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NON-TECHNICAL SUMMARY

An archaeological evaluation has been carried out by RPS Clouston on the DIRFT East site to obtain information on the known or potential archaeology of the site. This information will be used to determine a future strategy for the archaeology during the development of the site. The evaluation techniques included fieldwalking, geophysical surveys and trial trenching. An iron age settlement site consisting of circular and larger enclosures including structural evidence for huts was identified on the west part of the site. Evidence for several phases of occupation was found including episodes of flooding. Possible Romano-British field systems and settlement activity was also found. These remains had been truncated by medieval and later ploughing activity.

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 RPS Clouston have been commissioned by Daventry International Rail Freight Terminal Ltd (DIRFT) to carry out a programme of archaeological evaluation investigations on the proposed development site of DIRFT East.

1.2 The site at DIRFT East is located around Covert Lodge Farm (NGR SP 571 736), 2km north-west of Crick, and lies between M1 motorway to the east and the A5 trunk road to the west and south- west, see figure RPSC 1. The south east side of the site is bounded by the proposed DIRFT East "Hotel" site.

1.3 The geology of the site is Lower Lias Clay of the Jurrassic overlain by alluvium deposits of sand, gravel and clay. The ground slopes gently down from Covert Lodge Farm at 107.24m OD towards the west and south parts of the site at c.103.79m OD. The site is presently farmed with arable fields to the north and west and pasture to the east and south. The buildings at Covert Lodge Farm are disused.

1.4 The site is located in area where significant archaeology is known to exist. An iron age settlement site consisting of a sub-rectangular enclosure with ring ditches and postholes is located immediately to the west of the site on the opposite side of the A5 trunk road. Remains of the agger of Watling Street Roman road also exist to the west of this stretch of the A5. Further Romano-British activity has been identified at DIRFT South. Burials presumed to be Saxon have been identified set into the surface of the Roman road surviving near the west side of the site. The line of the Roman road also forms the boundary between the parishes of Crick and Kilsby. The site lay on the north-west part of the medieval parish of Crick. Medieval settlement was centred at Crick and the site would have been farmed, this is illustrated by the surviving ridge and furrow n the fields on the east part of the site.

1.5 The archaeological investigations consisted of three evaluation survey techniques: fieldwalking; geophysics and trial trenching. This report presents the results of these evaluation techniques providing information on the archaeological remains on the site to determine a strategy for future work. The text and appendices are presented in Volume 1. The plans and figures are presented in Volume 2.

1.6 The archaeological project was managed by David Freke MA DipAD FSA MIFA. The field work was supervised by Martin Connell BSc, Penny Hasler MA and Rob Masefield MA assisted by Brian Chilcott MSc and Darryl Palmer. The geophysical survey was carried out by Stratascan. Sandy Kidd of Northamptonshire Heritage carried out several monitoring visits to the site during the excavation of the trial trenches. Acknowledgements are due to Mr Litchfield and his family for their help and co-operation during the evaluation surveys.

2 AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

2.1 The aim of the evaluation is to gain information about the known or potential archaeological resource within the given area of the DIRFT East site, including its presence or absence, character and extent, date, integrity, state of preservation and relative quality, in order to make an assessment of its worth in appropriate context leading to:

* the formulation of a strategy to ensure the recording, preservation or management of the resoure; or

* the formulation of a strategy for further investigation, whether or not intrusive, where the character and value of the resource is not sufficiently defined to permit a mitigation strategy or other response to be devised; or

* the formulation of a proposal for further archaeological investigation with in a programme of research.

3 METHODOLOGY

3 This section outlines the methodologies of the various archaeological evaluation techniques used to assess the archaeological potential of the site. This was a staged process with one technique guided by the results of another. It was spread over the period October 1995 to December 1996.

3.1 FIELDWALKING SURVEY

3.1.1 The fieldwalking survey was carried out in October 1995 based on the recommendations outlined in *Policy and Guidance for Archaeological Fieldwork Projects in Northamptonshire,* Northampton Heritage August 1995. The survey was supervised by Martin Connell with assistance from Penny Hasler and Rob Masefield.

3.1.2 The fieldwalking survey was carried out in the three fields (Fields A, B and C on drawing RPSC 2) surrounding Covert Lodge Farm. Both fields A and B had only recently been sown with winter cereal crops and ground visibility was 100%. Field C was covered with oilseed rape stubble and ground visibility was approximatley 70%. The fields to the east and south-east were grass pasture and therefore not suitable for fieldwalking.

3.1.3 A baseline was established in each of the three fields. This was used to establish a grid based on 10m transects and 10m stints. Ranging rods and bamboo canes were used as sight lines and reference markers.

3.1.4 The type (sherd of pottery, burnt/worked flint, fragment of building material), number and date (prehistoric, Romano-British, medieval and post-medieval) of any artefact observed in a stint was recorded on proforma recording sheets.

3.1.5 Any significant stone scatters or soil discolouration were also noted.

3.1.6 The distribution of the artefacts observed during the fieldwalking was then plotted on a map at a scale of 1:2,500, see drawing RPSC 2.

3.1.7 No artefact collection was carried out during the fieldwalking survey.

3.2 GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY

3.2.1 The geophysical survey was undertaken in two parts by Stratascan: an initial magnetic susceptibility survey of the whole site to identified areas of archaeological potential; followed by a more intensive magnetometery survey to investigate these areas in detail. The magnetic susceptibility survey was carried out in November 1995; followed by a phased programme of magnetometery survey in January, and October to December 1996. The areas of both geophysical surveys are shown on figure RPSC 3.

3.2.2 The **magnetic susceptibility survey** was carried out on a 20m grid with readings taken at the node points. In addition, topsoil samples were taken at 100m centres, and also where there were noticeably higher readings in the field measurements.

3.2.3 The readings were logged manually on site, and then transferred to the office where they were entered into a computer and grey scale plots produced.

3.2.4 The presentation of the data for the site involves a grey scale plot of the field measurements overlain onto a site plan, see figures RPSC 4 and 5.

3.2.5 The **magnetometer survey** was carried out with readings taken at 0.5m centres along traverses 1m apart. This equated to 800 sampling points in a full 20m by 20m grid. All traverses were surveyed in a "parallel" rather than "zigzag" mode.

3.2.6 The readings were logged consequently into the data logger which in turn was daily downloaded into a portable computer whilst on site. At the end of each job, the data was then transferred to the office for processing and presentation.

3.2.7 The presentation of the data for each area involved a print-out of the raw data both as grey scales and trace plots, together with grey scale plots of the processed data, and, if appropriate, after further processing to emphasise various aspects within the data, see figures RPSC 6 and 7.

3.3 EVALUATION TRENCHES

3.3.1 A programme of trial trenching was carried out to confirm the results of the geophysical survey and establish the date, depth and state of preservation of the identified archaeology. The trial trenching also tested "blank areas" identified by geophysical survey. This included areas where a greater thickness of soil was thought to exist.

3.3.2 The evaluation trenching scheme agreed with Northamptonshire Heritage required that at least 450m of trench were to be excavated, with a contingency for up to 300m more depending on the results of the later phase of magnetometery geophysical survey. The initial 450m length of trenching consisted of two trenches of 100m length (Trenches 1 and 2), two trenches of 85m length (Trenches 3 and 4) and two trenches of 40m length (Trenches 5 and 6). A 40m length of trench (trench 7) was excavated as part of the contingency. All the trenches were 1.5m in width. Their locations are shown on figure RPSC 7.

3.3.3 The archaeological evaluation trenches were excavated in October and November 1996 and conformed to the recommendations outlined in *Policy and Guidance for Archaeological Fieldwork Projects in Northamptonshire*, Northamptonshire Heritage August 1995. The field work was supervised by Martin Connell and Rob Masefield of RPS Clouston with assistance from Brian Chilcott and Darryl Palmer.

3.3.4 Seven evaluation trenches were topsoil stripped by machine under archaeological supervision. The overburden was removed down to the first significant archaeology and/or the natural geological level.

3.3.5 The exposed surfaces were hand cleaned by shovel, hoe and trowel and examained for archaeological features or deposits.

3.3.6 Any features identified were sampled. Where possible 50% of each pit or posthole and 30% of visible linear features were excavated in order to examine their profiles and fills.

3.3.7 All layers, features and fills were given a unique number and described on proforma context sheets. The recording included photographs and drawings of features, plans and fills at an appropriate scale. One long section of each trench was also drawn.

3.3.8 Four site bench marks were established and tied into the Ordnance Survey datum. The heights of archaeological features, layers and section drawings were taken and recorded as reduced levels on the plans and context sheets.

3.3.9 Any finds or artefacts were bagged with their context for washing and analysis.

3.3.10 All relevant health and safety legislations and codes of practices were respected.

3.3.11 The trenches were backfilled and left safe on completion.

3.4 PALAEO-ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

3.4.1 Specialist palaeo-environmental information was obtained from Matthew Canti of English Heritage on selected layers identified in the evaluation trenches. The site was visted on the 11th November 1996.

3.4.2 Comments were provided and recorded for selected layers. No environmental samples were taken.

4 RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

This section synthesises the results of the evaluation studies, and is designed to set out the potential for archaeological remains on the site. The technical report for the geophysical survey {FORTHCOMING} and context summary table for the evaluation trenches are attached as appendices. The plans and figures are presented in Volume 2.

4.1 FIELDWALKING SURVEY

4.1.1 Fragments of burnt and worked flint; pottery sherds of prehistoric (iron age), Romano-British, medieval and post-medieval date; and fragments of brick and tile were all observed during the fieldwalking survey. Their distribution has been plotted on drawing RPSC 2.

4.1.2 The fragments of burnt and worked flint were observed in all three fields. Although no specific concentrations were identified, a relatively greater amount of this material appeared in field C.

4.1.3 Four sherds of iron age pottery were observed in the survey area; one sherd in both fields A and B; and two sherds in field C.

4.1.4 Sherds of Romano-British pottery were observed in all three fields with a concentration on the higher ground in the three fields, immediately to the north and west of Covert Lodge Farm.

4.1.5 The few sherds of medieval and post medieval pottery were observed in all three fields. No specific concentrations of this material was identified in the survey area.

4.1.6 The fragments of brick and tile were also observed in all three fields. A concentration of this material was identified immediately to the north aand east of Covert Lodge Farm in field A.

4.1.7 The presence of the iron age and Romano-British pottery in the survey area indicates activity of this period in the vinicity. This may have been derived from the known iron age and Romano-British occupation sites respectively to the west and south-west and/or directly from occupation activity on the survey area. The concentration of the Romano-British material on the favourable higher ground surrounding Covert Lodge Farm may suggest the latter.

4.1.8 The sherds of medieval and post-medieval have probably derived from manuring practices associated with farming activity centred, initially, on Crick and then Covert Lodge Farm.

4.1.9 A similar explanation is likely for the scatter of brick and tile fragments in the three fields. The concentration near the farm is derived from the farm buildings.

4.2 GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY

4.2.1 The magnetometer survey carried out on areas of the site suggested by the results of the magnetic susceptibility survey identified clusters of hut circles, larger enclosures, pits, one long linear feature and an area of rectilinear features. These can be seen on the plot of the processed magnetometer data on figures RPSC 6 and 7. Areas of deeper topsoil and evidence of ridge and furrow ploughing were also identified.

4.2.2 It was also noted that when the magnetometer features where overlain on the magnetic susceptibility results a good correlation existed between the areas of magnetic susceptibility enhancement and the features. However the converse was not always the case - certain magnetometery features did not always coincide with the enhanced magnetic susceptibility areas.

4.2.3 Although magnetic susceptibility survey was carried out on the entire site only selective areas of magnetometer survey where chosen, namely the west part of the site, see figure RPSC 3. Some areas apparently "blank" in the magnetic susceptibility summary were nonetheless served by gradiometer. This also failed to locate any significant material. Archaeology could therefore potentially exist in the north, east and south parts of the site. The strength of the magnetometer anomalies was also noted to decrease towards the eastern part of the site. This broadly corresponds to a change in the subsoil type from alluvium to Jurrassic clay. The latter is known to give poor results for magnetometer surveys. It was therefore possible that features may exist in the east but are not being seen by the magnetometer. The Trial trenching programme included trenches to test their "blank areas" as well as the known sites.

4.2.4 The full geophysical report is presented in appendix 2 {FORTHCOMING}.

4.3 EVALUATION TRENCHES

4.3.1 A full description of the contexts identified in the seven archaeological trenches is presented in appendix 1. One long section drawing and plan of the individual trenches are shown on drawings RPSC 8 to 11 and 13 to 22. A detailed section of ditches (230), (258), (259) and (260) in trench 2 is shown on drawing RPSC 13.

4.3.2 All the features identified during the geophysical survey were also identified in the relevant trench.

4.3.3 The ditches defining the hut circle enclosures and the larger enclosures were either single cuts (illustrated by (118), (280) and (310)) or a complex of recuts (illustrated by (230/258/259/260), (327/338/340/359) and (714/717/720). The later suggests several phases of settlement activity, supported by evidence from the palaeo-environmental work (see below). The pottery recovered from these ditches indicated an iron age date. Specialist advice on the pottery may provide firmer dates for the phases of the settlement. The ditches varied in depth and width. They had been either truncated by the later ploughing activity or sealed by the later alluvial deposition, both described below. Evidence for a possible occupation level was only found in trench 7, represented by the cobbled surface (710). Smaller features including postholes and gullies associated with the hut circles and enclosures were also identified in trenches and provide evidence for structures. The curving gullies (illustrated by (104) and (335) may possibly represent eaves drips for the huts. Both provide evidence for structures. Fragments of daub recovered from features may indicate wattle walling.

4.3.4 The discrete positive anomalies at the south-east end of trench 4 and in trench 5 were possibly small pits or postholes, illustrated by (445) and (510) or interpretated as natural features, typified by (503), (512) and (520). All were sealed by the alluvium of redeposited Lias Clay (see below).

4.3.5 The rectilinear features evaluated by trench 6 and linear anomaly evaluated by trench 5 were also identified as ditches. The cutting relationship of ditch (605) with (607) suggested two phases of activity. Significantly fragments of Romano-British pottery were recovered from the fill of the later ditch (605) indicating that at least one of these phases was probably Romano-British in date. Although the earlier ditch (607) may be associated with the iron age activity identified elsewhere on the site the linear nature may suggest a Romano-British date. The fill of ditch (508) also contained sherds of Romano-British pottery. Again the features had been truncated by later ploughing activity. These ditches may be part of a Romano-British field system. The linear anomaly identified by the magnetometer survey at the north end of the site may also be part of this field system. The relative concentration of Romano-British pottery observed in the fieldwalking survey and the favourable position of the higher ground may suggest specific settlement activity centred on Covert Lodge Farm.

4.3.6 Evidence for ridge and furrow ploughing was identified in trenches 1, 2 and 6. Only the base of the furrows had survived the later ploughing activity. Both phases of ploughing activity had truncated the earlier archaeological features. Modern field drains and sub-soiler "plough" marks were also identified in the trenches.

4.3.7 Several new features were also observed in the trenches that had not been identified by the geophysical survey. These were relatively small features typified by postholes (125), (146), (222) and (321) and gullies (104) and (335). No new larger features undetected by the geophysical survey were identified below the potential masking areas of the "deeper soil". In parts these areas of deeper soil coincided with the areas of alluvium.

4.3.8 Recognition and excavation of features proved particularly difficult in trench 4 and the south-west part of trench 3. In these trenches the chararcteristics of the alluvium of redeposited Lias Clay, cut into and sealed by the features, were similar to the fills of the features.

4.4 PALAEO-ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

4.4.1 Specialist palaeo-environmental information for the lower areas of the site (essentially in the field with evaluation trenches 3, 4, 5 and 7) was provided by Matthew Canti of English Heritage. A summary of his comments is provided below.

4.4.2 The geology of the valley sides is predominantly Lias Clay. Layers of water-borne gravel have been deposited in the base of the valley, above these a sequence of silty, clayey and gravelly alluvial deposits have built up. These deposits have been recorded in the evaluation trenches.

