

A photograph of Mount Rainier National Park. The main focus is the snow-capped Mount Rainier mountain peak, which is partially covered in glaciers and rocky outcrops. The foreground shows a lush green valley with dense evergreen forests and rolling hills. The sky is a clear, bright blue.

Traditional Plant Collection in Mount Rainier National Park

**The Nisqually Indian Tribe -- Mount Rainier
Cooperative Agreement & Ongoing Research**

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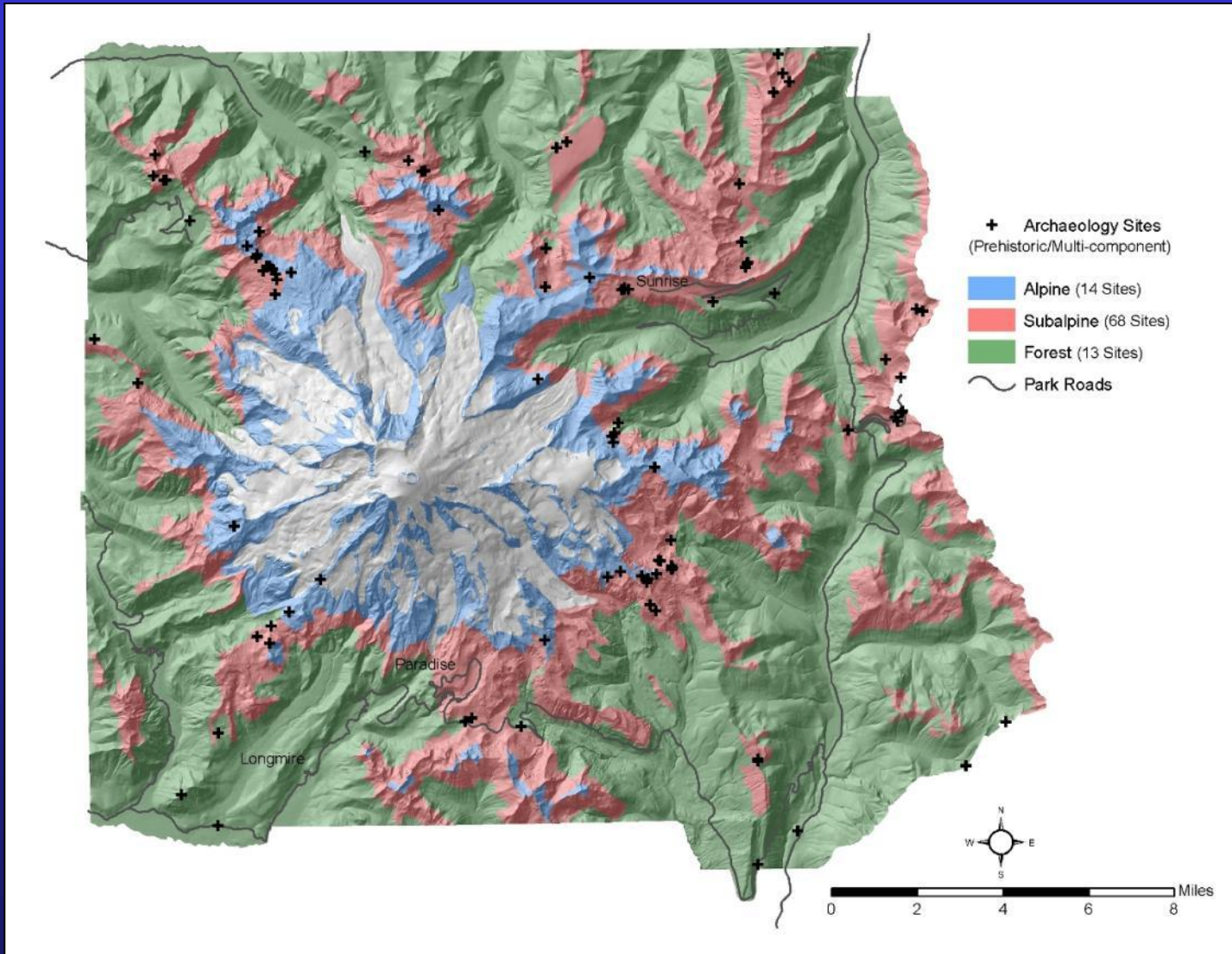


