

# **ABSTRACT SUBMISSION**

# Large scale archaeological land surveys of NEOM, North-West Arabia, phases I and II.

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### Abstract

Extensive surveys of NEOM in northwestern Saudi Arabia have begun to provide us with insight into the archaeological richness and deep history of this area. Utilizing the wealth of data that has been gathered during these large-scale land surveys, this paper will examine settlement patterns and concepts of mobility over the longue durée in northwestern Saudi Arabia and how they were impacted by cultural, historical, and environmental processes. Moreover, this paper will elaborate on the 2022 and 2023 survey results and the additional research that has been undertaken, which suggests that at key moments in the past this region was an important zone for cultural, technological, and socio-political exchange between the Syro-Levantine region and the Arabian Peninsula.

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