



INTRODUCTION

Proposed water-resource development has prompted numerous hydrologic studies of the James River within South Dakota. Several of these hydrologic studies identified the need for drainage area data within the basin. Drainage area data are useful in determining hydrologic characteristics of stream basins such as the rates and volumes of runoff.

Previous determination of the drainage areas of portions of the basin was done prior to the availability of U.S. Geological Survey 7½ minute topographic maps. Thus, the original drainage area data lacked the degree of accuracy which the 7½ minute topographic maps now make possible.

PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This map report identifies drainage areas for both named and unnamed tributaries within the James River basin in South Dakota which have drainage areas larger than 10 mi². The drainage areas upstream from all U.S. Geological Survey streamflow-gaging stations within the basin in South Dakota are also identified.

The drainage area boundaries were delineated by visual interpretation of contour information shown on U.S. Geological Survey 7½ minute topographic maps. The area of each drainage area was determined by tracing the drainage boundary on the topographic maps with an electronic digitizer. The original topographic maps on which the drainage boundaries were delineated are on file in the U.S. Geological Survey Office, Federal Building, Huron, South Dakota. The number, name, and area of each drainage area identified on the map are contained in table 1. Names in parentheses were added to differentiate among drainage areas with identical names. Any unnamed drainage areas were assigned names during the boundary delineation process explained above.

The drainage areas upstream from U.S. Geological Survey streamflow-gaging stations within the James River basin are shown in table 2. The areas of the James River basin in North Dakota were obtained from the North Dakota District office of the U.S. Geological Survey in Bismarck. At the time that the North Dakota drainage areas were developed, 7½ minute topographic maps were not available for the entire basin in North Dakota. If the drainage area of the James River basin in North Dakota is ever recognized based on data strictly from 7½ minute topographic maps, the drainage areas of those streamflow-gaging stations in table 2 with drainages in North Dakota should be adjusted as necessary.

The area of the James River drainage basin in South Dakota is 14,408 mi². The area of the James River drainage basin in North Dakota is 6,408 mi². The total area of the James River drainage basin in South Dakota and North Dakota is 21,116 mi². About 20 percent (4,148 mi²) of the total drainage area is noncontributing.

CONVERSION FACTORS

The following factors can be used to convert inch-pound units in this report to metric (International System) units:

Multiply inch-pound unit	By	To obtain metric unit
mile	1.609	kilometer
square mile (mi²)	2.590	square kilometer

Table 1.--Drainage areas within the James River basin in South Dakota

[Names in parentheses were added to differentiate between tributaries with identical names; individual drainage areas may not add to totals because of independent rounding.]

