## New constraints on the West Tahoe-Dollar Point Fault recurrence interval

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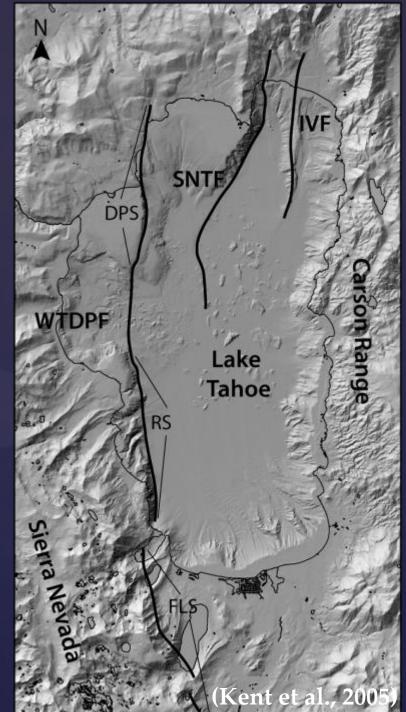
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## Lake Tahoe Basin



(Unruh et al., 2003)



## Lake Tahoe Basin

#### **Incline Village Fault (IVF)**

-MRE: 660-520 yr. BP (Seitz et al., 2005) -Slip rate = 0.18-0.30 mm/yr (Dingler et al., 2009)

#### **Stateline-N. Tahoe Fault (SNTF)**

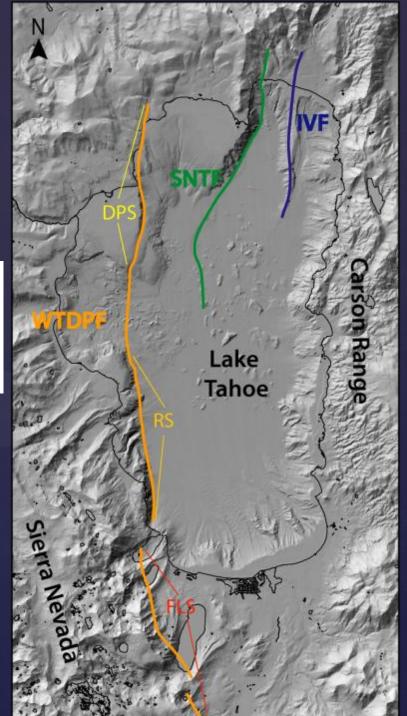
-MRE: unknown -Slip rate = 0.35-0.6 mm/yr (Dingler et al., 2009)

#### WTDPF-RS

-MRE: 5.3-5.6 k.y. B.P. (Smith et al., 2012) -Slip rate = 0.4-0.8 mm/yr (Brothers et al., 2009)

#### WTDPF-FLS

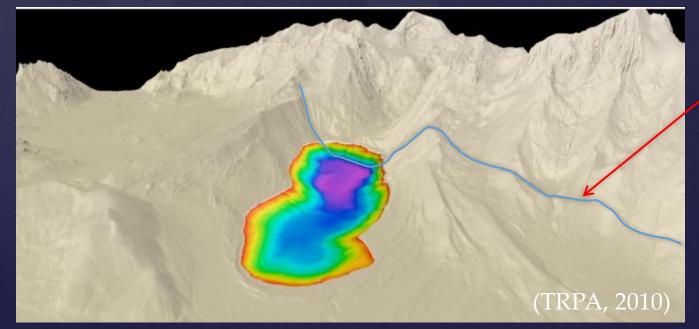
-MRE: 4.1-4.5 k.y. B.P., M > 7.0 -Slip rate = 0.4-0.8 mm/yr (Brothers et al., 2009)



## Objectives

& What is the recurrence interval on the WTDPF?

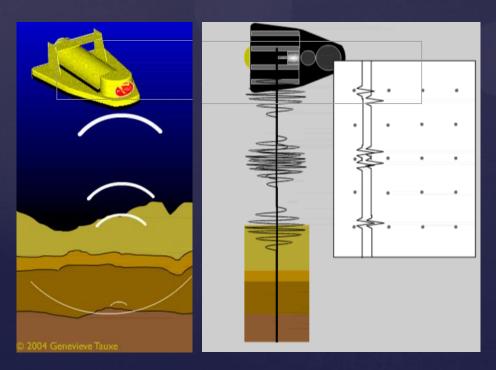
- Ø Were slide deposits imaged in Fallen Leaf Lake, Cascade Lake, Emerald Bay, and Lake Tahoe triggered by earthquakes?
- & What are the rupture patterns between faults of the Lake Tahoe Basin?



