HA332); HOOKE'S FERRYProject name: BIG SHOALS FBAR SURVEY

Mult. list #8:

Survey #: 5550National Register category: Site, such as battlefield, park, archaeologicalOwnership: Public-stateUSGS map name & year of publication/revision: WHITE SPRINGS EAST/1993County: HAMILTONTownship/Range/Section/Qtr: 2 South/16 East/8/Northeastern quarter of square section or 1/4 sectIrregular section: N/ALandgrant: N/A

Tax parcel number:

City: WHITE SPRINGSIn current city limits? Definitely outside city limitsUTM: Zone/Easting/Northing: 17/333640/3356760Address/Vicinity of/Route to: SOUTH SIDE OF BLUFF TRAIL, APPROX. 1/4 MILE WEST OF THE END OF ROAD SIX.Name of public tract: BIG SHOALS, DRP

TYPE OF SITE

Type of site: Homestead; Artifact scatter-dense (more than 2 per square m)

Other site type:

HISTORIC CONTEXTS

Historic contexts: Archaic, unspecified** 8500 B.C.-1000 B.C.; Nineteenth century American, 1821-1899Other cultures: AMERICAN, 1833-1843

SURVEYOR'S EVALUATION OF SITE

Potentially eligible for local designation? Eligible for local registry of significant sitesName of Local Register eligible for: UNKNOWNIndividually eligible for National Register? Eligible for NR considered independentlyPotential contributor to NR District? Likely contributor to NR district--need more dataExplanation of evaluation: EARLY HOMESTEAD WITH GOOD PRESERVATION OF IRON AND FAUNAL MATERIAL, WELL DATED TO WILLIAM B. HOOKER'S OCCUPATION.Recommendations for site: AVOID DISTURBANCE IF POSSIBLE, MONITOR ANY DISTURBANCE.

FIELD METHODS

Methods for site detection: Screened shovel: smallest nested mesh size 1/4 in; Literature/archives/documentary search

Methods for site boundaries: Screened shovel: smallest nested mesh size 1/4 in; Exposed ground inspection

No,size,depth,pattern of tests; screen: RANDOM TESTING ALONG BLUFF TO RELOCATE SITE.

SITE DESCRIPTION

Extent size (sq m): 2000

Depth/stratigraphy of cultural deposit: MATERIAL IS PRESENT TO APPROX. 1 M BGS, UNDERLAIN BY SAND, CLAY, AND LIMESTONE.

Temporal interpretation -- Components: Multiple components

Describe each occupation: ARCHAIC LITHIC MATERIAL FROM 50 TO 70 CM; 19TH CENTURY MATERIAL FROM 0 TO 20 CM.

Site integrity -- Overall disturbance: Minor

Disturbances/threats/protections: SITE SHOWS NO SIGNS OF DAMAGE--MONITOR FOR LOOTING.

Area collected (sq m): 1

Surface collection -- # units:

Excavation -- # noncontiguous areas: 3

ARTIFACTS

Total # artifacts: 19

Count or estimate? Accurate count, not an estimate

Subsurface artifacts #: 19

COLLECTION STRATEGY Unselective: ALL artifacts observed were collected

ARTIFACTS: Category/Disposition Nonaboriginal ceramics/Category was ALWAYS collected; Lithics/Category was ALWAYS collected; Metal/Category was ALWAYS collected; Glass/Category was ALWAYS collected; Animal/unidentified bone/Category was ALWAYS collected

Other (Strategy, Categories) SCRUB CATTLE BONES AND TEETH

DIAGNOSTICS: Type/Number BLUE TRANSFER, WHITEBODIED WARE/1; SQUARE CUT NAIL/2; IRON HOE, C. 1830S/1

ENVIRONMENT

Nearest fresh water type: River

Nearest fresh water name: SUWANNEE RIVER

Nearest fresh water distance (m): 70

Natural community: Terrestrial: mesic uplands: upland mixed forest

Local vegetation: LIVE OAK, HICKORY, PINE

Topography: Ridge-crest

Other, uncoded topographic setting: FLOODPLAIN BLUFF

Minimum elevation (m): 30

Maximum elevation (m): 40

Present land use: RECREATION AREA

SCS soil series: ALBANY FINE SAND

FURTHER INFORMATION

Informant(s) name: N/A

Informant address/phone: N/A

REPOSITORIES: Collection/Housed/ACC#/Describe All documents and collections at same repository/Florida Division of Historical Resources, ex-DAHRM/NOTES, PROFILE/MAP, ARTIFACTS; FBAR 93.503.01 & 99.29

