



# Smithsonian

*National Museum of Natural History*

MS 1992-12 Hudson-Meng site  
field notes and specimen bags

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	National Anthropological Archives
<b>Title:</b>	MS 1992-12 Hudson-Meng site field notes and specimen bags
<b>Identifier:</b>	NAA.MS1992-12
<b>Date:</b>	circa 1971-1977
<b>Extent:</b>	5 Boxes (3.58 linear feet)
<b>Language:</b>	English .

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## Administrative Information

### Provenance

Transferred from the Department of Anthropology Processing Lab through Molly Coxson.

### Other Archival Materials

The Department of Anthropology of the National Museum of Natural History holds 2,500 lithic artifacts and faunal remains from the Hudson-Meng site. Please see catalog numbers 533,627-534,821 and accession number 361,218.

### Citation

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## Biographical / Historical

The Hudson-Meng site is located in the Oglala National Grassland near Crawford, Nebraska. The remains of hundreds of bison were first exposed in the 1950s during the construction of a pond by local rancher Albert Meng. The site was first excavated by Larry Agenbroad of Chadron State College from 1971-1977. Agenbroad's investigations discovered the remains of some 120-125 bison directly associated with Paleoindian-aged Alberta projectile points. The bonebed was dated to about 9,820 Radiocarbon Years Before the Present (RCYBP) and was the first Alberta site to ever be directly dated. Later excavations were conducted by researchers from the University of Wyoming, Colorado State University and St. Cloud State University. In 1997 an enclosure was completed over a central portion of the bonebed and each summer, the site is open to the public for interpretive tours.

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## Scope and Contents

This collection is comprised of field notes and original specimen bags from the Hudson-Meng Paleo-Indian site near Crawford, Sioux County, Nebraska. The site, on lands owned by Nebraska State Forest, was excavated between 1971 and 1977 under USDA permit by Chadron State College. The field notes are associated with a collection of approximately 2,500 lithic artifacts and faunal remains held by the Department of Anthropology.

## Local Numbers

NAA MS 1992-12

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## Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

### Subjects:

Paleoindian Tradition (archaeological culture)

### Cultures:

Paleoindian Tradition (archaeological culture)

### Types of Materials:

Field notes

### Places:

Hudson-Meng Site (Neb.)  
Nebraska -- Antiquities