4.4.3 The south-west part of trench 3 and all trenches 4, 5 and 7 exhibit a similar sequence of deposits. A thick homogenous band of clay (yellowish brown) was identified below the modern ploughsoil. The base of the clay deposit had a consistant Ordnance Datum height across the lower part of the south field. It is represented by (337), (348) and (349) in trench 3; (462) in trench 4; (502) in trench 5; and (740) in trench 7.

4.4.4 The clay represents an alluvial deposit. It has been eroded from exposed Lias Clay elsewhere and redeposited during flooding episodes of the south field. The deposit sealed the iron age features identified in the trenches.

4.4.5 A sequence of silty clays (blueish grey) was identified below the redeposited Lias Clay. These are represented by (351), (352), (362), (364) and (365) in trench 3; (402), (413), (416), (435), (436), (470) and (475) in trench 4; (518) and (519) in trench 5; and (723), (741), (748), (752) and (753) in trench 7.

4.4.6 These silty clays also represent alluvial deposits derived from episodes of flooding. Variations of colour, texture, gravel and cobble content within the same stratigraphic unit or flood level were common. These are probably due to disturbance caused by occupation activities. This is confirmed by the iron age pottery and burnt stone identified in some of these deposits.

4.4.7 The thickness of the alluvium layers indicates a succession of floods since only approximately 0.1m of alluvium would have been deposited by any individual flooding episode.

4.4.8 The stratigraphical relationship of the iron age features with the alluvial layers indicates separate occupation phases. For example in trench 4 several features (including (405), (407), (409), (411), (417) and (464)) cut the darker alluvium (represented by (402), (413), (416), (435), (470) and (475)), which in turn sealed several features (including (437) and (441)). Such associations occur in trenches 3 and 7.

5 *CONCLUSIONS*

5.1 An extensive iron age settlement site has been identified over the west and south parts of the site. This consisted of circular and larger enclosure ditches with structural evidence for huts provided by posthole and gullies. Evidence for several phases of occupation was also found. Part of this settlement was in an area liable to flood. Occupation continued in this area despite the numerous flooding episodes.

5.2 Romano-British ditches associated with a field system were also identified toward the north and east parts of the site. A settlement site may exist on the higher ground near Covert Lodge Farm.

5.3 Most of the features representing the settlement activity had been truncated by subsequent ploughing activity. Some on the low lying part of the site in the south were sealed by alluvium. A cobbled layer indicating an occupation surface was also identified on this part of the site.

5.4 Trial trenching confirmed the results of the geophysical survey. Only relatively larger features had been identified by the magnetometer survey. Smaller features identified in the trenches had not been observed by the geophysical survey.

5.5 Archaeology may also exist in the north and east parts of the site. These areas have only been evaluated by magnetic susceptibility survey. Although this technique has highlighted archaeology confirmed by the magnetometer survey and trial trenching these have also identified archaeology that was not found by magnetic susceptibility.

5.6 It is likely that the archaeology identified on the site will be affected by any future development. The information provided by the evaluation work will help determine a future mitigation strategy for the archaeology.

APPENDICES

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APPENDIX 1

CONTEXT SUMMARY TABLE

Appendix 1 : Context Summary Tables

Trench No.	Context No.	Category	Length (m)	Width (m)	Thickness (m)	Description
1	101	Layer	100	1.5	0.1	Loose clayey/silt plough soil
1	102	Layer	-	1.5	0.1	Friable clayey/silt layer below (101)
1	103	Layer	-	1.5	>0.1	Compact clayey/silt with frequent small (<1cm) gravel. Natural layer.
1	104	Cut	>1.5	0.4	0.15	Curving linear feature, U-shaped in profile. Possibly on eaves drip gully of a circular structure
1	105	Fill	>1.5	0.4		Friable silty clay fill of [104]
1	106	Layer	>1.5	-	-	Clay natural below [103]. Appears in the bottom of several features.
1	107	Cut	1.8	>0.43	>0.27	Northern side of a circular feature. Sides slope at 35°-45°, enters S section. Pit or ditch terminal
1	108	Fill	1.8	>0.43	>0.27	Firm clayey silt fill of [107]
1	109	Cut	0.2	0.2	0.13	Sub circular cut, sides at 80°. Probable small post hole
1	110	Fill	0.2	0.2	0.13	Friable silty clay fill of [109].
1	111	Layer	-	1.5	Unex.	Friable clayey silt natural at Eastern end of Trench 1
1	112	Cut	>3	>0.85	0.4	Curving drainage feature/ enclosure ditch. Sides slope at 45°, V-shaped profile
1	113	Fill	>3	>0.85	0.4	Friable clayey silt fill of [112]
1	114	Cut	>1.5	o.8	0.25	Linear ditch orientated N-S
1	115	Fill	>1.5	0.8	0.25	Friable silty clay fill of [114]
1	116	Cut	>1.7	0.1	-	Vertical sided modern mole drain cut
1	117	Fill	>1.7	0.1	-	Loose gravel fill of [116] containing a plastic pipe
1	118	Cut	>1.5	1.64	0.64	Curving ditch with sides sloping at 45° to a rounded bottom. Orientated NE-SW. Probable enclosure ditch
1	119	Fill	>1.5	1.64	0.38	Silty clay fill of [118]
1	120	Fill	>0.76	1.54	0.23	Basal silty clay fill of [118]
1	121	Cut	>1.5	0.42	0.44	Linear feature, sides at 70°-80°, flat bottom drainage function
1	122	Fill	>1.5	0.42	0.44	Silty clay fill of [121]
1	123	Cut	>1.5	0.6	0.21	Linear feature. Sides at 45°, rounded bottom. Drainage function

Trench No.	Context No.	Category	Length (m)	Width (m)	Thickness (m)	Description
1	124	Fill	>1.5	0.6	0.21	Silty clay fill of [123]
1	126	Fill	0.8	0.73	0.15	Silty clay fill of [125]
1	127	Fill	0.62	>0.3	0.02	Basal silty clay fill of [125]
1	128	Cut	>1.5	0.6	0.5	Linear feature, sides at 80°, flat base becoming rounded on E side. Drainage function
1	129	Fill	>1.5	0.6	0.5	Silty clay fill of [128]
1	130	Cut	0.66	0.66	Unex	Circular feature, not excavated. Probable post hole
1	131	Fill	0.66	0.66	Unex	Claying silt fill of [130]
1	132	Cut	>1.5	0.73	0.48	Linear feature. Sides at 55°-70°, rounded bottom. Drainage ditch.
1	133	Fill	>1.5	0.73	0.35	Silty clay fill of [132]
1	134	Fill	>0.64	0.4	0.12	Silty clay fill of [132]
1	135	Cut		0.25	0.07	E-W orientated linear cut. Filled by [136]
1	136	Fill		0.25	0.07	Friable silty clay fill of [135]
1	137	Cut	>1.6	0.47	0.09	Linear cut feature filled by [138]. Ditch cut
1	138	Fill	>1.6	0.47	0.09	"Sticky" silty clay fill of cut [137]
1	139	Fill	>1.5	0.25	0.25	Friable clayey silt fill of cut [128]
1	140	Cut	>1.5	0.10	0.07	Narrow linear feature orientated N-5 contains fill [141]. Ditch cut?
1	141	Fill	>1.5	0.10	0.07	Friable clayey silt fill of cut [140]
1	142	Cut	>1.6	2.0	0.2	Linear cut, shallow sides, oriented N-5. Filled by [143]. Ditch cut.
1	143	Fill	>1.6	2.0	0.2	Friable silty clay fill of cut [142]. Ditch fill.
1	144	Cut	>1.6	1.3	0.2	Linear cut shallow sides, oriented E-w filled by [145]. Ditch cut.
1	145	Fill	>1.6	1.3	0.2	Friable clay. Fill of cut [144]. Ditch fill.
1	146	Cut	0.47	0.38	0.07	Shallow sided oval cut. Filled by [147] post-hole cut.
1	147	Fill	0.47	0.38	0.07	Friable silty clay fill of cut [146]. Post hole fill.
1	148	Cut	1.5	0.55	0.14	Linear cut, poorly defined. Filled by [149]
1	149	Fill	1.5	0.55	0.14	Friable clayey silt fill of cut [148]. Ditch fill.
1	150	Cut	4.5	1.5	0.25	Wide "U" shaped cut. Filled by [151]. Natural
1	151	Fill	4.5	1.5	0.25	Friable clayey silt fill of cut [150]

Trench No.	Context No.	Category	Length (m)	Width (m)	Thickness (m)	Description
1	152	Cut	2.2	1.5	0.15	Shallow 'U' shape cut. Filled by [153] poss. Natural?
1	153	Fill	2.2	1.5	0.15	Friable clayey silt fill of unit [152]
1	154	Layer	1.3	>1.5	0.2	Friable layer silt
1	155	Layer	>1.5	>1.5	0.06	Plastic silty clay layer. Natural layer
1	156	Cut	1.0	>1.5	0.6	V shaped N-S orientated - Linear cut. Filled by [157] Ditch cut
1	157	Fill	1.0	>1.5	0.6	Friable silty clay fill of cut [156]. Ditch cut
1	158	Cut	-	1.25	>0.25	Cut for natural feature
1	159	Fill	-	1.25	>0.25	Plastic silty clay fill of [158]
1	160	Cut	1.30	0.4	>0.20	Clear feature, ramdon cut shape. Seen as natural (roots)
1	161	Fill	1.3	0.4	>0.2	Friable clayey silt fill of [160]
1	162	Cut	0.3	0.2	0.10	Circular cut feature. Interpreted as burrowing
1	163	Fill	0.3	0.2	0.10	Friable clayey silt fill of cut [162]
1	164	Cut	1.5	0.10	0.10	Cut for modern drainage ditch
1	165	Fill	1.5	0.10	0.10	Friable clayey silt Fill of modern drainage ditch
2	201	Layer	100	1.6	0.3	Clay silt ploughsoil
2	202	Layer	-	>1.6	0.2	Clay silt burried ploughsoil
2	203	Layer	100	1.6	-	Clay silt natural
2	204	Cut	1.6	0.26	0.13	Cut "Sloping Sides"Flat Base. Filled by [205]. Poss. pit.
2	205	Fill	1.6	0.26	0.15	Plastic silty clay fill of cut [204]
2	206	Cut	>7	0.2	>0.12	E-W orientated linear cut. Filled by [207]. Modern field drain
2	207	Fill	>7	0.2	>0.12	Mixed silty clay. Fill of [206]
2	208	Layer	2	0.9	0.04	Friable clayey silt layer
2	209	Cut	3.2	0.15	Unex.	Cut of linear feature. Modern ditch. (Not excavated) Filled by [210]
2	210	Fill	3.2	0.15	Unex.	Friable/plastic clayey silt. Fill of [209]
2	211	Cut	>3.5	0.65	0.07	"U" shaped feature. Filled by [212]
2	212	Fill	>3.5	0.65	0.07	Friable clay silt fill of [211]
2	213	Layer				Plastic silty clay layer
2	214	Cut	>1.5	1.5	0.7	N-S orientated linear cut filled by [232], [233], [234], [235]. Ditch

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2	215	Cut	>1.5			Poss. Ridge + furrow. No fill no. given
2	216	Cut	>1.5	0.08	>0.10	Narrow linear cut or a furrow.
2	217	Cut	>1.5	0.08	>0.10	Cut for linear feature. Filled by [218]
2	218	Fill	2	0.25	0.05	Friable silty clay fill of cut [217]
2	219	Layer				Plastic siltyclay layer
2	220	Cut	>1.5	0.34	0.14	Shallow E-W orientated linear feature. Filled by [221]. Shallow gully.
2	221	Fill	>1.5	0.34	0.14	Friable silty clay fill of cut [220]
2	222	Cut	0.4	0.4	0.14	Circular cut contains fills [223], [224]. Post-hole cut
2	223	Fill	0.4	0.4	0.12	Friable silty clay with fill of cut [222]. Upper fill of post-hole
2	224	Fill	0.15	0.15	0.03	Firm clay fill of cut [222]. Lower fill of post hole
2	225	Cut	0.20	0.20	0.03	Shallow circlar cut filled by [226]. Post hole cut
2	226	Fill	0.20	0.20	0.03	Firm silty clay fill of cut [225]
2	227	Cut	2.0	>0.7	0.28	Fairly steep sided well defined cut. Filled by [228] and [229]. Pit cut or butt end of a linear feature?
2	228	Fill	1.4	>0.7	0.14	Firm clayey silt upper fill of cut [227]
2	229	Fill	1.9	>0.7	0.14	Friable silty clay. Lower fill of cut [228]
2	230	Cut	>1.5	1.55	0.42	"U" shaped linear feature filled by [231] and [237]
2	231	Fill	>1.5	1.5	0.3	Friable clayey silt Upper fill of [230]
2	232	Fill	>1.5		0.24	Clay silt fill of ditch [214]
2	233	Fill	>1.5		0.24	Clay silt fill of ditch [214]
2	234	Fill	>1.5		0.2	Grey silty clay fill of [214]
2	235	Fill	>1.8		0.4	Silty clay fill of [214]
2	236	Fill	>1.5	1.7	0.24	Friable clayey silt fill of cut [258]
2	237	Fill	>1.5	0.9	0.2	Plastic silty clay, lower fill of ditch cut [230]
2	238	Fill	>1.5	1.6	0.18	Plastic silty clay, lower fill of ditch cut [258]
2	239	Fill	>1.5	1.65	0.7	Friable silty clay in latest fill of ditch recut[259]

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2	240	Fill	>1.5	1.2	0.2	Friable clayey silt, latest fill of ditch cut [260]
2	241	Fill	>1.5	0.9	0.34	Plastic silty clay, lower fill of ditch cut [260]
2	242	Fill	>1.5	0.87	0.35	Plastic silty clay, lower fill of ditch recut [259]
2	243	Cut	>1.5	-	0.2	Shallow "U" shaped cut. Farrow. Filled by [244]
2	244	Fill	>1.5	-	0.2	Friable clay silt. Fill of furrow cut [243]
2	245	Cut	>1.5	1.5	0.5	Ditch cut, filled by [246] + [247]
2	246	Fill	>1.5	1.5	0.4	Friable clay silt, fill of ditch [245]
2	247	Fill	>0.3	0.4	0.1	Sticky silty clay fill of ditch [245]
2	248	Cut	>1.5	0.25	-	Cut of Mod. Drain. Filled by [249]
2	249	Fill	>1.5	0.25	-	Fill of Mod. Drain. [248]
2	250	Cut	>1.5	0.25	-	Cut for Mod. Drain. Filled by [251]
2	251	Fill	>1.5	0.25	-	Fill of Mod.Drain. [250]
2	252	Cut	0.1	0.1	Unex.	Post hole cut, filled by [253]. (Not excavated)
2	253	Fill	0.1	0.1	Unex.	Sticky clay fill of post hole [252]
2	254	Cut	>1.5	-	0.2	Shallow "U" shaped cut. Furrow, filled by [255]
2	255	Fill	>1.5	-	0.2	Friable clay silt fill of furrow cut [254]
2	258	Cut	>1.5	1.75	0.67	Uneven "U" shaped ditch orientated "E of N". Poss. boundary ditch?
2	259	Cut	>1.5	1.7	0.69	"U"Shaped cut. Poss. Boundary ditch?
2	260	Cut	>1.5	1.25	0.53	"V" shaped linear cut. Poss. boundary ditch?
2	261	Fill	>1.5	1.18	0.25	Plastic silty clay, middle fill of cut [258]
2	262	Cut	>1.5?	11	0.25	Furrow cut, filled by [263]
2	263	Fill	>1.5?	11	0.25	Fill of furrow cut [262]
2	264	Cut	0.26	0.26	0.15	Steep sided circular cut, filled by [265]. Post hole cut
2	265	Fill	0.26	0.26	0.15	Friable clayey silt fill of post hole cut [264]
2	266	Cut	0.24	0-.24?	0.2	Post hole cut, filled by [267]
2	267	Fill	0.24	0.24	0.2	Friable clayey silt of post hole cut [266]
2	268	Layer	>1.5			Friable silty clay. Well defined layer/poss. Ploughed out feature?
2	269	Cut	0.2	0.2	0.2	Steep sided, rounded cut, filled by [270]. Post hole cut

