

Brown Bag Series:

Subsistence and Settlement on Tampa Bay: 2014 Excavations at Weeden Island

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Description:

The Weeden Island site, located on Tampa Bay in Florida, has a settlement history that includes Archaic through early Mississippian period occupations. One of the major questions related to late Woodland period use of the site is how the people of this area related to and participated in traditions originating farther north in Florida, particularly new forms of mortuary ceremony and the attendant material culture. Issues of interaction and community organization continue to be relevant into the early Mississippian period, in the context of political reorganization throughout the region. In this talk I will discuss my recent fieldwork at the site and present preliminary results and future directions.