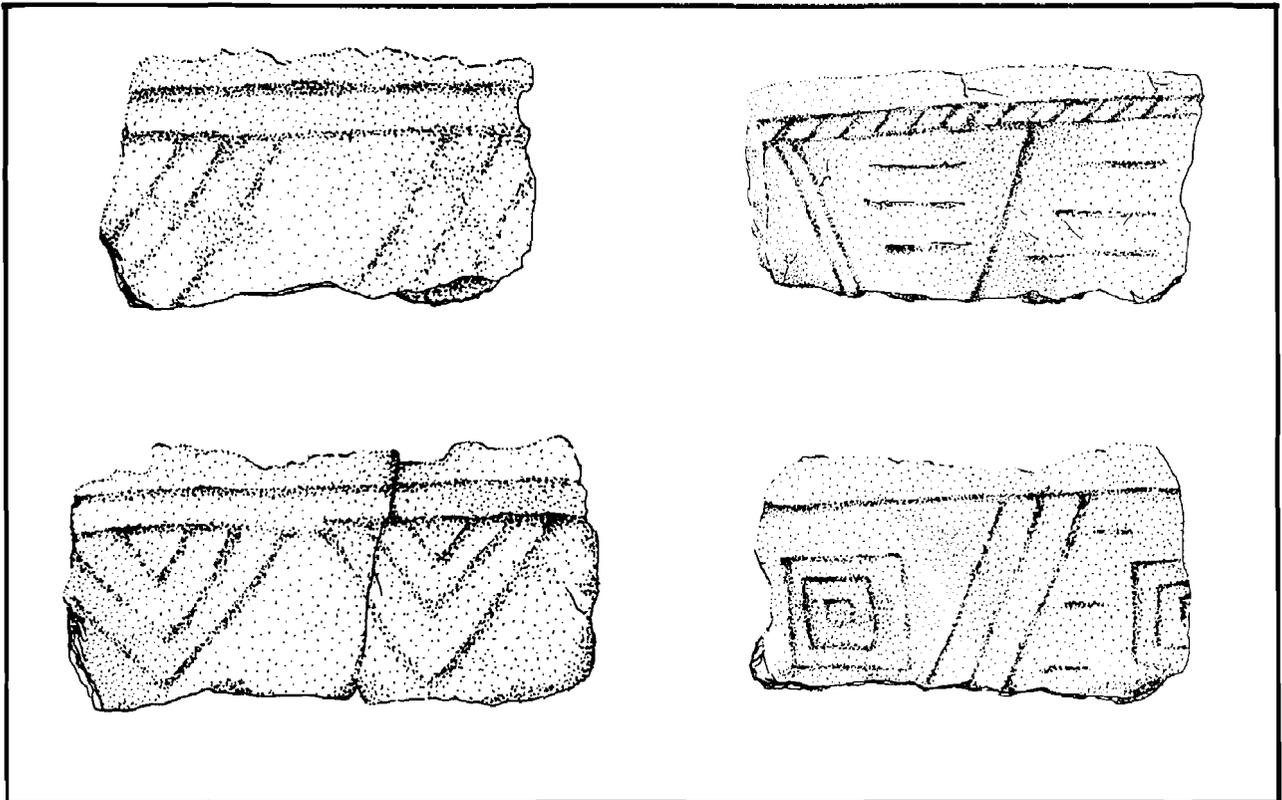


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## ABSTRACT

Phase II excavations at the Lewden Green Prehistoric Site in northern New Castle County, Delaware, recovered numerous artifacts from plowzone contexts. No features or in situ archaeological deposits are present at the site. A wide range of tool types, ceramics, and extensive debitage from biface reduction and expedient tool production indicate that the site is a micro-band base camp. A habitation area is spatially separated from a series of processing areas. Blood residue analyses show that game animals were processed at the site. The occupation of the site spans the Woodland I and Woodland II time periods with the majority of the occupation taking place during the end of Minguannan Complex times (ca. A.D. 1350-1600). Studies of textile impressions from the Minguannan ceramics show that Z-twist cordages are characteristic of the Minguannan Complex. Because none of the archaeological deposits are in situ, the site is not considered to be eligible for listing on the National Register and no further work is recommended for the site.

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