A Reflection on Archaeology and Sustainability in the Brazilian Amazon

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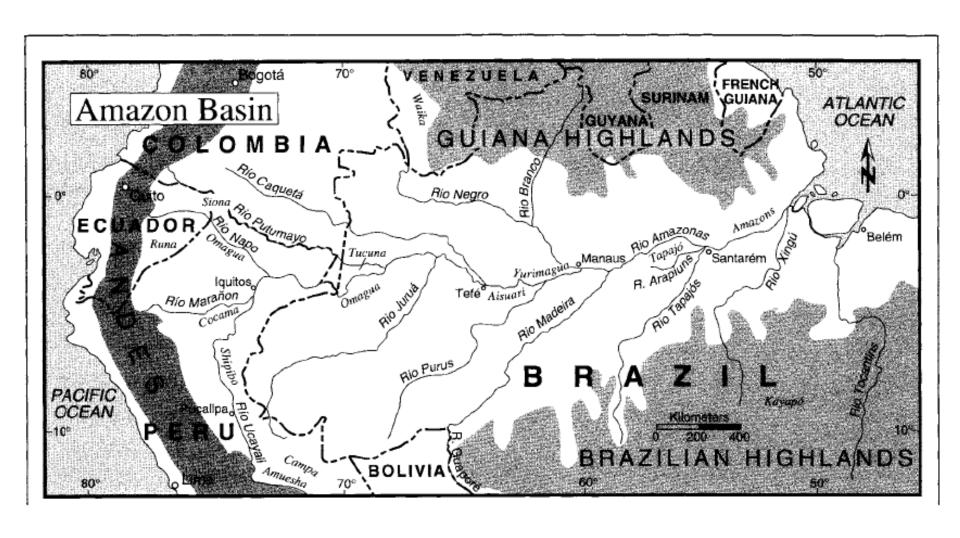




What role can be played by archaeology in present day concerns over sustainable development in the Brazilian Amazon?

Archaeological sites as an example of environmental sustainability in the Brazilian Amazon

The Amazon basin



Chronology

- Early hunter-gatherer societies late Pleistocene and early Holocene
- Early horizon horticulturalists by 1000 B.C.
- Complex indigenous societies between 1000 B.C. and 1000 A.D.
- 1542: Expedition of Francisco de Orellana

Anthropogenic environment





Artificial mound in the Marajó island

Geoglyphs in the Acre State

Amazonian Dark Earth



Public Archaeology as an example of social sustainability

"Domestic collections"







Project Musealização do geoglifo Tequinho: Arqueologia Comunitária no Acre



Tequinho geoglyph



Activities with children from schools close to the archaeological site



Handicraft production inspired in archaeological remains as an example of economic sustainability

Market of Paracuri

"Marivaldo ceramic art – we produce archaeological remains, marajoara, tapajônica, maraca, kunaní and icoaraci ceramic – 150 km away."



Ceramics inspired by the material culture of the most famous complex indigenous societies



Muiraquitãs: archaeological and contemporaneous ones





"Icoaraci ceramics"



Liceu escola de Artes e Ofícios Mestre Raimundo Cardoso



Store in Lisbon called Jangada Solta



Advertisement of a multinational compagny

"Sustainable increase. This is the basis of Cargill's business."

