Shala Valley Project Database Codes and Conventions

<u>Codes and Conventions Used in All SVP Databases</u>

Directions are abbreviated N, S, E, W, etc.

EHS = ethno-historic survey
IAS = intensive archaeological survey
EAS = extensive archaeological survey
EGS = ethnographic survey

S = site, e.g. EAS-S001 = extensive archaeological survey site 001, IAS-S010 = intensive archaeological survey site 010.

Survey tracts are identified by the code Tract Year-Number, e.g. Tract 2005-019, Tract 2007-111. The numbers are consecutive starting at 001 *by year*. (If in a database field called "Tract", they are entered Year-Number, e.g. 2005-019.)

ST = structure, e.g. ST009 = structure 009. Numbers run consecutively through all field seasons (2005, starting with ST001, and 2007, starting with ST281) and for all neighborhoods in the valley. In 2005, some sub-structures (like sheds) were given letter suffixes, e.g. ST009a might be the main house whereas ST009c might be a corn crib. Split houses (where two families occupy the same structure, kind of like a duplex) were indicated using a dash, e.g. ST107-1, ST107-2.

HH = household, e.g. HH013 = household 013. Numbers run consecutively through all seasons and for all neighborhoods in the valley.

P = pottery, e.g. P100 = pottery (i.e. ceramic artifact) 100. Numbers run consecutively through all seasons, for the whole valley, both survey and excavation. In a few cases letters were used as suffixes to denote sherds that are probably from the same vessel, e.g. P010a, P010b, etc.

L = lithic, e.g. L075 = lithic 075. Numbers run consecutively through all season, for the whole valley, both survey and excavation.

SF = small find, e.g. SF024 = small find 024. Numbers run consecutively through all season, for the whole valley, both survey and excavation.

<u>Photo and Drawing Databases</u>

DB files: "2005 EHS Photos" and "2007 EHS Photos", EHS = ethno-historic survey.
DB files: "2005 IAS Photos", "2006 IAS Photos", and "2007 IAS Photos", IAS = intensive archaeological survey.
DB file: "2007 EAS Photos", EAS = extensive archaeological survey

Sequence Number: team abbreviation + date + photo number, e.g. EHS061705 001, IAS061905 001.

Artist Name: initials of person who took the photo, e.g. MG = Michael Galaty

Photo and artifact drawings were assigned sequence numbers in the format "Eek-Year-Artifact ID" and "Bushati-Year-Artifact ID", respectively: e.g. Eek-2005-P042 and Bushati-2006-P221.

Structures Databases

DB files: "2005 Structures" and "2007 Structures".

Entries in the "Associated Tracts" field should link to the appropriate tract(s) in the Tract databases.

Entries in the "Household Number" field should link to the appropriate household(s) in the Ethnographic databases.

Entries in the "Log Book Pages" field should link to the appropriate PDF(s) of the log book pages (contained in the folder "SVP EHS log book pages 2005, 2007", subfolders "EHS 2005" and "EHS 2007").

Entries in the "Sketch" field should link to the appropriate PDF(s) of the field sketch(es) (contained in the folders "SVP Structure Drawings 2005" and "SVP Structure Drawings 2007").

Entries in the "Photo Reference(s)" field should be linked to the appropriate digital photo(s) (contained in the photo folders).

The "Easting" and "Northing" fields provide UTM coordinates and were used to generate structure location for the GIS.

Tracts Databases

DB files: "2005 Tracts", "2006 Tracts", and "2007 Tracts".

Entries in the "Structure Number" field should link to the appropriate structure(s) in the Structures databases.

Entries in the "Household Number" field should link to the appropriate household(s) in the Ethnographic databases.

Entries in the "Log Book Pages" field should link to the appropriate PDF(s) of the log book pages (contained in the folder "SVP IAS log book pages 2005-2007", subfolders "IAS 2005", "IAS2006", and "IAS 2007").

Entries in the "Photo Reference(s)" field should be linked to the appropriate digital photo(s) (contained in the photo folders).

The "East" and "North" fields provide UTM coordinates for the tract centroid and were used to generate tract location for the GIS.

The fields for "Easting" and "Northing" are for additional GPS points, for associated landscape features for instance, as noted in the "Description" field.

Visibility is given as a percentage, i.e. .8 = 80%.

The pottery, tile, lithic, and small find counts fields record the number of artifacts counted in a given tract. The pottery, small finds, and lithics collected fields record artifacts brought into the museum and accessioned. Numbers counted will not always (or often) match numbers collected, due to deaccessioning of artifacts for example.

Entries in the "collected" fields should be linked to the appropriate artifact in the matching database file, e.g. P100 should be linked to the entry for P100 in the "SVP Pottery" database file, L020 should be linked to the entry for L020 in the "SVP Lithics" database file, etc.

SVP Sites Database

DB File: "SVP Sites". One entry for each site found during intensive survey in Shala 2005-2007.

Entries in the "Associated Tracts" field should be linked to the matching tracts in the appropriate tract databases.

Entries in "Representative Artifacts" field should be linked to the matching entries in the lithics, pottery, and small finds databases.

Photo number(s) should be linked to appropriate digital photo(s) found in the photo folders.

The "Easting" and "Northing" fields provide UTM coordinates for site center and were used to generate site location for the GIS.

