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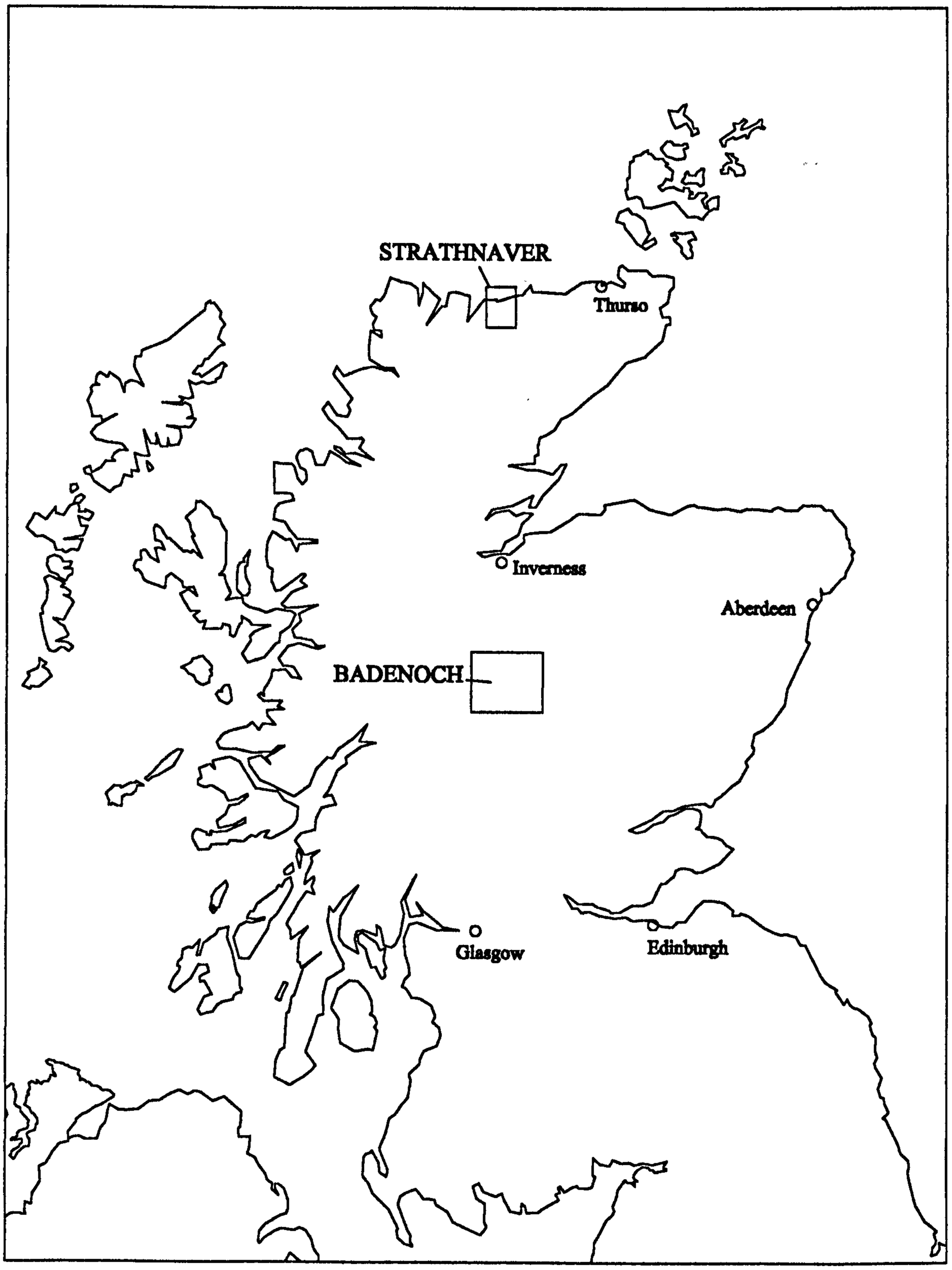


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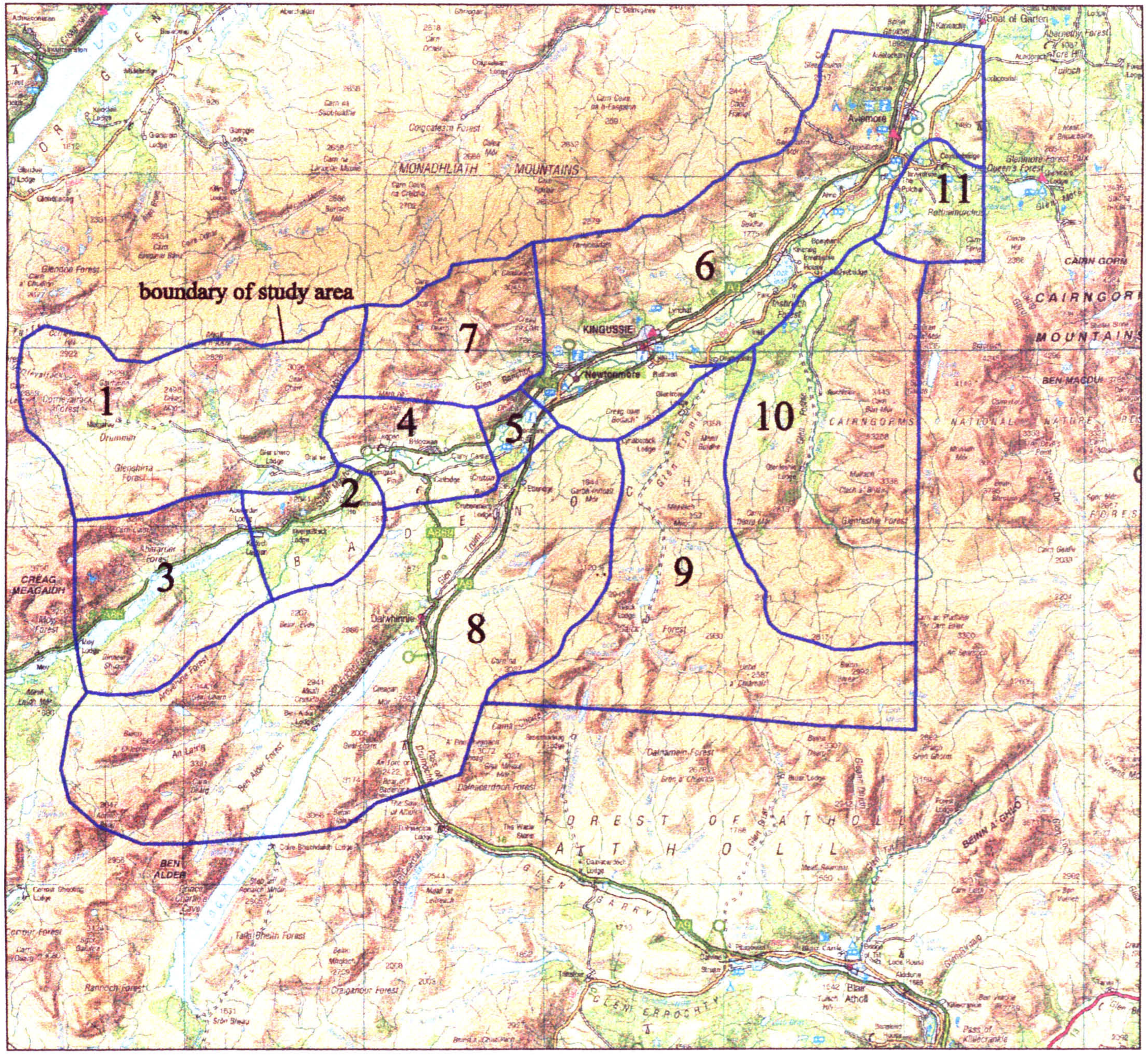


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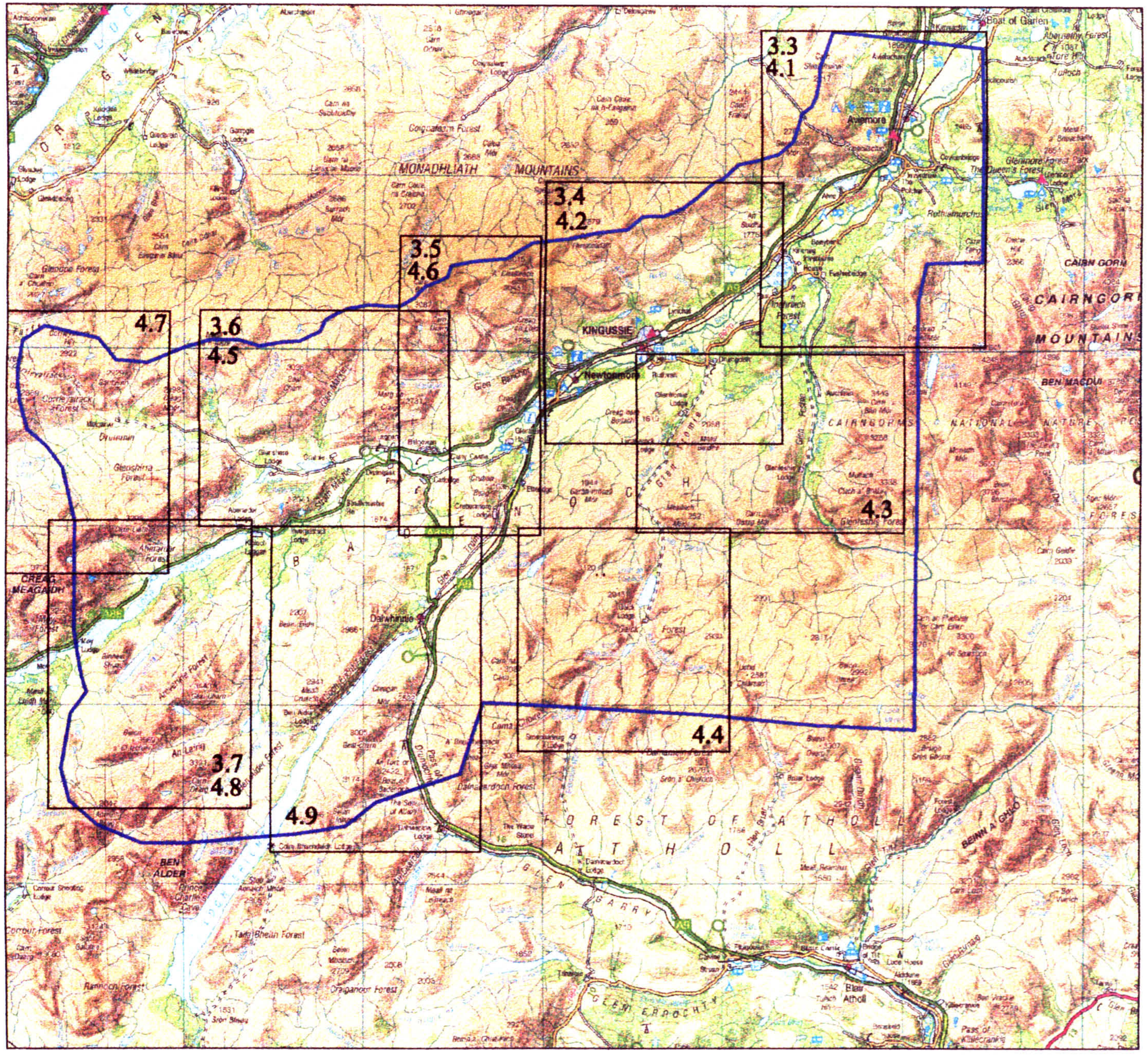
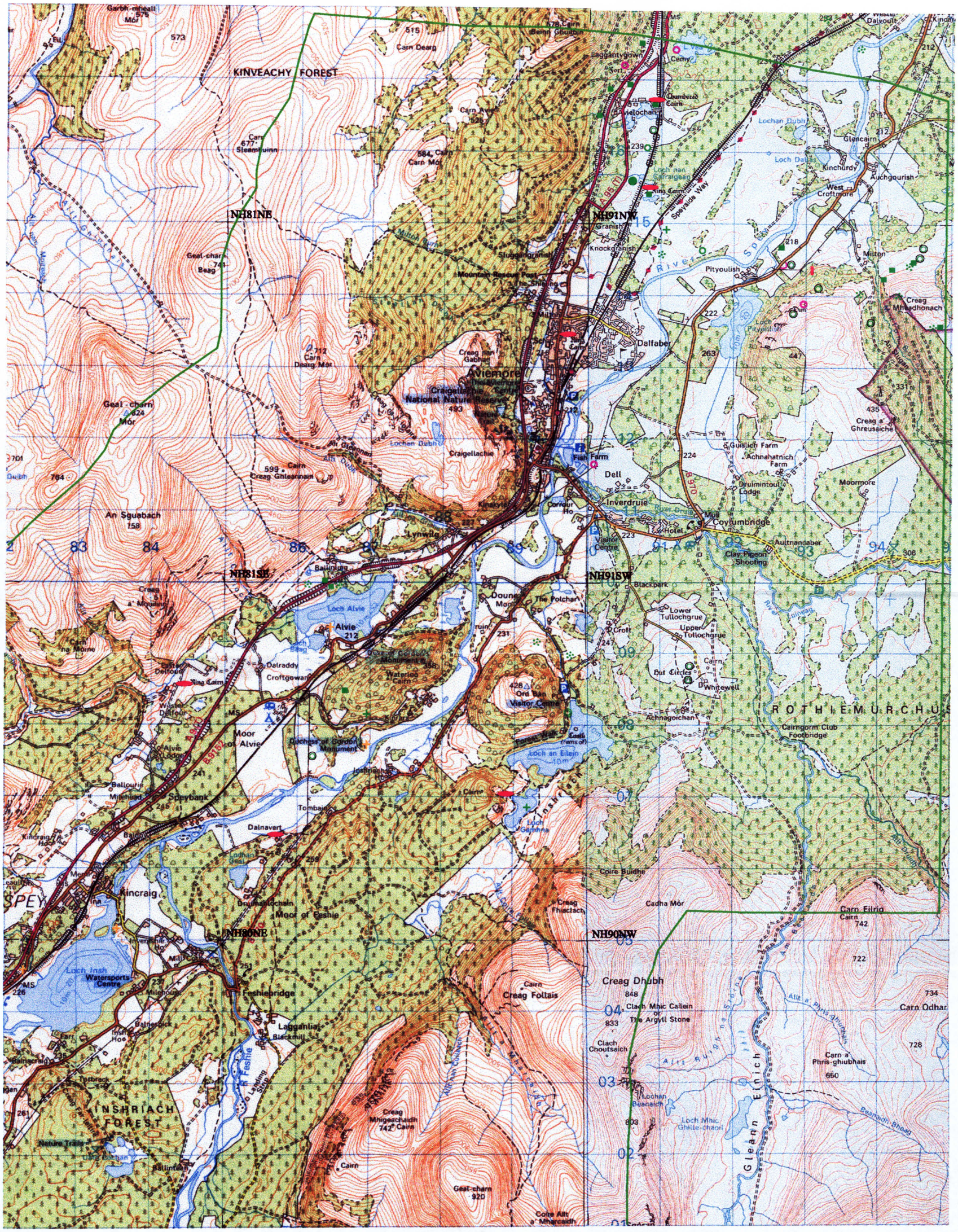


Figure 3.3 Prehistoric to first millennium A.D. sites around Aviemore, Alvie and Rothimurchus (zone 11 and eastern part of zone 6) (copyright Ordnance Survey).

- Chambered cairn
- Cup-marked stone
- Clearance cairns
- Burial cairn
- Bronze Age stray find
- Group I hut-circle settlement (isolated, with no cultivation evidence)
- Group II hut-circle settlement (with associated clearance cairns)
- Group III hut-circle settlement (with lynchets and/or field walls)
- Souterrain
- Dun, fort, crannog or palisaded enclosure
- Chapel site

N



0 1 km 2 km 3 km


boundary of study area
NH70NW
NH70NE
NH80NW
NH70SW
NH70SE
NH80SW
NN79NW
NN79NB
NN89NW
BADENOCH AND STRATHSPEY DISTRICT
Strathspey
KINGUSSIE
A' Bhuidheanaich
727
Meall a' Chocaire
715
Carn an Fhreiceadain
878
Cairn
Beinn Bhreac
843
Carn a' Bhothain
850
Mhelaich
Coire Odhar
Meall Unaig
Bad Each
Meall a' Chaobhain Duibh
604
Garbh-mheall
Cairns
498
An Suidhe
541
Cairn
Meall na Gearra
Geal Charn
766
Beinn Bhuidhe
Carn Coire na h-Inghinn
749
Creag Dhubh
787
Torr Garbh
Creag Bheag
447
526
Creag Bheag
374
Creag Bheag
Creag Mhor
682
604
An Calsdeal
Glen Gynack
Luachair Mhor
Creag Righ Tharsuit
470
Cairn
Creag Mhor
Dunachton Lodge
Dunachtonmore Fm
MS
226
Wildlife Park
Craigbui Wood
Croftcarnoch
222
Balavil
226
Coull
Lynchallaggan
281
Nature Reserve
Lynchat
Insh
234
Old Milton
The Dell of Killiehuntly
Invertromie
Tromie Mills
Drumguish
B970
Tromie Br
Ruthven Barracks
233
Ruthven
Coille an Torra Chruaidh
Knappach
Inverton
Nuide Fm
Milton of Nuide
Milehouse of Nuide
Beinn Bhuidhe
369
Killiehuntly
Baileguish
Corarnstilbeg
Craig Dhubh
445
Aqua Theatre
Chambered Cairn (remains of)
Strone
Ballachroan Br
MS
225
Pitmain Fm
Pitmain Lodge
Spey Bridge
Ruba Lodge
256
328
An Eitrig
414
Maol a' Ghiubhais
Woods of Glentromie
Glentromie Lodge
Creag Druim Ghealloigaidh
425
Luibleathann
Cairn
384
Ordan Bhios
Creag nam Bodach
497
Corry Ruthven
Nuide Moss
Creagan a' Choin
356
Meall
Meall
632
Buidhe
Croidh-ta
640
Coire na Dubharaiche
Coire Fhearnasdail
Allt Coire Fhearnasdail
Allt Coire Chuilinn
Allt Coire Ghaothaich
Allt na Bruaich
Allt Coire Mhoraire
Allt Coire Ruadh
Allt Coire Chomhraig
Lochan Dubh
Lochan Dubhain
Lochan Bubb
Lochan Odhar
Loch Gynack
Tom Baraidh Strathlynn
Kerrow
Cemy
Mon
Hospl
Sch
Mus
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Cemy
Mus
Ancho Mains Fm
Bridge of Ruthven
Milton of Nuide
Invertromie
Old Milton
Inverugiass
Badan
Craig Dhubh
Corarnstilbeg
Baileguish
Nature Tra
Souterrain
Souterrain
Souterrain

Figure 3.5 Prehistoric to first millennium A.D. sites in upper Strathspey (zone 5 and the eastern part of zone 4) and Glen Banchor (zone 7) (copyright Ordnance Survey).

Clearance cairns

Group II hut-circle settlement (with associated clearance cairns)

Circular homestead

Chapel site

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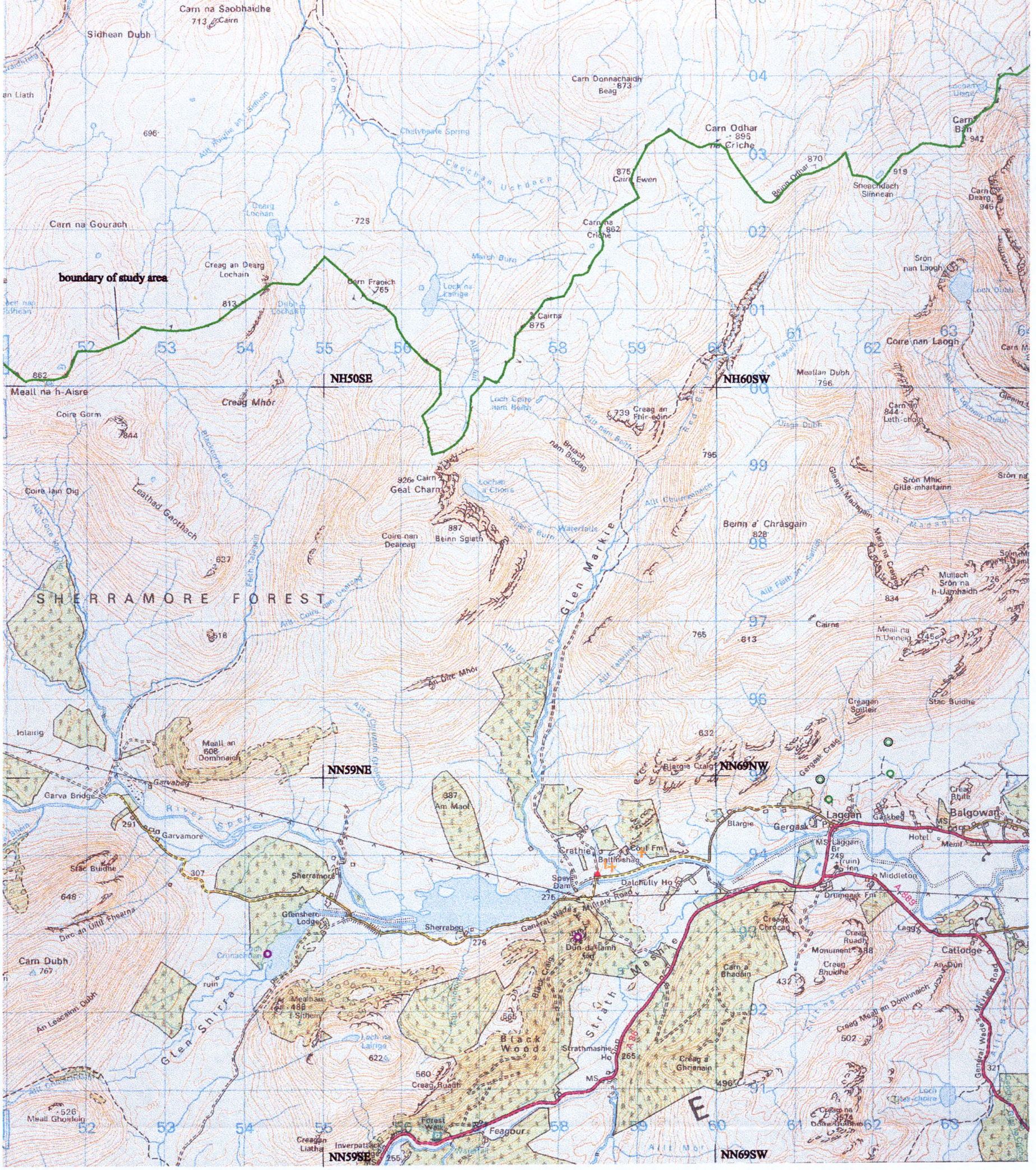

boundary of study area
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NH60SW
NN59NE
NN69NW
NN59SE
NN69SW
SHERRAMORE FOREST
Glen Markie
Glen Shirra
Strath Mashie
Meall na h-Aisre
Creag Mhór
Geal Charn
Beinn a' Chràsgain
Carn na Gourach
Carn na Saobhaidhe
Sidhean Dubh
Carn Donnachaidh Beag
Carn Odhar
Beinn Odhar
Sheachdach Slinnean
Carn Dearg
Coire nan Laogh
Meallan Dubh
Srón nan Laogh
Srón Mhic Gille-mhartainn
Mullach Srón na h-Uamhaidh
Meall na h-Uinneig
Creagan Spiteir
Stac Buidhe
Carn Fraoich
Creag an Dearg Lochain
Coire Gorm
Coire Iain Oig
Leathad Gaothach
Coire nan Dearcag
Beinn Sgiath
Meall an Dòmhnaich
Garva Bridge
Garvamore
Sherramore
Glenshero Lodge
Carn Dubh
Meall Ghoirtidh
Creagan Liatha
Inverpattack
Am Maol
Crathie
Balmenach
Dalchully Ho
Speyside Dam
General Wade's Military Road
Dun da Lamh
Black Wood
Strathmashie Ho
Creag a' Ghrianain
Carn a' Bhadain
Creag Chrocag
Creag Ruadh
Creag Bhuidhe
Laggan
Gergask
Blargie
Balgowan
Catlodge
Middleton
Drumeask Fm
Garvabeg
Allt Coire Iain Oig
Allt Coire nan Dearcag
Allt Feith Tuirnich
Allt Coire Mhór
Allt Chuil Mhaoil
Allt Coire Ban
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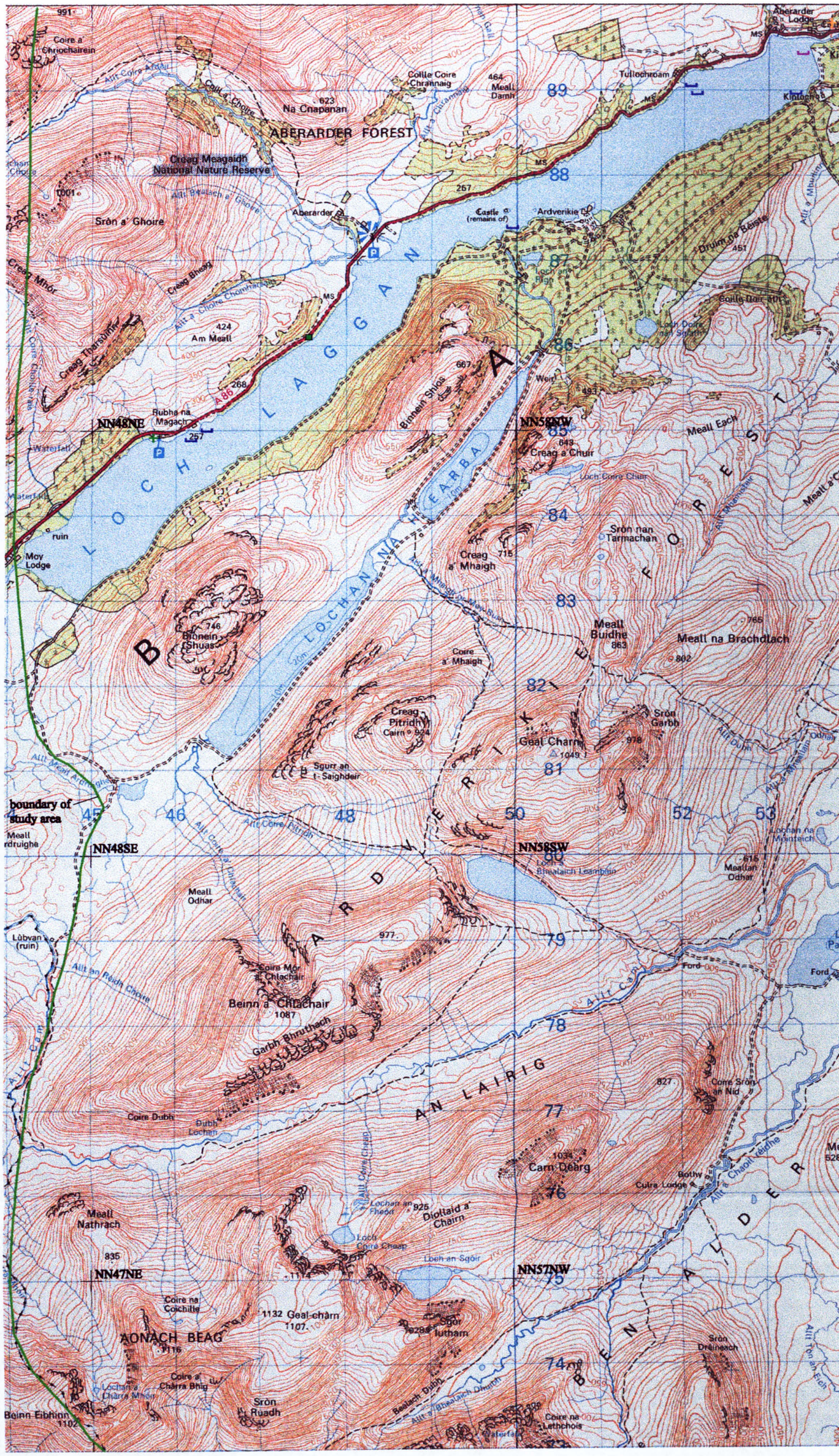
Figure 3.7 Prehistoric to Early Medieval sites around Loch Laggan (zone 3) (copyright Ordnance Survey).

- Burial cairn
- Bronze hoard or stray find
- Iron Age logboat
- Logboat – uncertain date
- Chapel site

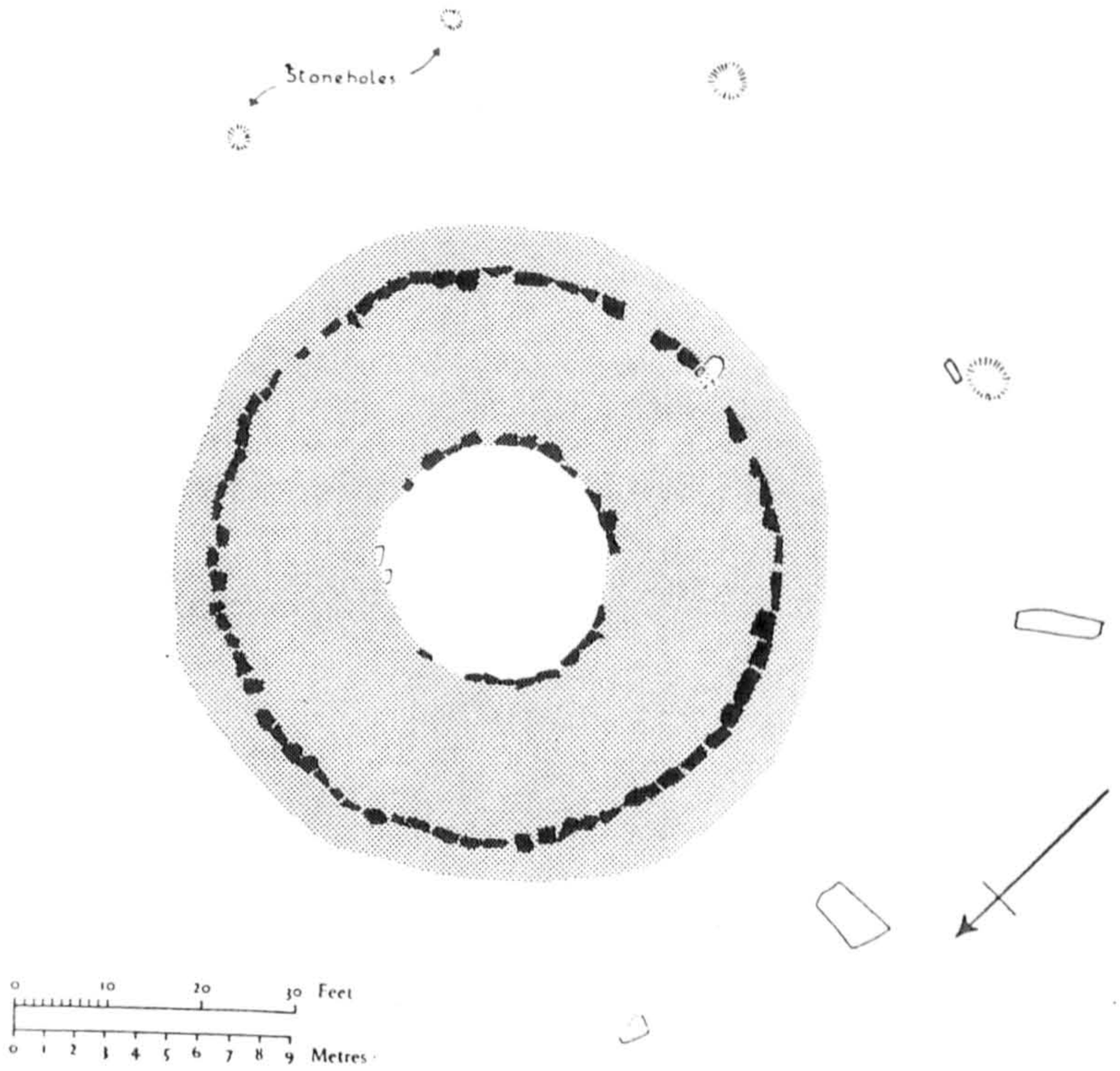
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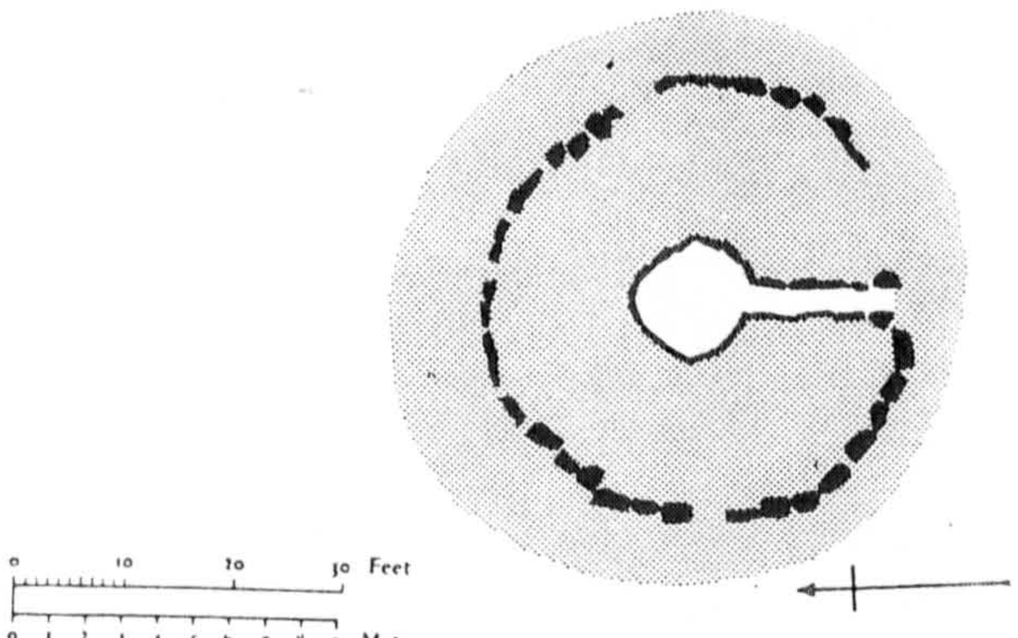
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ABERARDER FOREST
Creag Meagaidh National Nature Reserve
LOCH LAGGAN
LOCHANNA FEARBA
BEN ALDER FOREST
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AONACH BEAG
NN48NE
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NN47NE
NN58NW
NN58SW
NN57NW
Coire a' Chrochairein
Srôn a' Ghoire
Creag Mhor
Creag Tharsuinn
Creag Bheag
Am Meall
Aberarder
Castle (remains of)
Ardverikie
Druim na Beiste
Rubha na Magach
Waterfall
Moy Lodge
ruin
Binnein Shios
Creag a' Chuir
Meall Each
Sron nan Tarmachan
Creag a' Mhaigh
Binnein Shuas
Coire a' Mhaigh
Meall Buidhe
Meall na Brachdlach
Creag Pitridh
Cairn 924
Geal Charn
Srôn Garbh
Sgurr an t- Saighdeir
Meall Odhar
Lùbvan (ruin)
Coire Mor a' Chlachair
Garbh Bhruthach
Coire Dubh
Dubh Lochan
Carn Dearg
Meall Nathrach
Lochan an Fheoir
Diollaid a' Chairn
Loch Coire Cheap
Loch an Sgoir
Coire na Ceichille
Geal-charn
Sgor Iutharn
Srôn Ruadh
Beinn Eibhinn
Coire a' Charra Bhig
Lochan a' Charra Mhoir
Srôn Dreineach
Coire na Lethchois
Bothy
Cuira Lodge
Tullochroam
Meall Damh
Coille Coire Chrannaig
Na Cnapanan
Coire Dhuibh Mhor
Loch Coire Chuir
Meall a' Chaorainn
Meall Each
Meall Odhar
Bhealaich Leamhain
Meallan Odhar
Lochan na Muinteich
Ford
Coire Srôn an Nid
Allt a' Chaoil Reidhe
Allt Coire Cheap
Allt Coire Pitridh
Allt Coire a' Dhiseirt
Allt an Reidh Choire
Allt Garbh
Allt Bhealach a' Ghoire
Allt a' Choire Chomhraigidh
Allt Coire Ardair
Allt Meall Arthrigheil
Allt Coire Ardair
Allt a' Chaorainn
Allt Mhuchrachain
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Kinloch
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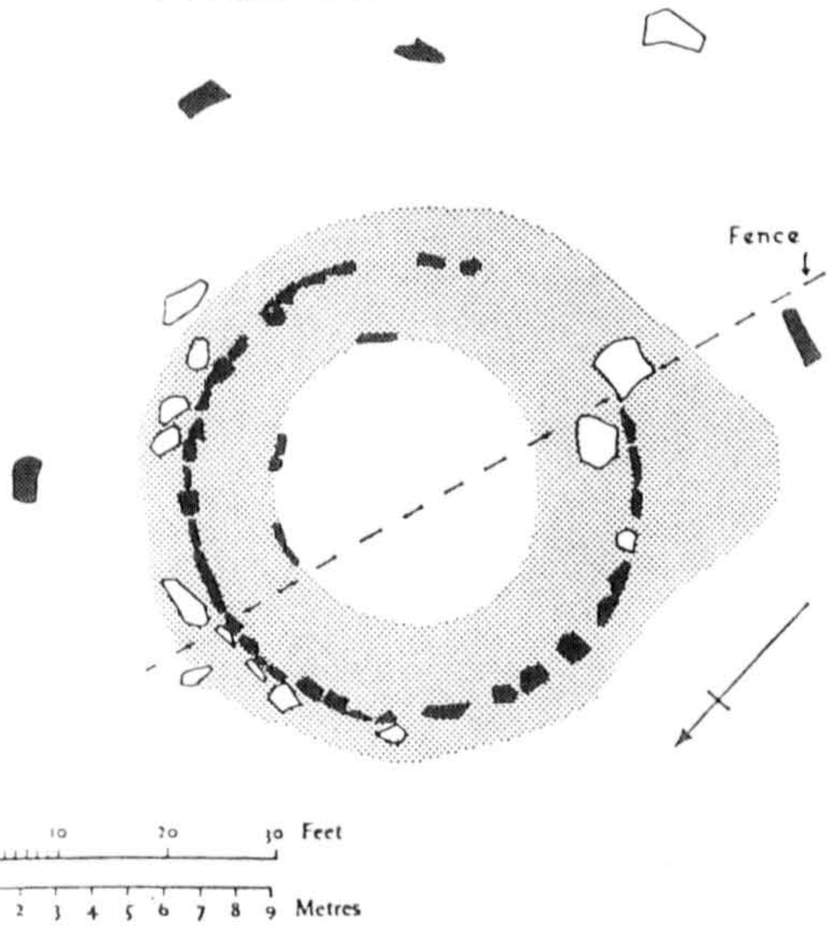
Grenish



Avielochan



Aviemore



3.8 Plans of Grenish, Avielochan and Aviemore ring-cairns (from Henshall 1963, 360, 379).



3.9 Plan of boulder-built structure on platform 5 at Easter Raitts, before removal of boat-shaped stony feature 5006 and small levelling stones 5087.

