



GRADE 2

# Precious Canoes

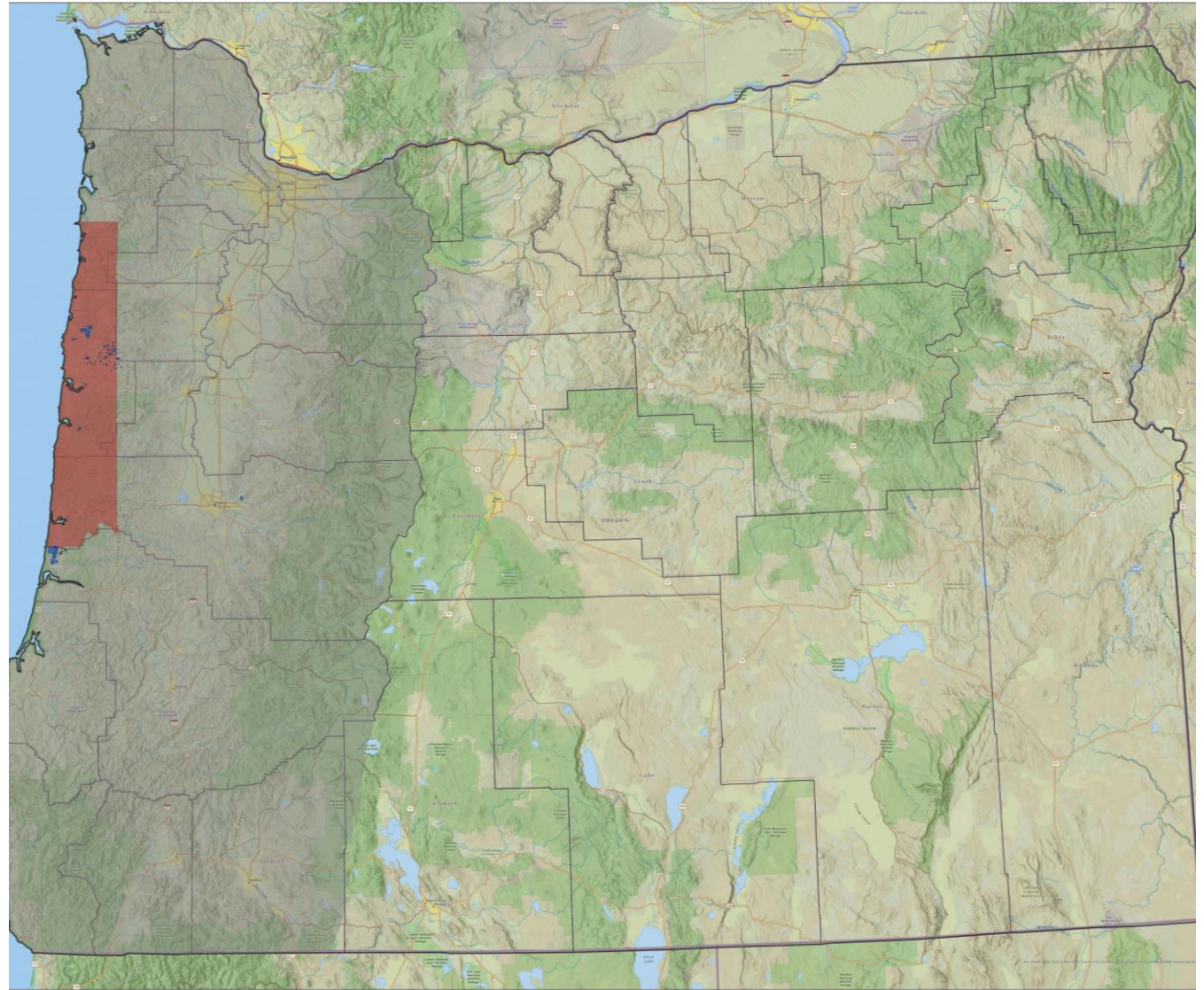


# Confederated Tribe

- A **confederated Tribe** is composed of multiple Tribes and bands.
- The **Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians** includes dozens of bands of Native Americans from Western Oregon, Northern California, and Southwest Washington.
- The Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians have lived on this landscape **since time immemorial**.

