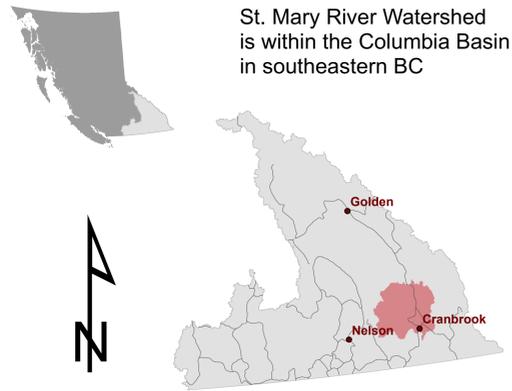
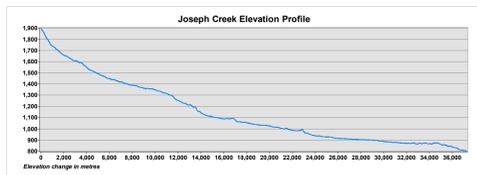


A **watershed** is an area of land in which all rain and snow runoff and small tributaries drain into a common body of water such as a creek, river or lake.

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.

St. Mary River Watershed contains all the land, rivers and streams that drain into St. Mary River.

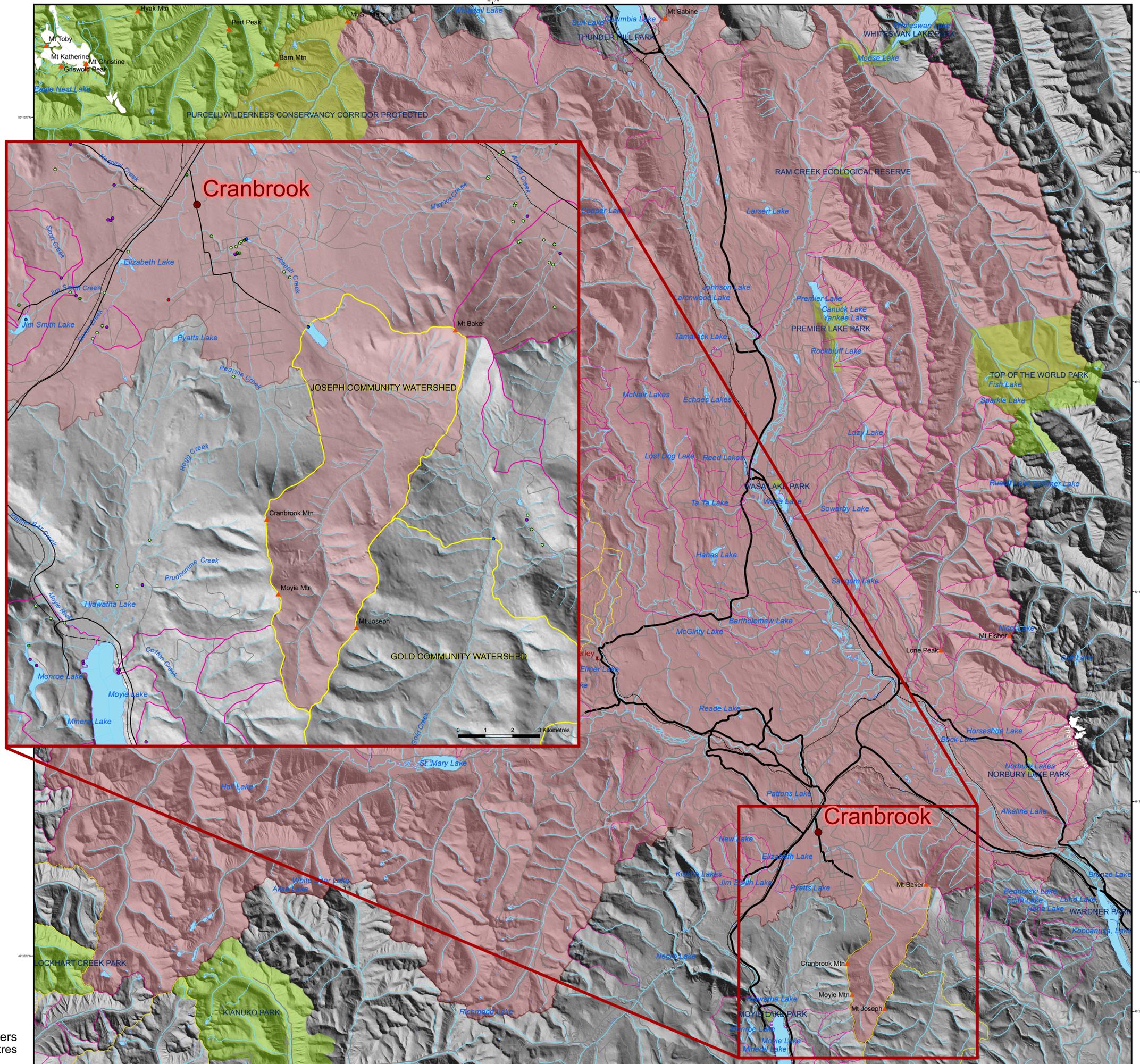
The City of Cranbrook's water source is Joseph Creek, which is part of the St. Mary River watershed.



St. Mary River Watershed is within the Columbia Basin in southeastern BC

**Legend**

- Communities
- ✦ Other Communities
- ▲ Mountain Peaks
- Water Licenses:
  - COMMERCIAL
  - CONSERVATION
  - DOMESTIC
  - AGRICULTURE
  - FIRE
  - POWER
  - WATERWORKS
- Transportation:
  - Rail
  - Gravel Roads
  - Paved Roads
- Community Watershed:
  - Community Watershed (Yellow outline)
  - Glaciers (Light Blue)
  - Lakes (Blue)
  - GroundWater/Aquifer (Orange)
  - BC Parks and protected areas (Light Green)
  - National Parks (Dark Green)
  - St. Mary River Watershed (Red outline)



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