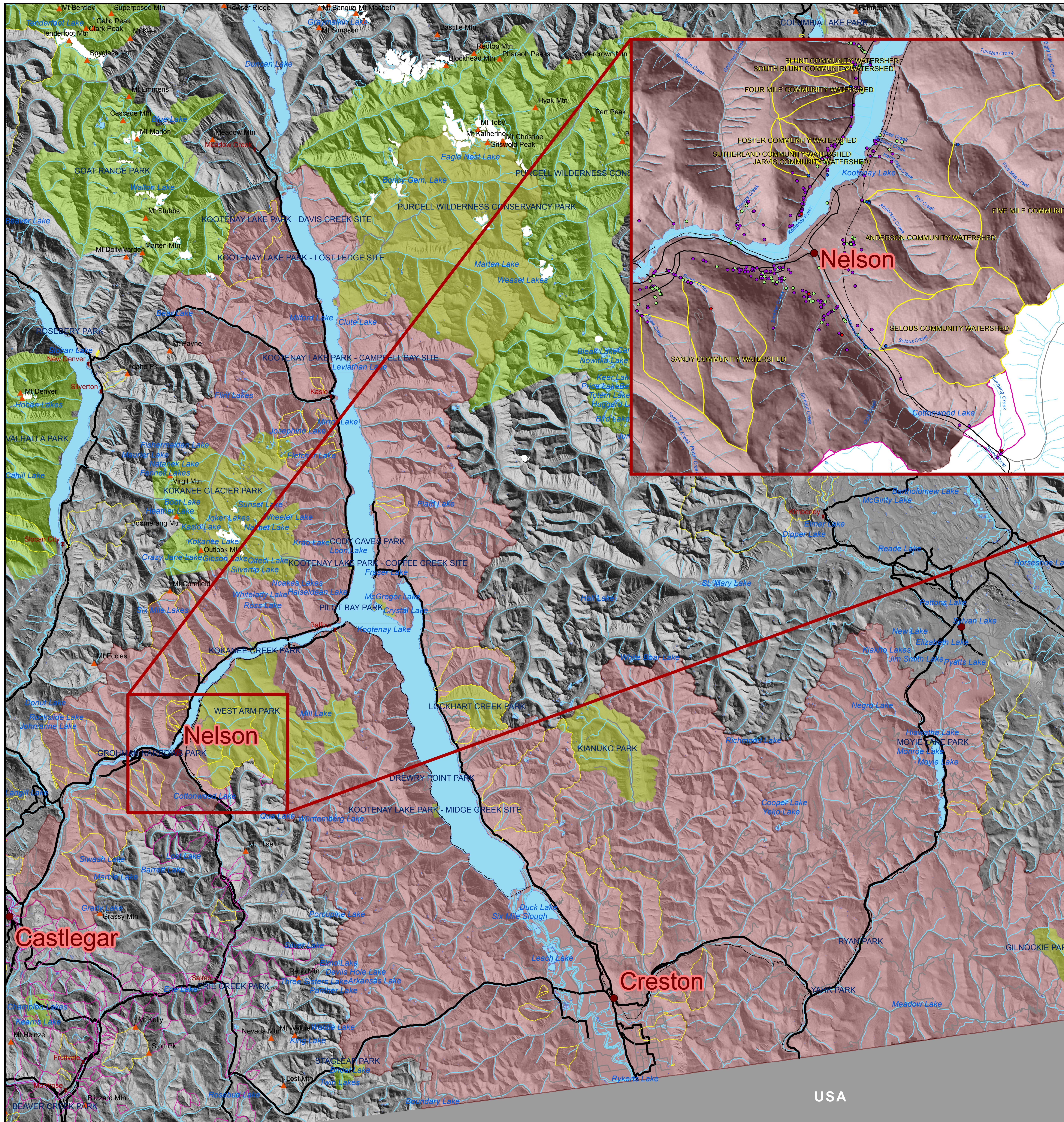


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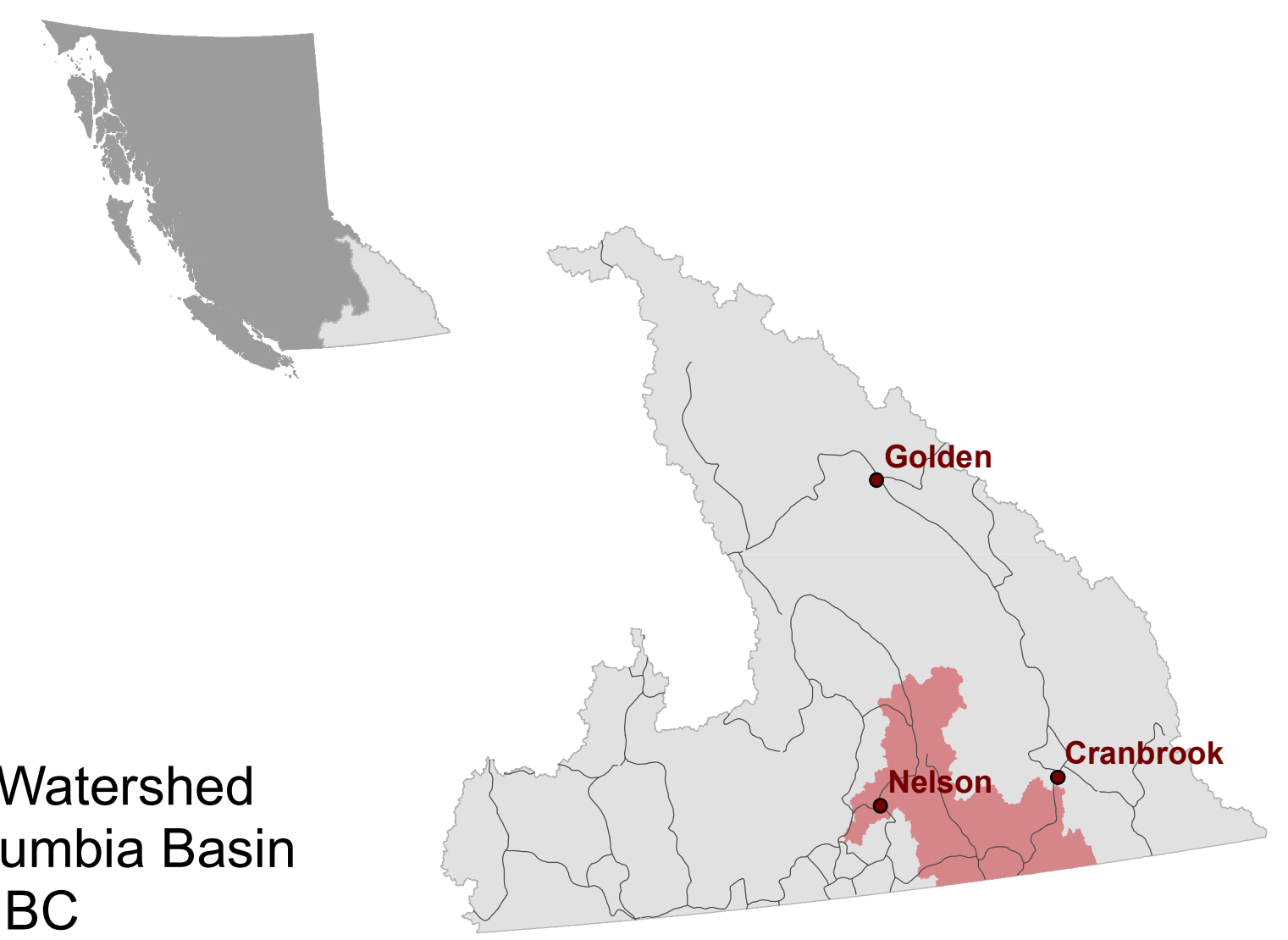
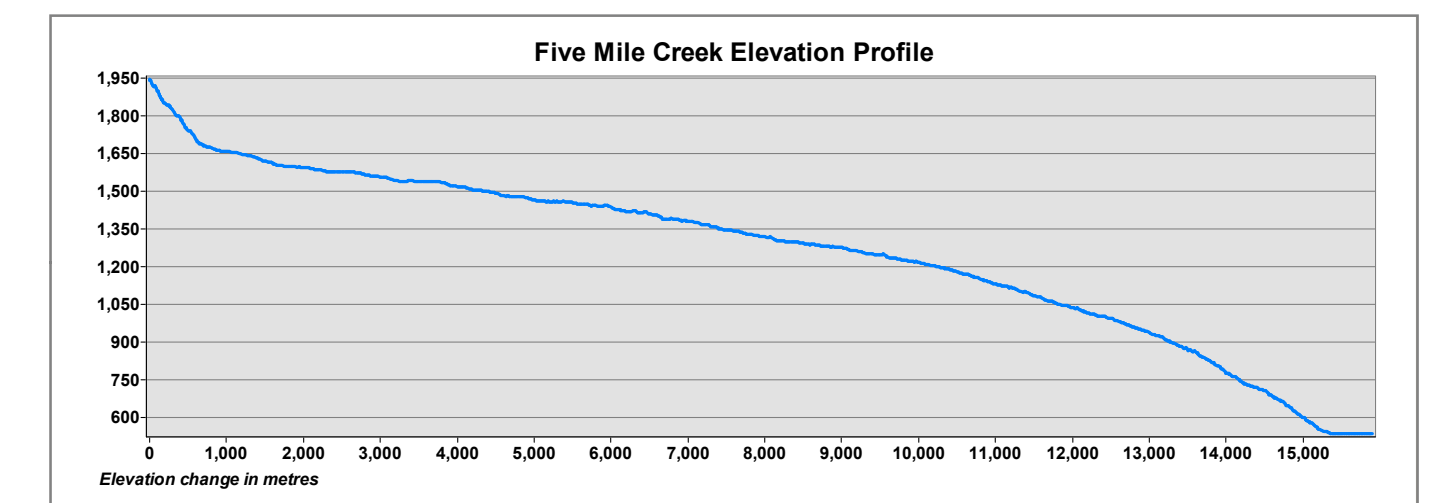


A **watershed** is an area of land in which all rain and snow runoff and small tributaries drain into a common body of water such as a creek, river or lake.

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.

Kootenay Lake Watershed contains all the land, rivers and streams that drain into Kootenay Lake.

The main source of water for the City of Nelson is Five Mile Creek. The Five Mile Creek Watershed is part of the Kootenay Lake Watershed.



Kootenay Lake Watershed is within the Columbia Basin in southeastern BC

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