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2	270	Fill	0.2	0.2	-	Friable silty clay fill of post hole cut [269]
2	271	Cut	1.2	0.34?	0.18	Cut for shallow pit? Filled by [272]
2	272	Fill	1.2	0.34	0.18	Firm silty clay fill of cut [271]
2	273	Cut	0.54	0.26	0.20	Steep sided, circular cut, contains fill [274]. Post hole cut
2	274	Fill	0.54	0.26	0.20	Clay/silt fill of [273]
2	275	Cut	0.6	0.25?	0.16	Poorly defined; rounded N..Edge. Filled by [276] + [277]. Ditch terminal/pit?
2	276	Fill	0.6	0.25	0.16	Friable clayey silt. Upper fill of cut [275]
2	277	Fill				Friable silty clay lower fill of cut [275]
2	278	Cut	-	-	-	Cut for Mod. Drain filled by [279]
2	279	Fill				Sticky clay fill of Mod. Drain [278]
2	280	Cut	>1.5	1.3	0.48	"Ditch" filled by [281] + [282]
2	281	Fill	>1.5	1.3	0.38	Sticky clay silt fill of [280] (Upper)
2	282	Fill	>1.5	1.3	0.1	Sticky silty clay fill of [280] (Lower)
2	283	Cut	1.0	>0.3-?	0.1	"Pit" filled by [284]
2	284	Fill	1	>0.3-?	0.1	Sticky silty clay fill of [283]
2	285	Cut	-	-	-	Cut for Mod. Drain filled by [286]
2	286	Fill				Fill of Mod. Drain [285]
2	287	Cut	1.5	2.5	0.8	"Poss. Ditch". Filled by [288]
2	288	Fill	1.5	2.5	0.8	Fill of [287]
2	289	Cut				Shallow "U" shaped cut filled by [290]. Furrow
2	290	Fill				Fill of furrow "Cut" [289]
2	291	Cut				Steep sided. Circuclar cut filled by [292]
2	292	Fill	0.24	0.24	0.15	Friable silty clay fill of post hole [291]
3	301	Layer	85	1.5	0.33	Friable clay silt. Top soil/turf
3	302	Layer				Friable clayey silt. Layer below topsoil. Sealing features
3	303	Layer	>85	1.5	-	Friable clayey silt. Natural layer
3	304	Cut	1.12	0.68	0.12	Shallow, probably linear cut. Filled by [305]. Linear ditch/gully?

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3	305	Fill	1.12	0.68	0.12	Friable clayey silt, fill of [304]
3	306	Cut	1.41	0.61	0.24	Shallow linear feature, E-end terminates in trench. Filled by [307]
3	307	Fill	1.41	0.61	0.24	Friable clayey silt, fill of [306]
3	308	Cut	>1.8	1.0	0.3	E Orientated "U" shaped linear cut filled by [309]. Gully feature
3	309	Fill	>1.8	1.0	0.3	Friable clay silt fill of cut [308]
3	310	Cut	>1.5	4.2	0.94	E. Orientated"U" shaped linear feature, filled by [311], [323], [324]. Ditch cut.
3	311	Fill	>1.5	4.2	0.57	Friable clayey silt, fill of [310]
3	312	Cut	>1.98	1.78	0.58	"V" shaped linear cut, filled by [313], [314]. Ditch cut
3	313	Fill	>1.98	1.78	0.21	Friable clayey silt, fill of ditch [312]
3	314	Fill	>1.98	1.78	0.4	Silty clay, fill of ditch [312]
3	315	Cut	>2.82	0.4	0.22	N-S orientated linear feature. Not excavated Mod. Drain. Filled by [316]
3	316	Fill	>2.82	0.4	0.22	Friable clayey silt fill of [315]
3	317	Cut	>1.62	0.44	0.24	Vertical sided linear feature. (Pot-hole cut [319] cuts this). Filled by [318]. Structural feature
3	318	Fill	>1.162	0.44	0.24	Friable clay silt fill of [317]
3	319	Cut	0.34	>0.24?	0.18	Vertical sided, circular cut. Post-hole cut within structural feature [317]. Filled by [320]
3	320	Fill	0.34	>0.24?	0.18	Friable clayey silt fill of post-hole [319]
3	321	Cut	0.54	0.46	0.14	Semi-cicular feature, filled by [322]. Probable post-hole
3	322	Fill	0.54	0.46	0.14	Friable clayey silt fill of [321]
3	323	Fill	>1.5	2.0	0.3	Packed silty clay fill of cut [310]. Fill of ditch
3	324	Fill	>1.5	1.42	0.08	Friable silty clay fill of [310]. Fill of ditch
3	325	Cut	>1.9	0.3	0.46	Cut for Mod. Drainage Ditch. Filled by [326]
3	326	Fill	>1.9	0.3	0.46	Friable clayey silt fill of [325]
3	327	Cut	>1.98	1.4	0.48	NW-SE orientated linear feature. Filled by [328] + [329]. Enclosure ditch

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3	328	Fill	1.98	1.4	0.36	Friable clayey silt. Upper fill of [327]
3	329	Fill	>1.98	1.28	0.12	Friable silty clay. Lower fill of [327]
3	330	Cut	>1.66	0.86	0.86	N-S orientated linear, poorly defined edges. Filled by [331] + [332]. Ditch cut. Poss. Modern?
3	331	Fill	>1.66	0.82	0.18	Upper fill of [330]
3	332	Fill	>1.66	0.78	0.68	Lower fill of [330]
3	333	Cut	>3.7	0.7	0.32	Linear feature, Mod. Drain. Filled by [334]
3	334	Fill	>3.7	0.7	0.32	Fill of [333]
3	335	Cut	>1.72	0.22	0.1	Shallow linear feature. Filled in [336]. Gully
3	336	Fill	>1.72	0.22	0.1	Fill of [335]
3	337	Layer	11.60	>1.5	0.14	"Loose" clayey silt layer. Alluvium, redeposited Lias Clay
3	338	Cut	>1.5	1.56	0.62	Ditch, filled by [339]
3	339	Fill	>1.5	1.56	0.62	Fill of [338]
3	340	Cut	>1.5	1.18	0.52	? Filled by [341]
3	341	Fill	>1.51	1.18	0.52	Fill of [340]
3	342	Layer	11.8	>1.5	-	Soft silty clay. Natural
3	343	Layer	>2.46	>1.5	-	Soft/sticky silty clay.
3	344	Cut	>1.54	0.4	?	Mod. Drain, filled by [345]
3	345	Fill	>1.54	0.4	?	Friable silty clay fill of [344]
3	346	Cut	>1.5	0.42	0.38	Mod. Drain, filled by [347]
3	347	Fill	>1.5	0.42	0.38	Loose gravel, fill of [346]
3	348	Layer	45.6	>1.5	0.44	Soft silty clay, alluvium, redeposited Lias Clay
3	349	Layer	12.8	>1.5	0.42	Friable silty clay, alluvium, redeposited Lias Clay
3	350	Layer				Friable silty clay. Natural
3	351	Layer	5.8	>0.5	0.12?	Gravel with iron pan. Natural
3	352	Layer				Compact silty clay. Natural Lias Clay
3	353	Layer				Soft clayey silt. Naturally deposited layer
3	354	Cut	>0.5	4.9	0.74	NW-SE aligned linear feature, filled by [355], [363], [356]
3	355	Fill	>0.5	4.7	0.2	Silty clay fill of ditch [354]
3	356	Fill	>0.5	4.76	0.46	Silty clay fill of ditch [356]
3	357	Cut	>1.5	0.34	0.18	NW-SE aligned linear feature with "U" shaped post-hole, gully
3	358	Fill	>1.5	0.35	0.18	Silty clay fill of gully [357]
3	359	Cut	>0.5	3.78	1.0	NW-SE aligned linear feature with stepped sloping sides and "U bottom - ditch

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3	360	Fill	>0.5	3.78	0.78	Silty clay fill of ditch [359]
3	361	Fill	>0.5	1.75	0.2	Clayey silt fill of ditch [359]
3	362	Layer				Friable silty clay, alluvium, redeposited Lias Clay
3	363	Fill		1.54	0.08	Silty clay fill of ditch [354]
3	364	Layer				Sticky silt clay, alluvium, redeposited Lias Clay
3	365	Layer				Silty clay, alluvium, redeposited Lias Clay
4	401	Layer	>85	>1.5	0.3	Loose clayey silt - Ploughsoil
4	402	Layer	4.7	1.5	0.25	Friable silty clay, plastic when wet. Layer extending W of [405]. Possible occupation layer, relating to [405] and [421]
4	403	Cut	>1.5	0.2	0.15	Steep-sided cut of modern drainage ditch. Orientated to E-W
4	404	Fill	>1.5	0.2	0.15	Friable clay silt containing ceramic drain pipe - fill of drainage ditch [403]
4	405	Cut	>1.5	0.25	0.20	Shallow "U" shaped linear cut beside and parallel to [407]. Relationship between these two features uncertain. May represent a re-cut of [407]. Possibly enclosure ditch. Orientated NE-SW
4	406	fILL	>1.5	0.25	0.20	Friable, almost plastic very clayey silt. Fill of [405] not possible to distinguish from (408), (Fill of [407])
4	407	Cut	>1.5	0.45	0.32	Shallow "U" shape linear cut beside and parallel to [405]. Relationship between these features unclear. May represent a re-cut of [405]
4	408	Fill	>1.5	0.45	0.32	Friable - plastic very clayey silt, fill of [407]. Not possible to differentiate from (406). (Fill of [405])
4	409	Cut	>1.5	0.5	0.26	Shallow "U" shaped linear cut running obliquely into [407] and cut by it - shallow gully - oriented to N-S
4	410	Fill	>1.5	0.5	0.26	Friable clayey silt with some small gravel inclusions. Fill of [409]
4	411	Cut	0.4	0.4	0.48	Small circular cut with steep sides. Post-hole
4	412	Fill	0.4	0.4	0.48	Friable, almost plastic clayey silt, fill of [411]

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4	413	Layer	7.5	>1.5	0.15	Friable clayey silt with occasional small pebbles. Layer appearing in W. Of Tr4. May correspond to [416] and [402].
4	414	Cut	>1.5?	0.9	0.08	"U" shaped linear cut of shallow ditch. Orientated to NE-SW
4	415	Fill	>1.5?	0.9	0.08	Friable silty clay plastic when wet, with some accretions from natural iron-panning. Fill of [414].
4	416	Layer	7.5	>1.5	0.15	Friable clayey silt layer with occasional small pebbles. Layer appears between [414] and [417]. May correspond to layers (413) and (402).
4	418	Fill	>1.5?	1.1?	0.43?	Friable clayey silt with few small pebbles. Fill of [417]
4	419	Cut	>1.5	0.3	0.33	Steep-sided cut. Modern draining ditch. Orientated to E-W.
4	420	Fill	>1.5	0.3	0.33	Friable clayey silt, containing earthenware drain channel. Fill of [419]
4	421	Cut	>1.5?	1.3	0.4	Uneven-sided linear cut with E-side near vertical, W-side more shelving. Contain post holes [423] + [445]. Structural ditch. Orientated to NE-SW
4	422	Fill	>1.5	1.3	0.4	Friable clayey silt with occasional small pebbles. Fill of (421)
4	423	Cut	0.3	0.3	0.2	Small circular, steep sided cut. Post-hole
4	424	Fill	0.3	0.3	0.2	Plastic silty clay with several smooth stones to max. dia. 150mm. Fill of [423]
4	425	Cut	0.42	0.4	0.22	Small, roughly circular, steep sided cut. Post-hole
4	426	Fill	0.42	0.4	0.22	Friable soft clayey silt. Fill of [425]
4	427	Layer	>85?	>1.5?	>?	Plastic clay layer. Natural clay
4	428	Cut	0.9	0.45?	0.55	Large round, steep sided cut. Pit.
4	429	Fill	0.9	0.45?	0.38	Friable clayey silt, fill of [428]
4	430	Cut	0.8	0.27?	0.22	Small disk-shaped cut. Possibly natural

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4	431	Fill	0.6	0.27?	0.22	Plastic silty clay. Fill of [430]
4	432	Cut	>1.5	0.2	0.3	Steep-sided cut. Modern drain. Orientated E-W
4	433	Fill	>1.5	0.2	0.3	Friable clayey silt containing ceramic pipe. Fill of [432]
4	434	Layer	>1.5	0.9	<0.1	Plastic silty clay. May correspond to layer (462)
4	435	Layer	10.5	>0.5	0.25	Plastic clayey silt layer. Occupation layer/alluvial?
4	436	Layer	>1.5?	2.3	0.14	Plastic silty clay layer. Probably corresponds to layer (462)
4	437	Cut	>1.5?	4.2	0.95	Large widened "U" shaped linear cut. Large ditch appears to be a re-cut of [441]. Possible boundary ditch. Orientated NE-SW
4	438	Fill	>1.5?	4.2	0.28	Friable clayey silt. Upper fill of [437]
4	439	Fill	>1.5?	3.4	0.6	Friable/plastic clay fill. Fill of [437]
4	440	Fill	>1.5?	1.2	0.08	Plastic silty clay. Based fill of [437]
4	441	Cut	>1.5?	1.6	0.8	Widened "U" shaped linear feataure, parallel to and re-cut by [437]. Possible boundary ditch. Orientated to NE-SW
4	442	Fill	>1.5	1.6	0.8	Friable/plastic silty clay. Fill of [441]
4	443	Cut	>1.5	0.2	0.25	Steep-sided linear cut. Modern drain cut. Orientated to E-W
4	444	Fill	>1.5	0.2	0.25	Friable clayey silt. Fill of [443]
4	445	Cut	0.42	0.26?	0.2	Circular, shallow, flat-bottomed cut. Possibly truncated post-hole
4	446	Fill	0.42	0.26?	0.2	Friable/plastic silty clay. Fill of [445]
4	447	Cut	>1.5	0.2	>0.12	Steep-sided linear cut of modern drainage ditch. Orientated to E-W
4	448	Fill	>1.5	0.2	>0.12	Friable clayey silt fill with ceramic pipe. Fill of [447]
4	449	Cut	>1.5	0.2	>0.12	Steep-sided linear cut of modern drainage ditch. Orientated to E-W
4	450	Fill	>1.5	0.2	>0.12	Friable clayey silt fill of [449]

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4	451	Cut	>1.5	0.4	>0.3	Steep-sided linear cut of modern drain. Orientated to E-W
4	452	Fill	>1.5	0.4	0.3	Friable clayey silt with imposted pea gravel bedding. Fill of [451]
4	453	Cut	>1.5	0.2	>0.1	Steep-sided linear cut of modern drainage ditch. Orientated to E-W
4	454	Fill	>1.5	0.2	>0.2	Friable claying silt fill with ceramic pipe. (Fill of [453]
4	455	Cut	0.26	0.15	0.12	Small, roughly circular depression in base of ditch [421]. Possible post hole
4	456	Fill	0.26	0.15	0.12	Plastic silty clay fill of [455]
4	457	Layer	>85?	>1.5	>0.2 variable	Friable, silty gravel. Natural layer
4	458	Cut	3.4?	0.5	0.25	Shallow dish-shaped (in section) cut, possibly linear. W-edge lost by (cut by?) [421]
4	459	Fill	3.4	0.5	0.25	Friable clayey silt with some small pebbles. Fill of [458]
4	460	Layer	13.5	>1.5?	0.3	Plastic silty clay "gley" layer. Possibly natural . Corresponds to (469) W and (461), (474) + 475) E, which may all be a continuous layer
4	461	Layer	>0.75	>0.5	0.32	Plastic silty clay "gley" layer. Similar to, and, probably, equivalent of (460)
4	462	Layer	>58.5	>1.5	0.32	Plastic silty clay layer extending E. Along Tr4 after approx.26m. Probably corresponds to (468), (467) (466) + (434). Possibly alluvia/flood layer
4	463	Fill	0.6	0.5?	0.25	Plastic, silty clay fill. Basal fill of pit feature [428]
4	464	Cut	0.65	0.5?	0.3	Shallow "U" shaped (in section) feature. May be linear, but only detectible in section
4	465	Fill	0.65	0.5?	0.3	Friable clayey silt fill of [464]
4	466	Layer	>1.5?	2.7	0.1	Plastic silty clay layer, lens-shaped in section. May represent truncation of (462)
4	467	Layer	>1.5	3	0.15	Plastic silty clay layer, roughly lens-shaped in section. May represent truncation of (462)