# Aboriginal Areas within Oregon

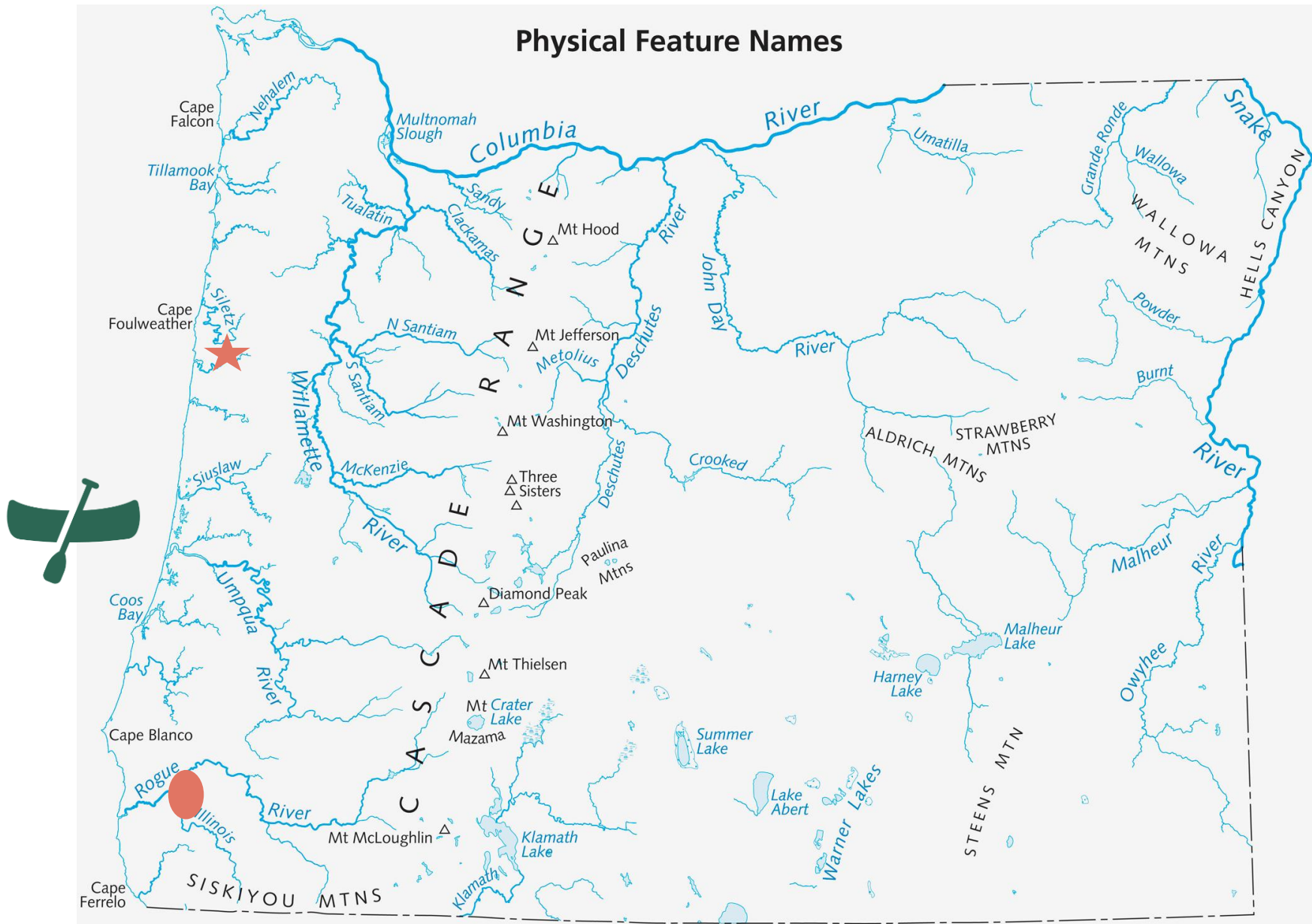
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# Physical Feature Names