Visibility is given as a percentage, i.e. .8 = 80%.

Site size is in hectares or portions thereof.

If a site was excavated, it should link to the matching excavation database.

Plans of some sites are in the folder "SVP Site Plans" and should be linked to the appropriate site entry.

EAS Sites Database

DB File: "2007 EAS Sites". One entry for each site found during extensive survey in regions south of Shala in 2007.

Photo number(s) should be linked to appropriate digital photo(s) found in the photo folder.

The "East" and "North" fields provide UTM coordinates for site center and were used to generate site location for the GIS.

The fields for "Easting" and "Northing" are for additional GPS points, for associated landscape features for instance, as noted in the "Description" field.

Visibility is given as a percentage, i.e. .8 = 80%.

Entries in the pottery, lithics, and small finds fields should link to matching entries in the appropriate databases.

Lithics Database

DB File: "SVP Lithics". One entry for every lithic (i.e. chipped stone tool) found 2004-2008, in survey and excavation.

Site entry should be linked to the appropriate site in the SVP or EAS sites databases.

Tract number should be linked to the matching tract in the appropriate tract database.

Photos should be linked to the matching digital photos in the appropriate photo folder.

Drawing should be linked to the matching drawing on the page "Artifact Drawings".

Pottery Database

DB File: "SVP Pottery". One entry for every ceramic artifact found 2004-2008, in survey and excavation.

Site entry should be linked to the appropriate site in the SVP or EAS sites databases.

Tract number should be linked to the matching tract in the appropriate tract database.

Household number should be linked to the matching household in the appropriate ethnographic database.

Photos should be linked to the matching digital photos on the appropriate photo page.

Drawing should be linked to the matching drawing on the page "Artifact Drawings".

The most common chronological codes are: M = Modern, EM = Early Modern, LM = Late Medieval, MM = Middle Medieval, Med = Medieval, EIA = Early Iron Age, IA = Iron Age, BA = Bronze Age, LBA = Late Bronze Age, LA = Late Antique, LR = Late Roman, PH = Prehistoric.

Small Finds Database

DB File: "SVP Small Finds". One entry for every small find found 2004-2008, in survey and excavation.

Site entry should be linked to the appropriate site in the SVP or EAS sites databases.

Tract number should be linked to the matching tract in the appropriate tract database.

Household number should be linked to the matching household in the appropriate ethnographic database.

Photos should be linked to the matching digital photos on the appropriate photo page.

Drawing should be linked to the matching drawing on the page "Artifact Drawings".

Ethnographic Databases

DB files: "SVP 2005 Ethnographic Database #1", "SVP 2005 Ethnographic Database #2", "SVP 2005 Ethnographic Database #3", "SVP 2007 Ethnographic Database #1", "SVP 2007 Ethnographic Database #2", "SVP 2007 Ethnographic Database #3". One entry for each household intensively interviewed in 2005 and 2007. Names have been removed to preserve anonymity.

NOTE that there are three files per database per year, six total. This reflects the tri-partite organization of the interviews.

The structure numbers in the structure field should be linked to the matching structures in the structures databases.

If there is an associated audio recording, it may be found at the "Oral Interviews" page, along with English transcripts.

Excavation Databases

There are several excavation databases, one for each site excavated, and several for the multi-year excavations at the site of Grunas. Likewise there are several photo databases for the excavations, which I have described here as opposed to above, in the section on photodatabases. The database files are:

"SVP Level Form S006 2006" = excavation forms from Site 006 excavated in 2006.

The photo database associated with the above database is "SVP Grunas Photos 2006".
"SVP Level Form S005 2007" = excavation forms from Site 005 excavated in 2007.
"SVP Level Form S006 2007" = excavation forms from Site 006 excavated (again) in 2007.
"SVP Level Form S008 2007" = excavation forms from Site 008 excavated in 2007.
"SVP Level Form S009 2007" = excavation forms from Site 009 excavated in 2007.
"SVP Level Form S010 2007" = excavation forms from Site 010 excavated in 2007.
   The photo database associated with the above five databases is "SVP All Excavation
   Photos 2007".
NOTE: the 2008 excavations at Site 006 are in a separate section. The database files associated
with the 2008 excavations are:
"SVP Level Form Unit 001 2008" = excavation forms from Site 006 (Grunas) for Unit 001.
"SVP Level Form Unit 003 2008" = excavation forms from Site 006 (Grunas) for Unit 003.
"SVP Level Form Unit 004 2008" = excavation forms from Site 006 (Grunas) for Unit 004.
NOTE: there is no excavation database for Unit 002 and no photo database for Unit 004.
   The photo databases associated with the above three databases are "SVP Photo Database
   Unit 001 2008", "SVP Photo Database Unit 002 2008", "SVP Photo Database Unit 003
   2008".

The 2006 and 2007 photo sequence numbers for the excavations are slightly different in format.
They begin with the site name, then the date, followed by the photo number. For the 2008
excavations at Grunas (Site 006) they are: unit number, date, photo number. Some of the 2008
databases also include profile or unit plan-view photos.

Site number should be linked to the corresponding entry in the SVP Sites database.

Excavation drawings can be found on the "Survey and Excavation Photos" page.