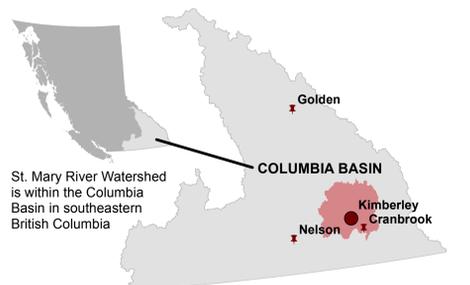


A **watershed** is an area of land in which all rain, melted snow and ice, and small tributaries drain into a common body of water such as a creek, river or lake.

For example, the Columbia Basin, or **watershed**, is the large land base where all the water that falls as precipitation will eventually drain from, through a system of lakes, rivers, streams, reservoirs and glaciers, into the Columbia River. This water will eventually flow into the Pacific Ocean.

The main source of water for the City of Kimberley is Mark Creek. Marysville's water source is Matthew Creek. The Mark and Matthew Creek Watersheds are part of the St. Mary River Watershed, which contains all the land, rivers and streams that drain into the St. Mary River.



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