



Sailing on Blackstrap Reservoir.

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# OUR BIG VALLEYS: VITAL MULTI-USE CORRIDORS



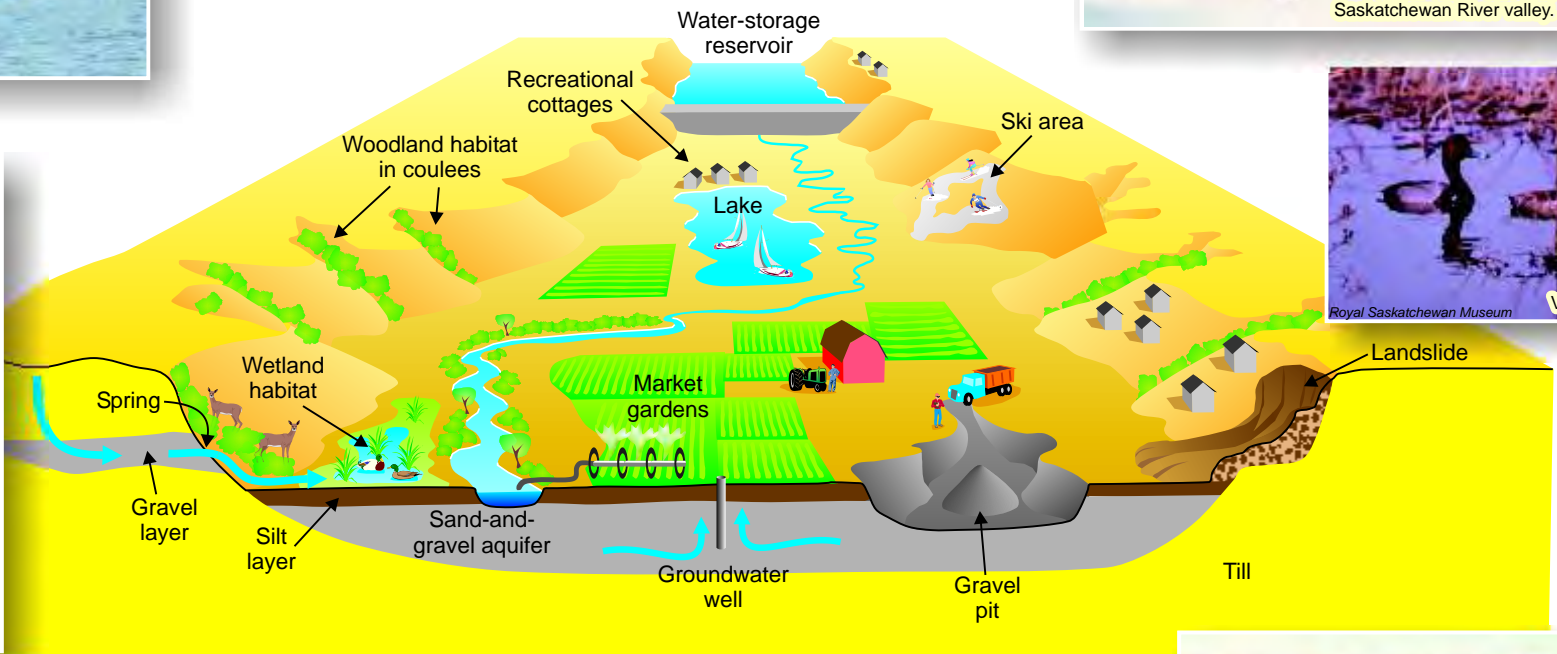
Wapiti Valley Ski Area, Saskatchewan River valley.

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Deer in coulee.

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Royal Saskatchewan Museum Valley wetland.



Duncairn Dam, near Swift Current.

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Large valleys, such as the Qu'Appelle and Souris river valleys, are major landscape features of vital importance to southern Saskatchewan. These valleys provide for diverse uses — water storage, farmland, wetland habitat, woodlands, gravel pits, and even ski areas. Try to imagine Saskatchewan without its valleys!



Irrigated cropland, Qu'Appelle River valley.

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A puzzle:  
Many large valleys such as the Qu'Appelle, Souris, and Frenchman contain streams that are too small to have carved them. How did these valleys form?

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Valley-floor gravel pit, North Battleford.