

The Rock Inscriptions Documentation Project: Al-Zolma/Al-Dalma Rockshelter in the North-Central Part of the Sinai Peninsula: A Preliminary Report

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Abstract

The Rock Inscriptions Documentation Project (RIDP), initiated by the Supreme Council of Antiquities in 2018, aims to preserve Egypt's cultural heritage using cutting-edge technologies. This article focuses on its second phase, documenting rock inscriptions in the Sinai Peninsula, with a primary focus on the Al-Zolma project. Despite the lack of official records, collaboration and on-ground surveys led to the discovery of the rockshelter, aided by local Bedouin knowledge. Exploring the geological and archaeological significance of Wadi Al-Zolma, the article highlights its suitability for prehistoric habitation.

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