A FLINT RIDGE FLINT BEVEL

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Archaic Bevels are rarely made of Flint Ridge flint. A large percentage of them are chipped from local cherts that don’t have a lot of eye appeal. Thus it is unusual to see an example of the type made from exotic highly colored Flint Ridge material. This unusual point was found in a mould-board plowed field in earth that may have been brought to the surface for the first time. Such a scenario would account for the fact that artifacts with fine chipping, such as this example, are often damaged and usually broken when continually contacted by farm machinery.

This point is made of high quality cream, yellow, lavender and red Flint Ridge flint often called “jewel flint” by collectors. It is decidedly serrated and most of the fine saw-tooth edges are retained.

Figure 1 (Sperry) a 2-5/8 inch Archaic Bevel made of exotic Flint Ridge flint – shown in obverse and reverse.