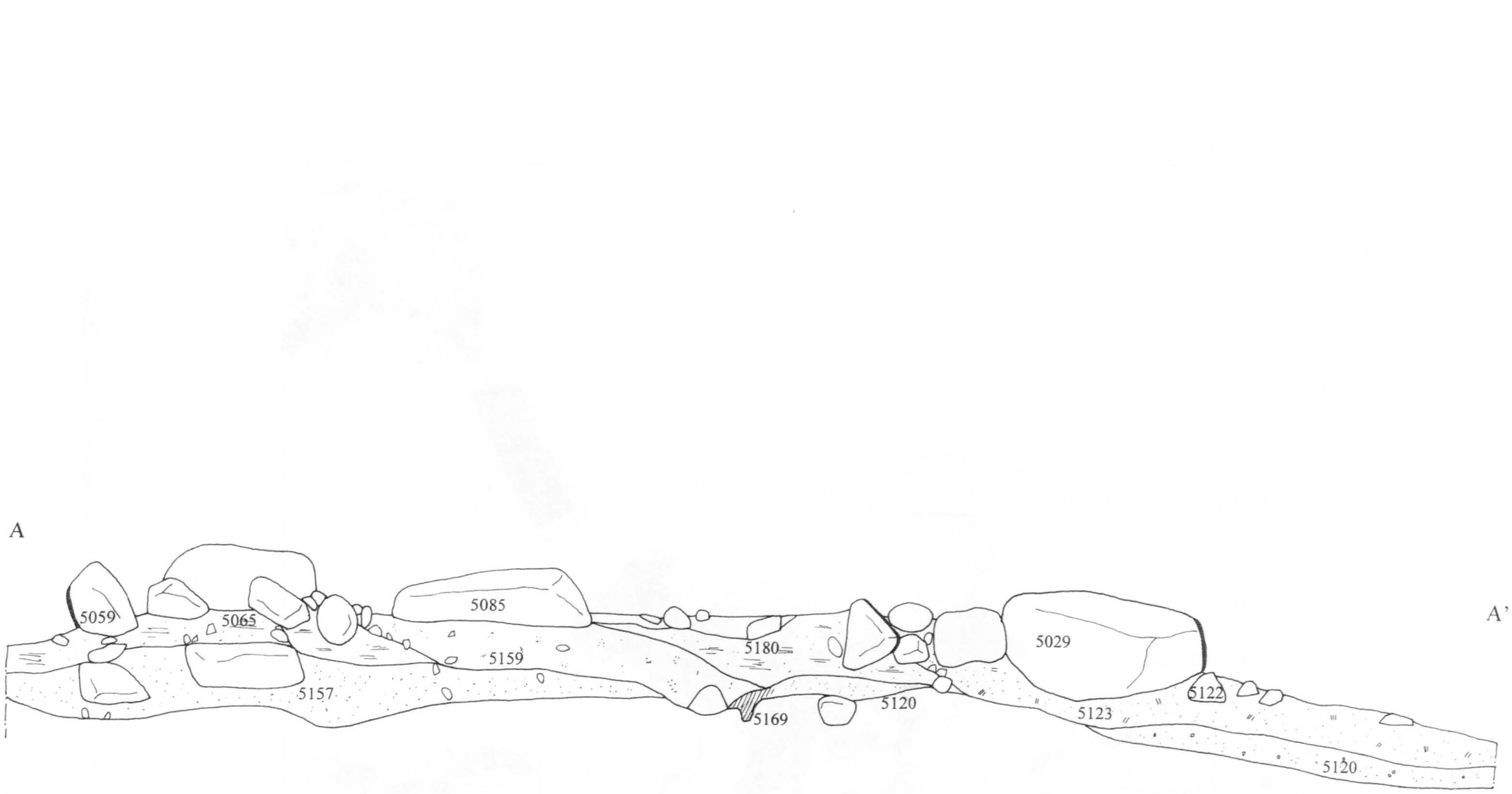
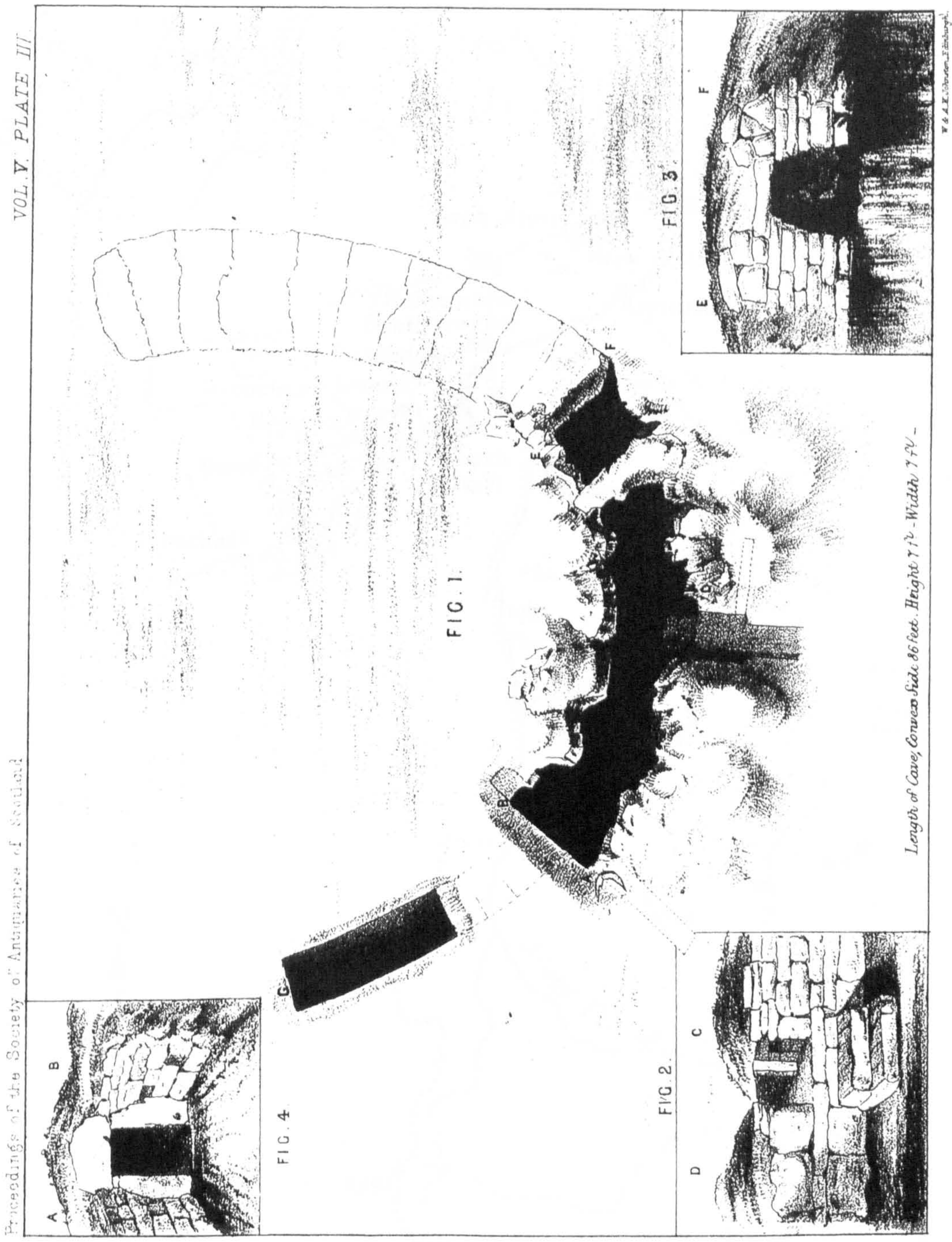


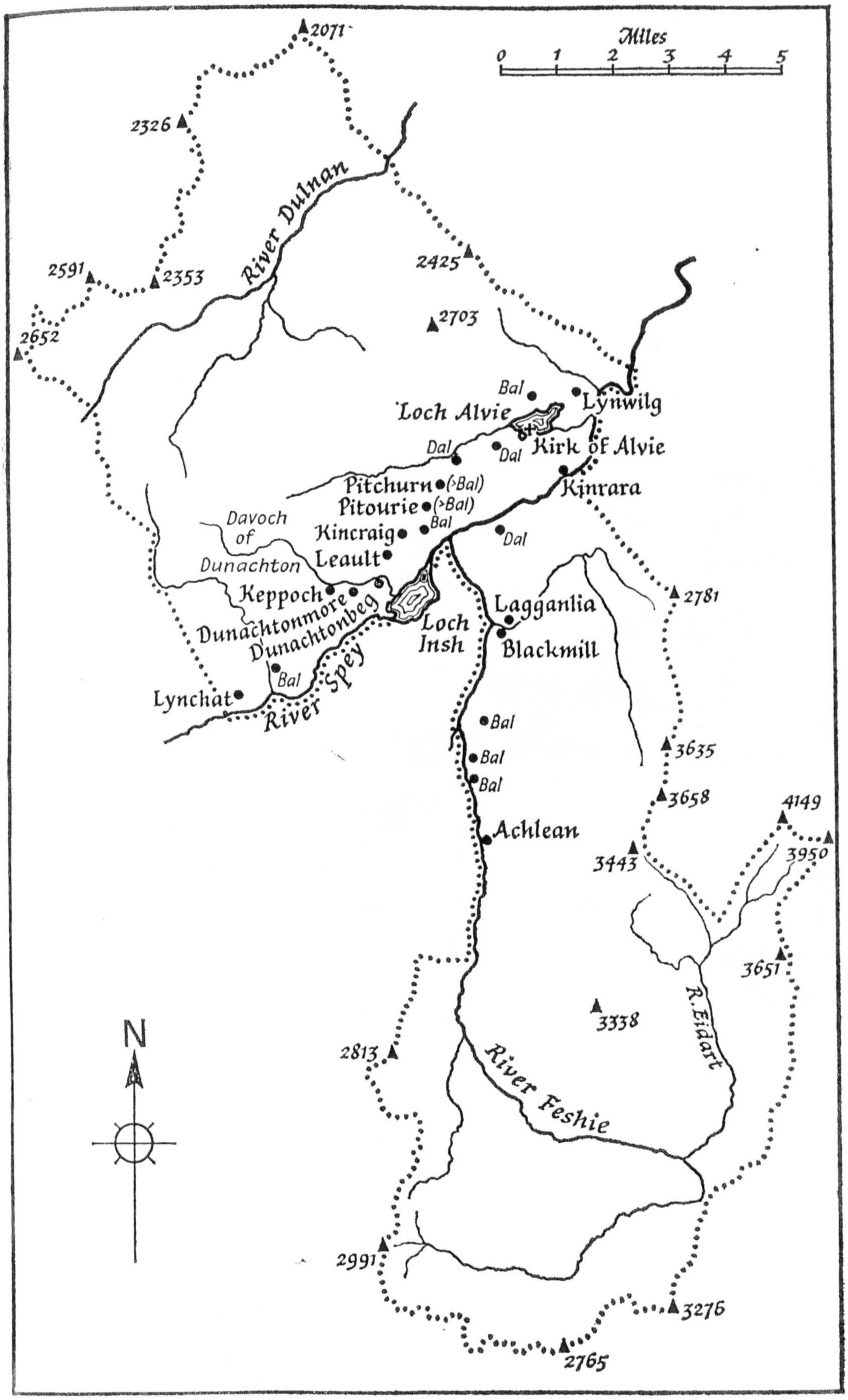
Figure 3.10 South-west facing section through platform 5, after removal of small levelling stones 5087.



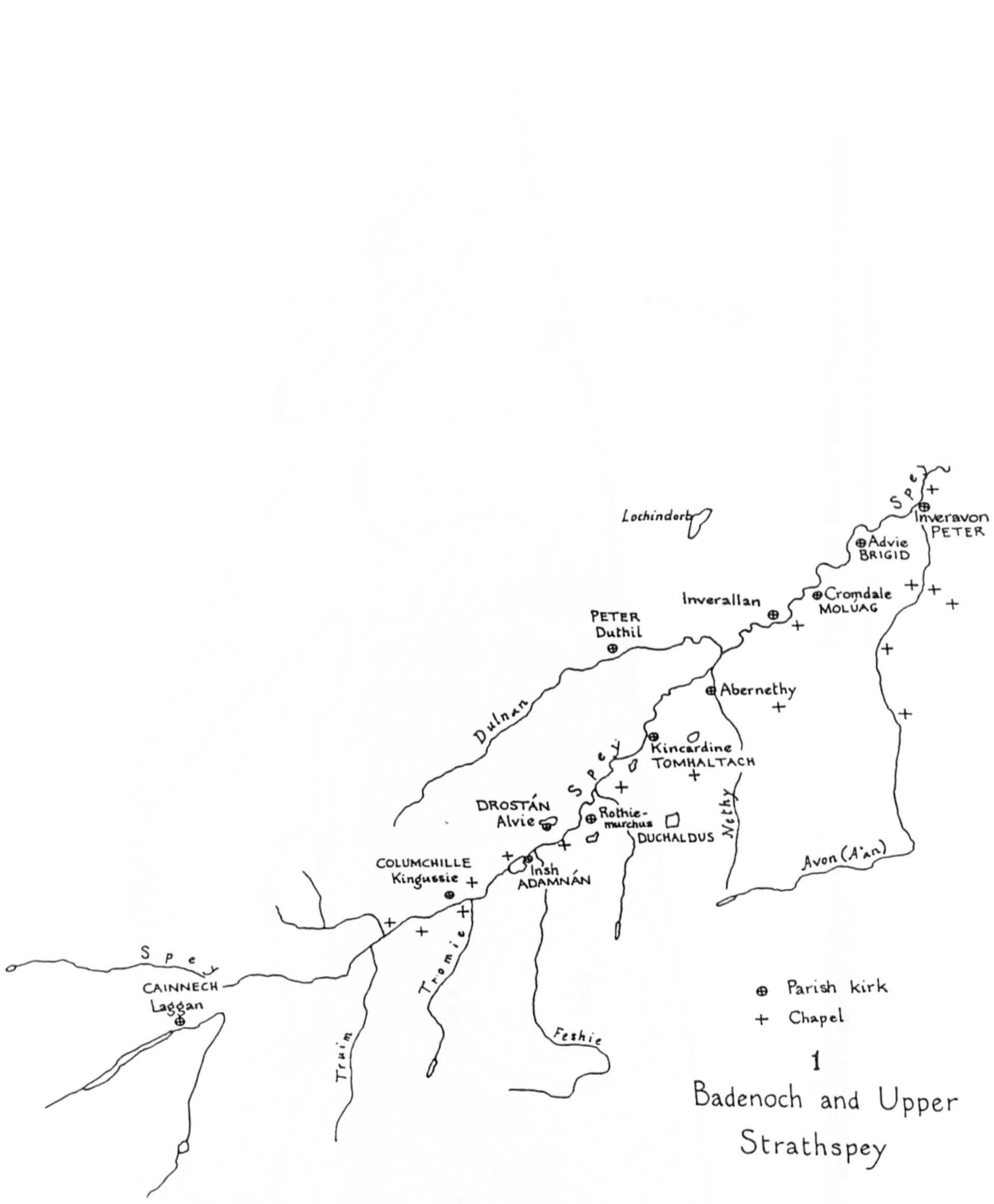
UNDERGROUND BUILDING DISCOVERED AT BELLEVILLE
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3.11 Plan of souterrain at Lynchat, Raitts (from Brewster 1863).



3.12 Map of the shire of Alvie (from Barrow 1973, 55).



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Badenoch and Upper Strathspey

3.13 Locations of chapels in Badenoch and upper Strathspey (from Barrow 1989, 3).

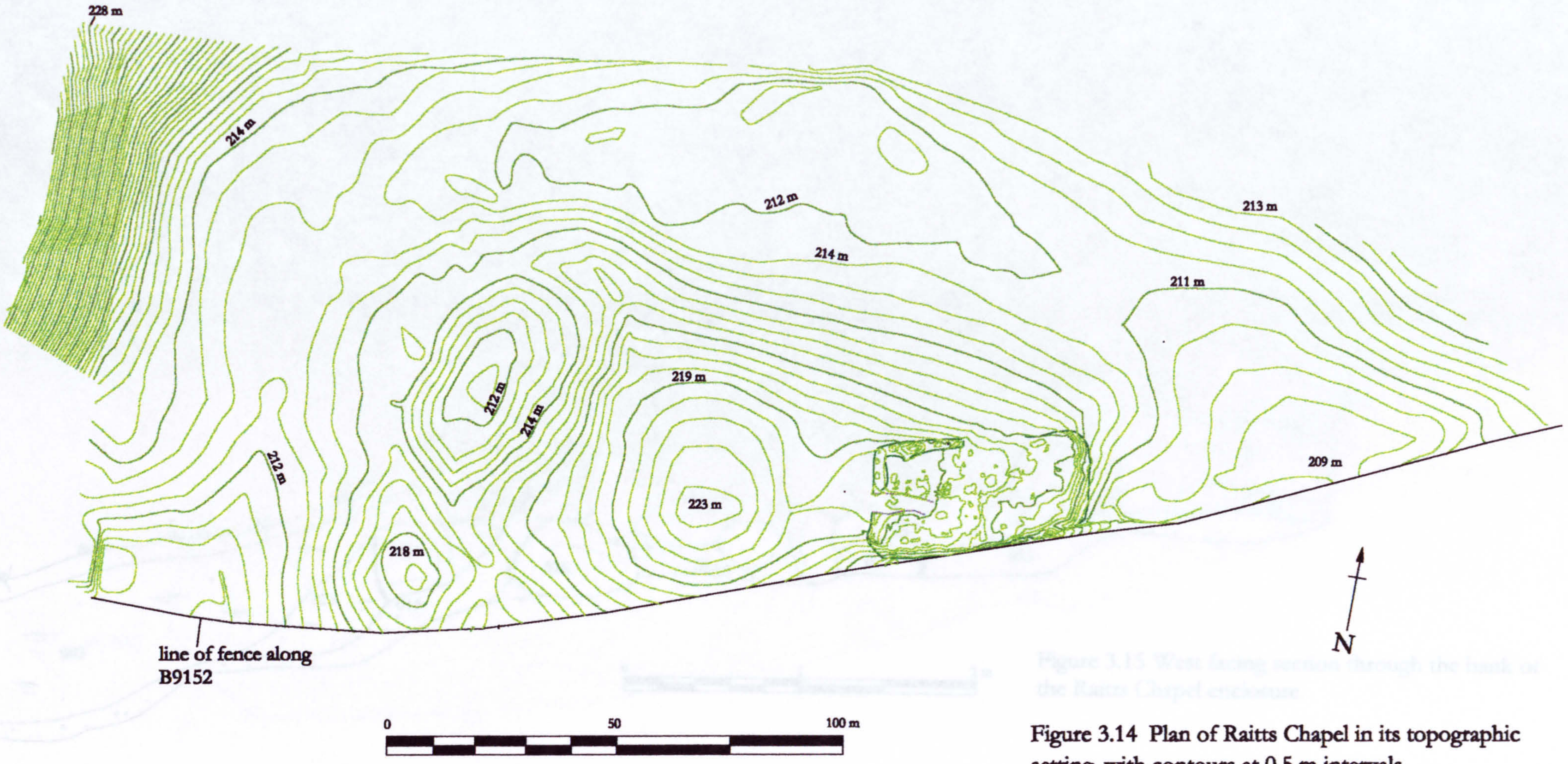


Figure 3.14 Plan of Raitts Chapel in its topographic setting, with contours at 0.5 m intervals.

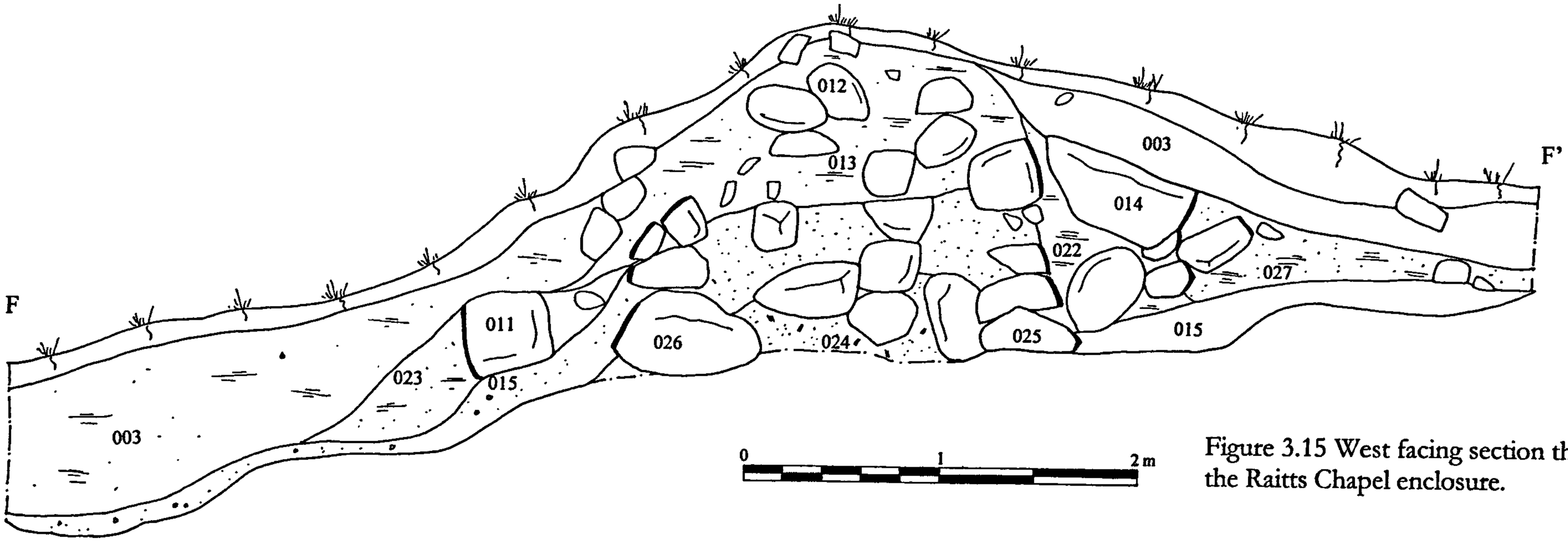


Figure 3.15 West facing section through the bank of the Raitts Chapel enclosure.

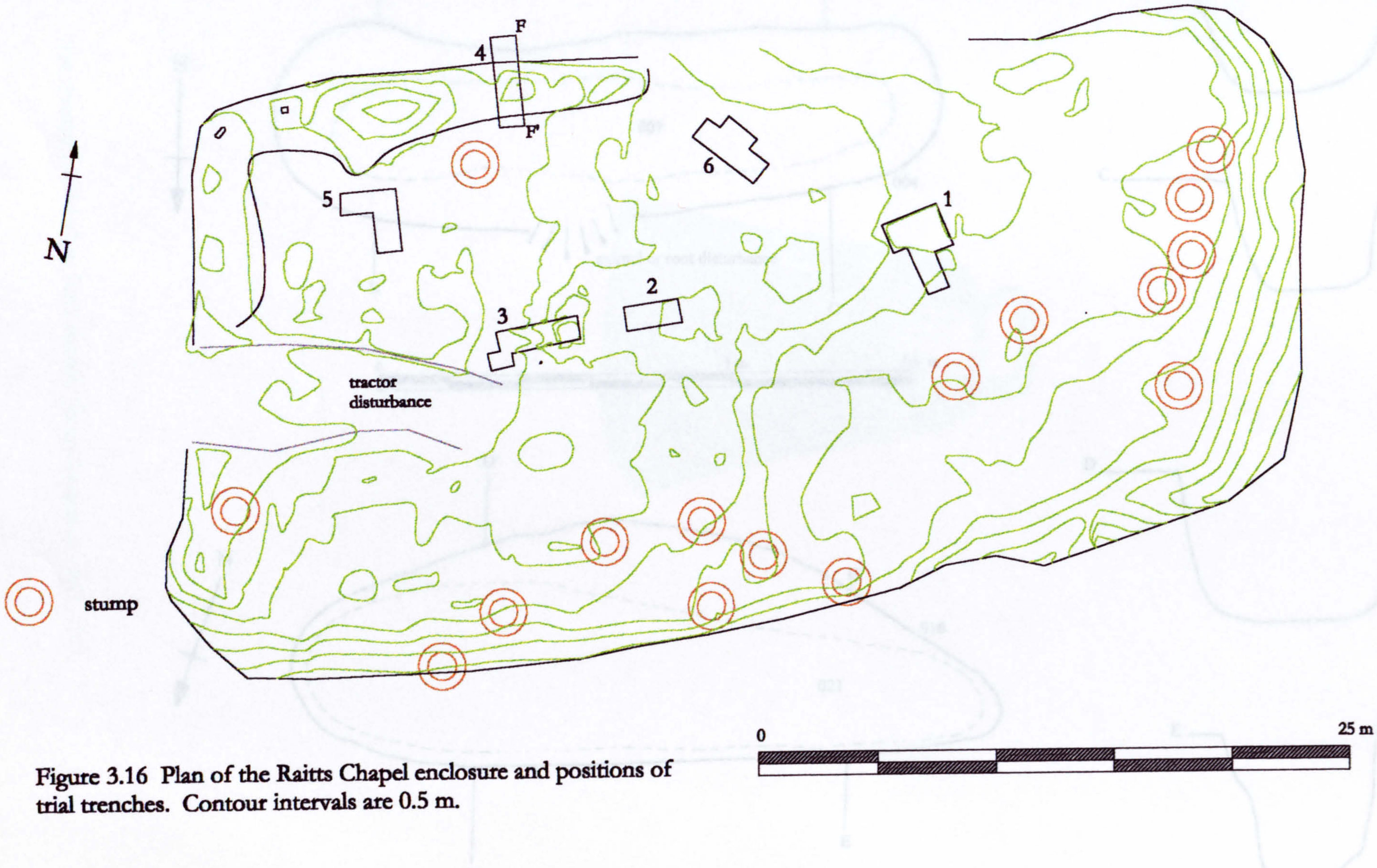


Figure 3.16 Plan of the Raitts Chapel enclosure and positions of trial trenches. Contour intervals are 0.5 m.

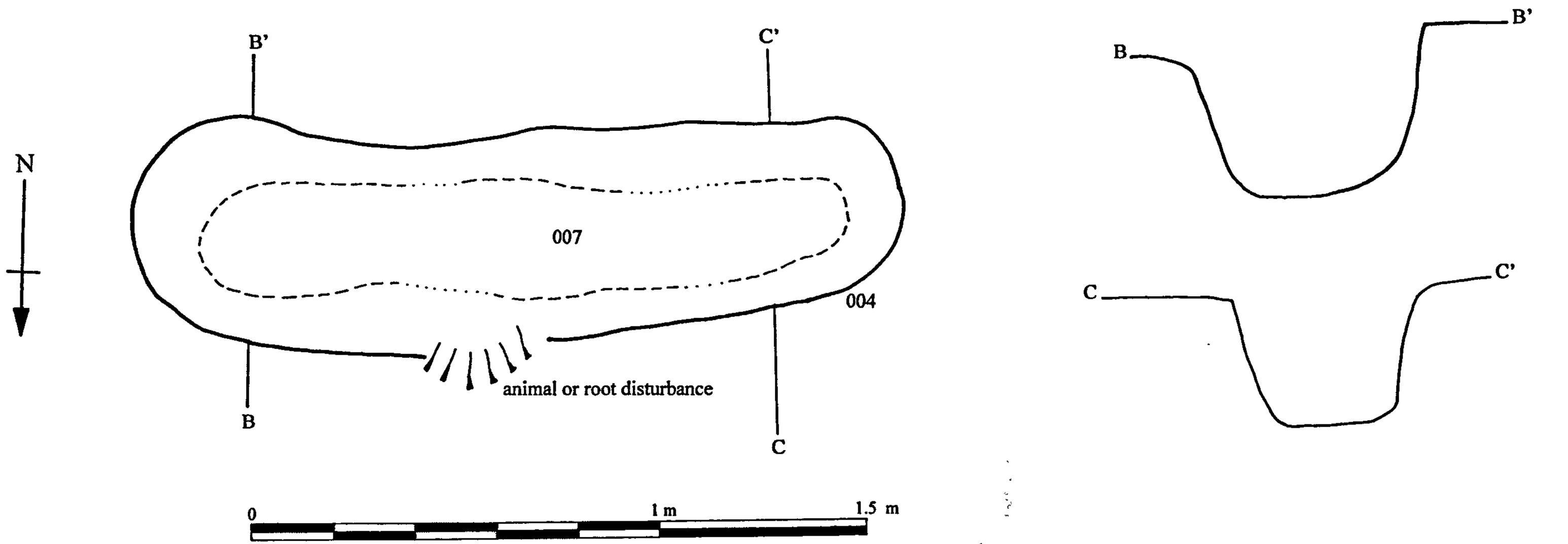
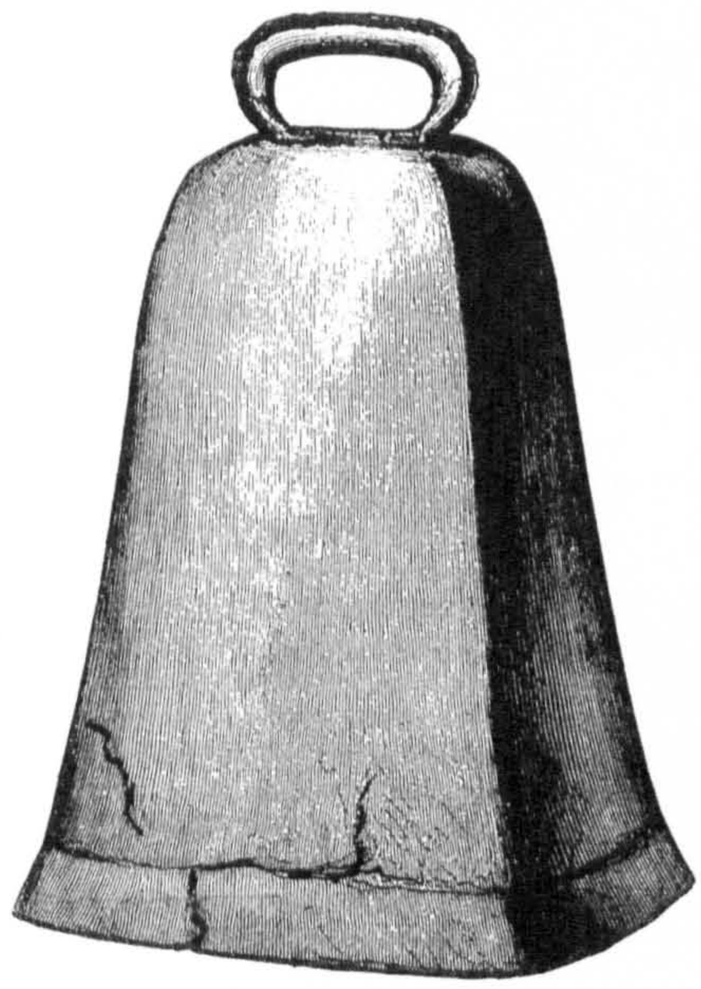


Figure 3.17 Plans and profiles of burials within the Raitts Chapel enclosure.



3.18 The bronze hand-bell in Insh church (from Anderson 1881, 195).

Plates



3.1 Avielochan ring-cairn (on knoll, in trees on left), from the south-west.



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3.4 The monolith at Delfour ring-cairn.



3.5 Curving boulder structure 5085 during excavation, from the north.



3.6 The earlier (5085) and later (5029) kerbs of the boulder structure, with the charcoal-trampled surface of the turf bank (5155) exposed beneath them; from the north-east.



3.7 The kerb enclosing the fire-spot, during excavation, from the north-west.



3.8 Stone-lined pit 5136, from the north-west.



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3.11 Circular homestead at Dalballoch, Glen Banchor (photo by J. Bone).



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3.13 Raitts chapel enclosure, from the north-east.



3.14 The chapel enclosure bank during excavation, from the north-east.



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3.18 Invertromie chapel site, from the south-west; the cup-marked outcrop (see Plate 3.7) is in the background, to the right of the telegraph pole.