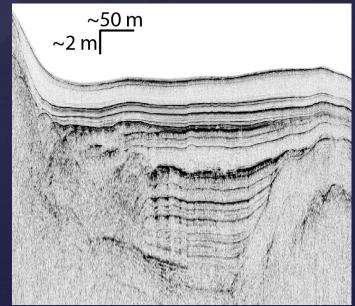
WTDPF

## Methods - CHIRP

- Stratigraphy
- Sediment characterization
- Faulting and deformation
- Shallow penetration (~50 m)
- High resolution (~0.1 m)

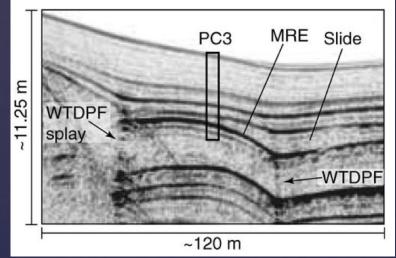






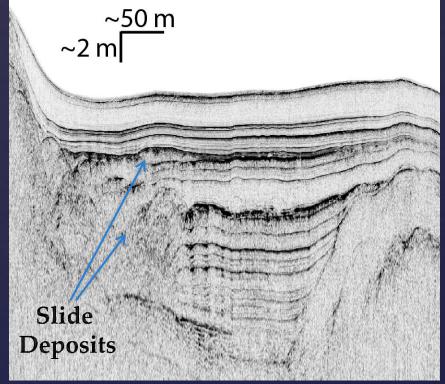
## Primary & Secondary Evidence of Earthquakes

### Primary: Offset & Deformation



(Brothers et al., 2009)

