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Final Report: October 1, 2009 – December 31, 2010

**Park:** Hovenweep National Monument

Project Title: EDUCATIONAL VIDEOS: GIVING VOICE TO THE GOODMAN POINT

ARCHEOLOGICAL PROJECT, HOVENWEEP NATIONAL MONUMENT

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Start Date: October 1, 2009

End Date: June 1, 2011

Accomplishments to date, October 1, 2009– December 31, 2010: Crow Canyon Archaeological Center has completed all tasks outlined in Cooperative Agreement #H1200-09-005. We identified our consultant videographer (Tony Corona of Corona Production, Durango, Colorado), then edit raw footage from of six interviews in existing video archives (Corky Hays, Kristin Kuckelman, Florence Lister, Mark Varien, Pat Fulks, and Ernest Vallo, Sr.); this raw footage was to edited into six 3-7 minute clips. One additional interviews (Grant Coffey), was filmed during 2010 and was edited during the fall of 2010.

Crow Canyon's Information Systems department worked with the project videographer and the Center's Web manager to determine the video format that would best work for the uploads.

The Center's Publications and Communications department drafted the host Web page uploaded the video clips to Crow Canyon's video server (see attached printout of the host page and the video introductions:

http://www.crowcanyon.org/research/project\_archive/goodman\_point/video\_documentation\_project/gp\_videos.asp

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The uploaded video clips are edited from interviews with the following people on the following topics:

- Grant Coffey is a Supervisory Archaeologist at Crow Canyon, and he serves as
  project director of the Goodman Point Community Testing Project, which is
  Phase II of the Goodman Point Archaeological Project. He has over 10 years
  experience in the archaeology of the Four Corners region, and has been at Crow
  Canyon since 2005. Grant was interviewed at the Goodman Point Unit and
  discusses variety of sites—including small habitations and remnants of ancient
  roads—that help us understand the chronological and social relationships
  between the residents of Goodman Point Pueblo and those of the surrounding
  habitations.
- Pat Fulks is a private landowner who lives directly across from the entrance to
  the Goodman Point Unit. During the early 1900s, her family was one of the first
  anglo landowners to homestead in the area around the Goodman Point Unit. In
  her interview, Pat discussed her memories of the Goodman Point Unit, where
  she spent many hours playing as a child. Pat's memories document aspects of
  the Goodman Point Unit that are no longer preserved, and her interview provides

- the perspective of a private citizen about the importance of preserving archaeological sites.
- Corky Hays is the NPS superintendent of Hovenweep National Monument, which is managed by the Southeast Utah Group of the National Park Service (SEUG-NPS). Chris Goetze is the chief archeologist for the SEUG-NPS. In their interview, Corky discusses how the Goodman Point Unit is managed by the NPS, how the project balances the need for research—which provides the information for public interpretation, and the NPS responsibility to protect and preserve the archaeological and natural resources of the Goodman Point Unit.
- Kristin Kuckelman is a Senior Research Archaeologist at Crow Canyon, and she serves as the project director of the Goodman Point Pueblo Excavation Project (Phase I of the Goodman Point Archaeological Project). She has almost 30 years of experience working as an archaeologist in southwestern Colorado, and has worked at Crow Canyon for almost 20 years. Kristin was interviewed at Goodman Point Pueblo, which is one of the largest sites in the Mesa Verde archaeological region with about 110 kivas, over 600 surface rooms, and public architecture like a great kiva and D-shaped, biwall structure. She discussed the site and the research design that guides the Crow Canyon excavations there. Specific excavation units were captured on video and Kristin discussed each of these units.
- Florence Lister is a well known historian, who has written extensively on the
  history of archaeology in the southwestern United States. Her books may be
  some of the most widely read by the public on this topic. Her interview focused
  on the history of archaeology in the southwestern United States and the place of
  the Goodman Point Unit in that history.
- Ernest M. Vallo Sr. is an elder of Acoma Pueblo. He does many things for the Pueblo of Acoma, including serving as a councilman, serving as an expert on cultural resources issues, and serving as a religious leader. He is also on the Board of Trustees and on the Native American advisory board of the Crow Canyon Archaeological Center. Ernie's interview focuses on Native American perspectives of the importance of archaeological sites. In particular, Ernie talks about the importance of the Goodman Point Unit, emphasizing the ties that modern Pueblo people have to this place.
- Mark Varien is the Struever Chair of Research and Education at the Crow Canyon Archaeological Center, where he has worked since 1987. In his interview, Varien discusses the history of how the Goodman Point Unit became the first archaeological area set aside for protection by the U.S. government when it was withdrawn from homesteading in 1889. Varien provides details on how this withdrawal was accomplished and how the Goodman Point Unit eventually became a part of Hovenweep National Monument. Varien also discusses how the Goodman Point Archaeological Project has been conducted in the context of a public archaeology program, and how that public archaeology program has been supported by the Colorado Historical Society.

