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# Geographic Information Systems for Asset Management

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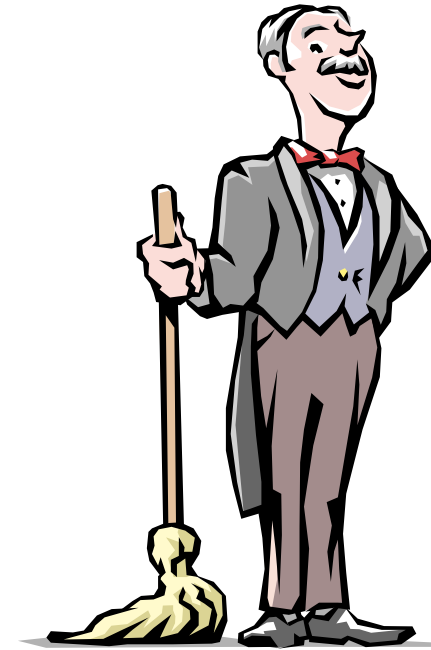
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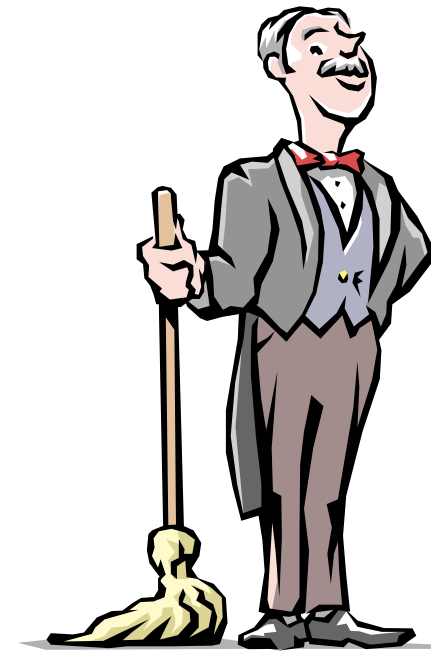
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# Housekeeping

- Cell phones = set to SILENT
- Participation = encouraged
- Restrooms
- Evaluations