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4	468	Layer	>1.5	1.5	0.1	Plastic silty clay layer, roughly lens-shaped in section. May represent truncation of 9462)
4	469	Layer	2.5?	>0.5?	0.2	Plastic silty clay "gley" layer. Probably corresponds to (460). Possibly natural
4	470	Layer	13.5	>0.5?	0.14	Friable, very clayey silt. Contains archeological material. This layer may correspond to (435. Occupation layer/water borne?
4	471	Layer	>0.75?	>0.5	0.1	Plastic silty clay layer. Possibly corresponds to (470)
4	472	Layer	>1.5	>0.5	0.12	Plastic silty clay layer similar to (471). Possibly corresponds to 9470) as part of an extensive layer over much of Tr4
4	473	Layer	>1.4	>1.5	0.14	Plastic silty clay layer. Similar to (472) in appearance. Corresponds to (470) and may represent a continuation of that layer
4	474	Layer	>1.5?	>0.5?	>0.1	Plastic, silty clay "gley" layer. May correspond to (460). Probably natural
4	475	Layer	>1.4?	>1.5?	0.22	Plastic, silty clay "gley". Probably corresponds to (460). Possibly natural
4	476	Cut	>1.5	0.2	>0.18	Steep-sided linear cut. Cut of modern drainage ditch. Orientated E-W
4	477	Fill	>1.5	0.2	>0.18	Friable clayey silt. Fill of [476]
5	501	Layer	>40	>1.5	0.3	Layer - turf/ploughsoil
5	502	Layer	>40	>1.5	0.4	Layer extending over whole trench 5, covering all archaeological features - alluvial layer
5	503	Cut	>1.5	0.25	0.18	Cut of linear feature orientated E-W. Edges variably defined. Possibly natural
5	504	Fill	>1.5	0.25	0.18	Friable, clayey silt. Fill of [503]
5	505	Layer	3.25	>1.5	0.1	Plastic,silty clay layer with small gravel inclusions. Possibly alluvial spread

Trench No.	Context No.	Category	Length (m)	Width (m)	Thickness (m)	Description
5	506	Cut	0.4	0.27	0.05	Triangular shaped shallow feature, associated with gravel natural (518), Possibly natural
5	507	Fill	0.4	0.27	0.05	Friable, clayey silt. Fill of [506]
5	508	Cut	>1.5	2.3	0.3	Cut of shallow "U" shaped linear feature drainage/boundary ditch?
5	509	Fill	>1.5	2.3	0.3	Plastic, silty clay fill of [508]
5	510	Cut	0.32	0.22	0.08	Cut of rounded feature with steep sides. Possible post-holes?
5	511	Fill	0.32	0.22	0.08	Friable, clayey silt. Fill of [510]
5	512	Cut	1.54	0.48	0.09	Cut of approx. Linear,shallow feature. Orientated N-S. May be redeposition event
5	513	Fill	1.54	0.48	0.09	Friable, clayey silt. Fill of [512]
5	514	Cut	>1.5	0.2	0.55	Steep-sided, linear cut. Modern drainage ditch
5	515	Fill	>1.5	0.2	0.55	Friable, clayey silt with a majority of imported pea-gravel. Fill of [514]
5	516	Cut	>1.5	0.2	0.28	Steep-sided, linear cut. Orientated to E-W. Modern drainage ditch
5	517	Fill	>1.5	0.2	0.28	Friable, clayey silt. Fill of [516]
5	518	Layer	>40	>1.5	?	Friable, clay/gravel layer appearing sporadically across trench at varying depths. Natural
5	519	Layer	>40	>1.5	>0.4	Plastic clay layer, containing sporadic patches of (518). Natural
5	520	Cut	>0.35	0.8	0.15	Poorly defined, broadened "U" shaped cut. Possibly linear. Possibly natural
5	521	Fill	>0.35	0.8	0.15	Friable, clayey silt. Fill of [520]
5	522	Cut	0.6	0.1	0.35	Irregularly-shaped cut associated with gravel natural patch (518). Possibly natural
5	523	Fill	0.6	0.1	0.35	Friable, clayey silt. Fill of [522]
5	524	Layer	3.7	>1.5	0.25	Friable, clayey silt spread of material occurring below (502). May represent alluvial deposit.

Trench No.	Context No.	Category	Length (m)	Width (m)	Thickness (m)	Description
6	601	Layer	>39.7	>1.5	max.0.3	Friable clayey silt layer. Top soil
6	602	Layer	>39.7	>1.5	max.0.3	Plastic, silty clay layer. Differs from (603) in being lesseasy to see features in it
6	603	Layer	>39.7	>1.5	>0.42	Plastic, clay layer. Good clay natural
6	604	Fill	>1.66	0.99	0.18	Plastic, silty clay lower fill of [605]
6	605	Cut	>1.66	1.67	0.78	Steep-sided linear cut with narrow flat base. Orientated NE-SW. Ditch
6	606	Fill	>2.1	0.98	0.48	Plastic, silty clay. Fill of [607]
6	607	Cut	>2.1	0.98	0.48	Shallow "U" shaped linear cut. Orientated SE-NW. Ditch cut
6	608	Fill	>1.94	0.82	0.5	Plastic, silty clay. Fill of [609]
6	609	Cut	>1.94	0.82	0.5	Steep-sided, "U" shaped linear cut. Orientated to NE-SW, Ditch cut
6	610	Fill	>1.5	0.28	0.16	Plastic, silty clay. Fill of [611]
6	611	Cut	>1.5	0.28	0.16	Poorly defined "U" shaped, linear cut. Modern drain cut
6	612	Fill	>2.0	0.26	>0.34	Loose gravel. Fill of [613]
6	613	Cut	>2.0	0.26	>0.34	Vertical-sided, l;inear cut. Orientated to SE-NW. Modern drain cut
6	614	Fill	>1.5	0.2	0.3	Plastic silty clay. Fill of [615]
6	615	Cut	>1.5	0.2	0.3	Poorly defined "U" shaped linear cut. Modern drain cut
6	616	Fill	>1.5	0.34	0.18	Plastic, silty clay. Fill of [617]
6	617	Cut	>1.5	0.34	0.18	Poorly defined "U" shaped linear cut. Modern drain cut
6	618	Fill	>1.5	0.18	0.26	Plastic, silty clay. Fill of [619]
6	619	Cut	>1.5	0.18	0.26	Poorly defined, "U" shaped, linear cut. Modern drain cut.
6	620	Fill	>1.5	0.2	0.3	Plastic, clay. Fill of [621]
6	621	Cut	>1.5	0.2	0.3	Poorly defined "U" shaped, linear cut. Modern drain cut
6	622	Fill	>1.96	0.64	0.4	Plastic, silty clay. Fill of [623]
6	623	Cut	>1.96	0.64	0.4	Uneven-sided linear cut. E. Edge steep, W. Edge shallower. Orientated to NE-SE. Small ditch/gully
6	624	Fill	>1.66	1.67	0.22	Plastic, silty clay. Upper fill of [605]

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6	625	Fill	>1.66	1.4	0.38	Plastic, silty clay. Fill of [605]
6	626	Fill	>1.06	0.4	0.9	Plastic, silty clay lens of fill, occurring within (625). Fill of [605]
7	701	Layer	39	1.5	0.32	Soft clayey silt. Topsoil/ploughsoil
7	702	Layer	21.5	1.5	0.15	Soft clayey silt. Truncated ploughsoil
7	703	Cut	>0.5	1.16	0.51	Linear cut filled by [704] + [705]. Enclosure ditch
7	704	Fill	>0.5	1.16	0.25	Friable silty clay. Upper fill of [703)
7	705	Fill	>0.5	0.9	0.31	Firm clayey silt. Lower fill of [703]
7	706	Cut	>0.5	1.0	0.34	Well defined cut. Filled by [707]. Enclosure ditch
7	707	Fill	>0.5	1.0	0.34	Friable clayey silt. Fill of [706]
7	708	Cut	>0.5	1.6?	0.57	"V" shaped cut, filled by [709] +[745}. Enclosure ditch
7	709	Fill	>0.5	0.74	0.32	Friable clayey silt. Lower fill of ditch [708]
7	710	Layer	>0.5	2.24	0.1	Clayey layer with frequent stones compacted into it. Cobbled surface
7	711	Layer	4.4	>0.5	0.14	Friable clay silt layer, seals [710]
7	712	Cut	>0.26	0.3	0.16	Circular cut, filled by [713]. Post-hole cut in base of ditch [714]
7	713	Fill	>0.26	0.3	0.16	Friable sandy clayey silt. Fill of [712]
7	714	Cut	0.5	2.0	0.74	Well defined cut filled by [715] + [716] Enclosure ditch
7	715	Fill	0.5	1.0	0.2	Loose sandy silt upper fill of [714]
7	716	Fill	>0.5	1.8	0.52	Friable silty clay lower fill of [714]
7	717	Cut	>0.5	1.6	0.87	Well defined cut, filled by [718] + [719]. Enclosure ditch
7	718	Fill	>0.5	1.5	0.52	Friable clayey silt upper fill of [717]
7	719	Fill	>0.5	0.8	0.35	Friable clayey silt lower fill of [717]
7	720	Cut	>0.5	2.2	0.78	Well defined linear cut, filled by [721 + [722]. Enclosure ditch
7	721	Fill	>0.5	2.2	0.69	Friable sandy clayey silt upper fill of [720]

Trench No.	Context No.	Category	Length (m)	Width (m)	Thickness (m)	Description
7	722	Fill	>0.5	0.9	0.1	Friable sandy silty lower fill of [720]
7	723	Layer	6.2	>0.5	0.2	Soft silty clay layer cut by [720] + [729]
7	724	Cut	>0.5	0.34	0.12	Well defined linear, filled by [725] gully
7	725	Fill	>0.5	0.34	0.12	Firm silty clay fill of [724]
7	726	Cut	>0.5	1.48	0.42	Well defined linear cut. Filled by [727] + [728]. Enclosure ditch
7	727	Fill	>0.5	1.48	0.42	Friable silty clay upper fill of [726]
7	728	Fill	0.49	>0.5	0.05	Friable clayey sand lower "slip" fill of [726]
7	729	Cut	>0.5	0.8	0.54	Well defined lienar cut filled by [730]. Enclosure ditch
7	730	Fill	>0.5	0.8	0.54	Friable clayey silt of [729]
7	731	Cut	>0.5	0.65	0.56	Well defined cut, filled by [732]. Enclosure ditch
7	732	Fill	>0.5	0,.65	0.56	Friable clayey silt fill of [731]
7	733	Cut	4.0	0.5	0.18	Shallow cut filled by [746] + [734]. Shallow depression/Poss. natural?
7	734	Layer/fill?	14.6	0.5	0.18	Compact silty clay, high, cobble + gravel include. Poss. natural?
7	735	Cut	2.3	>0.5	0.1	Shallow cut filled by [736]. Shallow cut/nat. depression?
7	736	Fill	2.2	>0.5	0.1	Soft clay fill of [735]. Poss. natural?
7	737	Cut	>0.5	0.36	0.26	Well defined linear cut filled by [738] + [739]. Gully/slot
7	738	Fill	>0.3	0.7	0.12	Firm silty clay upper fill of [737]
7	739	Fill	>0.5	0.3	0.22	Soft clay, lower fill of [737]
7	740	Layer	>18.1	>1.5	0.32	Alluvial clay layer
7	741	Layer	18.9	0.5	0.24	Soft silty clay layer, similar to [723]
7	742	Fill	>0.4	>0.2	0.13	Friable silty clay? Fill of ditch cut [703]
7	743	Cut	>0.5	1.24	0.41	Well defined linear cut. Filled by [744]. Enclosure ditch?
7	744	Fill	>0.5	1.24	0.41	Compact clayey silt fill of [743]
7	745	Fill	>0.5	1.0	0.24	Friable sandy clayey silt of [708]
7	746	Fill	3.5	>0.5	0.13	Compact gravelly fill of [733]. Poss. Natural?

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7	747	Layer	>39	>0.5	0.1	Compact sandy clay. Natural gravel
7	748	Layer	0.7	>0.5	0.14	Sticky silty clay. Truncated layer. Possible ploughsoil/occupation?
7	749	Layer			0.2	Firm clay. Natural
7	750	Cut	>1.5	>0.32	0.28	Mod. drain cut. Filled by [751]
7	751	Fill	>1.5	>0.32	0.28	Soft silty clay fill of [750]
7	752	Layer	50.8	>0.5	0.14	Firm clayey silt layer. Possibly old ploughsoil/occupation?
7	753	Layer	1.5	>0.5	0.1	Firm clayey silt layer. Possibly old ploughsoul/build-up?

APPENDIX 2

GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY (FORTHCOMING)

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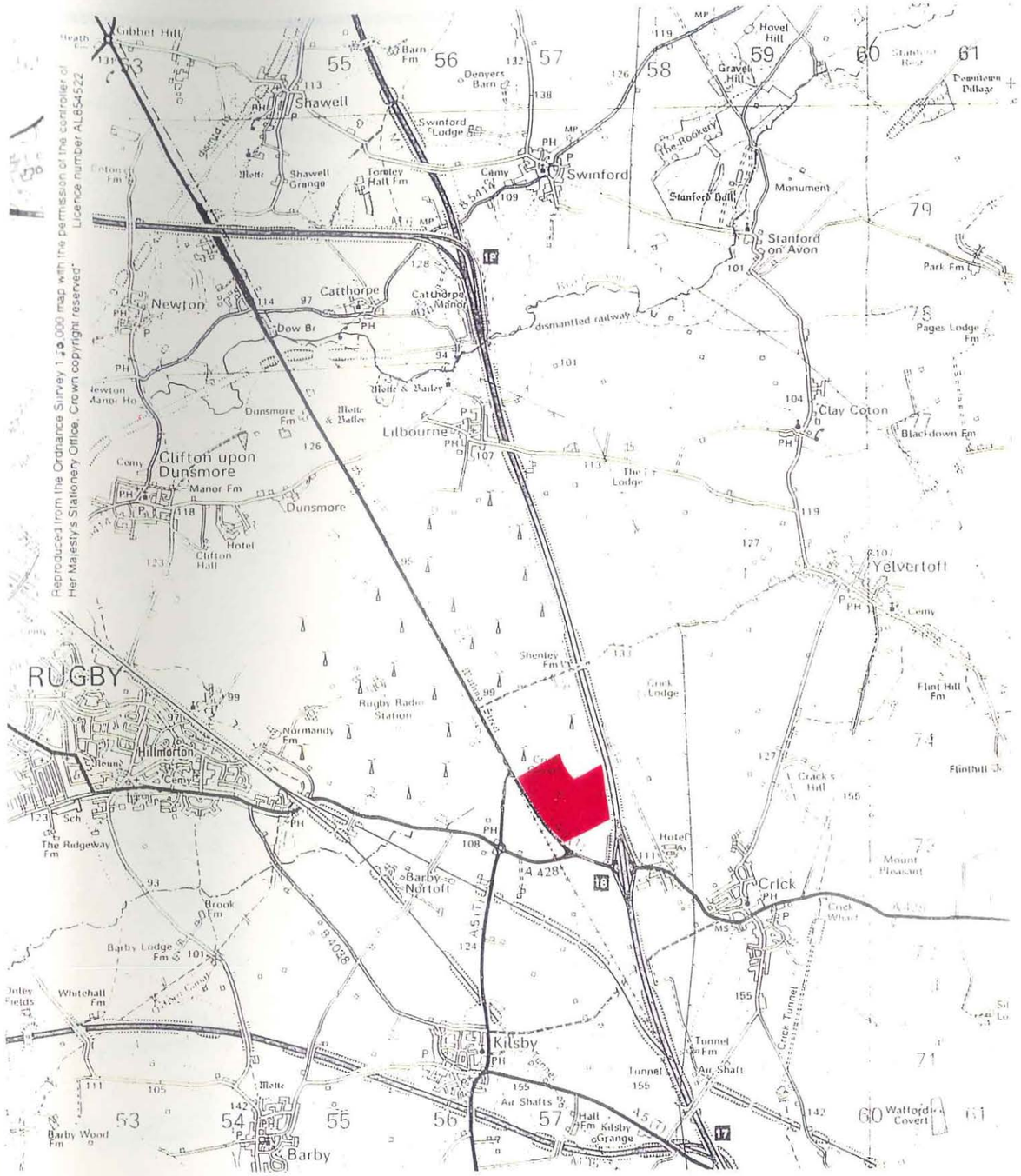

