New Hardstone Quarry at Ta' Klement, I/o Qala, Gozo

# Environmental Planning Statement

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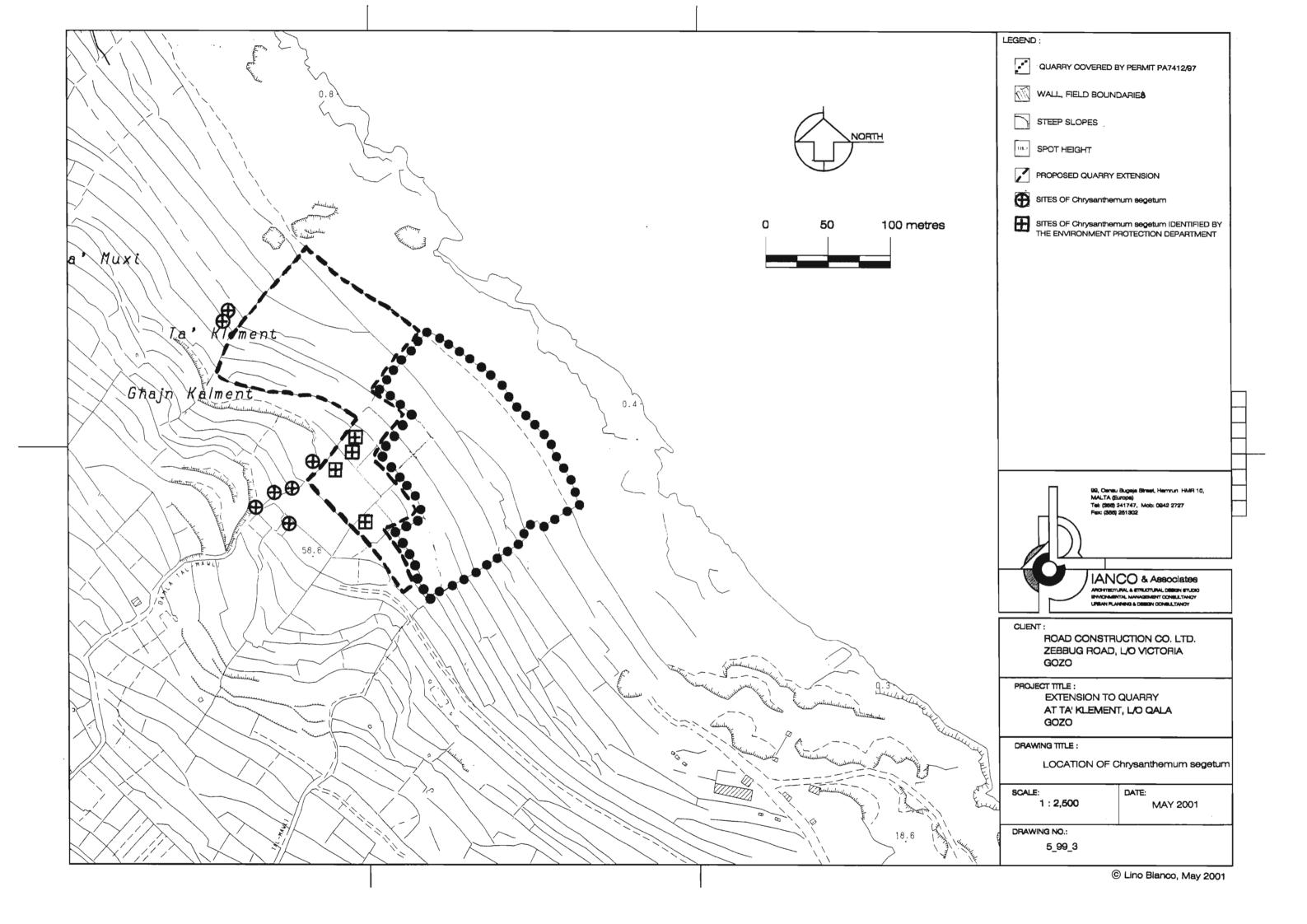
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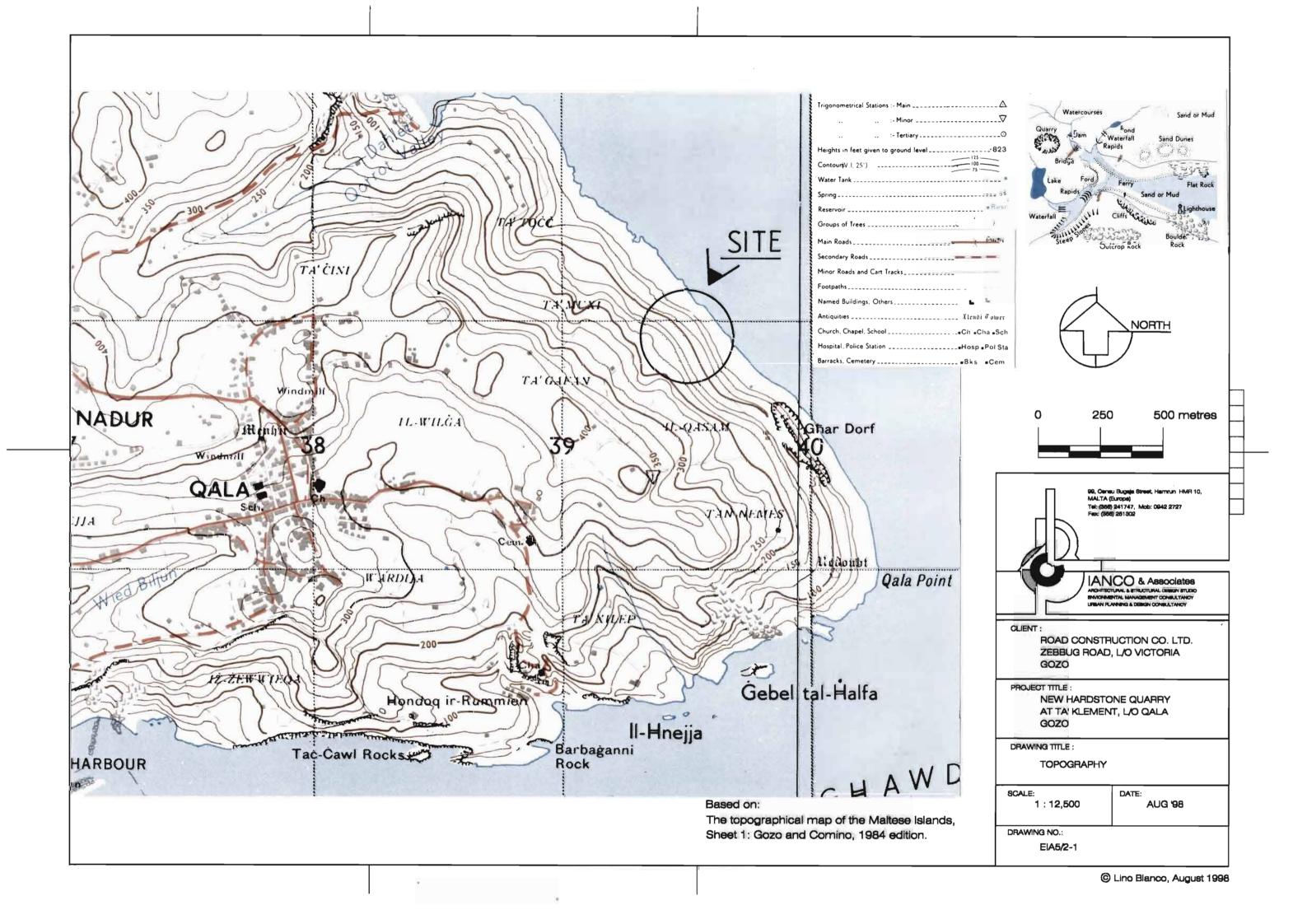