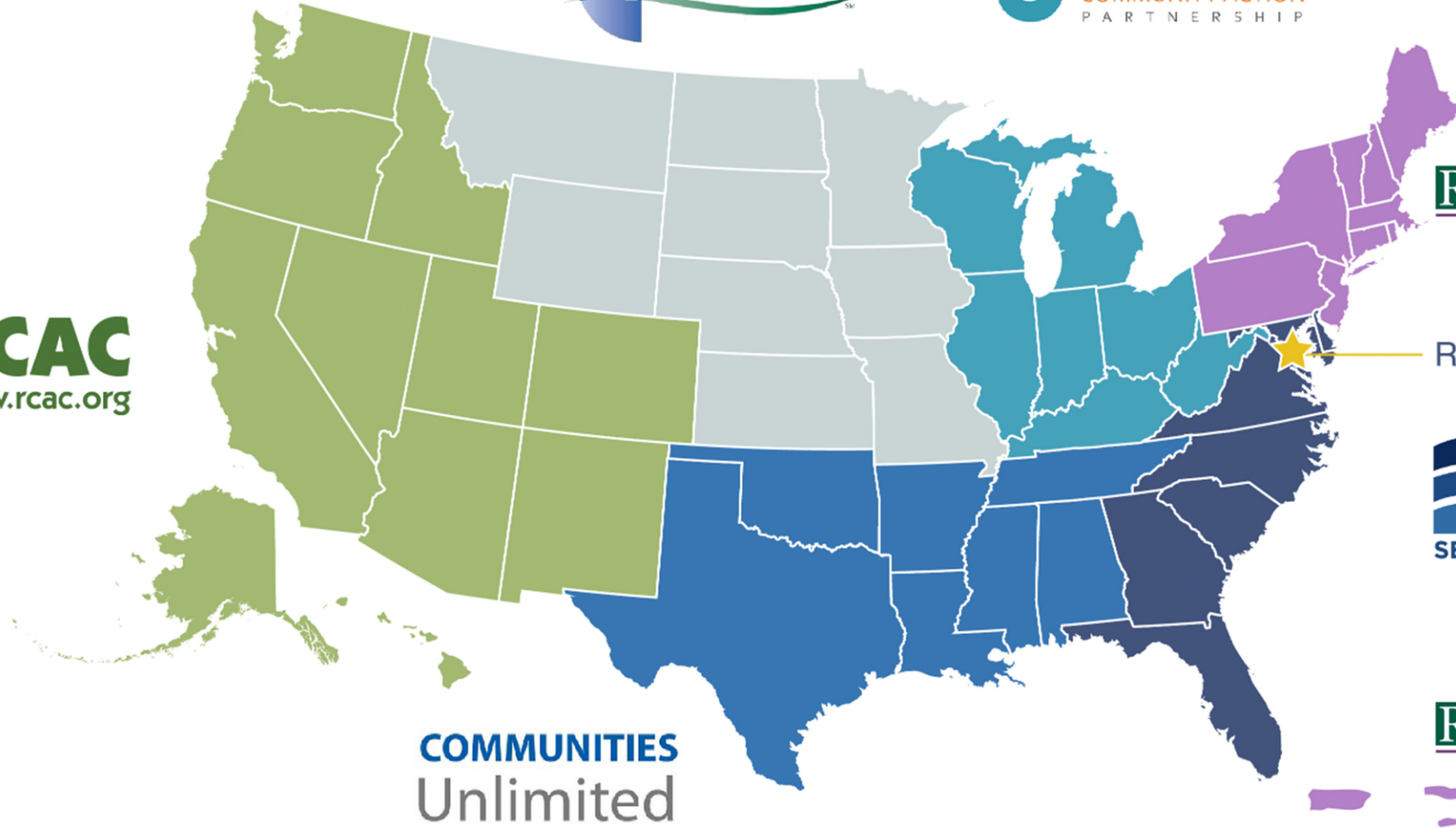


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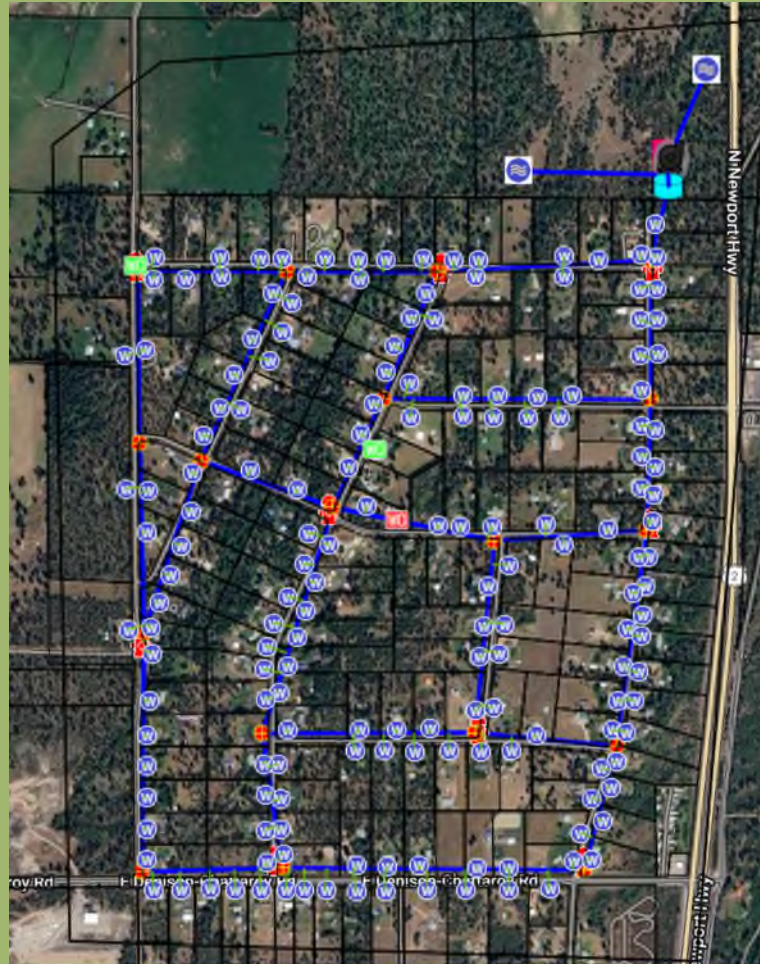
- Affordable Housing
- Community Facilities
- Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Financing (Loan Fund)
- Classroom and Online Training
- On-site Technical Assistance
- Median Household Income (MHI) Surveys



# What is GIS

Geographic Information Systems (GIS)

Computerized mapping that is more than just a map.





# What is GIS

- A GIS map is broken down into layers and there are two layers types.
  - Vector Layers: Points, Lines, and Polygons
    - These layers are attached to tables in a database and can be queried.
  - Raster Layers: Images
    - Individual cells of with their sizes based on their resolution.
    - These cells contain cell values, as a value for Red, Green, Blue.
- GIS maps are not static, any time you make a modification to your system, this GIS should also get updated

# GIS and Asset Management

- GIS can be used as an asset management tool.
- You can use GIS to track the location of your assets.
- It can be used to track condition and install dates of your assets.
  - Fields on the data table can list install date, condition, date inspected, and any other information that is relevant to your system.
  - The data in the table can be exported as a .csv file to be used in programs like Microsoft Excel.
  - Update your GIS every time you modify an asset.

