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### Geophysical Survey Interpretation

- |  |                             |  |  |
|--|-----------------------------|--|--|
|  | Archaeological (i.e. ditch) |  | Quarry pit   |
|  | ?Archaeological (ditch)     |  | Modern ferrous anomaly                               |
|  | Ridge and furrow            |  | Archaeological anomaly<br>(i.e. pit)                 |
|  | Drains?                     |  | Kiln/hearth like anomaly<br>(zone of burnt material) |
|  | Services (gas etc)          |  |  |
|  | Modern ferrous anomaly      |  |  |
|  | Telegraph pole              |  |  |

### Plans

- |                           |  |                  |              |
|---------------------------|--|------------------|--------------|
| Limit of Excavation       |  | Cut Number       | <b>[118]</b> |
| Limit of Development Area |  | Core Area        |              |
| Archaeological Feature    |  | Peripheral Areas |              |
| Ridge and Furrow          |  | Paleochannel     |              |
| Modern Deposit            |  |                  |              |

### Sections

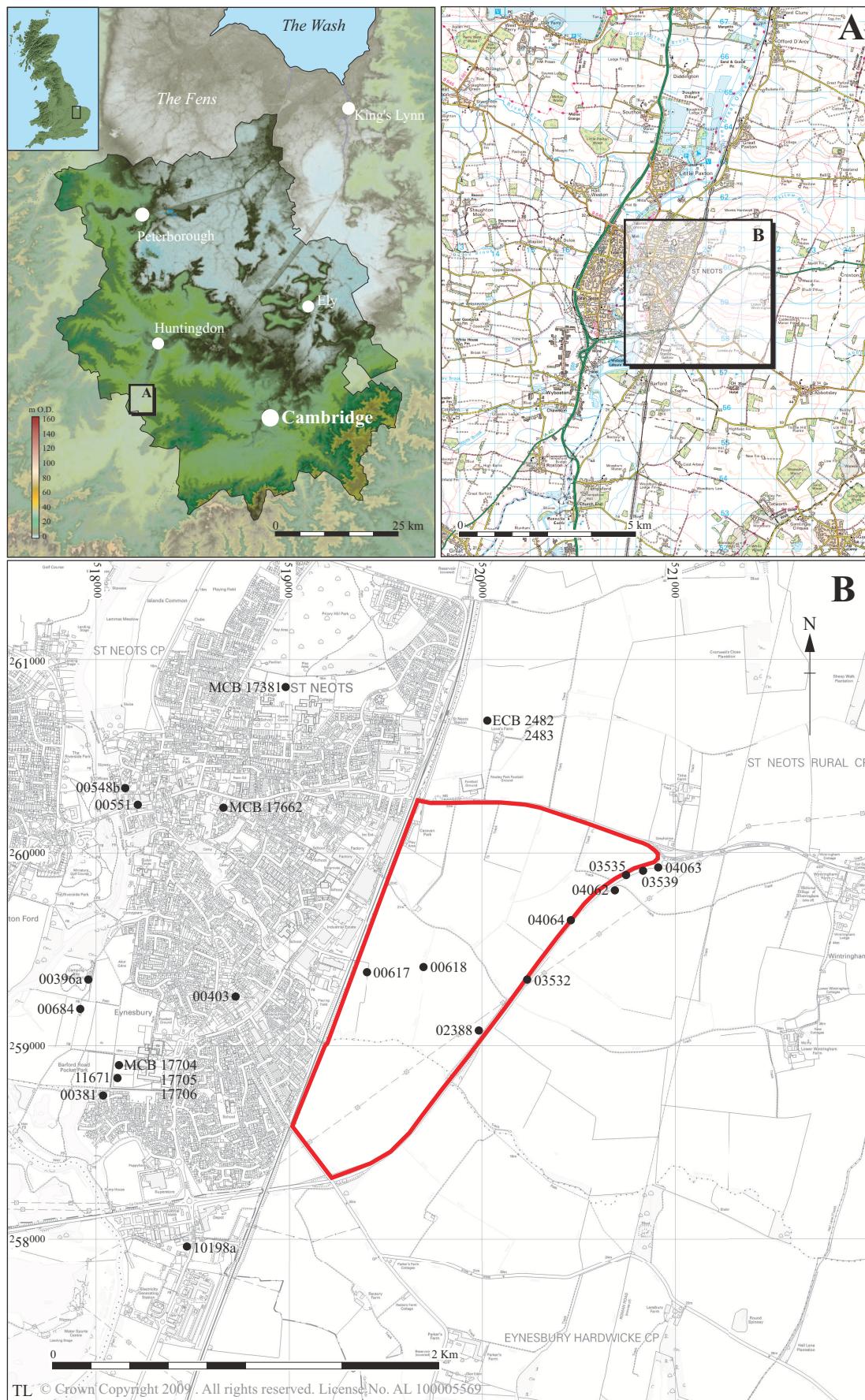
- |   |  |
|---|--|
| Limit of Excavation                           |  |
| Cut   |  |
| Cut-Conjectured                               |  |
| Deposit Horizon                               |  |
| Deposit Horizon - Conjectured                 |  |
| Intrusion/Truncation                          |  |
| Top Surface/Top of Natural                    |  |
| Break in Section/<br>Limit of Section Drawing |  |

### Phases

- |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
|  | Later Iron Age                        |
|  | Later Iron Age extrapolation          |
|  | Late pre-Roman Iron Age               |
|  | Late pre-Roman Iron Age extrapolation |
|  | Early Roman C1-2AD                    |
|  | Early Roman C1-2AD extrapolation      |
|  | Romano-British C3-4AD                 |
|  | Romano-British C3-4AD extrapolation   |

- |                |              |             |  |
|----------------|--------------|-------------|--|
| Cut Number     | <b>[118]</b> | Burnt Stone |  |
| Deposit Number | 117          | Stone       |  |
| Ordnance Datum | 18.45m OD    | Pottery     |  |
| Flint          |              | Charcoal    |  |

### Convention Key



*Figure 1: Location of the development area (red) with HER entries*



Figure 2: Plan of site showing Zones and Fields (scale 1:9000)

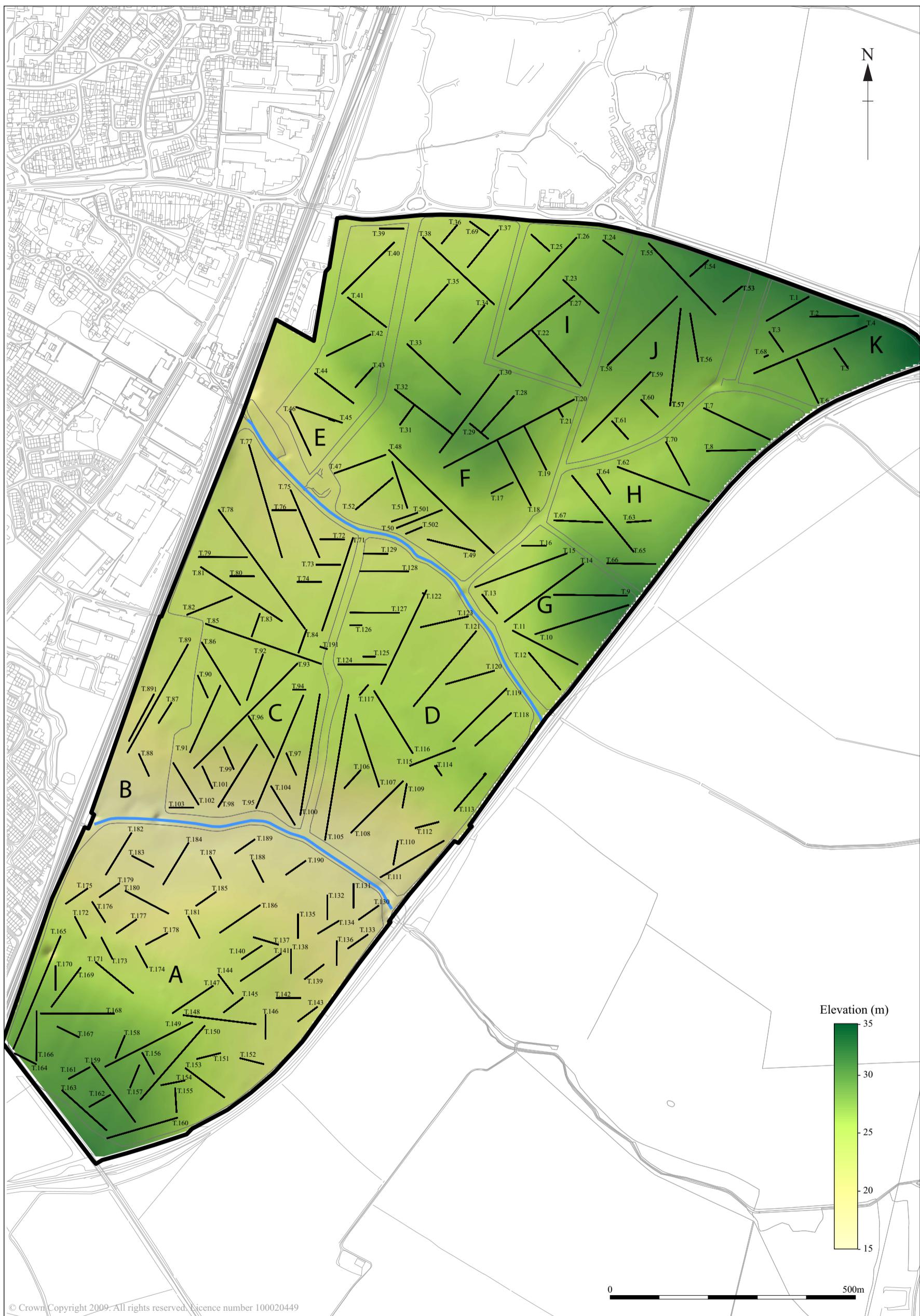


Figure 3: Location of trenches (scale 1:12,500)

