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## Archaeological Data Recovery at LA184618, for a Bridge Replacement along NM 104, San Miguel County, New Mexico.

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Data recovery was completed within a portion of LA 184618, specifically that portion lying within a temporary construction permit for a proposed nearby bridge replacement. The investigations involved surface collection and topographic mapping of the work area, excavation of six hand units, two backhoe trenches, and machine scraping. Only a small number of artifacts, both prehistoric and historic, were found and collected. No features or intact, subsurface archaeological remains were found. Subsurface stratigraphy, including a Stage II calcic horizon at or just below the surface, revealed that the site sits atop a surface that has seen no deposition since the Pleistocene. The site still contains a historic-era feature outside the work area for this project, and so its status as eligible to the National Register of Historic Places is maintained. However, any effects to the portion of the site within the work area have been mitigated, and no further investigations are recommended as part of this undertaking.

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