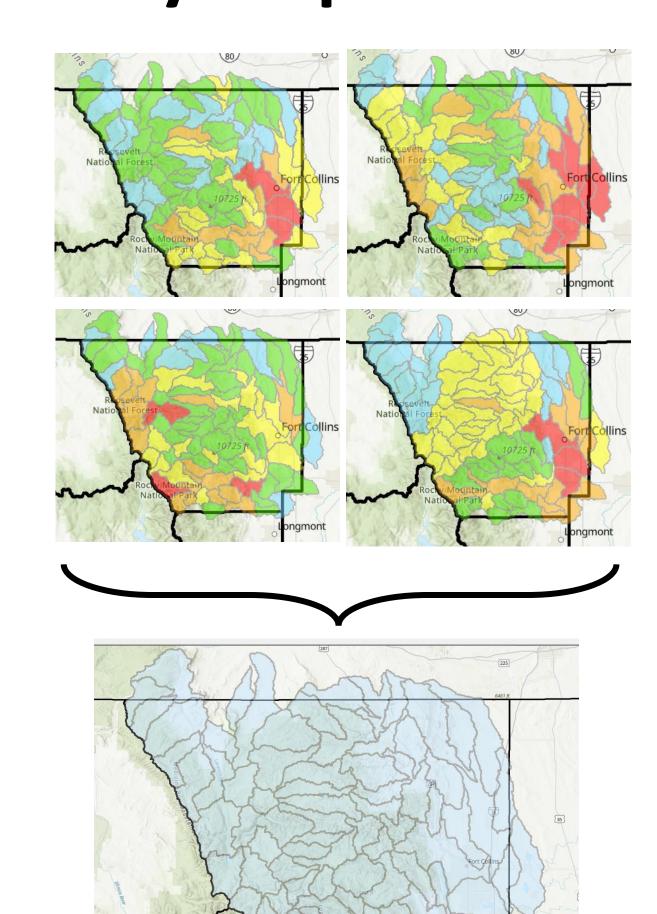
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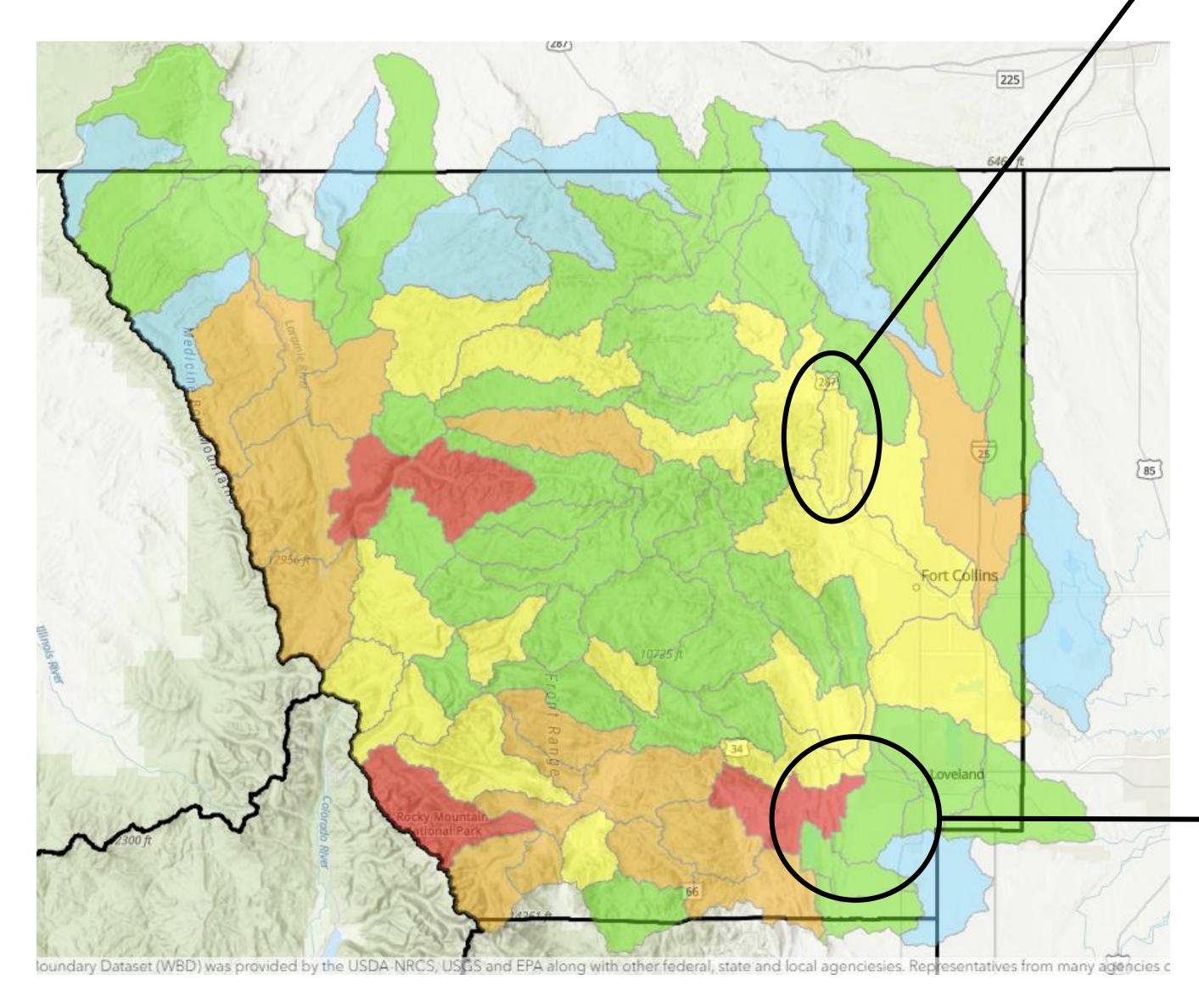
### What is the purpose of these maps?