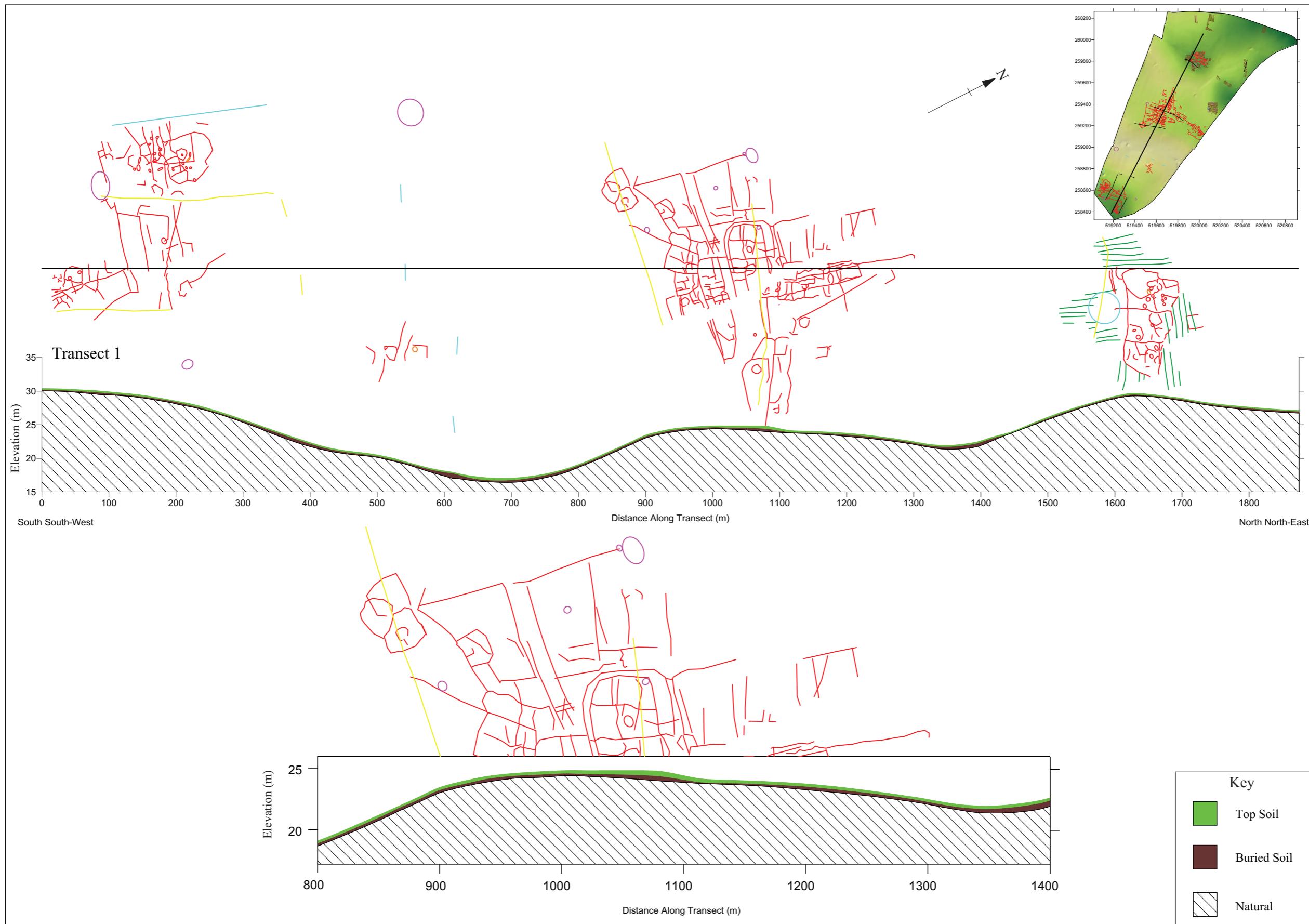


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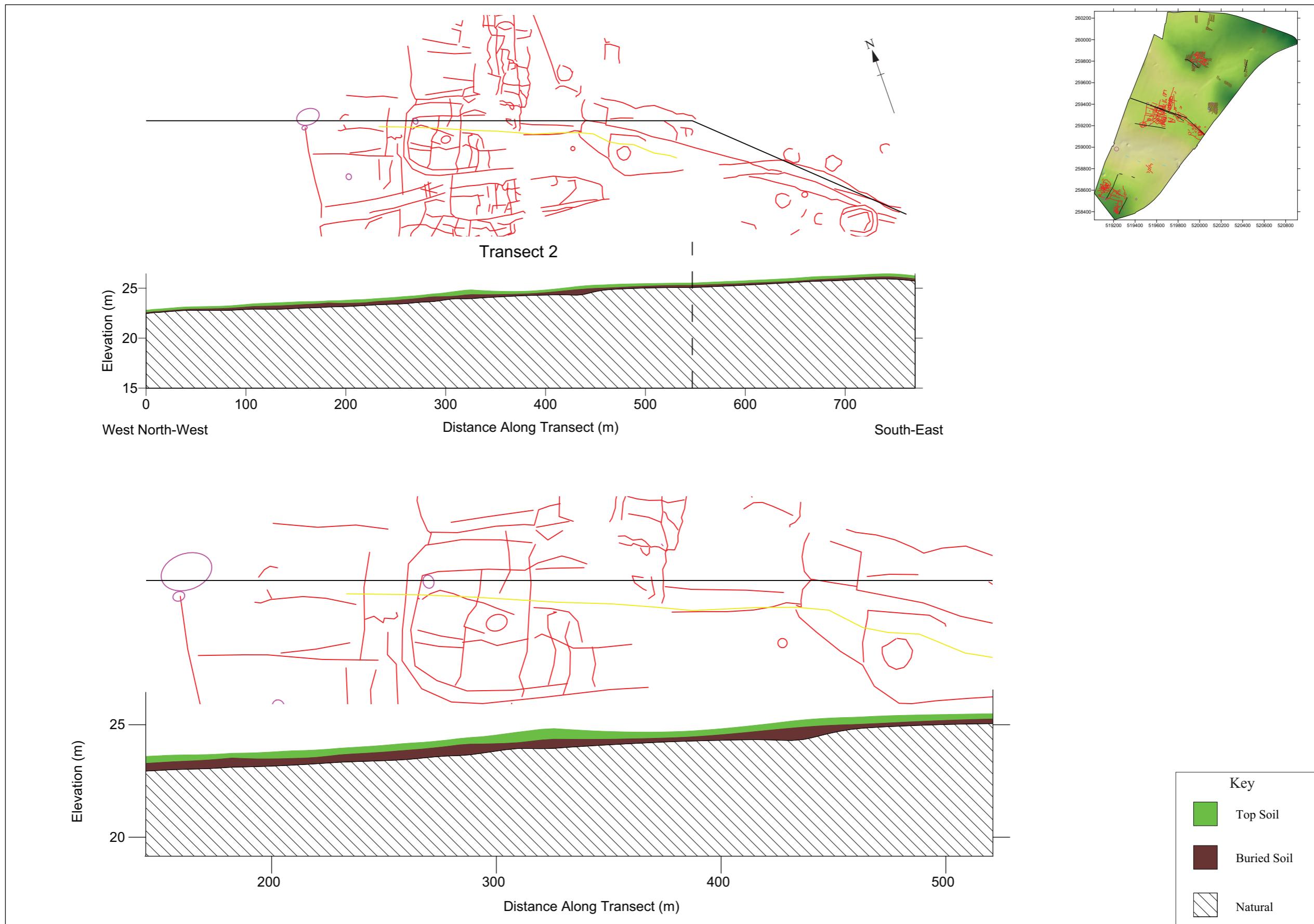


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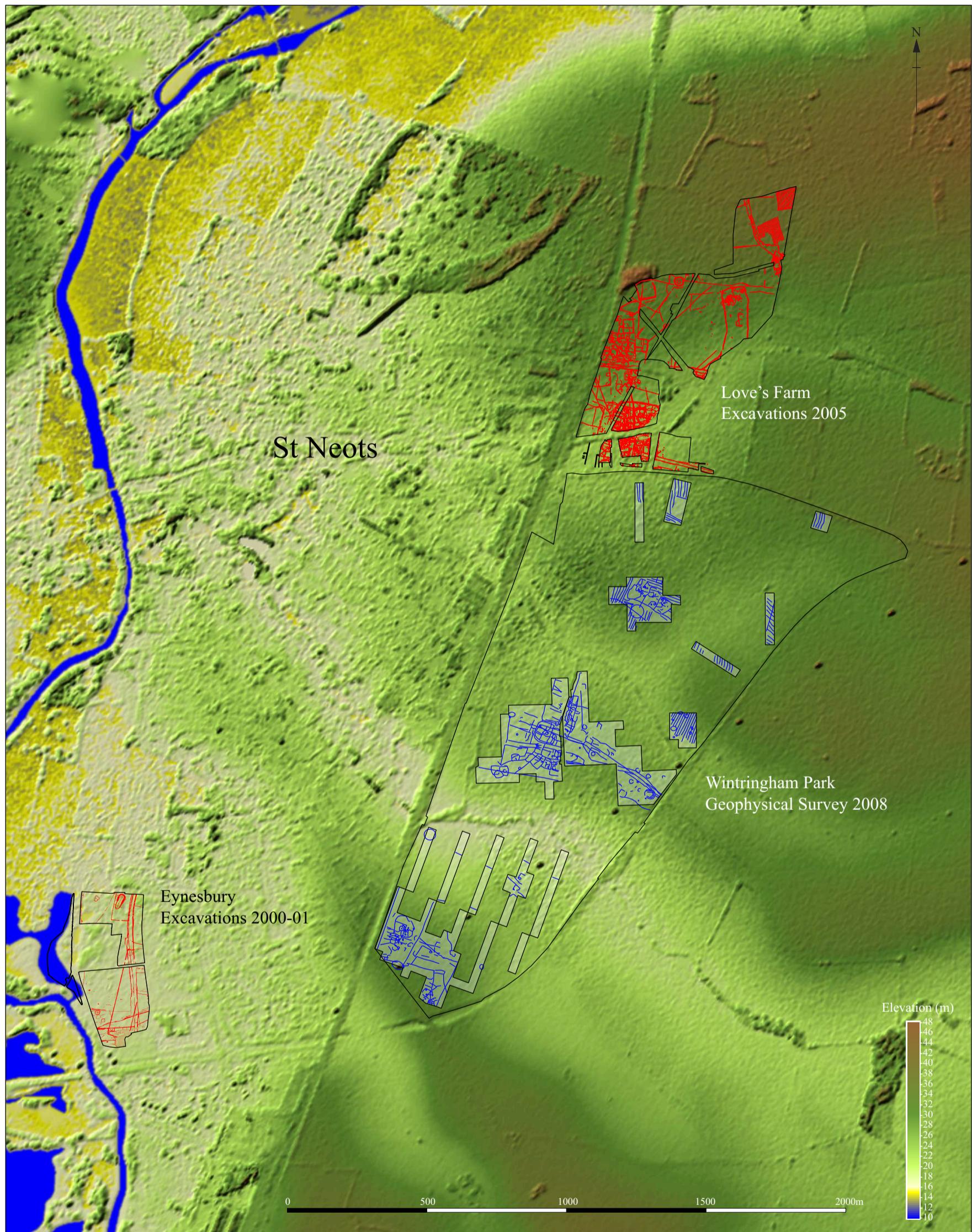


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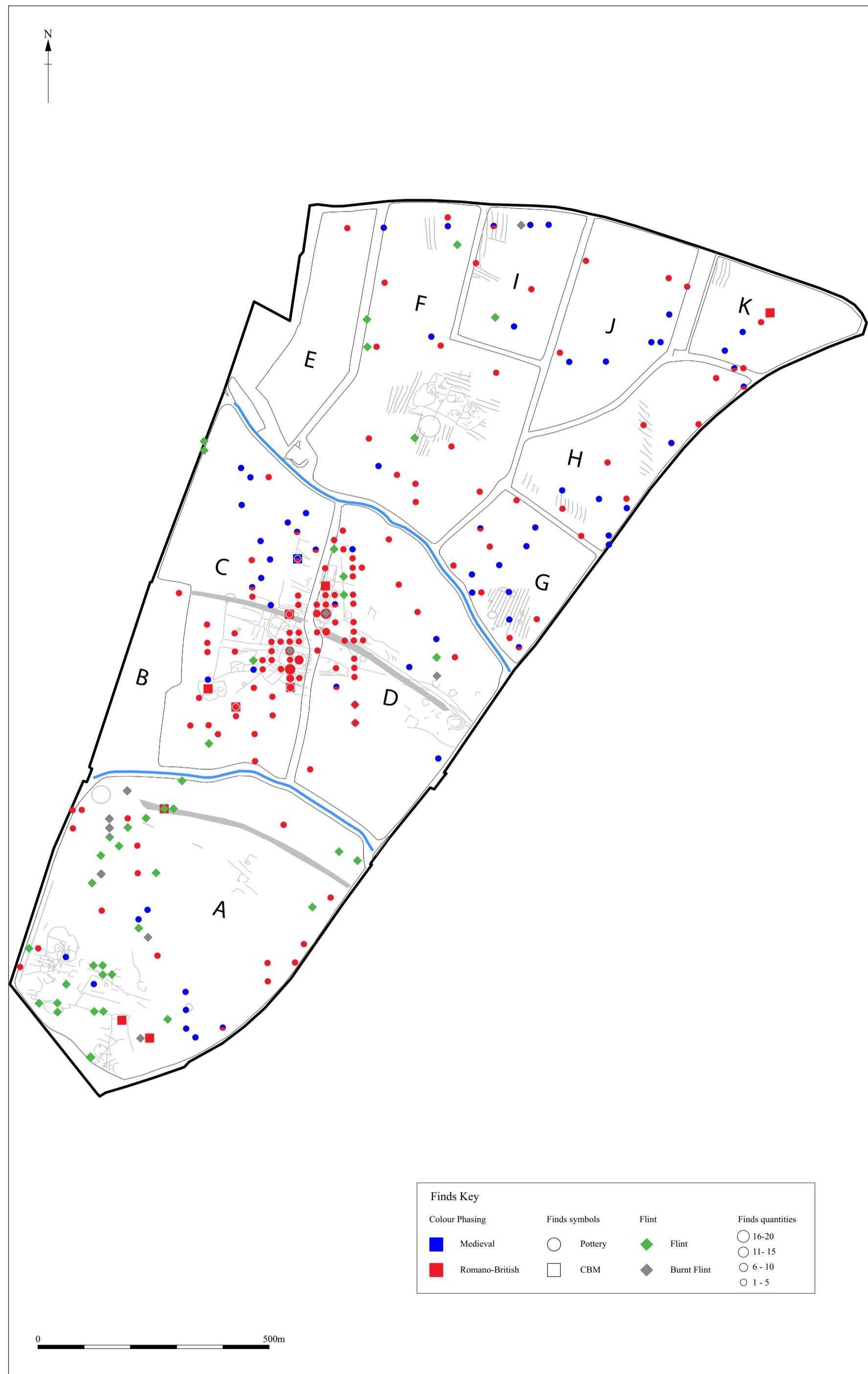


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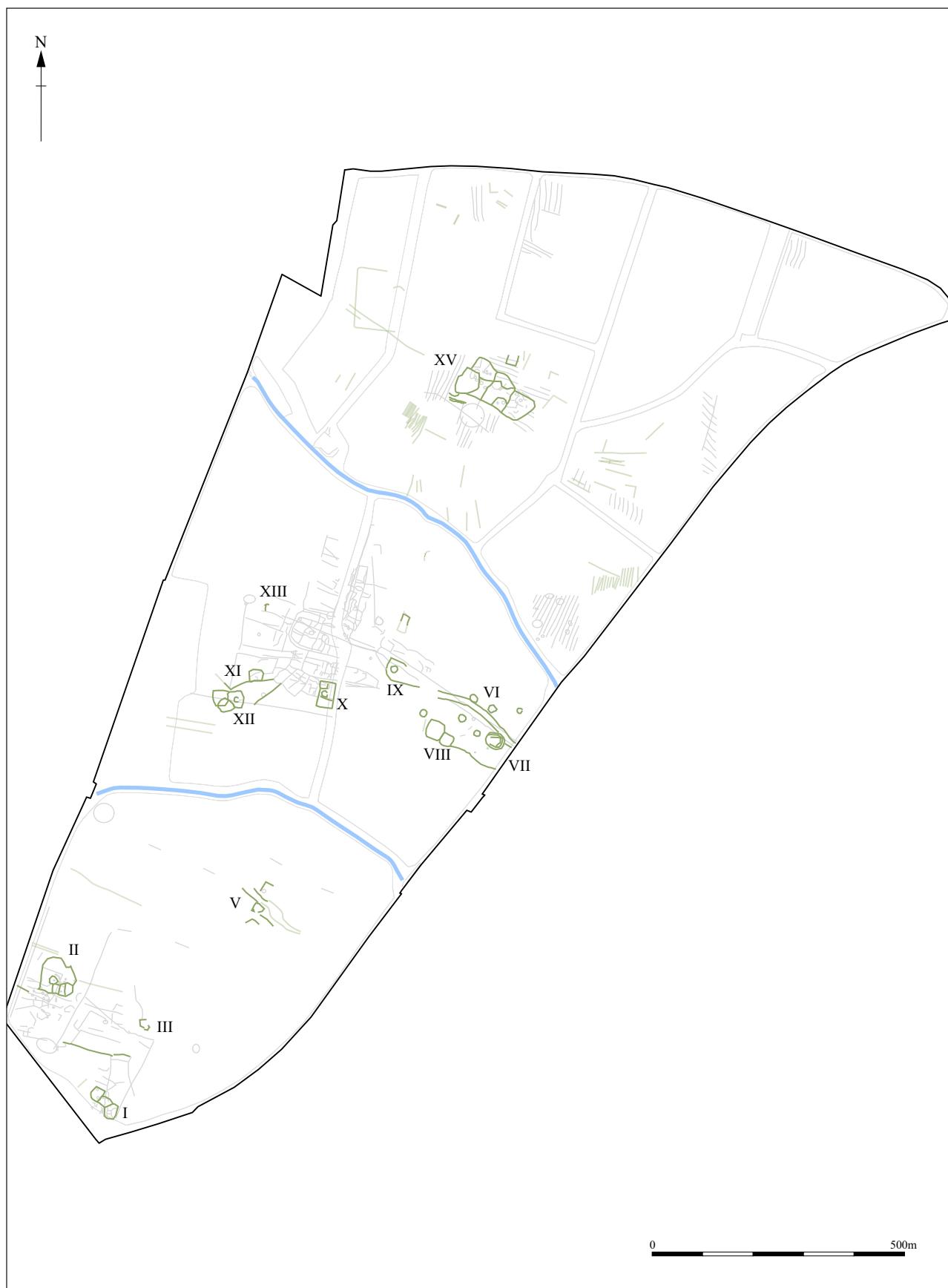
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Figure 10: Sites 1-4 (1:9000)