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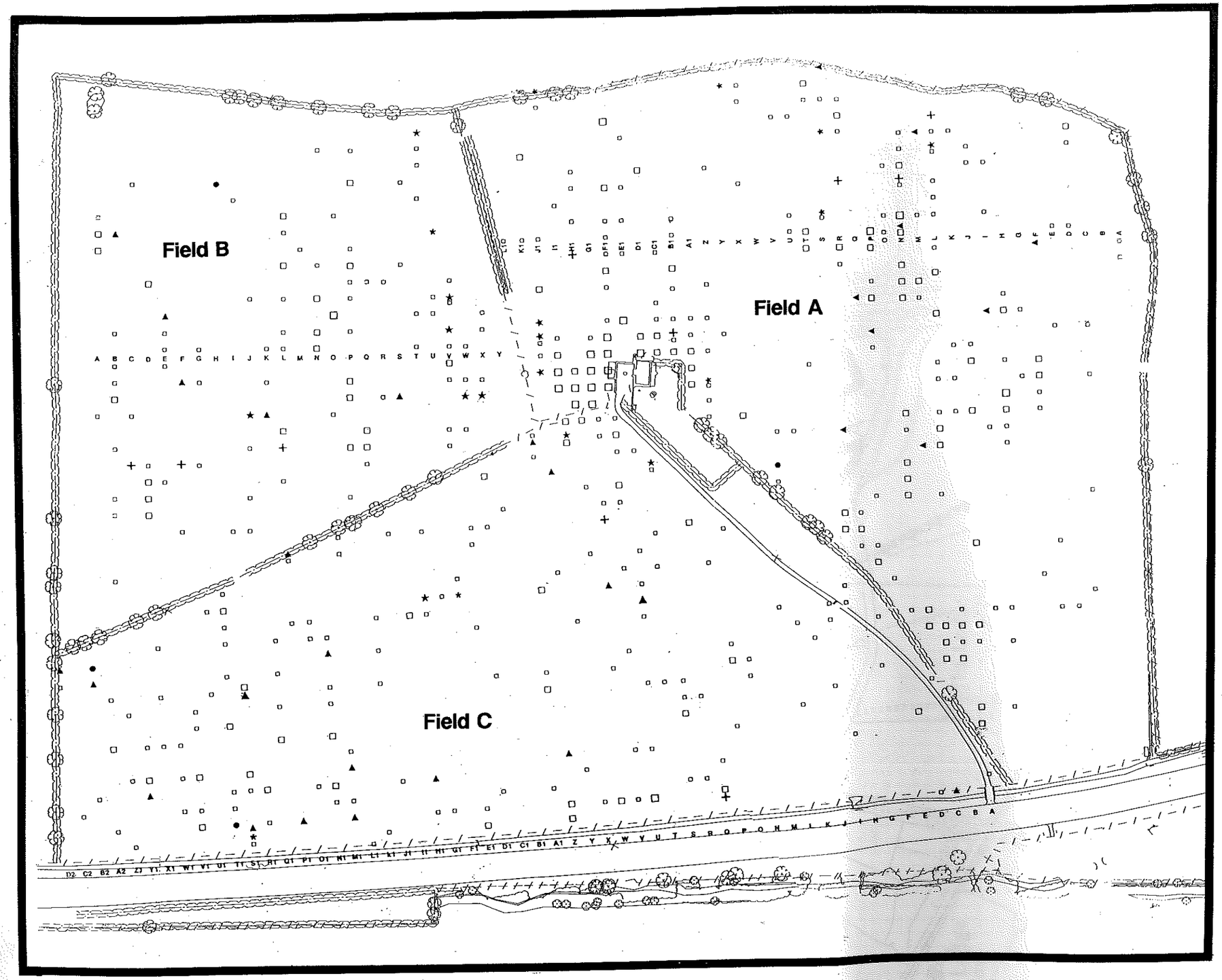

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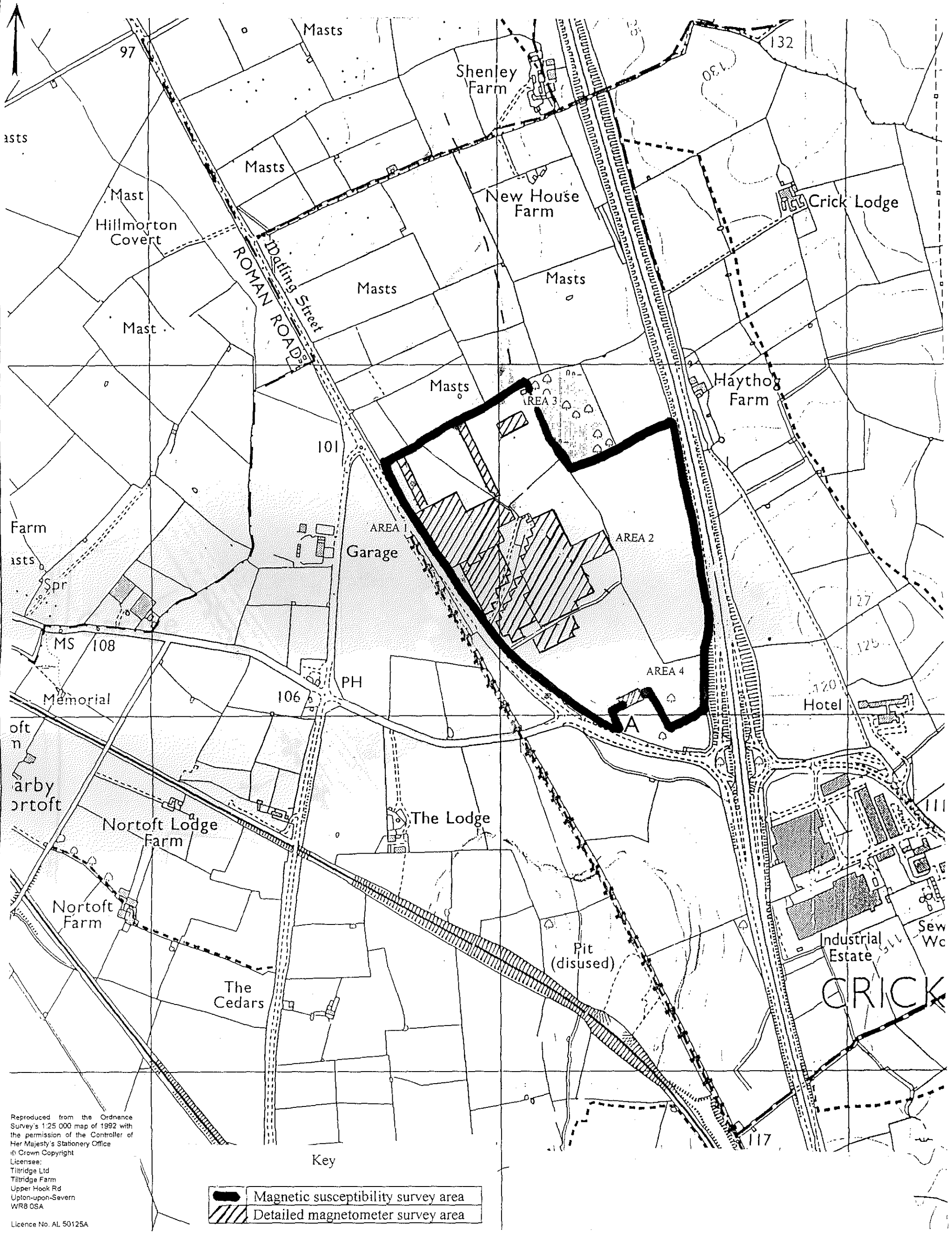

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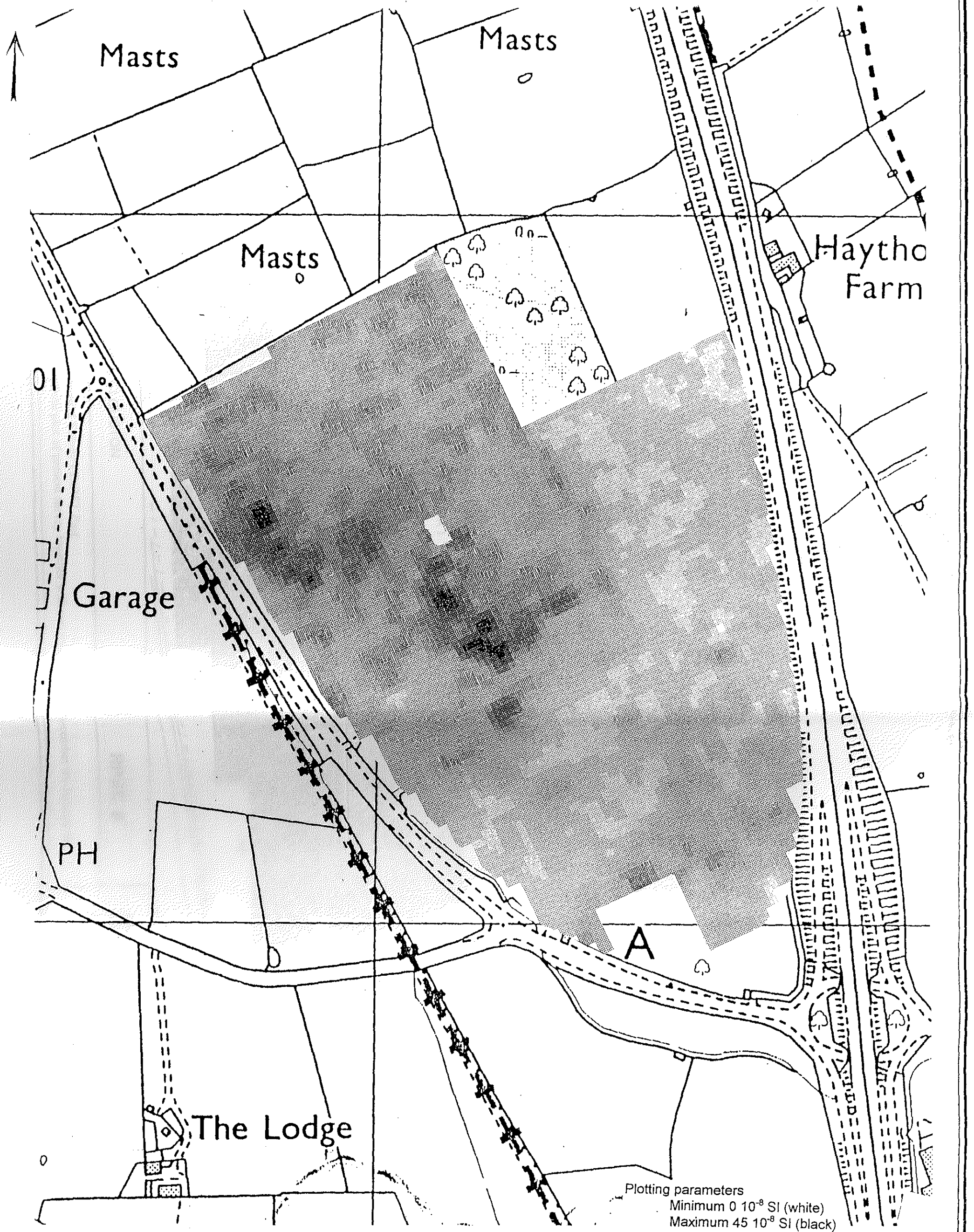

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Location of Trenches

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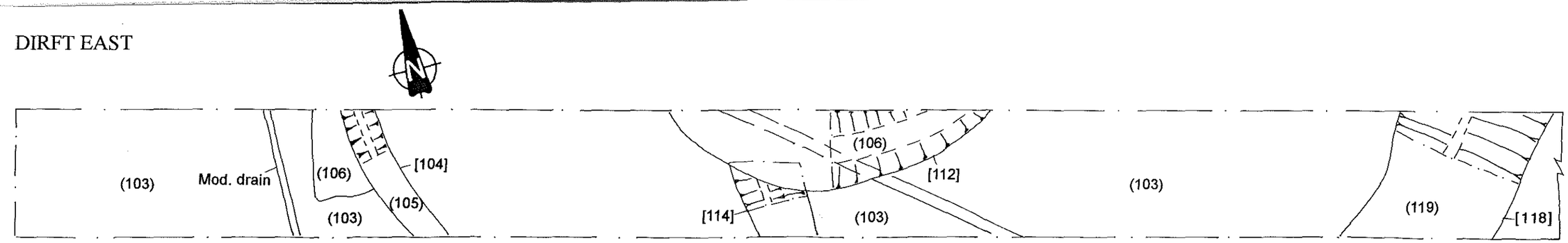

