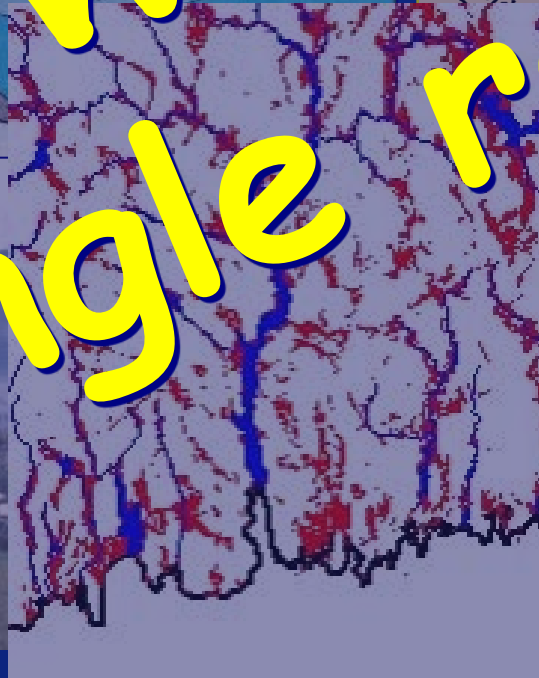


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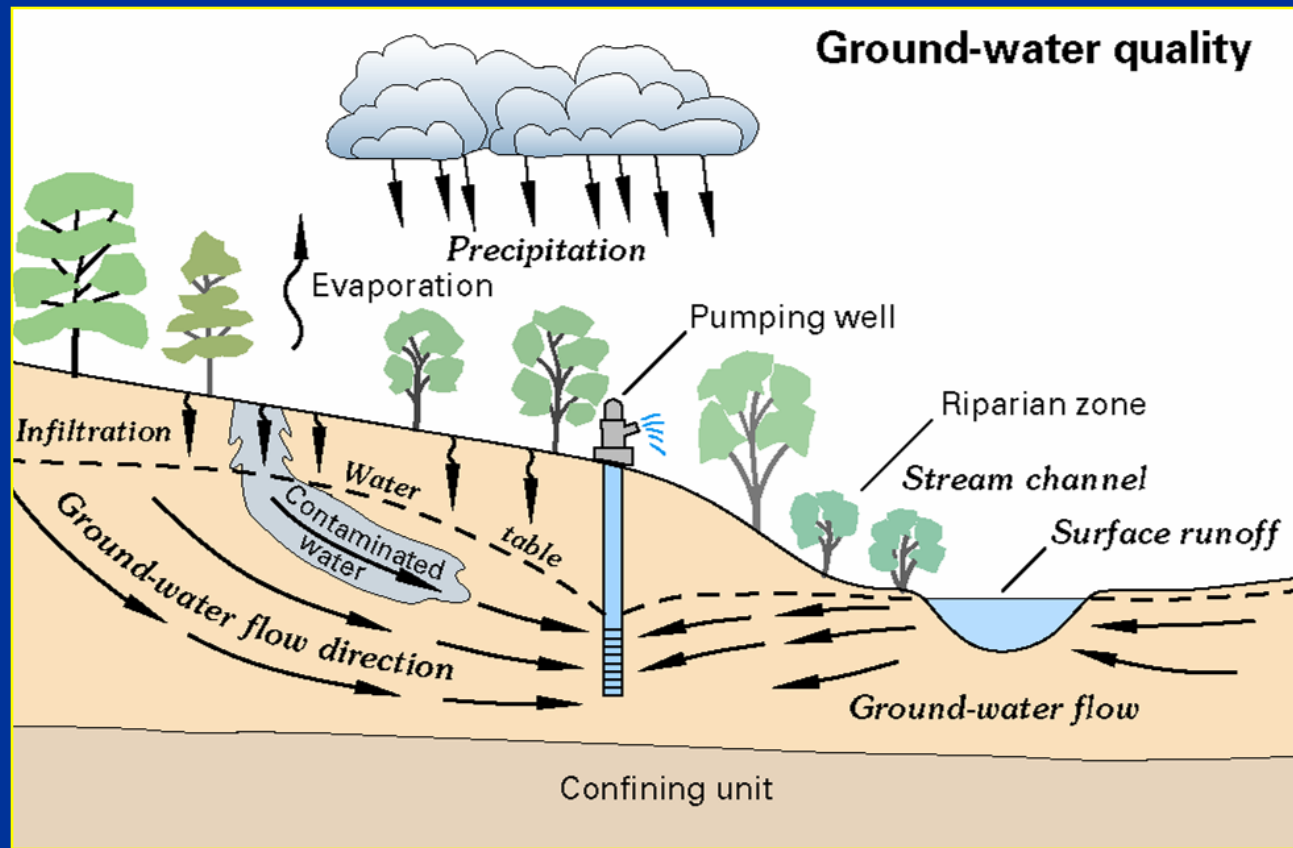
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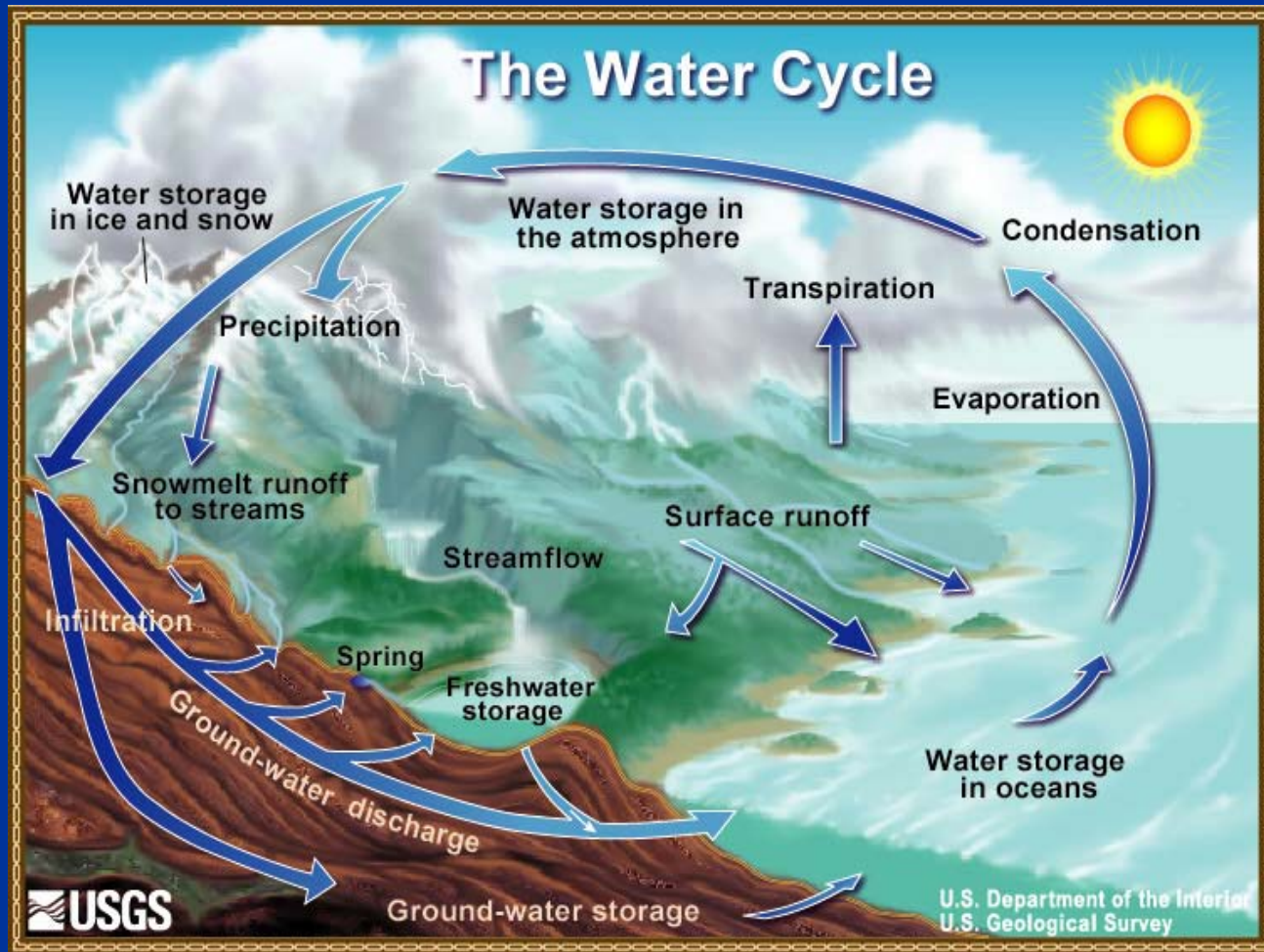
# Watershed

- Area that contributes water to a particular point on a stream or other surface-water feature, such as a lake
- Based on concept that "water runs downhill"
- Also called drainage basin or catchment

# Land use affects the quality of ground water



# Contaminants can come from many sources





**Saskatchewan River  
to Hudson Bay**



**Triple Divide Peak**

**Columbia River  
to Pacific**

**Mississippi River  
to Gulf of Mexico**

# Housatonic River Watershed

