Erase – Input Feature polygons that are coincident with Erase Features polygons will be removed.

(Also see Clip).

Where do I Find it?

- Open ArcToolbox.
- Analysis Toolbox – Overlay Toolset – Erase

Parameters:

**Input Features** – The features where the data will be removed from.

**Erase Features** – The features whose outer polygon defines the erasing area. It must be a polygon.
**Output Feature Class** – The feature class that will be created that contains only those input Features that lie outside the erase features.

**XY Tolerance** – The minimum distance separating all feature coordinates (nodes and vertices) as well as the distance a coordinate can move in X or Y.

*GIS Centre Hint - This is something that generally gets left as the default.*