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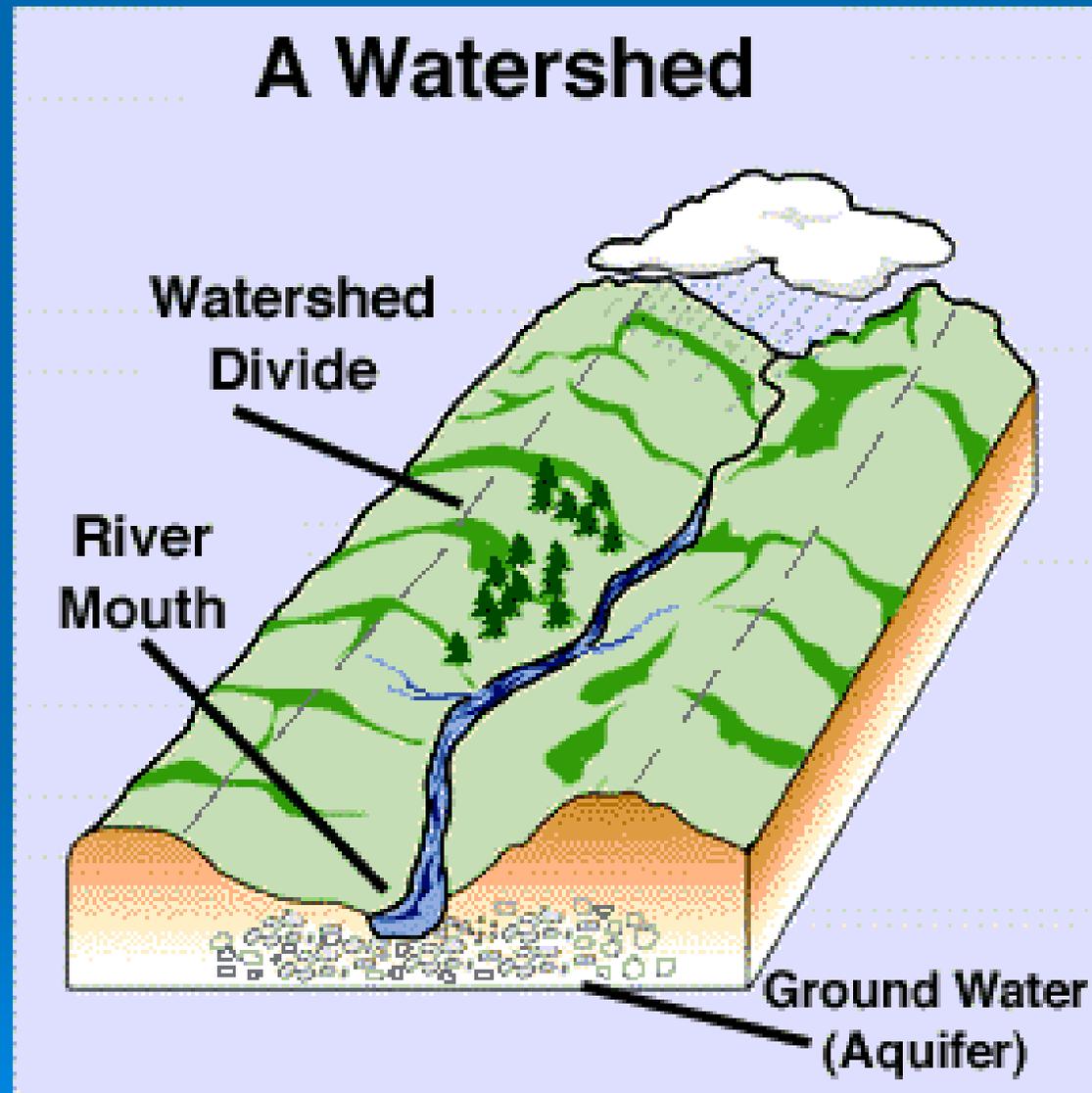
# Where's Your Watershed?