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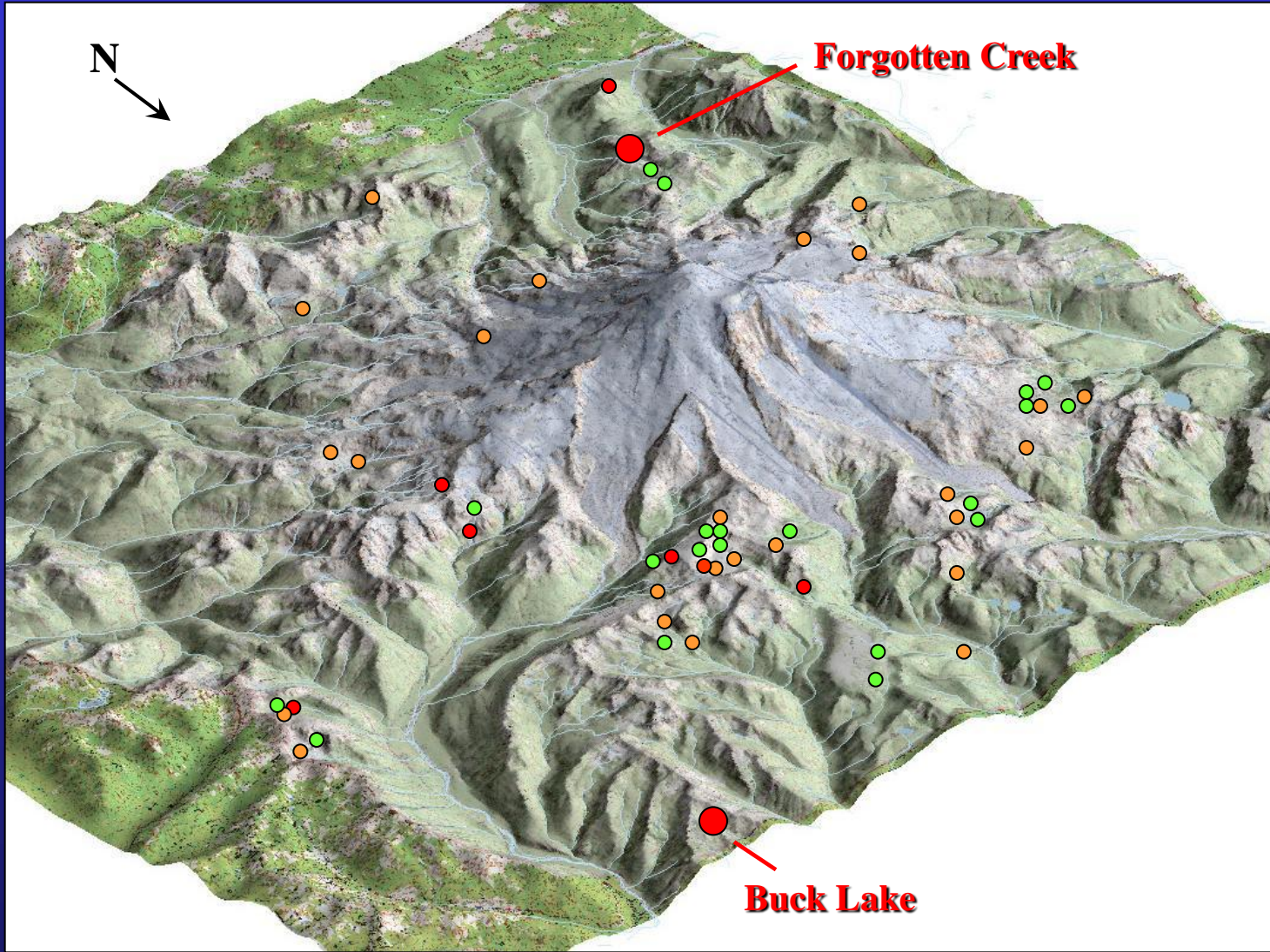
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**FS2005-29 Site at the margin of the
alpine/subalpine**



