All About Isla Vista

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Broad View of History

- 11,000 B.C. Human Settlement on Santa Rosa Island (smaller one, to the right)
 - Questions... was migration all on land, or were boats used to come down the coast from Alaska?
 - > Chumash (?)
- 1,200 B.C. beginning of `Middle Period'
- 1,200 A.D. beginning of `Late Period' Chumash..
 - > Tomol plank canoe contact with Polynesians?
- 1542 A.D. Cabrillo visits, buried on Santa Rosa Island

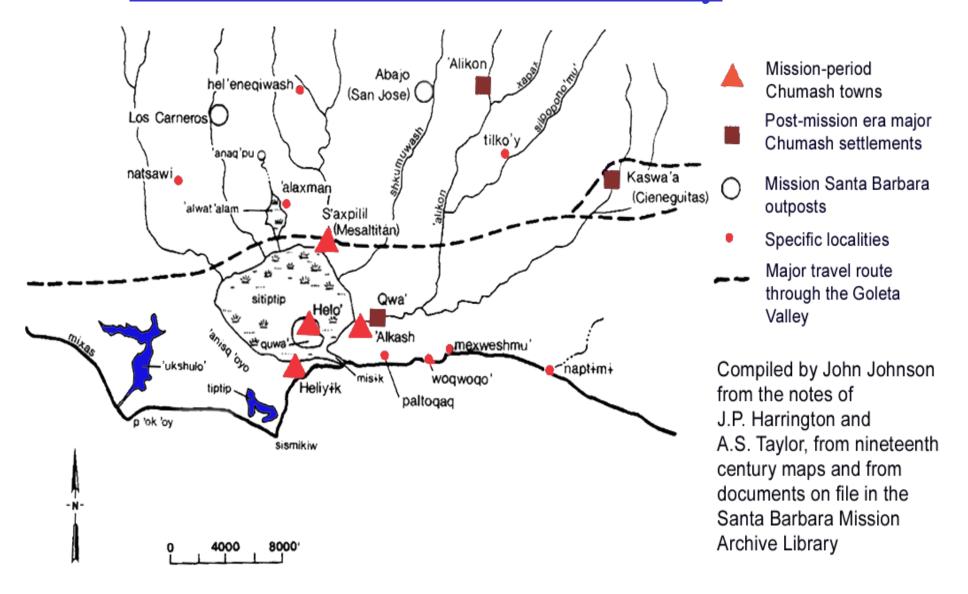
Chumash Language Groups



FIGURE 66. Pictograph sites in the Chumash territory. Divisions are based on Kroeber's dialect areas. His Barbareño and Island are here combined as Canaliño.