"The Goodman Point Archaeological Project: Community Center and Cultural Landscape Study" is part of Crow Canyon's long-term research into the ancient Pueblo Indian communities of the Mesa Verde region in southwestern Colorado.

Conducted in partnership with the Southeast Utah Group of the National Park Service, the project is a multiyear investigation of selected ancestral Pueblo sites located within the Goodman Point Unit of Hovenweep National Monument.

What do we hope to learn from our investigation? As detailed in the project research design, our primary goals are to reconstruct the occupational histories of Goodman Point Pueblo and the surrounding smaller sites and to develop a better understanding of thirteenth-century community development and dynamics in the Mesa Verde region. Among the specific research questions we hope to answer are the following:

- When was Goodman Point Pueblo built and how long was it occupied?
- What was the relationship between this large pueblo and nearby surrounding sites and adjacent communities?
- How sustainable was the Pueblo adaptation to the environment?
- How did Pueblo use of the landscape change through time?
- What can sites in the Goodman Point Unit tell us about the regional migration that occurred during the late A.D. 1200s?

Although these questions focus on prehistory, asking the same questions of the contemporary occupants of Goodman point has shed light on both present and past land-use patterns.

**What remains to be done:** The project is complete, and all deliverables have been sent to NPS – SEUG and to the NPS Research Coordinator, CPCESU, NAU, as specified below.

**Unexpected challenges:** To date we have encountered no unexpected challenges.

See also the **URL** for the draft pages:

http://www.crowcanyon.org/research/project\_archive/goodman\_point/video\_documentation\_project/gp\_videos.asp

\*Product: The Principal Investigator will prepare a brief report abstract suitable for public distribution and two hard copies and an electronic version (in PDF file format) of the final report and mail all to the NPS Research Coordinator, CPCESU, NAU, P.O. Box 5765, Flagstaff, AZ 86011-5765



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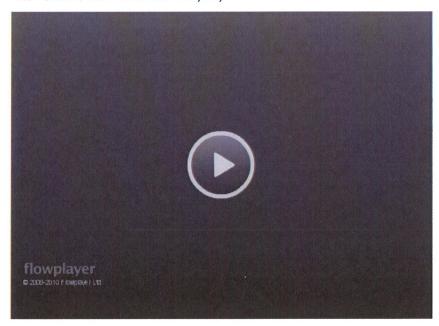
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## **Goodman Point Video Documentation Project**

The Goodman Point Video Documentation Project is a multivocal history that documents the perspectives of multiple individuals involved in the Goodman Point Archaeological Project, conducted by Crow Canyon from 2005 through 2010 in partnership with the Southeast Utah Group of the National Park Service. As part of that project, Crow Canyon staff, assisted by student and adult participants in the Center's various programs, test-excavated 17 sites located in the Goodman Point Unit of Hovenweep National Monument. All the sites were part of an extensive ancient Pueblo community dating from from the late eleventh through the twelfth centuries A.D.

The interviews from which the following videos were derived were conducted between 2007 and 2010. To view a video, click on the name of the person. (Complete interviews are archived at Crow Canyon.)



## **Corky Hays**

Superintendent, Hovenweep and Natural Bridges national monuments Topic: The partnership between the National Park Service and Crow Canyon (4:00)

## Ernest M. Vallo, Sr.

Cultural consultant from the Pueblo of Acoma, New Mexico; former Crow Canyon Native American Advisory Group and Board of Trustees member Topic: Visiting archaeological sites with respect (2:21)

## **Florence Lister**

Archaeologist, archaeological historian, and author Topic: The evolution of archaeological inquiry in the Mesa Verde region (7:42)

#### **Mark Varien**

Vice president of programs, Crow Canyon Archaeological Center Topic: The Goodman Point Unit: preservation and research (6:05)

#### Kristin Kuckelman

Senior research archaeologist, Crow Canyon Archaeological Center; director of the Goodman Point Archaeological Project, Phase I Topic: Phase I excavations (Goodman Point Pueblo) (6:18)

## **Grant Coffey**

Supervisory archaeologist, Crow Canyon Archaeological Center; director of the Goodman Point Archaeological Project, Phase II Topic: Phase II excavations (small-site testing) (6:05)

#### **Pat Fulks**

Lifelong area resident and granddaughter of Goodman Point homesteaders Topic: Fulks family history and growing up near the Goodman Point Unit (4:51)

This project was paid for in part by a grant from the State Historical Fund, a program of History Colorado (the Colorado Historical Society), and through a cooperative agreement with the Colorado Plateau Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit and the Southeast Utah Group of the National Park Service.



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