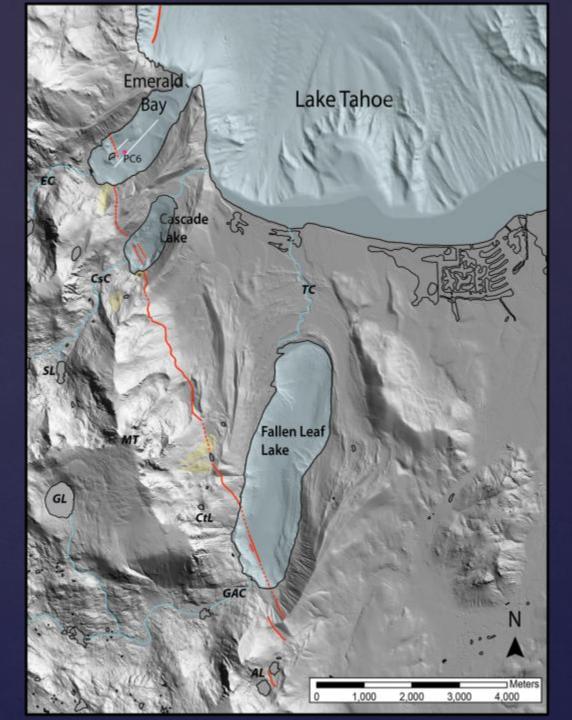
Secondary: Slide Deposits

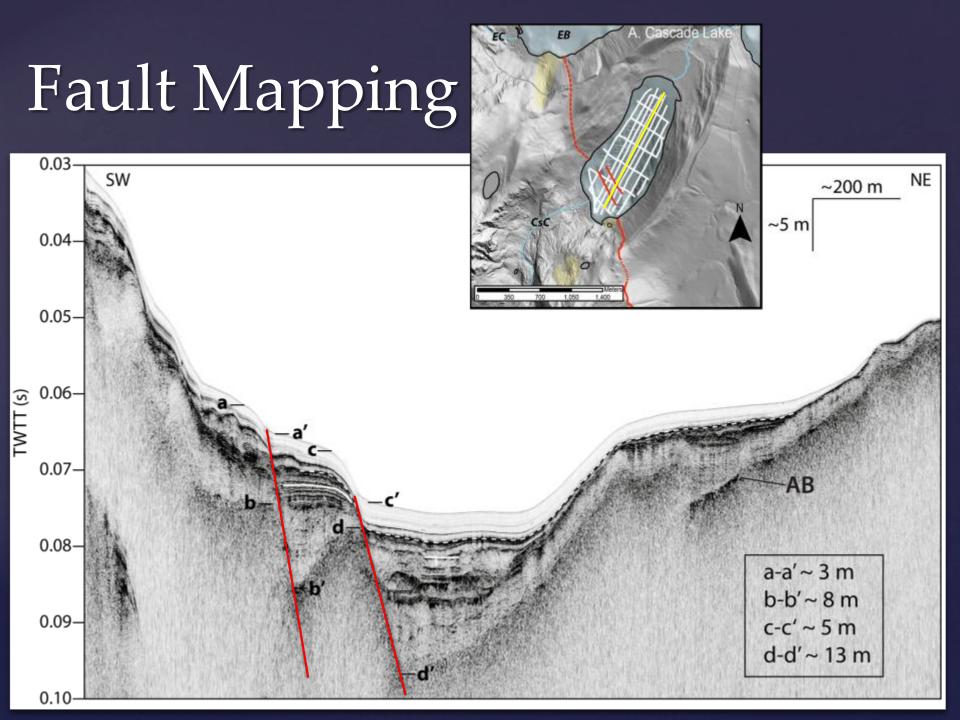


KEY – Synchronous slides across multiple basins.

# Fault Mapping

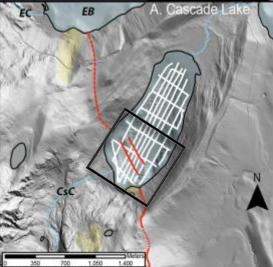
### <u>Primary Evidence</u> -Fault Scarps -Offset Horizons -Divergence



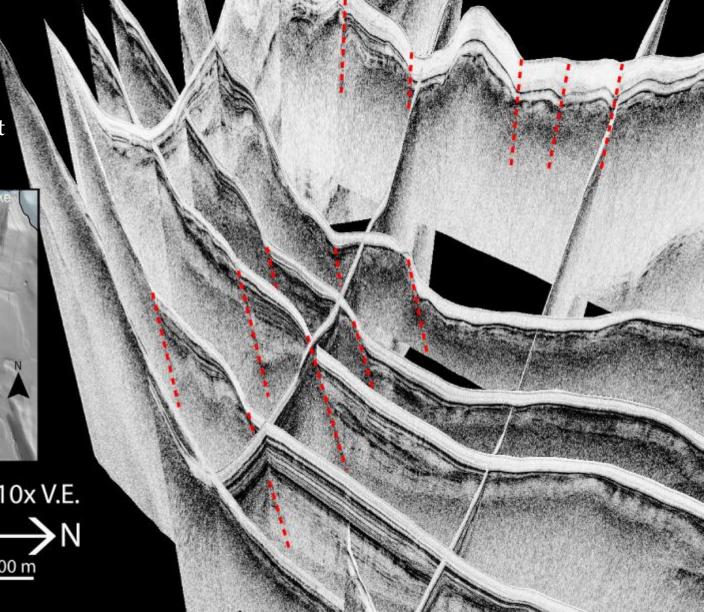


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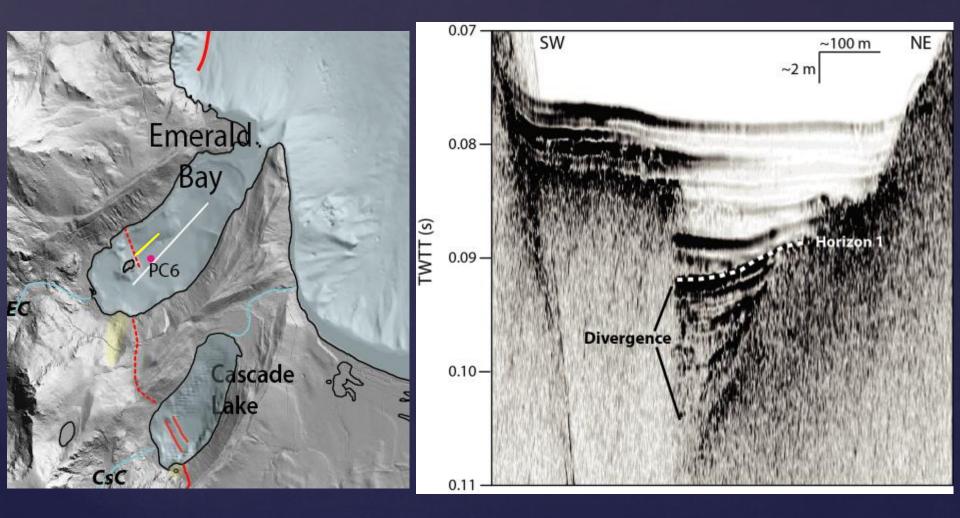
~21 m basement offset ~8 m seafloor offset