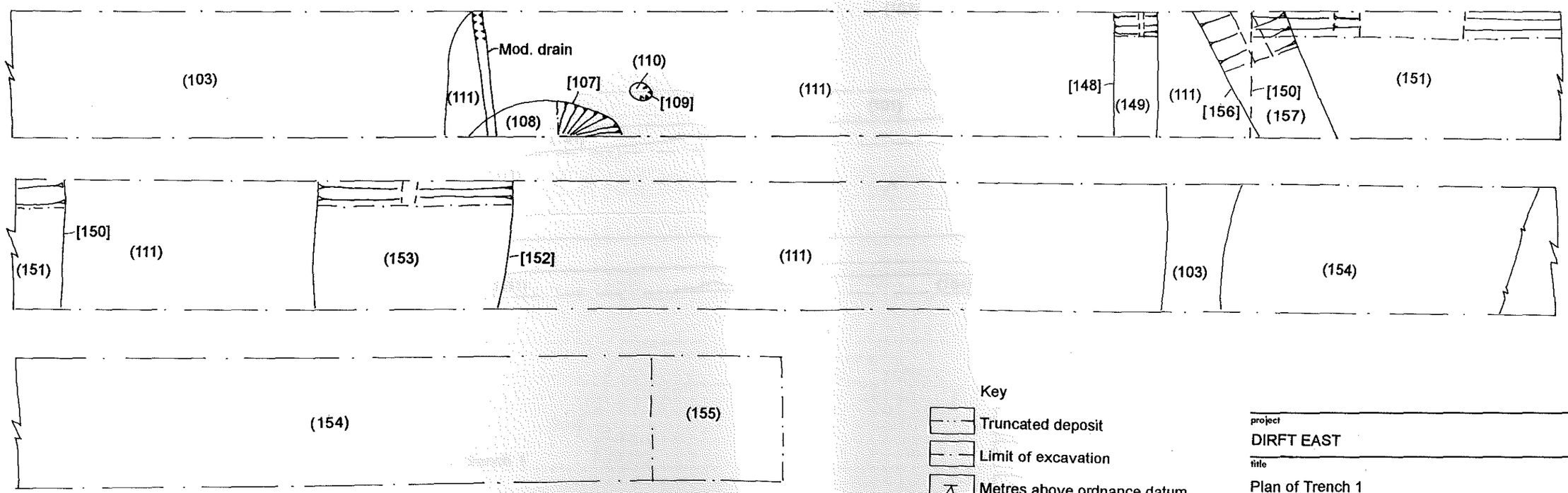

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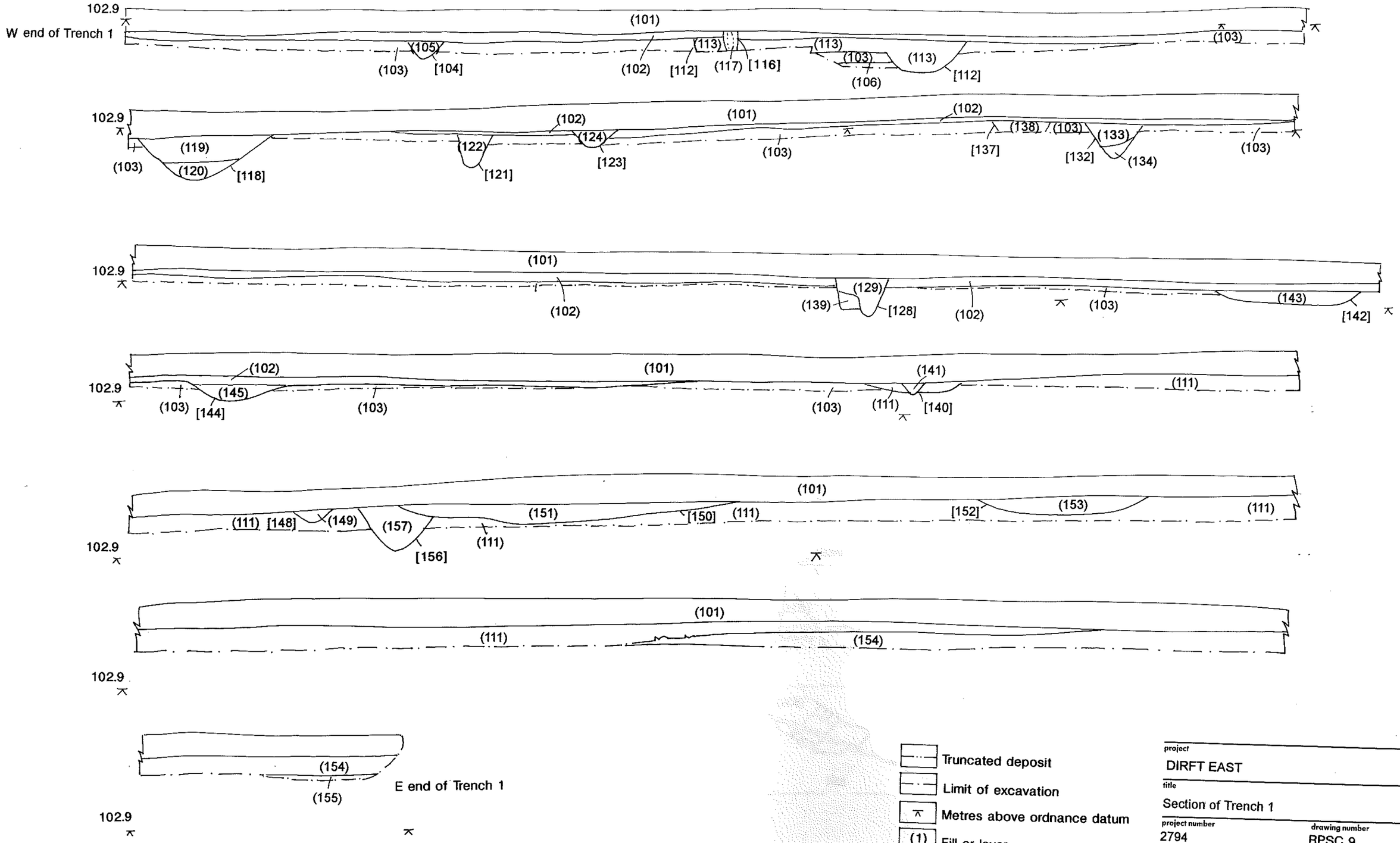

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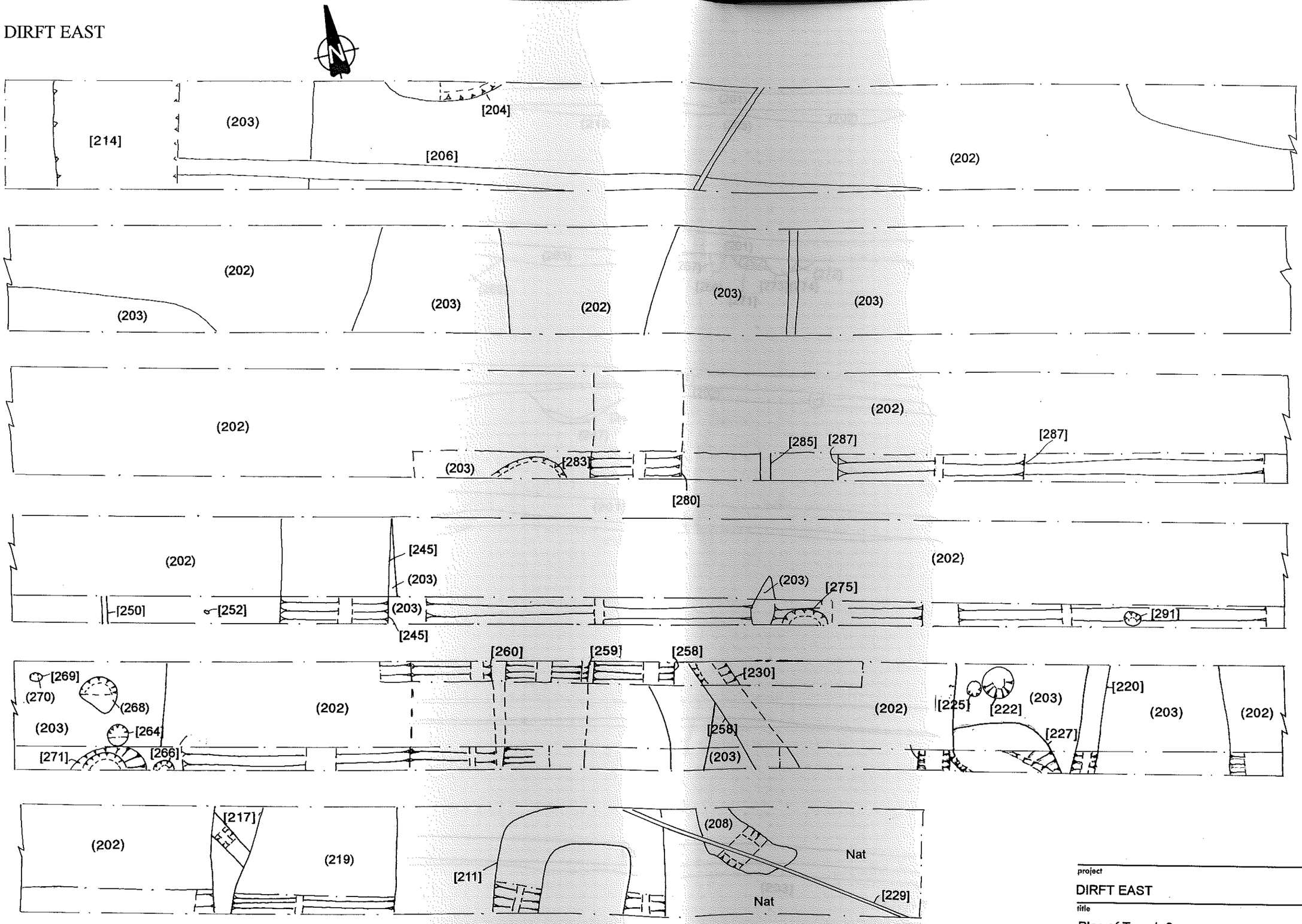

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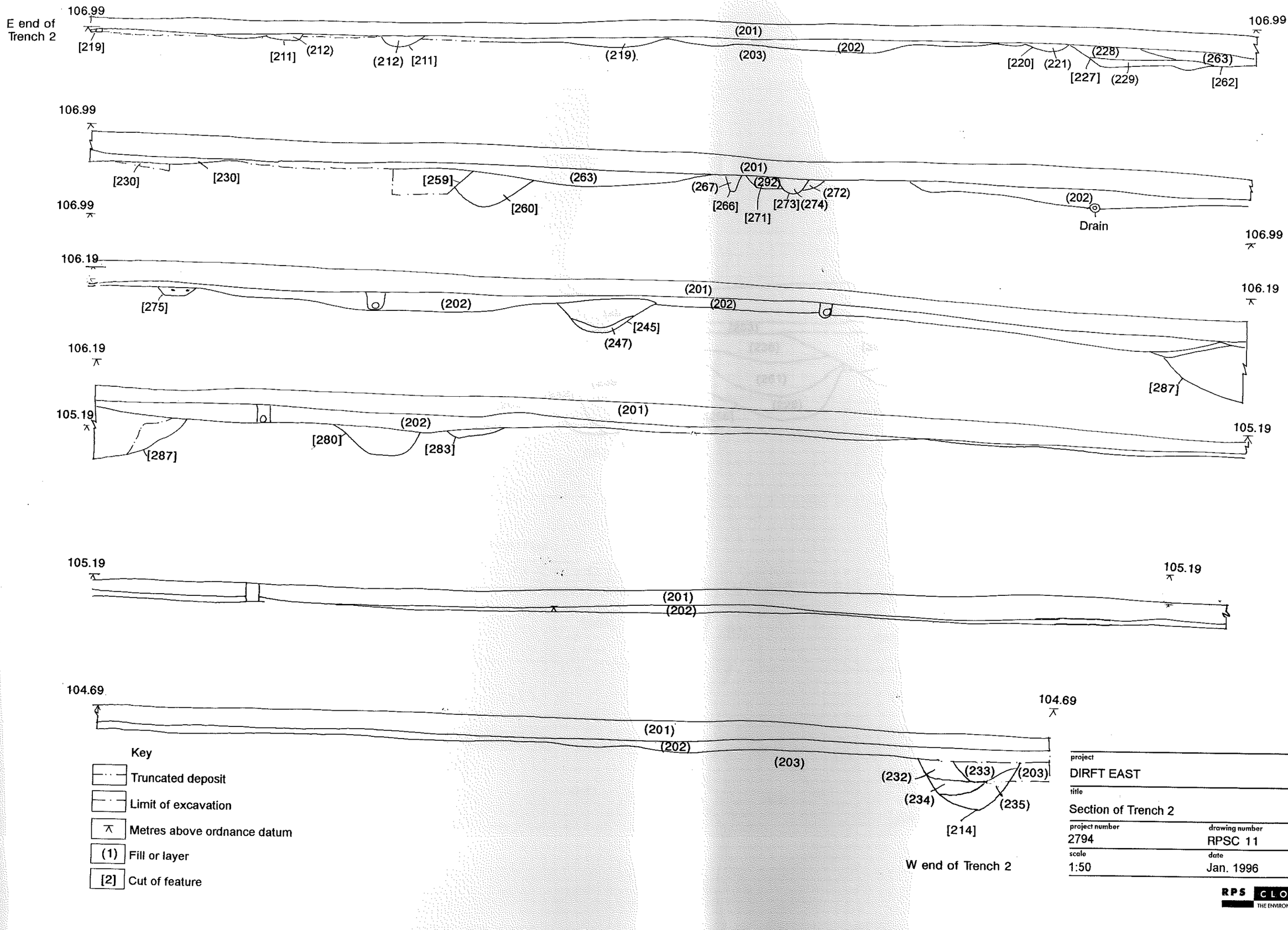

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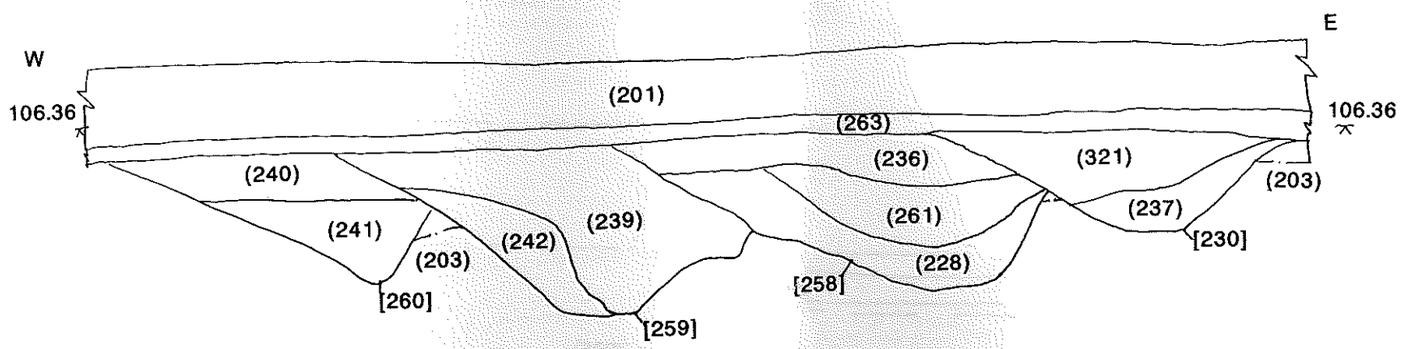

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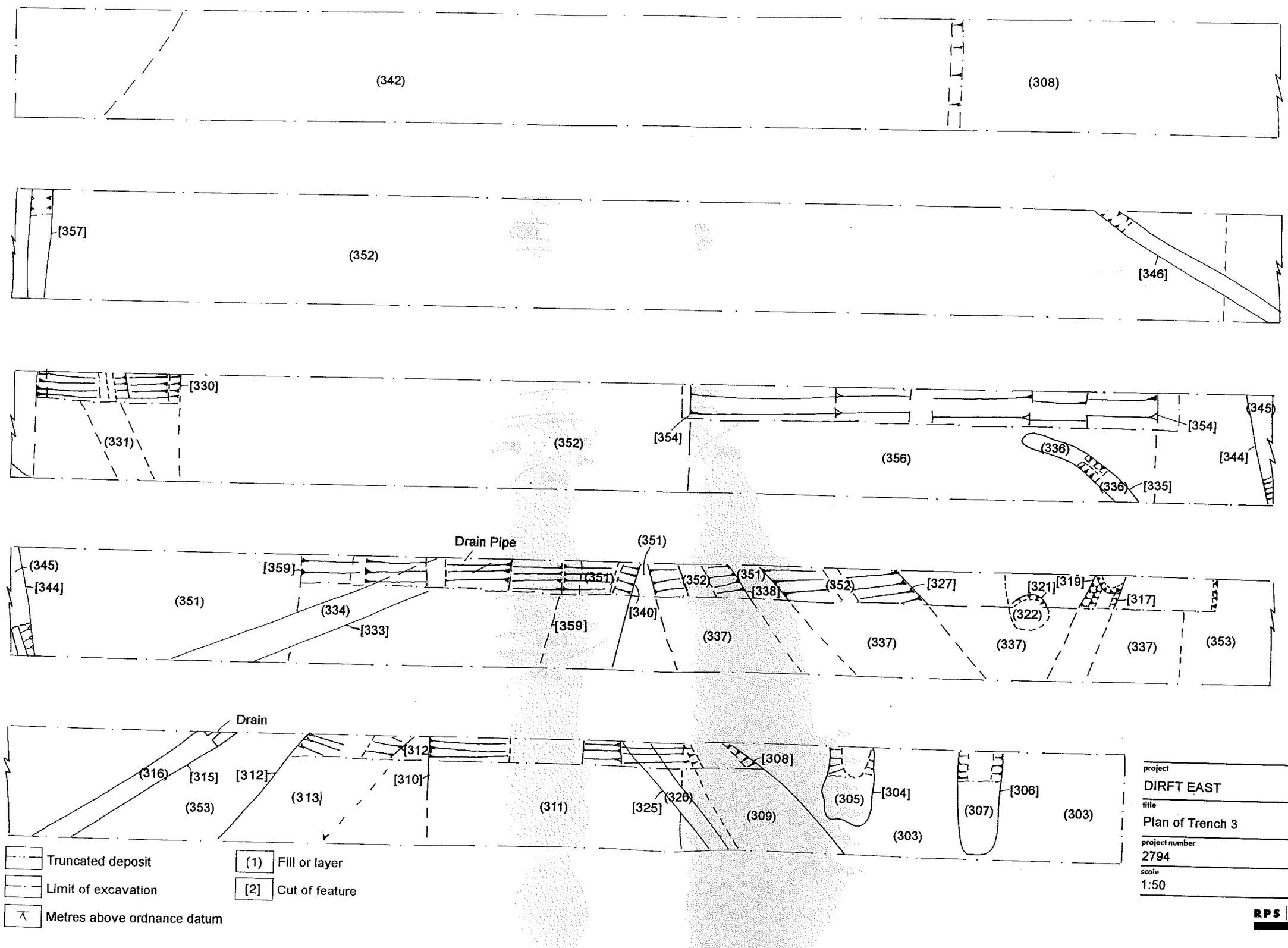

