



Perry Mesa Archaeological District Cultural Resources Geodatabase

An early task identified by the Cultural Resources Committee of the CRMP was to develop a cultural resources geodatabase for the Perry Mesa Archaeological District (PMAD). In 2014, Archaeology Southwest received a grant from the Bureau of Land Management's National Landscape Conservation System Research Support Program to undertake the development of a geodatabase. These funds enabled us to build on the work of Dr. Melissa Kruse-Peeples, who organized known site information for the PMAD. At present we have developed an Access database that includes all the known site records recorded at PMAD (the master database) along with an ArcGIS geodatabase that includes various spatial data layers (i.e., land ownership, topography, roads, etc.) and site records with location data that enables the display of site locations with appropriate background information. A third element is a field site form developed to enable easy entry of new site information into the master geodatabase. The Access database also includes volunteer site information that has been collected over the past seven years. This volunteer data has been reorganized to conform to the structure of the master database, and it includes site record location information that allows this information to be displayed in the spatial geodatabase.

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