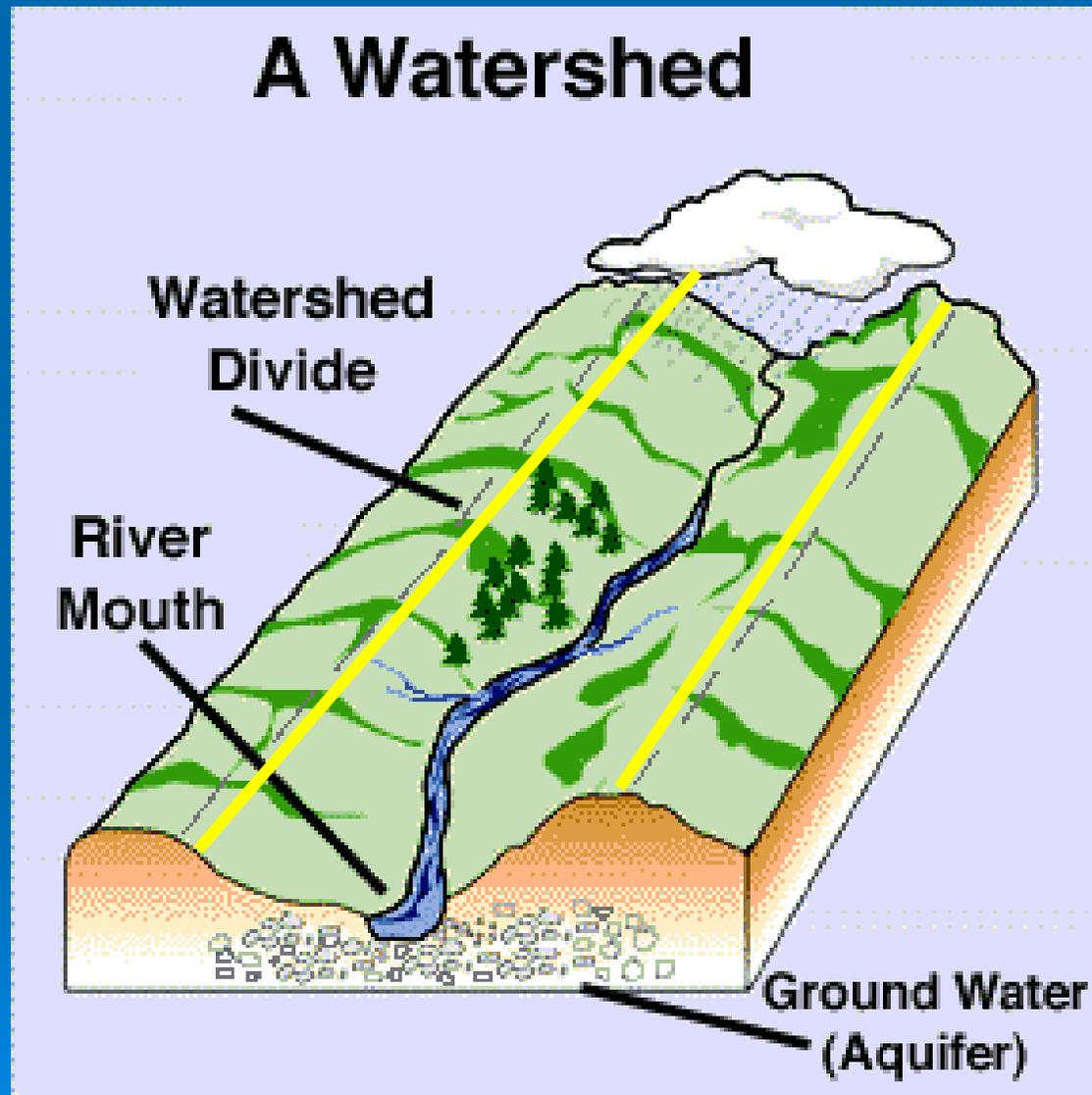
# Watershed

- The land area from which water drains into a stream, river, lake, wetland, or other body of water.
  - Can be any size!
  - There are an endless number of watersheds in the world!
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All the land uphill from the river drains into the river.



The land between the yellow lines is all uphill from the river.



# Basin

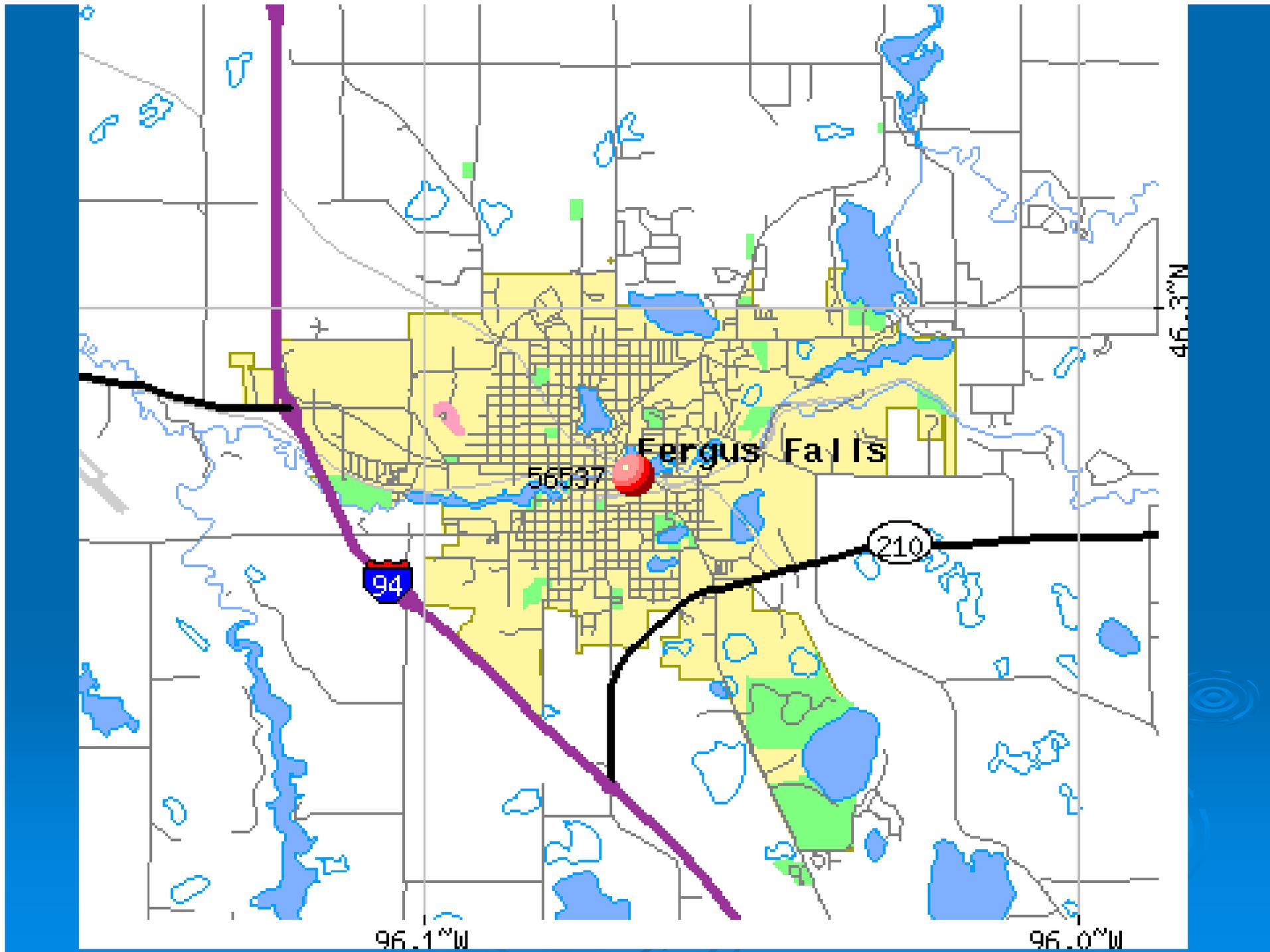
- A basin is the scooped out land that a river, wetland, lake, or stream sits in.