Map number	Drainage-area name	Drainage area (mi²)
1	State line/Medica gage east reach	4.89
2	State line/Medica gage west reach	2.24
3	Medica gage/Dry Run (Hud) reach	19.2
4	Dry Run (Hud)	44.8
5	Medica gage/Houghton Dam reach	16.5
6	Dry Run (Hud)/Houghton Dam reach	1.50
7	Hud Lake Reservoir	4.77
8	Houghton Dam/Walstead tributary reach	8.31
9-10	Brainard tributary (total)	53.5
9	Brainard tributary noncontributing	(23.2)
10	Brainard tributary	30.3
11	Houghton Dam/Columbia Road Dam reach	20.0
12	Brainard tributary/Columbia Road Dam reach	12.7
13	Columbia Road Reservoir	8.45
14	Columbia Road Dam/Garland tributary reach	1.50
15	Garland tributary	86.1
16	Columbia Road Dam/Columbia gage reach	7.12
17	Garland tributary/Columbia gage reach	3.02
18	Columbia gage/Elm River reach	.01
19-28	Elm River (total)	482
19	Lorraine tributary	6.53
20	Wachter tributary	18.0
21	Weber tributary	21.7
22	Carl tributary	23.2
23-24	Dry Branch (total)	58.1
23	Sewer Branch	2.30
24	Dry Branch	51.8
25	Maple River	50.0
26-27	Willow Creek (total)	190
26	Dry Run (Willow)	70.5
27	Willow Creek	119
28	Elm River	119
29	Columbia gage/Crow Creek reach	25.2
30-35	Crow Creek Drainage Ditch (total)	836
30	Crow Creek Drainage Ditch noncontributing	(185)
31-32	Dayton-Crow Ditch (total)	70.6
31	Dayton-Stems Ditch	16.2
32	Dayton-Crow Ditch	54.4
33	Newport-Medison Ditch	155
34	Portage Detroit Ditch	98.8
35	Crow Creek Drainage Ditch	327
36	Crow Creek Drainage Ditch/Riverside School tributary reach	2.58
37-38	Riverside School tributary (total)	45.5
37	Pulney tributary	13.6
38	Riverside School tributary	31.9
39	Elm River/Moccasin Creek reach	10.0
40-41	Moccasin Creek (total)	387
40	Foot Creek	196
41	Moccasin Creek	191
42	Riverside School tributary/Stratford gage reach	37.4
43	Moccasin Creek/Stratford gage reach	29.2
44	Stratford gage/Mud Creek reach	6.24
45-52	Mud Creek (total)	782
45-46	West Hansen tributary (total)	188
45	Mud Creek noncontributing	(64.2)
46	West Hansen tributary	124
47-48	Groton tributary (total)	204
47	Annelage Creek	38.2
48	Groton tributary	166
49	Synagogue School tributary	23.4
50	Excelsior School tributary	10.2
51	Rumseyview School tributary	321
52	Mud Creek	321
53	Stratford gage/Gallup tributary reach	14.6
54	Gallup tributary	30.7
55	Mud Creek/Ashton gage reach	40.1
56	Gallup tributary/Ashton gage reach	3.28
57	Ashton gage/Snake Creek reach	2.84
58-96	Snake Creek (total)	2,557
58	Crompton Lake tributary	19.8
59	Board tributary	49.0
60	Washington tributary	34.3
61-63	Lake Parnley tributary (total)	183
61	Plainview Colony tributary	88.4
62	Robetta Lake tributary	13.4
63	Johnson Creek	81.1
64	Manfield tributary	188
65-94	South Fork Snake Creek (total)	1,941
65	Lathan School tributary	29.5
66	Taylor School tributary	26.3
67	Vogelar Draw	29.0
68	Ford Lake tributary	98.4
69	Baldwin School tributary	26.4
70	Melton tributary	31.1
71	Reed tributary	14.6
72-82	North Fork Snake Creek (total)	954
72	Bedbrook tributary	36.0
73	Harmony tributary	24.6
74-75	Cleveland tributary (total)	59.3
74	Powell tributary	32.8
75	Cleveland tributary	26.5
76	Liberty tributary	18.7
77-78	North Freedom tributary (total)	504
77	North Freedom tributary noncontributing	(48.4)
78	North Freedom tributary	456
79	Lake Creek/Dan tributary	147
80	North Freedom tributary	99.8
81	Millard School tributary	19.7
82	North Freedom tributary	84.7
83	Devon tributary	40.6
84-92	Perry Creek (total)	376
84	Scatterwood Lakes (total)	358
84	Scatterwood Lakes	358
85	Stony Run (Scatterwood Lakes)	38.1
85-90	Preachers Run (total)	280
85	Huntley tributary	47.2
86	Ignition tributary	25.4
87	Richard tributary	13.5
88	Towne Slough tributary	26.5
89	Fairview tributary	10.8
90	Preachers Run	145
91	Scatterwood Lakes	39.4
92	Perry Creek	18.7
93	Dove Creek	106
94	South Fork Snake Creek	208
95	Hellette tributary	18.6
96	Snake Creek	224
97	Snake Creek/Turtle Creek reach	3.28