3.19 Reverse side of cross-incised stone at St. Michael's chapel, with Dun-da-Lamh in the background.

3.20 The post-Medieval burial ground at St. Kenneth's chapel, Aberarder.



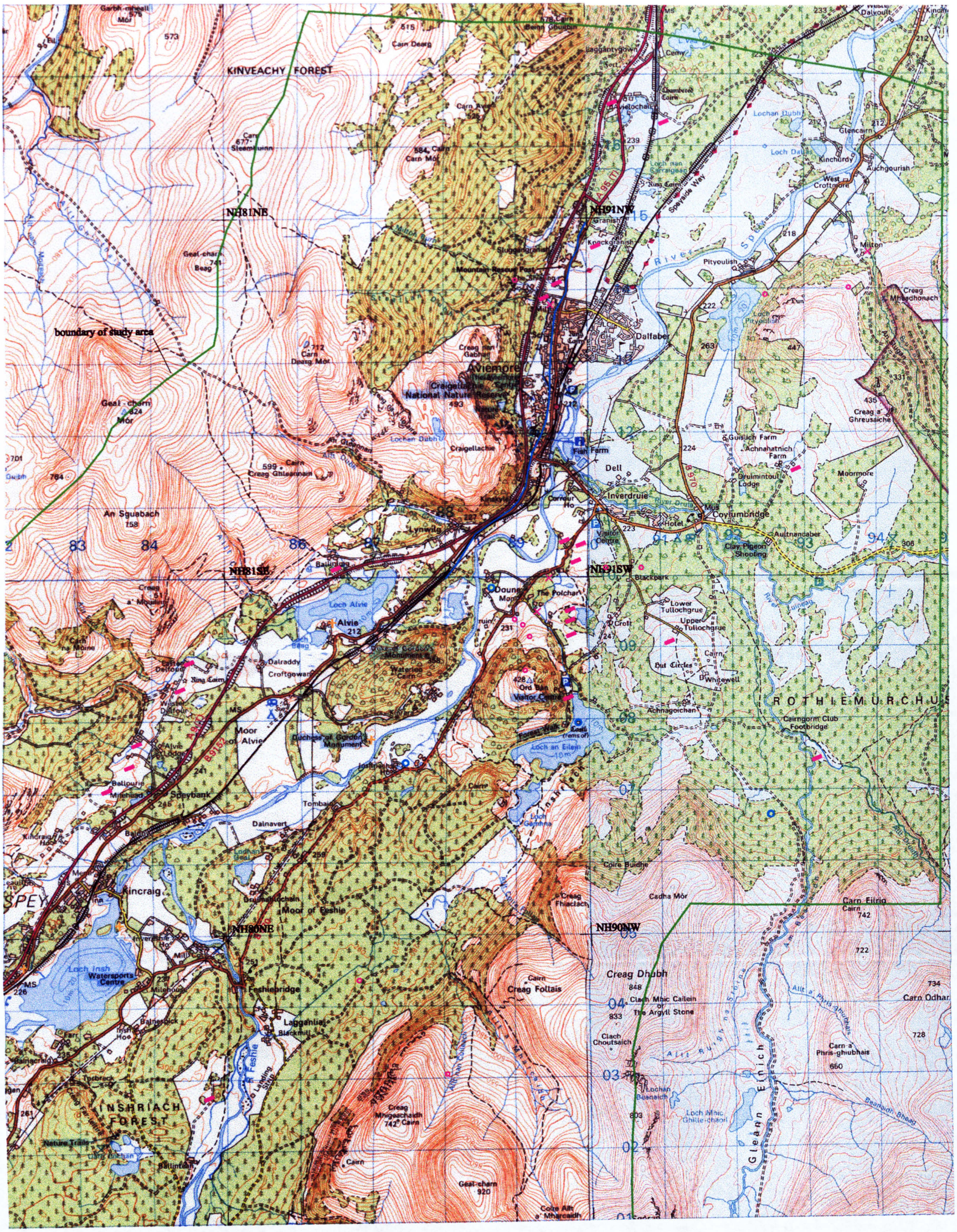
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Medieval fortified site
Township
Chapel site
Shieling huts
Water mill
Line of military road

N


KINVEACHY FOREST
NH81NE
NH91NW
NH81SE
NH91SW
NH90NW
NH80NE
boundary of study area
Aviemore
Craigellachie National Nature Reserve
Alvie
Dalraddy
Moor of Alvie
Kincraig
Moor of Feshie
Feshiebridge
Loch Insh
Loch Alvie
Loch an Eilein
Loch Morlich
Dell
Inverdruie
Coylumbridge
Dalfaber
Milton
Pityoulish
Glencairn
Kinchurdy
Auchgourish
Croftmore
Granish
Knockgranish
Speyside Way
River Spey
Lochan Dubh
Loch Pityoulish
Creag Mhadhonaich
Creag a' Ghreusaiche
Guisich Farm
Achnahatnich Farm
Moormore
Druimintoul Lodge
Aultnandaber
Clay Pigeon Shooting
Fish Farm
Craigellachie
Lynwilg
Balnaguard
Blackpark
Lower Tullochgrue
Upper Tullochgrue
Croft
Cairn
Whitewell
Achnagoichan
Cairngorm Club Footbridge
ROTHIEMURCHUS
Duchess of Gordon Monument
Waterloo Cairn
Ord Ban Visitor Centre
Forest Hall (rems of)
Inshriach
Tombain
Dalnavert
Croftgowan
Ballourie
Milehead
Speybank
Milton House
Inverfeshie House
Watersports Centre
Milehouse
Balnespick
Laggenlia
Blackhall
Tutbrack
Balnacraig
INSHRIACH FOREST
Nature Trails
Ballintean
Coire Buidhe
Cadha Mòr
Creag Fhiactach
Creag Dhubh
Ciach Mhic Cailein or The Argyll Stone
Ciach Choutsaich
Creag Foltais
Carn Eilrig
Carn Odhar
Carn a' Phris-ghiubhais
Lochan Beanaich
Loch Mhic Ghille-chaoil
Gleann Einich
Allt a' Phris Ghiubhais
Allt Ruigh nas Sionna
Allt Coire Chuil Mhòir
Allt Coire Fhionnlaidh
Bearnaidh Bheag
Coire Allt a' Mharcaidh
Geal-charn 920
Creag Mhigeachaidh 742 Cairn
Geal-charn Mòr 924
Geal-charn Beag 701
Carn Dearg Mòr 712
Carn Dearg 515
Carn Sleamhuinn 677
Carn Mòr 584
Cairn Bernn Ghoustan 578
Laggantygown
Cemy
Chambered Cairn
Loch nan Sarraigeag
Ring Cairn
Sluggan Granish
Mountain Rescue Post
The Shieling
Creag nan Gabhar
Allt Mòr
Allt Coire Chuil Mhòir
Allt Ruigh nas Sionna
Allt a' Phris Ghiubhais
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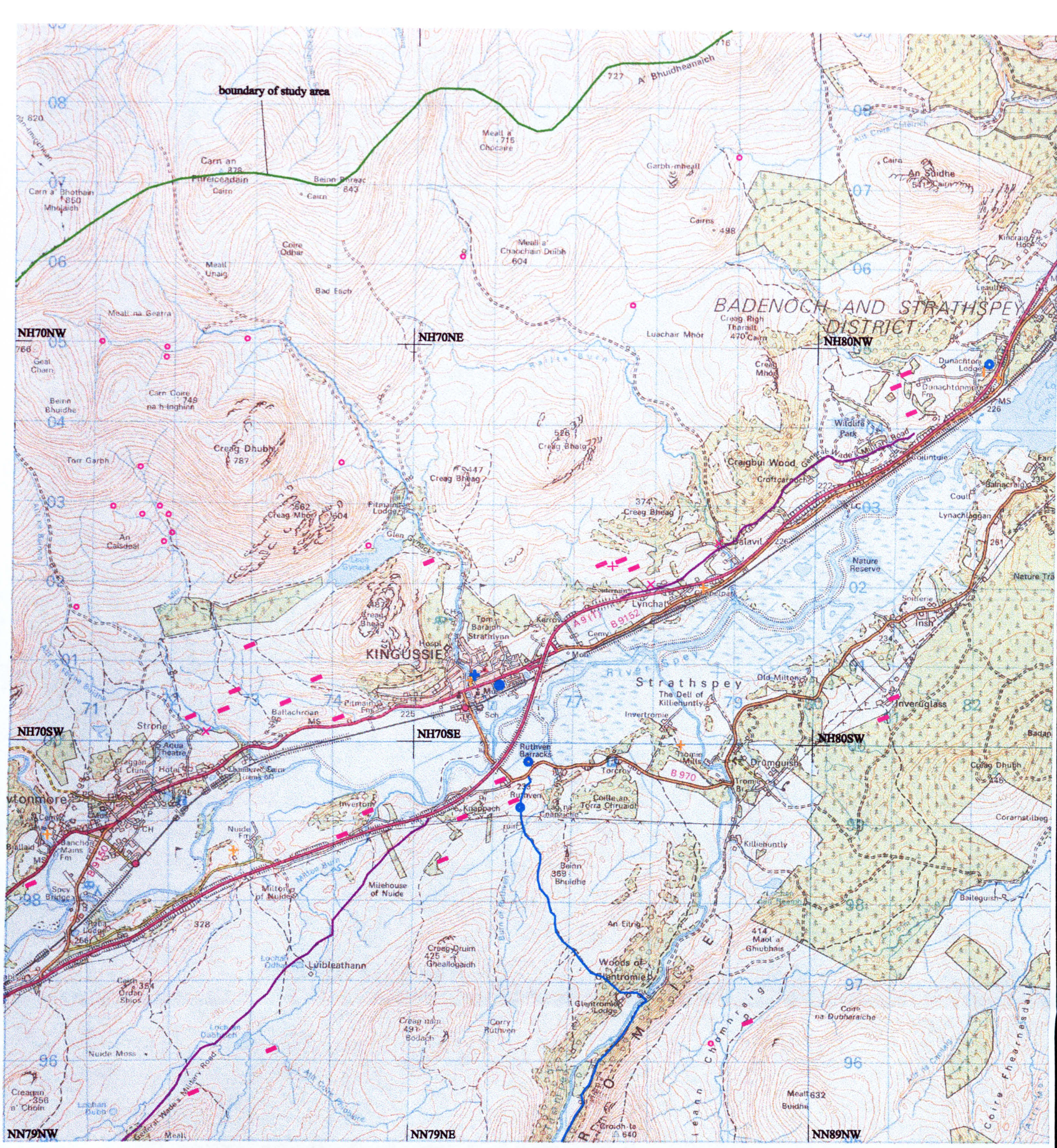

boundary of study area
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NH80NW
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NH70SE
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NN79NE
NN89NW
BADENOCH AND STRATHSPEY DISTRICT
KINGUSSIE
Strathspey
A' Bhuidheanaich
Carn an Fhreiceadain
Beinn Bhreac
Meall a' Chocaire
Garbh-mheall
An Suidhe
Cairns
Meall a' Chaochain Duibh
Coire Odhar
Meall Unaig
Bad Each
Meall na Geatra
Luachair Mhor
Creag Righ Tharaitt
Creag Mhor
Carn a' Bhothain Mhoiraich
Geal Charn
Beinn Bhuidhe
Carn Coire na h-Inghinn
Creag Dhubh
Torr Garbh
An Calsdeal
Creag Bheag
Fitmaine Lodge
Glen Cynack
Craigbui Wood
Croftcarnoch
Belavil
Dunachton Lodge
Wildfire Park
Lynchat
Ruthven Barracks
Torcroy
Drumguish
Invertromie
Milton of Nuide
Milehouse of Nuide
Lubleathann
Woods of Glentromie
Glentromie Lodge
An Eitrig
Beinn Bhuidhe
Creag Druim Ghealloglaidh
Creag nam Bodach
Corry Ruthven
Coire na Dubharaiche
Coire Fhearnasdail
Nature Reserve
Inverurglass
Old Milton
Killiehuntly
Corarnstilbeg
Baileguish
Dell of Killiehuntly
Figure 4.2 Early Medieval to post-Medieval sites in the western part of zone 6 (copyright Ordnance Survey).
0
1 km
2 km
3 km
Chapel site
Symbol stone or cross-incised stone
Medieval friary
Medieval fortified site
Moot Hill
Line of Comyns Road
Township
Shieling huts
Water mill
Iron-working site/slag heap
Line of military road
N

Figure 4.3 Medieval to post-Medieval sites in Glens Feshie and Tromie (zones 9 and 10), as well as a possible chambered cairn (copyright Ordnance Survey).

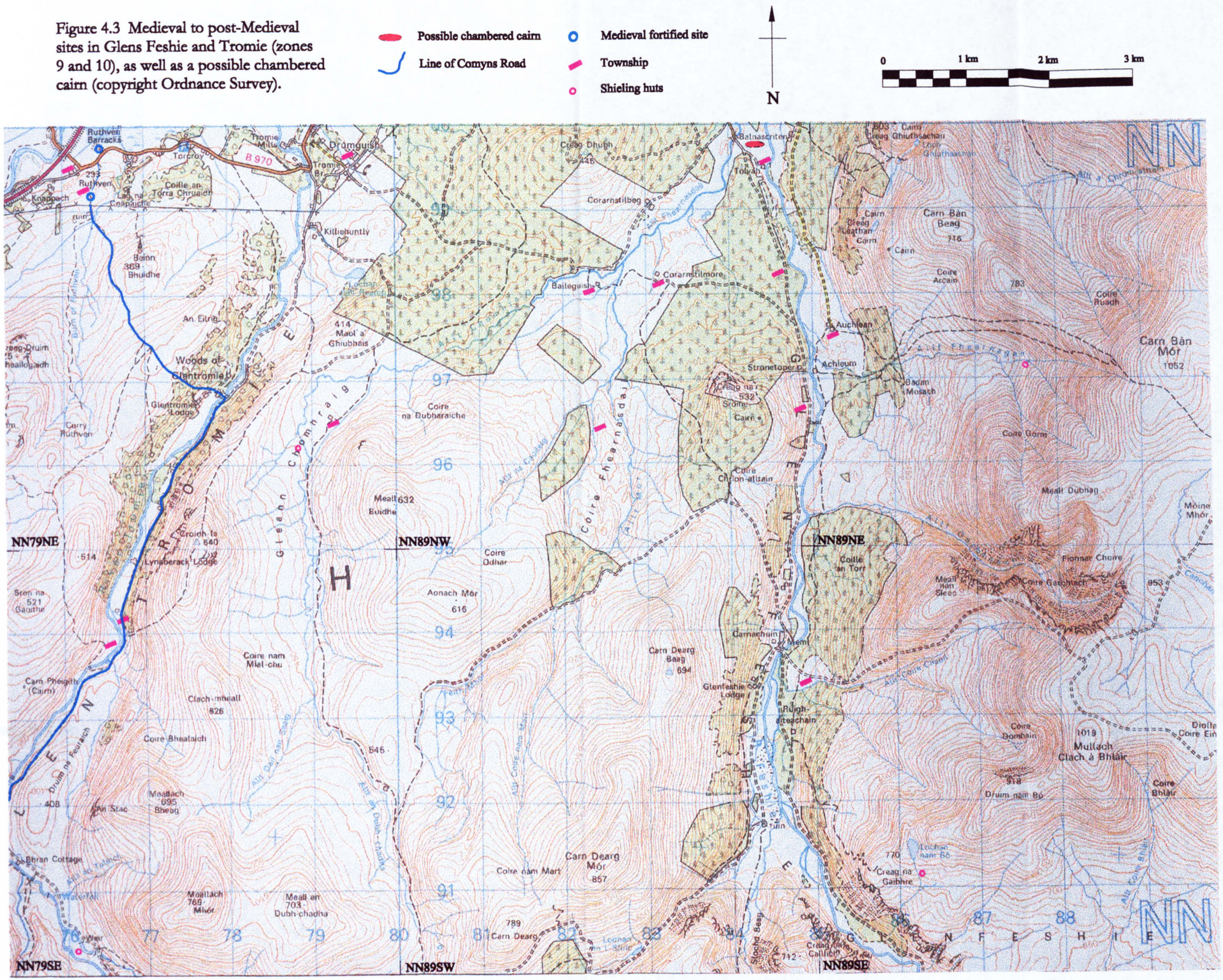

Possible chambered cairn
Line of Comyns Road
Medieval fortified site
Township
Shieling huts
N
0
1 km
2 km
3 km
NN79NE
NN89NW
NN89NE
NN79SE
NN89SW
NN89SE
Ruthven Barracks
Ruthven
Knappach
Torcroy
B 970
Tromie Mills
Drumguish
Tromie Br.
Coille an Torra Chruaidh
Killiehuntly
Beinn Bhuidhe
369
An Eilrig
Woods of Glentromie
Glentromie Lodge
Carry Ruthven
414 Maol a' Ghiubhais
Coire na Dubharaiche
Allt Chomhraig
Meall 632 Buidhe
Creag Dhubh
445
Batnascriten
Tolvah
Corarnstilbeg
Corarnstilmore
Baileguish
Auchlean
Achleum
Stronetoper
Creag na Sroine
532
Cairn
Badan Mosach
Coire Ruadh
Carn Bàn Beag
716
Cairn Creag Leathan
Coire Arcain
783
Carn Bàn Mór
1052
Coire Gorm
Meall Dubhag
Coire Chrion-alltain
Allt Fhearnasdail
Allt Coire Gaothach
Fionnar Choire
Coire Gaothach
953
Meall nan Sleac
Coille an Tort
Aonach Mór
616
Coire Odhar
Coire nam Mial-chu
Clach-mheall
826
Coire Bhealaich
545
Carn Pheigith (Cairn)
Sron na Gaothe
521
Lynaberack Lodge
Croich-ta
640
514
408
An Stac
Meallach Bheag
695
Bhran Cottage
Meallach Mhór
769
Meall an Dubh-chadha
703
Coire nam Mart
Carn Dearg Mór
857
789
Carn Dearg
Carn Dearg Baag
694
Carnachuin
Memi
Glenfeshie Lodge
Ruigh-aiteachain
Allt Coire Chuil
Allt Coire Ruigh-aiteachain
Coire Domhain
1019
Mullach Clach à Bhlàir
Druim nam Bó
918
Coire Bhlàir
Diollaid Coire Ein
Lochan nam Bó
770
Creag na Gaibhre
Creag nan Gallrach
712
Sloc na Beag
Moine Mhór
Allt Coire Bhlàir
Allt Garbhlach
Allt Coire Ruadh
Allt Coire Ardair
Allt Coire Dhomhain
Allt Coire Fhearnasdail
Allt Coire Gaothach
Allt Coire Ruigh-aiteachain
Allt Coire Chuil
Allt Coire nam Miad
Allt Dail nan Sasan
Allt an Dubh-chadha
Allt na Tuinich
Allt Coire na Feurach
Allt Coire Bhealaich
Allt Coire nam Miad
Allt Coire Ardair
Allt Coire Bhlàir
Allt Coire Ruadh

Figure 4.4 Known sites on the Gaick plateau (southern parts of zones 8 and 9) (copyright Ordnance Survey).

Line of Comyns Road

Shieling huts

N

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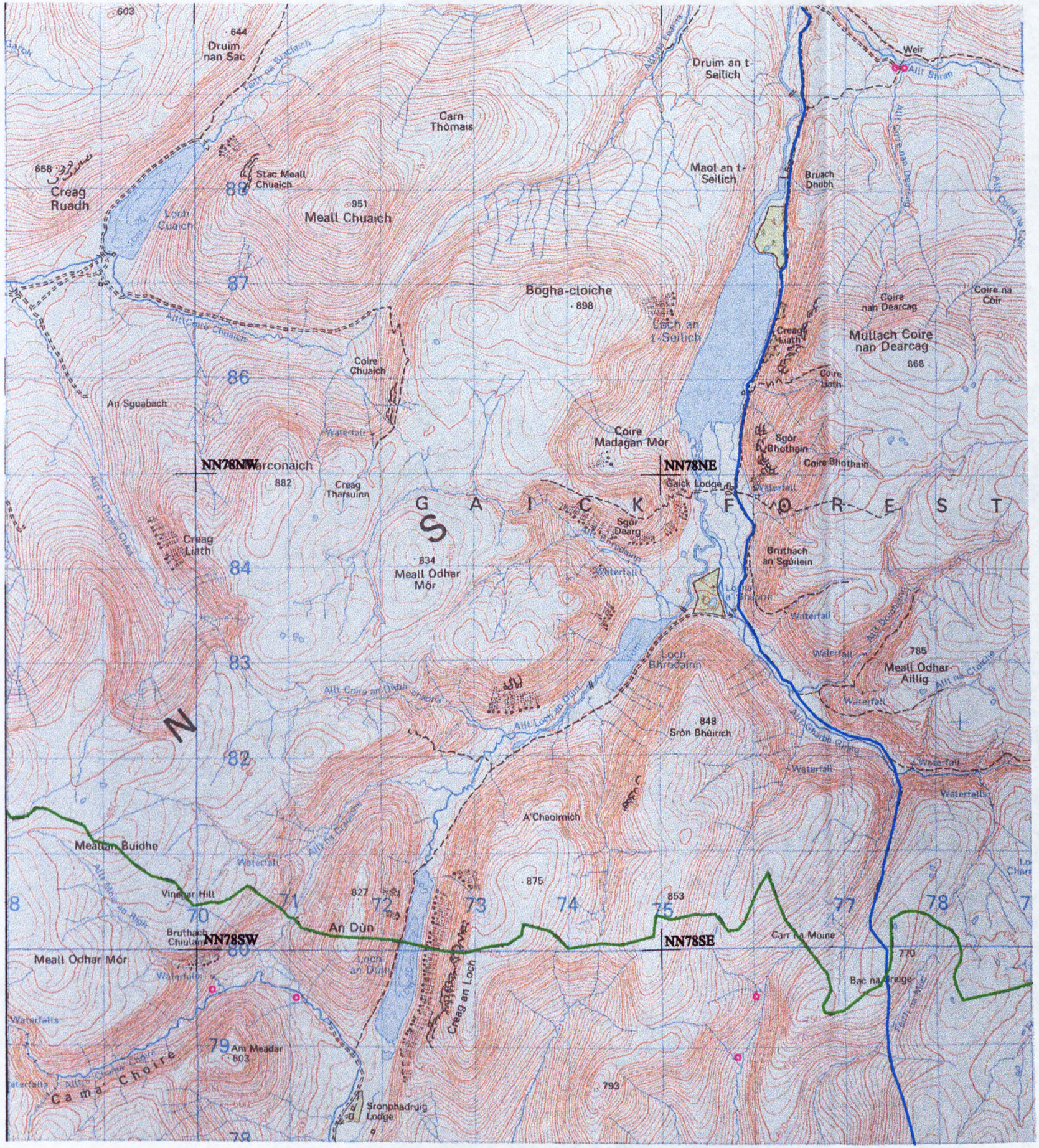




Figure 4.5 Early Medieval to post-Medieval sites in the upper strath (eastern part of zone 1, western part of zone 4) and Strathmashie (zone 2) (copyright Ordnance Survey).

Figure 4.6 Early Medieval to post-Medieval in upper Strathspey (zone 5 and the eastern part of zone 4) and Glen Banchor (zone 7) (copyright Ordnance Survey).



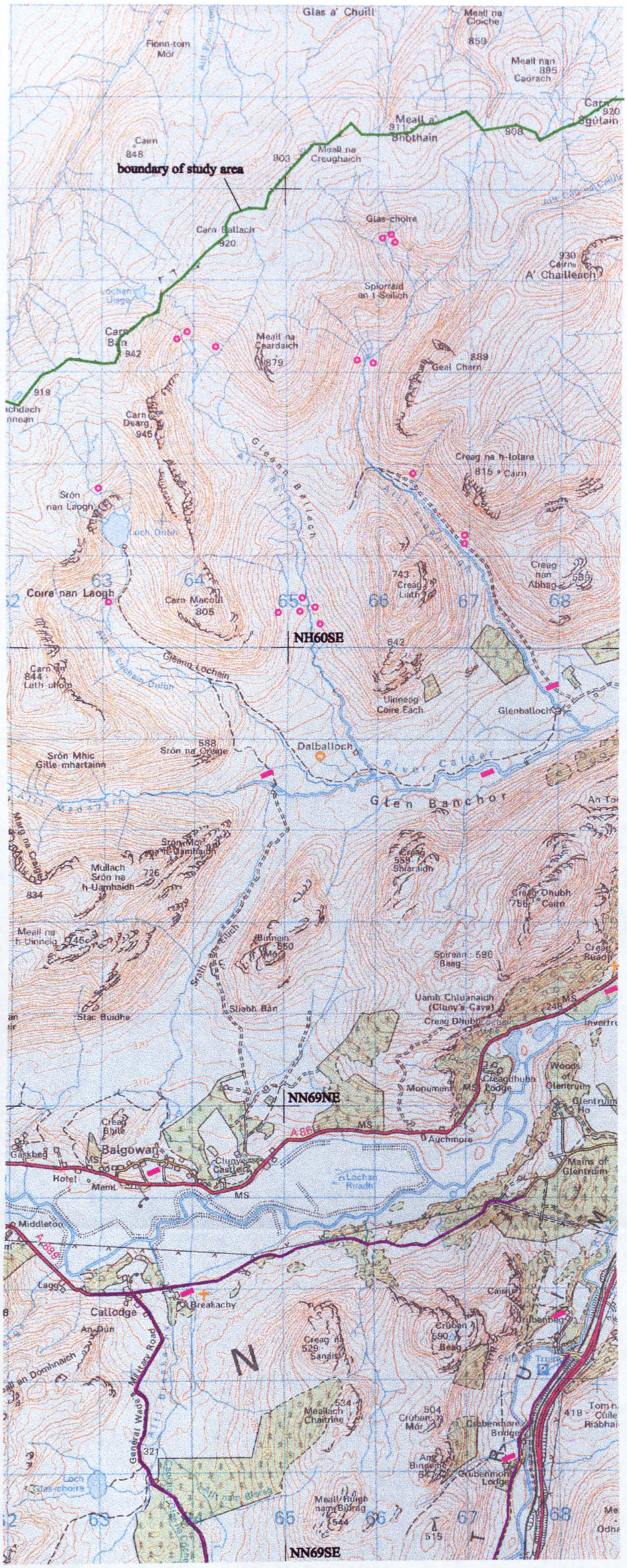


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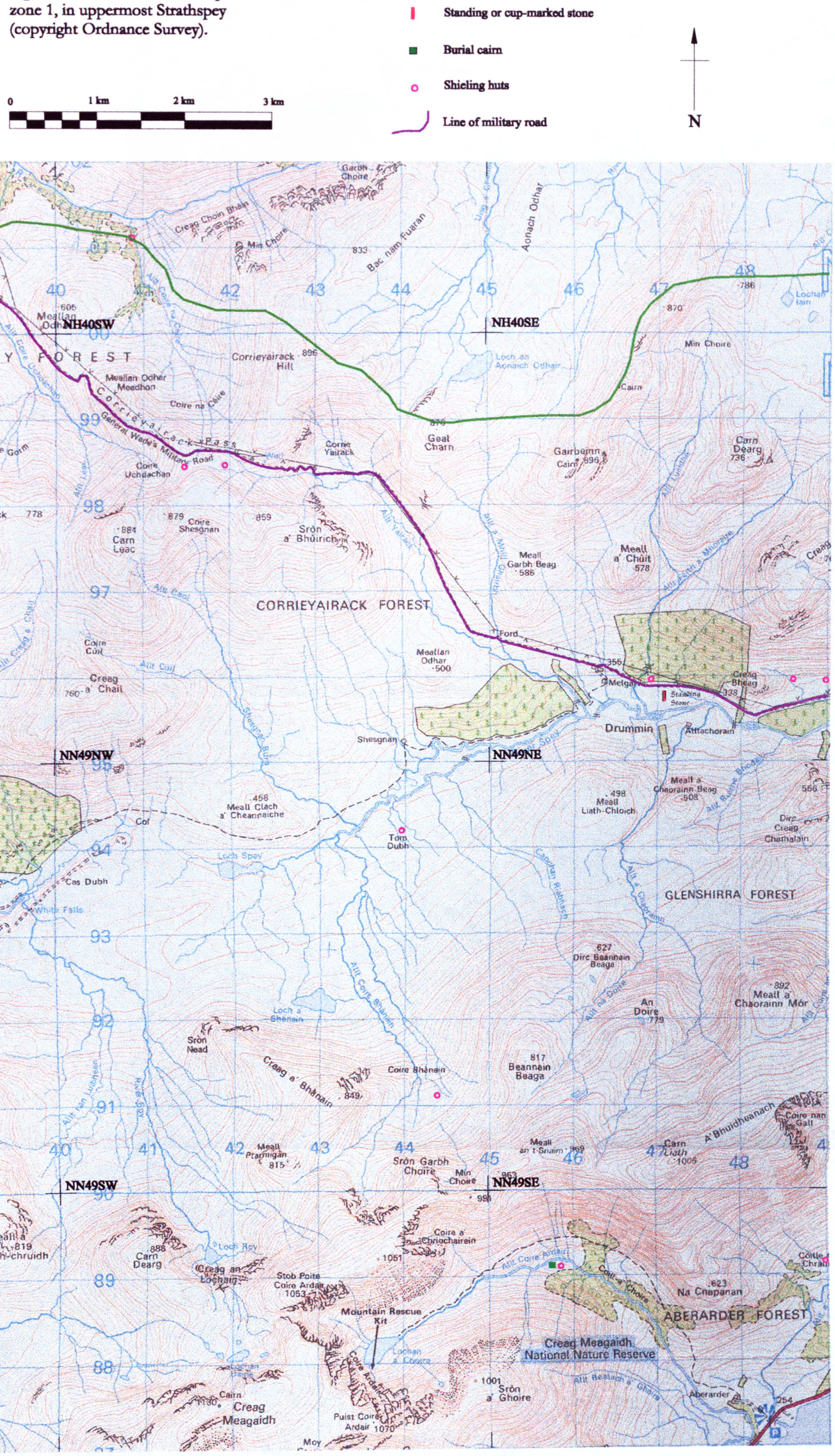

Standing or cup-marked stone
Burial cairn
Shieling huts
Line of military road
N
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1 km
2 km
3 km
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NH40SE
NN49NW
NN49NE
NN49SW
NN49SE
CHY FOREST
CORRIEYAIRACK FOREST
GLENSHIRRA FOREST
ABERARDER FOREST
Creag Meagaidh National Nature Reserve
Corrieyairack Pass
General Wade's Military Road
Corrieyairack Hill
Meallan Odhar Meadhon
Coire na Caire
Coire Uchdachan
Coire Gorm
Coire Shesgnan
Carn Leac
Srón a' Bhùirich
Coire Cul
Creag a' Chail
Meallan Odhar
Geal Charn
Min Choire
Loch an Aonaich Odhar
Aonach Odhar
Bac nam Fuaran
Garbh Choire
Creag Choin Bhain
Gairbeinn
Carn Dearg
Meall Garbh Beag
Meall a' Chùit
Drummin
Shesgnan
Meall Clach a' Cheannaiche
Tom Dubh
Loch Spey
Cas Dubh
White Falls
Srón Nead
Creag a' Bhànain
Coire Bhànain
Meall Ptarmigan
Srón Garbh Choire
Meall an t-Snaim
Beannain Beaga
An Doire
Meall a' Chaorainn Mòr
Meall Liath-Chloich
Dirc Creag Chathalain
Coire a' Chriochairein
Stob Poite Coire Ardair
Mountain Rescue Kit
Creag Meagaidh
Srón a' Ghoire
Puist Coire Ardair
Na Cnapanan
Aberarder
Meall a' Chaorainn Beag
Meall a' Phuirich
Meall a' heanbh-chruidh
Carn Dearg
Creag an Lochain
Cairn Liath
Coire nan Gall
A'Bhuidheanach
Creag Bheag
Standing Stone
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Meiggan
Allt Coire Ardair
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Allt Beallach a' Ghlo
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Figure 4.8 Early Medieval to post-Medieval sites around Loch Laggan (zone 3) (copyright Ordnance Survey).

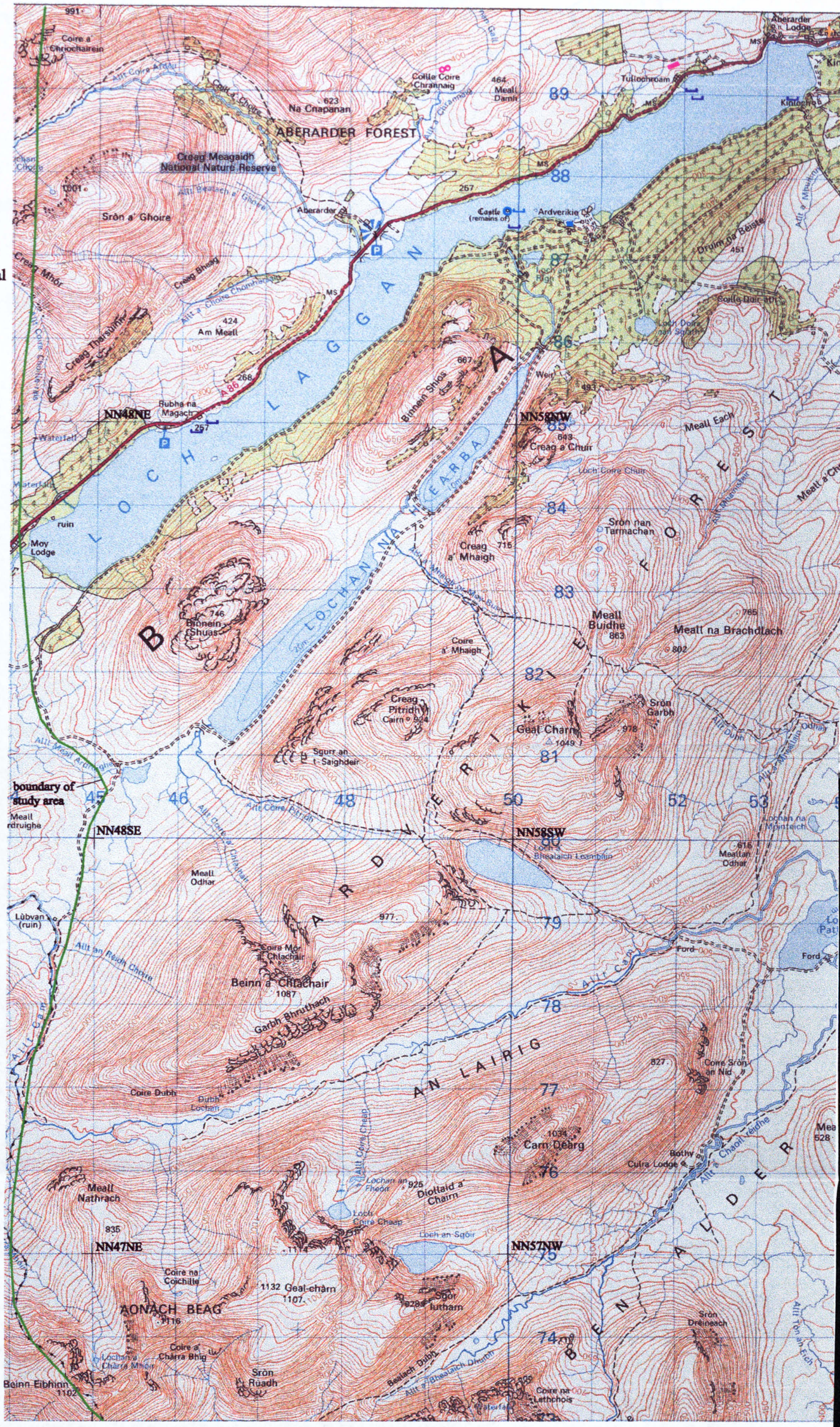

Logboat – uncertain date
Chapel site
Medieval fortified site
Medieval logboat
?Medieval burial
Township
Shieling huts
boundary of study area
N
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1 km
2 km
3 km
ABERARDER FOREST
LOCHABER FOREST
ARDVERIKIE FOREST
BENALDER FOREST
LOCH LAGGAN
LOCHAN NA EARBA
AONACH BEAG
Creag Meagaidh National Nature Reserve
NN48NE
NN48SE
NN47NE
NN58SW
NN57NW
Aberarder
Ardverikie Castle (remains of)
Moy Lodge
Tullochroam
Kinloch Hourn
Srôn a' Ghoire
Creag Mhòr
Creag Thersuim
Creag Bheag
Am Meall
Binnein Shios
Creag a' Chuir
Meall Each
Srôn nan Tarmachan
Creag a' Mhaigh
Binnein Shuas
Meall Buidhe
Mealt na Brachdlach
Coire a' Mhaigh
Creag Pitridh
Geal Charn
Srôn Garbh
Sgurr an t-Saighdeir
Meall Odhar
Lùbvan (ruin)
Coire Mòr Chlachair
Beinn a' Chlachair
1087
Garbh Bhruthach
Coire Dubh
Dubh Lochan
Carn Dearg
Meall Nathrach
Diollaid a Chairn
Coire na Coichille
1132 Geal-charn
Sgòr Iutharn
Srôn Dreineach
Coire a' Charra Bhig
Srôn Ruadh
Beinn Eibhinn
1102
Coire na Lethchois
Bothy
Cuira Lodge
Ardverikie Castle (remains of)
Loch Laggan
Loch Coire Chuir
Loch Coire Chaan
Loch an Sgòir
Lochan a' Charra Mhòir
Allt a' Chaorainn
Allt Coire Ardair
Allt Coire Choille-rais
Allt Coire Chonnachair
Allt Coire Eilrigh
Allt Coire a' Chinchair
Allt an Reidh Chuirn
Allt Coire Cheud
Allt Coire Laoigh
Allt Mheall Ardranaich
Allt Beul a' Mhuirn
Allt Coire

Figure 4.9 Sites around Dalwhinnie and Loch Ericht (zone 8) (copyright Ordnance Survey).