These maps show water-related risks and vulnerabilities to Larimer County watersheds. By aggregating these maps, the team can create a comprehensive understanding of where potential hazards may occur, where Larimer County should start to prioritize efforts related to water resources, who needs to be involved in the decision-making process, and ultimately help to inform long-term planning strategies.

# Why are there so many maps?



Each colored map represents a different risk category (identified in Poster 4). When aggregated, these maps form an Overview map that offers a more comprehensive perspective, which will be used to inform the Water Plan. To digest the results, we recommend reviewing each category independently (please refer to posters 5-8).



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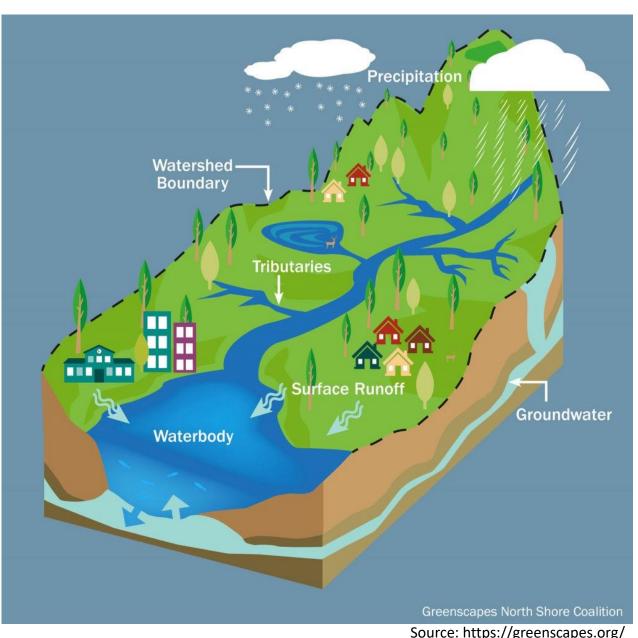


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#### What is a watershed?

- An area of land where all the water that falls as rain or snow drains into a common waterway.
- It acts like a natural basin, collecting and channeling water to a central point.
- Watersheds are scalable. They can be as small as the ones shown on the map, all the way up to Country-wide watersheds, like the Missouri, or the Upper Colorado River Basin.



### What do the colors mean?

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Watershed prioritized

Based on the compiling of the layers in the risk-category mapping assessment, some watersheds might need more timely treatment over others.