

Little Creek Mesa – Part 2

The majority of the sites on Little Creek Mesa were described in an earlier report (<http://dixierockart.webs.com/Field%20Trip%20Reports/Little%20Creek%20Mesa%20-%20September%202010.pdf>). This report will document in more detail a couple of site as well as a “new” site.

Water Glyph Site

This site overlooks the western horizon and is at the edge of a steep cliff. The water glyph (Figure 1) is unique in that the “circle” portion of the glyph has a double diameter on the side facing the cliff. A discussion of water glyphs can be found at <http://dixierockart.webs.com/Technical%20Presentations/Water%20Glyphs.pdf> and <http://dixierockart.webs.com/Technical%20Presentations/Cup%20and%20Channel%20Petroglyphs%20Michael%20Terlep%20-%20October%202012%20edited.pdf>.



Figure 1

The Large Pit House Complex

The large pit house complex (Figure 2) is in a large juniper forest.

The pottery shards found at the site ranged from gray ware, to black on white to corrugated and even red ware (Figure 3 to 7). Figure 8 shows a flaked stone and Figure 9 shows flaked stone chips among pottery shards.

This wide range of pottery shards and stone flakes shows the site was occupied for a range of time by a large number of people.



Figure 2



Figure 3 – Gray Ware



Figure 4 – Black on White



Figure 5 – Corrugated



Figure 6 – Red Ware



Figure 7 – Petrified Wood with Yellow Strip



Figure 8 – Flaked Stone



Figure 9 – Flaked Stone among Pottery Shards

Pictograph Site

A pictograph site was found on a wall in an alcove. The glyphs (Figures 10 to 15) were made using red paint with some yellow in one location. The prominent glyphs are a set of five anthro's (Figure 11) and a larger single anthro (Figure 12). This set of glyphs are unique for Little Creek Mesa because they are pictographs and also that they are painted on a wall rather than on a horizontal surface (like most (if not all) of the petroglyphs).



Figure 10



Figure 11



Figure 12



Figure 13



Figure14