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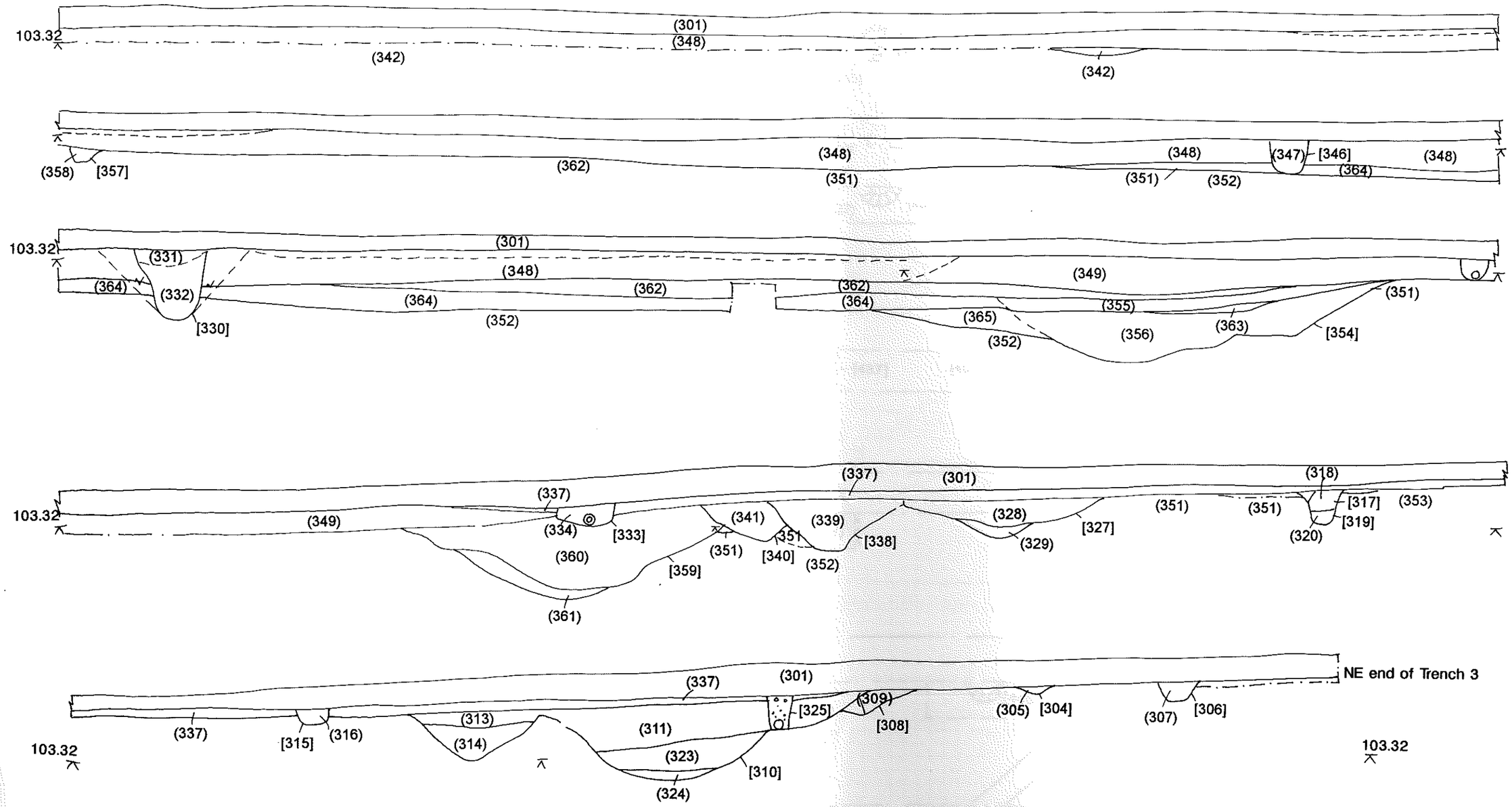

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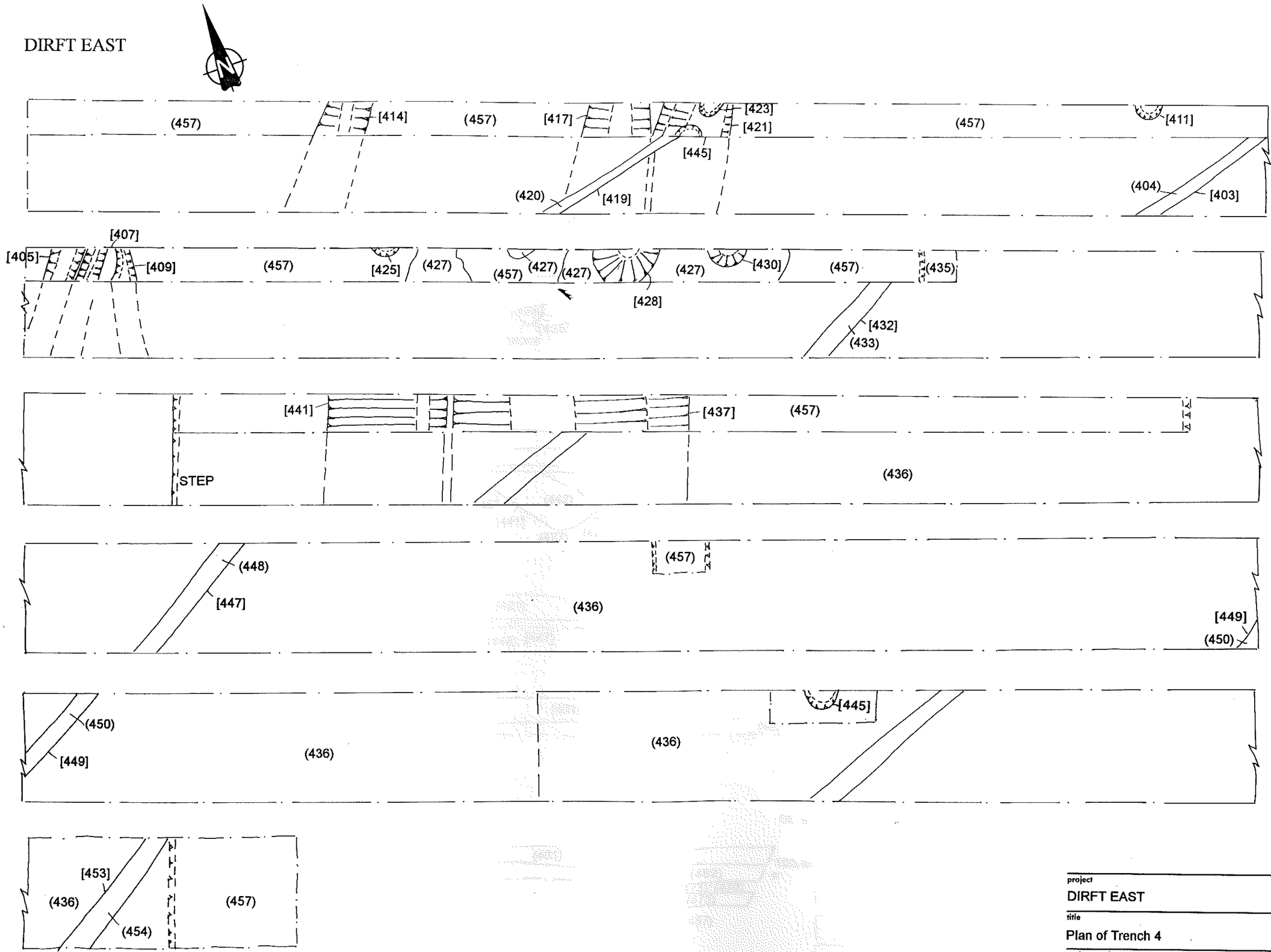

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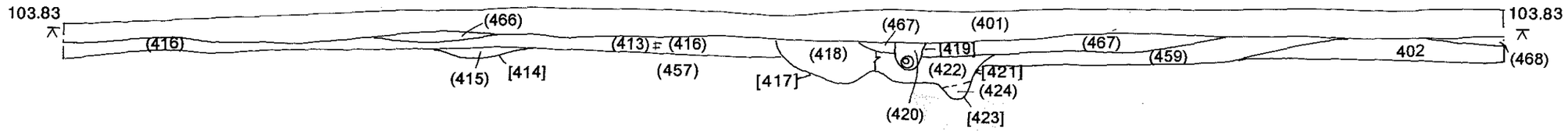

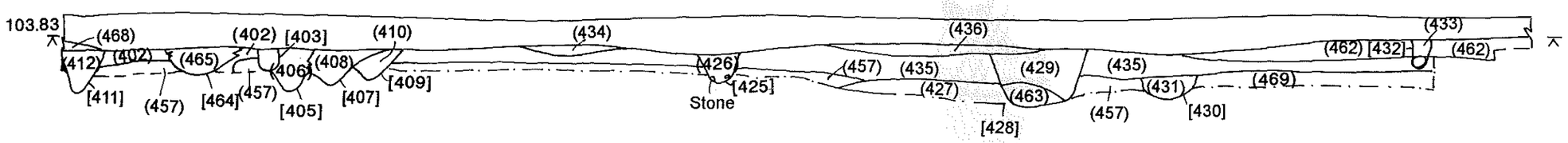

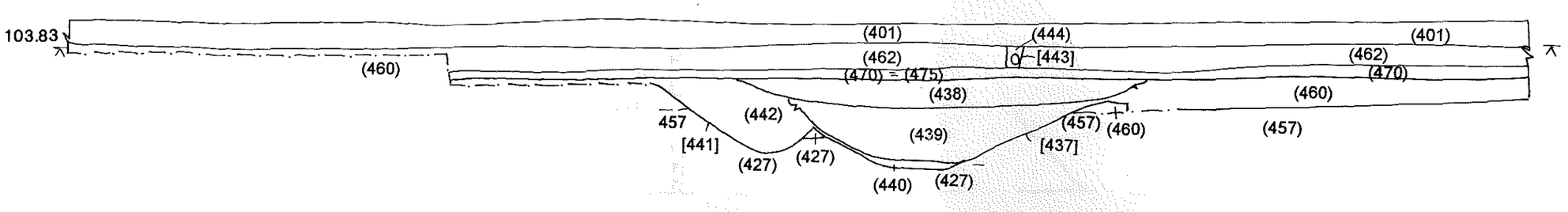

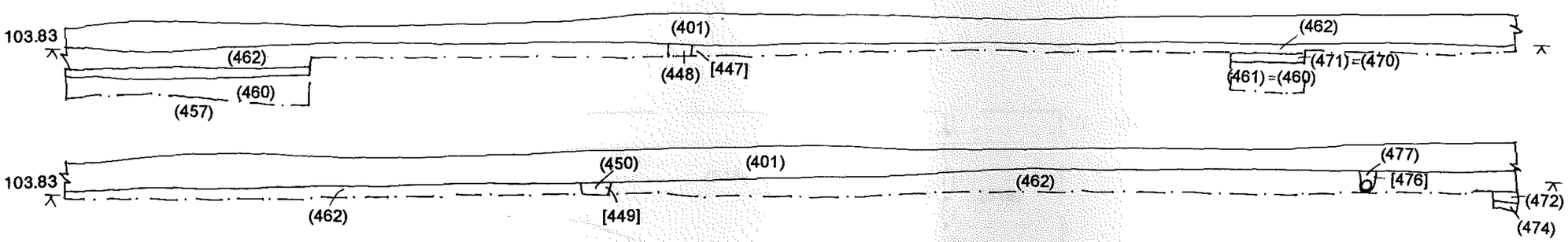

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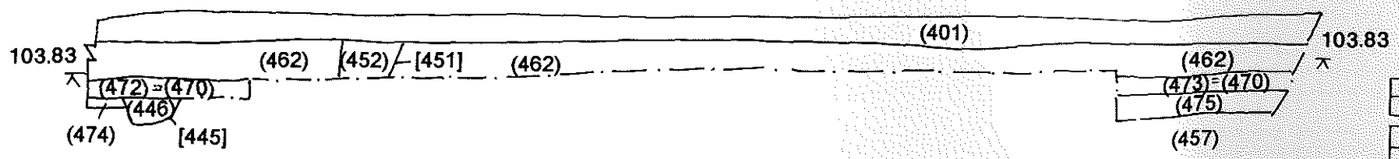

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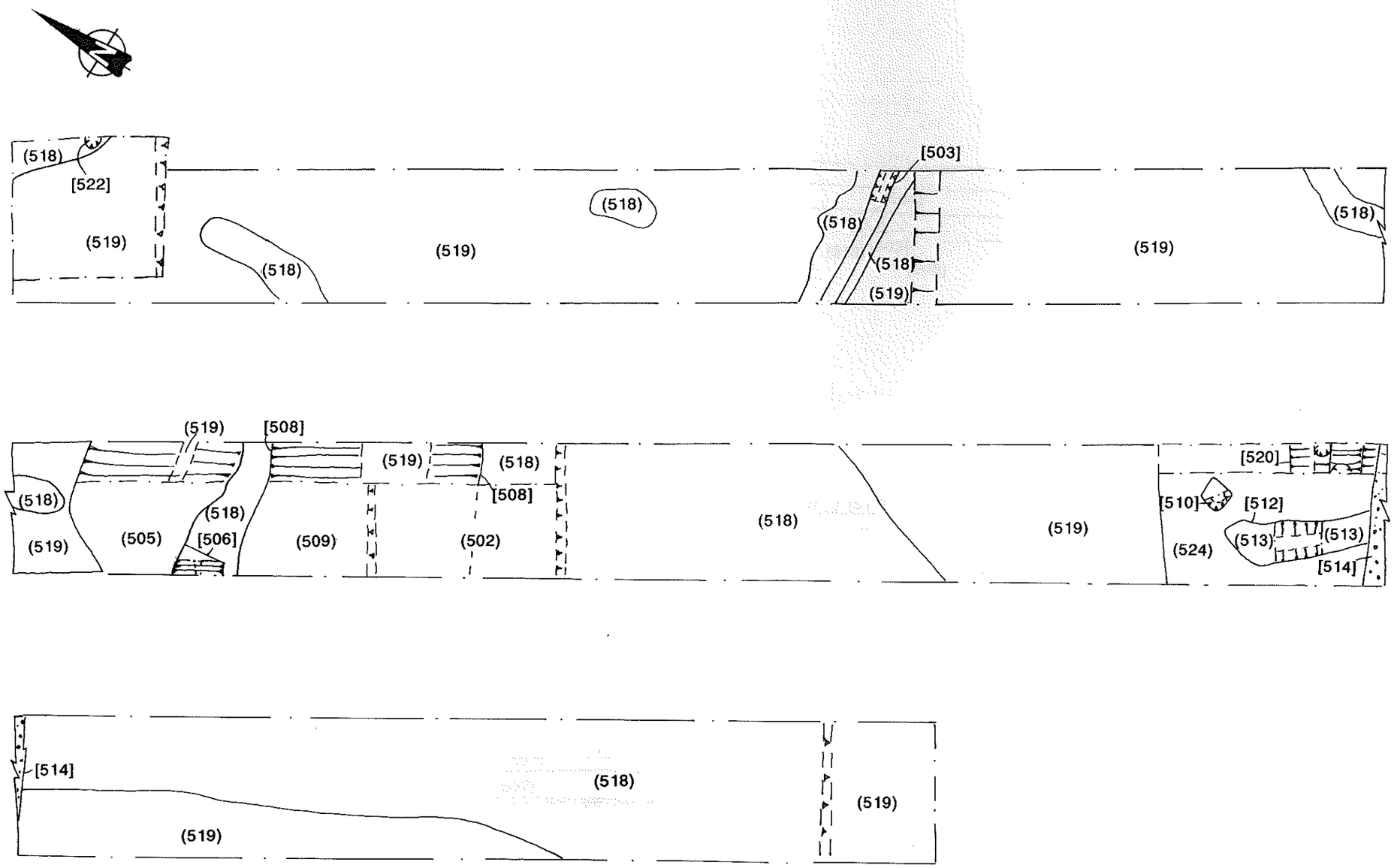