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Affiliation: Florida Division of Historical Resources, ex-DAHRM

Is text-only supplement file attached? Text-only supplement file is on disk

Text-only supplement file status (FMSF): Status of possible supplement is unchecked

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

This site contains debris representative of a nineteenth century historic homestead, including transfer painted pearlwares, a kaolin pipe bowl, annular painted pearlwares, a square-cut nail, and glass fragments. The site was identified by Christine Newman during a C.A.R.L. survey when a single shovel test was placed along the trail overlooking the floodplain bluff. Lithic material, including chert and coral flakes, also were found, indicating prehistoric, as well as historic occupation. The site boundaries are not well defined.

Documentary research indicates that this is the site of William B. Hooker's homestead and river ferry, known collectively as "Hooker's Ferry." Hooker owned the property from 1833 until 1844, when his holdings were acquired by Henry Purviance at a Sheriff's auction (Hooker probably occupied the area from around 1830-1831 when he originally moved to Florida; see Deed Book 1, pp. 528-529). The ferry rights for this landing were leased to William Dowling in 1843. VanLandingham (1996:4) reproduces an 1843 advertisement for the sale of Hooker's property, which is described as "containing upwards of 400 acres of land, 200 of which is best of hammock and swamp, the balance 1st quality of pine, with upwards of 100 acres cleared, and under good fencing, and a high and healthful situation, well watered with choice springs."

Akerman (1976:44-45) notes that Hooker moved his cattle operation to the south when the Armed Occupation Act of 1842 opened up land in southern Florida. VanLandingham (1996:4) notes that Hooker had financial troubles in Hamilton County and had to teach school for sometime. In the Tampa area, Hooker rebuilt his fortunes, and was active in business and local politics. Among his most notable enterprises was the conversion of his home into the Orange Grove Hotel.

Akerman (1976:44-45) provides some details about Hooker (1800-1871), indicating that he had been a successful lawman in Georgia, before coming to Florida in 1830; he fought in the Second Seminole War, where he attained the rank of captain. Akerman (1976:45) notes that Hooker and his sons routinely raised and sold Florida scrub cattle.

Additional subsurface testing in 1999 relocated the site, producing white ironstone and transfer painted ironstone sherds, iron tools, scrub cattle teeth and bones, and square cut iron nails.

This site is eligible for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places with further research and documentation. The quality of preservation and association with William B. Hooker contributes to the site significance. This site is important since it reflects the early pioneer occupation of the region and the Big Shoals property. The preservation of iron and bone material in well-dated context is impressive, adding to the site significance.

