

## Scrapers from the Sharps Creek Site, 14MP408

Shown are just a few of the many scrapers that were recovered from the Sharps Creek site during the 1993 Kansas Archeology Training Program field school. Scrapers would have likely been hafted on a handle and used to scrape hides. The tools would have required periodic resharpening. The two scrapers on the left are made of a chert called Smoky Hill silicified chalk. The three on the right are made of Florence chert, two of which have been heat-treated in order to improve knapping. The final scraper is of Alibates flint from the Canadian River valley in Texas. The Sharps Creek site is a Great Bend aspect (ancestral Wichita) village in McPherson County that was occupied during the Late Ceramic period.

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