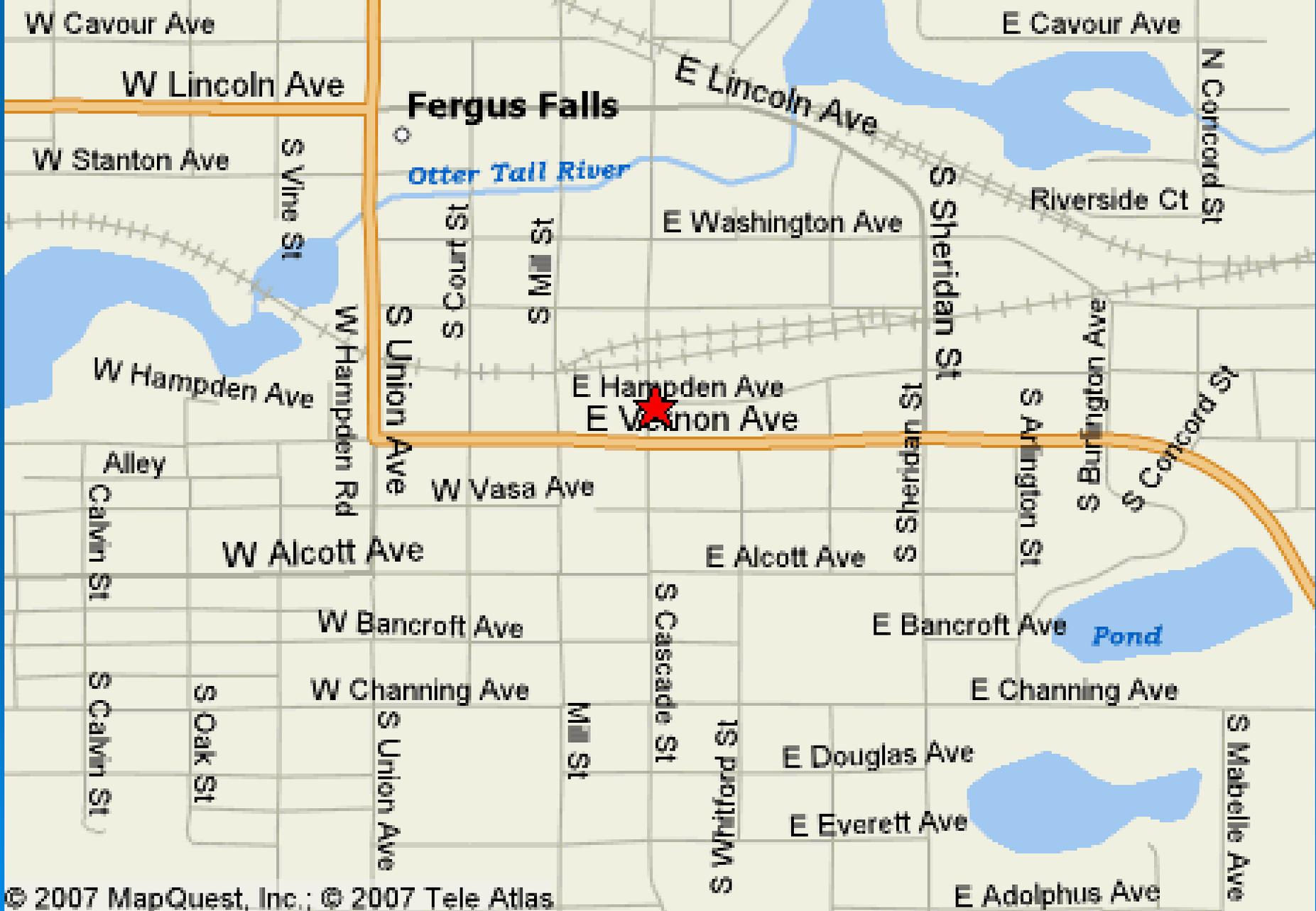


**Let's look at some maps of  
Fergus Falls, MN.**

**Where do you think the water  
goes?**







**Our water  
flows  
overland  
into  
wetlands,  
lakes, and  
the  
Ottertail  