98-115	Turtle Creek (total)	1,499
98	Ree Creek	81.4
99-101	Little Turtle Creek (total)	138
99-100	Little Wolf Creek (total)	60.8
99	Prairie tributary	18.7
100	Little Wolf Creek	42.1
101	Little Turtle Creek	77.1
102-109	Wolf Creek (total)	783
102	Hamilton tributary	68.0
103	Mitchell Lake outlet	224
104	Lost Creek	109
105-108	North Wolf Creek (total)	214
105-107	Shaefer Creek (total)	150
105	Matter Creek	29.0
106	Kolbe School tributary	74.2
107	Shaefer Creek	64.2
108	North Wolf Creek	168
109	Wolf Creek	168
110-114	Cottonwood Lake Outlet (total)	267
110-113	Medicine Creek (total)	214
110	Goder Creek	22.3
111	Medicine Creek	22.2
112	Byrant tributary	108
113	Medicine Creek	52.6
114	Cottonwood Lake Outlet	230
115	Turtle Creek	6.21
116	Ashton gage/Bedfield gage reach	.12
117	Turtle Creek/Bedfield gage reach	27.3
118	Bedfield gage/Dry Run (Frankfort) reach	27.3
119-121	Dry Run (Frankfort) (total)	213
119	Haywood School tributary	15.6
120	Ferry tributary	48.5
121	Dry Run (Frankfort)	179
122	Dry Run (Frankfort)/Timber Creek reach	9.50
123-131	Timber Creek (total)	617
123	Ash tributary	16.0
124	Raymond tributary	31.0
125-128	Turton tributary (total)	260
125	Turton tributary South	45.8
126-127	Turton tributary North (total)	90.2
126	Turton tributary North noncontributing	(30.8)
127	Turton tributary North	59.4
128	Turton tributary	124
129	Doland tributary	34.8
130	Prairie View School tributary	37.2
131	Timber Creek	178
132	Bedfield gage/Rosebud School tributary reach	19.6
133	Rosebud School tributary	15.6
134	Rosebud School tributary/Crandon tributary reach	5.21
135-136	Crandon tributary (total)	198
135	Tulare tributary	107
136	Crandon tributary	51.3
137	Timber Creek/Lincoln tributary reach	11.2
138	Lincoln tributary	23.5
139	Crandon tributary/Spillway tributary reach	8.43
140	Spillway tributary	11.6
141	Lincoln tributary/Cornwall tributary reach	3.85
142	Cornwall tributary	28.3
143	Cornwall tributary/Pleasant View tributary reach	.98
144	Pleasant View tributary	17.2
145	Spillway tributary/Bethel Church tributary reach	56.9
146	Bethel Church tributary	28.8
147	Pleasant View tributary/Foster Creek reach	3.52
148	Foster Creek	243
149	Foster Creek/Hofer School tributary reach	3.34
150	Hofer School tributary	16.7
151	Hofer School tributary/Shue Creek reach	7.42
152	Shue Creek	171
153	Shue Creek/Lake Cavour tributary reach	6.10
154	Lake Cavour tributary	15.6
155	Bethel Church tributary/Bavine Lake tributary reach	38.0
156-159	Bavine Lake tributary (total)	168
156-158	Broadland tributary (total)	116
156	Bonilla tributary	21.0
157	Hart tributary	40.5
158	Broadland tributary	54.5
159	Bavine Lake tributary	52.1
160	Lake Cavour tributary/Buron gage reach	5.84
161	Bavine Lake tributary/Buron gage reach	.01
162	Buron gage/Stony Run reach	3.74
163-165	Stony Run (total)	61.7
163	Schwartz Slough tributary	19.8
164	Stony tributary	30.2
165	Stony Run	11.7
166	Stony Run/Cain Creek reach	5.62
167-171	Cain Creek (total)	381
167-169	Pearl Creek (Cain) (total)	123
167	West Pearl Creek (Cain)	95.1
168	East Pearl Creek (Cain)	22.3
169	Pearl Creek (Cain)	45.2
170	Norwegian Slough tributary	48.1
171	Cain Creek	210
172	Buron gage/Pearl Creek reach	14.6
173-175	Pearl Creek (total)	287
173	Middle Pearl Creek	57.1
174	South Fork Pearl Creek	124
175	Pearl Creek	106
176	Pearl Creek/Stony Run (East) reach	6.08
177	Stony Run (East)	37.1
178	Stony Run (East)/Rifle Lake tributary reach	21.4
179	Rifle Lake tributary	63.2
180	Rifle Lake tributary/Redstone Creek reach	5.14
181-183	Redstone Creek (total)	264
