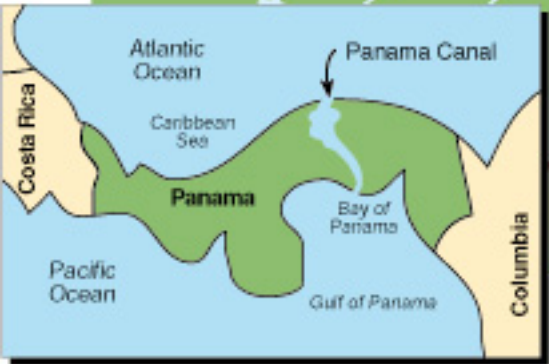









Caribbean Sea



Barro Colorado Island



Panama Canal Milestones

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|  |  |  |  |  |
| 1513
Balboa
discovers
Pacific from
the isthmus | 1878
French begin
digging
Panama
Canal | 1904
U.S. takes
over project | 1914
Panama
Canal opens | 1999
Panama
takes over
canal |