

Overview of Settlement History on Sable Island

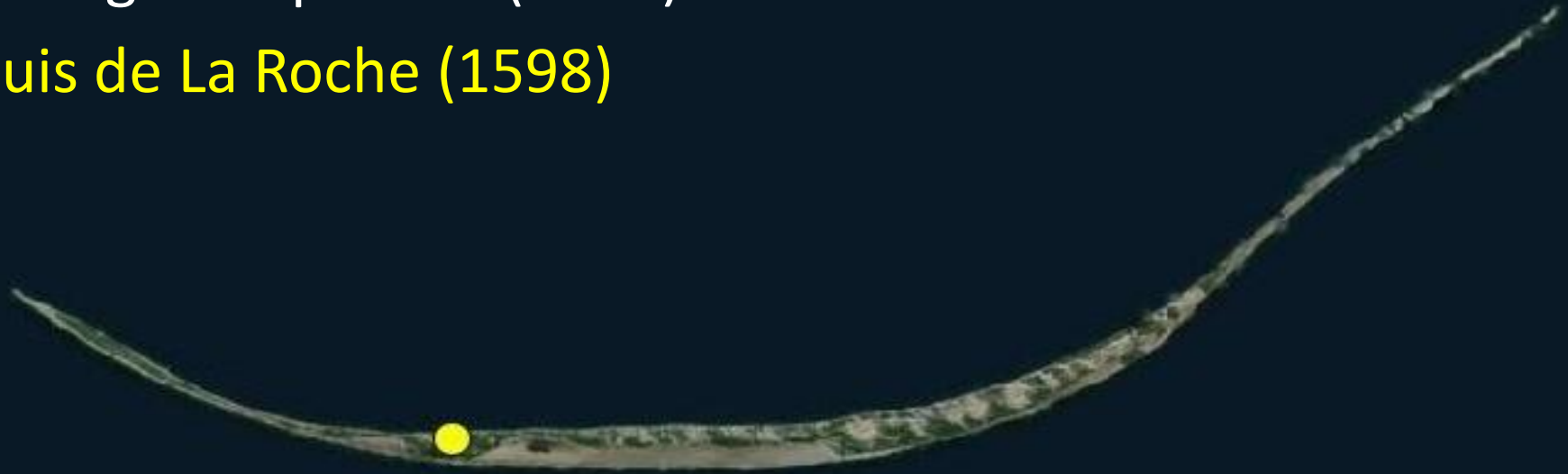
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16th Century

- Joao Alvares Fagundes (Early 16th Century)
- Baron De Levy (Mid to Late 16th Century)
- HMS Delight Shipwreck (1583)
- **Marquis de La Roche (1598)**



17th Century

- Continuation of Marquis de La Roche (1598-1603)
- John Rose (1633)
- Visits by Acadians from the mainland



18th Century

- Saint Jerome shipwreck (1714)
- Military Occupation (1725)
- Cathrine shipwreck (1737)
- Andrew LeMercier (1737-1753)
- Major Robert Elliot (1760)

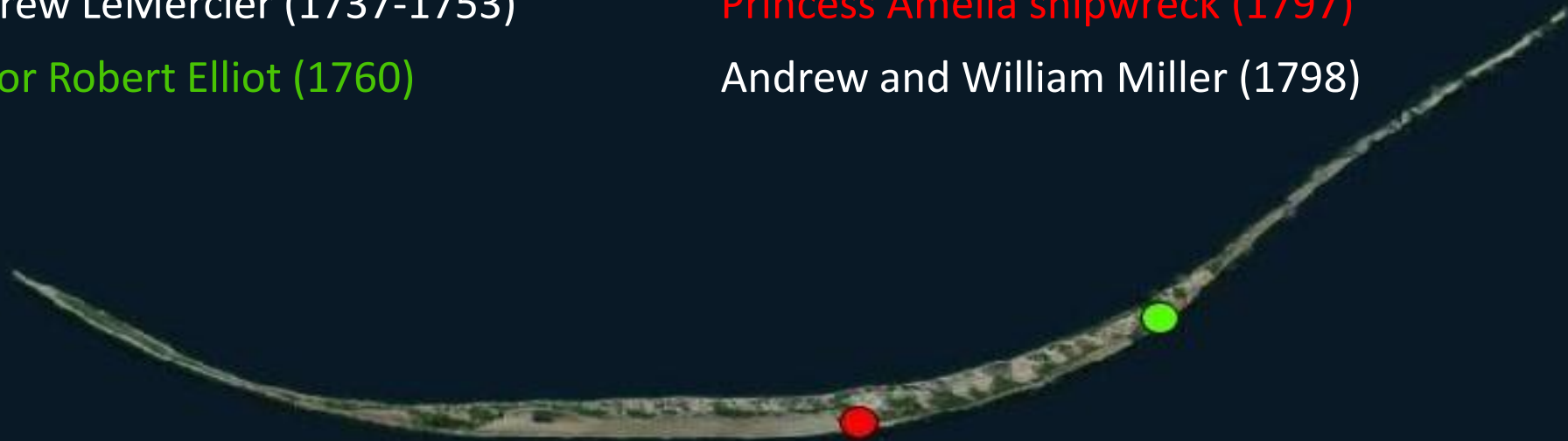
Unnamed Shipwreck (1766)

