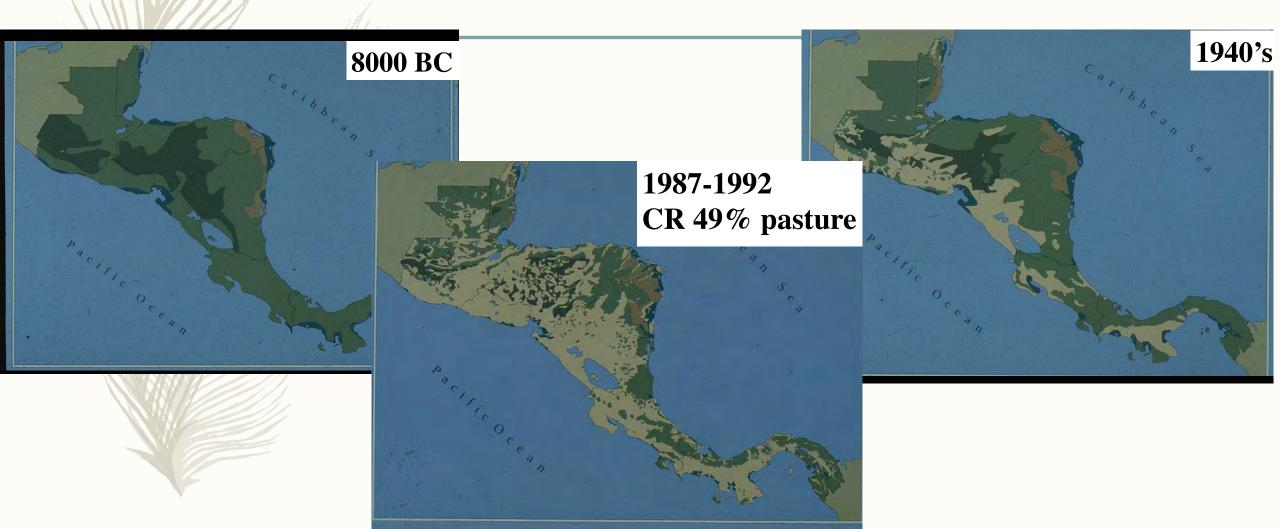


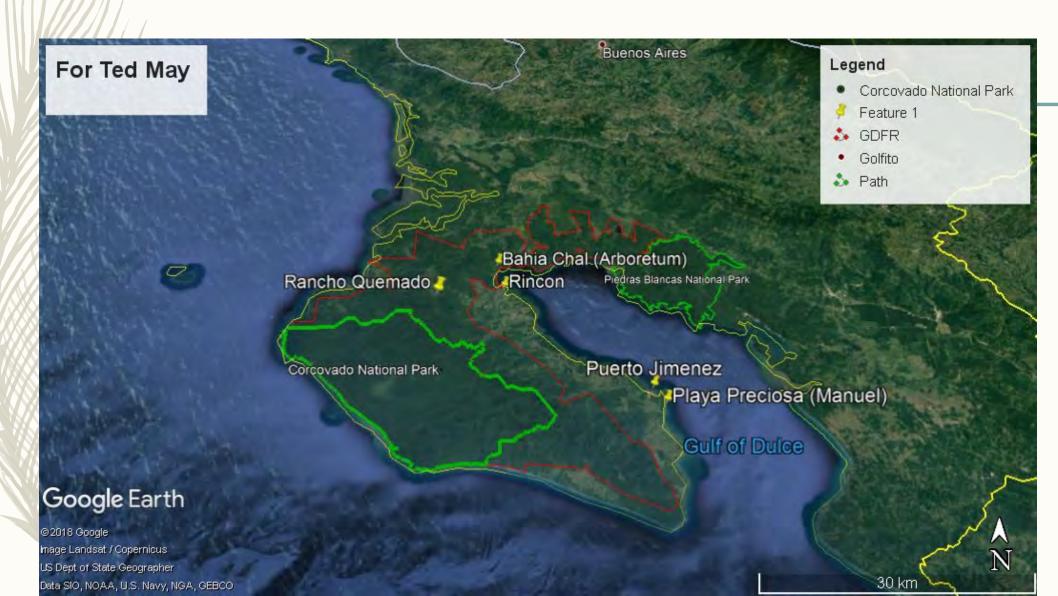
#### Why Costa Rica? Some Not-so-trivial Trivia

- Costa Rica 0.03% of earth's surface, 0.05% of world population; 6.0% of global biodiversity
- Osa Peninsula approx. size of Iron County, WI, has 2.5% of global biodiversity
- 53% of rainforests are in the Americas they get ~13 feet (4 m) of rain each year in Costa Rica
- <10% of sunlight reaches the ground-layer think of that</p>
- Or that it takes ~10 minutes for the average rain drop to get to the ground
- 80% of world's diet & 25% of all medicines come from TRF plants
- 20% of all world plants are threatened with extinction
- It rains cats & dogs here; it rains 'iguanas & frogs' there ©

# Forest Cover over the years; today, CR leads the world in protected lands



# A satellite view of Osa Peninsula



## Now a look at some of their Awesome Diversity



# Rancho Quemado and why it is so important





# First work-site: Rancho Quemado





# Bridge Building























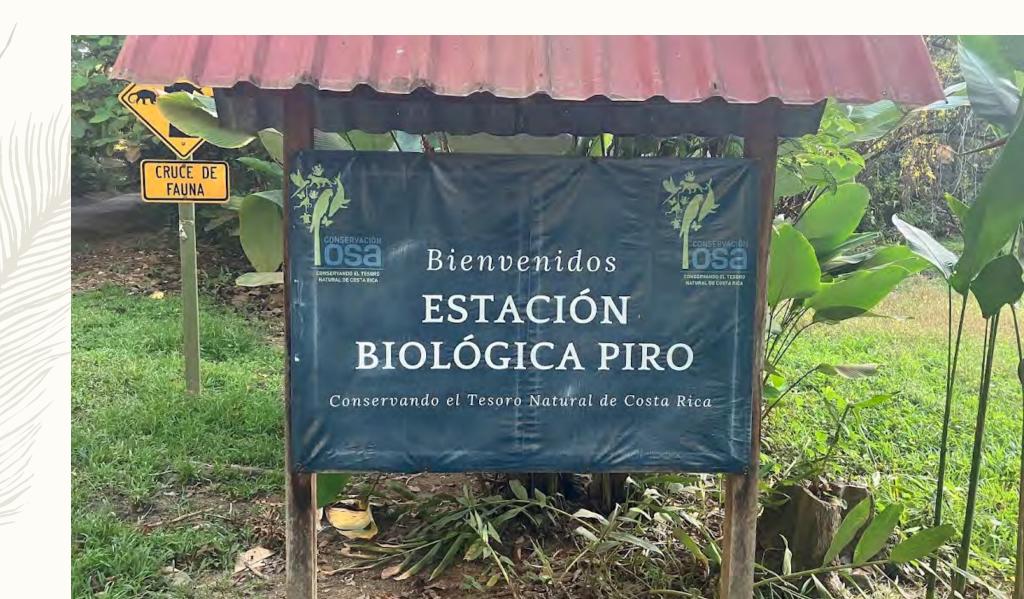






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## Osa Conservation's Piro Biological Station







### Scavenged sea turtle nest at Piro Beach

