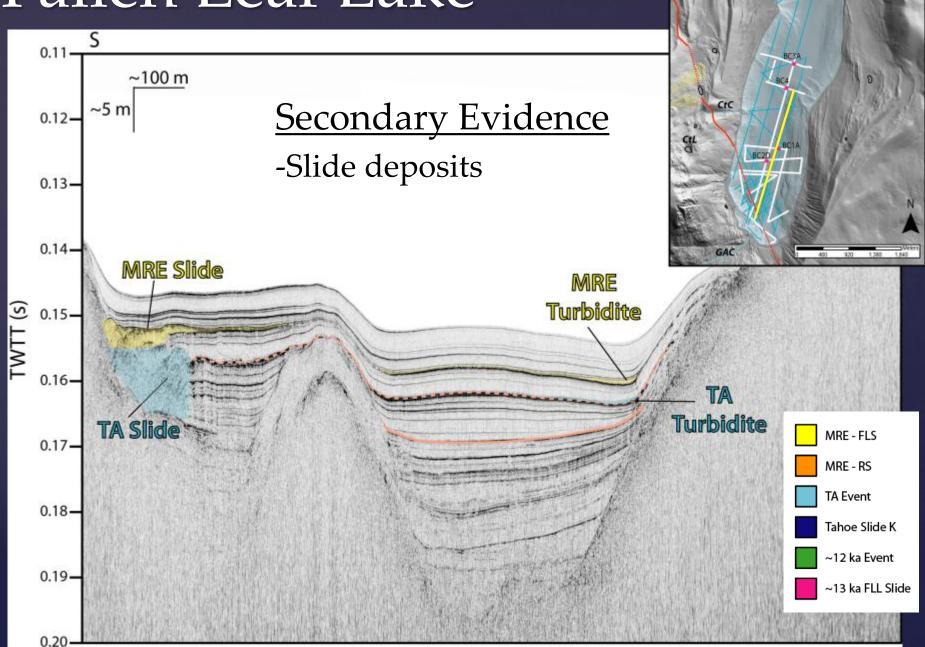
₩ 10x V.E. ~100 m



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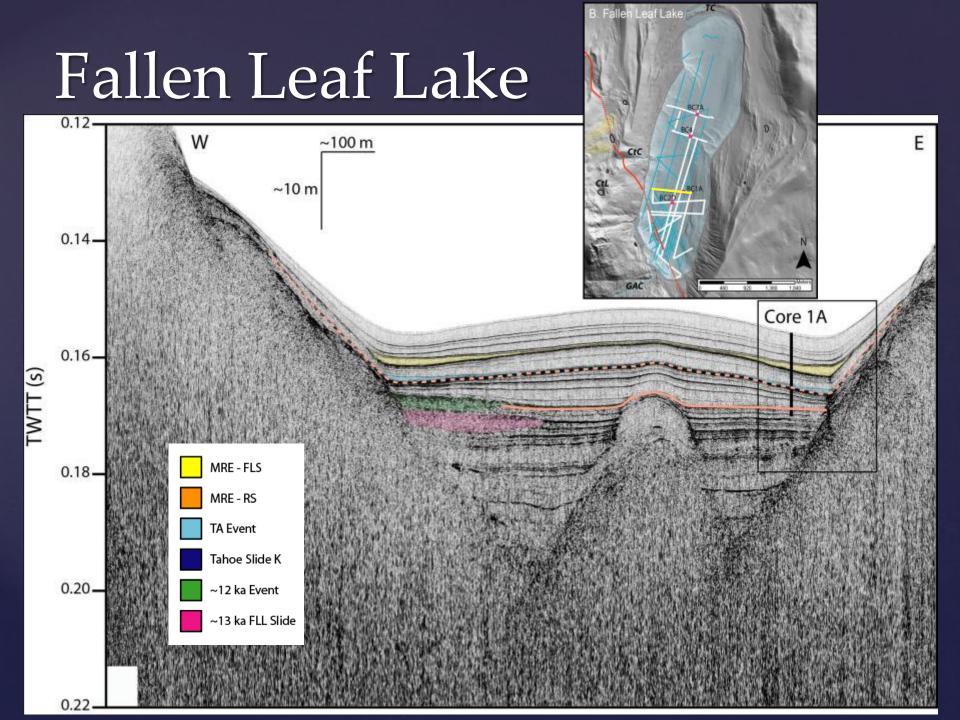


