Geomorphology Lab

Alpine and Continental Glaciation

Answer Key:

- 1. See attached map with color coded key.
- 1.1 The glaciers on the west side of the ridge are larger than the eastern side glaciers. This is likely a result of the rain shadow effect with the west side glaciers receiving higher amounts of precipitation.
- 1.2 The streams draining the east side of the Sierra Nevada flow into glacial drift.
- 2. See attached sketch map.
- 2.2 The direction of movement is from NW to SE. The evidence is the drumlins lining Stink Lake tapered in the down ice direction.
- 2.3 The change in elevation marks the extent of the ice, from a knob and kettle landscape to an outwash plain.
- 3.1 Continental ice sheets shaped this area. Evidence includes knobs and kettles as well as the low relief.
- 3.2 A contorted drainage pattern exists in this area.
- 3.3 The gravel pits are areas where the glacial drift is being mined material transported and deposited by the ice.

C - cirque -A- Arête H-Horn C-col 1 - 10m t-Paternoster lake 4- Trough - U-shyped rema - lateral mortaine HV- Harging Valley



