






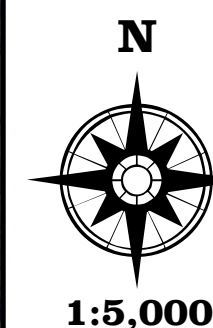
Site Map - Natural Significance & Threats



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Map Legend

-  Core Archaeological Zones
-  Mosna River
-  Modern Road



Damage from 1945 Landslide

On January 12th, 1945, a massive landslide collapsed onto the valley floor near the Chavín de Huántar archaeological site, killing 30% of the local inhabitants and severely damaging the northern sides of Buildings C & D.



Risk of Future Landslides

To this day, there is a high risk of landslide activity in the area, with both the East and West sides of the valley at severe risk. However, perhaps the greatest hazard to Chavín de Huántar is a landslide from the Wacheqsa river valley to the west of the site.



Risk of Flooding

The Mosna River flows directly through the site of Chavín de Huántar, and as such presents a tremendous risk to the archaeological site as well as nearby inhabitants should it flood. In the 1930's, the Mosna River jumped its banks and caused destruction to the Southeastern corner of the Monumental Core Zone.

