

**Conclusions of K.J. Schroeder's
1990-1992 Project at PMMP
Partial List, as interpreted by
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1. Discovered features were dated to A.D. 350 – 850
2. Primary occupation likely fell between those dates
3. The likely location of La Villa canal, within PMMP, is the south (original) portion of the cemeteries, running northwesterly from "approximately Tour Stop 30, Tom Graham, to Tour Stop #24, Capt. John W. Owen" (Bob's estimate to complement the Walking Tour map)
4. The entire area northeast of the canal (i.e., PMMP) was occupied by the Hohokam at one time or another
5. The La Villa site may have extended north beyond Jefferson Street, east to 7th Ave., southeast to 9th Ave., south several blocks beyond Harrison, and west beyond 15th Ave. (see Howard map)
6. The population varied from time to time, overall the population increased over time, until abandonment around 800-850A.D.
7. Very early settlement indicates the area was a "farmstead", becoming a village in the mid-to-late phase
8. Flooding and silting of the canal may have caused the abandonment, with subsequent occupation limited to perhaps seasonal.
9. La Villa was undoubtedly one of the earliest occupied Hohokam villages in the Lower Salt River Valley (LSRV)
10. The location well away from the Salt River indicates inhabitants were very aware of the hazards of periodical flooding and easily could have walked the two miles to the river for water
11. Archaeological evidence shows canal digging here began as early as 450A.D., the canal allowing irrigation of fields
12. Life centered around agriculture (beans, corn, maybe cotton)
13. Small scale shell jewelry manufacturing occurred here, from the mollusks of the Salt River and the canal
14. Nearby villages were Pueblo Patricio (now downtown Phoenix), La Ciudad (about 2 miles N.E.), Las Colinas (about 2 miles N.W.) and many others further distant
15. No evidence of significant occupation after 800A.D. was found
16. The canal system continued to function afterward
17. An earlier study named the village Casa Chica, but La Villa is preferred by K.J. Schroeder