▲ Neolithic flints

▲ Medieval coin hoard

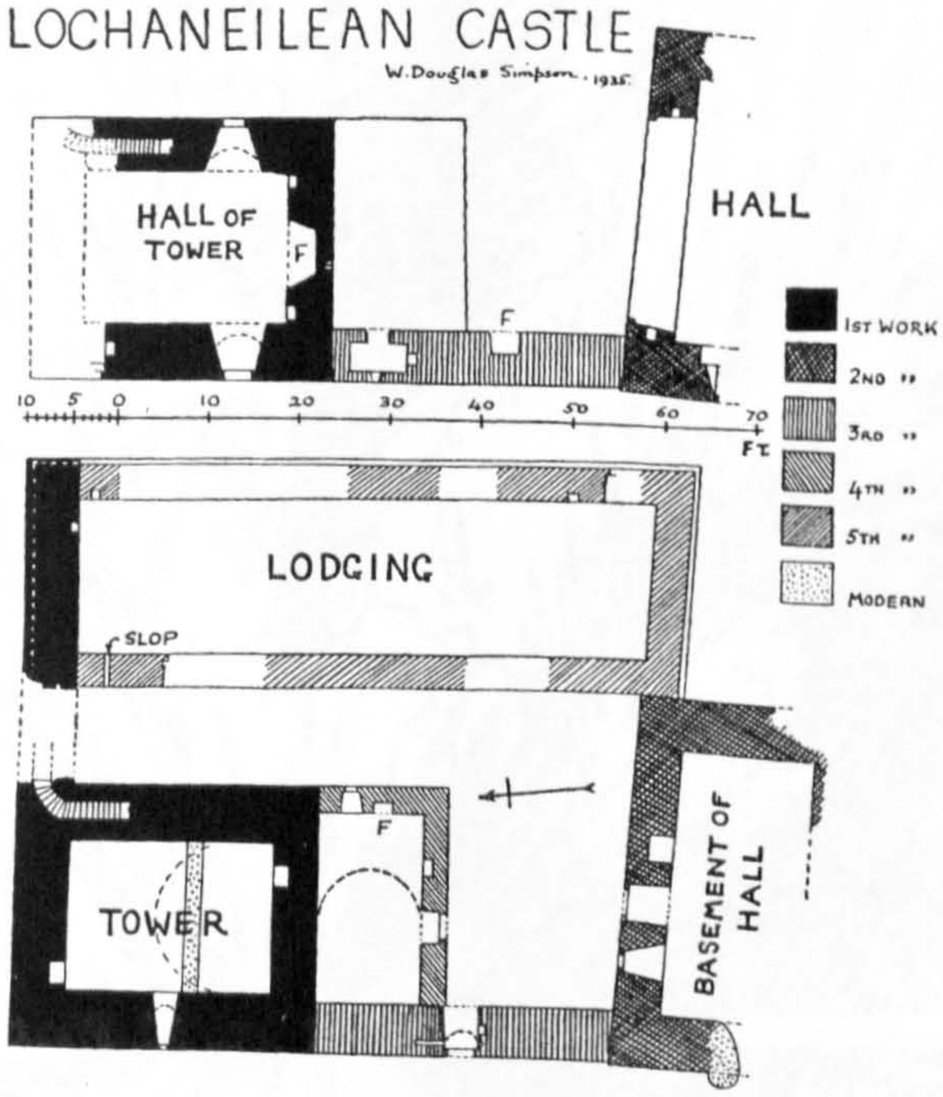
○ Shieling huts

▬ Township

Line of military road

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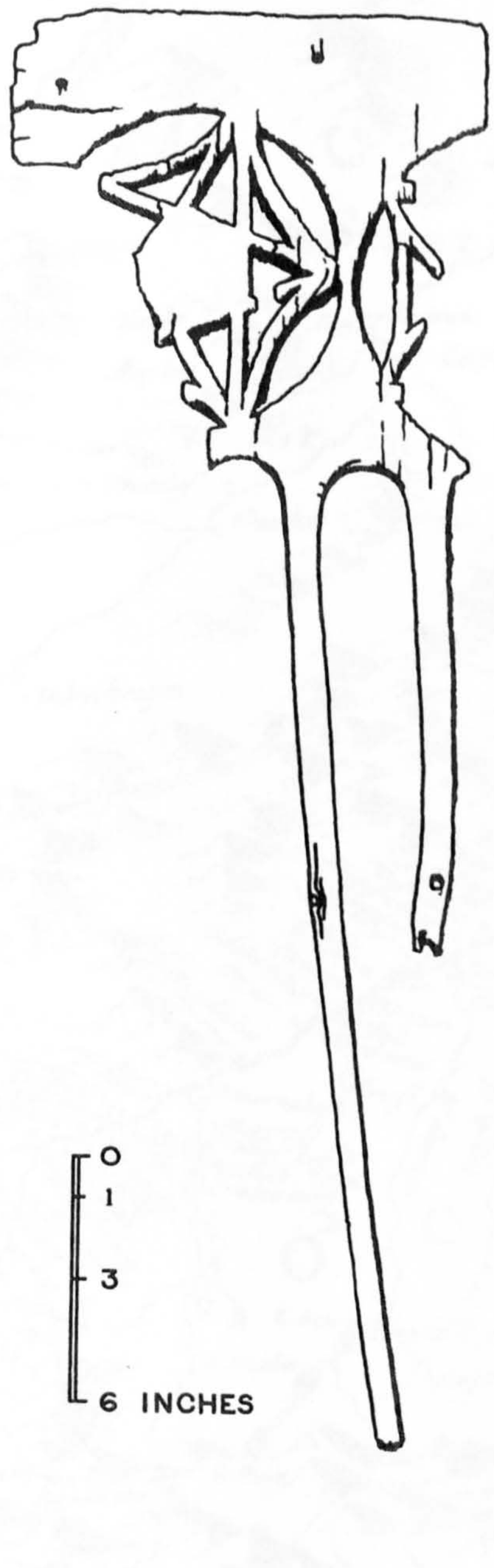
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4.10 Phased plan of Lochaneilean Castle (from Simpson 1937, 59).



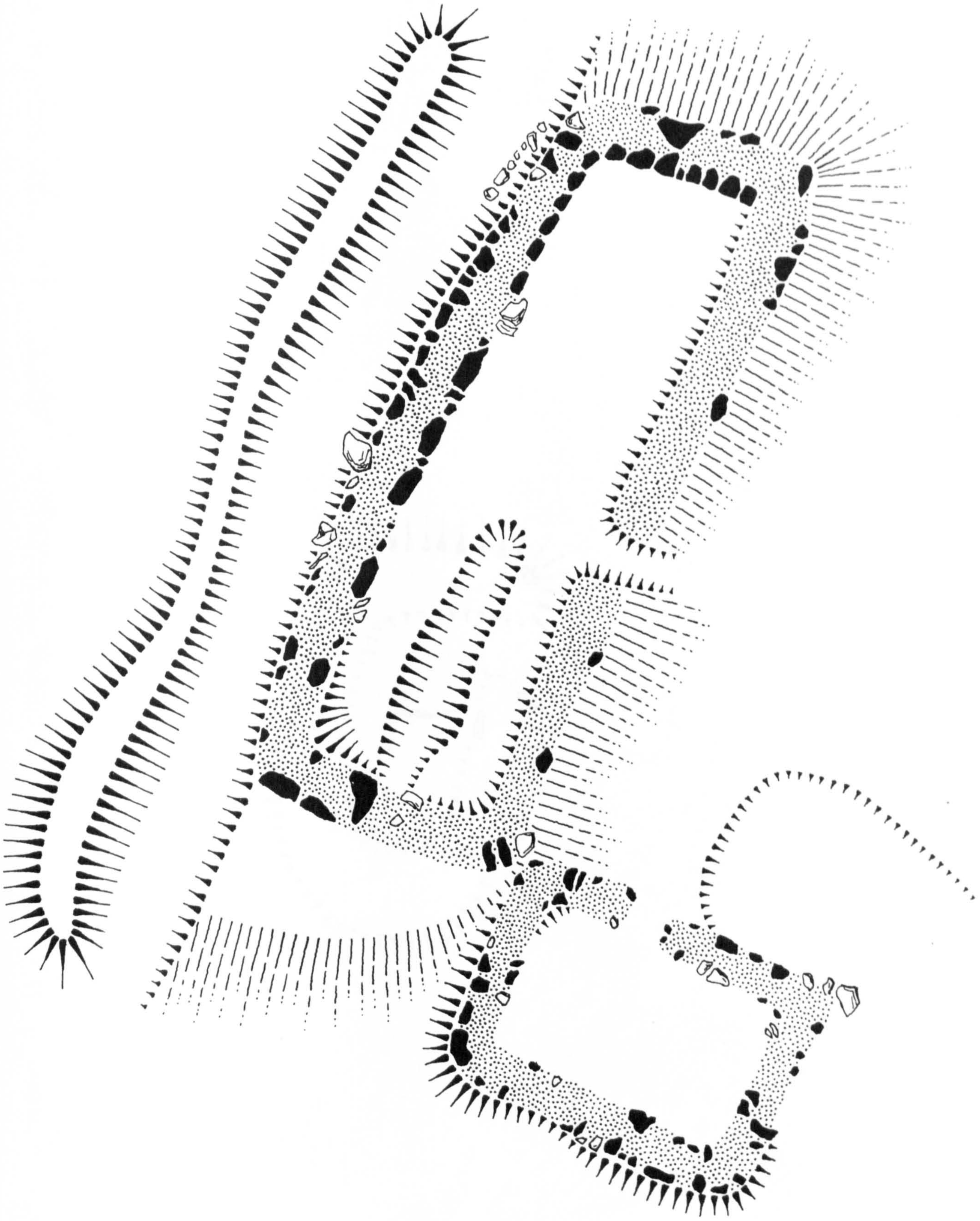
4.11 Extract from Roy's Military Survey (*c.* 1745), showing the Comyns Road crossing the Gaick plateau (Sheet 26/5).



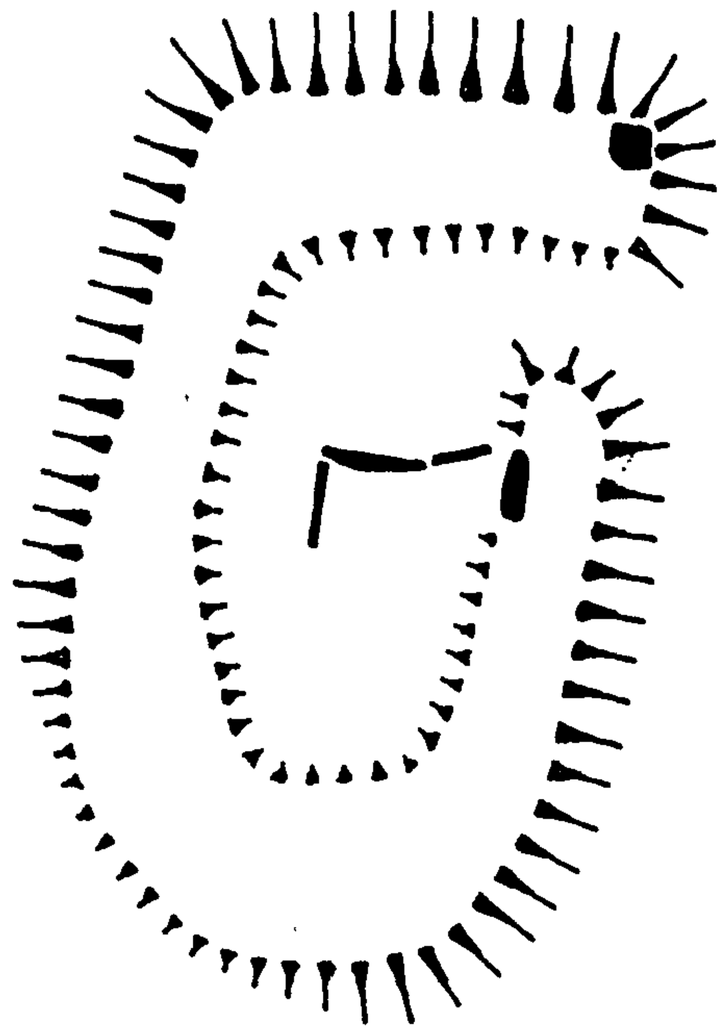
4.12 Drawing of the fragment of carved wooden cupboard from Eilean an Righ, Loch Laggan (from Maxwell 1951).



4.13 Extract from Pont's map of Badenoch, *c.* 1600 (Blaeu 1645).



4.14 Longhouse at the township of Dail na Seilg in Glen Banchor (NN69NW 1), surveyed by the RCAHMS.

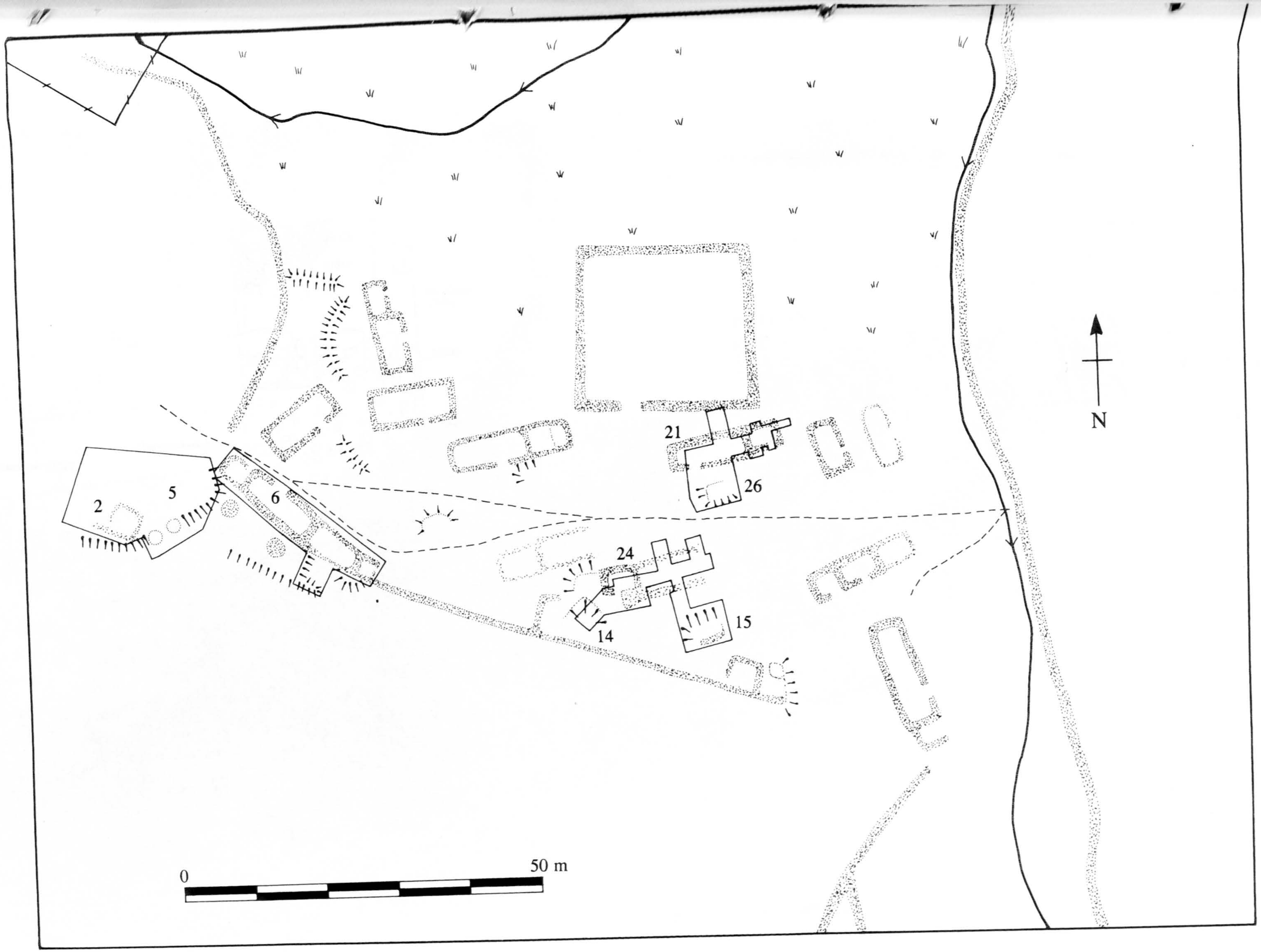


4.15 Shieling hut at Allt Fionndrigh, Glen Banchor (NH60SE 13), surveyed by the RCAHMS.



4.16 Extract from Roy's Military Survey (*c.* 1745), showing Raitts and Insh (Sheet 26/4).

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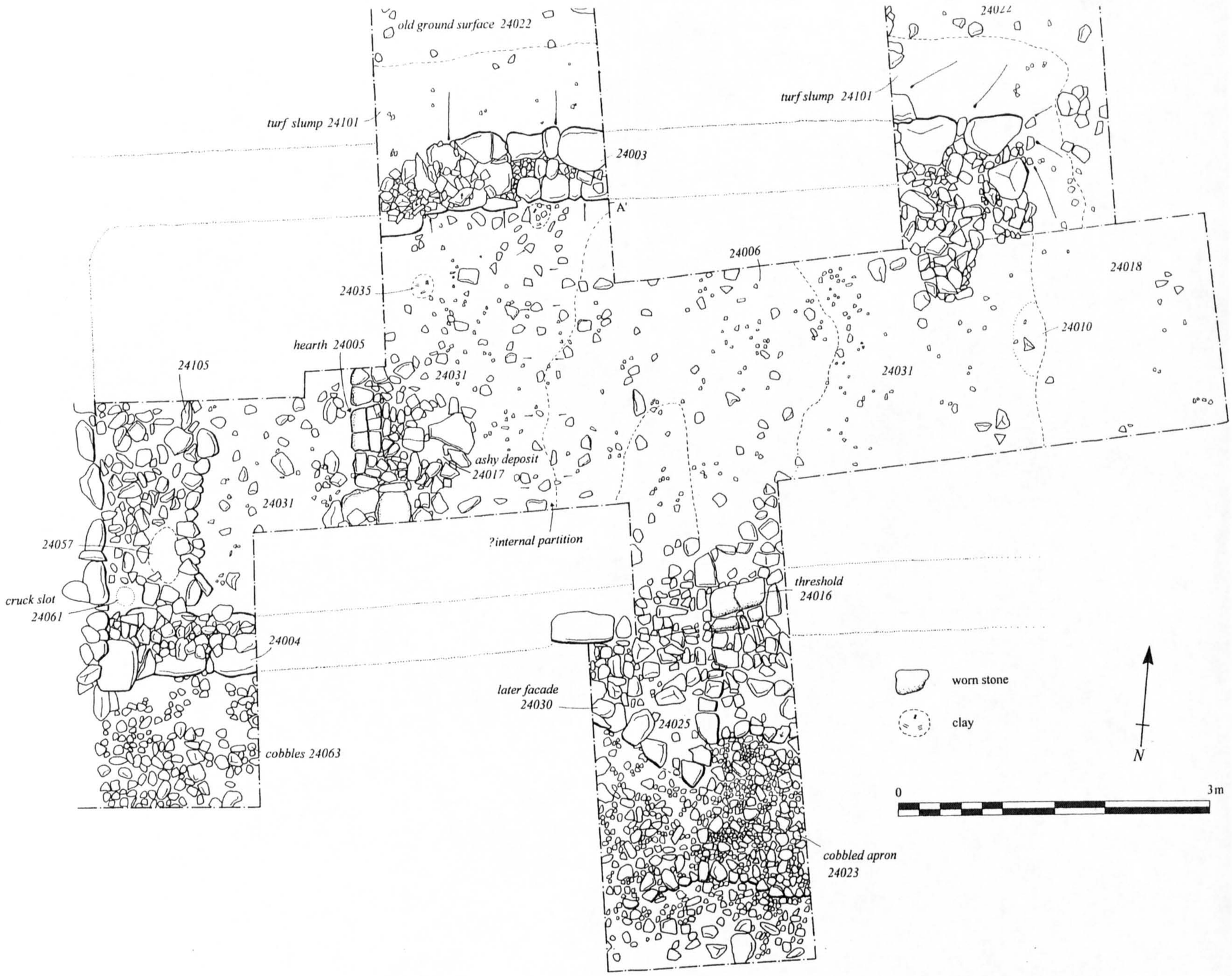
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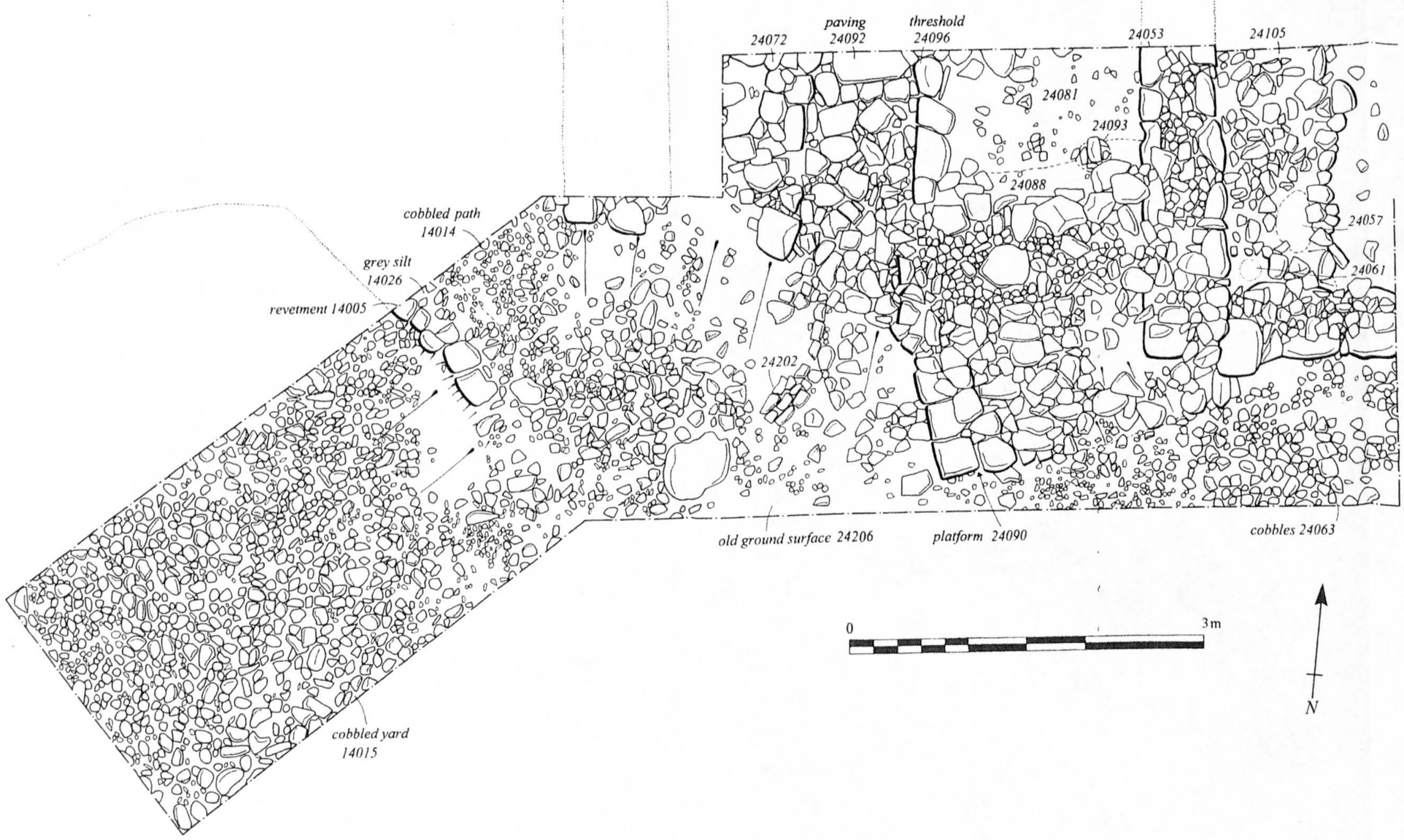
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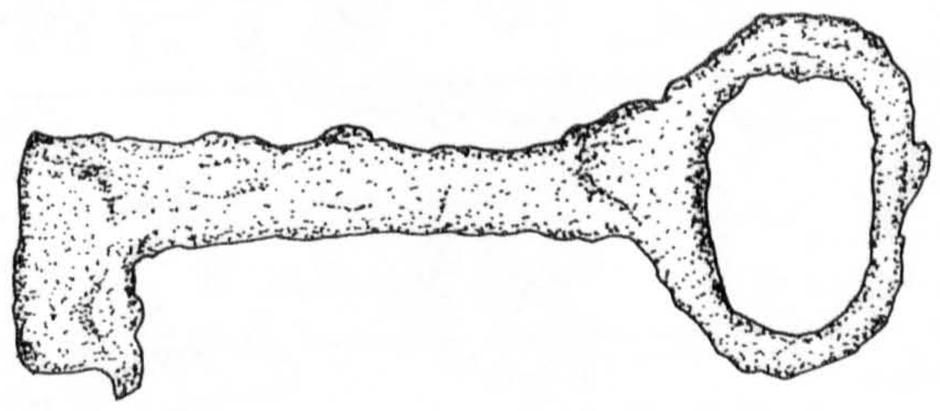
4.19 Plan of longhouse 21 (earlier floor) and outbuilding 26.



4.20 Plan of eastern part of re-used longhouse 24.



4.21 Plan of western part of re-used longhouse/byre 24, with cobbled yard 14.



4.22 Drawing of key found between stones beside longhouse 24's entrance.



4.23 Plan of clay puddling feature 15.

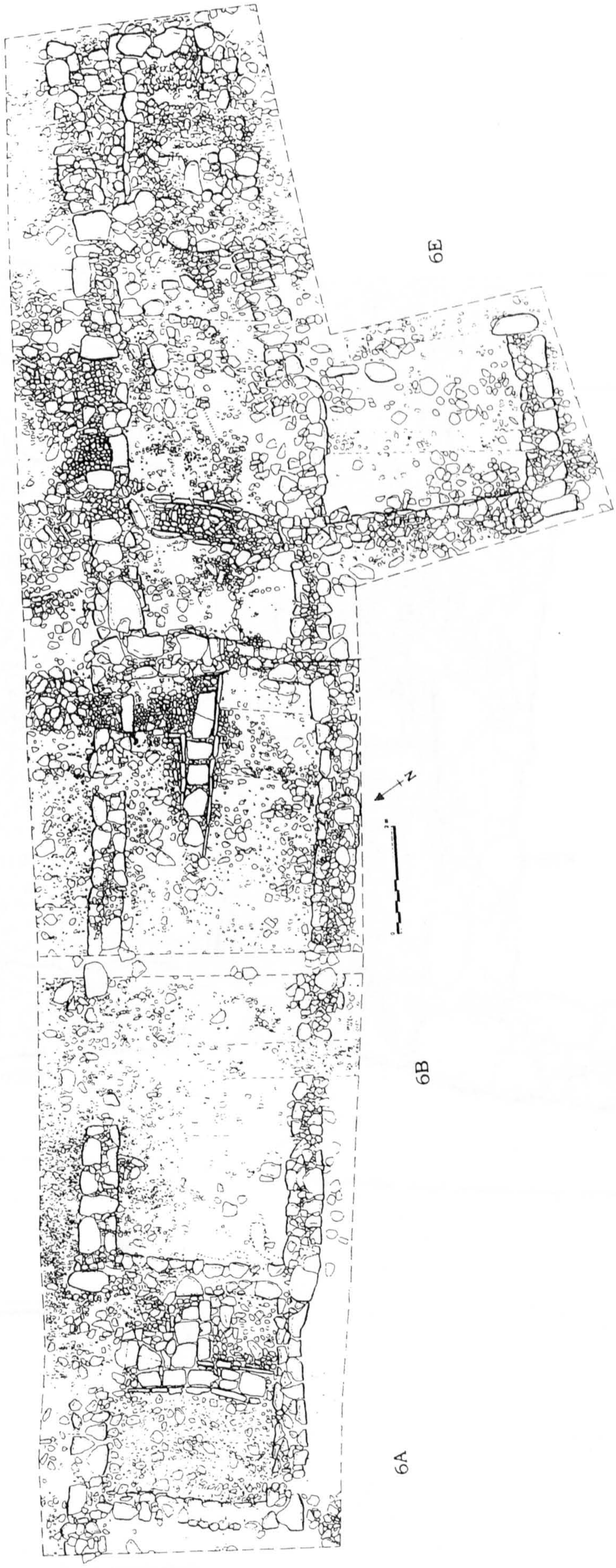
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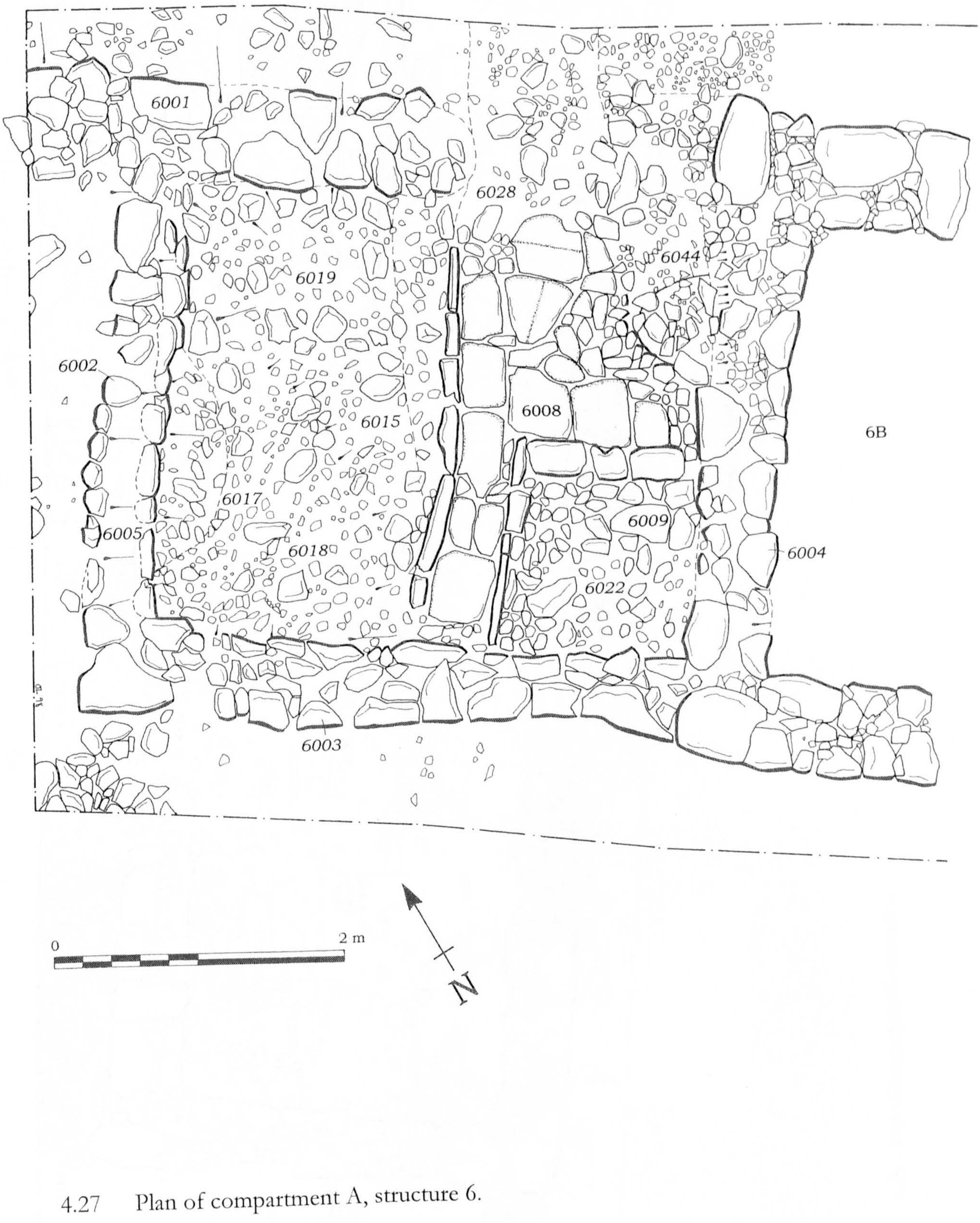
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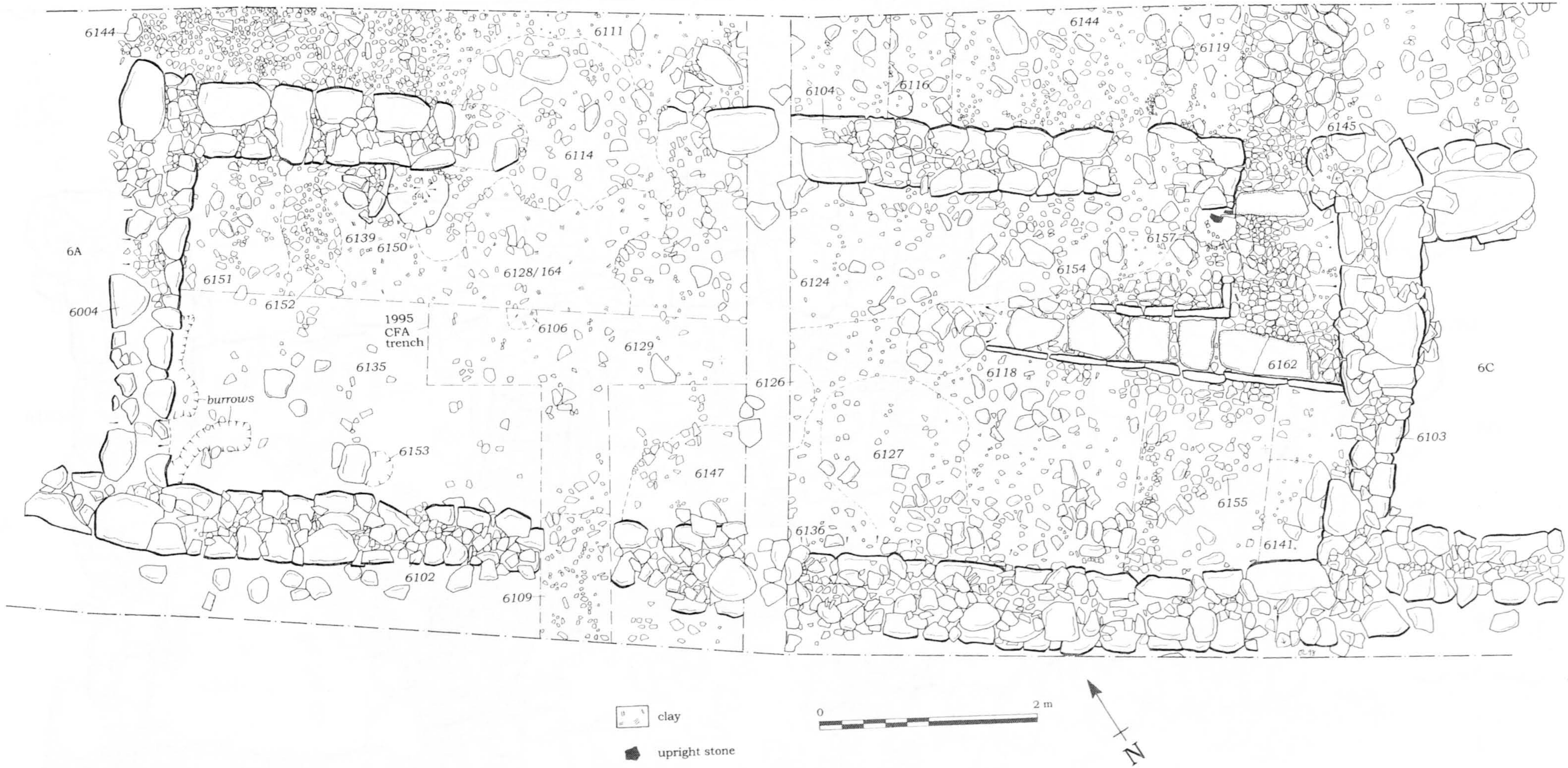
4.25 Plan of structure 2.



