

SUBACHOQUE VALLEY ROCK ART SITES

SITE NUMBER: 13 (CuSubEhPi001)

SITE NAME: Corama

VEREDA: El Habra

FINCA: Corama

OWNER: Hernan Echavarri (Echeverry?)

TYPE OF ROCK ART: Red and orange pictographs

ALTITUDE: 2,630 per GPS; 2,570 per altimeter

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DESCRIPTION AND ORIENTATION: Three red and 3 orange pictographs, ranging in height from 10 to 25 cms., are located on the northwest vertical face of a 3 meter tall boulder in the El Habra Valley, an isolated variant of the Subachoque Valley. Two crosses on horizontal bases and one vertical line were finger-painted using an orange paint. The red colored motifs are: one "X" shaped cross with no base, an oblong enclosed shape, and 3 joined lines.

OBSERVATIONS AND HISTORY: On the opposite vertical face side of the boulder are two separate chambers inside a 50 cm. opening in the rock. One chamber is 40 cms. in diameter, and the other approximately 60 cms. in diameter and 60 cms. deep. Small rocks and traces of burned carbon were inside the chambers.

The better condition of the orange pictographs compared to the red pictographs indicate that the orange pictographs may be of more recent origin. This isolated valley is accessed by a trail at the south connecting to the Madrid-La Cuesta trail at La Punta and at the north by a trail to the Madrid-La Cuesta-Subachoque road, south of La Cuesta.

Only two rock art sites with orange pictographs have been located in the Subachoque Valley. The other site (La Rosa de Paramo) is located 15 kms. north of Corama.