## Fallen Leaf Lake



B. Fallen Leaf Lake

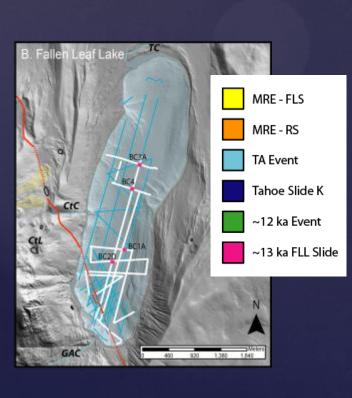
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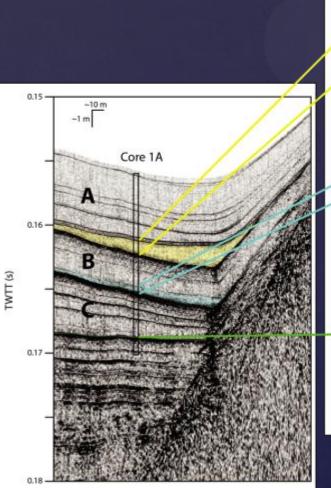


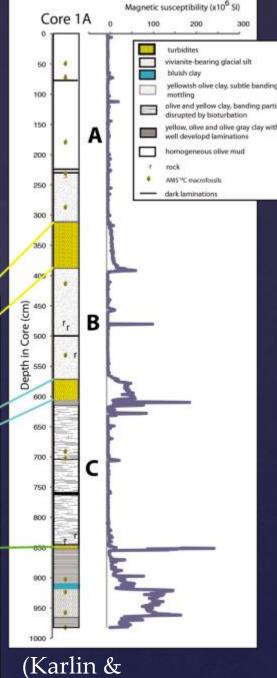
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### Long Sediment Cores

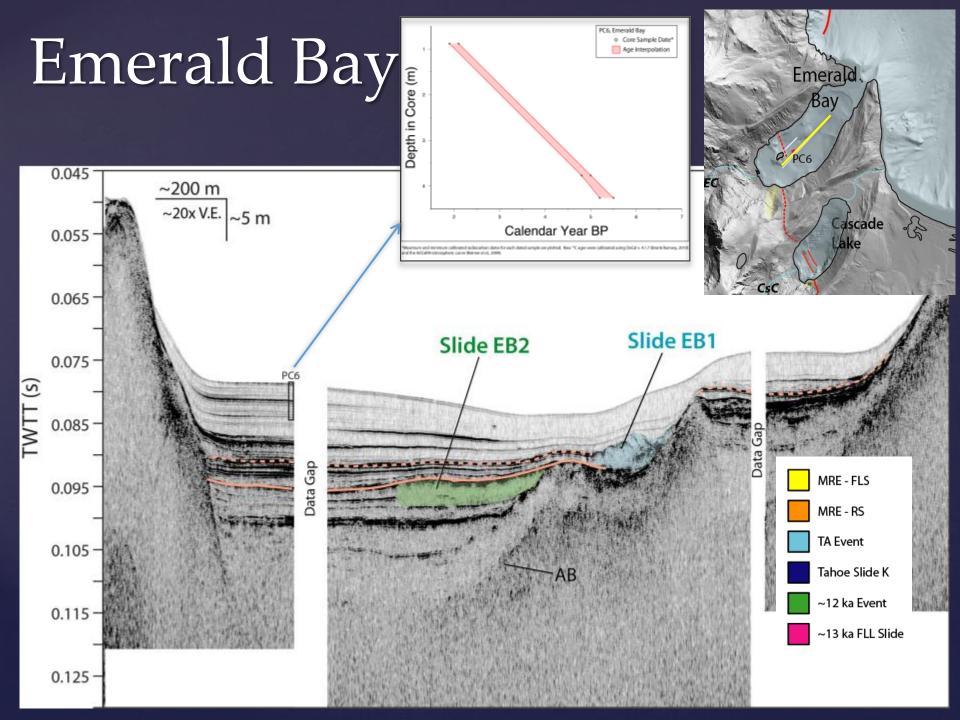
- Lithology
- Radiocarbon dates
- Magnetic Susceptibility