4.26 Overall plan of byre complex 6.



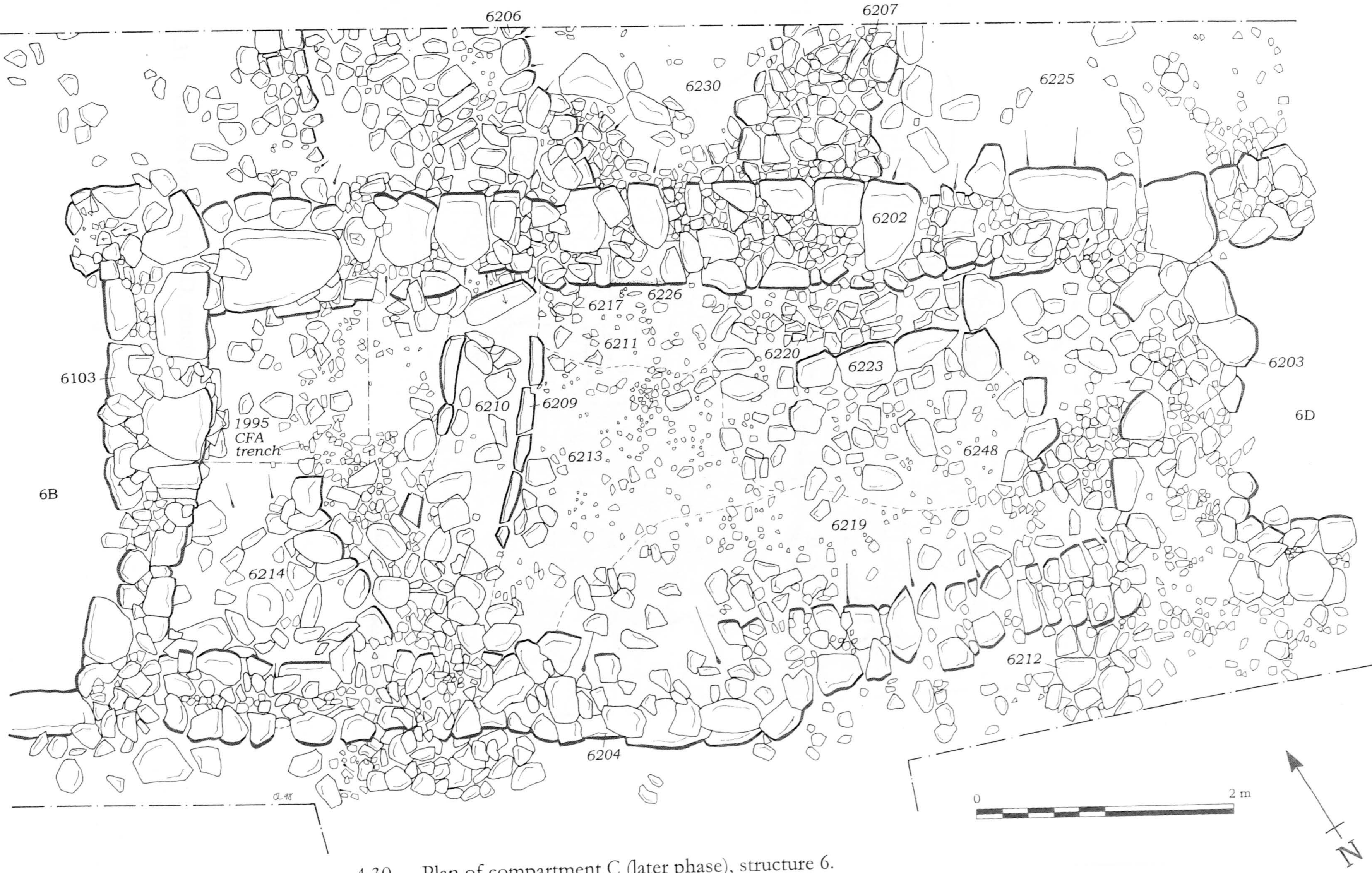
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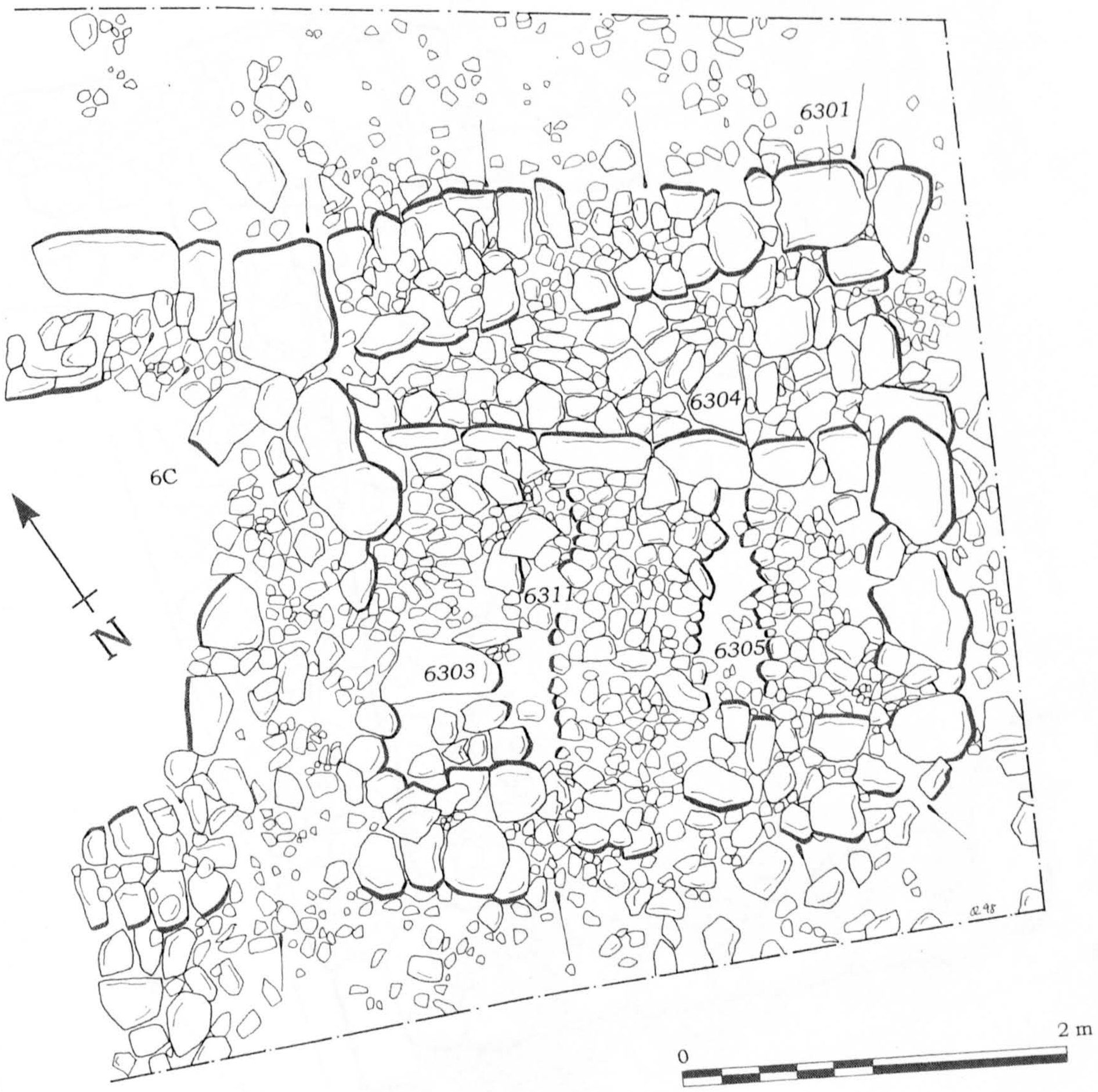
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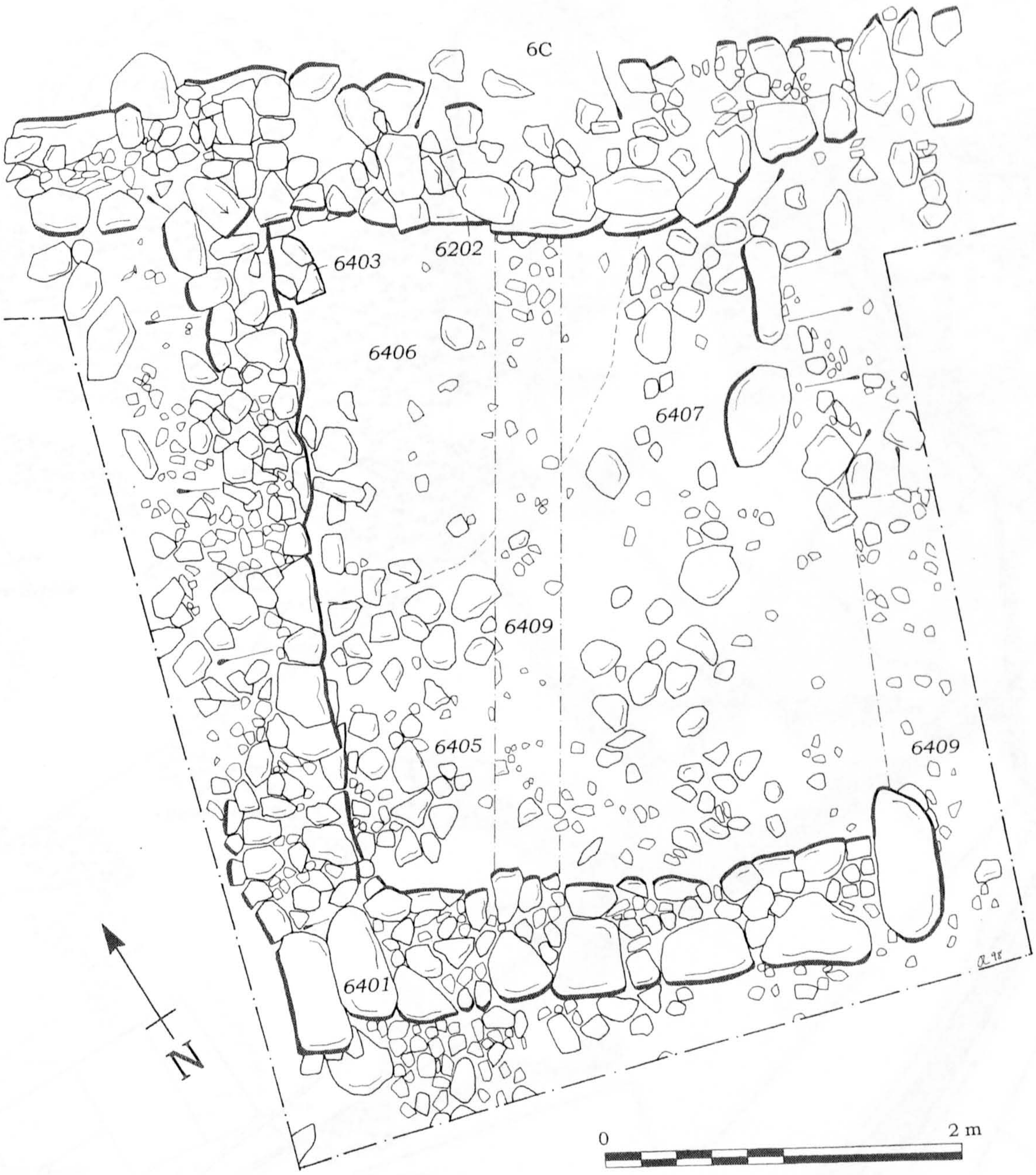
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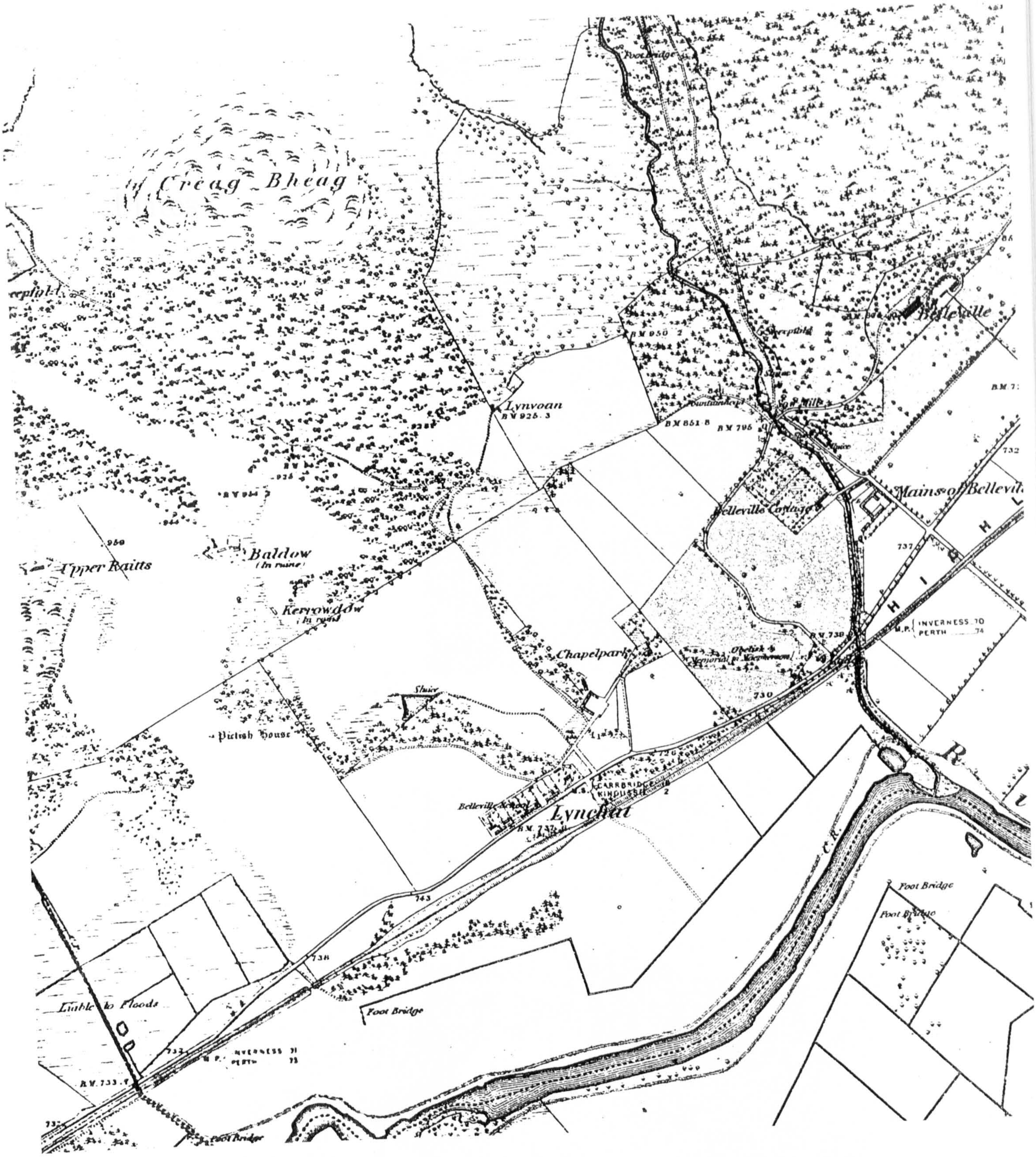
4.30 Plan of compartment C (later phase), structure 6.



4.31 Plan of compartment D, structure 6.



4.32 Plan of compartment E, structure 6.



4.33 Extract from the first edition Ordnance Survey map of 1872 (Sheet 87), showing Lynchat and Raitts.

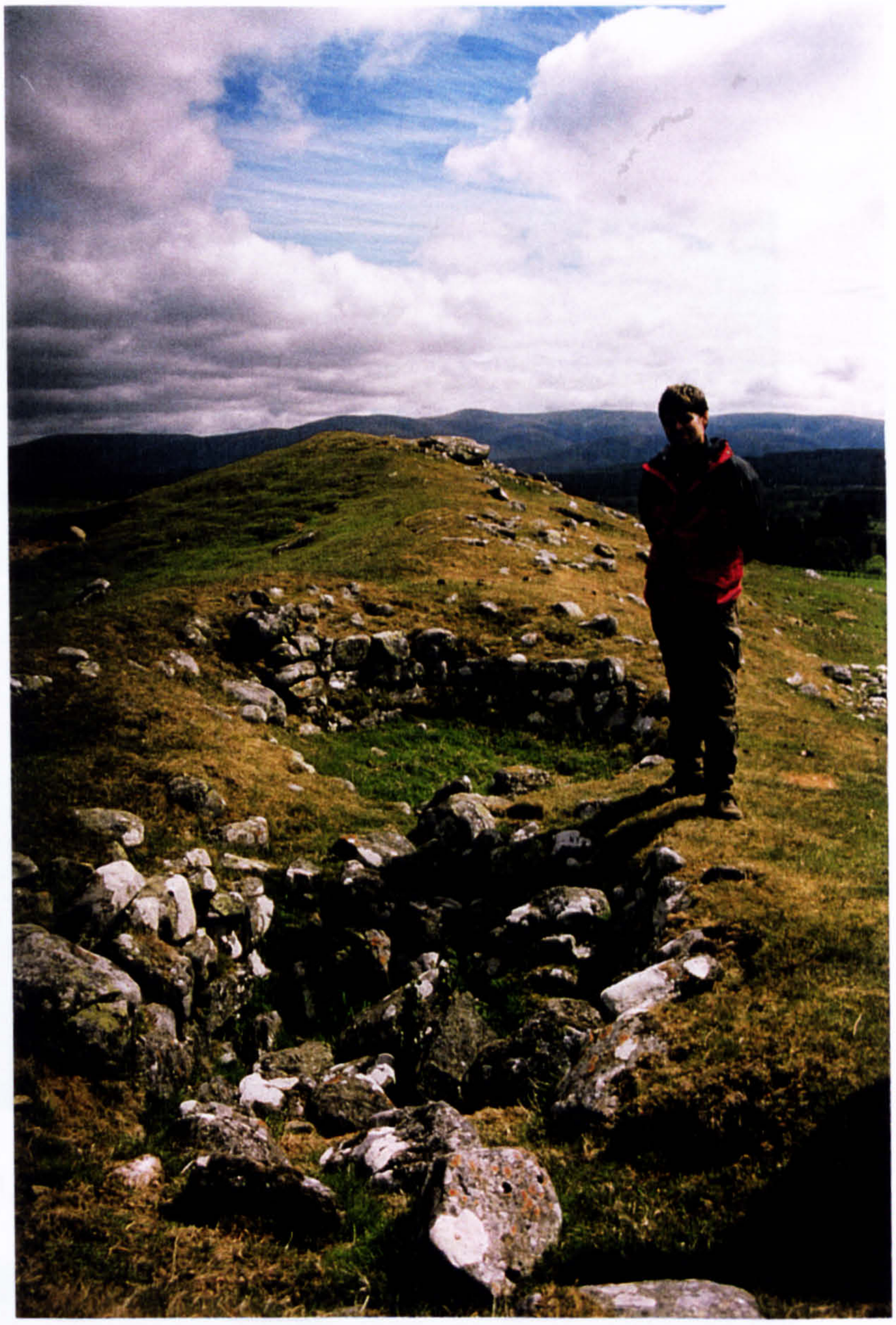
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4.1 Loch-an-Eilean Castle, from the south.

4.2 The oval banked enclosure at Braeruthven from the south, with the Comyns Road visible as the hollow-way in the foreground.





4.3 Corn-drying kiln at Wester Raitts.

4.4 The remains of Wester Raitts township, from the south-east.





4.5 The hearth in longhouse 21, Easter Raitts, from the west.



4.6 Outbuilding 26 during excavation, taken from the east.



4.7 Clay puddling feature 15 during excavation, from the south.



4.8 Byre complex 6 during excavation, from the west.



4.9 Ruthven Barracks, from the south.



4.10 The view down the strath from the Wade bridge and military road at Melgarve.

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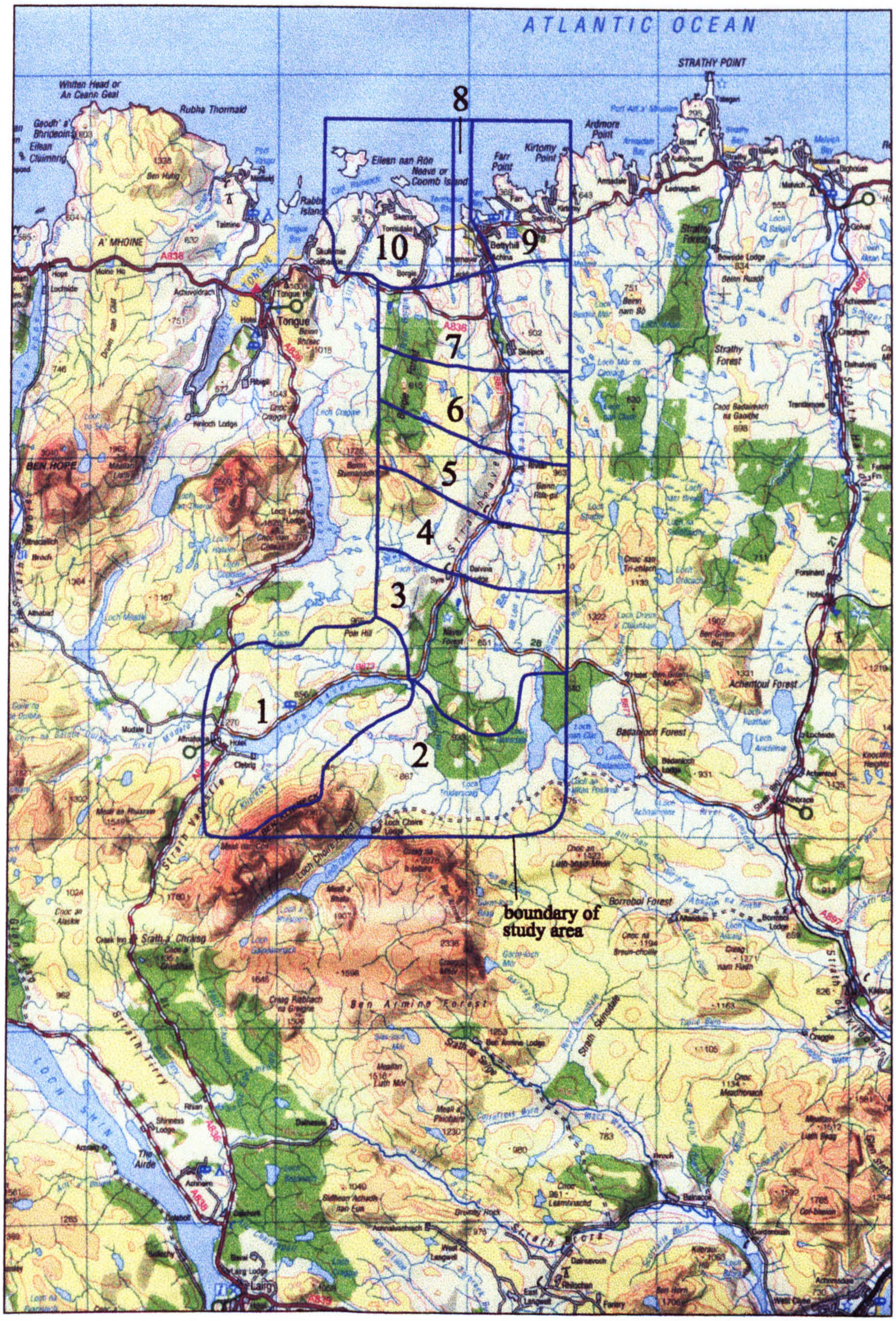


Figure 5.1 Map of Strathnaver, showing boundary of study area and topographic zones.

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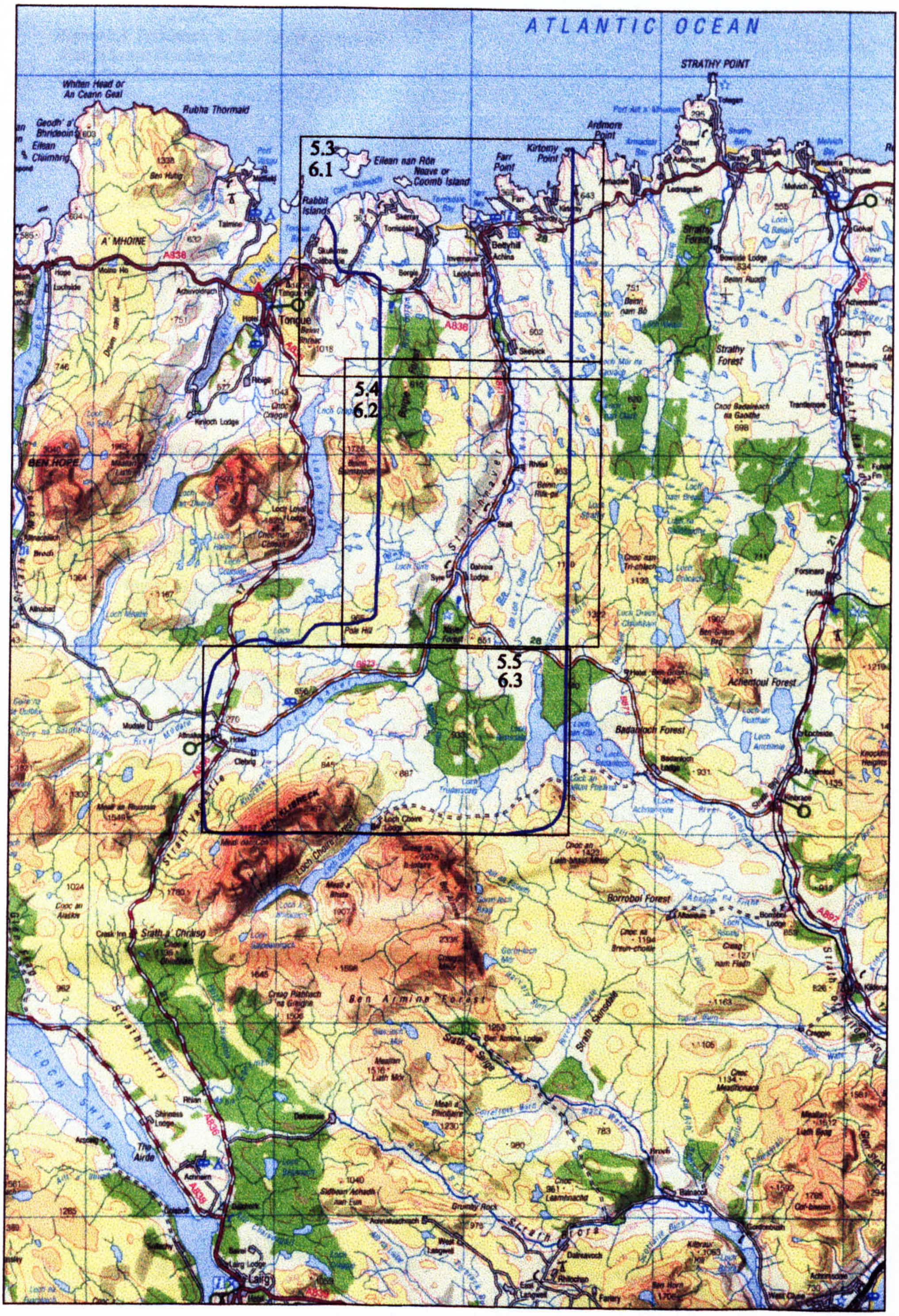


Figure 5.2 Map of Strathnaver, showing locations of detailed site distribution maps.

Figure 5.3 Prehistoric to first millennium A.D. sites in lower Strathnaver (zones 7-10) (copyright Ordnance Survey).

- Mesolithic flint scatter
- Neolithic stray find
- Chambered cairn
- Standing or cup-marked stone
- Clearance cairns
- Burial cairn
- Burnt mound
- Bronze hoard
- Group I hut-circle settlement (isolated, with no cultivation evidence)
- Group II hut-circle settlement (with associated clearance cairns)
- Group III hut-circle settlement (with lynchets and/or field walls)
- Group II hut-circles including poss. Kilphedir V type
- Group III hut-circles including poss. Kilphedir V type
- Souterrain
- Broch, dun or fort
- Chapel site
- Symbol stone or cross-incised stone

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Figure 5.4 Prehistoric to first millennium A.D. sites in middle Strathnaver (zones 3-6). (copyright Ordnance Survey).

- Neolithic stray find
- Chambered cairn
- Standing or cup-marked stone
- Clearance cairns
- Burial cairn
- Burnt mound
- Bronze hoard or stray find
- Group I hut-circle settlement (isolated, with no cultivation evidence)
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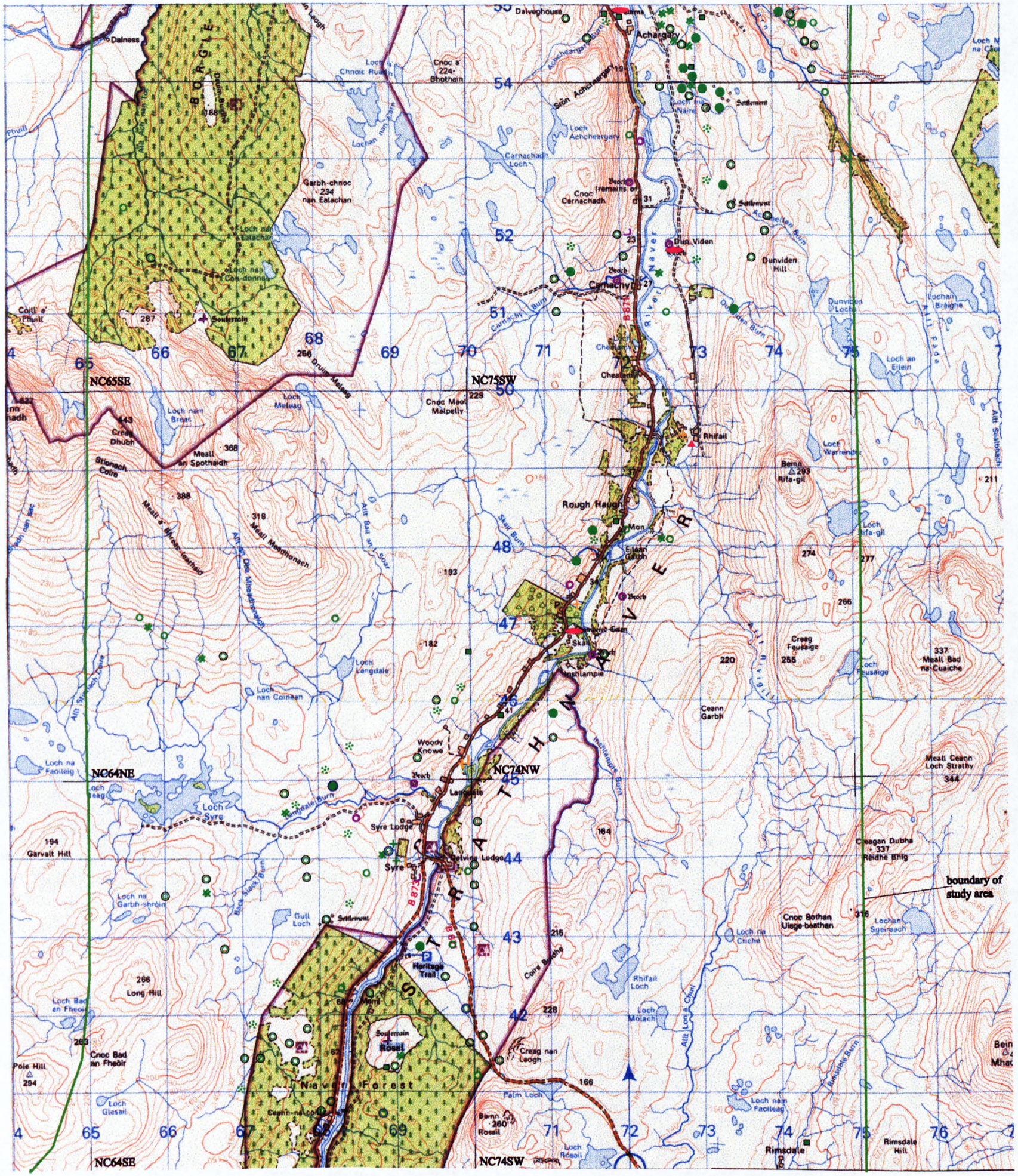
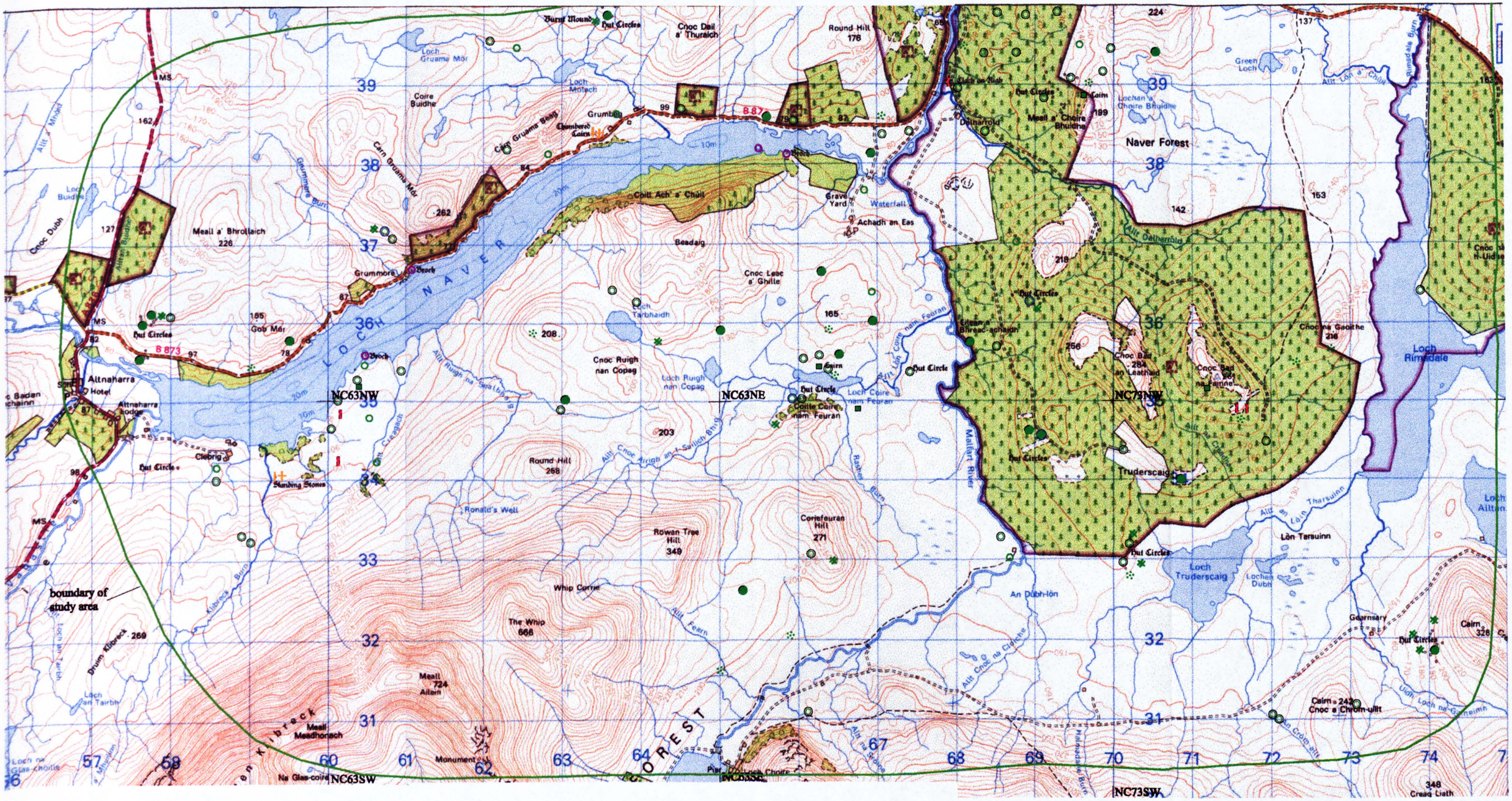

