

SAN JUAN BASIN ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Chapter of Colorado Archaeological Society



FIELD TRIP REPORT

Date: **October 3 - 5, 2012**

Destination: **Cedar Mesa and Natural Bridges N.M.**

Leader: **Lyle Hancock**

Number of Participants: **10**

We setup camp at the dispersed BLM campsite in Comb Wash just south of Highway 95, had lunch, and headed to Natural Bridges National Monument. We hiked to the bottom of White Canyon under the Sipapu Natural Bridge and then hiked up the canyon a couple of miles to explore several P-III cliff dwellings and some unique pictographs. Then we returned to camp for an organized potluck dinner.

We left camp early to visit a hilltop site near Lime Creek and check out a Navajo sweat lodge. Then we drove down the Cigarette Springs road, hiked a couple of miles to the Fallen Roof site in Road Canyon, returned to our vehicles, and headed toward the trailhead for the Citadel and Seven Kivas sites. We did not have time for both, so we hiked into the Citadel. Then we returned to camp for another organized dinner.

After breaking camp, we headed up the Cottonwood Road and did a short hike to the Over and Under site.

- By Lyle Hancock

Participants: Barb and Lyle Hancock, Jim Mueller, Rhonda Raffo, Richard Robinson, Jim Shadell, Bill Cagle, Dianne Donovan and Joe Griffith, Carl Gutknecht