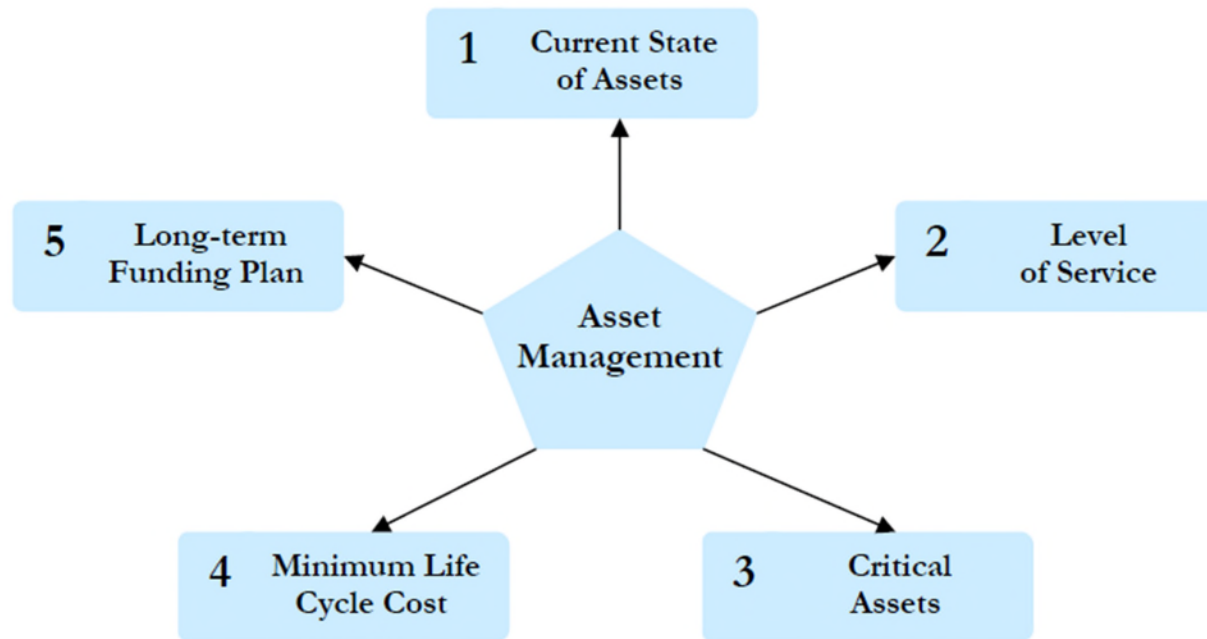
# Asset Management

Asset Management Definitions:

A **long-term** program to attain and sustain the **chosen** level of service for the life of the asset in the **most cost-effective** manner.

# Five Components of an Asset Management Plan

Flow Chart: The Five Core Questions of Asset Management Framework



This flow chart shows the relationships and dependencies between each core framework question.

# AM = Risk Based Planning Process

Risk = f (Criticality x Condition)

Risk = f (Consequence of Failure x Likelihood of Failure)

| Multiplied             |   | Consequence (Cost) of Failure |    |    |    |    |
|------------------------|---|-------------------------------|----|----|----|----|
|                        |   | 1                             | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  |
| Probability of Failure | 1 | 1                             | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  |
|                        | 2 | 2                             | 4  | 6  | 8  | 10 |
|                        | 3 | 3                             | 6  | 9  | 12 | 15 |
|                        | 4 | 4                             | 8  | 12 | 16 | 20 |
|                        | 5 | 5                             | 10 | 15 | 20 | 25 |