# There are many types of cars for many different purposes



Visiting family  
across the country



Carrying a  
heavy load



Riding to school  
with classmates



Driving to the  
grocery store  
down the road

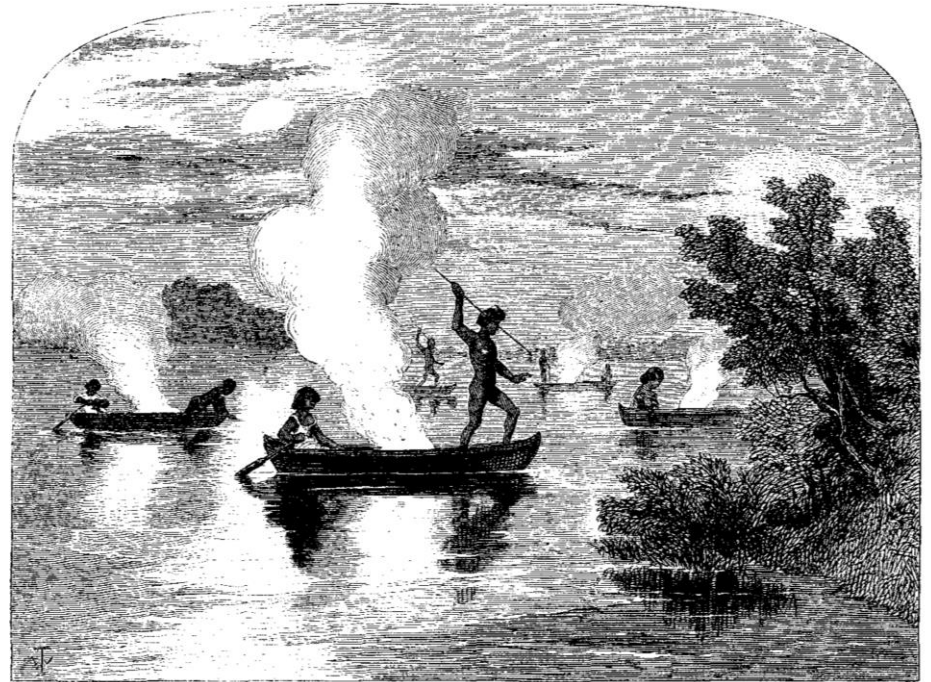


# Many types of canoes

- Gathering/hunting for food
- Exercising
- Visiting friends and family
- Trading goods with others

# Small canoes for bays

- Won't tip easily
- Operated by one or two people
- The Hanis People from Coos Bay make small canoes to navigate the calm waters, hunt, search for clams, and visit friends



SALMON SPEATING BY TORCH-LIGHT.

*Artist's depiction of night fishing on Coos Bay, 1856*

# Big, ocean-going canoes

- Can take more than 12 people into open oceans
- Used to troll for salmon, jig for halibut, gather seagull eggs, hunt sea lion
- Used for long journeys to visit relatives and trade with neighbors



*Chinook-style ocean-going canoe (Zoe Gifford)*



# Shovel-nosed canoes for rapids

- Can turn easily
- Used for net fishing
- Made by Dee-ni people from Southern Oregon



*Rogue river canoe (Zoe Gifford)*



# Slow-moving rivers

- Used for hunting ducks
- Used to carry people down river
- Photo shows Siletz Elder Coquelle “Tommy” Thompson Jr. in a river-style canoe





# Traveling by canoe takes knowledge!

## In the ocean:

- Understand the different kinds of waves
- See signs that the weather might change
- Understand the pattern of the tides



# Traveling by canoe takes knowledge!

**To safely row a canoe on a river you need to know:**

- How to navigate rapids
- How to avoid dangerous places in the river
- How much strength is required to paddle against the river
- When to carry the canoe because obstacles are too big



# Building canoes takes knowledge!

- Correct angles to carve
- Right kind of wood to use
- How to care for the canoe
- How to avoid cutting down too many trees