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Rough Haugh
Beinn Rifa-gil
Loch an Eilein
Eilean Garbh
Skail
Creag Feusaige
Meall Bad na Cuaiche
Ceann Garbh
Woody Knowe
Langdale
Syre Lodge
Syre
Melvaig Lodge
Garvalt Hill
Creagan Dubha
Reidhe Bhig
boundary of study area
Cnoc Bothan Uiege-basthan
Long Hill
Pole Hill
Cnoc Bad an Fheoir
Naver Forest
Souterrain
Rossal
Heritage Trail
Rhifail Loch
Loch Meiach
Creag nan Laogh
Beinn Rossil
Rimsdale
Rimsdale Hill
Garbh-chnoc nan Ealachan
Cnoc Carnachadh
Cnoc Maol Malpetty
Meall an Spothaidh
Meall Meadhonach
Creag Dhubh
Stronech Coire
Loch Syre
Loch Langdale
Loch nan Coinean
Loch Rossil
Palm Loch
Rimsdale Burn
Syre Burn
Woody Knowe Burn
Langdale Burn
Carnachy Burn
Dunviden Burn
Sheal Burn
Coire Bardha
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Allt Scaibhach
Allt Fada
Lochan Braighe
Loch Warrenbeg
Loch Ifa-gil
Loch Feusaige
Loch Cricha
Lochan Sgeireach
Loch Naver
Loch Achcheargary
Loch Chnoc Ruadh
Loch nan Eilean
Loch nan Ealachan
Loch nan Con-donn
Loch Meileag
Loch nam Breac
Loch Bad an Fheoir
Loch Glesail
Loch na Faoileig
Loch na Garbh-shroin
Bull Loch
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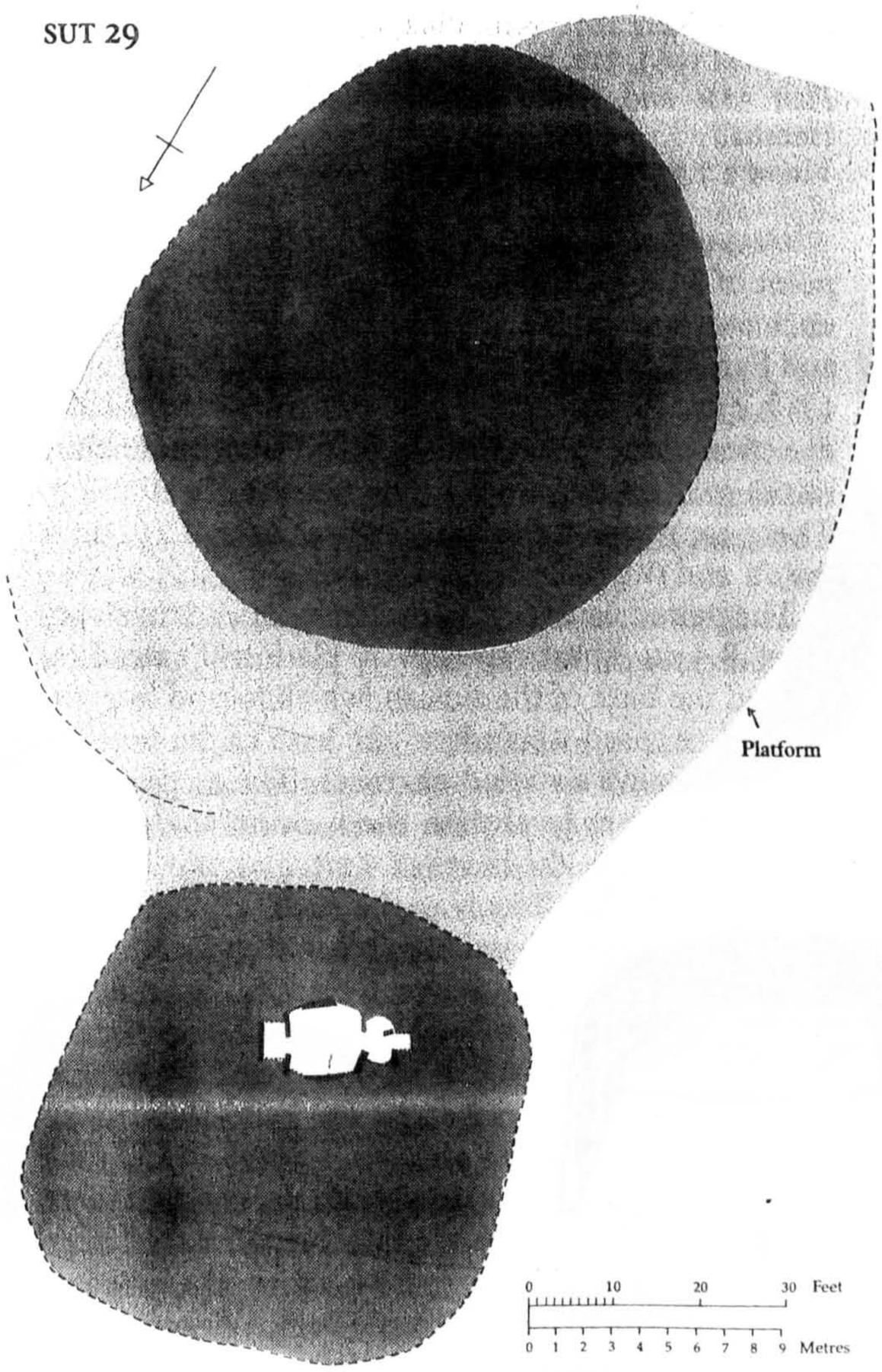
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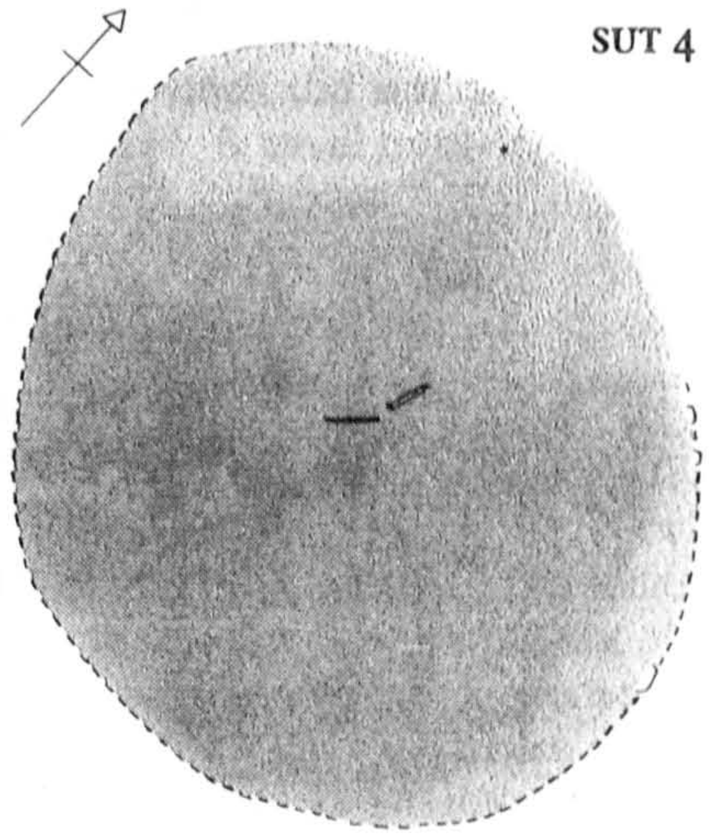
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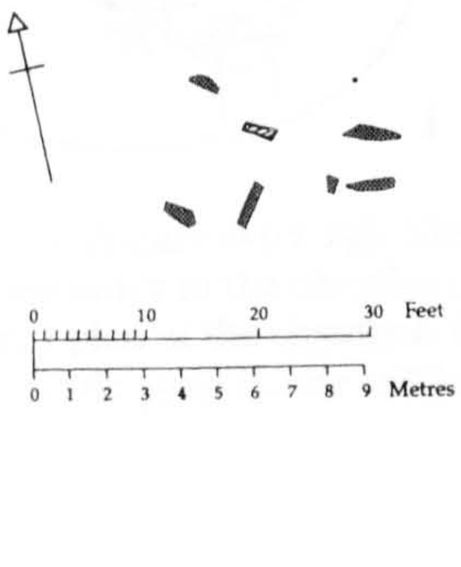
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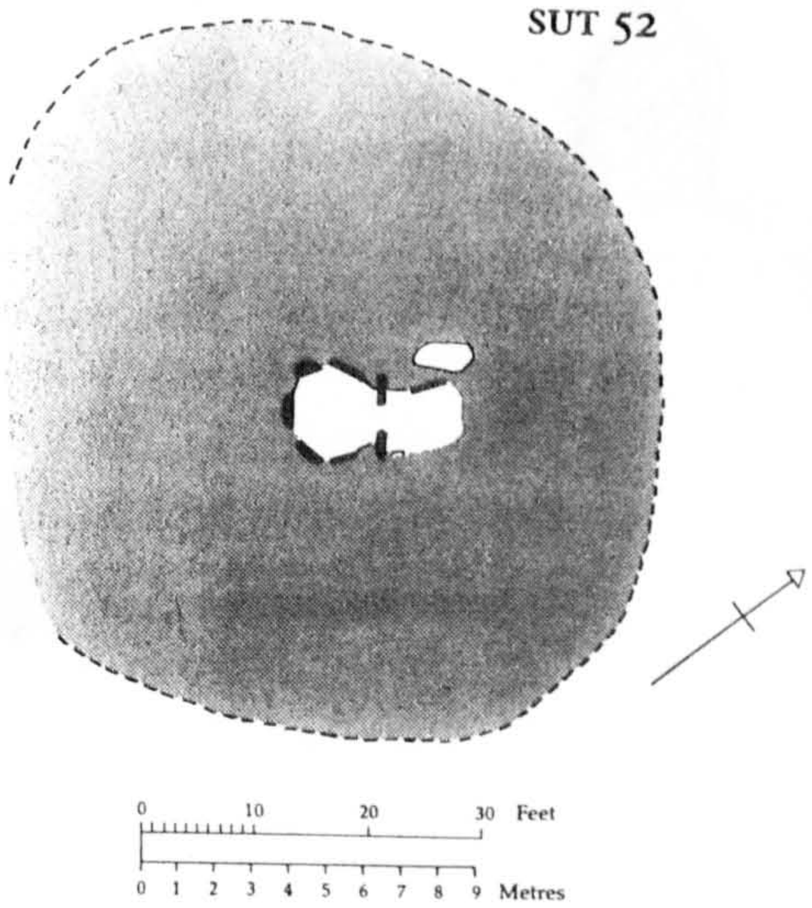
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5.6 Plans of chambered cairns at Fiscary (SUT 29), Achargary (SUT 4), Dun Viden (SUT 27), and Skail (SUT 52), from Henshall & Ritchie 1995.

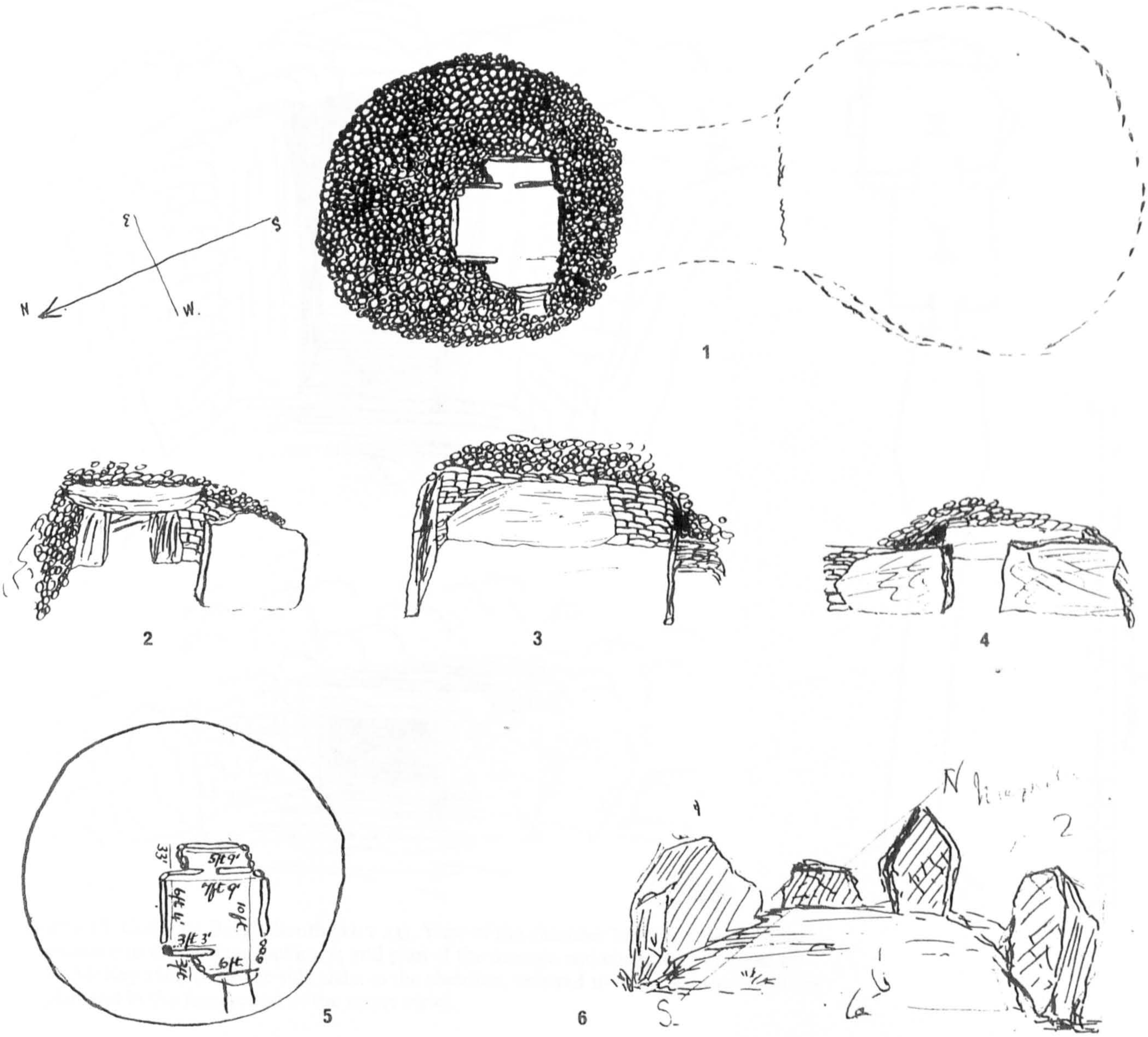


FIGURE 13. *1–5* Fiscary (SUT 29). Sketch plans and views by C. Kerr 1891: *1* plan of the cairn; *2* the entry to the chamber; *3* the N side of the chamber; *4* the back of the chamber; *5* plan of the chamber. *6* Lyne (SUT 46). Sketch of the chamber orthostats by A. O. Curle 1909 (Curle 1909a).

5.7 Sketches of Fiscary (Kerr 1891; Curle 1909) chambered cairns (from Henshall & Ritchie 1995).

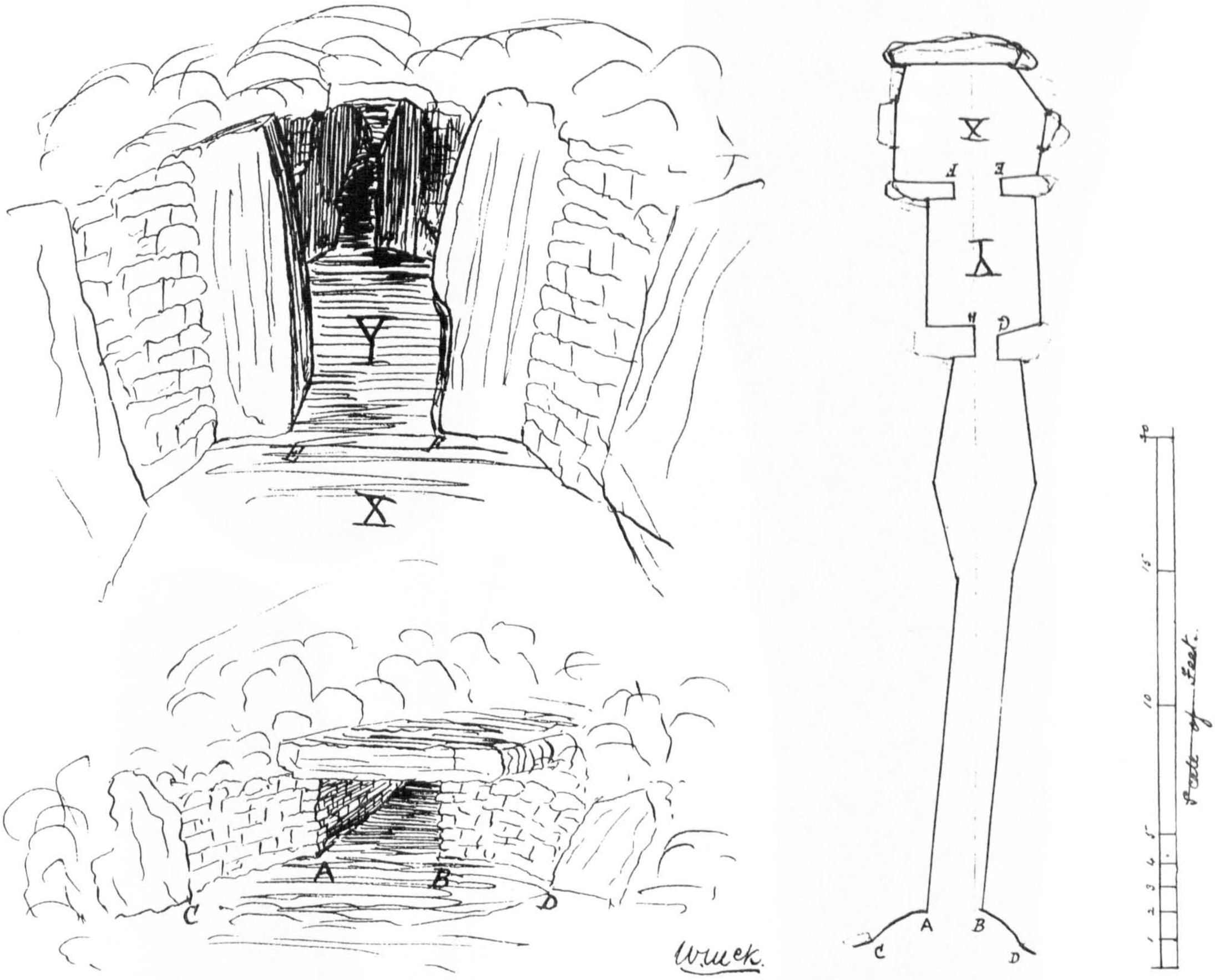
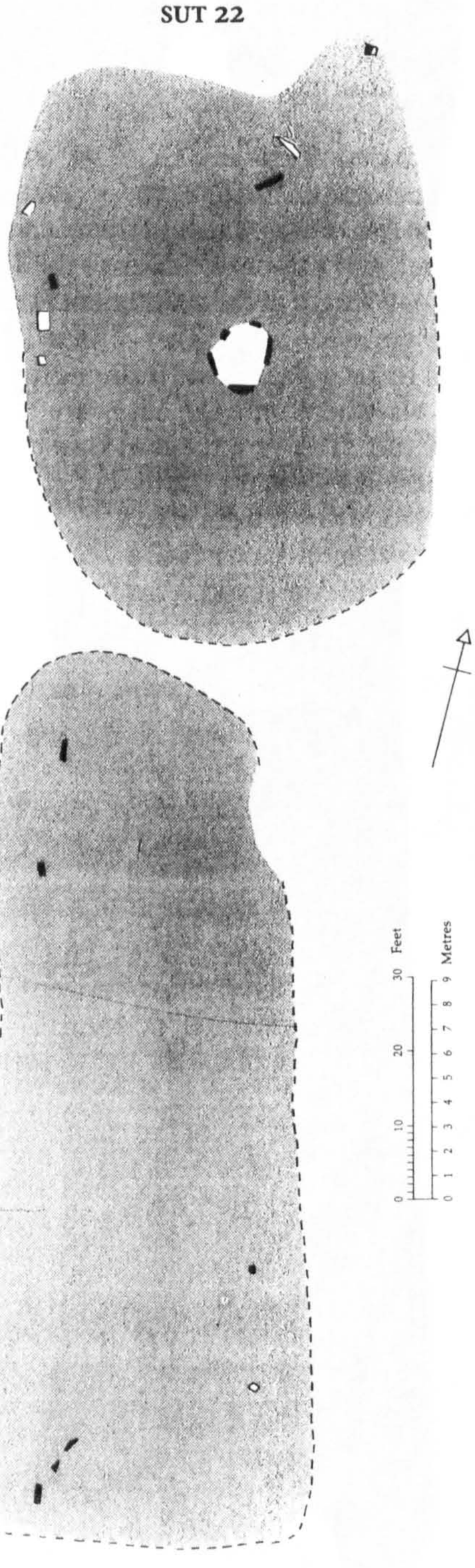
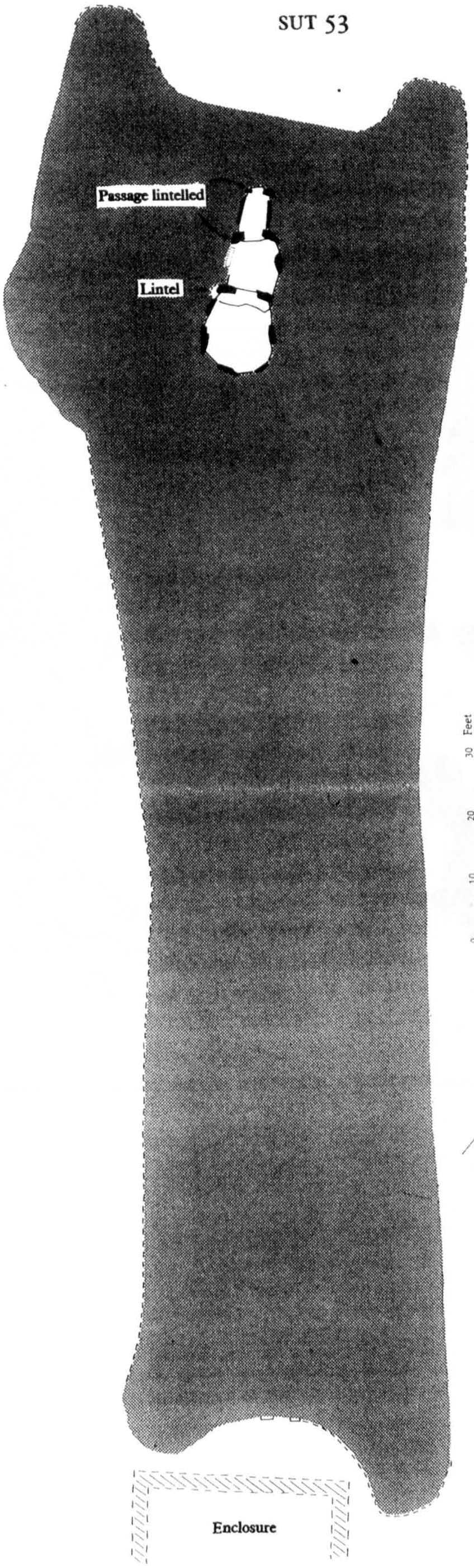


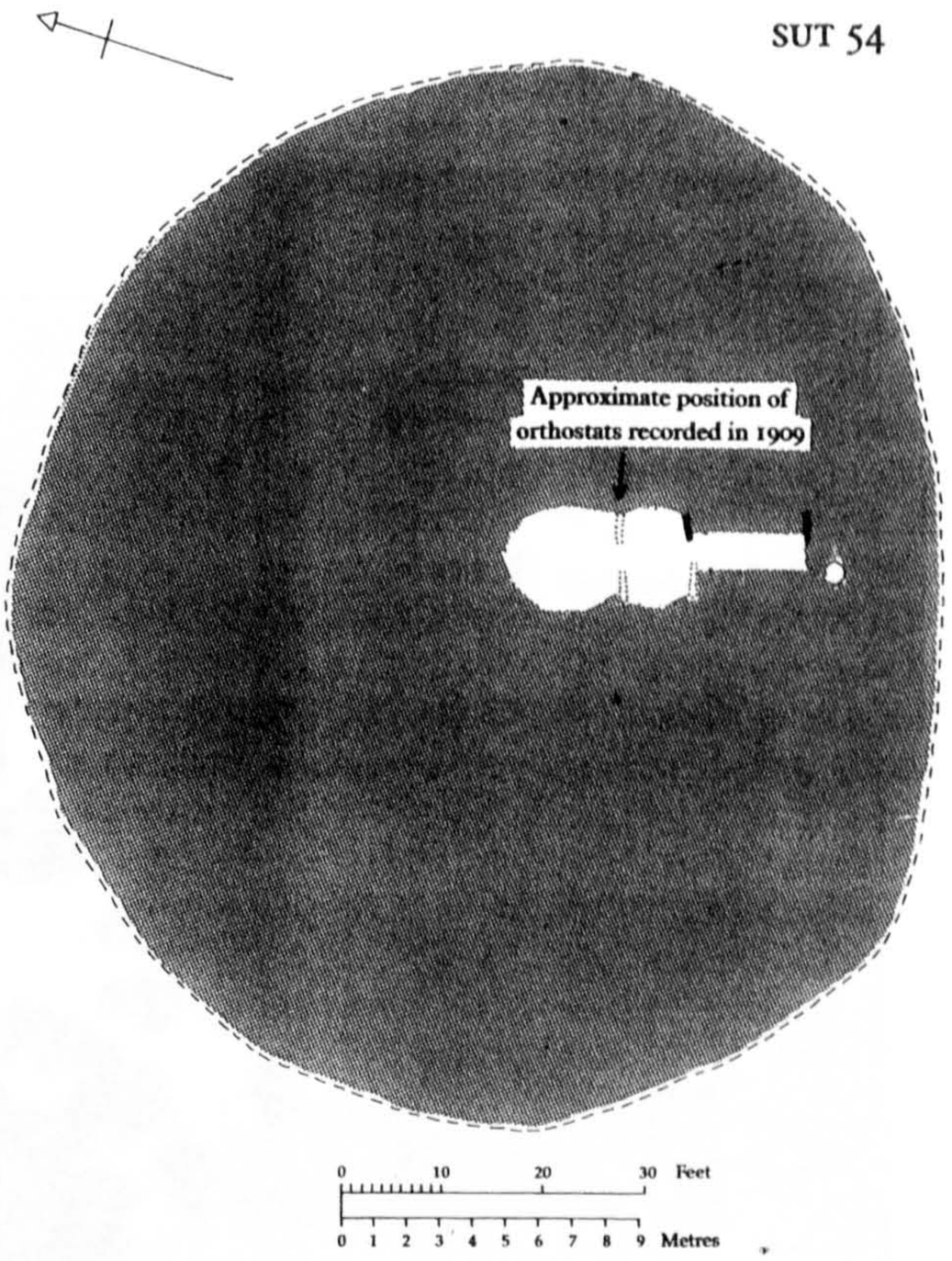
FIGURE 18. Coille na Borgie South (SUT 23). View of the chamber looking N; view of the entrance to the passage looking S; and plan of the passage and chamber. Sketched by W. McKay 1867 (note the side slabs in the chamber, referred to in ¶ 4.31, shown on the plan and in the foreground of the upper view).

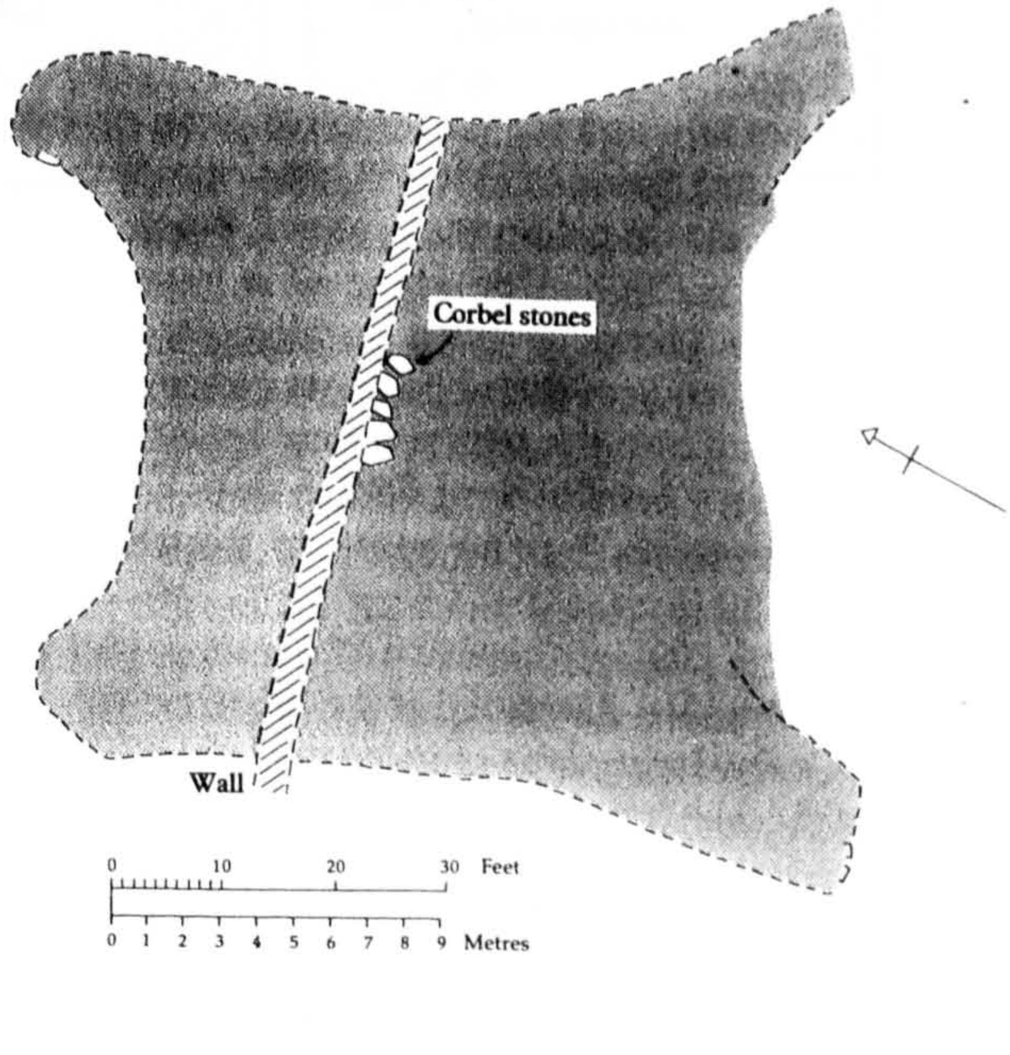
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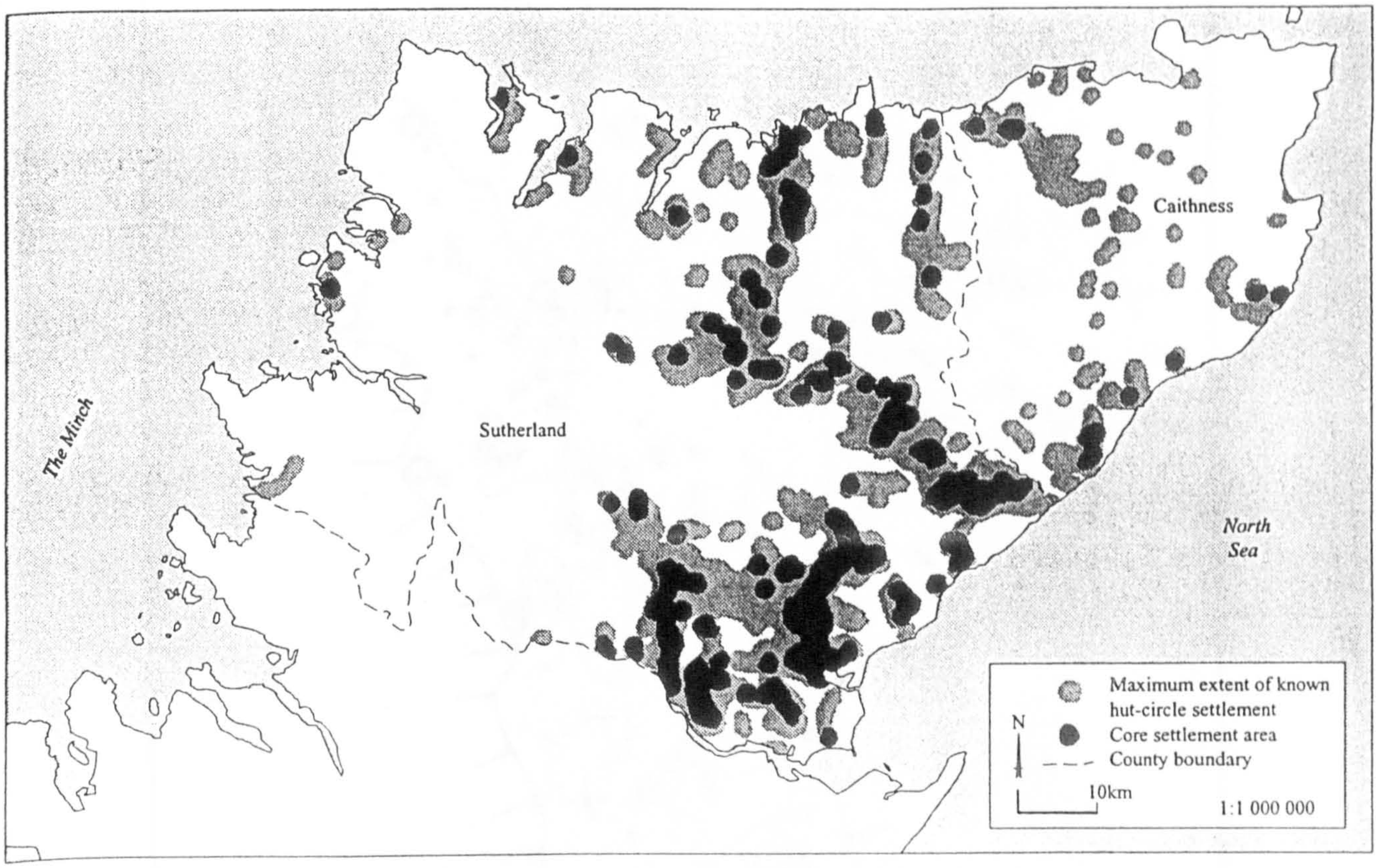
5.9 Plans of chambered cairns at Coille na Borgie North (SUT 22) and South (SUT 23), from Henshall & Ritchie 1995



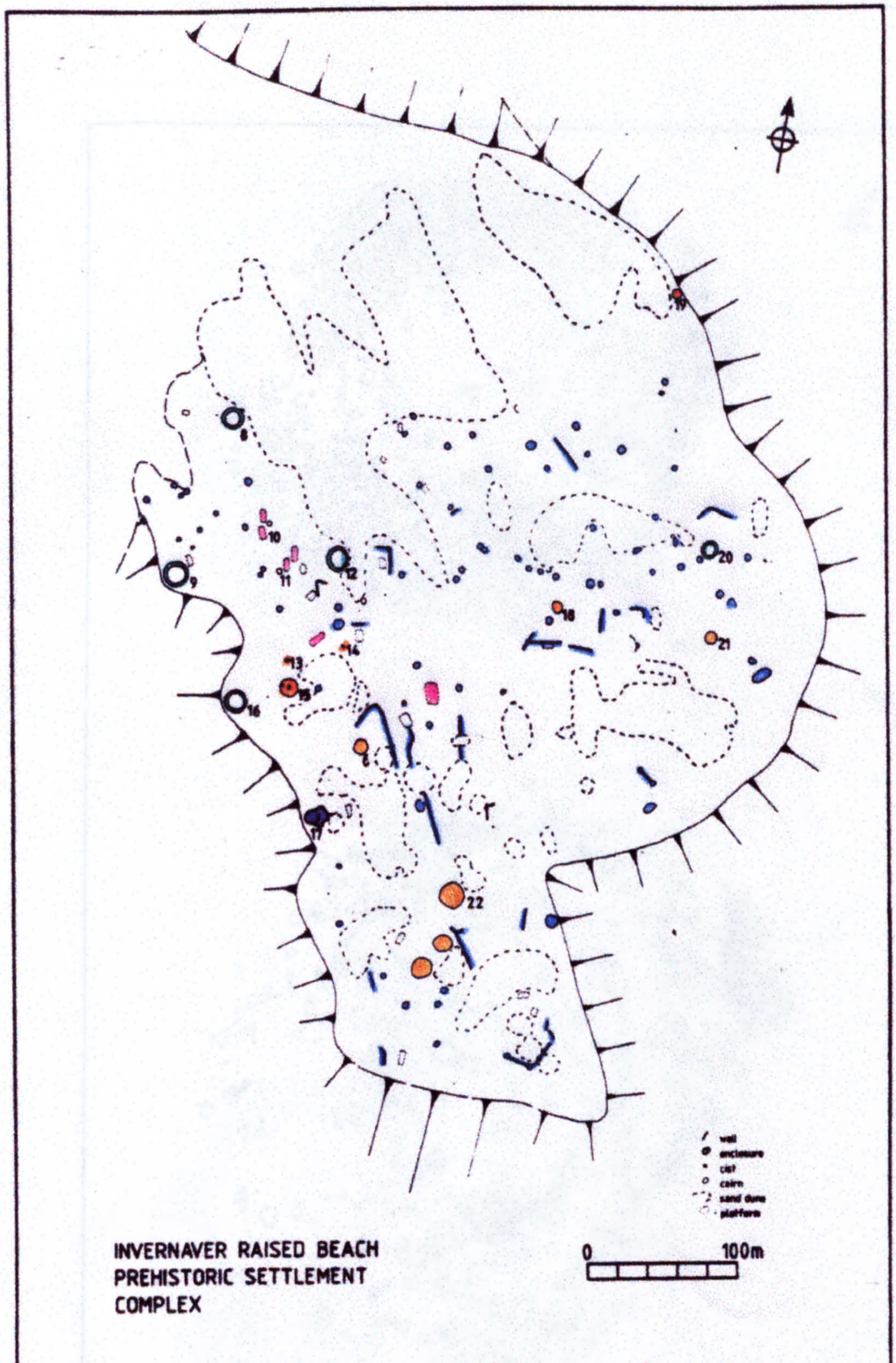




5.10 Plans of chambered cairns at Skelpick Long (SUT 53), Skelpick Round (SUT 54) and Skelpick South (SUT 55), from Henshall & Ritchie 1995.