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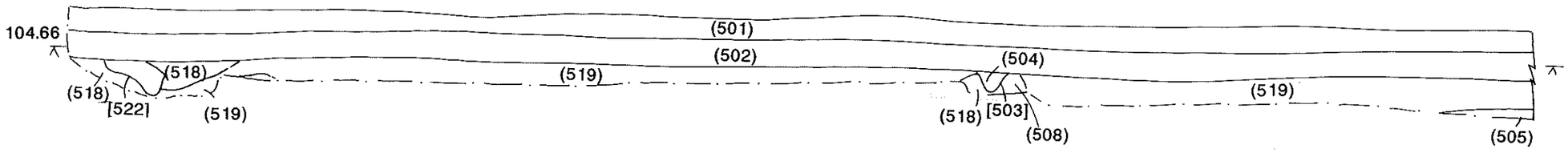

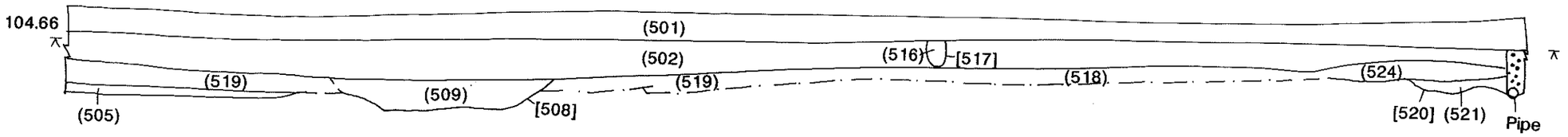

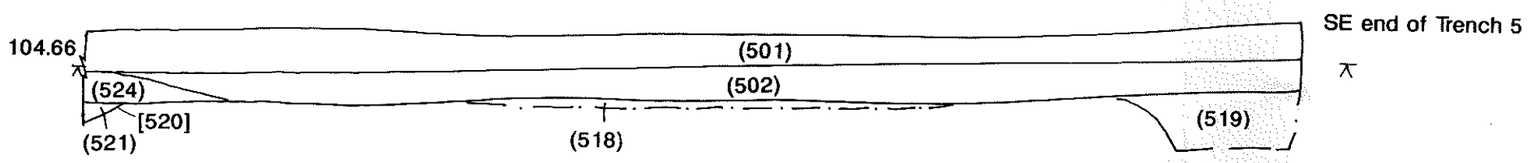

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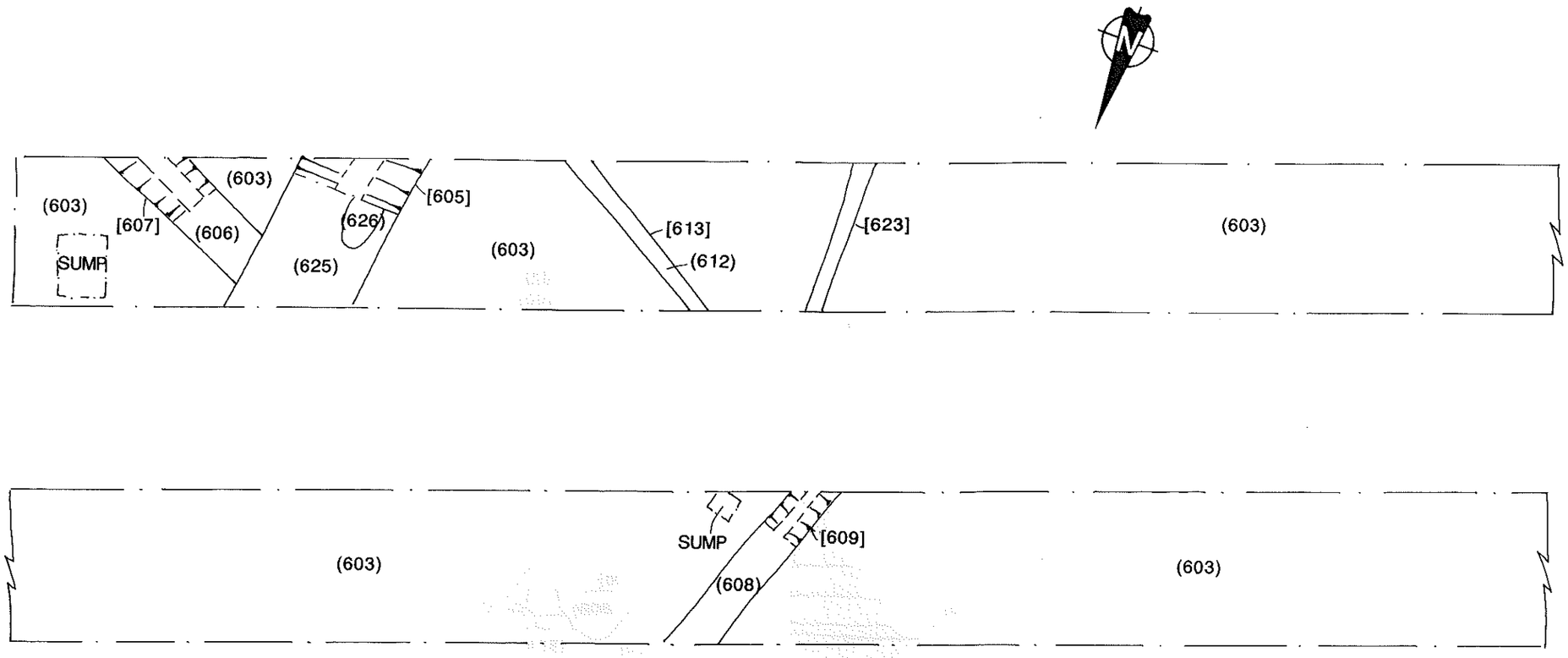

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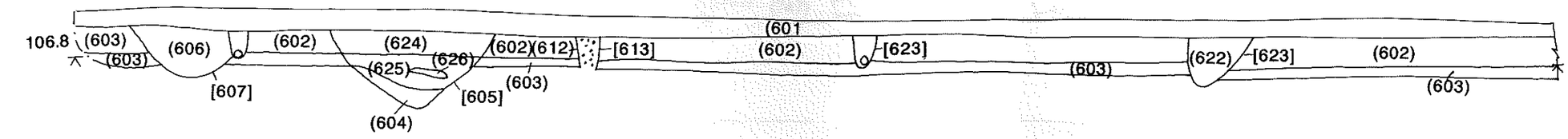

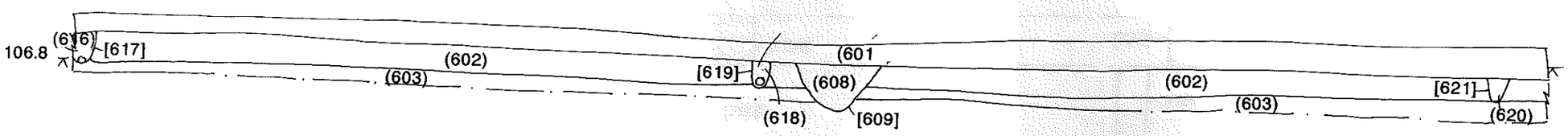

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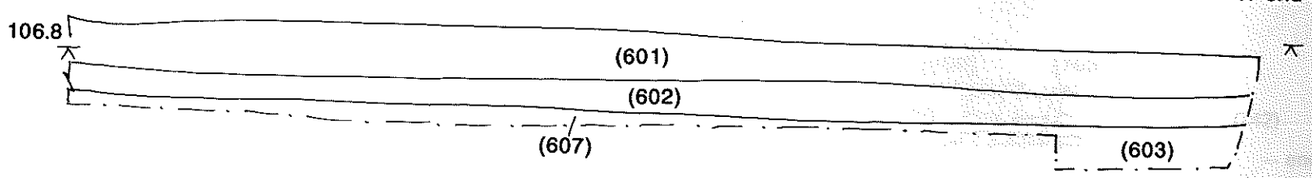

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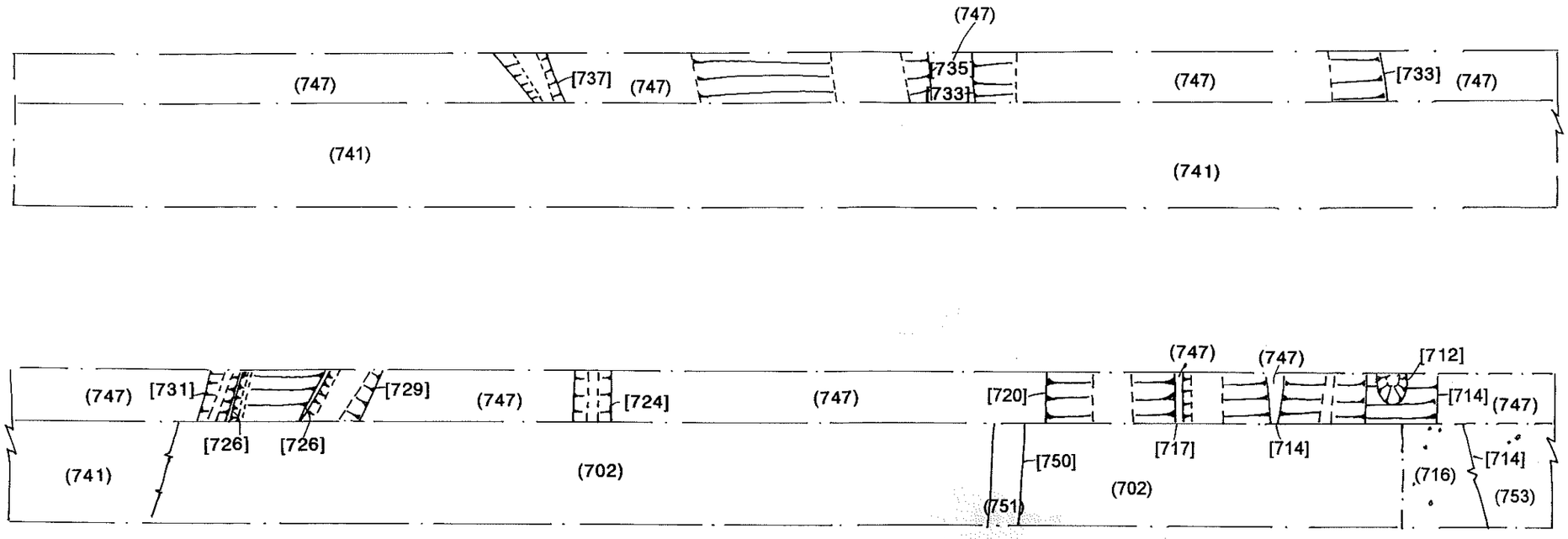

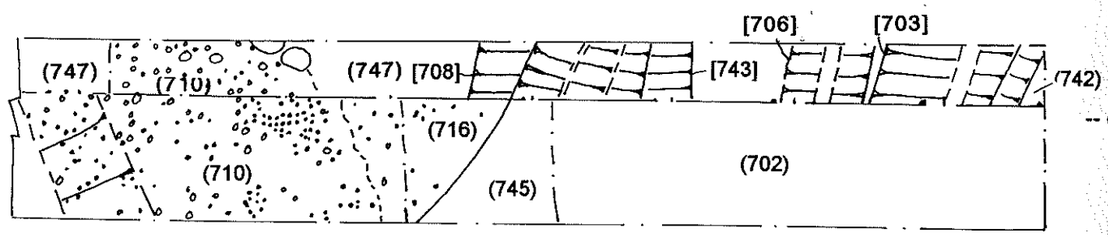

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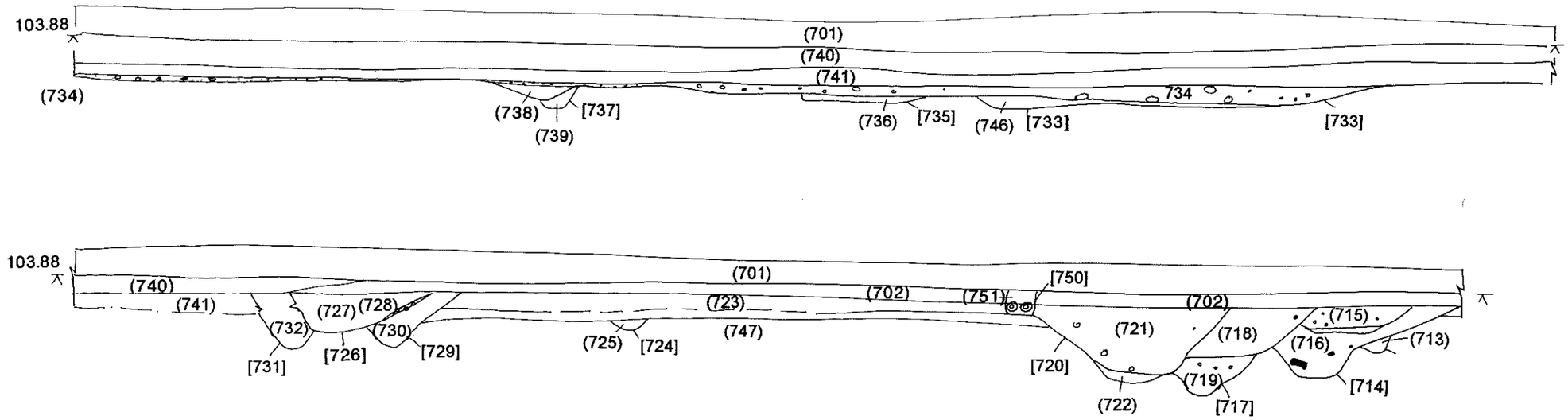

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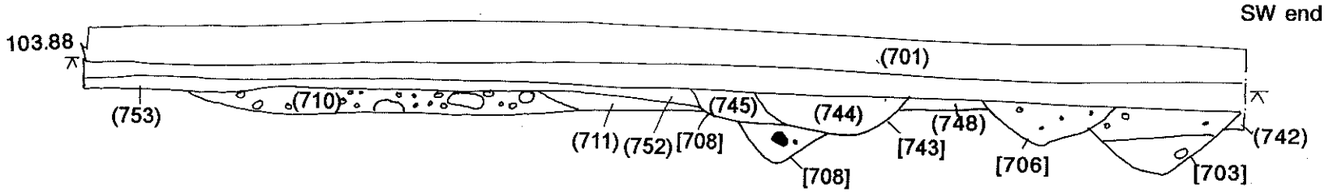

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