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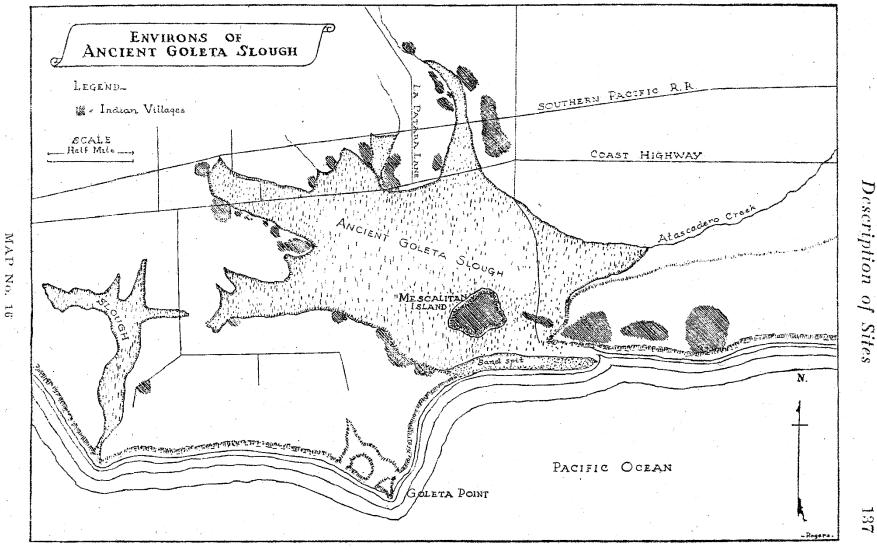
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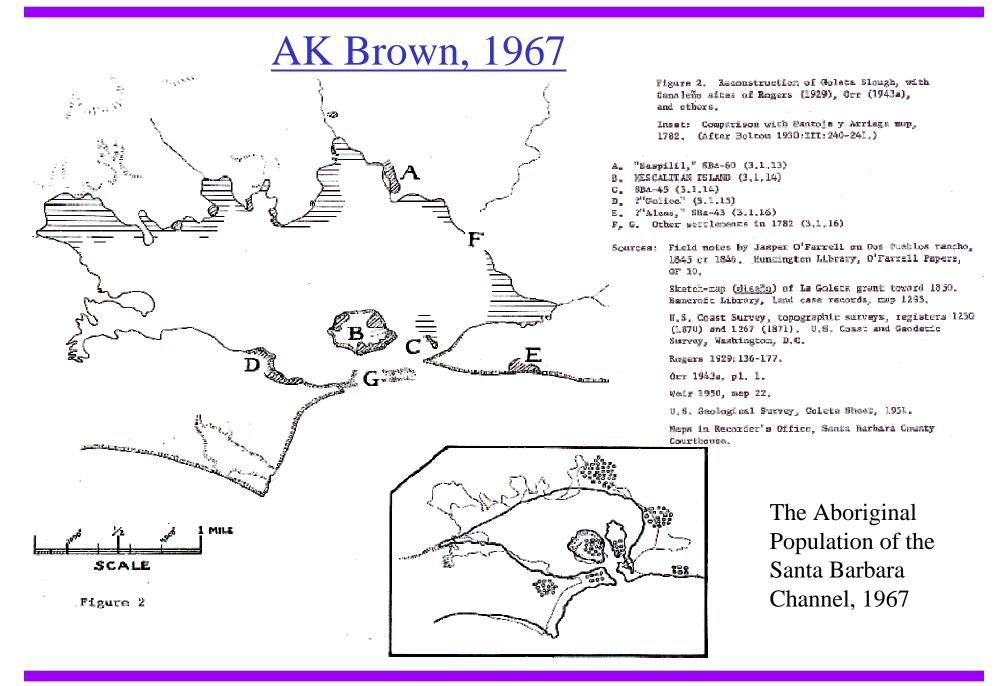
European Contact

- 1565-1815 Manila Galleon Acapulco Manila and Back
- 1579 Sir Francis Drake?
- 1602 Viscaino (Named Stuff)
- 1769 First land expedition
- At least 3 written accounts from Portola Expedition... Sunday, August 20, 1769
 - Costanso (engineer)... `two mouths' (Goleta Beach/Devereux)... to east `marshes and creeks of considerable extent'
 - Crespi (priest, two accounts!) `good-sized inlet appearing like a sea arm, which reaches a great way inland'... IV knoll ¼ league in length, mouth at either end... Goleta Beach mouth `½ of a quarter league'
 - Fages (soldier) `one comes in sight of a long, bare point of land, on the eastern side of which a great estuary penetrates inland by two separate arms, which are probably about half a league distant from each other. This estuary runs close to the north side of a small hill which rises on a point of land and has the appearance of an island... The estuary spreads continually over the level ground eastward, forming various swamps and ponds of considerable extent...'
- 1782 Maritime visit and presidio founded