*Figure 11: Later Iron Age, all Zones (scale 1:9000)*



Figure 12: Late pre-Roman Iron Age, all Zones (scale 1:9000)



Figure 13: Early Roman C1-2 AD, all Zones (scale 1:9000)

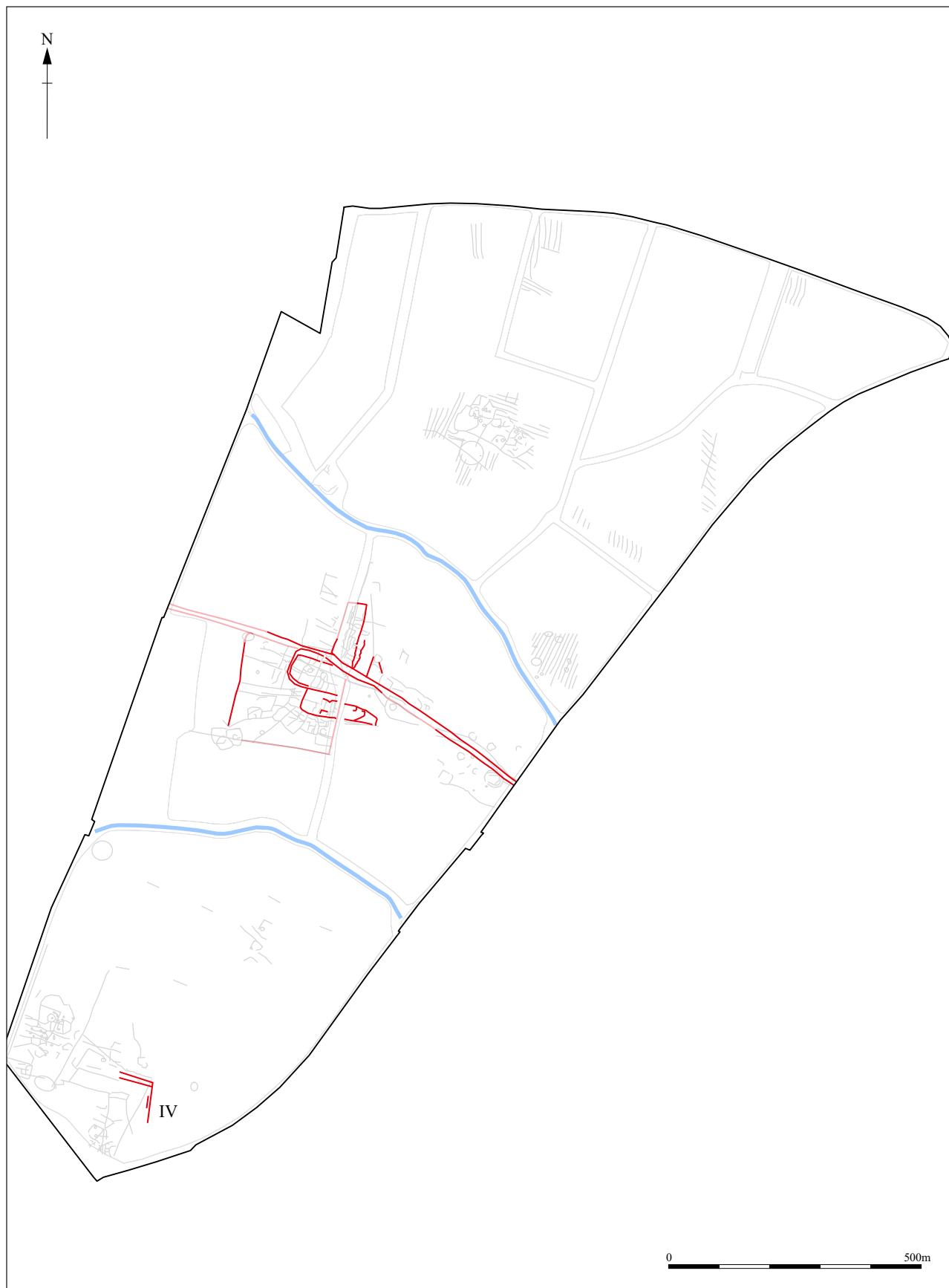


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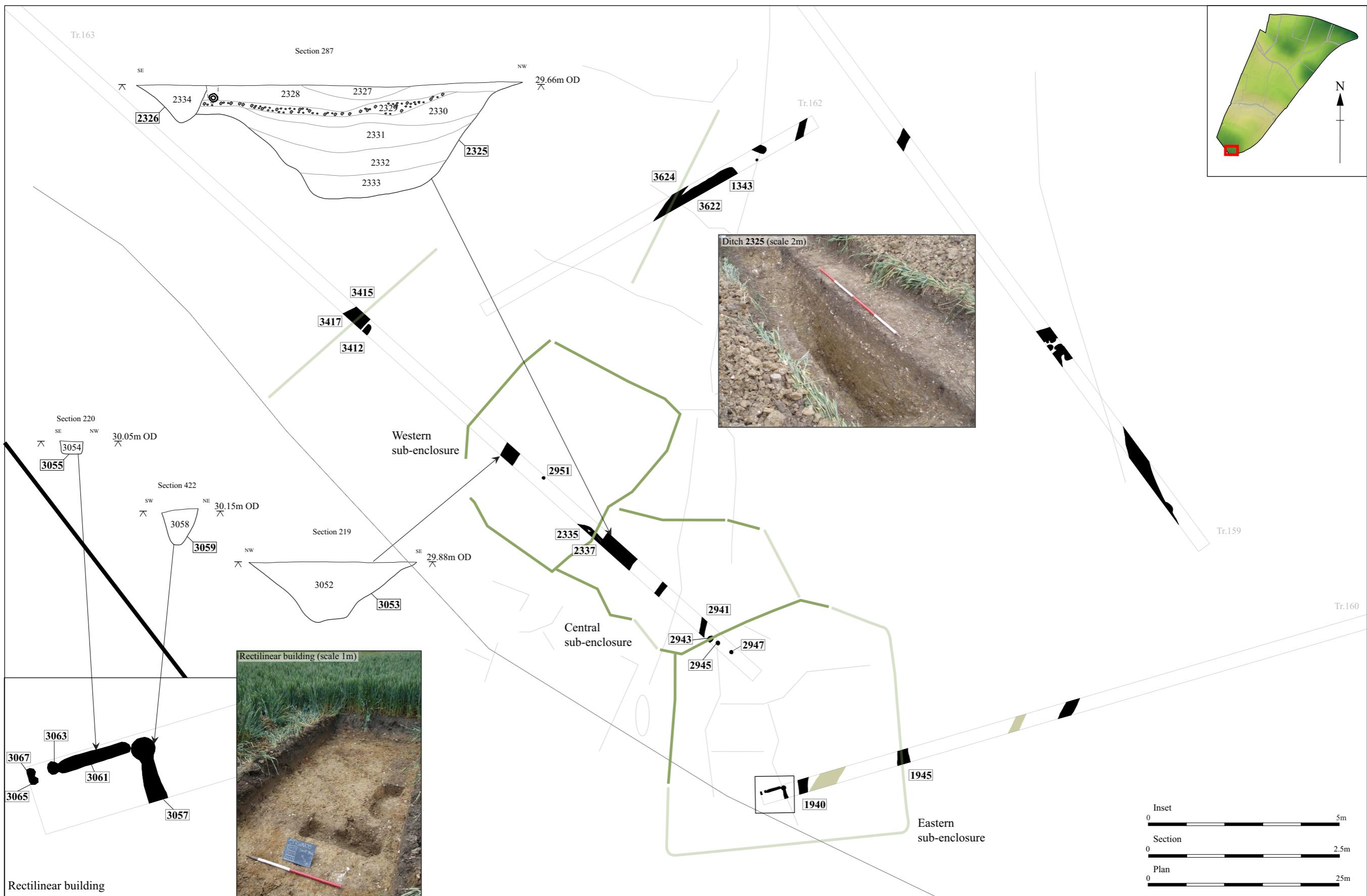


Figure 15: Southern Zone, Site 1, Focus I: Later Iron Age Enclosure complex with rectilinear building (plan scale 1:500, inset scale 1:100, section scale 1:50)

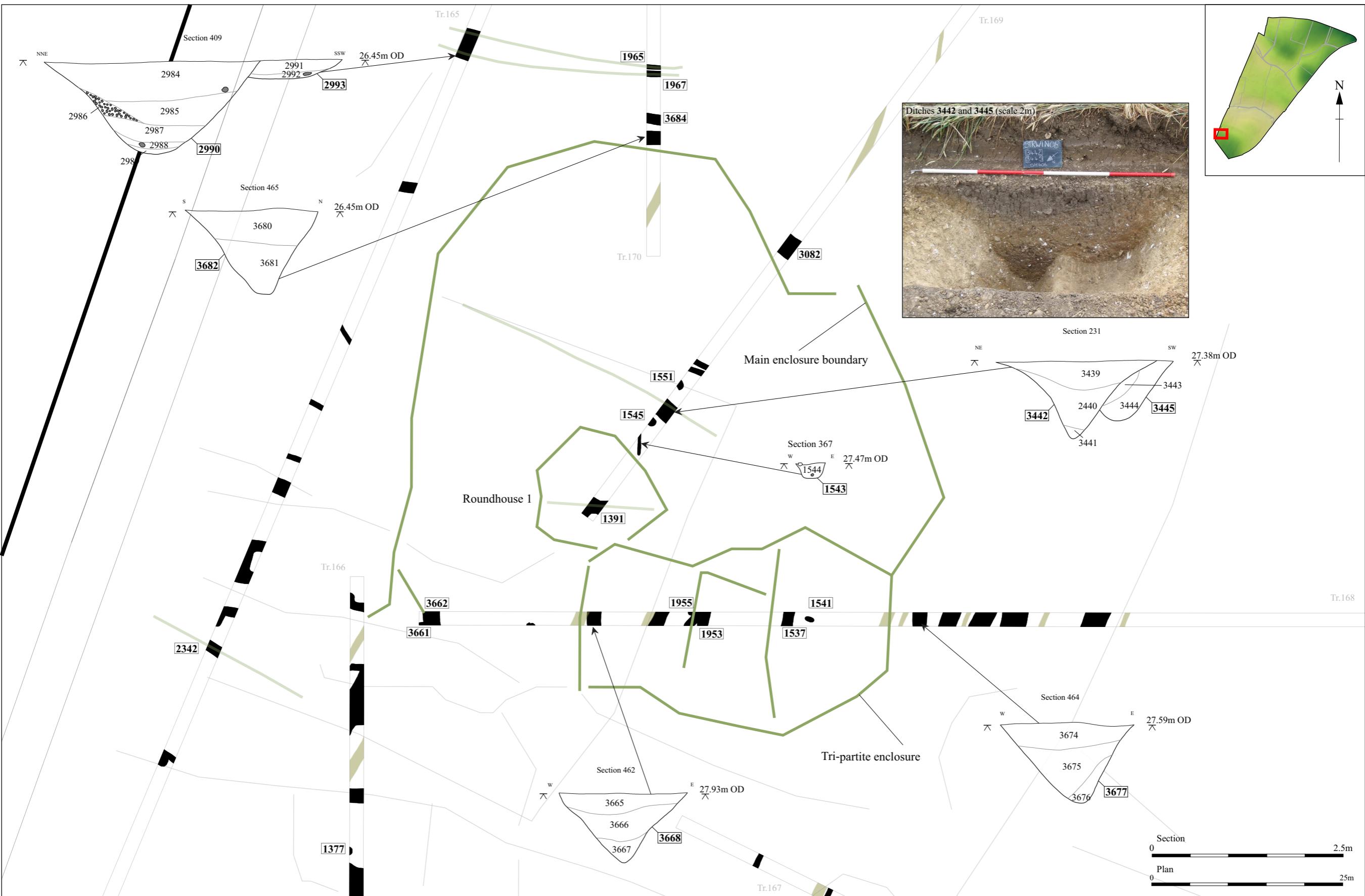


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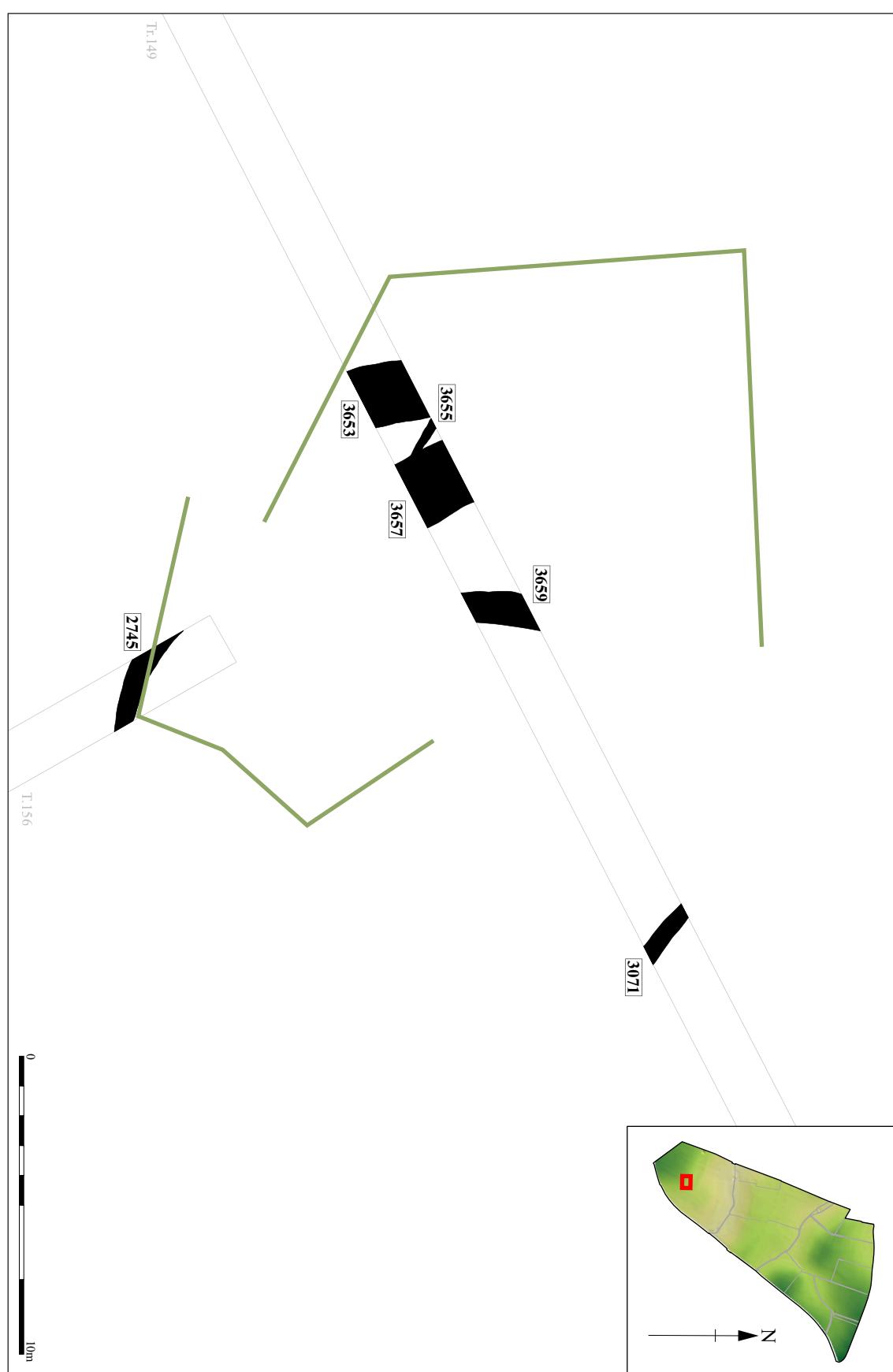