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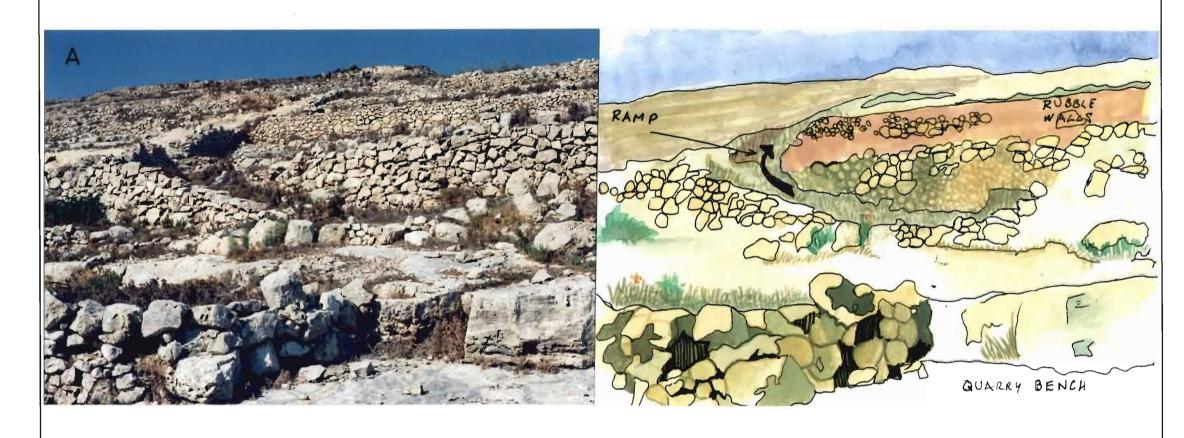
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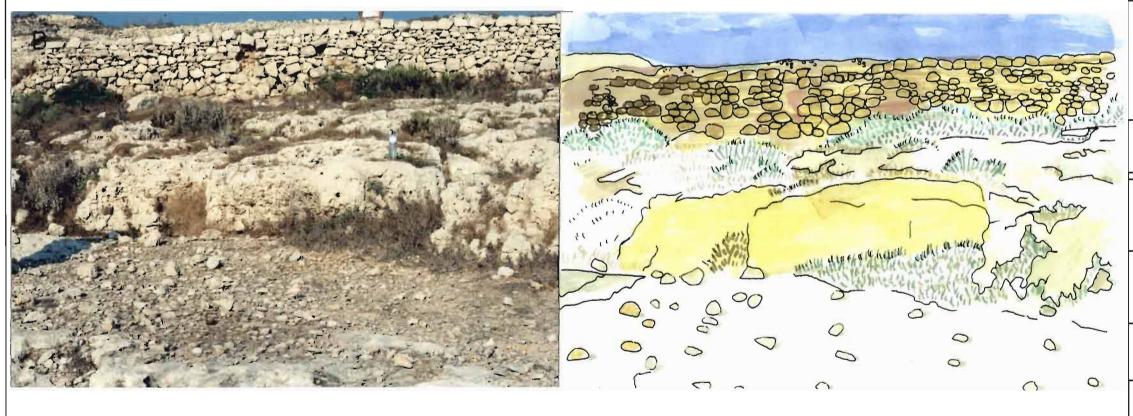
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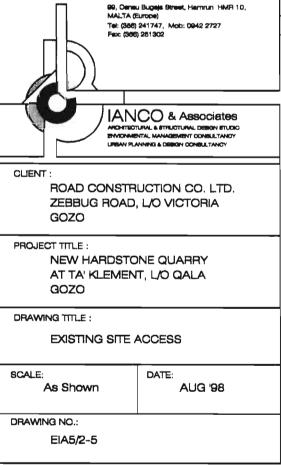