River.**

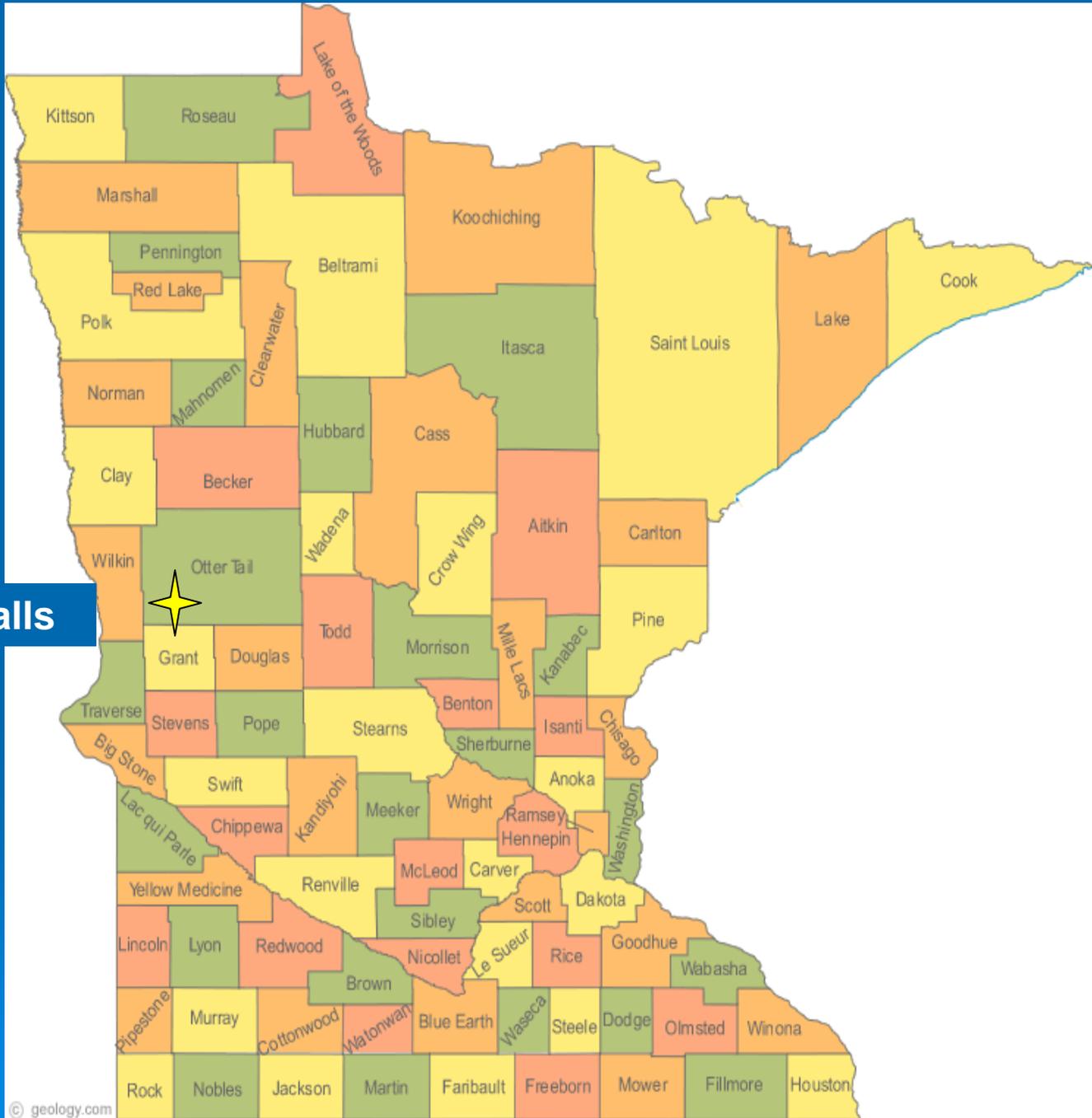


Ottertail River, Fergus Falls

**Fergus Falls is located  
in Otter Tail County.**

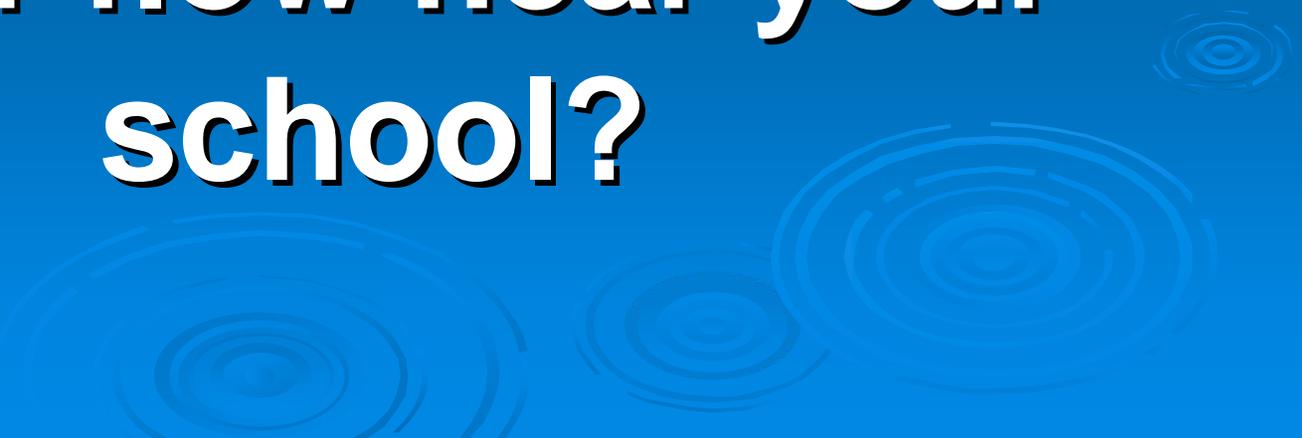
**Which county is your  
school located in?**