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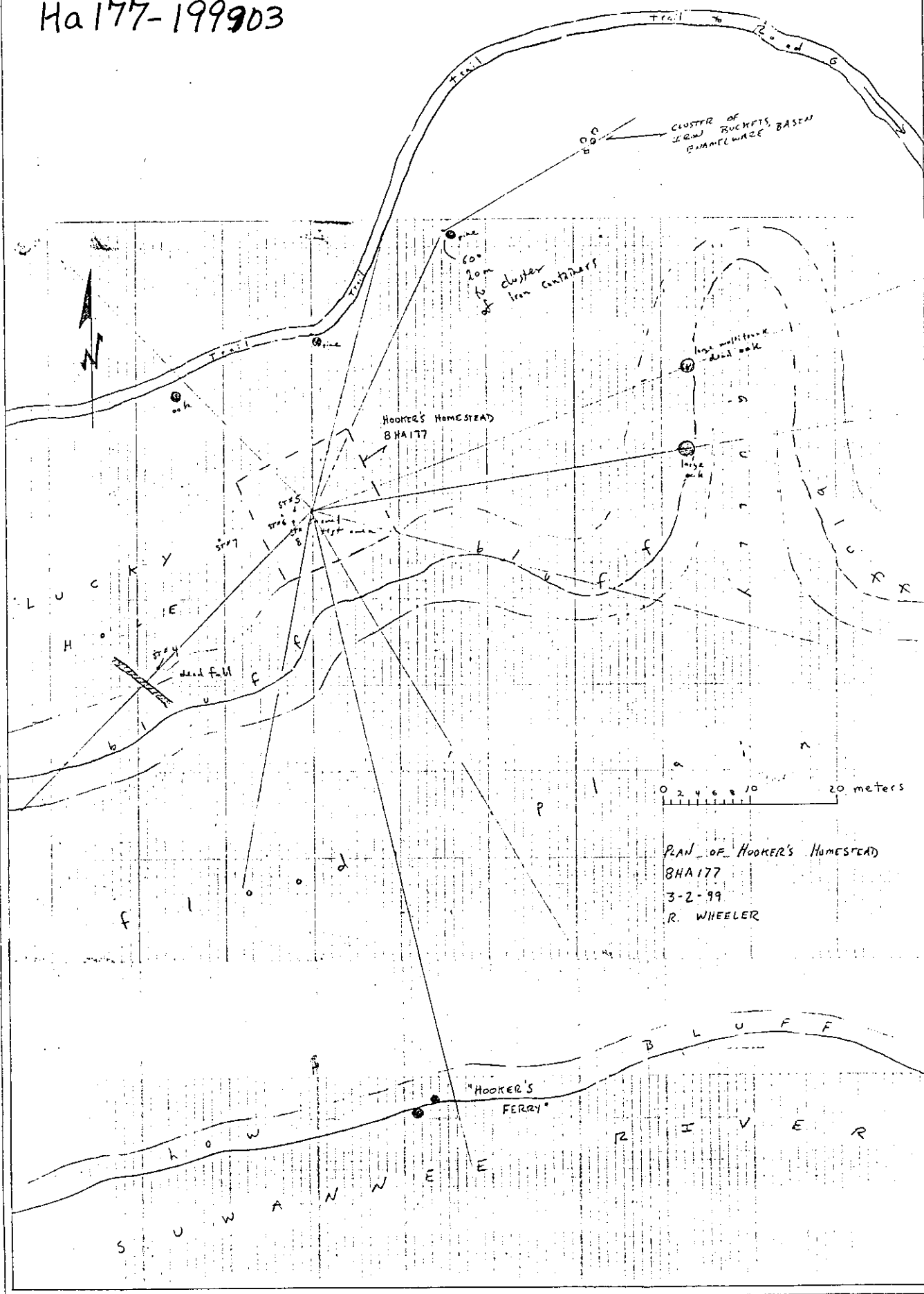
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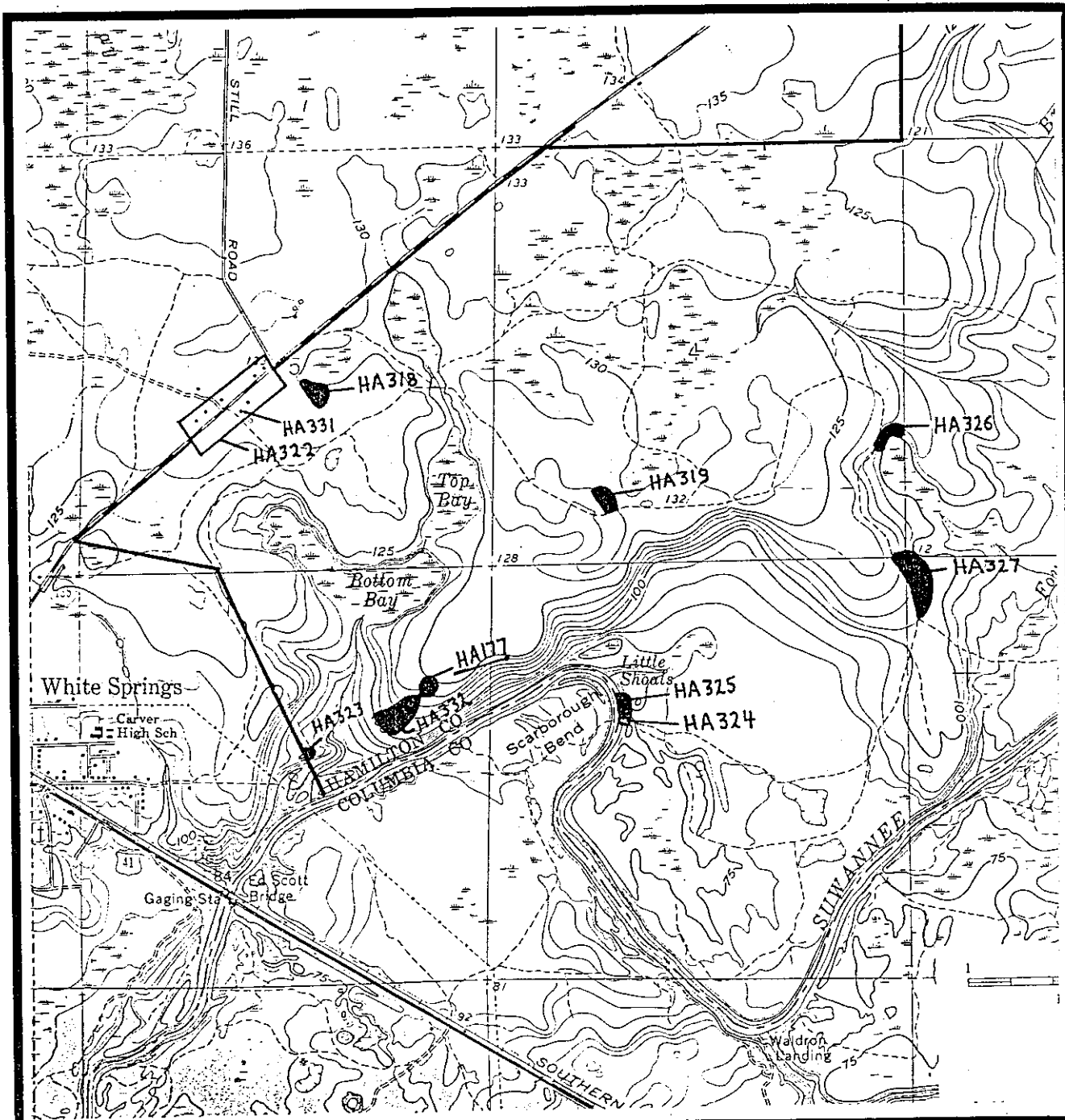
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