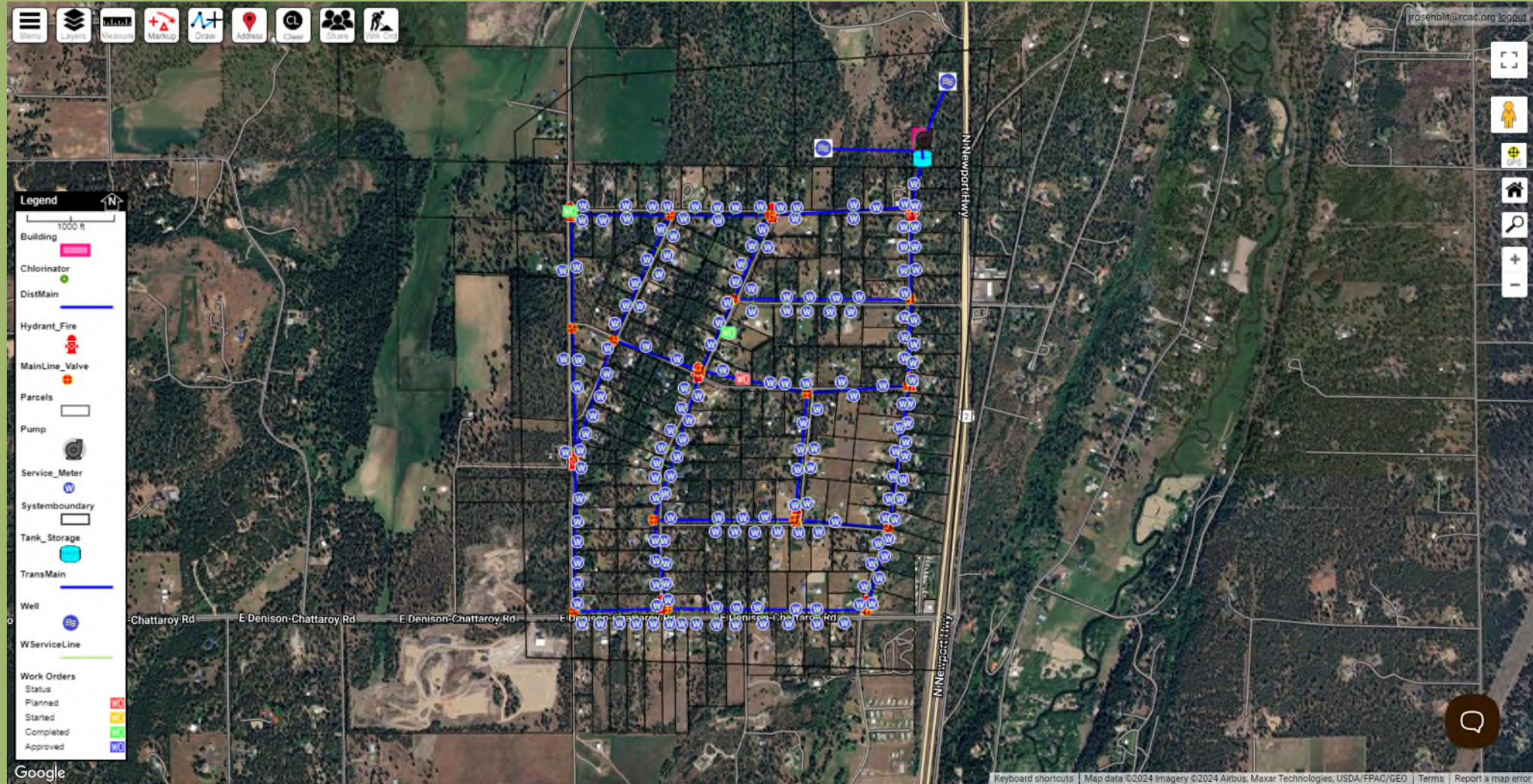
|   |          |   |           |
|---|----------|---|-----------|
| 1 | Very Low | 4 | High      |
| 2 | Low      | 5 | Very High |
| 3 | Moderate |   |           |

# Diamond Maps

- Diamond Maps is a GIS solution created for municipalities and rural utilities
- An easy-to-use low-cost GIS that require no programming or software to use
- Fully online with support of an offline field application



# Diamond Maps





# Diamond Maps Layers

- Diamond Maps has many built in layers that cover most assets
- Custom layers not on this list can be added.



# Diamond Maps Layers

- The premade layers have many of the fields needed for asset management
- There can be other useful fields needed.
  - Criticality, Probability of Failure, Consequence of Failure, Redundancy, Cost, and Expected Useful Life
  - You can add any additional field as needed.