Fergus Falls



**The Otter Tail River  
flows through Fergus  
Falls.**

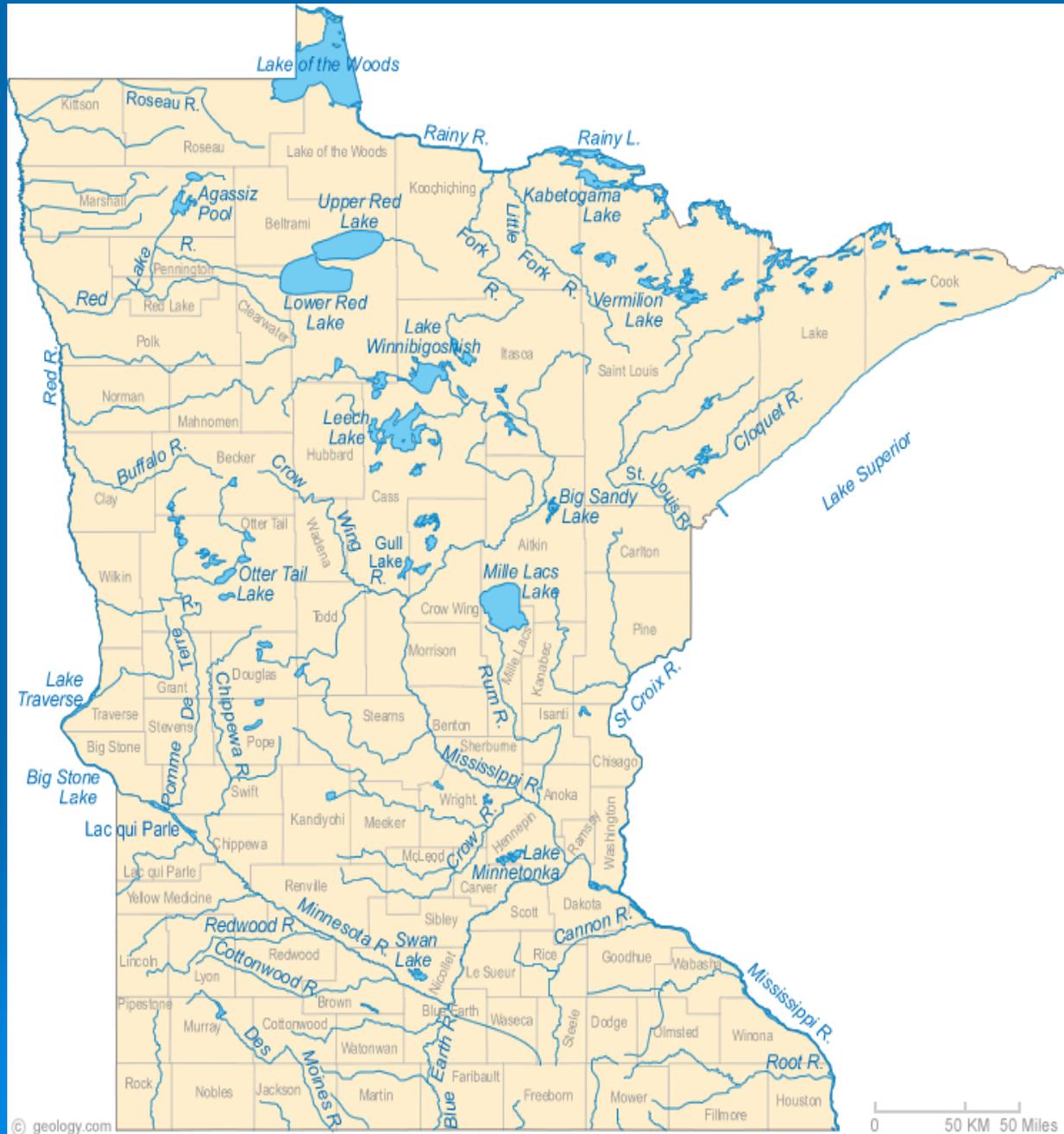
**Does the Otter Tail  
River flow near your  
school?**





**Where does the Otter  
Tail River go after  
Fergus Falls?**





**The Otter Tail River joins the  
Red River of the North.**

**You can tell by looking at  
where two rivers join. It makes  
a V. The V points in the  
direction of the water flow.**

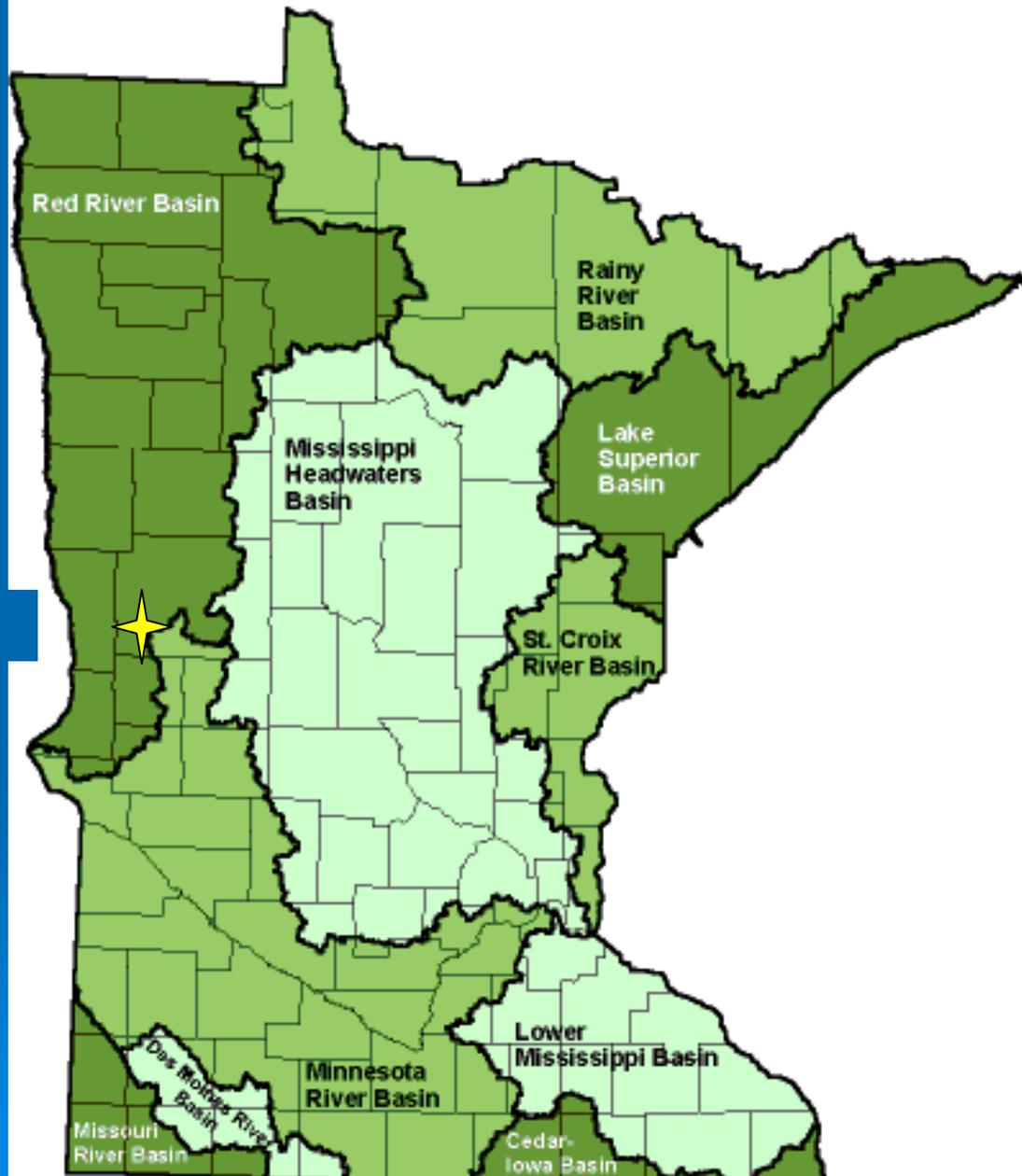
The background of the slide is a solid blue color. At the bottom, there are several faint, light blue circular ripples that resemble water droplets hitting a surface, creating concentric circles.