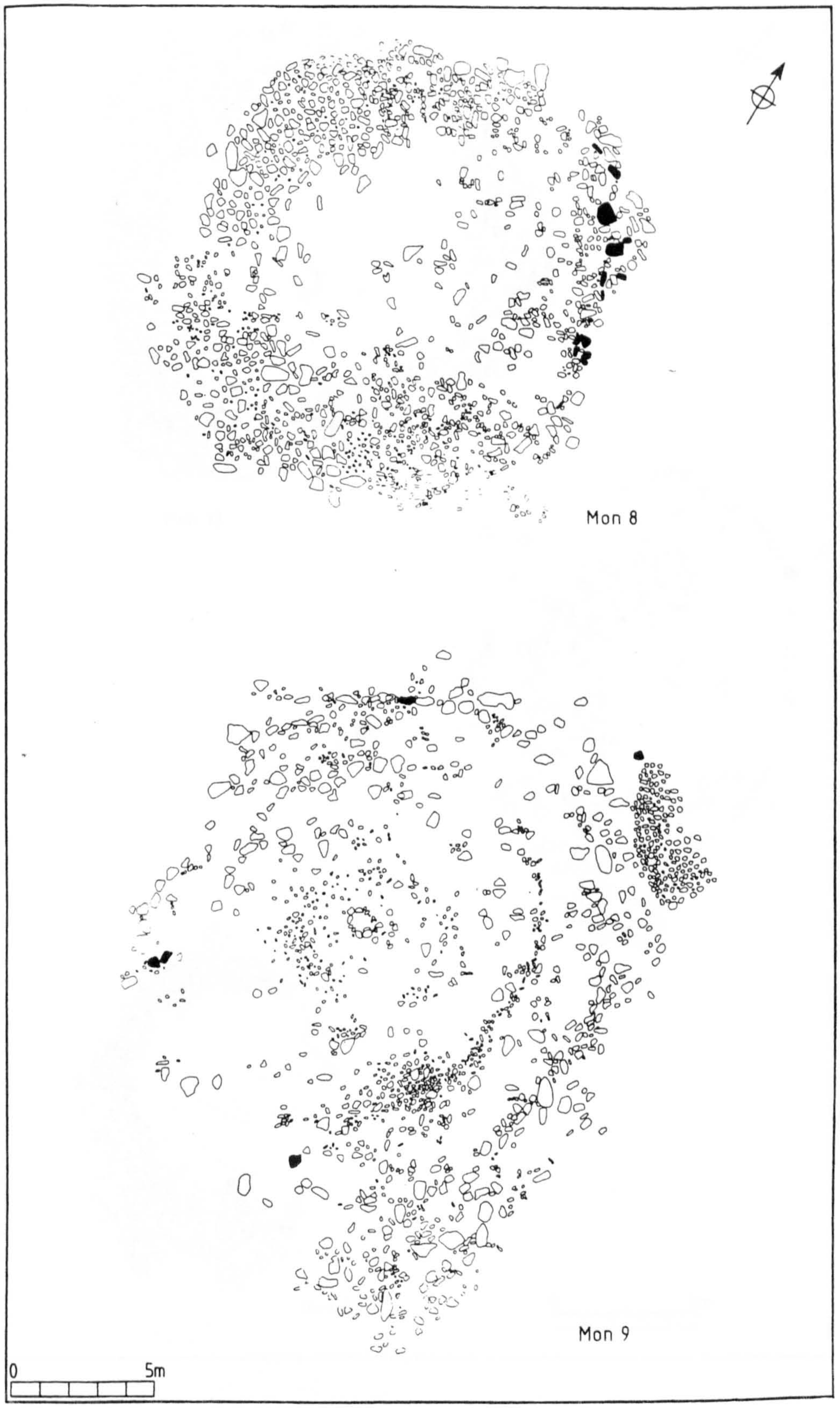


5.11 Map showing extent of known hut-circle settlement in Sutherland and Caithness, from Cowley (in press).

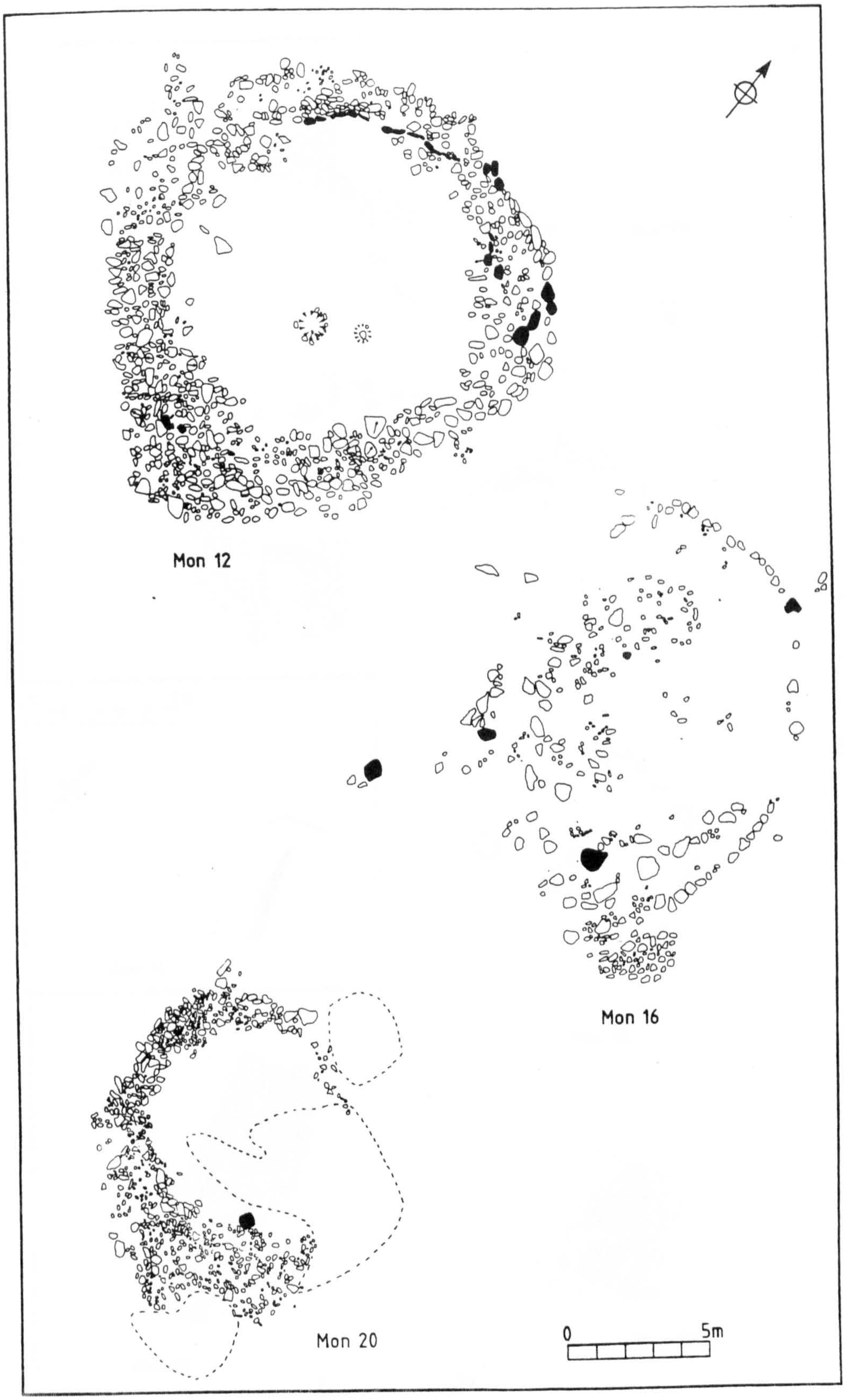


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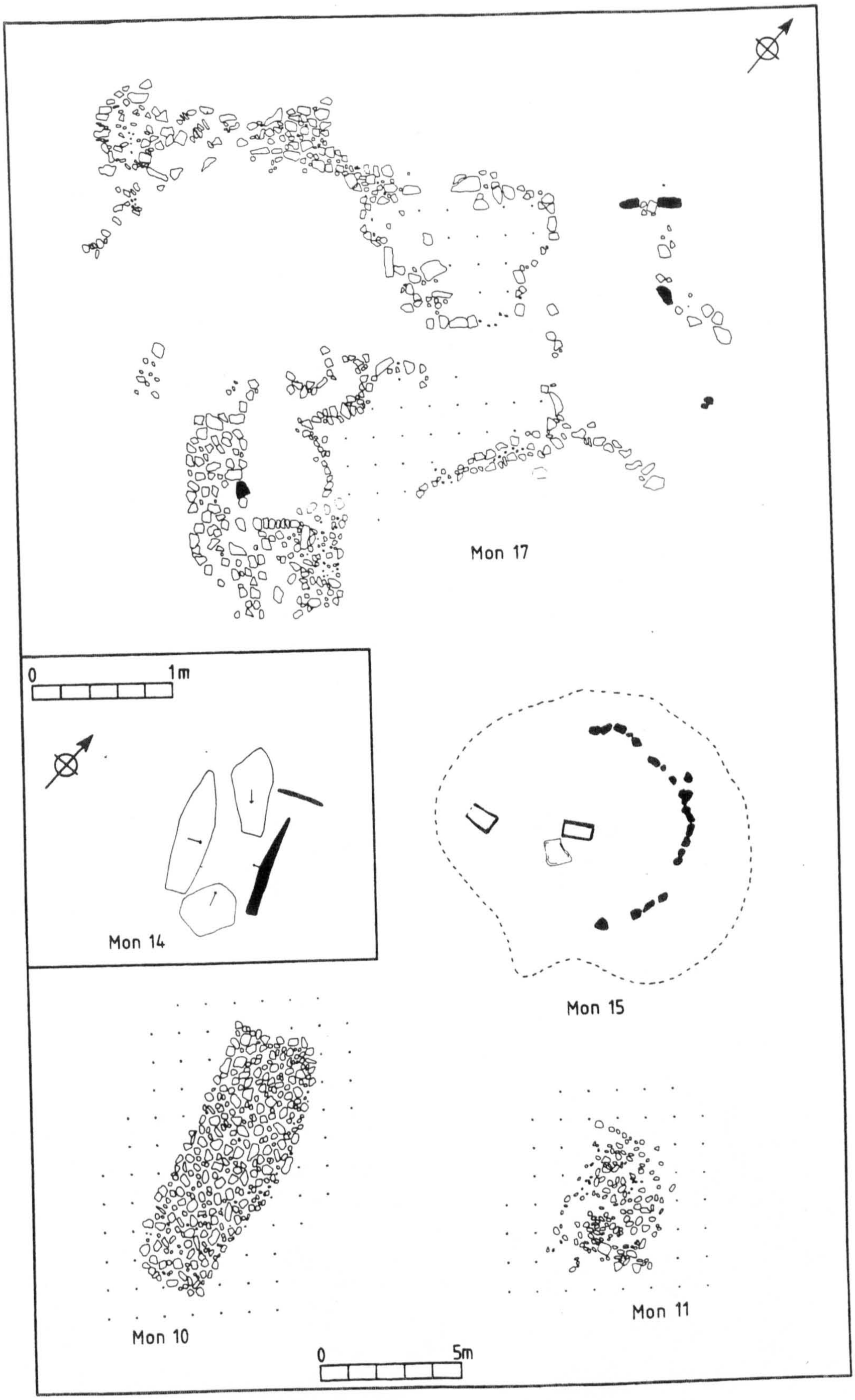
Figure 5.12 Plan of the archaeological remains on the raised beach at Invernaver, from Mercer (1981, 14). Hut-circles are shown in green; possible burial cairns, cists and cist-bearing cairns in orange; small cairns and field walls in blue, and rectangular stony platforms in pink; Mon. 17 is purple.



5.13 Plans of two of the hut-circles at Invernaver (Monuments 8 and 9), from Mercer 1981, 15.



5.14 Plans of three of the hut-circles at Invernaver (Monuments 12, 16 and 20), from Mercer 1981, 17.



5.15 Plans of cairn 15, cist 14, cellular structure 17 and rectangular platforms 10 and 11 at Invernaver, from Mercer 1981, 16.

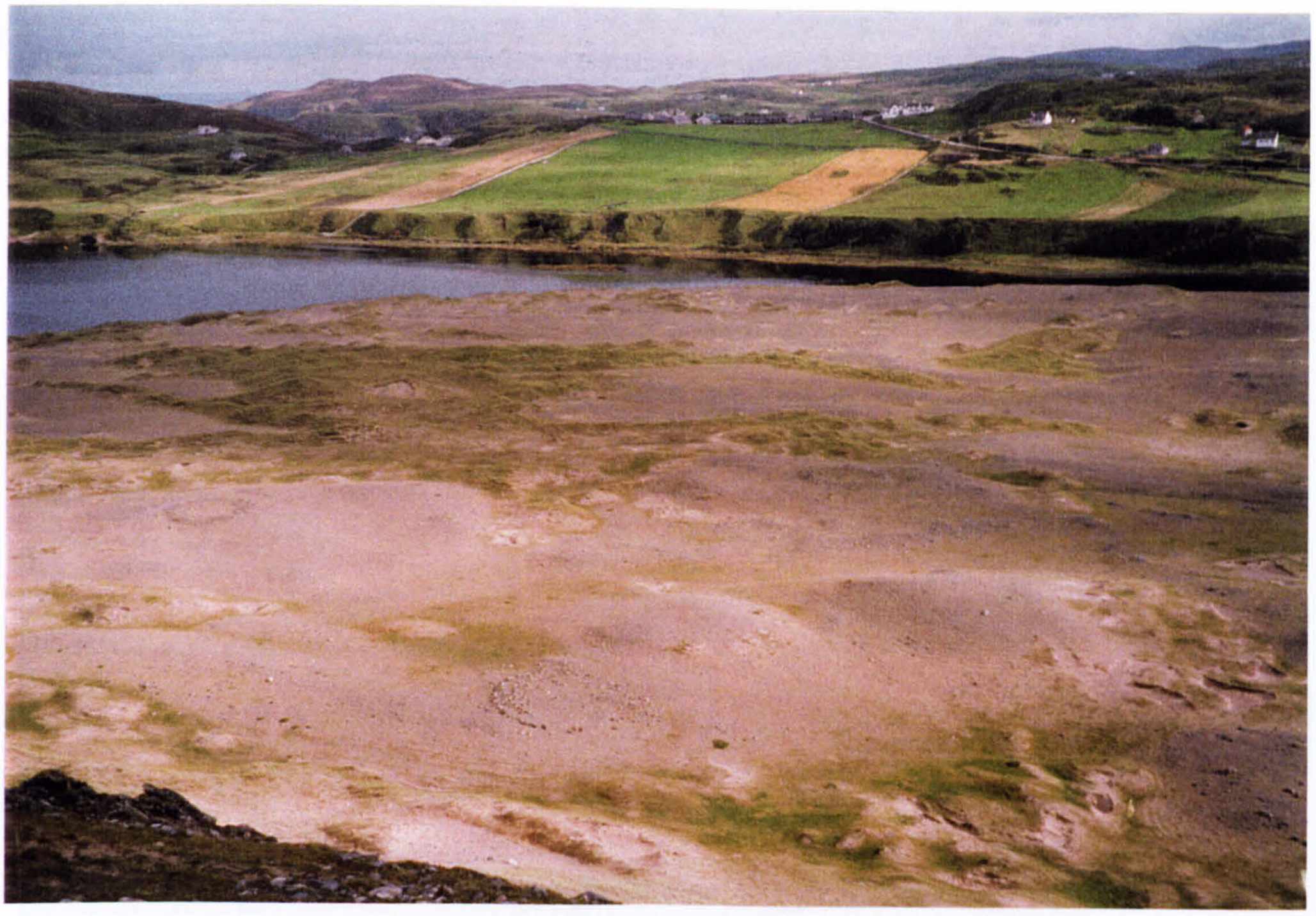
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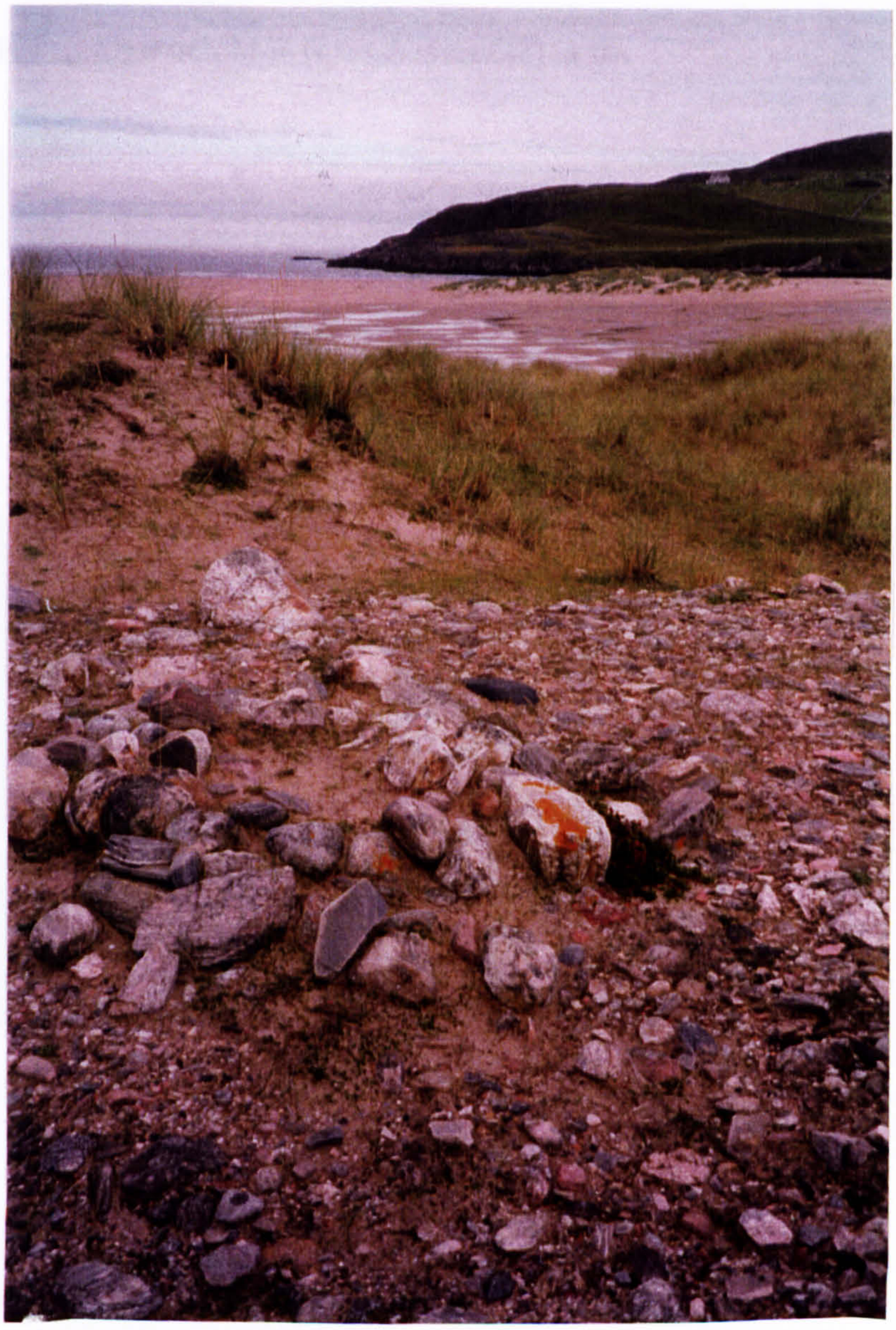
5.1 The eastern flanking cairn at Fiscary, from the chambered cairns.



5.2 Area of hut-circle settlements on the hill in the distance, from the Fiscary cairns.



5.3 The archaeological remains at Invernaver, taken from the ridge above and to the west.



5.4 Small stone setting at the north edge of the Invernaver raised beach.



5.5 Druim an Duin broch, with Pol na Marraich Mor (see Chapter Six) in the background.



5.6 The broch at Allt a Chaisteal, breaking the skyline from the floor of the strath.



5.7 Langdale broch, breaking the skyline from the floor of the strath.

5.8 Grummore broch, on the north shore of Loch Naver.





5.9 Grave slabs at Grumbeg chapel site, with Loch Naver in the background.

5.10 Possible holy well (Tobair Claish Mhartain) at Grumbeg.



5.11 The cross-incised stone at Skail chapel site.



5.12 Early Medieval cross slab at Farr.

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Figure 6.1 Early Medieval to post-Medieval sites in lower Strathnaver (zones 7-10) (copyright Ordnance Survey).

- Chapel site
- Symbol stone or cross-incised stone
- Medieval fortified site
- Township
- Shieling huts
- Water mill
- Iron-working site/slag heap

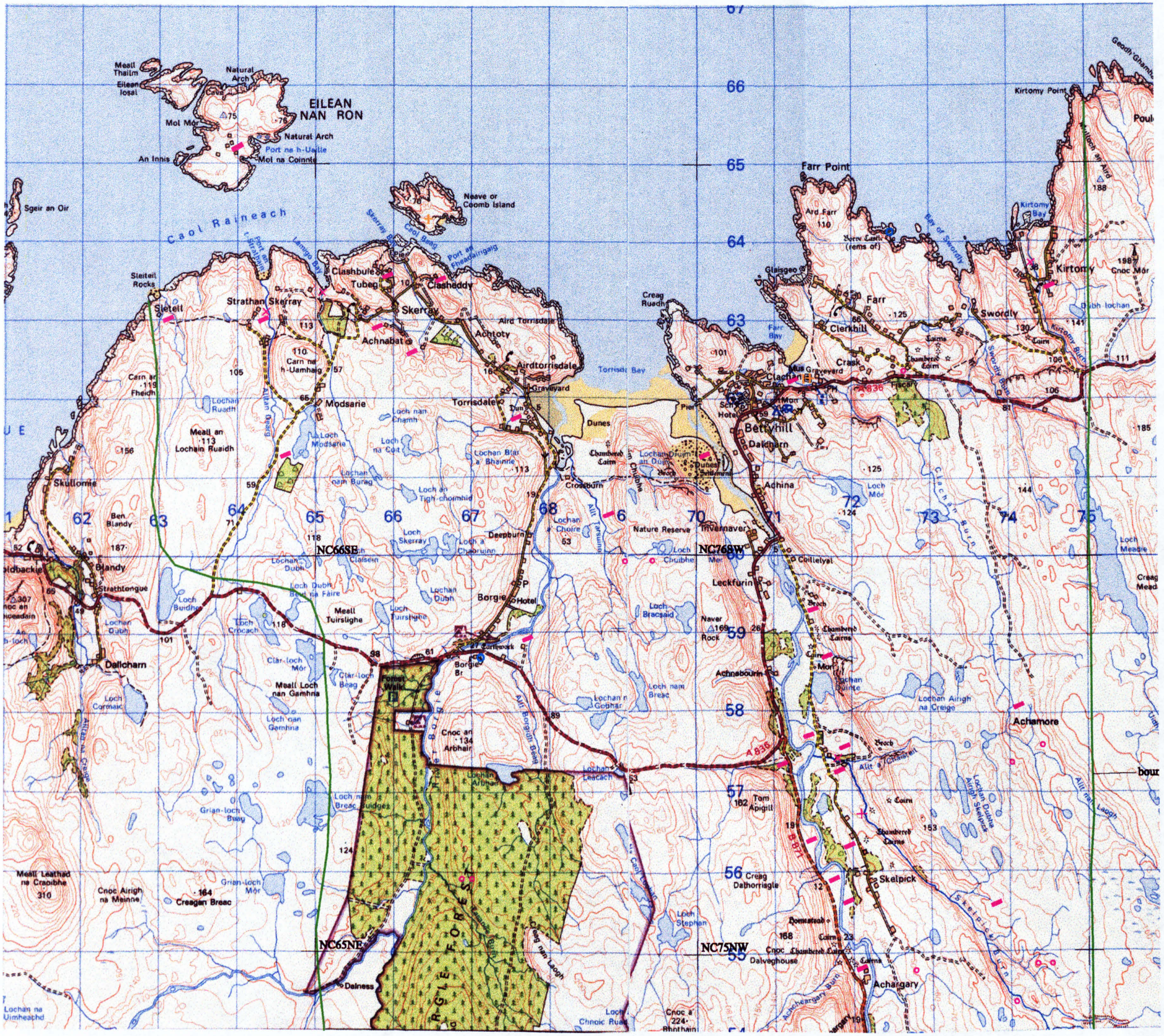


Figure 6.2 Norse to post-Medieval sites in middle Strathnaver (zones 3-6). (copyright Ordnance Survey).

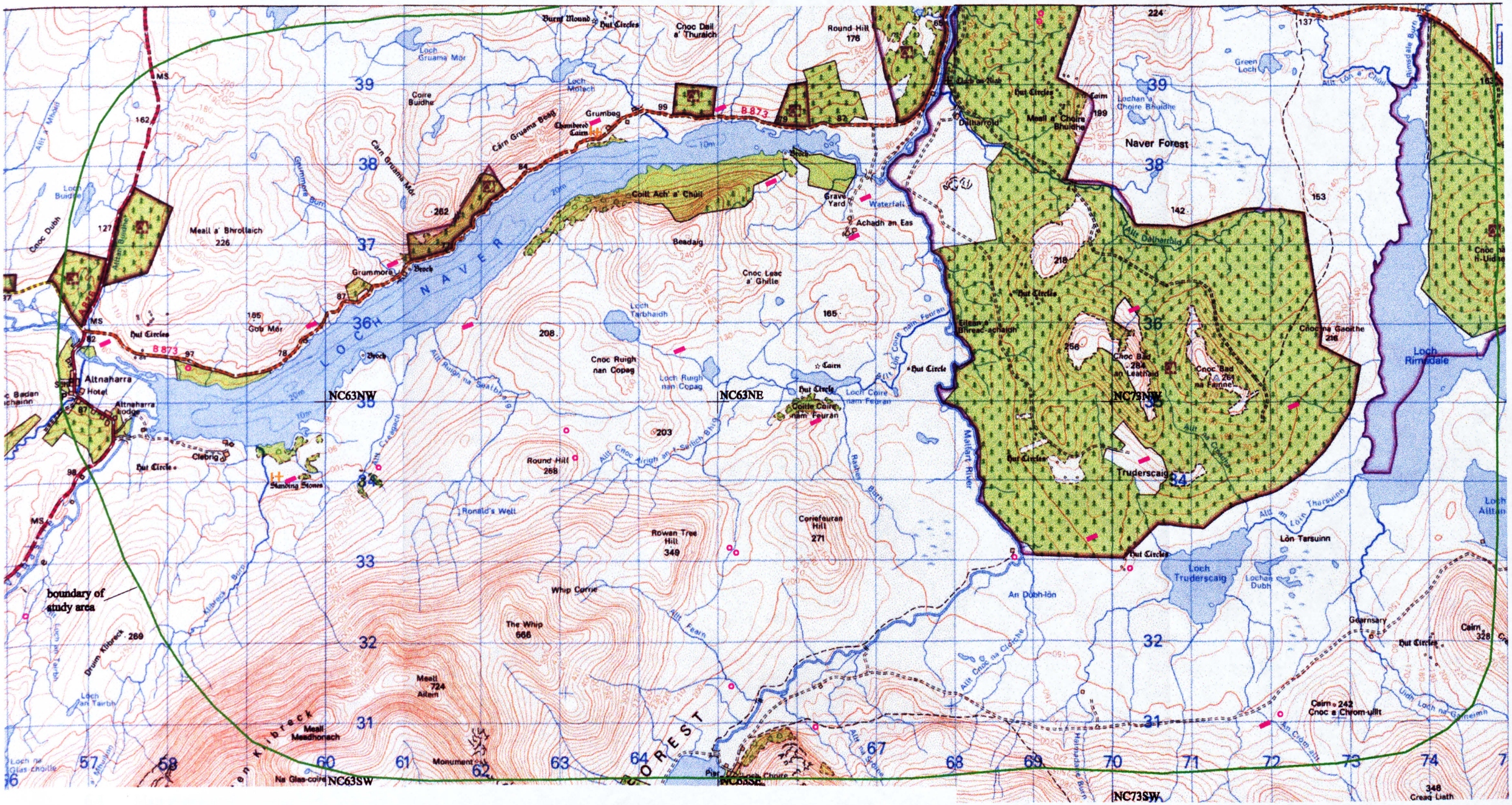
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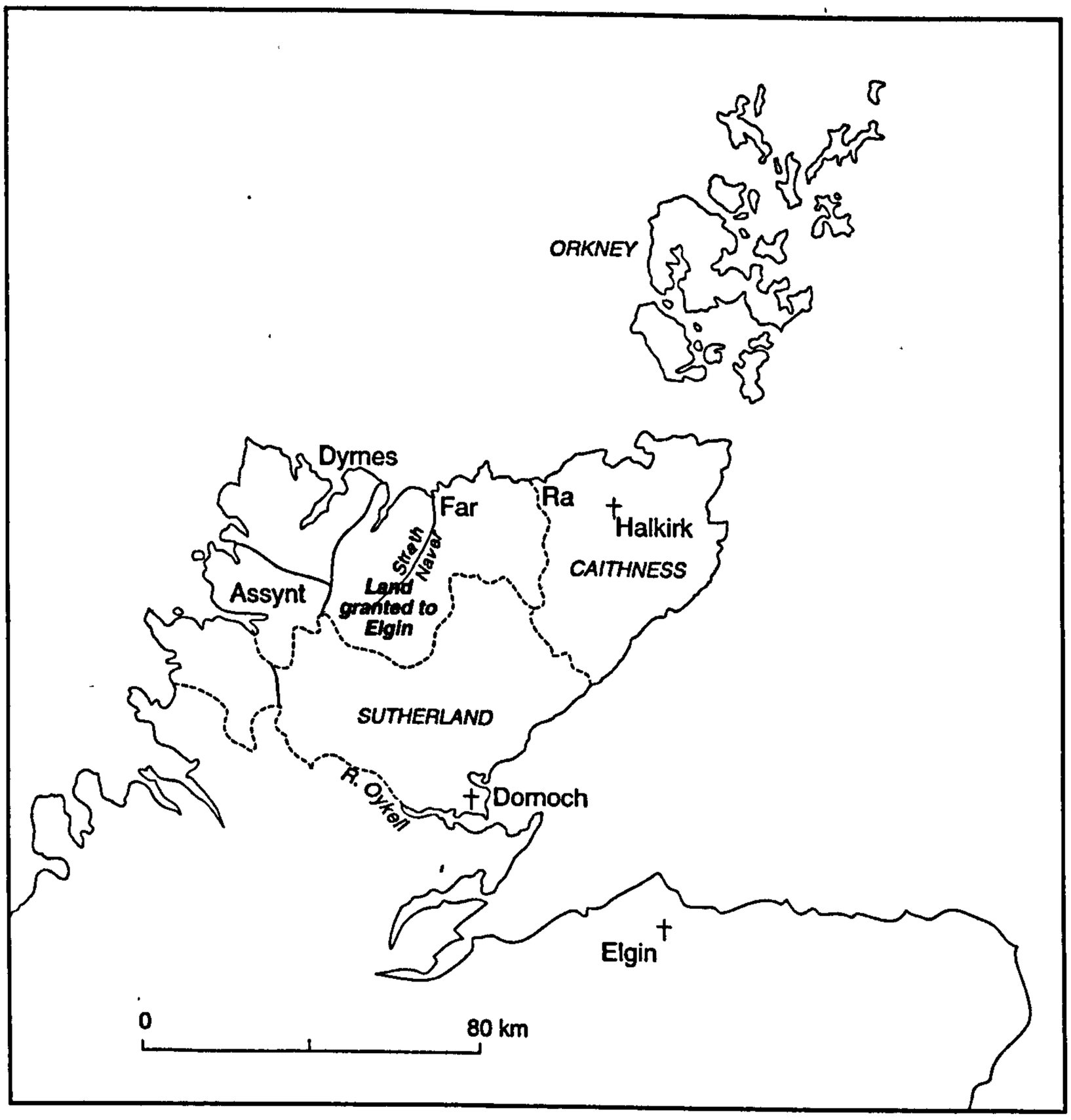
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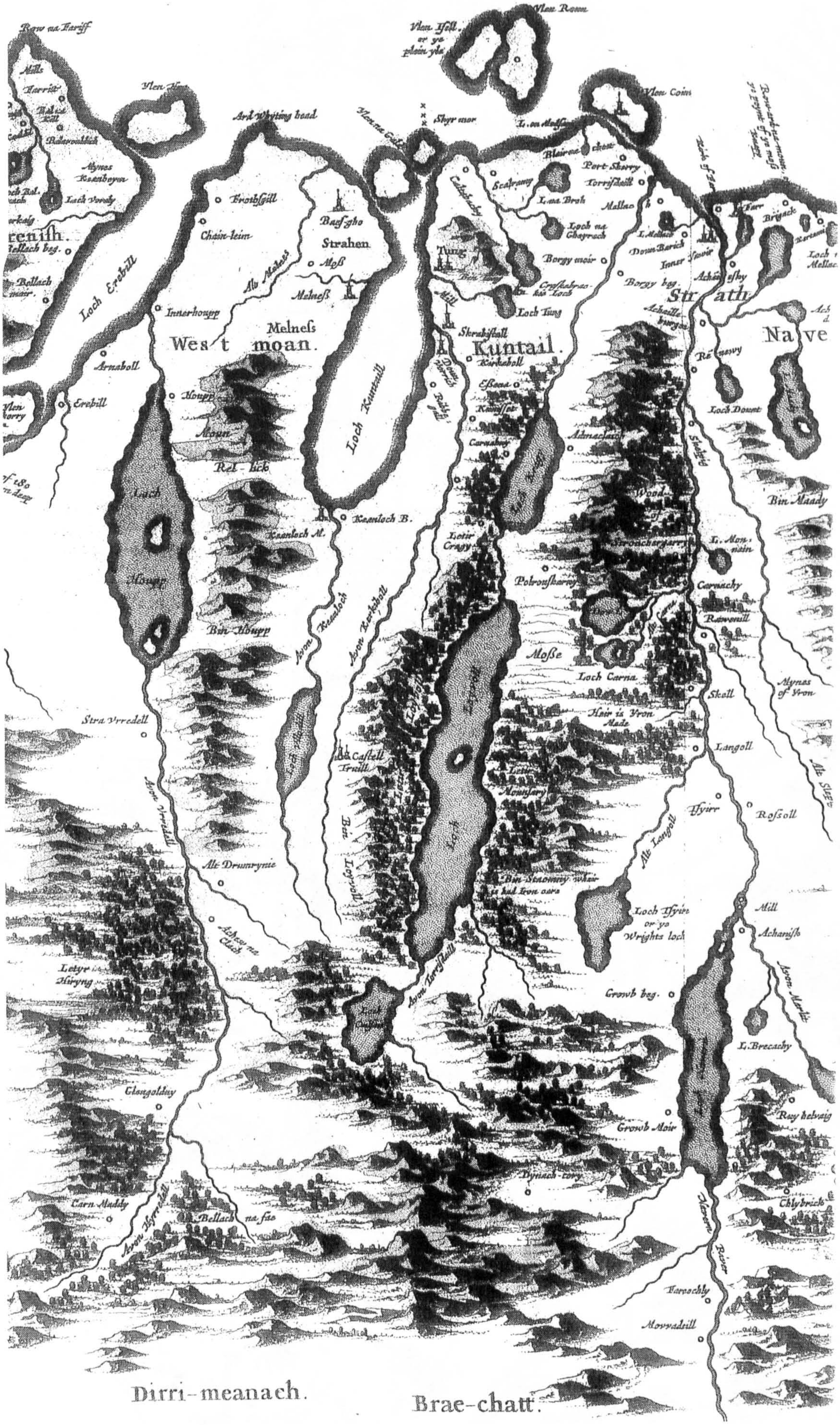
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Figure 6.3 Early Medieval to post-Medieval sites in upper Strathnaver (zones 1-3) (copyright Ordnance Survey).


Chapel site
Symbol stone or cross-incised stone
Township
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1 km
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NC63NW
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NC63SE
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Loch Naver
Naver Forest
Altnaharra
Altnaharra Hotel
Altnaharra Lodge
Meall a' Bhrollaich
226
Cnoc Dubh
Coire Buidhe
Loch Gruama Mor
Loch Meiteach
Carn Gruama Beag
Carn Gruama Mor
Grumbeg
Chambered Cairn
Burnt Mound
Hut Circles
Cnoc Dail a' Thuraich
Round Hill
176
B873
Grummore
Broch
Coill Ach' a' Chuill
Grave Yard
Waterfall
Achadh an Eas
Beadaig
Cnoc Leac a' Ghille
Loch Tarbhaidh
Gob Mor
Cnoc Ruigh nan Copag
Loch Ruigh nan Copag
Allt Ruigh na Sealbhaig
Cairn
Loch Coire nam Feuran
Coille Coire nam Feuran
Allt Coire nam Feuran
Allt Creagach
Clebrig
Standing Stones
Ronald's Well
Round Hill
268
Allt Cnoc Airigh an t-Seilich Burn
Rowan Tree Hill
349
Corriefeuran Hill
271
Whip Corrie
The Whip
666
Meall Meadhonach
Meall Aitern
724
Druim Klibreck
269
Allt Fearn
Allt Cnoc na Clachie
Monument
Na Glas-coire
Allt na Sroine
Pier
Allt Coire Dalharrald
Dalharrald
Meall a' Choire Bhuidhe
Lochan a' Choire Bhuidhe
Green Loch
Allt Loch a' Choire
Rimsdale Burn
Allt Dalharrald
Eilean a' Bhreac-achaidh
Choc Bad an Leathaid
Cnoc Bad na Feinne
Truderscaig
Allt an Loin Tharsuinn
Lòn Tarsuinn
Loch Truderscaig
Lochan Dubh
An Dubh-lòn
Allt Cnoc na Clachie
Allt na Sroine
Allt Coire Dalharrald
Maillart River
Rackes Burn
Gearnsary
Cairn
328
Cairn
242
Cnoc a Chrom-uillt
Creag Liath
348
Loch Rimsdale
Loch Allt an Loin
Uidh Loch na Gamhnaimh
An Croin-allt
Cnocna Gaothe
216
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Allt Cnoc Airigh an t-Seilich Burn
Allt Creagach
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6.4 Map showing the land granted to Elgin Cathedral, and the likely extent of Medieval Strathnaver (Far, Dyrnes and Assynt), from Crawford 2000.