Figure 17: Southern Zone, Site 1, Focus III: Later Iron Age Small C shaped enclosures (scale 1:200)

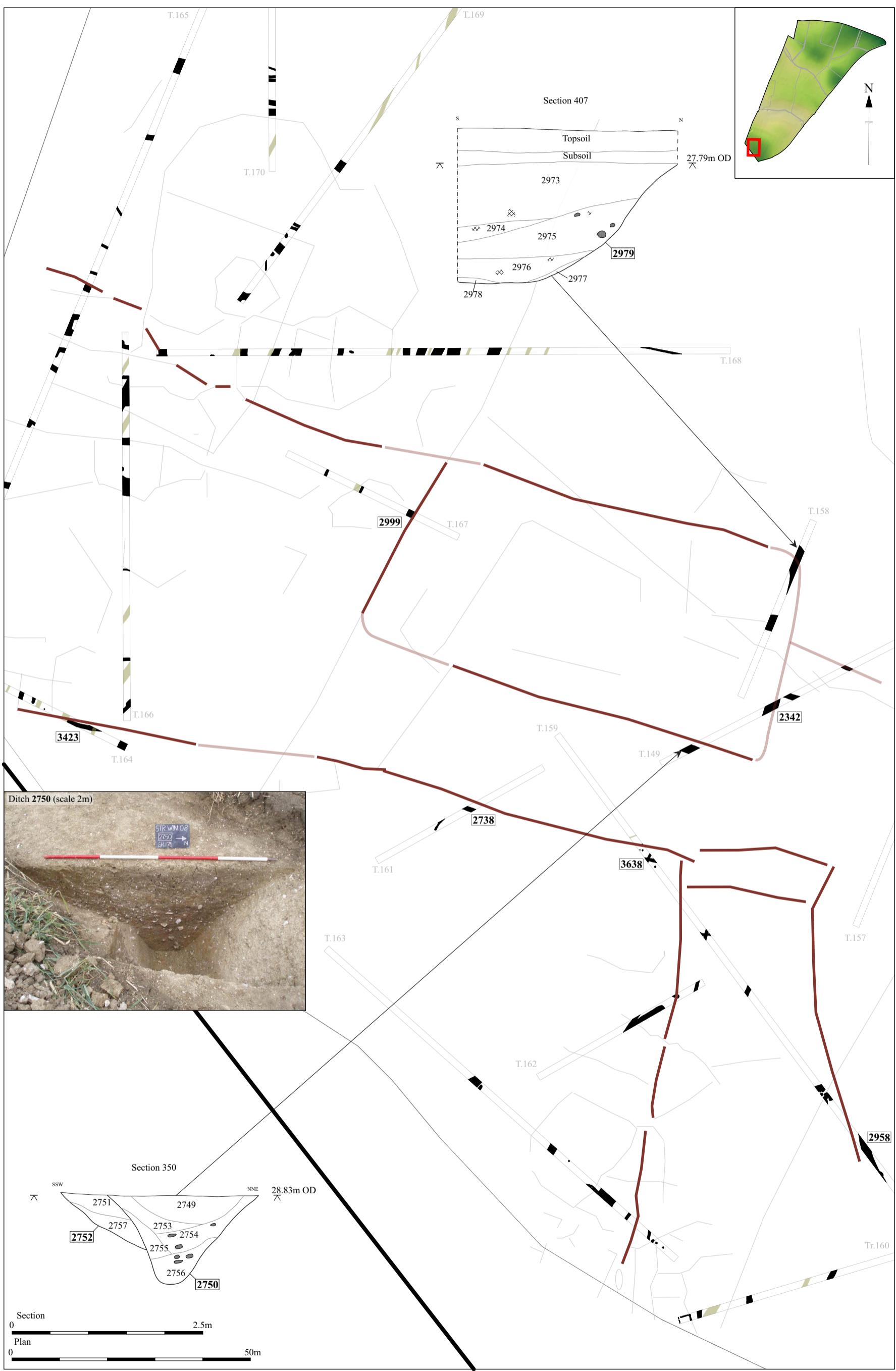


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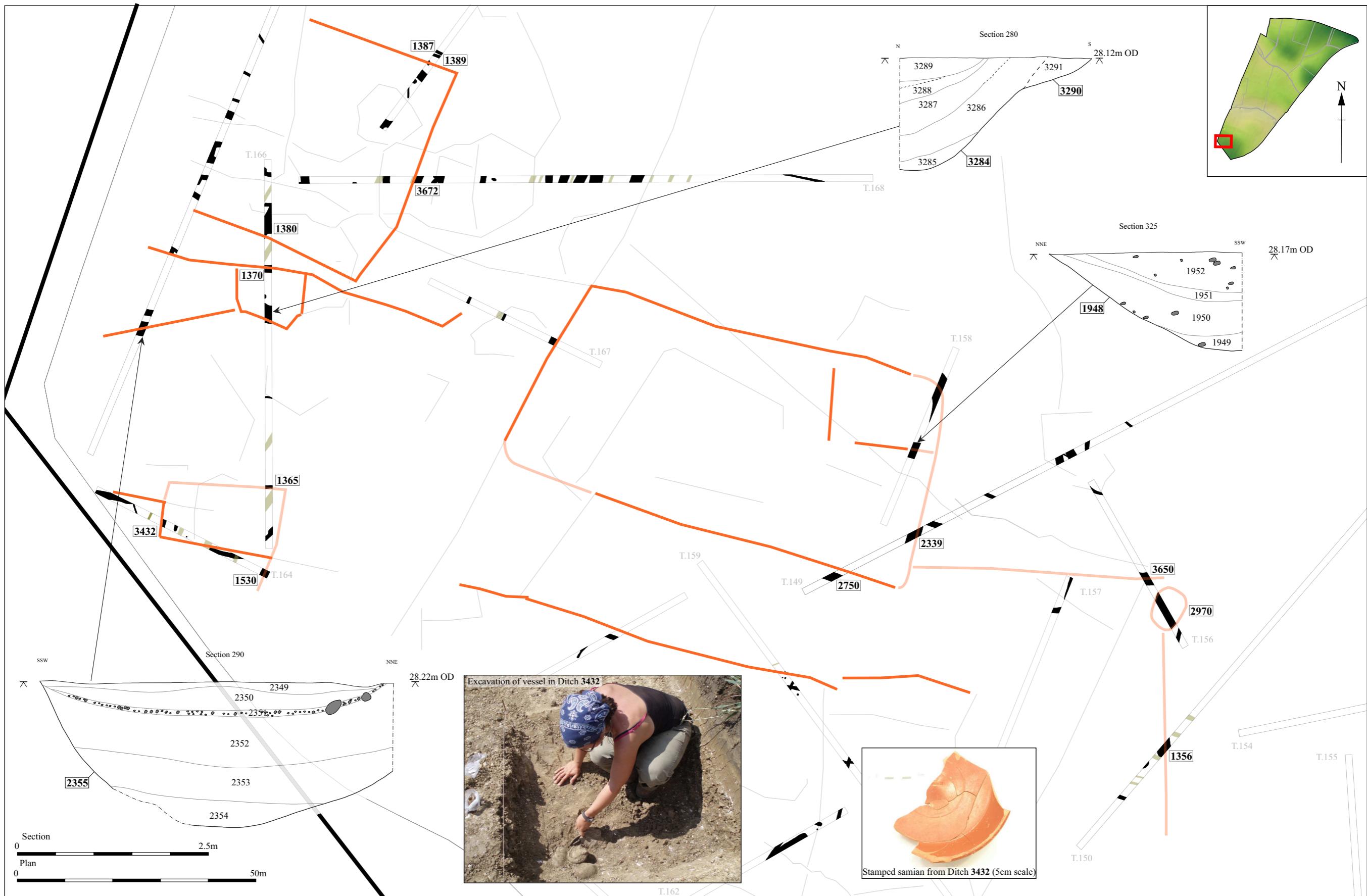


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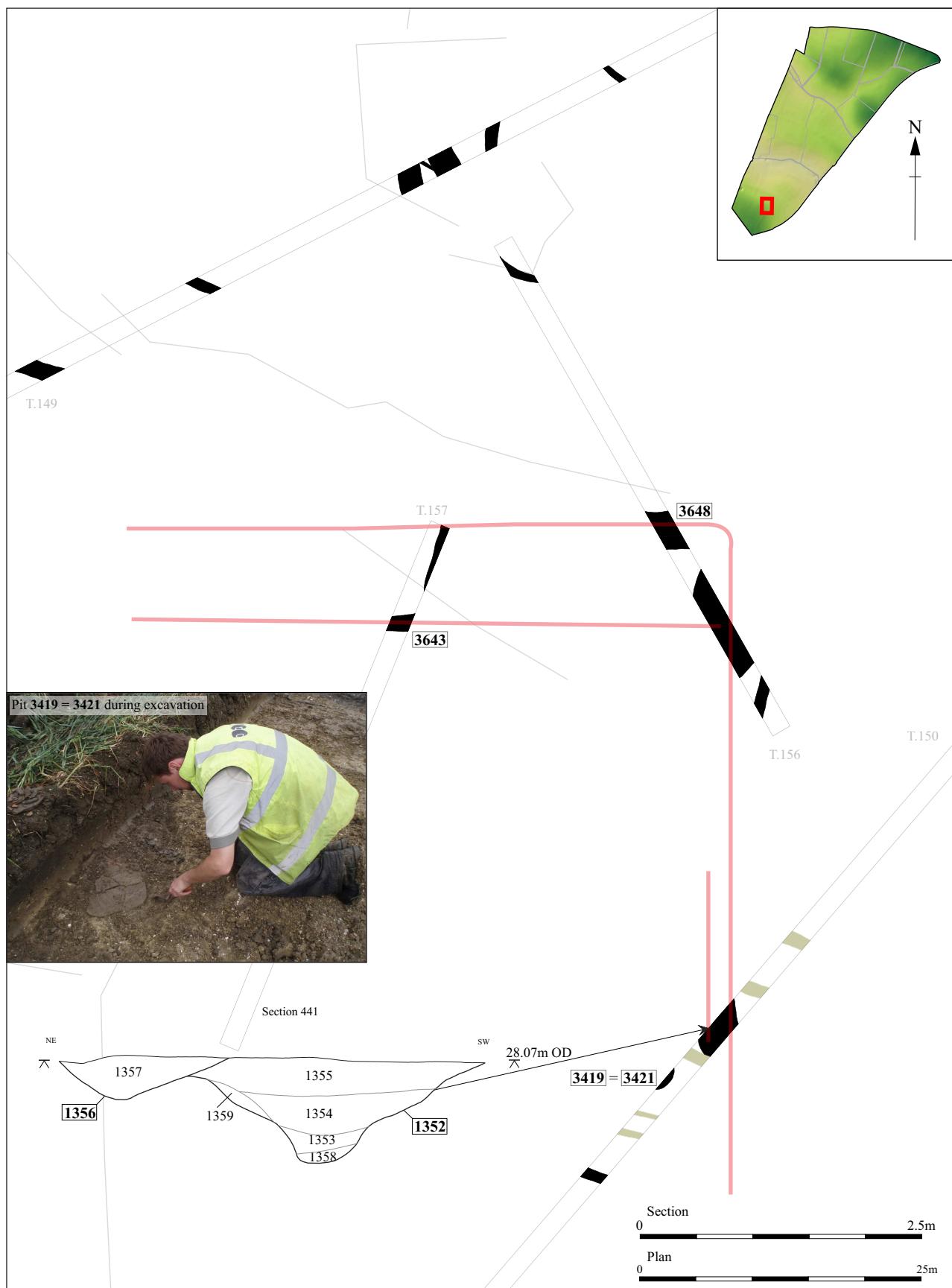


Figure 20: Southern Zone, Site 1, Focus IV: Romano-British Major rectilinear enclosure and associated field boundaries (plan scale 1:500, section scale 1:50)