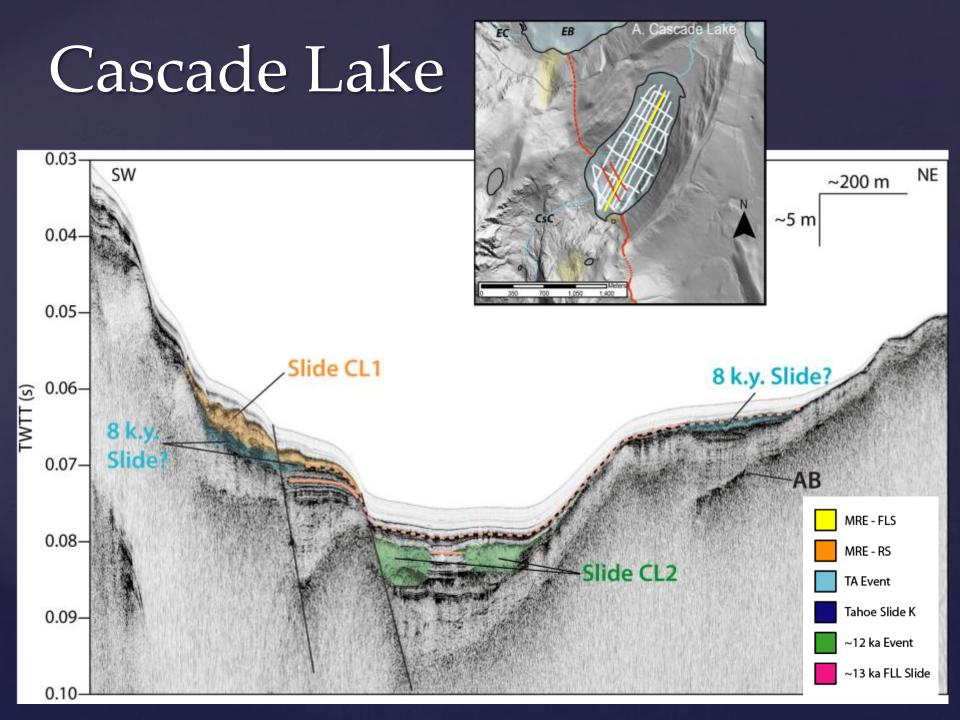


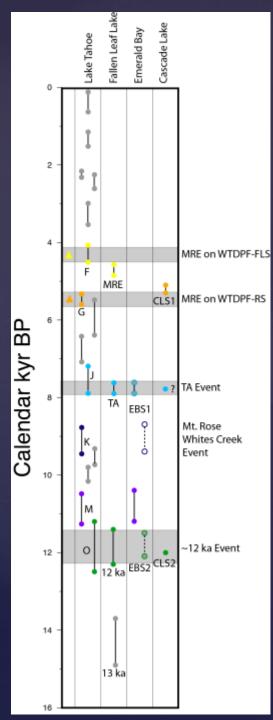




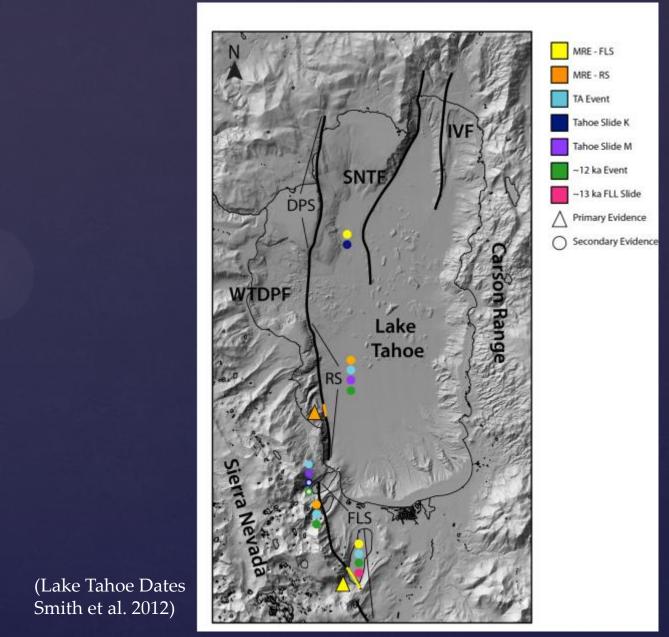
Noble et al., 2011)







### Slide Dates & Locations



## Conclusions

- Recurrence interval WTDPF Fallen Leaf Section: 3.4 3.7 k.y.
- Recurrence interval WTDPF Rubicon Section: 3.1-3.3 k.y.
- Recurrence interval all WTDPF: 2.3-2.5 k.y.

MRE FLS – 4.1-4.5 k.y. BP MRE RS – 5.3-5.6 k.y. BP