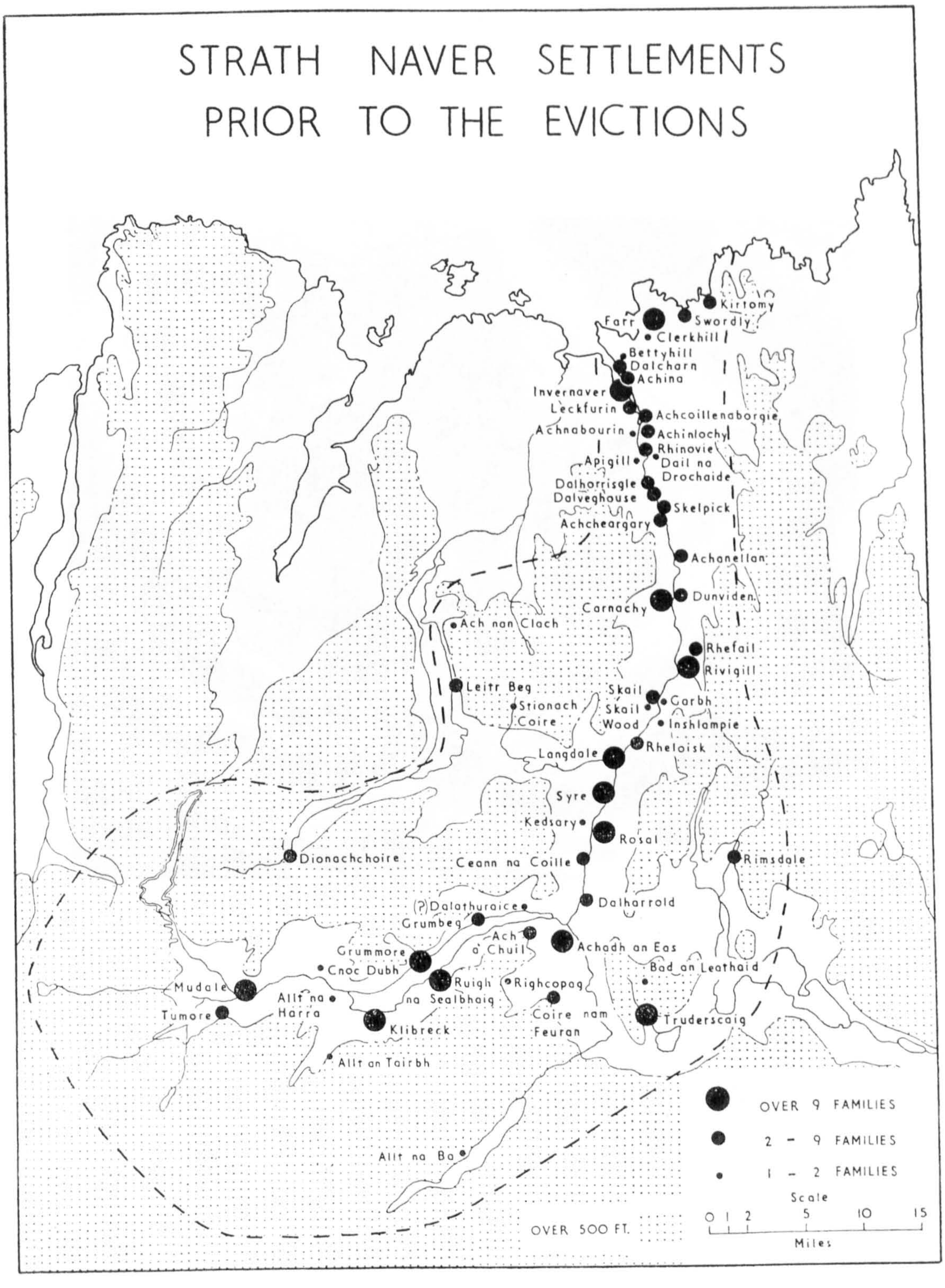
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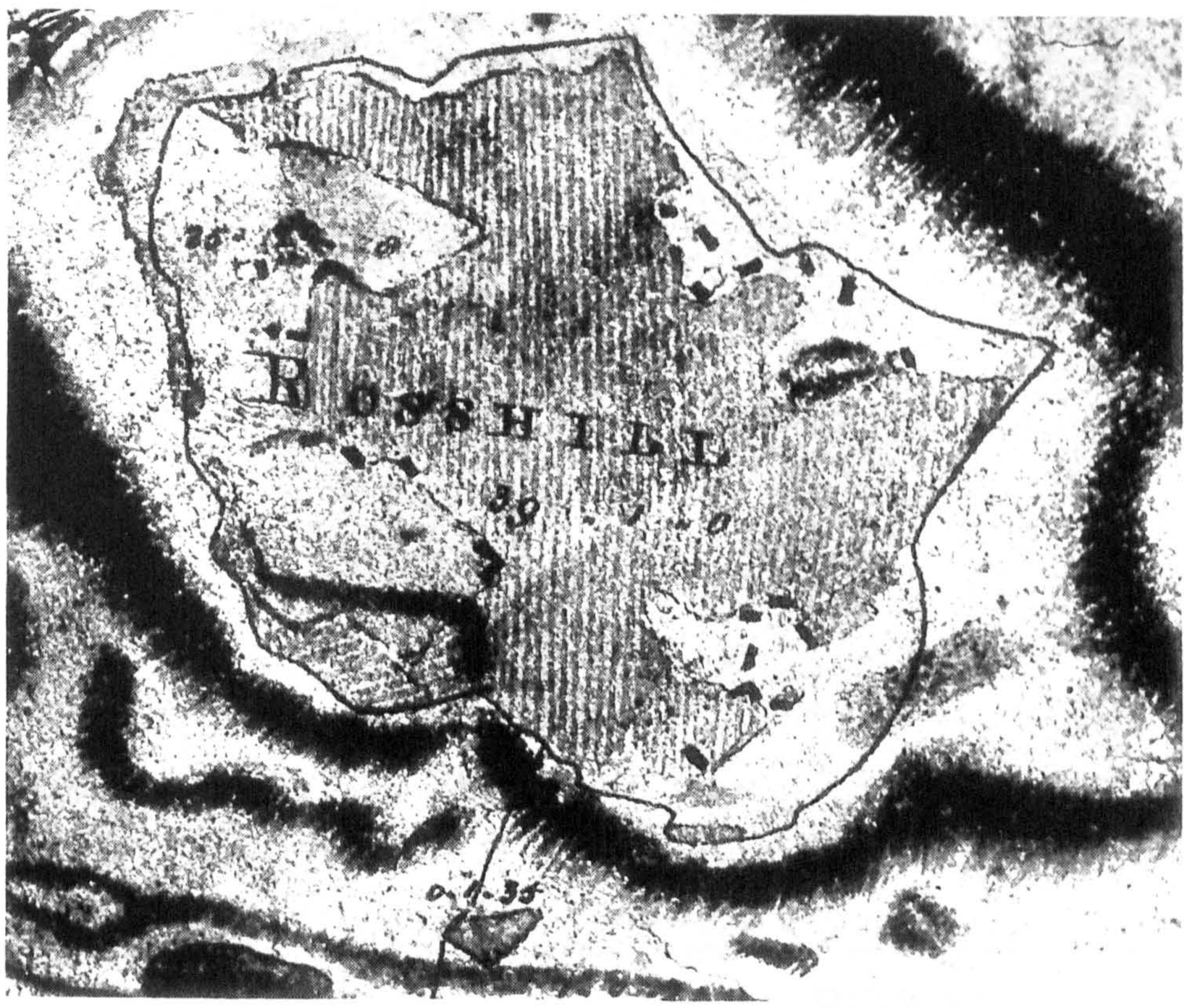
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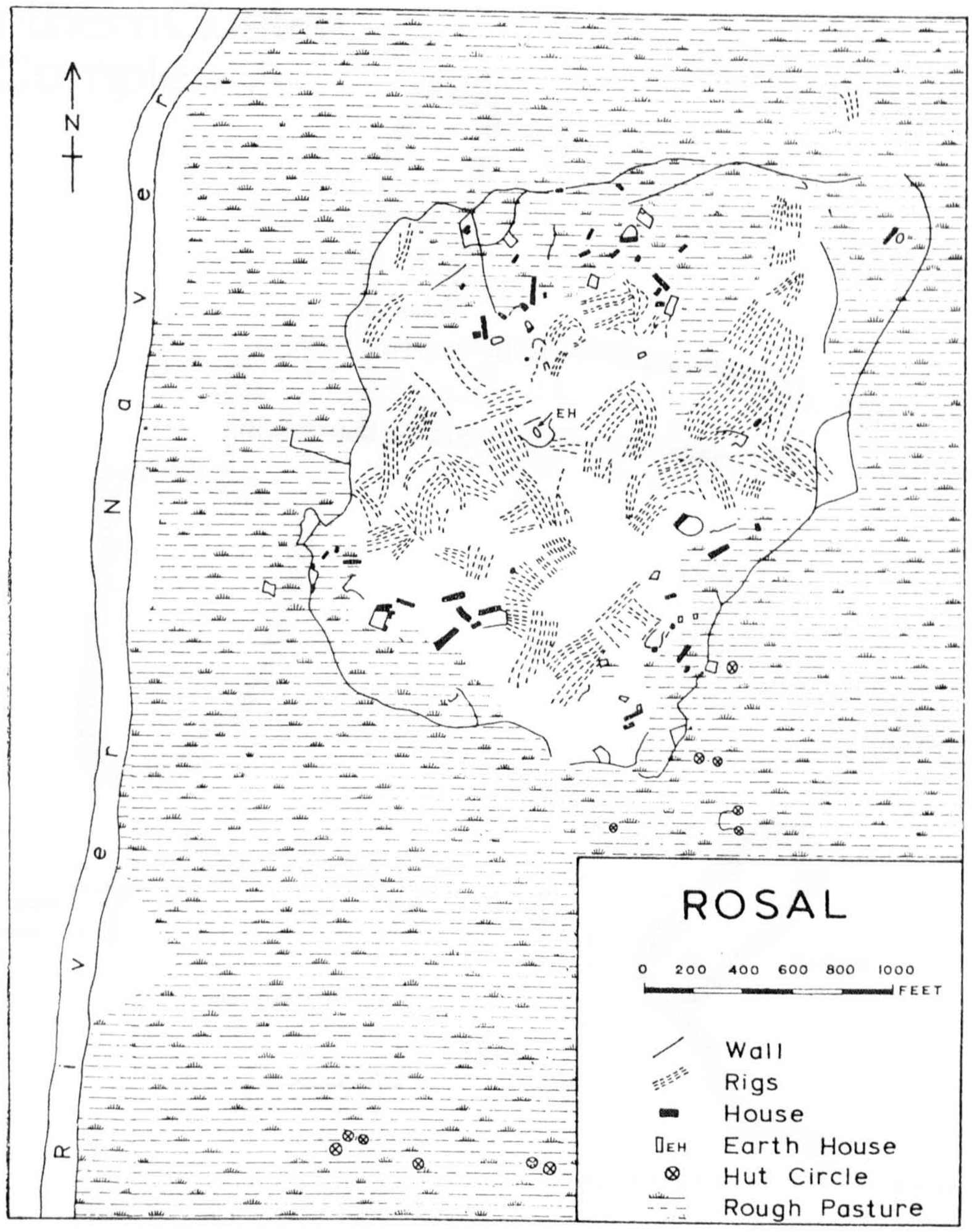
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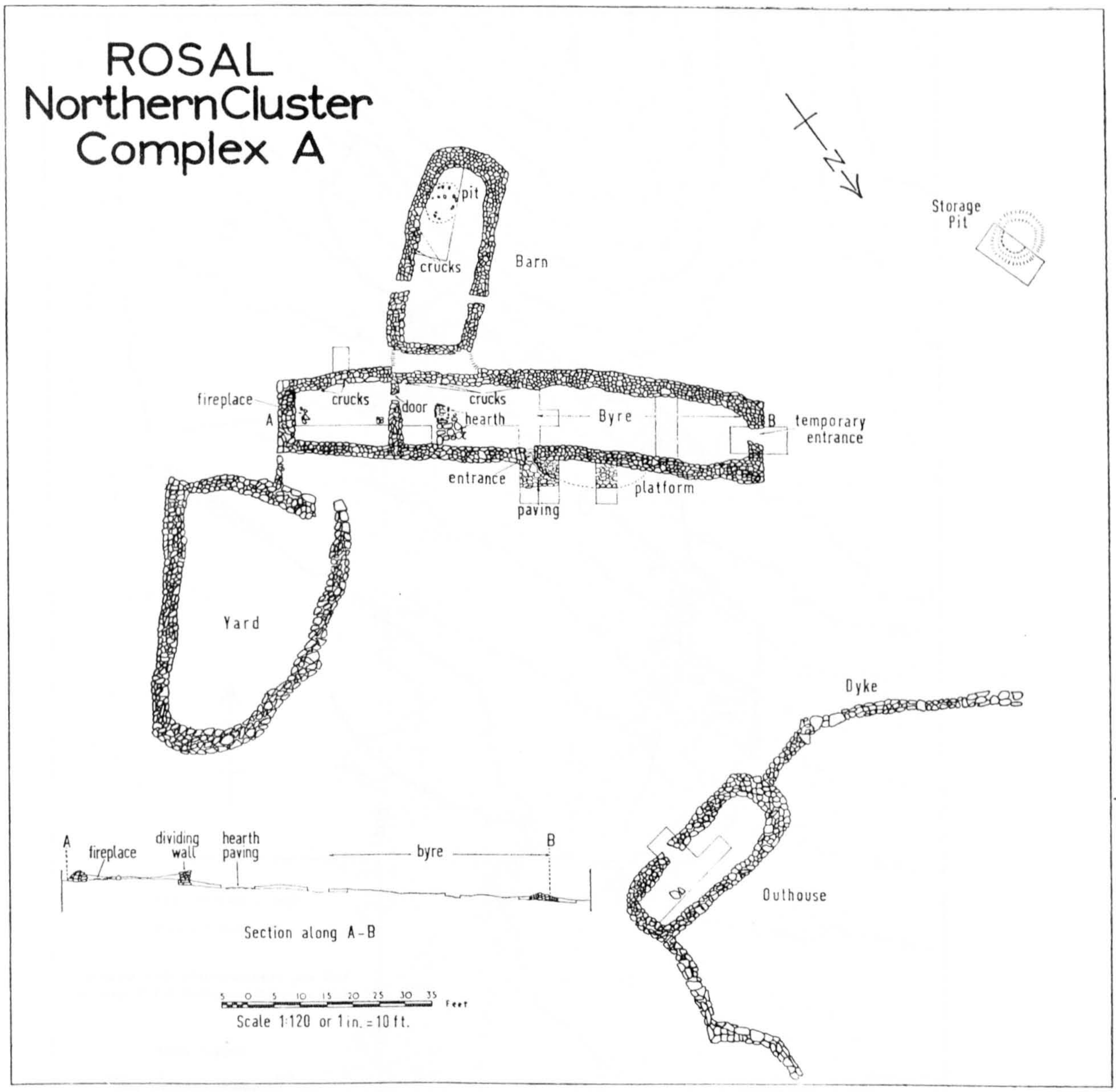
6.8 Map of townships in Strathnaver before the Clearances (from Fairhurst 1968, 137).



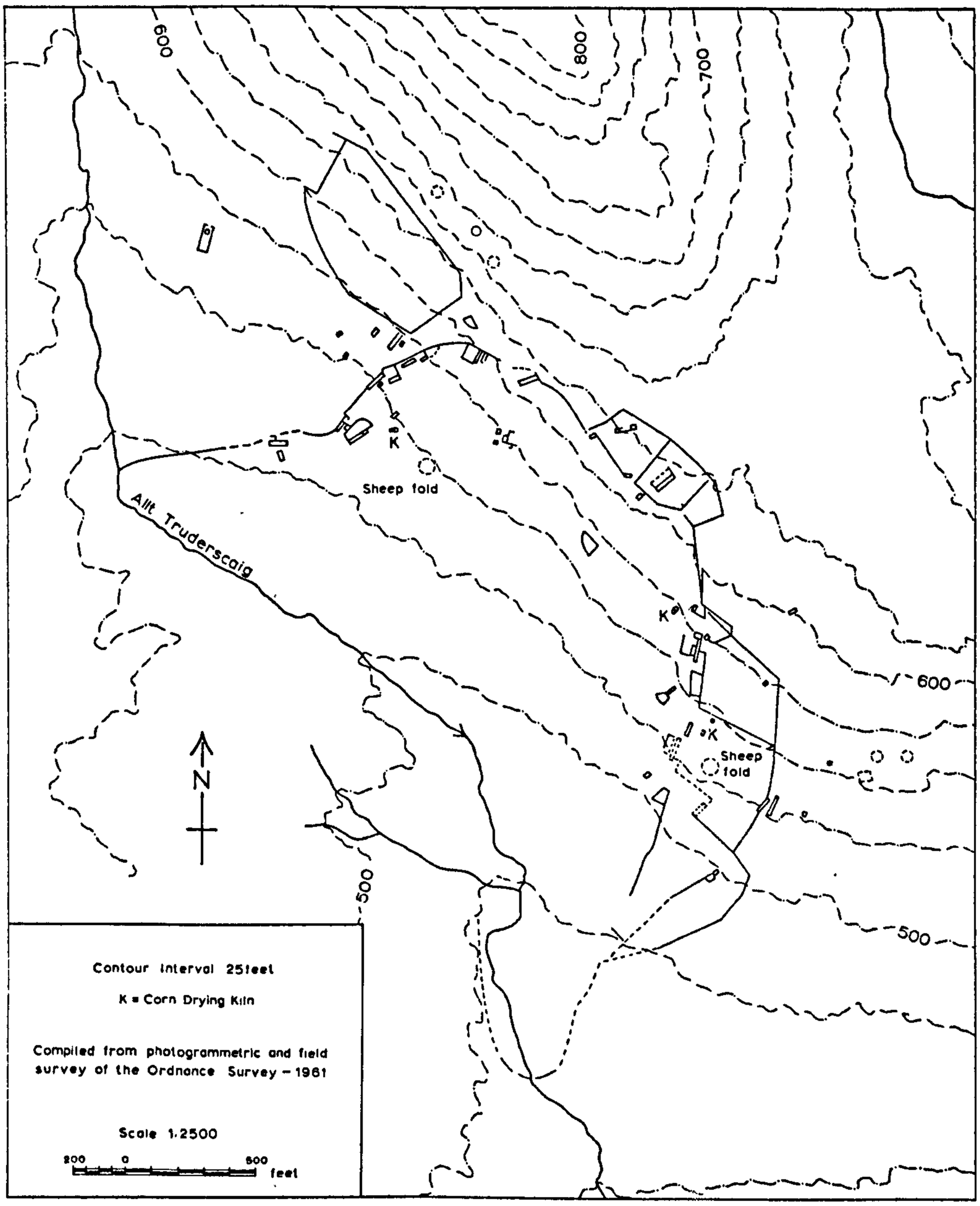
6.9 Extract from Meredith's (1811) map of the Heights of Strathnaver, showing the township of Rosal (from Fairhurst 1964).



6.10 Plan of the archaeological remains at Rosal (from Fairhurst 1968, 138).



6.11 Plan of the excavated features in the northern cluster at Rosal (from Fairhurst 1968).



6.12 Plan of Truderscaig township (from Fairhurst 1968, 161).



6.13 Extract from the second edition Ordnance Survey map (1906, Sheet 27), showing the middle strath around Skail.

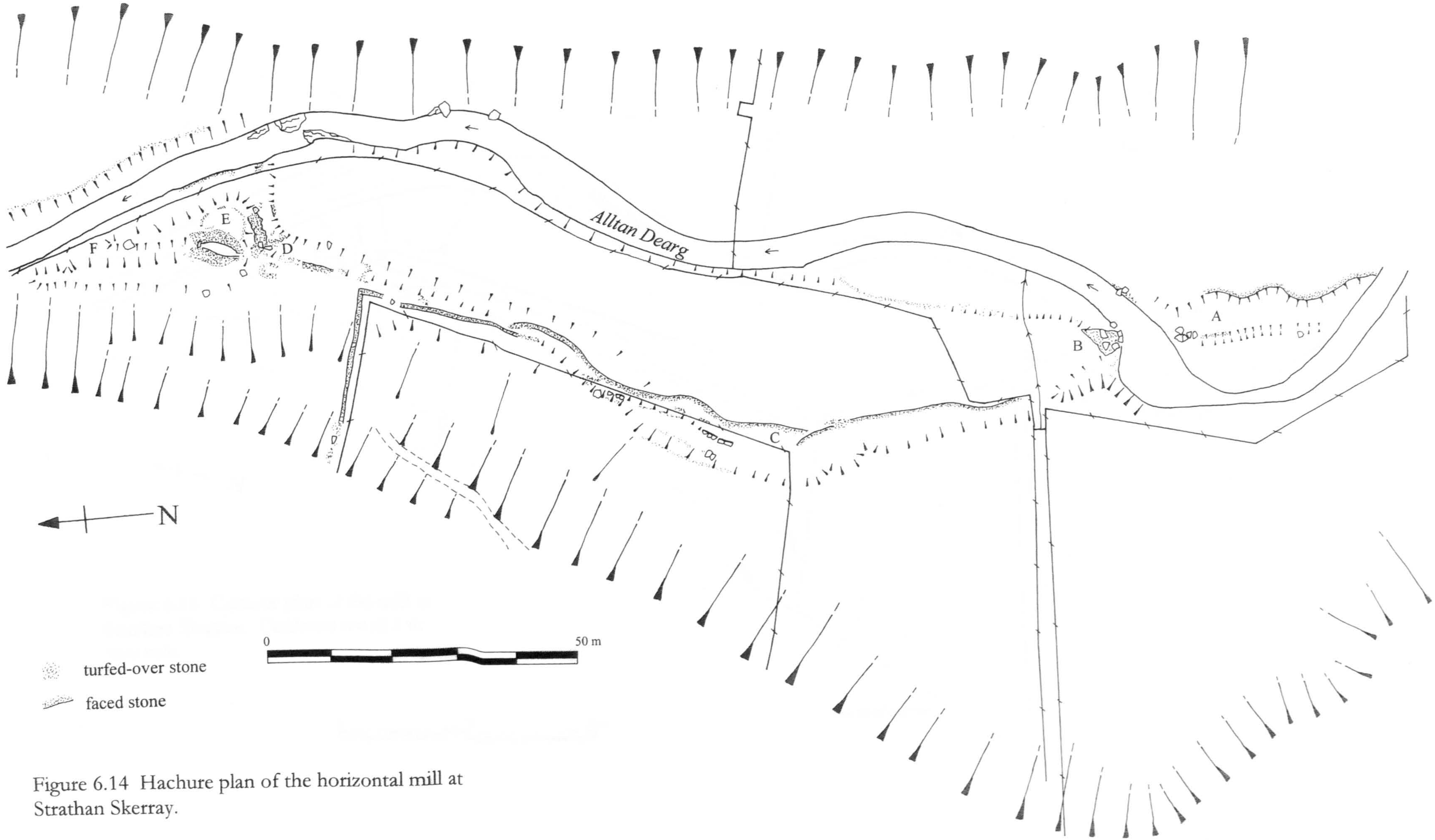


Figure 6.14 Hachure plan of the horizontal mill at Strathan Skerray.

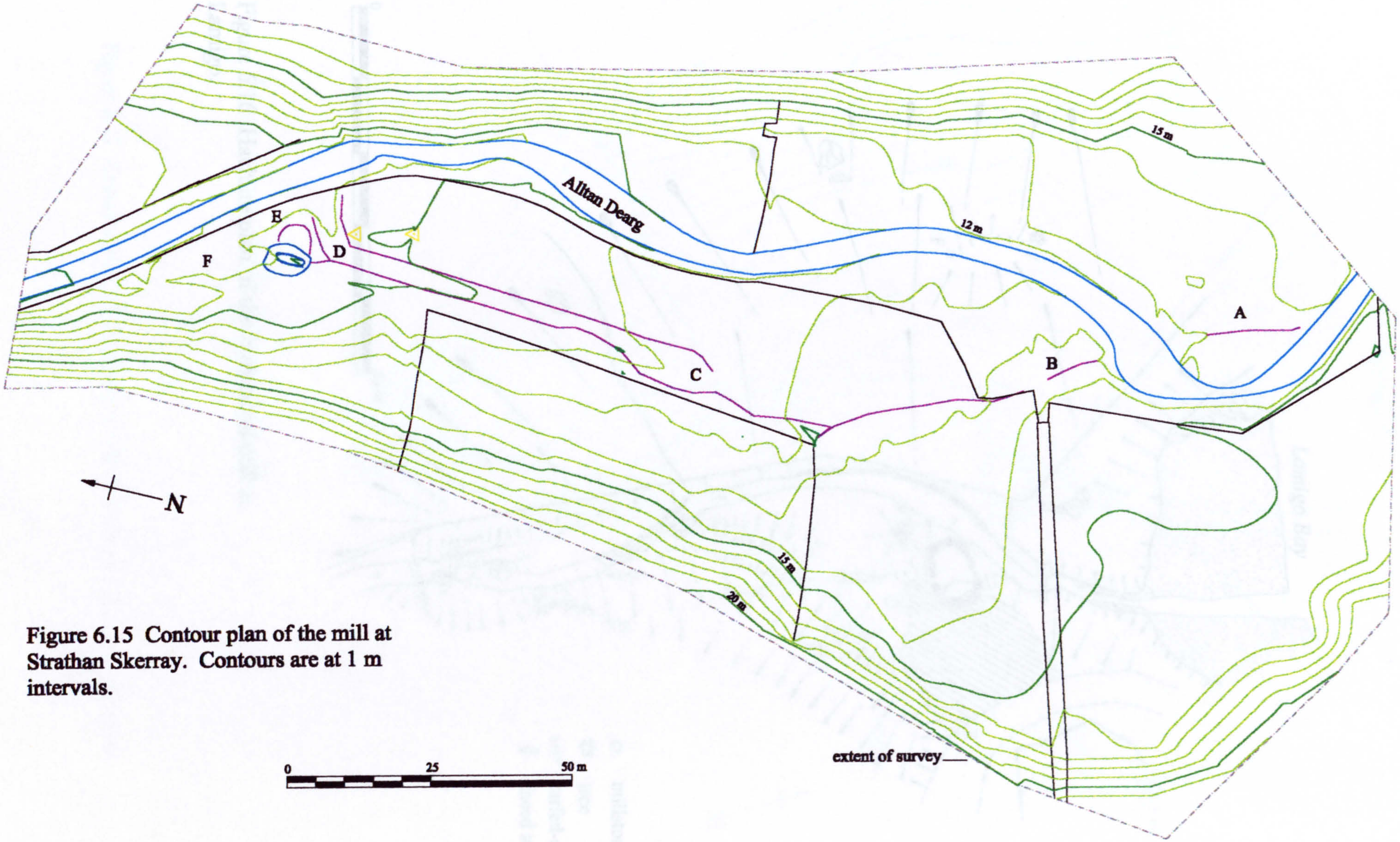


Figure 6.15 Contour plan of the mill at Strathan Skerray. Contours are at 1 m intervals.

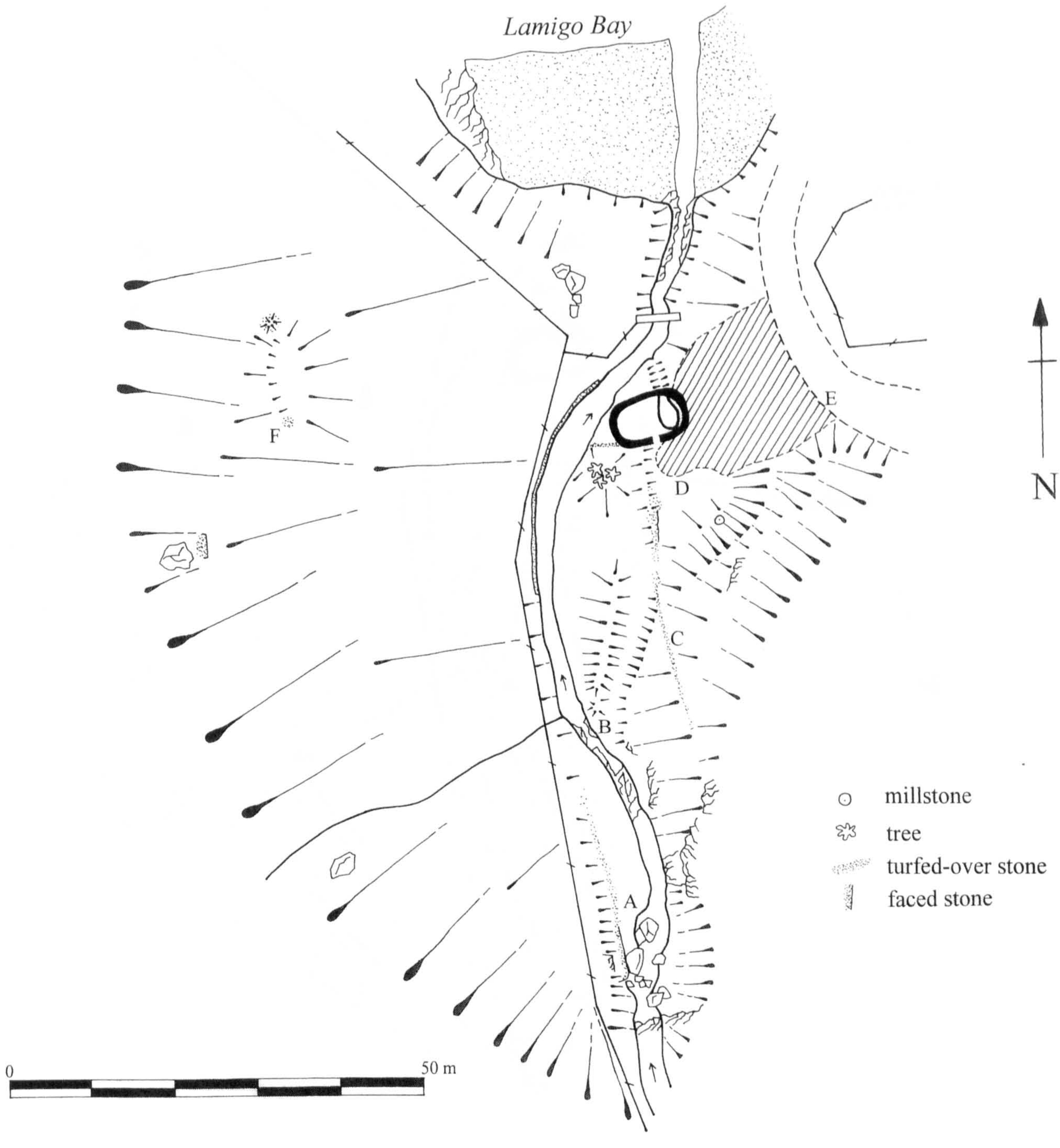


Figure 6.16 Hachure plan of the horizontal mill at Lamigo.

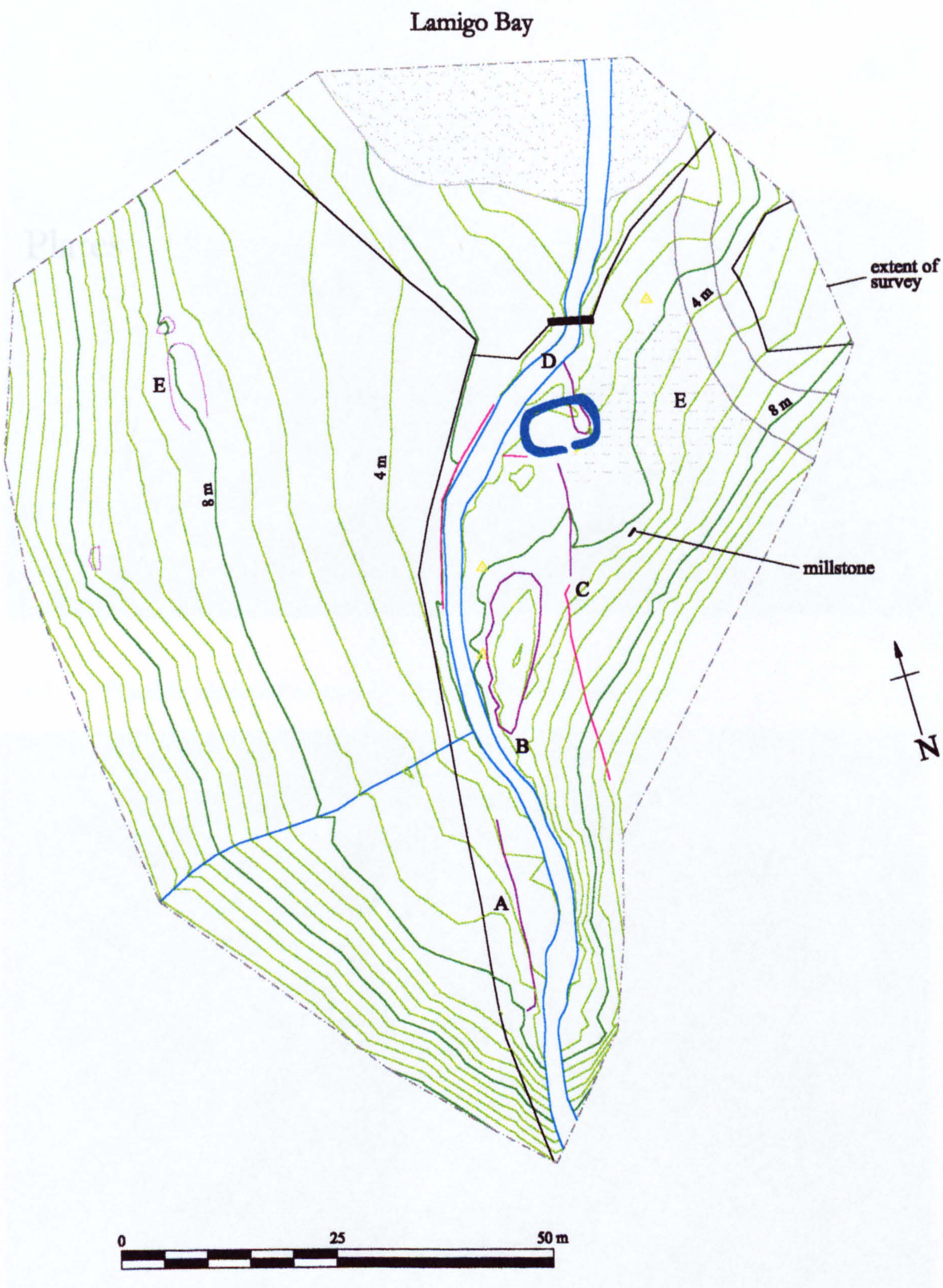


Figure 6.17 Contour plan of the Lamigo mill. Contours are at 1 m intervals.

Plates



6.1 Possible Medieval earthwork ('The Tulloch'), near Langdale.



6.2 The longhouse excavated by Fairhurst at Rosal, from the south-east; the barn is to the left.



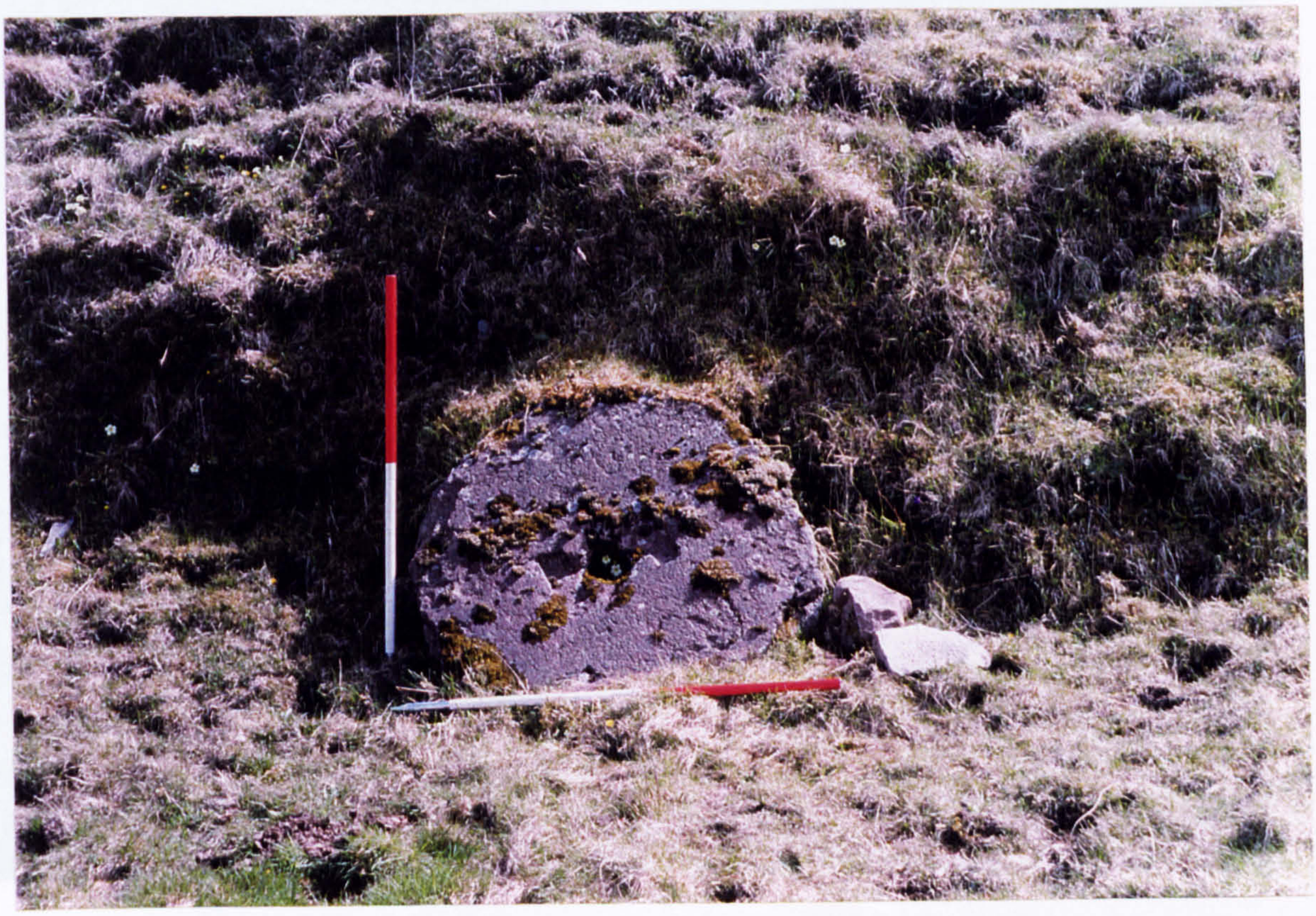
6.3 Bow-walled structure at Grumbeg.

6.4 The crofting landscape at 'Lots', Achtoty, Skerray.





6.5 The horizontal mill at Lamigo, from the south-west; the ranging rod lies across the lade.



6.6 Millstone found in the underhouse at Lamigo.



6.7 The possible building platform at Lamigo; the lade is to the right in the background.



6.8 Strathan Skerray; the mill lies to the left of the burn, centre right.



6.9 Looking south-east up the lade at Strathan Skerray.



6.10 Looking down the lade at Strathan Skerray, with the collapsed mill structure in the background.

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