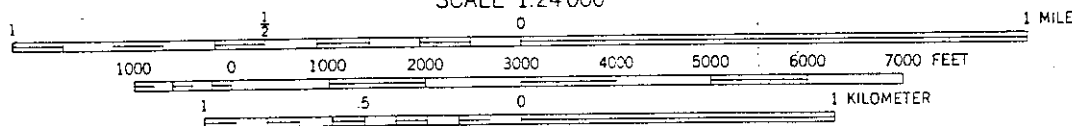
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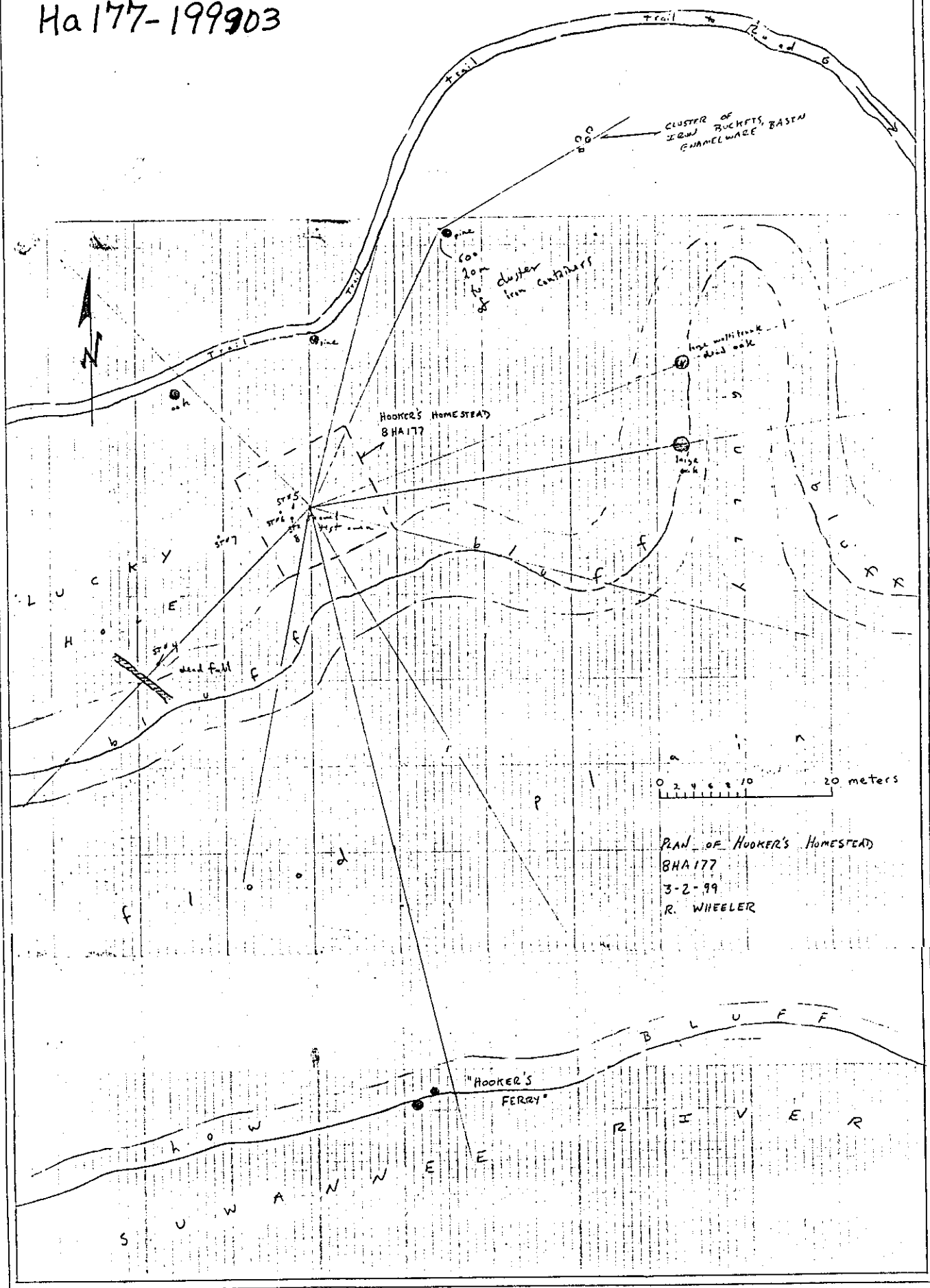
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BIG SHOALS FBAR SURVEY