- A: A system of poorly maintained pathways and built ramps provide access to field terraces at different levels. Evidence of quarry is present in the foreground.
- B: Old quarry bench (?) showing excessive weathering and erosion-related features. At the background, there is a typical continuous rubble wall.







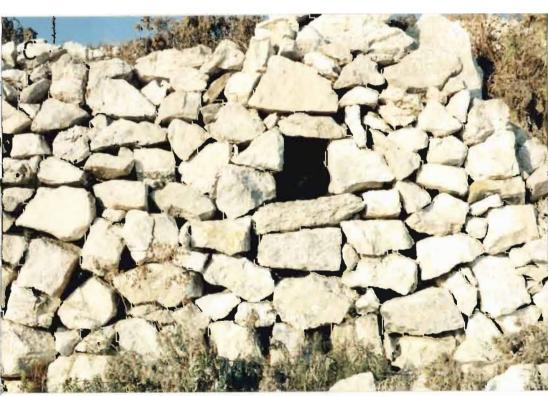


- A: Continuous, quasi uninterrupted, rubble wall characterize the area.
- B: Weep-holes, where present, occur at regular intervals in rubble wall construction.
- C: Detail of weep hole.

The main visual feature in the landscape, seen from any distance off the coast, is rubble walls going up from the coast to Ta' Miju Road. Although rubble walls patterns still match the terraced field boundaries, the materials with which they are constructed vary. Variations in materials used in the erection of these rubble walls strongly match the geology of the area. Thus, rubble walls up to about 50m off the coast are built out of Lower Coralline Limestone while others are built out of Globigerina Limestone. This explains why the rubble walls closer to the shore, though poorly maintained, have weathered better than others higher up the plateau. Where present, weep holes are present at regular intervals.

Rubble walls are actually recycled inert waste resulting from past quarrying activities.







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