

Rocky Mountain Mapping Center

Analyzing Watersheds With GIS - Answer Key

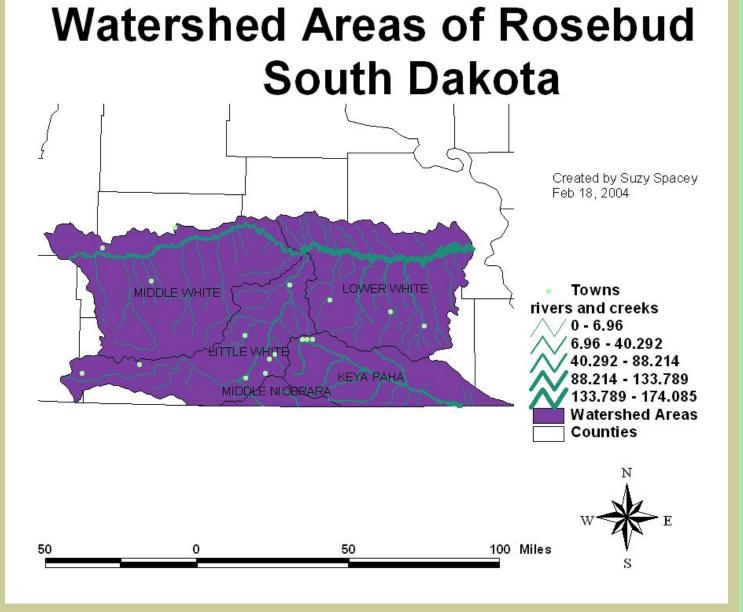
Author: Joseph J. Kerski, USGS, jjkerski@usgs.gov, 303-202-4315 1) [Cheyenne River] 2) [2,801,789.8] 3) [Fourth] 4) [917,648.1] 5) [Sort table on field "acres" descending. Could have queried on "Indian Reservation first, but wasn't necessary since the desired data appears near the top of the table] 6) [5] 7) [Lower White, Middle White, Little White, Keya Paha, Middle Niobrara] 8) [5] 9) [5 records were selected in the intersection above and used to create 5 polygons when converted to a new shapefile] 10) [Middle White] 11) [Little White] 12) [147 rivers and creeks] 13) [Most water flows into the White River] [White River flows from West to East – Middle White to Lower White] [In the SouthEast of the Study Area, water flows into the Keya Paha River] 14) [Lower White River] 15) [No, since it displays as a much wider river on the map]

16) [90 cubic feet per second]

17) [20 minutes]
18) [They show equal acreage]
19) [The two values are very different now, and reflect the true acreage.]
20) [Rosebud Indian Reservation]
21) [Tertiary (silt, sandstone, clay) and Upper Cretaceous (shale, chalk)]
22) [17 cities]
23) [Rosebud CDP with population = 1538]
24) [11,781]
25) [In the table, highlight field "Pop100". Bring up Field> Statistics]
26) [2 whole counties]
27) [8 partial counties]
28) [Rosebud cities]
29) [unit]
30) [Keya Paha]
31) [Little White]
32) [No]
33) [visual examination of the map after selection of cities from the table]
34) [In the next window,
1) Select theme to assign data to = RosebudCities.shp
2) Select theme to assign data from = RosebudWatersheds.shp
3) Finish.]
35) [This operation appended to each RosebudCities record, the watershed fields for the
watershed that contained that city]
36) [3 cities]
37) [Little White contains 8 cities]

- 38) [2.47 km]
- 39) [Gregory county= 053]
- 40) [RosebudAgri table]
- 41) [Jackson County]
- 42) [There is a lot of missing data (indicated by value = -99) and some duplicate entries.]
- 43) [Recalculate based on shape.returnarea again, as above.]
- 44) [Theme Agriculture.shp has the same problem since the above table was created from this table]

Layout example:



45) [Watersheds cut across political boundaries and are key to the health of the region; they are

affected by urban areas, climate, agriculture, and other factors.]

46) [GIS can be used to study watershed areas and their relationships to populated areas, agriculture, geology, and land ownership. I learned how to Intersect and clip data themes to a specific shapefile using the Geoprocessing Wizard.]

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