**Midden Description Instructions**

*Equipment List*

* Midden Description Data sheet
* 1 meter stick (see instructions for making your own on the website
* Camera (cellphone or handheld)
* Tide chart for the day of the survey
* Handheld GPS (optional)

Please collect the following information:

* Location (Site Name)
* Survey Date (Month/Day/Year)
* Survey Time (when you arrive at the midden and begin making observations)
* Personnel (Person/People completing the survey)
* Weather (Options are: sunny, partly cloudy, cloudy, fog, light rain, heavy rain, light snow, heavy snow)
* Stage of Tide (Options are: high, incoming, outgoing, low)
* Midden Surface Condition: (What does the top of the midden look like?) Options are: Heavily vegetated-trees, shrubs and brush, or grass, Vegetated, shrubs and grass, Lightly vegetated – grass, Lightly vegetated-mowed grass
* Length of exposed midden: This can be an estimate. Please note changes from previous visits
* Thickness of Exposed Midden (What is exposed at the eroded face?) Options are: Surface scatter, 10 cm increments to a meter, 2 m, 3m+
* Percent of Face Vegetated: (Estimate of the amount of plant/shrub/tree cover on the eroded face) Options are in 10% increments
* Percent of Face Moving Individually: (Estimate of how much of the face is eroding by the movement of bits and pieces) Options are in 10% increments
* Percent of Face Moving Coherently: (Estimate of how much of the face is eroding by the movement slump blocks) Options are in 10% increments
* Geological Material at the Base of the Midden: (Material that is exposed at base of midden) Options are Glacial Till, Sand and Gravel, Glacial Marine Clay, Bedrock, Cobbles See example photos on website
* Cultural Material at the Base of the Midden: (Description of artifacts or other cultural material found eroded out of midden) (Options are: Stone, Bone, Ceramic, Other) See example photos on website. Photograph this material using the Photography Methods. Take a GPS point at the material and include the reading in the notes section, if possible.
* Notes
* Photos