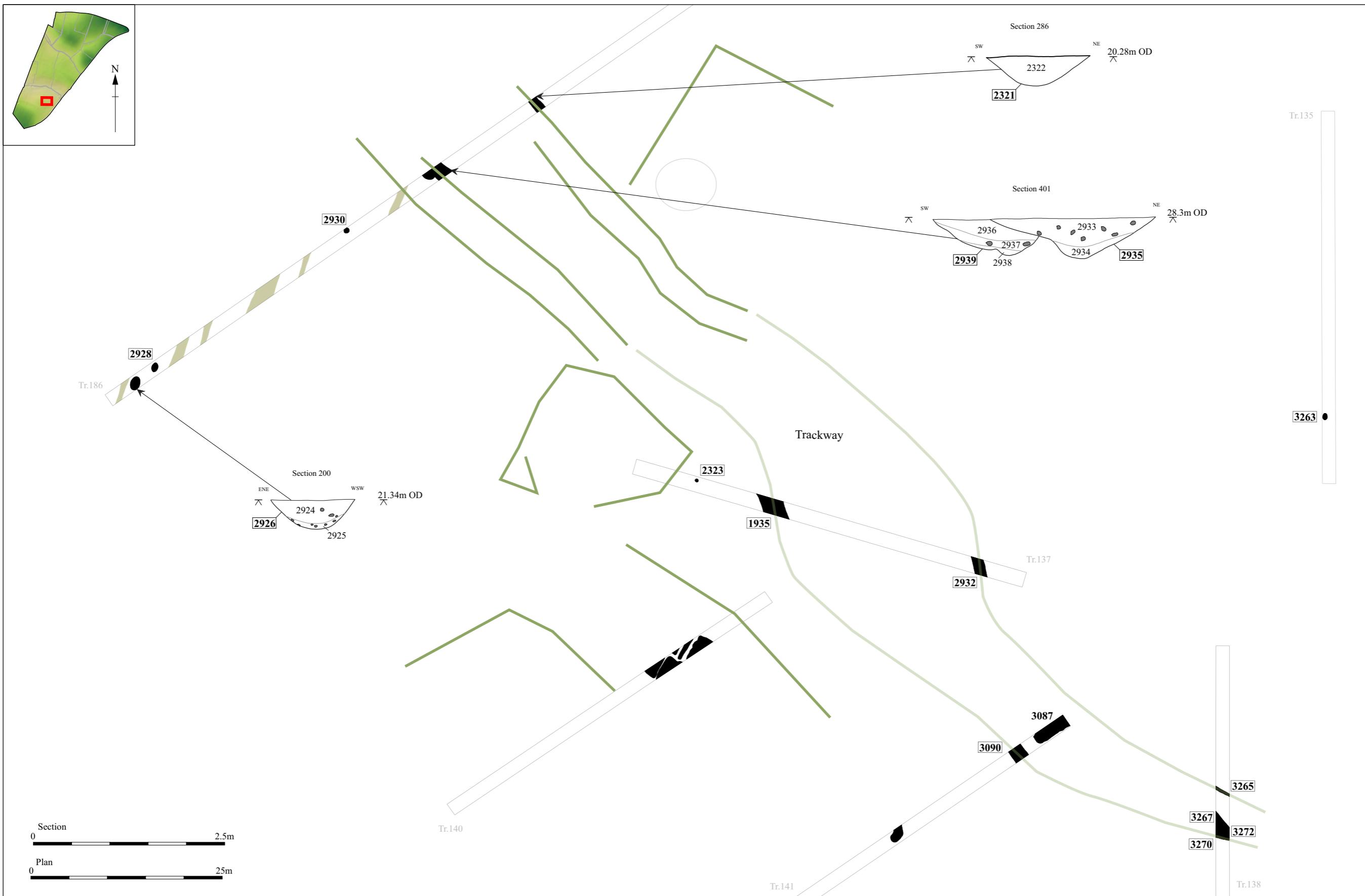


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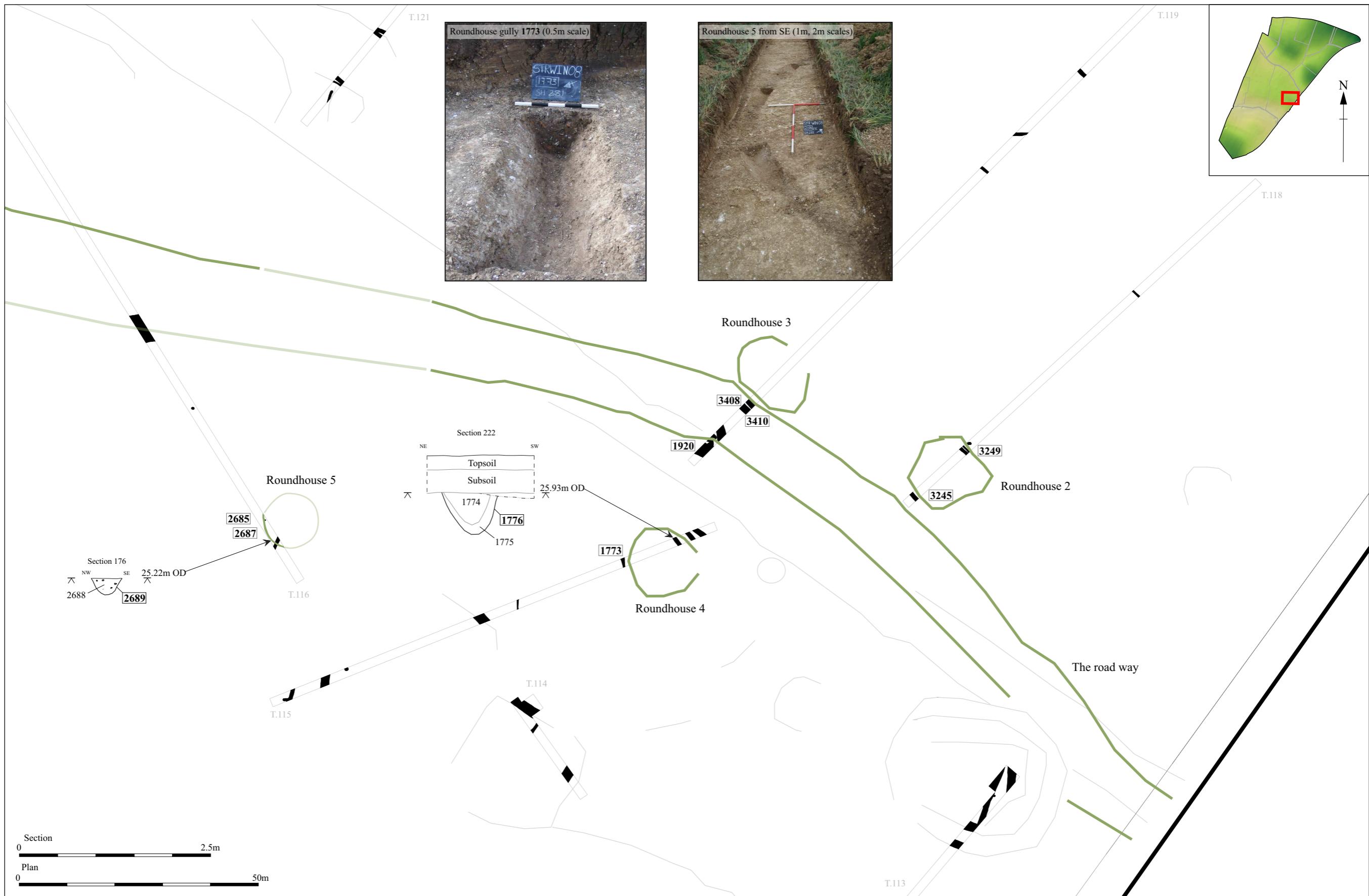


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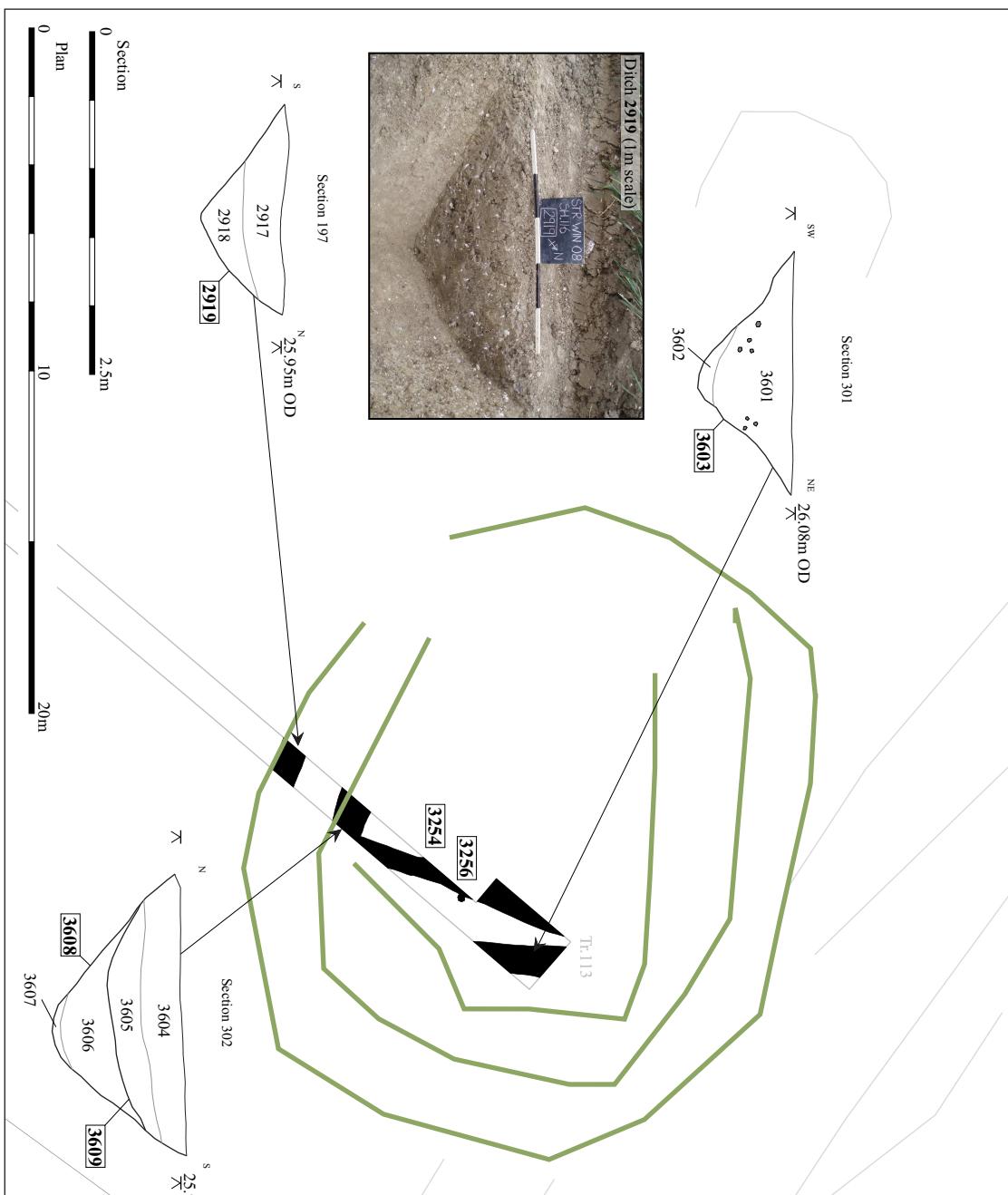


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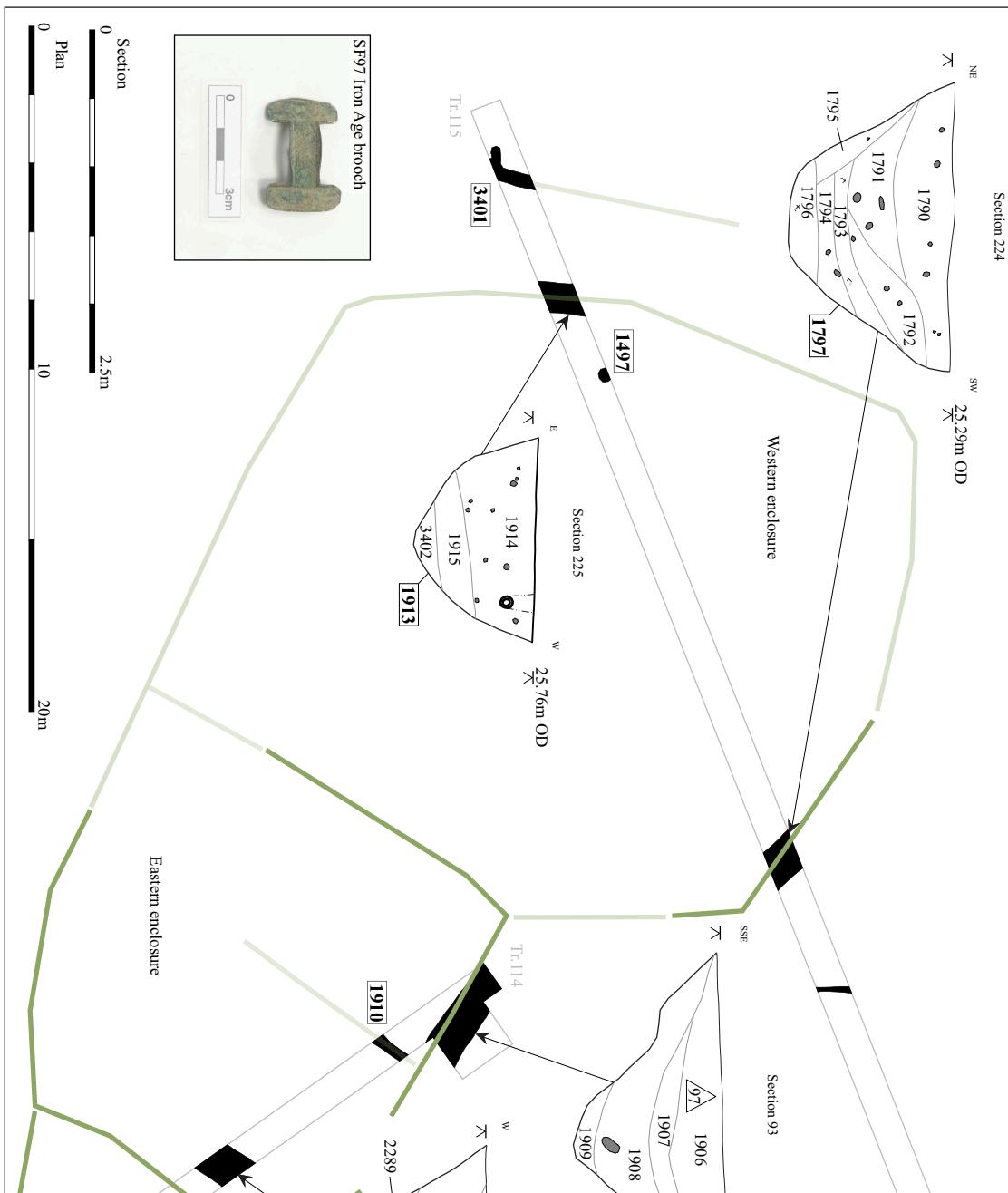


Figure 24: Central Zone, Site 3, Focus VIII: Later Iron Age Double square enclosure (plan scale 1:200, section scale 1:100)