**Which river basin is  
Fergus Falls located in?**



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**Fergus Falls, the Otter Tail River, and surrounding lands -- are part of the Red River basin.**

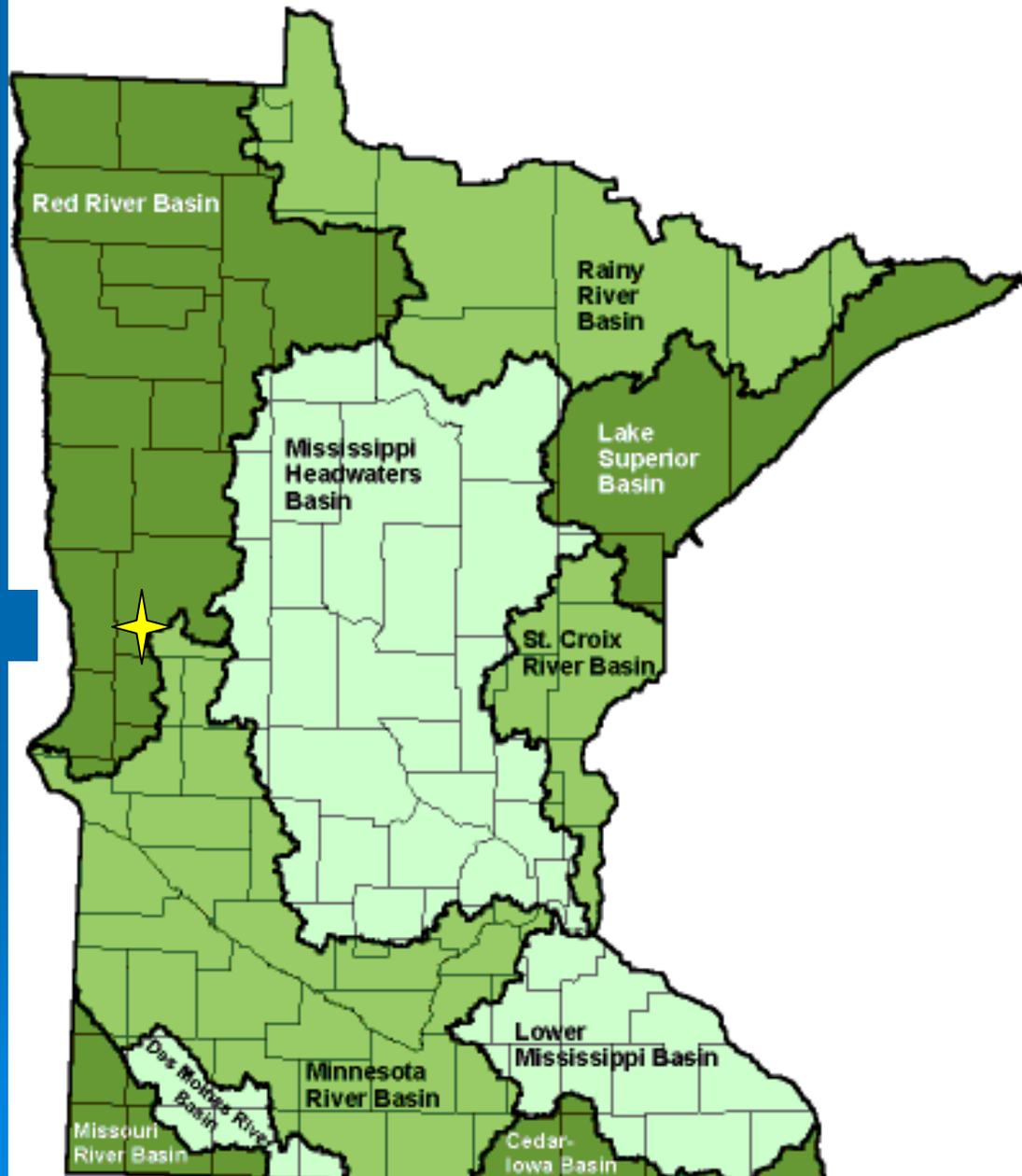