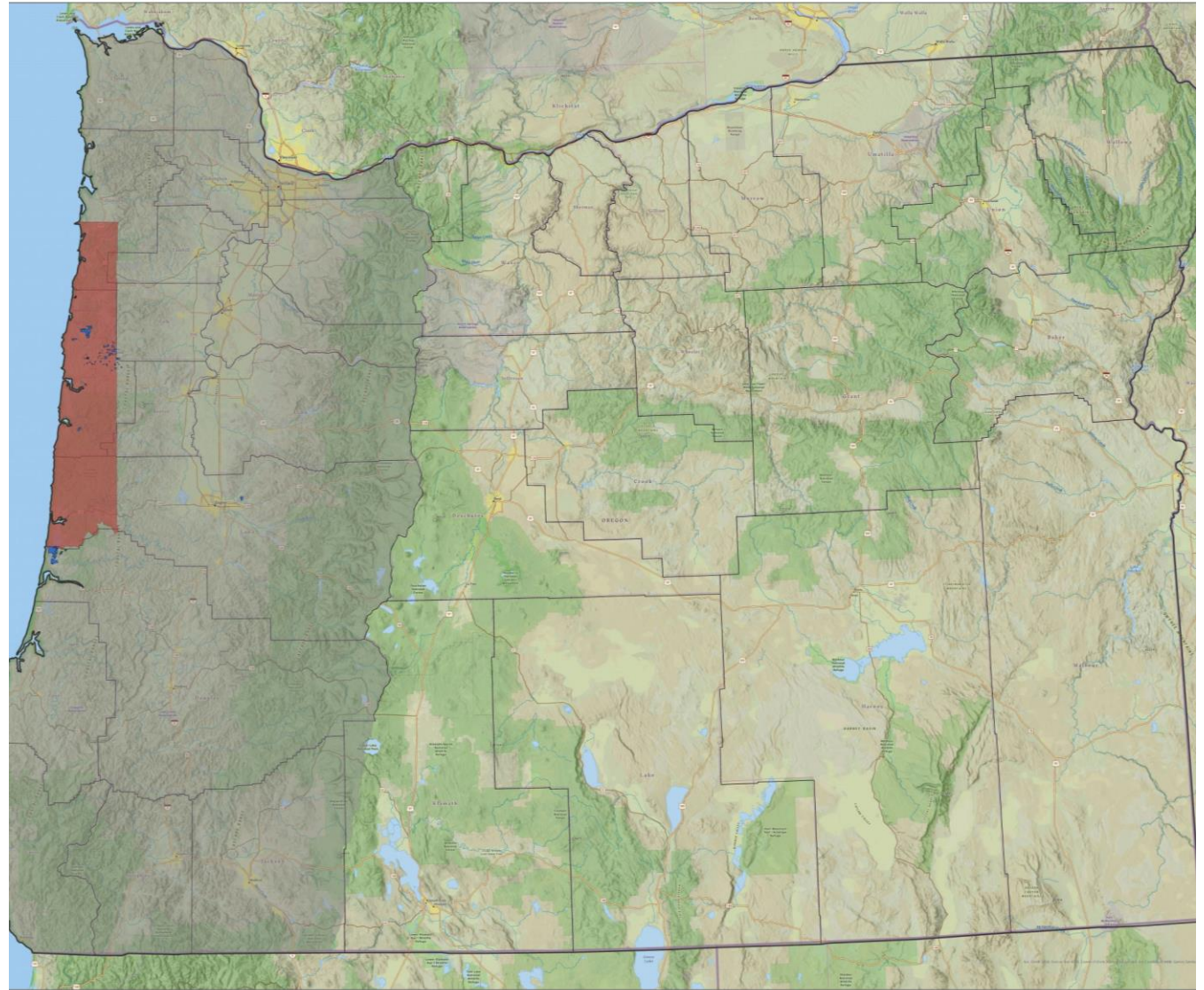


*Western red cedar tree is traditionally used for canoe building*



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# A tradition attacked

- Settlers stole, burned, and sank many canoes
- For more than 150 years, the Siletz people were discouraged from practicing their culture and passing along the tradition of canoe-making
- Many of the biggest old growth trees in Oregon have been cut down and turned into lumber





Can you imagine?