## Add/Remove Fields

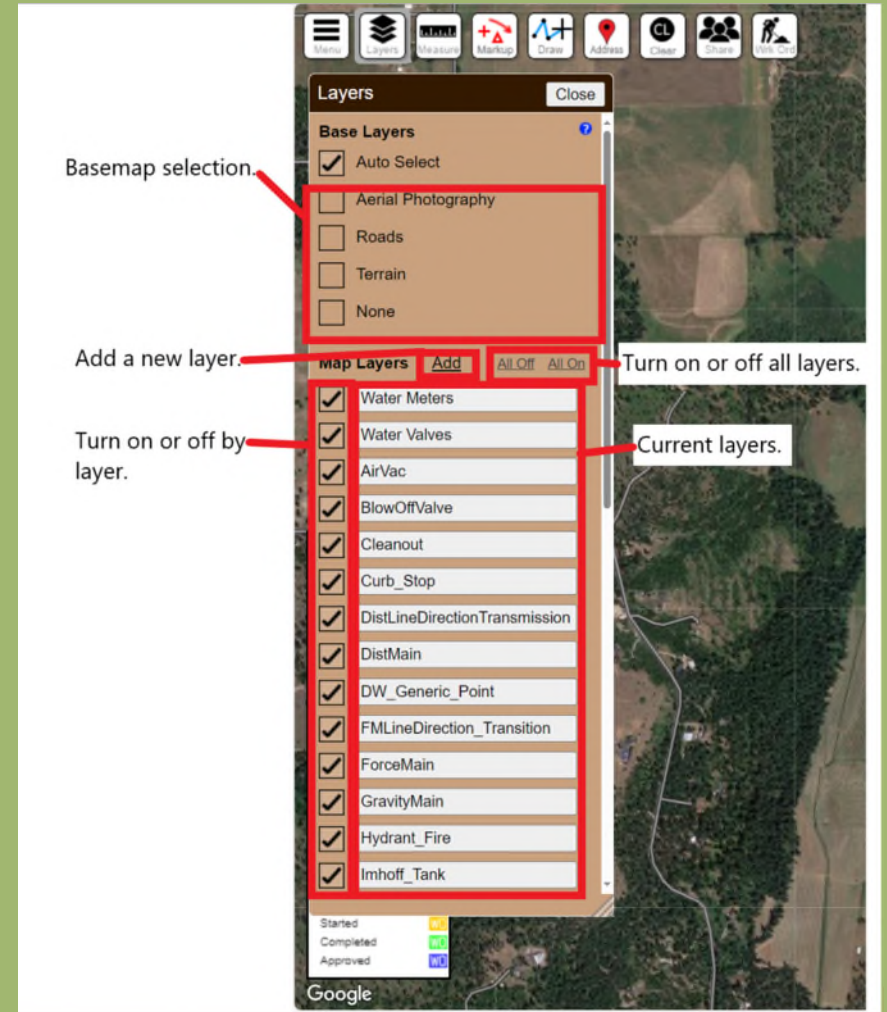
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|----------------|------------|---|
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| Type           | TEXT       | <u>ch</u> g <u>de</u> l <u>u</u> p <u>d</u> n |
| Diameter       | NUMBER     | <u>ch</u> g <u>de</u> l <u>u</u> p <u>d</u> n |
| Condition      | TEXT       | <u>ch</u> g <u>de</u> l <u>u</u> p <u>d</u> n |
| Turns          | NUMBER     | <u>ch</u> g <u>de</u> l <u>u</u> p <u>d</u> n |
| Open Dir       | PICK       | <u>ch</u> g <u>de</u> l <u>u</u> p <u>d</u> n |
| Date Installed | DATE       | <u>ch</u> g <u>de</u> l <u>u</u> p <u>d</u> n |
| Date Inspected | DATE       | <u>ch</u> g <u>de</u> l <u>u</u> p <u>d</u> n |
| Date Exercised | DATE       | <u>ch</u> g <u>de</u> l <u>u</u> p <u>d</u> n |
| Description    | TEXT       | <u>ch</u> g <u>de</u> l <u>u</u> p <u>d</u> n |
| Attachments    | ATTACH     | <u>ch</u> g <u>de</u> l <u>u</u> p <u>d</u> n |
| History        | LOG        | <u>ch</u> g <u>de</u> l <u>u</u> p <u>d</u> n |
| Coordinates    | CENTROID   | <u>ch</u> g <u>de</u> l <u>u</u> p <u>d</u> n |
| Created By     | CREATEBY   | <u>ch</u> g <u>de</u> l <u>u</u> p <u>d</u> n |
| Created Date   | CREATEDATE | <u>ch</u> g <u>de</u> l <u>u</u> p <u>d</u> n |




Add Fields From A Template

# Diamond Maps Layers

- This is the layer tool
- You can change the desired basemap
- Turn on and off layers
- Add new layers
- Edit layers



# Diamond Maps Layers

- This is the layer settings
- Layers in Diamond Maps can be points, lines, and polygons, so you have options to change symbology for all
- Labeling can be added, and this will bring up label settings
- The layer name can be changed.
- After any changes are done the save changes option will be at the bottom

Change symbology.

Enable labels and label settings.

Change layer name.

# Diamond Maps Layers

- Here is where you can change your label settings
- Select a field you want to base you labels on
- Select the size of the label.
- Select at what zoom level you want to view the labels



Auto Label

Enable

Text Field  
 Select

Text Height  
12 pixels

Minimum Zoom Level  
0: Visible at all levels Select

Select the field to label.

Label size.

Distance to view labels.