Base map:
WHITE SPRINGS EAST
1961 Edition

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ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE FORM FLORIDA MASTER SITE FILE

Version 1.1: 11/88

Site #8 HA177
Recorder #
Field Date

SITE NAME(S) Ravine Top
PROJECT NAME C.A.R.L. Archaeological Survey DHR#
OWNERSHIP ☐ private-profit ☐ priv-nonprof ☐ priv-indiv ☐ priv-unsp ☐ city ☐ county ☒ state ☐ federal
USGS MAP NAME White Springs East CITY White Springs (gv)
UTM: ZONE 16 / 17 EASTING 333640 NORTHING 3356760
COUNTY Hamilton TWP 2S RANGE 16E SECTION 8 1 NE 1 E 1 E
(Optional) LATITUDE d m s LONGITUDE d m s
ADDRESS/VICINITY OF/ROUTE TO Take trail along river's edge as far southwest as possible, from that point hike through woods, along highest point until ravine is reached. The site is here.
TYPE OF SITE (All that apply) ☐ prehist unspecified ☐ hist aboriginal ☐ hist nonaboriginal ☒ hist unspecified

SETTING	STRUCTURES OR FEATURES			FUNCTION	DENSITY
☒ land site	☐ aboriginal boat	☐ fort	☐ road segment	☐ none specified	☐ unknown
	☐ agric/farm bldg	☐ midden	☐ shell midden	☐ campsite	☐ single artifact
☐ wetland fresh	☐ burial mound	☐ mill unspecified	☐ shell mound	☐ extractive site	☐ diffuse scatter
☐ wetland salt/tidal	☐ building remains	☐ mission	☐ shipwreck	☒ habitatn/homestead	☒ dense scatter > 2/m ²
	☐ cemetery/grave	☐ mound unspecif	☐ subsurface features	☐ farmstead	☐ variable density
☐ underwater	☐ dump/refuse	☐ plantation	☐ well	☐ village/town	
	☐ earthworks	☐ platform mound	☐ wharf/dock	☐ quarry	
OTHER					