**Surrounding lands include the PWLC!**

**How many river basins are  
found within Minnesota's  
borders?**



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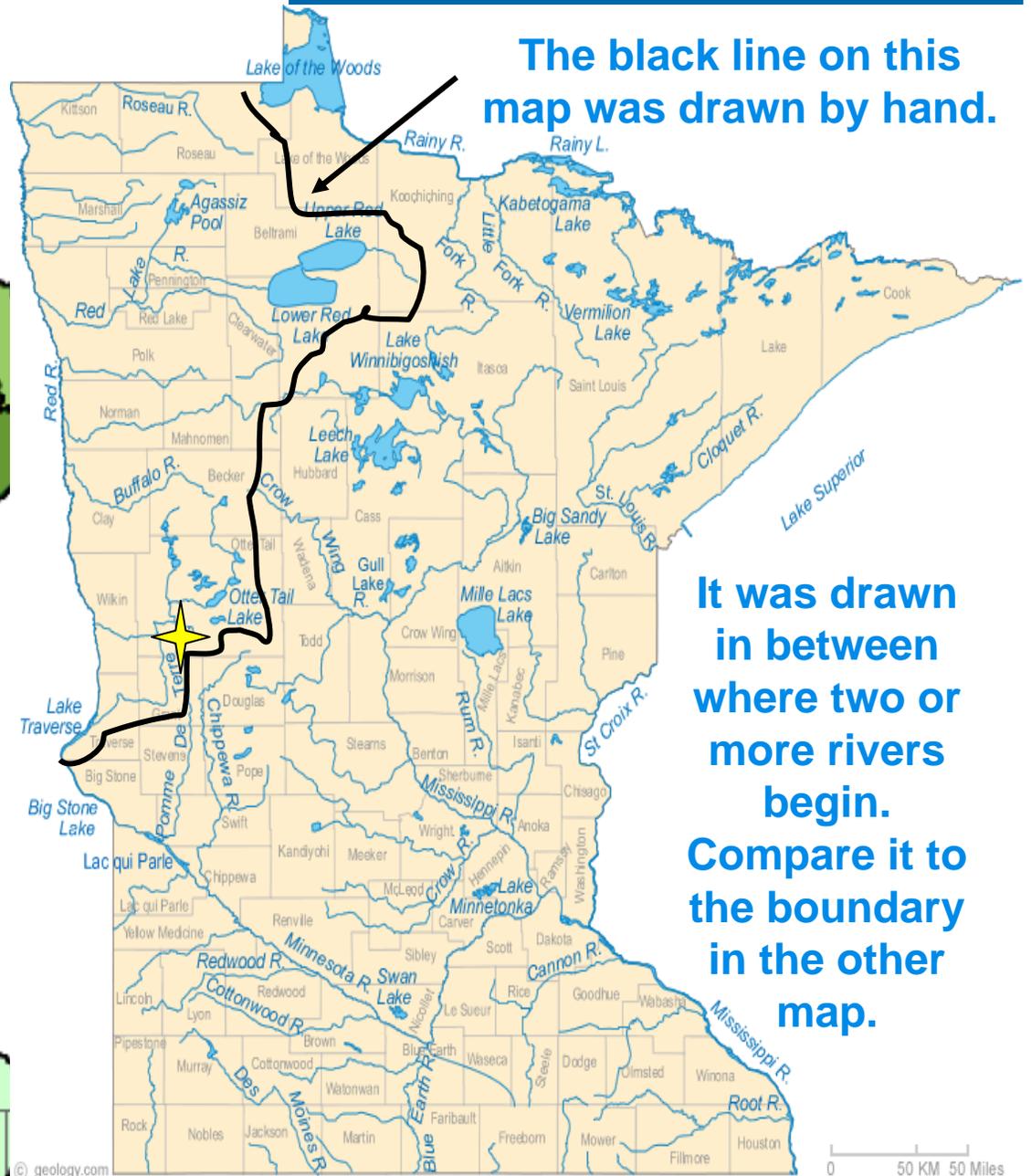
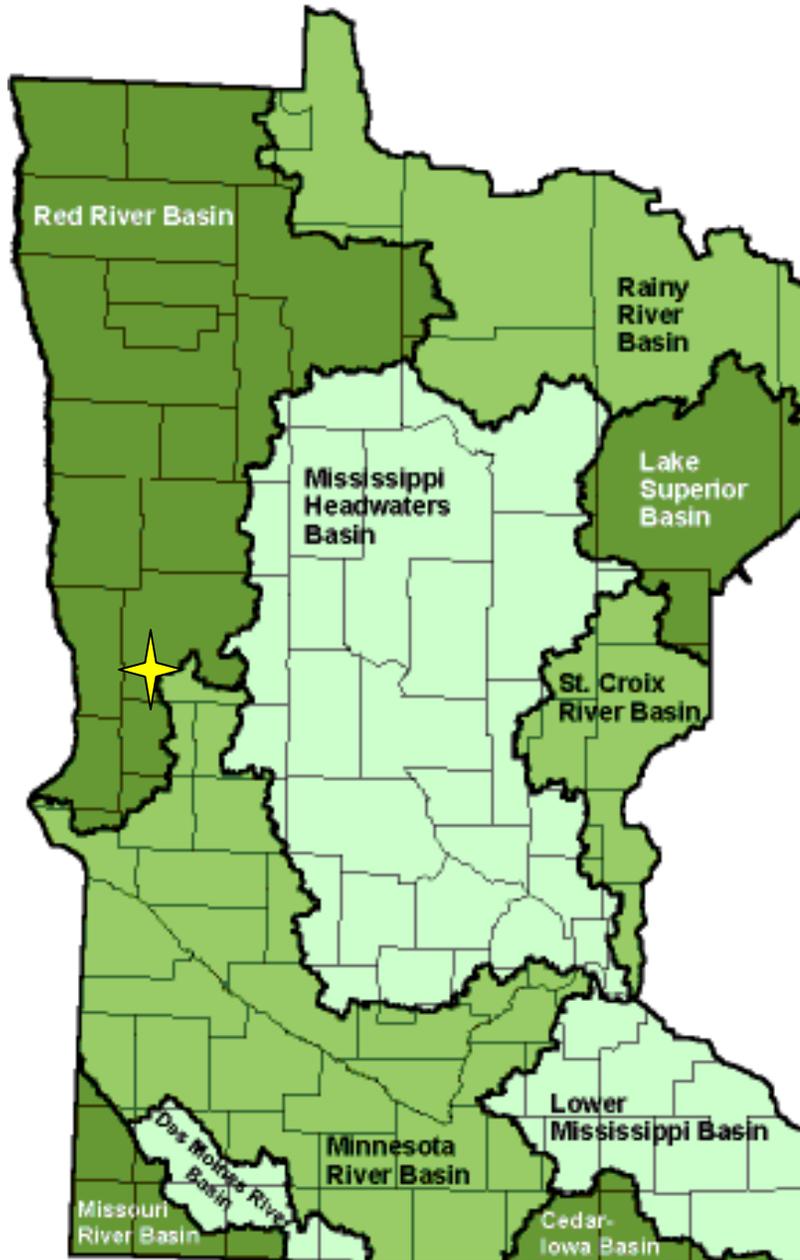
**There are 10 river basins  
within Minnesota's borders.**