# Diamond Maps Layers

- These additional settings let you make a layer clickable or not
- Change the max visible scale.
- Set the allowable geometry types

The screenshot shows the 'Layer Settings' interface for Diamond Maps. It includes several sections: 'Clickability', 'Zoom Settings', 'Cloning', 'Advanced Settings', and 'Tags'. Red boxes highlight the 'Clickable' checkbox, the 'Min Zoom' section, and the 'Allowable geometry types' section. Red callout lines point from text descriptions to these highlighted areas.

|                          |  |  |
|--------------------------|--|--|
| Clickable                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  | Allows for a layer to be clickable or not. |
| Min Zoom                 | Show layer only when zoomed in this close or closer<br>0: Visible at all levels<br>Select                      | Changes the visible scale of the layer.    |
| Clone                    | Change the above settings to match those of another layer<br>Select Layer                                      |  |
| <b>Advanced Settings</b> |  |  |
| Allow non-editors to     | <input type="checkbox"/> Add notes<br><input type="checkbox"/> Attach documents                                |  |
| Allowable geometry types | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Points<br><input type="checkbox"/> Lines<br><input type="checkbox"/> Areas | Selects the geometry types for the layer.  |
| Tags                     |  |  |



# Diamond Maps Layers

- Search will allow you to search all fields or by each field
- The contains can be change to =,<,>,<=>,<=>, to help define your search

Water Meter Layer [Back] [Close]

[Browse] [Search] [Settings] [More]

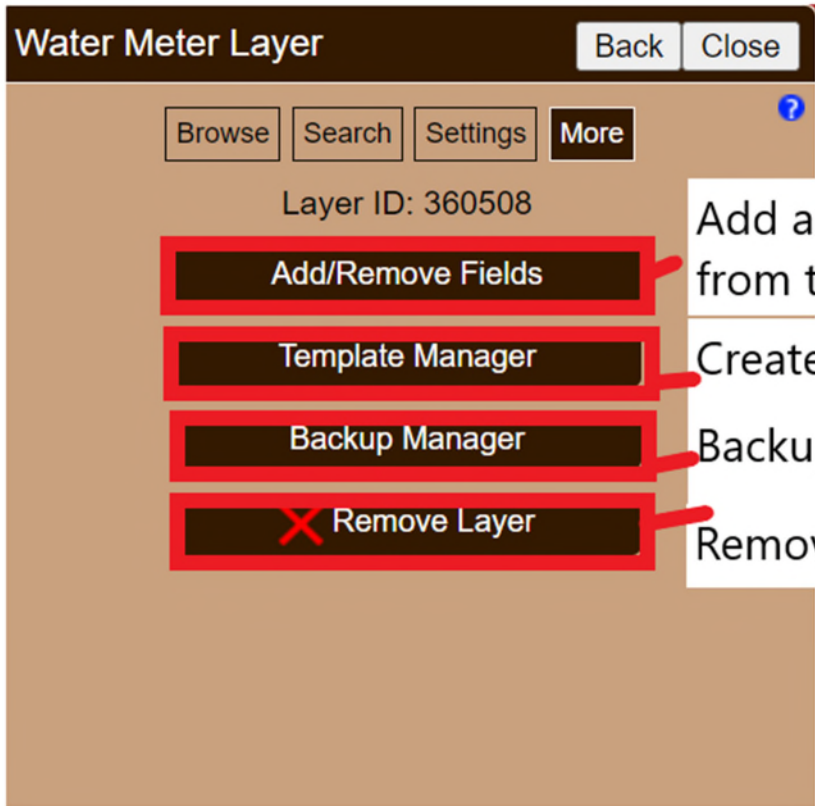
Search

|                 |            |                      |
|-----------------|------------|----------------------|
| Ftr ID          | contains ▾ | <input type="text"/> |
| Acct#           | contains ▾ | <input type="text"/> |
| Type            | contains ▾ | <input type="text"/> |
| Size            | contains ▾ | <input type="text"/> |
| Name            | contains ▾ | <input type="text"/> |
| Service Address | contains ▾ | <input type="text"/> |
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| Attachments     | contains ▾ | <input type="text"/> |
| Notes           | contains ▾ | <input type="text"/> |
| Coordinates     | contains ▾ | <input type="text"/> |
| Created By      | contains ▾ | <input type="text"/> |
| Created Date    | contains ▾ | <input type="text"/> |
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| GPS Time        | contains ▾ | <input type="text"/> |
| GPS Uncertainty | contains ▾ | <input type="text"/> |
| GPS Latitude    | contains ▾ | <input type="text"/> |



# Diamond Maps Layers

- Add and remove fields from this layer
- Create a new template that can be used in layer creation
- Backup this layer, there is a 24-hour backup feature
- Remove the layer

