



The Hawken Site

Spirit of the High Plains

THE HAWKEN SITE is a classic example of an arroyo bison trap. Approximately 6500 years ago, a band of hunters drove a herd of *Bison occidentalis* (a species of large extinct bison) into the arroyo system pictured above where the animals were trapped and killed. The meat and hides taken from this hunt provided food, clothing, and shelter for the hunters' families. The site is located near Sundance, Wyoming, and was excavated in 1972 by the University of Wyoming. We gratefully acknowledge the Hawken family for their support of Wyoming archaeology.

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