**How do we tell where the  
boundaries of the river basins  
are? Look closely at where  
the rivers BEGIN.**

The background of the slide is a solid blue color. In the lower right quadrant, there are several faint, concentric circular ripples, resembling water droplets or ripples on a pond, rendered in a lighter shade of blue.

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The black line on this map was drawn by hand.

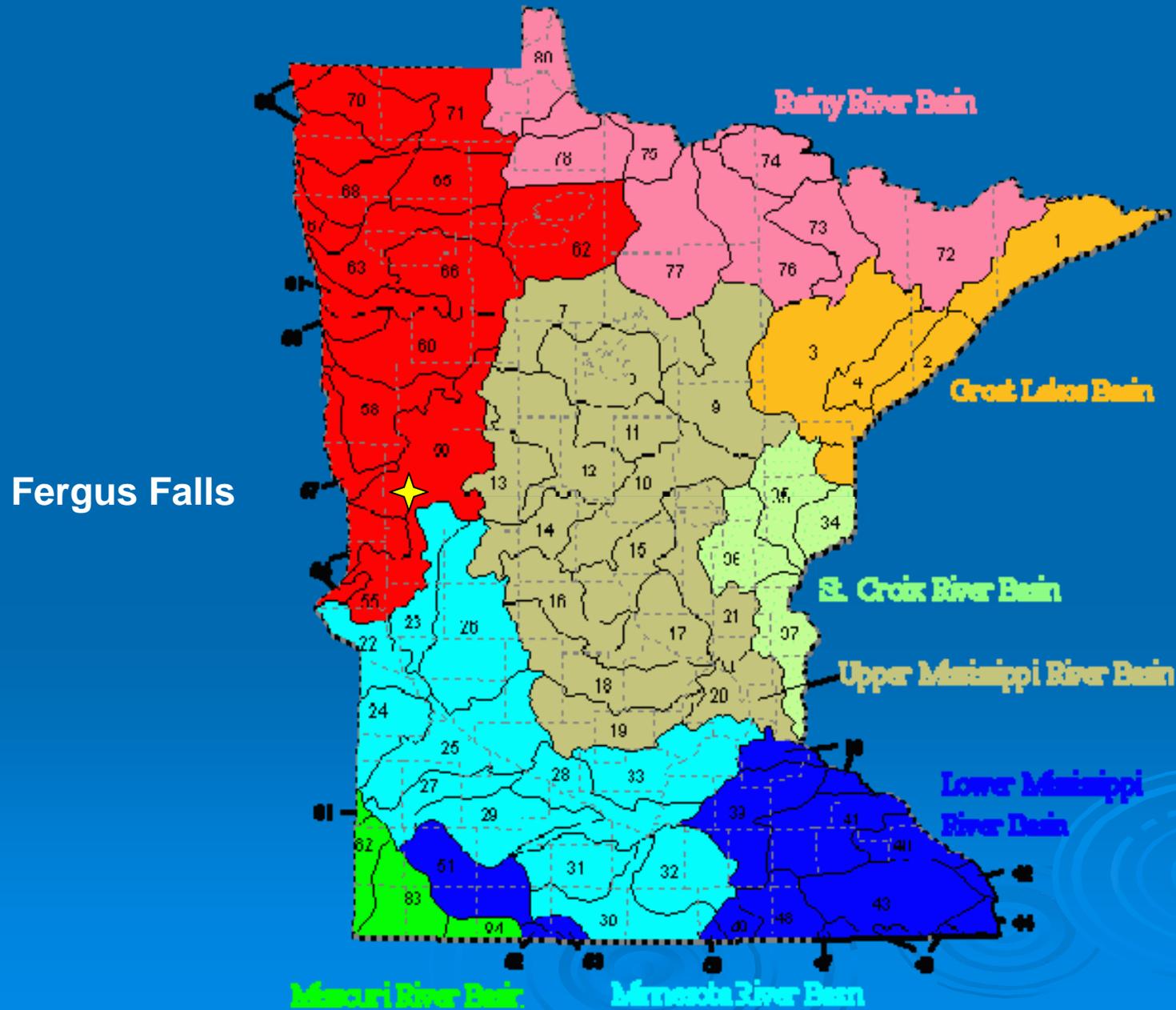
It was drawn in between where two or more rivers begin. Compare it to the boundary in the other map.

**How many smaller watersheds  
are within the Red River Basin  
in Minnesota?**



# MAJOR BASINS AND WATERSHEDS OF MINNESOTA

Red River of the North Basin



**17 watersheds make up  
the Red River basin.**

**#56 is the Otter Tail  
River watershed.**



**When you come to the**



**you'll discover *more* about  
prairie wetlands watersheds!**