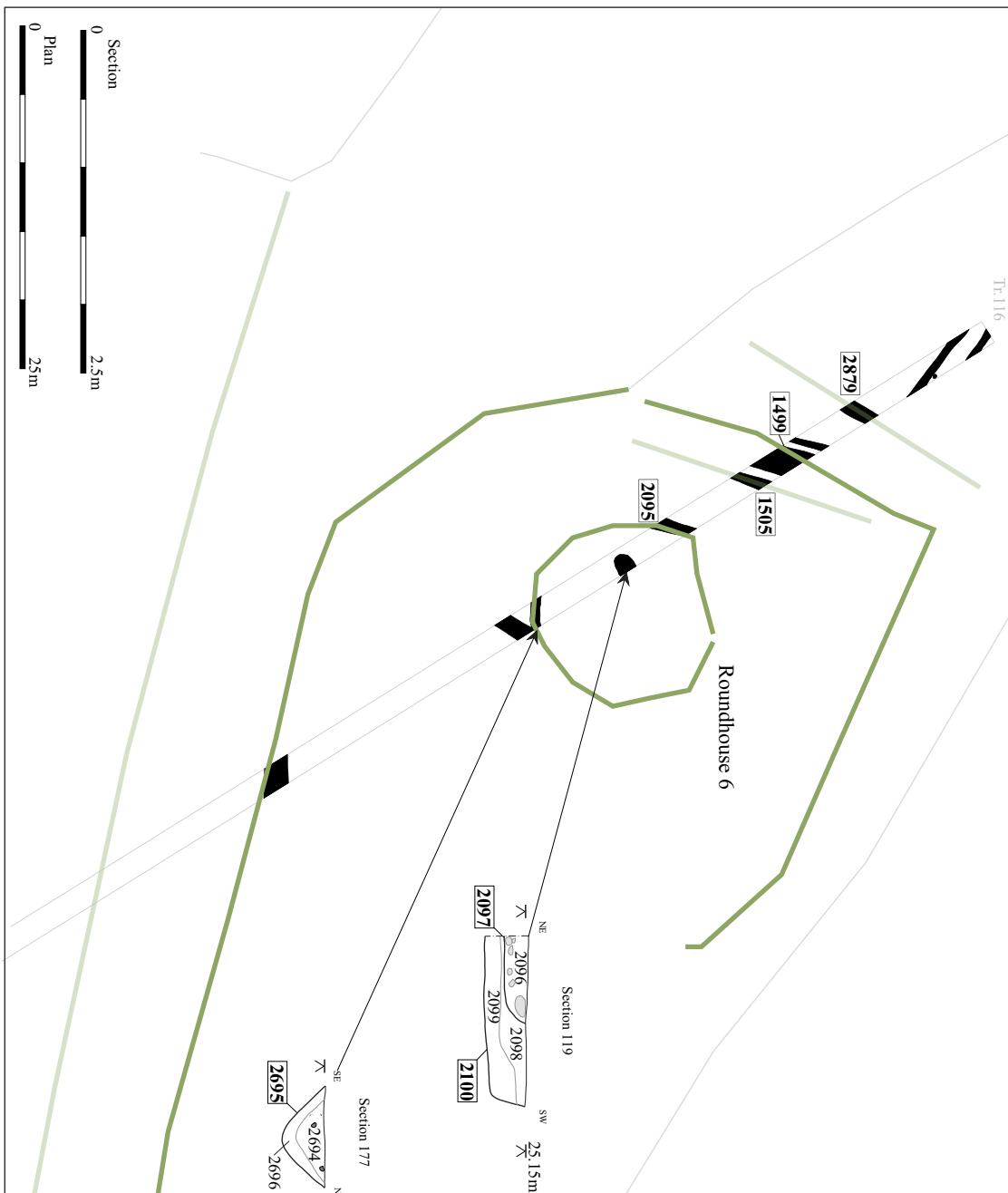


Figure 25: Central Zone, Site 3, Focus IX: Later Iron Age Road side enclosure and roundhouse 6 (plan scale 1:5)

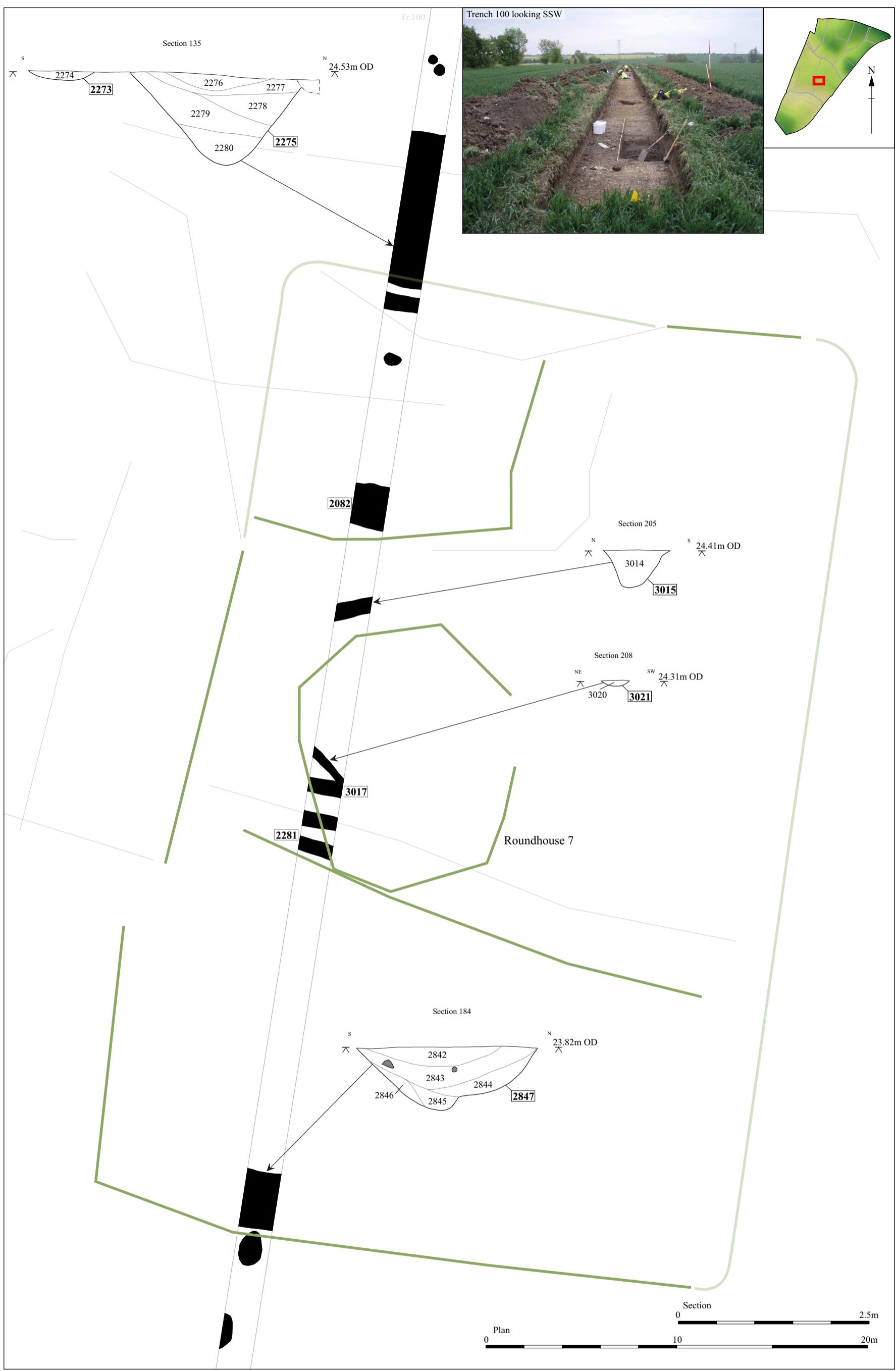


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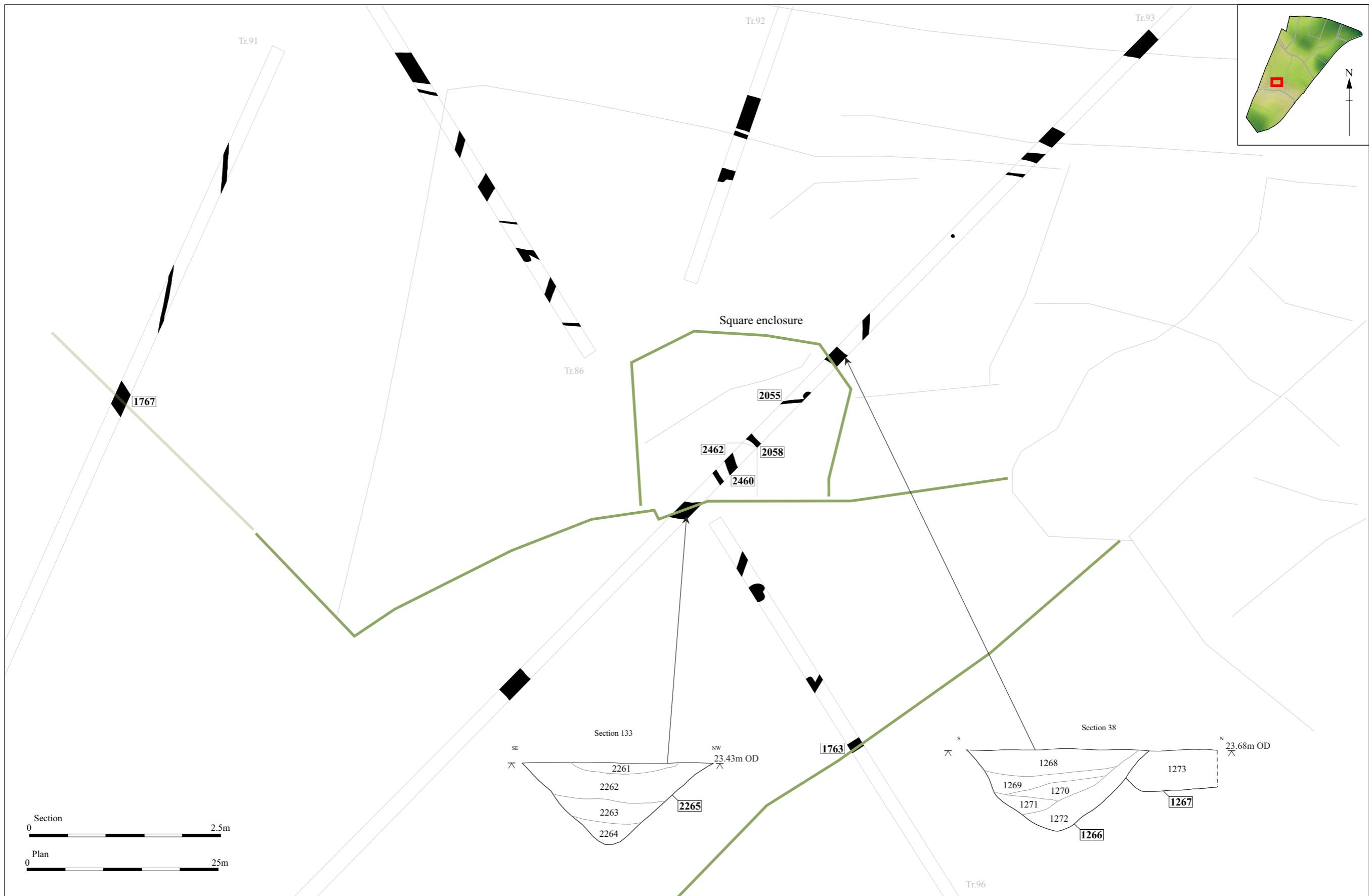


Figure 27: Central Zone, Site 3, Focus XI: Later Iron Age House enclosure and related boundaries (plan scale 1:500, section scale 1:50)

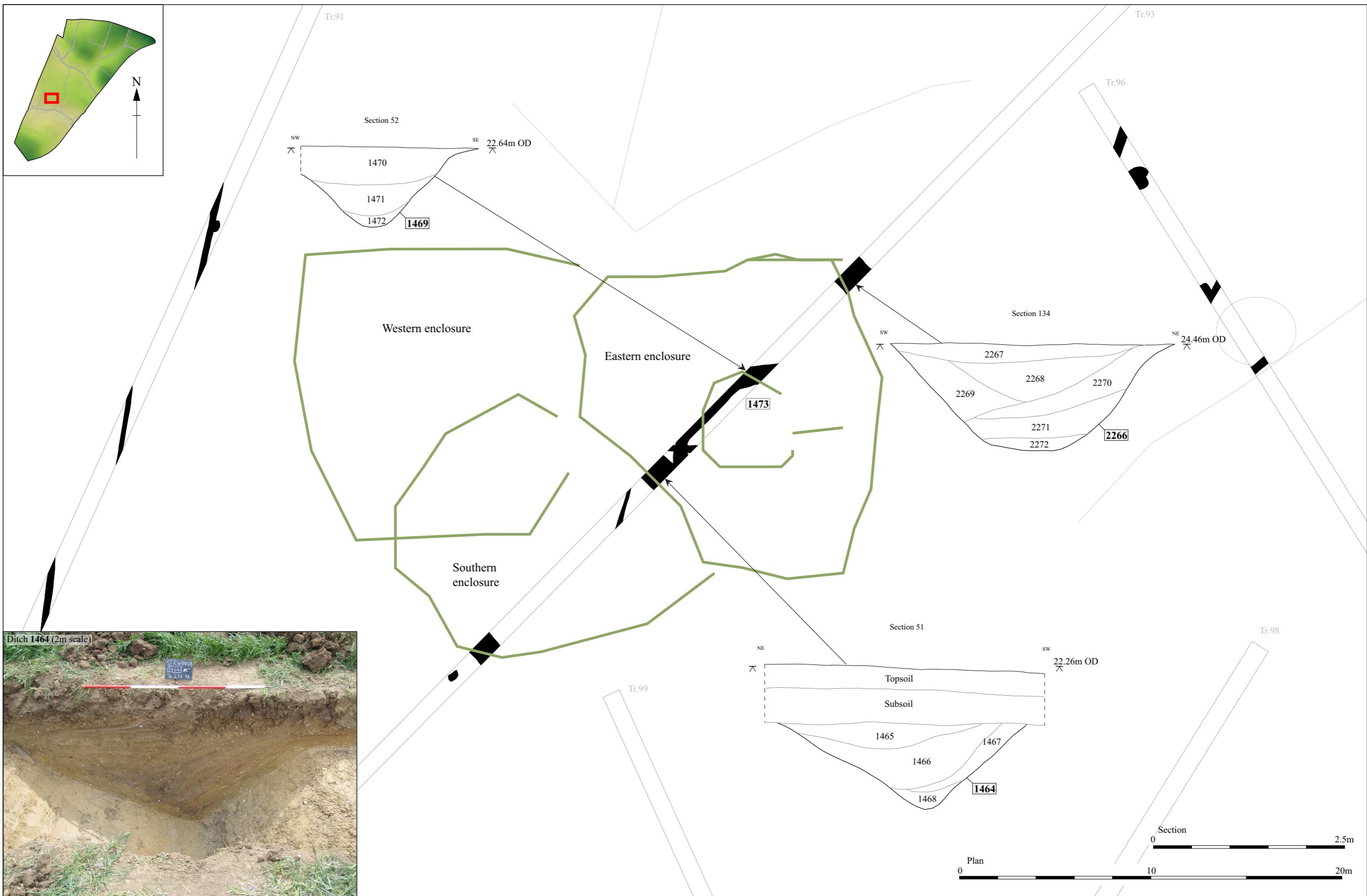


Figure 28: Central Zone, Site 3, Focus XII: Later Iron Age Triple sub-square enclosure (plan scale 1:200, section scale 1:50)