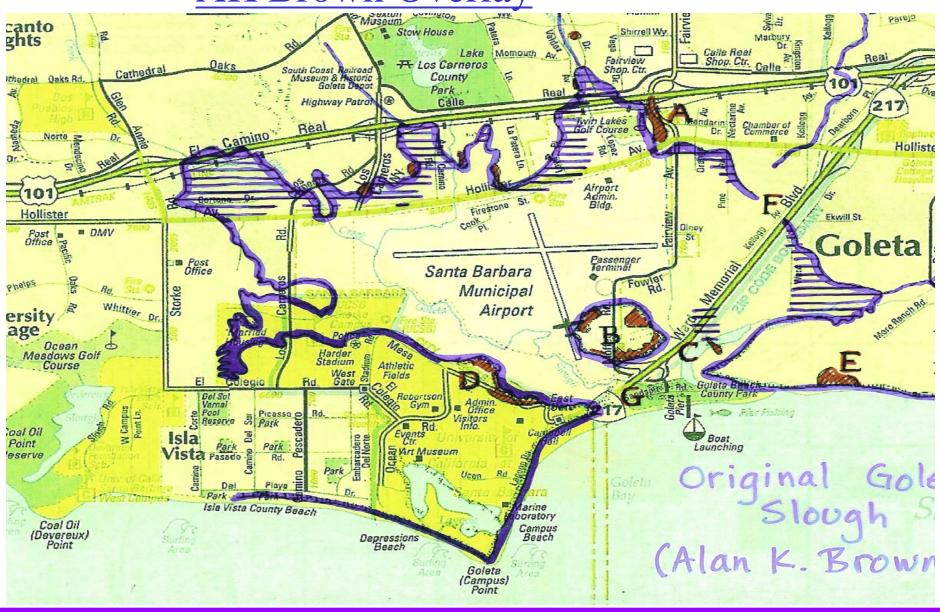
Rogers 1929 Reconstruction

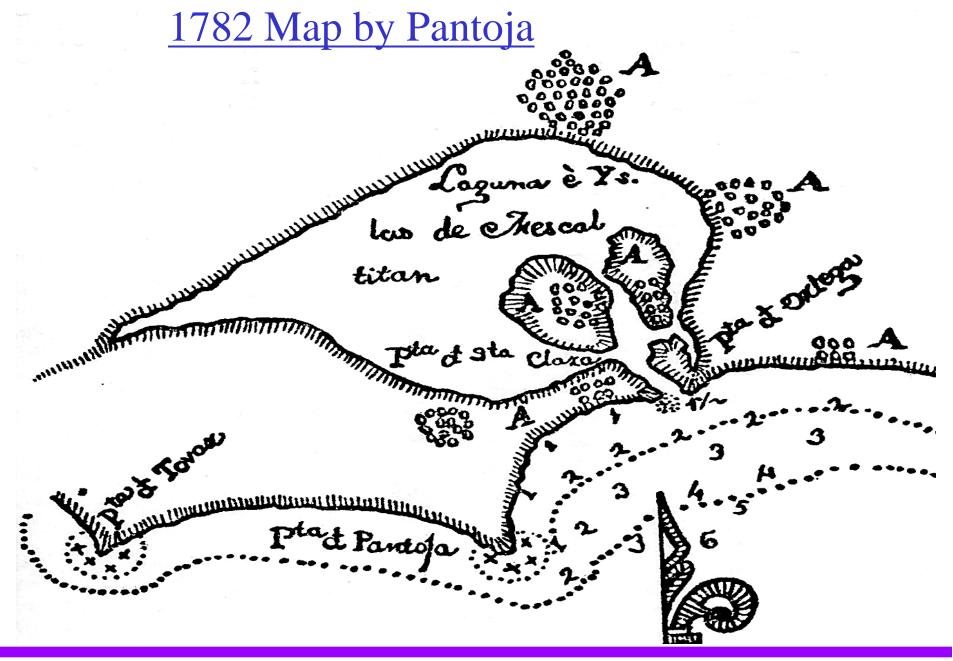


Prehistoric Man of the Santa Barbara Coast, 1929



AK Brown Overlay





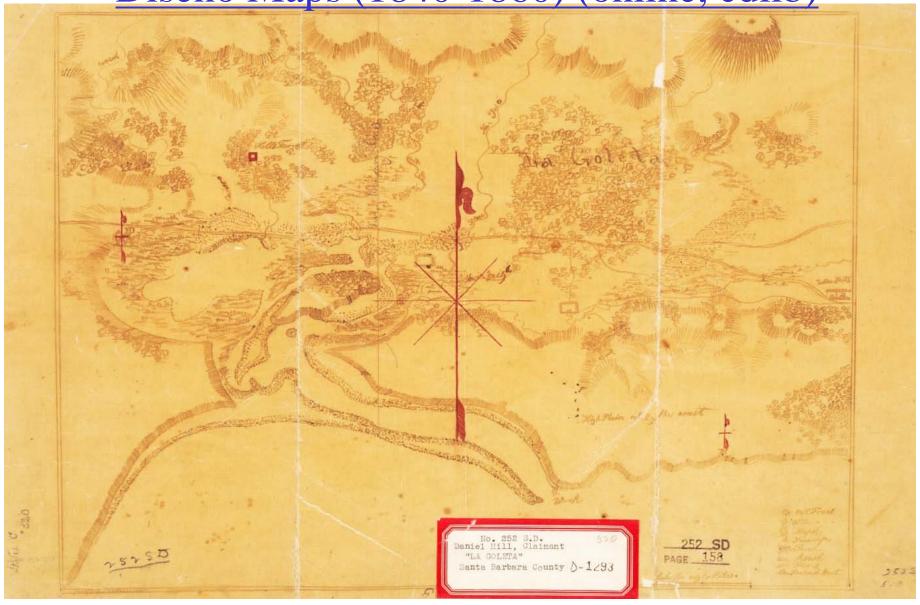
Mission Era

- 1786 Santa Barbara Mission Founded
- 1790 Cattle Herds in Goleta
- 1803 sub-mission church of San Miguel
- Dec. 21 1812 earthquake and tsunami, Chumash withdraw to Mission Santa Barbara