HISTORIC CONTEXTS (All that apply) ☐ unknown culture ☐ aboriginal unspecif ☒ hist unspecified

ABORIGINAL:	☐ Early Archaic	☐ Glades IIb	☐ Manasota	☐ St. Johns unspecif	☐ Swift Creek
☐ Alachua	☐ Early Swift Creek	☐ Glades IIc	☐ Middle Archaic	☐ St. Johns I	☐ Transitional
☐ Archaic unspec.	☐ Englewood	☐ Glades III	☐ Mount Taylor	☐ St. Johns Ia	☐ Weeden Island
☐ Belle Glade	☐ Fort Walton	☐ Glades IIIa	☐ Norwood	☐ St. Johns Ib	☐ Weeden Island I
☐ Belle Glade I	☐ Glades unspecif	☐ Glades IIIb	☐ Orange	☐ St. Johns II	☐ Weeden Island II
☐ Belle Glade II	☐ Glades I	☐ Glades IIIc	☐ Paleo-Indian	☐ St. Johns IIa	
☐ Belle Glade III	☐ Glades Ia	☐ Hickory Pond	☐ Pensacola	☐ St. Johns IIb	
☐ Belle Glade IV	☐ Glades Ib	☐ Late Archaic	☐ Perico Island	☐ St. Johns IIc	
☐ Cades Pond	☐ Glades II	☐ Late Swift Creek	☐ Safety Harbor	☐ Santa Rosa	☐ prehistc-aceramic
☐ Deptford	☐ Glades IIa	☐ Leon-Jefferson	☐ St. Augustine	☐ Seminole	☐ prehistc-ceramic
NONABORIGINAL:	☐ 1st Spn 1700-63	☐ Amer Terr 1821-44	☐ Postrecn 1880-97	☐ Depress 1930-40	☒ American 1821-
☐ 1st Spanish unsp	☐ Brit 1763-1783	☐ Statehood 1845-60	☐ SpWar 1898-1916	☐ WW II 1941-49	☐ American 1821-99
☐ 1st Spn 1513-99	☐ 2dSpn 1783-1821	☐ Civil War 1861-65	☐ WW I 1917-1920	☐ Modern 1950-	☐ American 1900-
☐ 1st Spn 1600-99		☐ Reconstr 1866-79	☐ Boom 1921-1929		☐ Afro-American

OTHER

RECORDER'S EVALUATION OF SITE

Eligible for National Register? ☐ yes ☐ no ☐ likely, need information ☒ insufficient information
Significant as part of district? ☐ yes ☐ no ☐ likely, need information ☒ insufficient information
Significant at the local level? ☒ yes ☐ no ☐ likely, need information ☐ insufficient information

SIGNIFICANCE STATEMENT FOR COMPUTER FILES (Limit to 3 lines here; attach full justification)
The site may be representative of historic occupation sites in the area, specifically on this tract of land. No other historic homestead sites are located in the general vicinity.

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DATE LISTED	KEEPER DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY:	Yes	No	Date
ON NAT REG.	SHPO EVALUATION OF ELIGIBILITY:	Yes	No	Date
____/____/____	LOCAL DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY:	Yes	No	Date
	Local Office			

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE FORM

Site #8 HA177

Division of Historical Resources, Florida Department of State

METHODS FOR SITE DETECTION

☐ no field check ☐ exposed ground ☐ screened shovel
☐ literature search ☐ posthole digger
☐ informant report ☐ auger--size: _____
☐ remote sensing ☒ unscreend shovel

Other/Remarks (#, size, depth, pattern of units; screen size) _____

METHODS FOR SITE BOUNDARIES

☒ bounds unknown ☐ remote sensing ☐ unscreend shovel
☐ none by recorder ☐ insp exposed ground ☐ screened shovel
☐ literature search ☐ posthole digger ☐ block excavns
☐ informant report ☐ auger--size: _____ ☐ guess

COLLECTION STRATEGY

☐ unknown ☒ unselective (all artifacts)
 ☐ selective (some artifacts)
☐ uncollected ☐ general (not by subarea)
 ☐ controlled (by subarea)