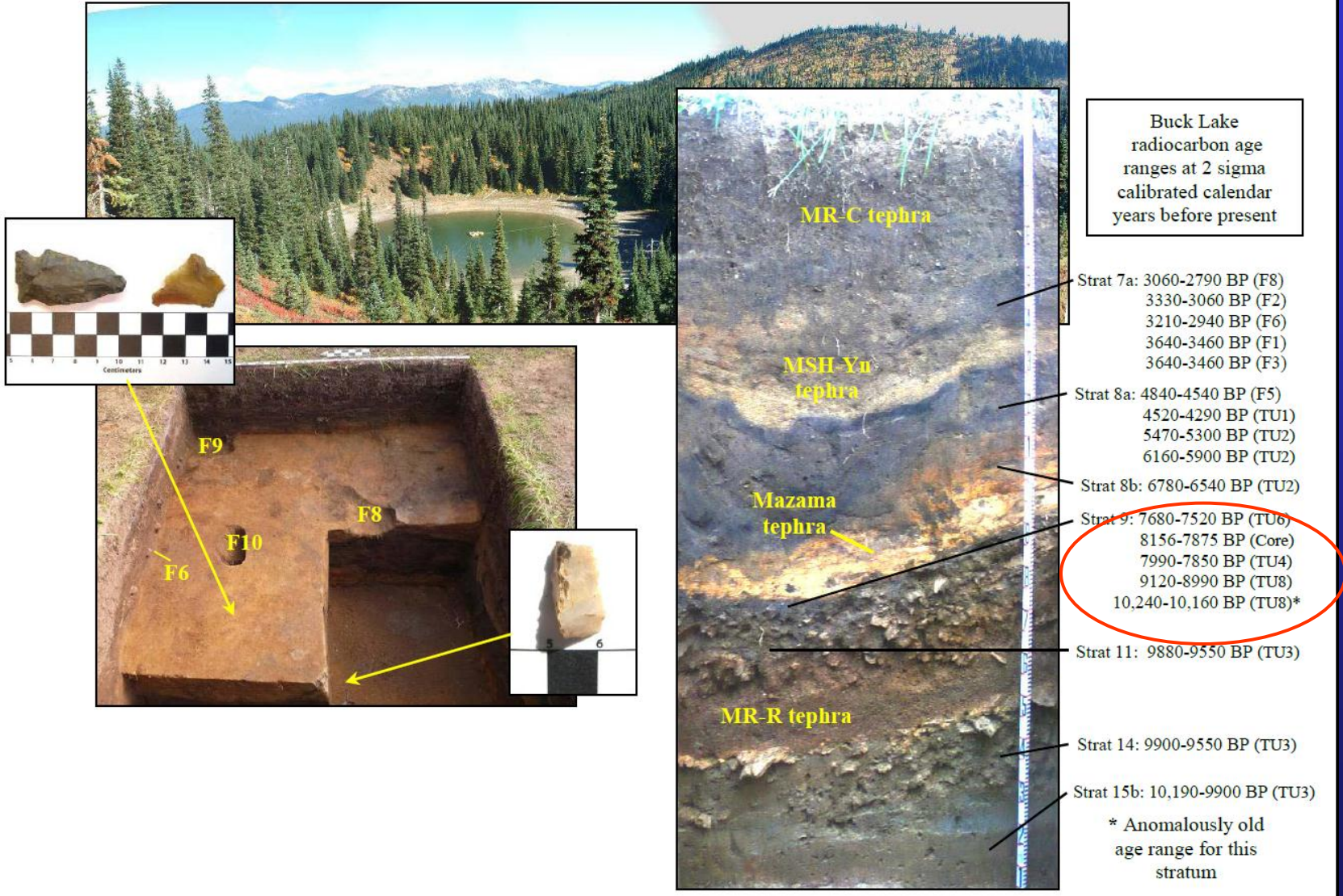
Surveyed Precontact Site Distribution



Two Very Old Sites: Buck Lake & Forgotten Creek

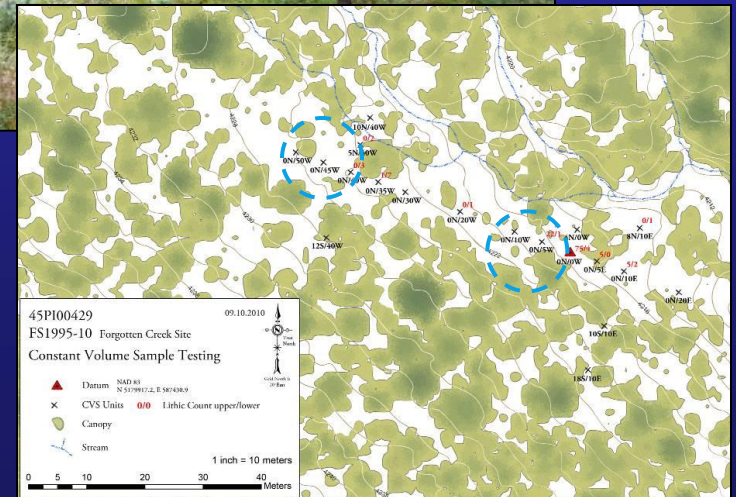


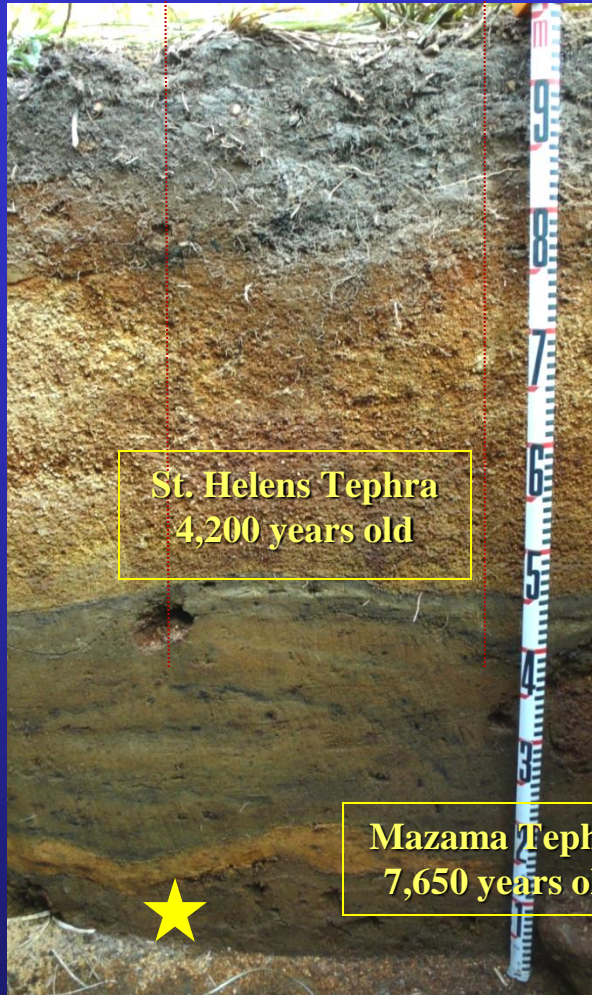
Buck Lake's Legacy





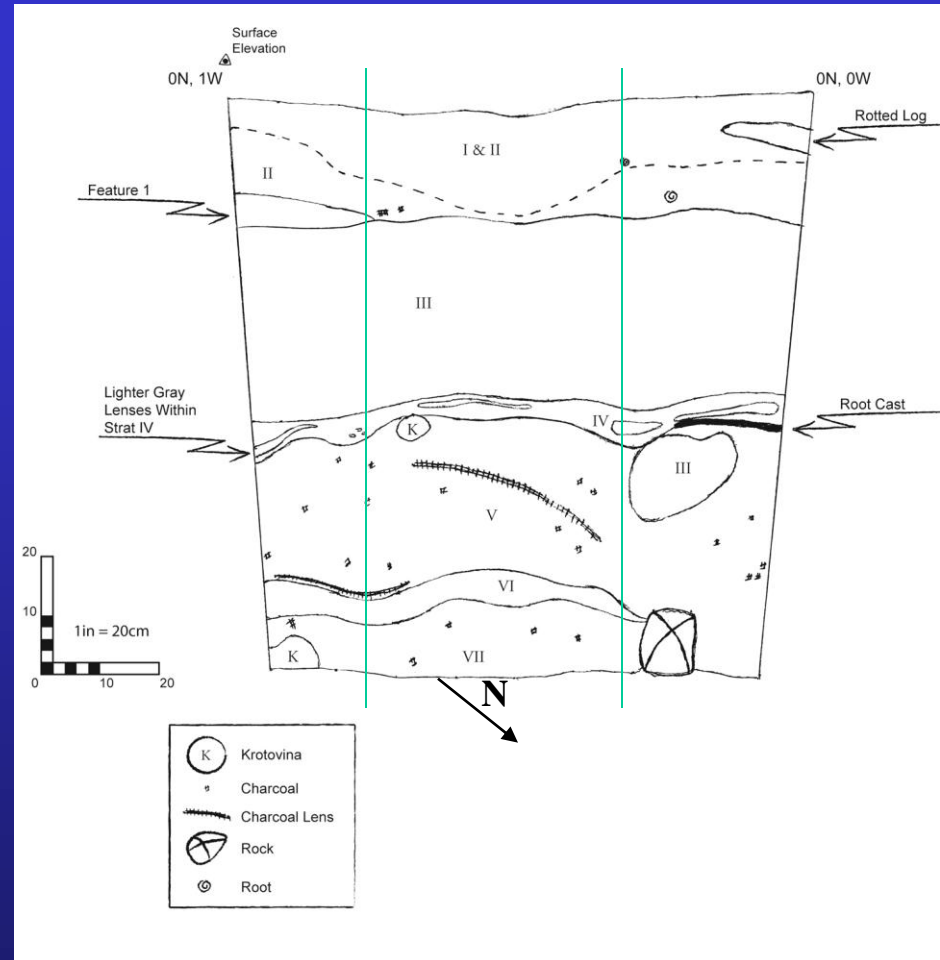
Forgotten Creek: Another high elevation site on the opposite side of the mountain





St. Helens Tephra
4,200 years old

Mazama Tephra
7,650 years old



Forgotten Creek: A Nisqually Drainage site Greater than 7,650 years old



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Reemergence of Traditional Plant Collecting on Mount Rainier





Beargrass & Princess Pine





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MORA-Nisqually Traditional Plant Collection *and* Research











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