**Let's review!** Just as there are many types of cars for different purposes, there are many types of canoes ...

- Oceans
- Bays
- Rapids
- Rivers



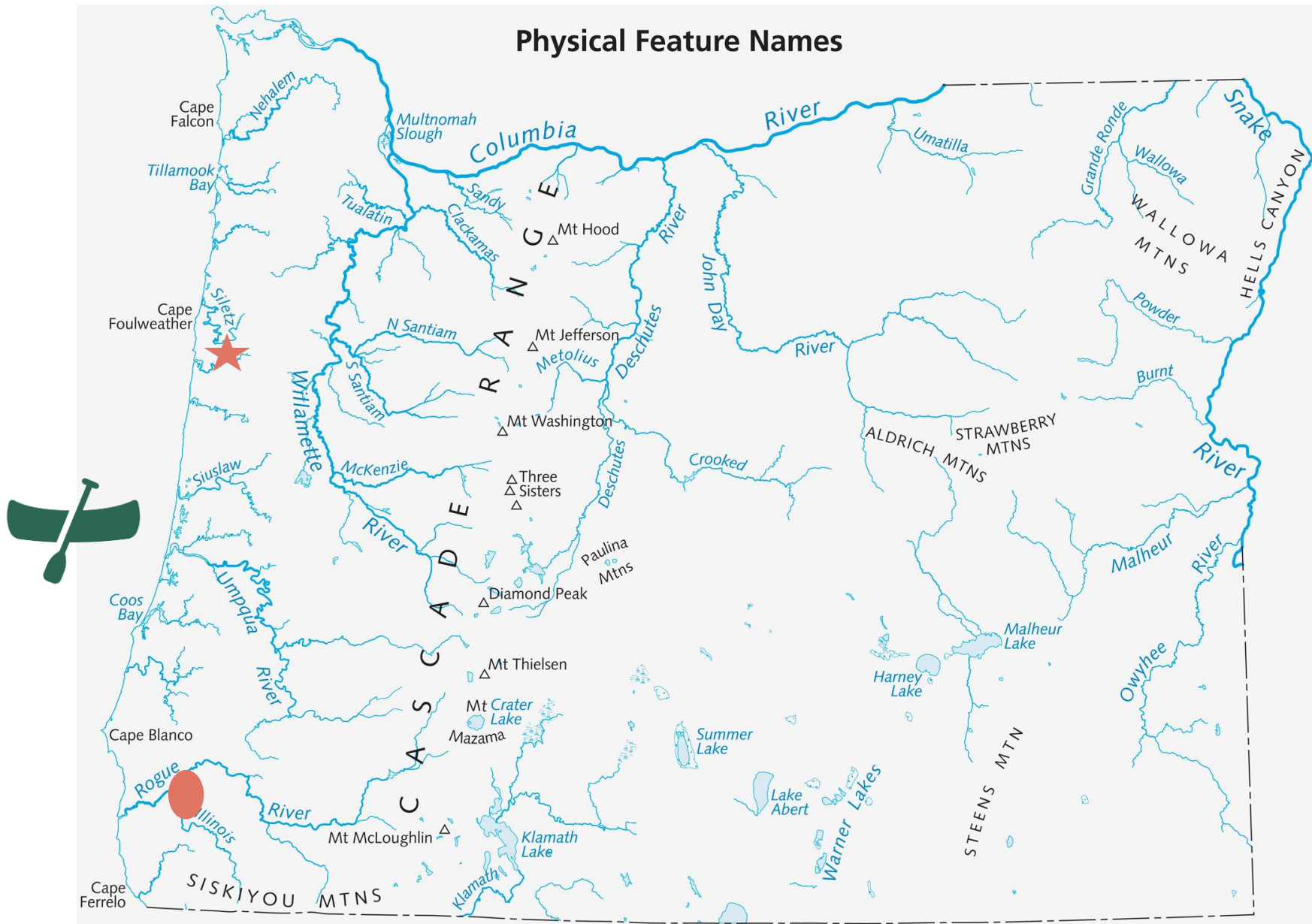
# Let's review! The Tribes of Siletz need to know ...

- How to navigate the surrounding waters
- What type of canoe they need
- How to build and care for a canoe

# Let's review! Canoes are important for the Tribes of Siletz because ...

- They help Tribal members visit their families
- They allow Tribal members to hunt for food to survive
- They can be used for trade
- They provide good exercise
- They are a reminder of important cultural traditions

# Physical Feature Names



# Today

- Native American people from all over the Pacific Northwest want to build and see more canoes in the water
- Canoes remind Native American people to stay connected with one another and remember their traditions