Other (Strategy, Categories) pipe bowl fragment

ARTIFACT CATEGORIES

☐ unknown ☐ daub ☐ nonlocal-exotic ☐ bone-unspec
☒ lithics ☐ brick/bldg matl ☐ metal ☐ unworked shell
☐ ceramic-aborig ☐ glass ☐ bone-human ☐ worked shell
☒ ceramic-nonabo ☐ prec metal/coin ☐ bone-animal ☐ subsurf feats

SITE EXTENT Size (m²) unk Depth/Stratigraphy of Cultural Deposit 0-20 cmbs

Perpendicular Dimensions _____ m direction by _____ m direction

SPACE COLLECTED Surface: #units _____, total area _____ m². Excavation: #units _____, total vol _____ m³
 TOTAL ARTIFACTS Count or Estimate? Surface # _____ Subsurface # _____

DIAGNOSTICS (TYPE OR MODE & FREQUENCY) 4 _____ N= _____
 1 _____ N= _____ 5 _____ N= _____
 2 _____ N= _____ 6 _____ N= _____
 3 _____ N= _____ 7 _____ N= _____

Remarks See attachedTEMPORAL INTERPRETATION Components: ☐ single ☐ prob single ☒ prob multiple ☐ multiple ☐ uncertain

Describe each occupation spatially. For each, estimate begin, end dates BP; basis; if absolute dates, give method, lab, id, date, range, etc.

ENVIRONMENT Nearest Fresh Water Suwannee River Distance (m) 200m
 Natural Community Mesic uplands: uplands mixed forrest
 Local Vegetation live oak, palmetto, pine
 Topographic Setting Ridge, crest - Upland from river
 Present Land Use Big Shoals - State Lands
 SCS Soil Series _____ Soil Association _____

SITE INTEGRITY Overall Disturbance: ☒ none seen ☐ minor ☐ substantial ☐ major ☐ redeposited
 Nature of Disturbances/Threats Vandalism, although unlikely.

INFORMANT(S) Contact Information Keith TerryREPOSITORY Field Notes, Artifacts BARPhotographs (negative nos) BAR

MANUSCRIPTS OR PUBLICATIONS ON THE SITE _____

RECORDER(S): Name C. Newman, K. Terry, B. Weisman Date of Form 1/27/92Affiliation/Address/Phone BAR, Tallahassee 904/487-2299RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SITE Protection, Preservation

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION: Attach information on site discovery, history, current integrity, apparent threats, environment, and your temporal and functional interpretations.

DISCUSSION OF SIGNIFICANCE: Attach justification for recorder's evaluation (Page 1).

REQUIRED: USGS MAP OR COPY WITH SITE LOCATION MARKED

SITE NAME Ravine TopNATURE OF SITE standing structure ☒ archaeological site ☐ both

A. NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF SITE (Use back of page and continuations)

HA177 - Ravine Top - This historic site was found by shovel testing high probability areas in the Big Shoals Corridor CARL purchase. A 1 x 0.50 meter shovel test, not screened, was placed in an area with pine and a large oak. The unit was shovel shaved and the dirt was trowelled. The stratigraphy in the test was 0-10 cm rootmat and grey sand, 10-20 cm tan and grey mottled sand, and 20-30 mostly tan sand. At 30 cmbs the sand was no longer mottled. All historic artifacts except the pipe bowl, were recovered within the first 10 centimeters either within, or directly under, the rootmat. Lithic material was recovered between 10 and 20 cmbs.

B. DISCUSSION OF SIGNIFICANCE (Use back of page and continuations)

C. HISTORY AND BIBLIOGRAPHY OF PAST WORK AT SITE (Use back of page and continuation sheets if necessary)



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FS	PROV	XUNORTH	XUEAST	OBJECT	COUNT	WEIGHT
15.001	shovel	0.00	0.00	Kaolin pipe bowl, fluted, spur	1	8.9
15.001	shovel	0.00	0.00	chert, frag, cortex, 4	1	9.2
15.001	shovel	0.00	0.00	coral, frag	1	4.3
15.001	shovel	0.00	0.00	nail, square, cut	1	3.0
15.001	shovel	0.00	0.00	glass, yellow/tan	1	1.0
15.001	shovel	0.00	0.00	charcoal	4	0.1
15.001	shovel	0.00	0.00	pearlware, annular	1	1.7
15.001	shovel	0.00	0.00	pearlware, transfer print	1	1.7
15.001	shovel	0.00	0.00	pearlware, base, bowl	1	14.9
					12	44.8