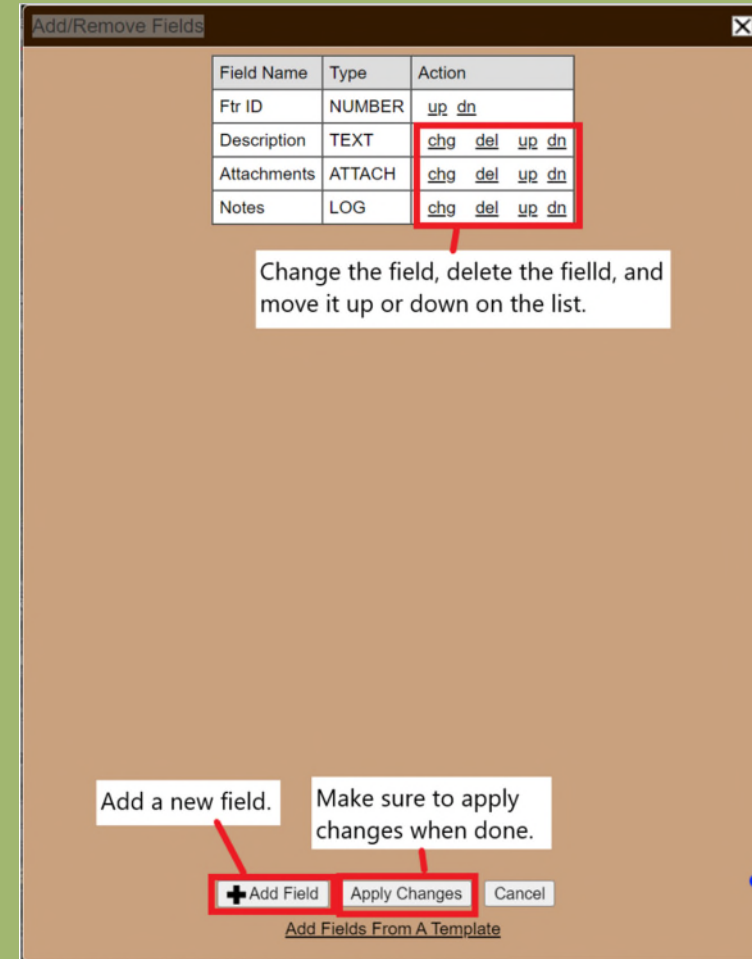


The screenshot shows the 'Water Meter Layer' management interface. At the top, there are 'Back' and 'Close' buttons. Below that, there are 'Browse', 'Search', 'Settings', and 'More' buttons. The 'Layer ID: 360508' is displayed. A vertical menu on the right side contains four items, each with a red callout box and a red arrow pointing to it:

- Add/Remove Fields**: Add and remove fields from the layer.
- Template Manager**: Create a new layer template.
- Backup Manager**: Backup this layer.
- Remove Layer**: Remove this layer.

# Diamond Maps Layers

- Here is where you can modify, add, and delete fields
- Make sure to apply changes after doing any edits to the fields



# Diamond Maps Layers

- Here is where you put in the information for the new field
- Field type can be many different options from text, to numbers, and even a check box
- You can choose if this field is required or not
- A default value can be set for this field

| Add/Remove Fields |                          |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Field Name        | <input type="text"/>     |
| Field Type        | TEXT ▾                   |
| Required          | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Default Value     | <input type="text"/>     |

The field's name.

Type of field.

Is this field required?

A default value for the field.

OK Cancel

# Diamond Maps Layers

- This is the new layer menu
- You can create a new layer or use one from another map
- Diamond Maps has many templates made for utilities to select from or you can make your own

**New Layer** Back Close

Action ?  
Create New Layer ▾

Type of layer  
-select a template- ▾

Name of layer

Create

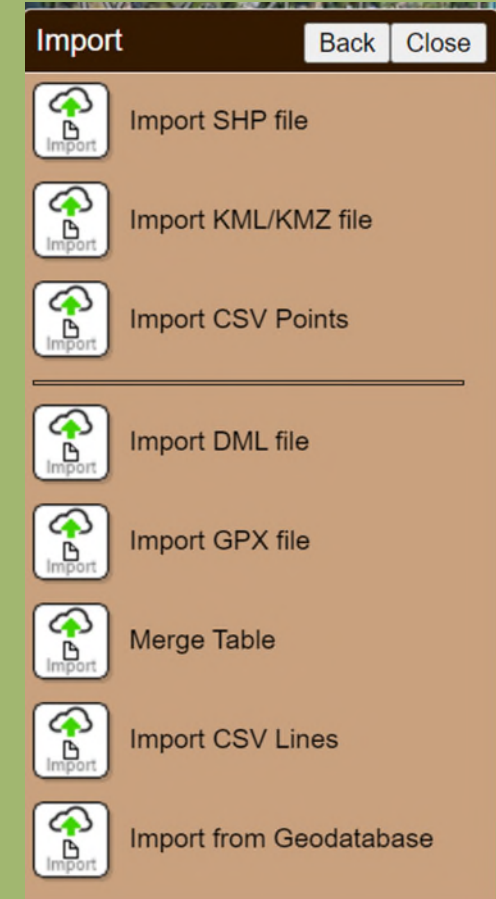
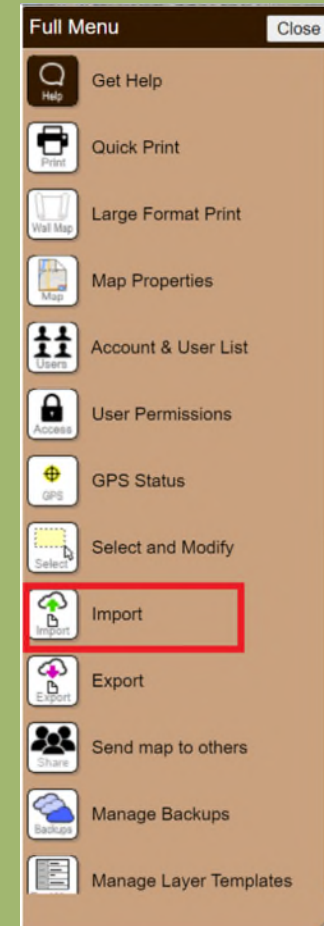
Create a new layer or use a layer from another map.

