

Erkel Island**Date of Fieldwork**

10/13/2013

Location

SEC/TWP/RNG: 21-24-111

Nearest Water Source: Near Tyler Lake (West)

Address

231st Ave

Le Center, MN 56057

Physiographic Setting

Pre-Historic Island

Surface/Project Area

Visibility: ~0-10%

Current Land Use

Homestead; Agriculture

Personnel

Cory Nowak

Joshua Bradley Anderson

Joshua Cale Anderson

Adam Peterson

Ty Warmka

Duncan Widman

Work Type

Phase 1: Shovel Testing

Methodology

Shovel Testing

Shovel Testing, 30 X 30 cm holes dug in 10 cm increments until soil is consistently sterile.

GPS point taken on each shovel test.

Grid Northings/ Shovel Tests

Grid 1: 335 Degrees

25 ST's

Results

10 Lithics found.

1 Faunal

0 Floral

0 Pottery

Owner

Leslie Eager

Charles and Mary Prososki

Notes

- No artifacts found with diagnostic properties
- Conducted surface collection in the field to the north along the edge of the woods
 - Total number of Artifacts collected:
 - 10-6-13: 17-Lithic
 - 10-12-13: 10-Lithic
- Put in shovel tests in wooded area on the North side of the property. There was some disturbance in the area of shovel testing
- Local tale was that people used to go out to the island and use pitch forks to pull up mass quantities of artifacts
- Steve Frost, a collector from New Prague, also has a large collection of artifacts from the field north of the island