- 1821 Mexican Independence from Spain
- 1833 Mission system dissolved, lands dispersed...
- 1842 Nicolas Den gets Dos Pueblos Ranco

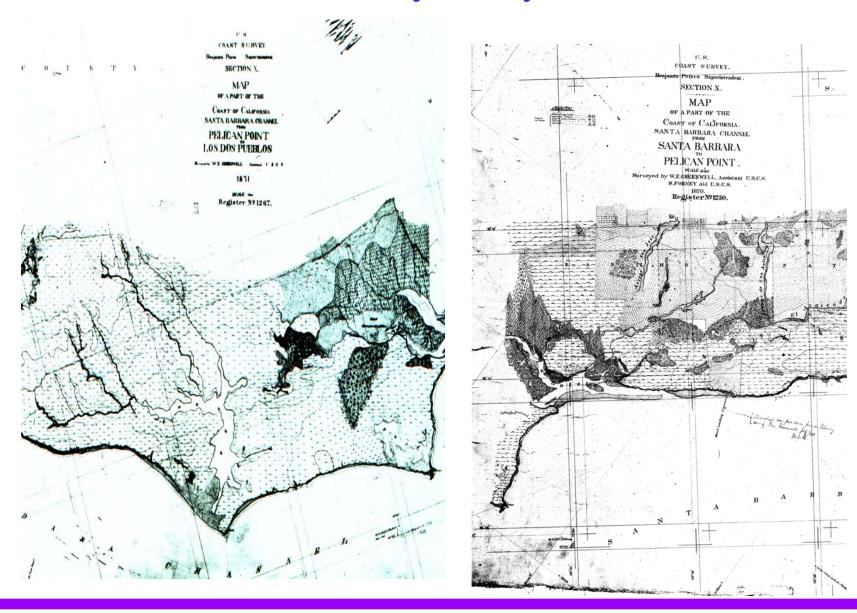
Diseno Maps (1840-1860)



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1868 U.S. Coastal Survey (story about earlier data...)



Historical Map (Goleta the Good Land)