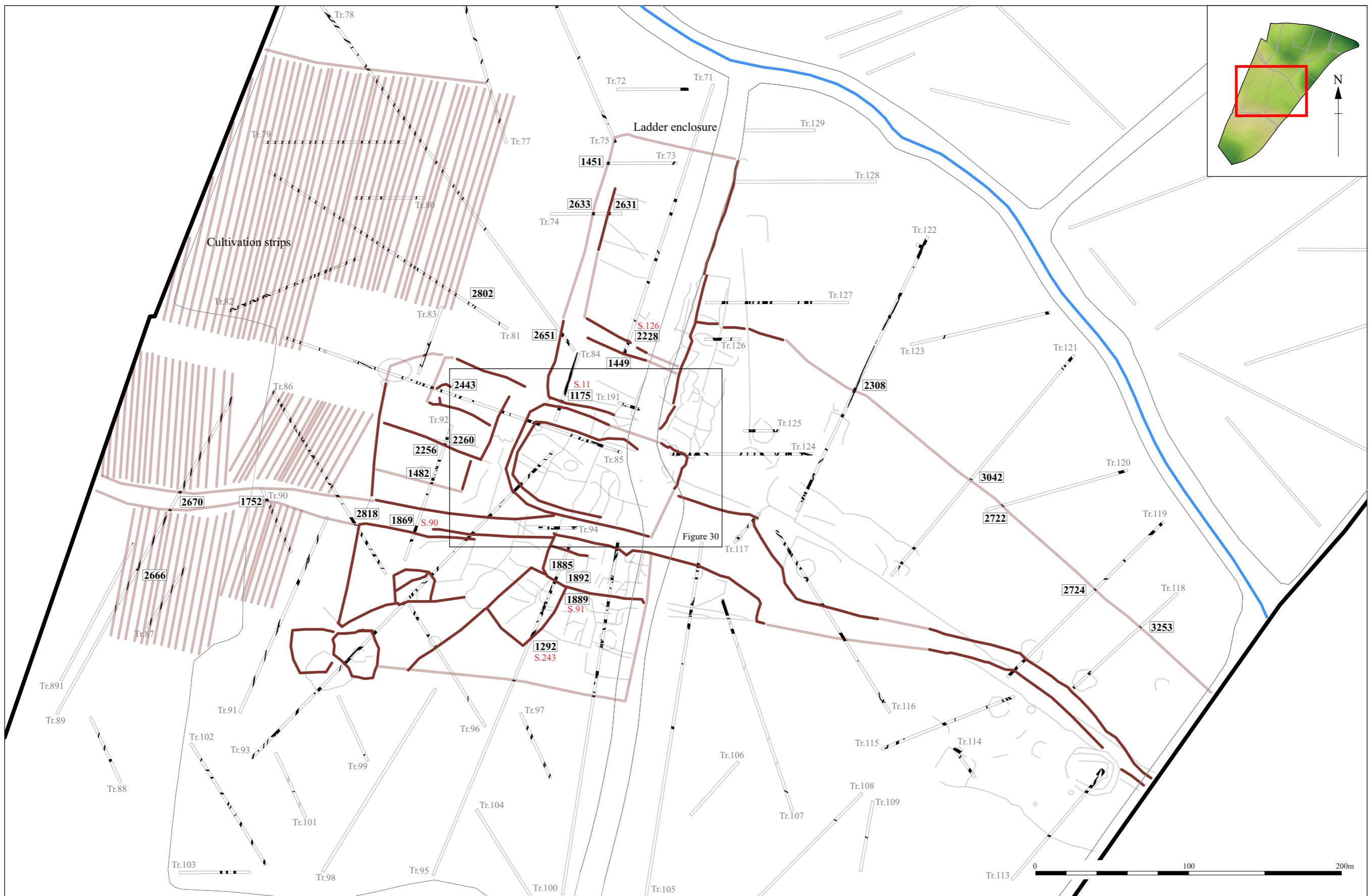


Figure 29: Central Zone, Site 3, Focus XIV: LPRIA Extensive hilltop farmstead (scale 1:2,500)



Figure 30: Central Zone, Site 3, Focus XIV: Detail of 'the Fortlet' A rectilinear double-ditched hilltop enclosure (plan scale 1:500, section scale 1:50)



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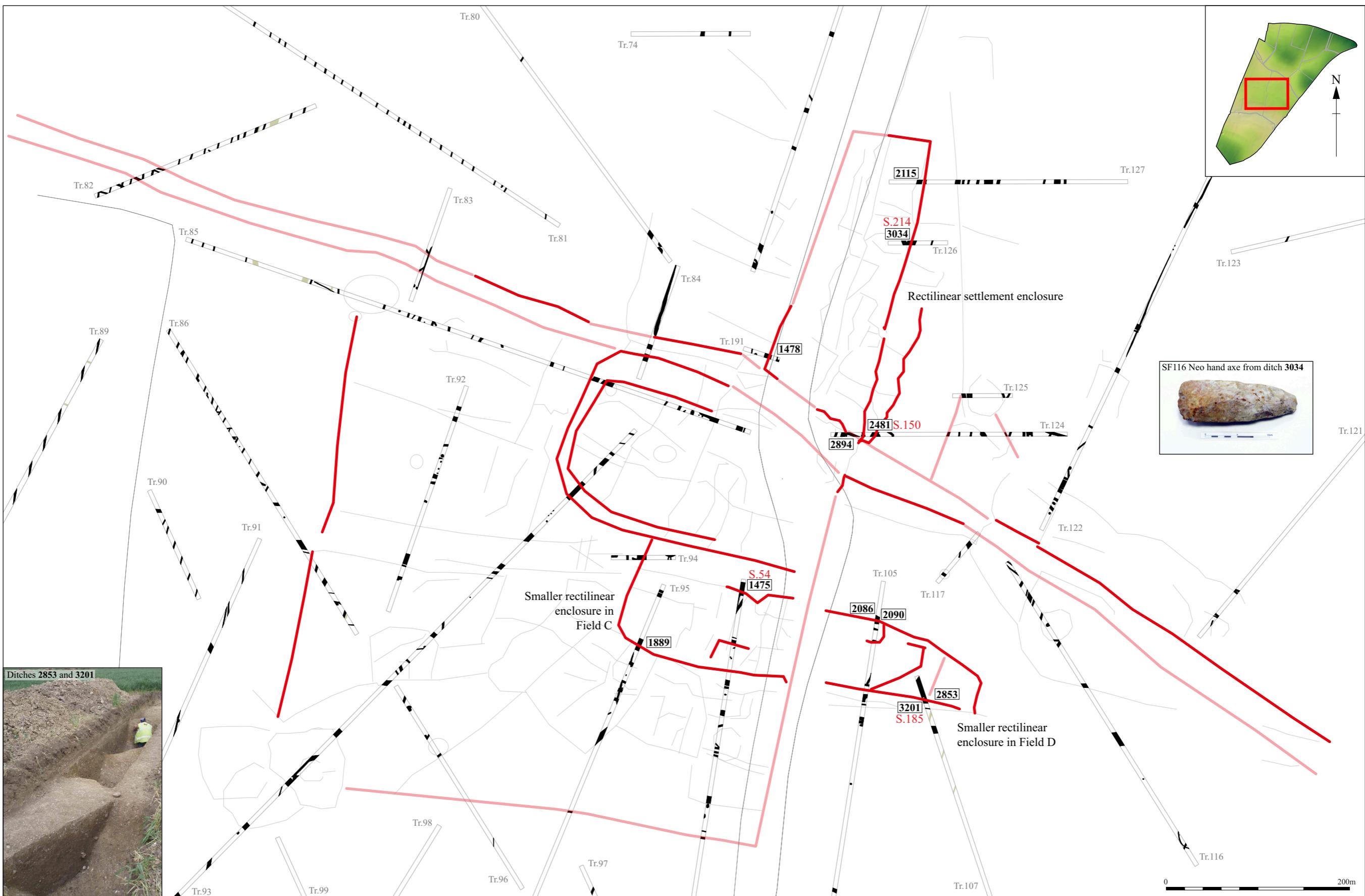


Figure 32: Central Zone, Site 3, Focus XIV: Romano-British Extensive hilltop farmstead (scale 1:1,500)

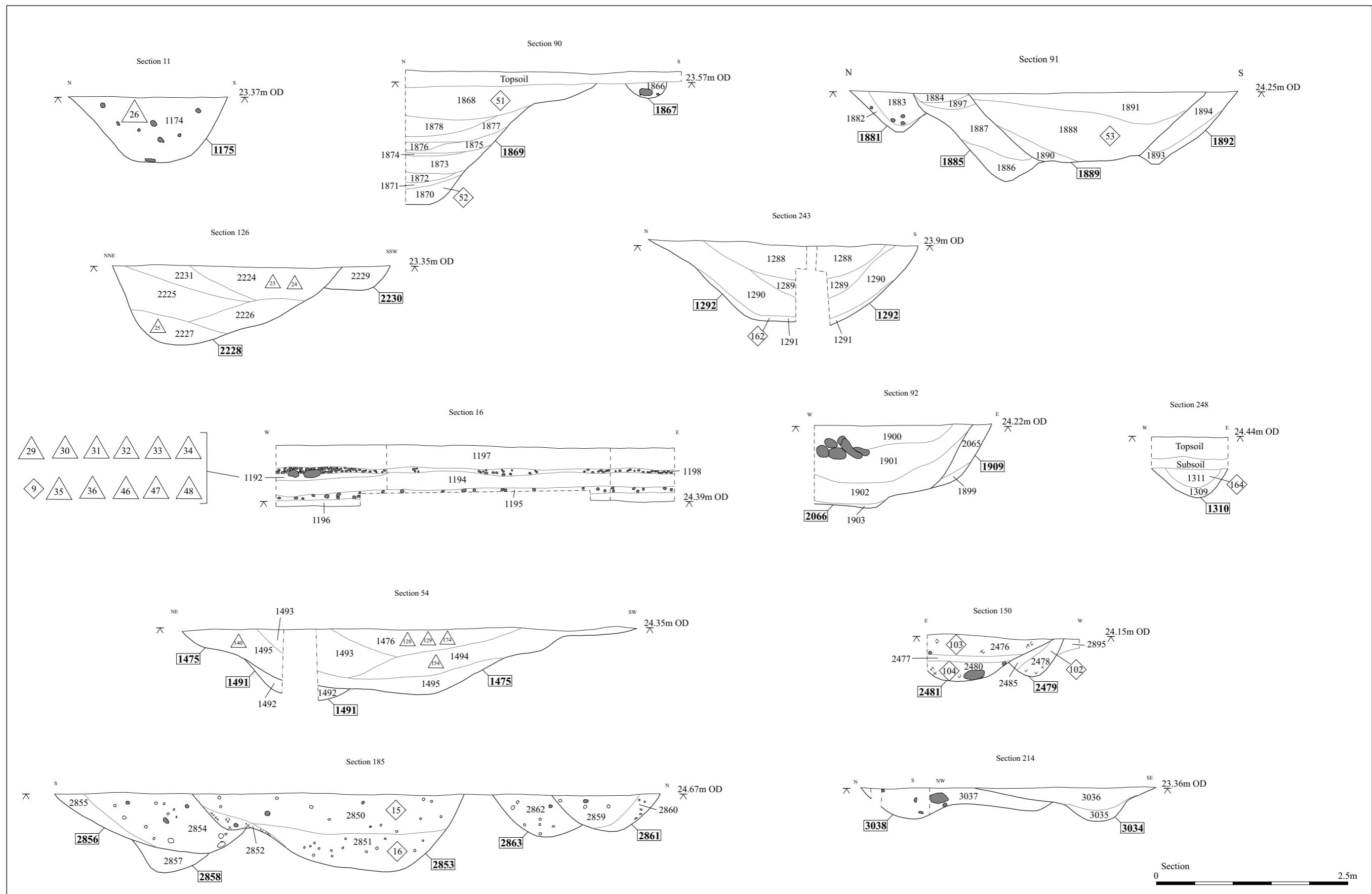
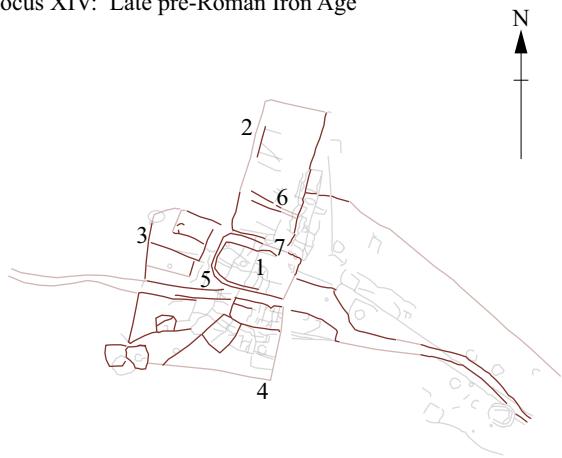