Joseph Desbarres (1766-1780)

Jesse Lawrence (1789)

Princess Amelia shipwreck (1797)

Andrew and William Miller (1798)



Arrival of the Sable Island Humane Establishment Employees

- Halfway House
- Fish house

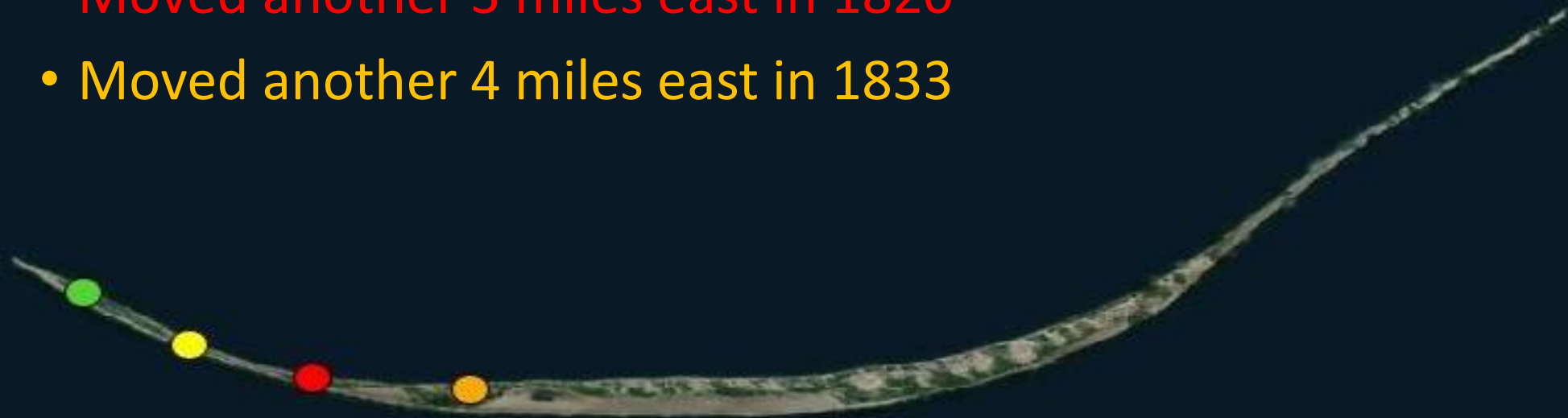
Patrick King and family

Humane Establishment Shelters



Main Station

- The original Main Station complex was built in 1801
- Moved 3 miles east in 1814
- Moved another 3 miles east in 1820
- Moved another 4 miles east in 1833



South Side Station

- May have been on the island prior to 1801
- Was abandoned around 1849, but still standing in 1886



Station #2

- Built around 1880
- Was re-located in 1892
- Original Station #2 used as a schoolhouse for the Island children



East End of the Lake Station

- Originally built in 1803
- Re-built in 1849, 1854 and 1886
- Abandoned in 1936



Station #4 (East End Station)

- Built around 1833 on the north side of the Island
- Re-built in 1890
- Abandoned in 1927



East Lighthouse

- Operational in 1873
- Replaced in 1935
- Re-built in 1974



West Lighthouse

- Operational in 1872
- Re-built in 1883, 1888, 1916, 1940, 1947, 1951 and 1971



Additional Structures During the Humane Establishment Period

- Survival Huts
- Marconi Wireless Station
- Meteorological Station



Temporary Shipwreck Survivor Camps

- Hannah and Eliza (1801)
- Harriet (1804)
- Africaine (1822)



Conclusion

- The earliest visit known to Sable Island occurred in 1583
- Over the next 200 years the island was visited or occupied on a semi-regular basis
- Sable Island has been continuously settled since 1801
- Variety of different types of settlement and occupation on the island (Shipwreck camps, entrepreneurs, structures related to the Humane Establishment)
- Traces of these settlements and occupation history are left on the Island

