

## Layer 5 (top layer) Stratigraphy Card



**Site Feature, Layer 5 - Foundation Section**

### **Foundation Section**

This manmade stone alignment appears to be part of a building foundation, the base upon which a structure is built. The irregular size of the stones and the shallow depth of their placement suggest that the foundation supported a fairly small, temporary structure.

The construction materials (quarried limestone) and techniques (laid with mortar) used in creating this foundation indicate relatively recent construction by European-American builders. Native American dwellings tend to be round, or rectangular with rounded corners; right angles are quite rare. European-American settlement began in earnest after Kansas became a territory in 1854. The materials, technology, and skills needed to create this foundation are still available, and a structure with this type of foundation could be built today.