181	West Redstone Creek	75.1
182	North Redstone tributary	26.5
183	Redstone Creek	162
184	Redstone Creek/Ferguson School tributary reach	11.9
185	Ferguson School tributary	13.8
186	Cain Creek/Sand Creek reach	43.8
187-188	Sand Creek (total)	397
187	Silver Creek	109
188	Sand Creek	288
189	Sand Creek/Long Lake tributary reach	15.2
190	Long Lake tributary	78.1
191	Ferguson School tributary/Forebush gage reach	5.27
192	Long Lake tributary/Forebush gage reach	35.1
193	Forebush gage/Jin Creek reach	3.77
194	Jin Creek	194
195	Jin Creek/Dry Run (East) reach	1.22
196	Dry Run (East)	11.4
197	Dry Run (East)/Lyle School tributary reach	.42
198	Lyle School tributary	19.0
199	Lyle School tributary/Farwell Church tributary reach	4.87
200	Farwell Church tributary	11.2
201	Forebush gage/Dry Run (North) reach	4.3
202	Dry Run (North)	222
203	Farwell Church tributary/Piano School tributary reach	5.59
204	Piano School tributary	74.8
205	Piano School tributary/Rook Creek reach	3.17
206-207	Rook Creek (total)	280
206	Rooley Creek	44.8
207	Rook Creek	235
208	Dry Run (North)/Firesteel Creek reach	2.71
209-211	Firesteel Creek (total)	599
209	West Branch Firesteel Creek	384
210	Dry Run (South)	36.0
211	Firesteel Creek	279
212	Rook Creek/Walton gage reach	2.08
213	Firesteel Creek/Mitchell gage reach	0.02
214	Mitchell gage/Enny Creek reach	7.38
215	Enny Creek	179
216	Mitchell gage/Johnson Creek reach	7.46
217	Johnson Creek	53.5
218	Johnson Creek/Pierre Creek reach	2.38
219	Pierre Creek	93.4
220	Pierre Creek/Bloom Creek reach	7.44
221	Bloom Creek	40.5
222	Romey Creek/Twelveville Creek reach	29.2
223-226	Twelveville Creek (total)	276
223-224	South Fork Twelveville Creek (total)	108
223	Coffee Creek	131
224	South Fork Twelveville Creek	75.7
225	Pony Creek	39.8
226	Twelveville Creek	108
227	Twelveville Creek/Dry Creek reach	62
228	Bloom Creek/Pony Creek reach	15.3
229-231	Dry Creek (total)	251
229	South Branch Dry Creek	131
230	North Branch Dry Creek	120
231	Dry Creek	50.8
232	Dry Creek/Lonetree Creek reach	35.5
233	Plum Creek	20.8
234	Plum Creek/Wolf Creek reach	20.8
235-236	Wolf Creek (total)	398
235	Elm Creek	47.2
236	Wolf Creek	351
237	Wolf Creek/Zion Church tributary reach	1.27
238	Zion Church tributary	49.8
239	Zion Church tributary/Furlong Creek reach	7.88
240	Furlong Creek	16.4
241	Furlong Creek/Unnamed Menno tributary reach	6.44
242-243	Lonetree Creek (total)	110
242	South Branch Lonetree Creek	36.7
243	Lonetree Creek	73.7
244	Lonetree Creek/Lakeview School tributary reach	4.89
245	Unnamed Menno tributary	20.8
246	Lakeview School tributary	17.5
247	Unnamed Menno tributary/Scotland gage reach	.32
248	Lakeview School tributary/Scotland gage reach	1.78
249	Scotland gage/Dawson Creek reach	69.01
250	Dawson Creek	68.9
251	Dawson Creek/Prairie Creek reach	2.41
252	Prairie Creek	13.8
253	Scotland gage/Klaud School tributary reach	33.5
254	Klaud School tributary	5.12
255	Klaud School tributary/Ulmer School tributary reach	10.3
256	Ulmer School tributary	27.4
257	Ulmer School tributary/Hud Creek (South) reach	10.3
258	Hud Creek (South)	3.28
259	Prairie Creek/Jankton gage reach	28.5
260	Mud Creek/Jankton gage reach	9.19
261	Jankton gage/Beaver Creek reach	3.75
262	Beaver Creek	110
263	Beaver Creek/Kapa Junction tributary reach	2.78
264	Kapa Junction tributary	10.1
265	Jankton gage/Missouri River reach	7.66
266	Kapa Junction tributary/Missouri River reach	5.58

DRAINAGE AREAS IN THE JAMES RIVER BASIN IN EASTERN SOUTH DAKOTA

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