Figure 33: Focus XIV sections

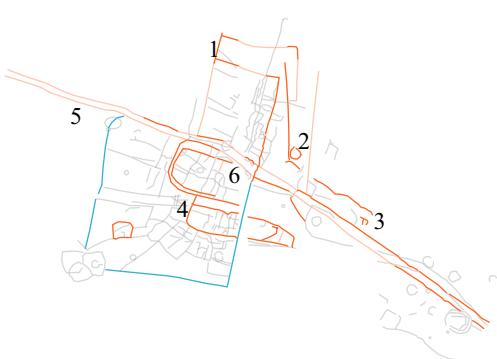
Focus XIV: Late pre-Roman Iron Age



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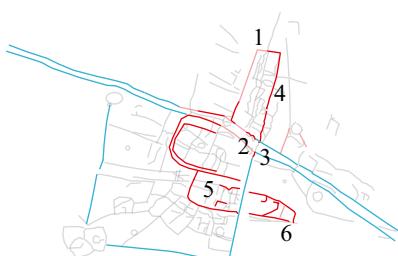
- 1 - The 'Fortlet' Double ditched hilltop enclosure (Fig. 30)
- 2 - 'Ladder' enclosure
- 3 - Rectilinear field system, north of road
- 4 - Rectilinear field system, south of road
- 5 - Ditch 2836: SF37 Nauheim type copper brooch, Late Iron Age
- 6 - Ditch 2228: SF25 Fragment of a millstone, SF24 Colchester type brooch (1st Century AD), SF23 Trinovantian Celtic coin (Late Iron Age)
- 7 - Ditch 2440: sherd of a La Tene style carinated and cordonated jar or bowl

Focus XIV: early Roman



- 1 - Modified 'ladder' enclosure
- 2 - Roundhouse 8. Gully 1310: truncated skeleton of young horse. Gully 1319: good enviro - spelt, barley, rumex, plantary, brassica, tiny seeds
- 3 - Metalworking area. 2kg of slag including metalworking waste and hearth lining.
- 4 - Ditch 2066. Blocking off of the old road. SF142 decorated samian. Cobbled causeway in upper fill.
- 5 - New roadway
- 6 - Metalled track or road, east end of Tr.85. SF48 decorated samian depicting a warrior figure. Drusus ii (125-140 AD), SF29 fragment of Hertfordshire puddingstone quern

Focus XIV: Romano-British



0 500m  
Retained boundaries

- 1 - Rectilinear settlement enclosure
- 2 - Ditch 2894: 1.3kg early Roman and Romano-British pottery
- 3 - Ditch 2481 :1.4kg early Roman and Romano-British pottery. SF99-101 3 mid 4th century coins, SF102 bone gaming counter, SF103 fragment of glass, SF114 lead sealing. Good enviro - cereals, chaff, grass seeds, fishscale
- 4 - Ditch 3034: 3.5kg 3rd century pottery, 4.3kg animal bone. SF143 glass bead, SF116 Neolithic flint hand axe
- 5 - Ditch 1475: 2.3kg Romano-British pottery
- 6 - Ditch 3201 crop processing waste. SF126 fragment of quern stone

Figure 34: Development of Site 3, Focus XIV with significant features and artefacts (scale 1:10,000)

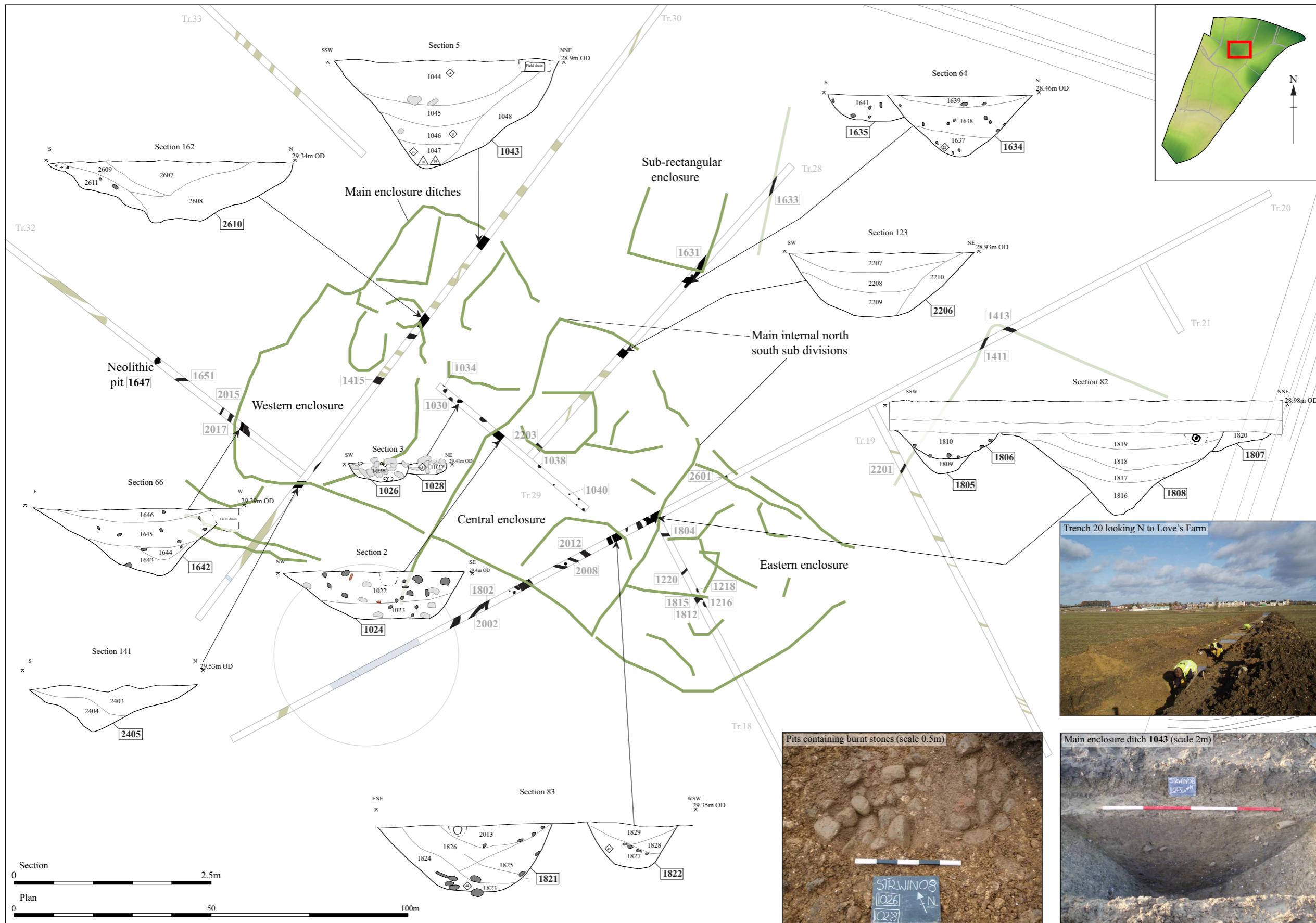


Figure 35: Northern Zone, Site 4, Focus XV: Later Iron Age hilltop enclosures (plan scale 1:1000, section scale 1:50)

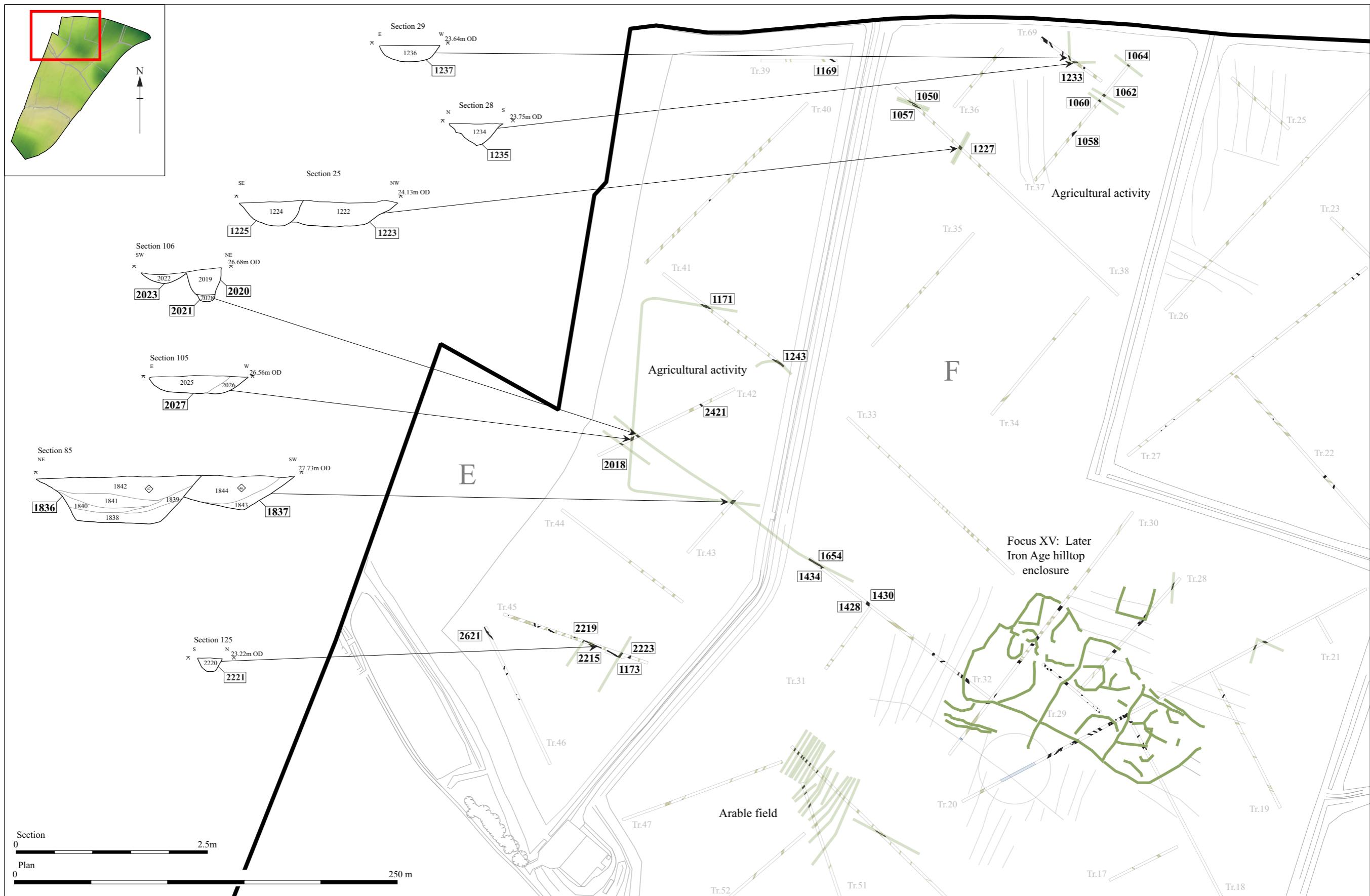


Figure 36: Agricultural activity in Field E and the north-west of Field F (plan scale 1:2,500, section scale 1:50)

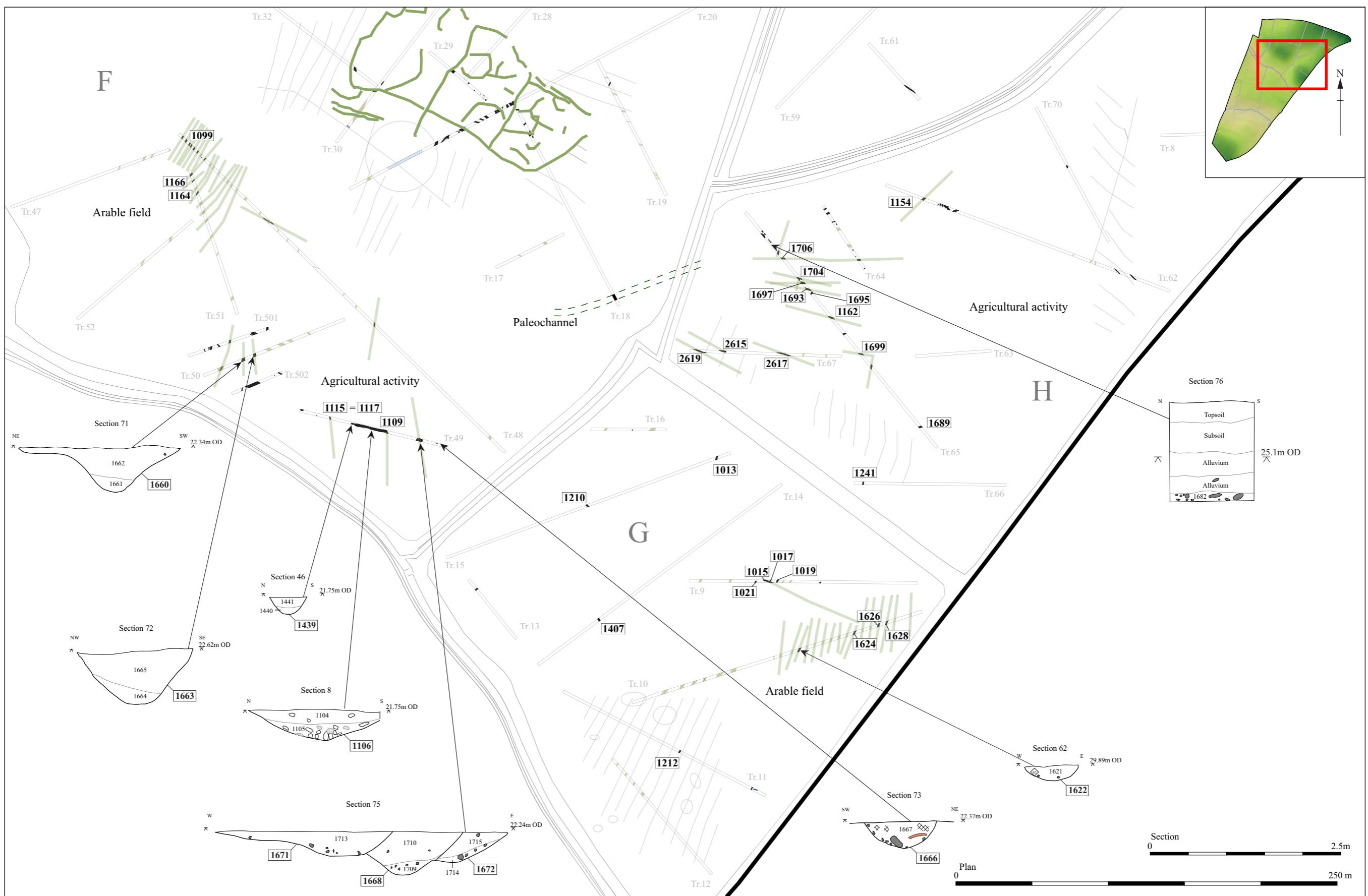


Figure 37: Arable fields and agricultural activity in the south of Field F, Field G and Field H (plan scale 1:2,500, section scale 1:50)



*Plate 1: Trench 20 looking south-east during excavation in November*



*Plate 2: Trench 124 looking east, after excavation*



Plate 3: Trench 116 looking south-east, after excavation



Plate 4: Trench 162 looking north, during excavation



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