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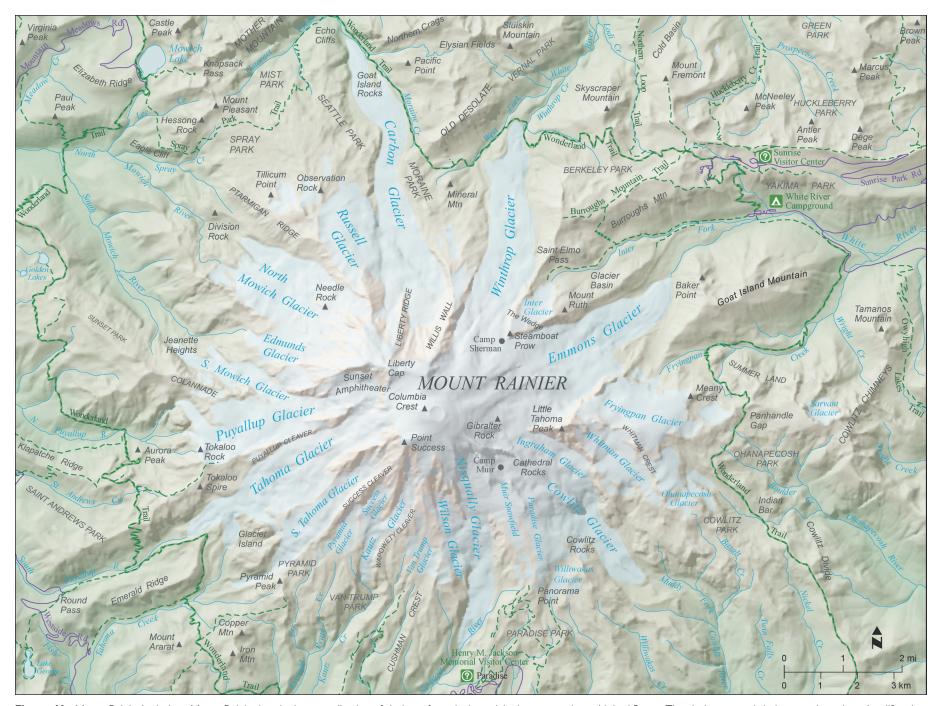


Figure 41. Mount Rainier's glaciers. Mount Rainier has the largest collection of glaciers of any single peak in the conterminous United States. The glaciers not only help carve the volcano's edifice, but also provide a source of water for lahars and groundwater for hydrothermal alteration.