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Park: Western Archeological and Conservation Center
Project: Treat Pots Casa Grande Ruins National Monument
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Final Project Report

Documentation and treatment for pots from Casa Grande stored at the Western Archeological and Conservation Center was prepared, including pre- and post-treatment photography, condition reports and treatment proposals, and treatment reports.

The original list of all objects for treatment included 271 pots (190 were originally included as part of this project). 57 pots were identified as being subject to NAGPRA and were removed from the group of objects to be treated. 35 additional vessels were ruled out of treatment due their ownership by BIA. 5 pots were added to the list. 3 pots were removed because less than 50% of the pot was present. One pot was determined to need no treatment. This leaves a total of 180 pots to be treated.

121 objects were treated in full: all pre- and post-treatment photography and written documentation was completed, treatment performed, as well as movement to the conservation lab and processing back into the repository in appropriate storage mounts. Other vessels are currently in various stages of treatment, though all treatment reports have been written. Additionally, treatment proposals and pre-treatment photography for 7 objects were written before it was determined that they were BIA pots.

Due to extensive changes in technology over the last several years, research into updated digital photographic procedures was also undertaken and partially implemented in order to improve the quality of photo documentation of this project.

All priority 1 vessels have been treated to date. Treatments estimated to be longer and more time-consuming were completed first. The remaining documentation and conservation treatments will be completed as part of UAZCP-204.