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Dear Joel:

Thank you so much for your abstract and for all the kind words in your letter. It was so good to hear from you. You have, indeed, instigated a new approach regarding the interaction of the lithic industries of extinct societies. With your approach a numerical analysis is necessary in order to evaluate the motor habits and flaking patterns. What I feel is ~~not~~ necessary are the long laundry lists of flake attributes when only a few really apply to a given flake assemblage.

Joel, I want to encourage you to continue what I consider an important contribution in this field. It promises many new and exciting discoveries in archaeology. I am looking forward to your results and conclusions when you apply this technique and method of analysis to some of the more sophisticated implements of paleo-man.

You have written an excellent paper and I hope it will be published in one of the widely distributed journals. I found only one error - the obsidian came from Glass Butte, Oregon rather than from Idaho.

We just returned from doing a two week stint at the University of Hawaii and am trying to get caught up with Christmas and professional mail. It was good to see Gould and Leiban and review their collections.

I am proud of you for writing this fine paper. Keep up the good work.

With best regards,

Don E. Crabtree

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