Select from a layer from list of templates

Name the layer.

# Diamond Maps Layers

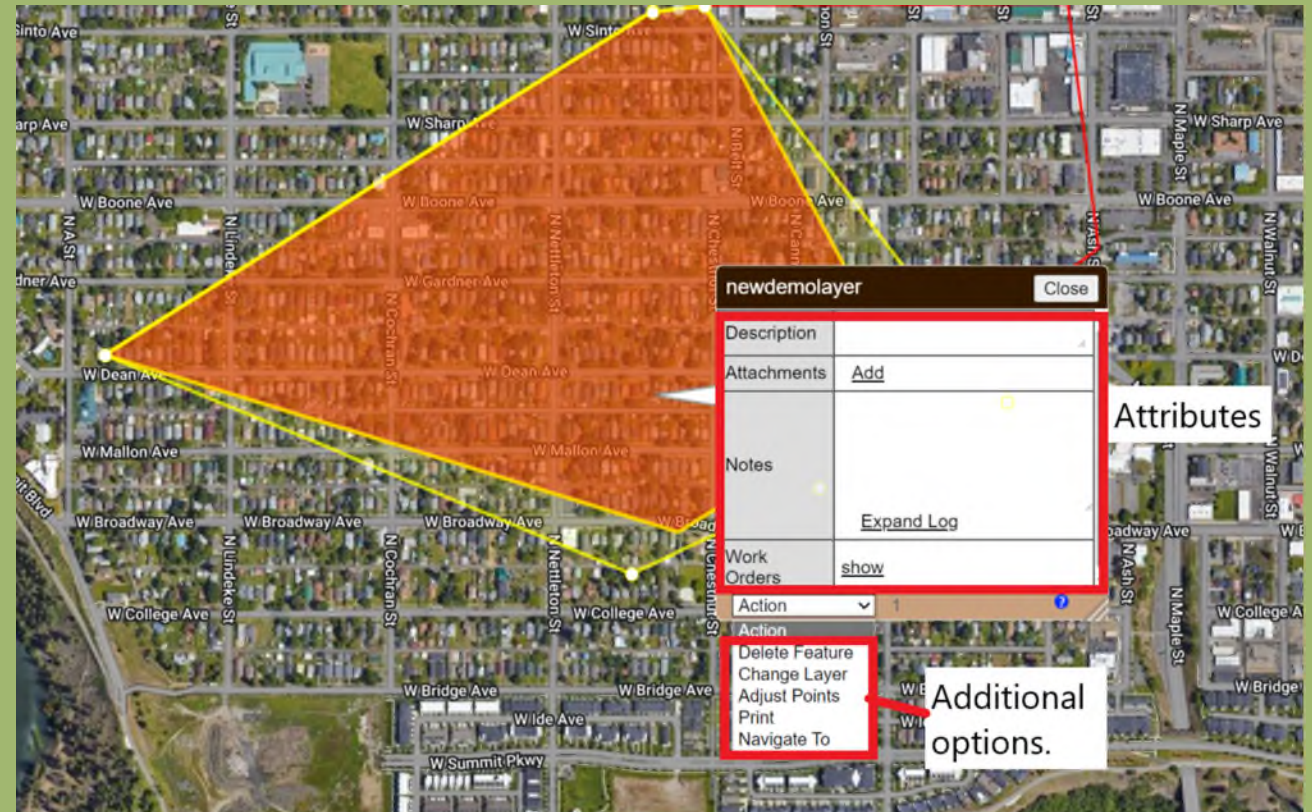
- Under the menu button there is an import option
- You can bring in data from other sources into your map. If you are coming from a ESRI product can import a zip file of shape files or a geodatabase right into Diamond Maps





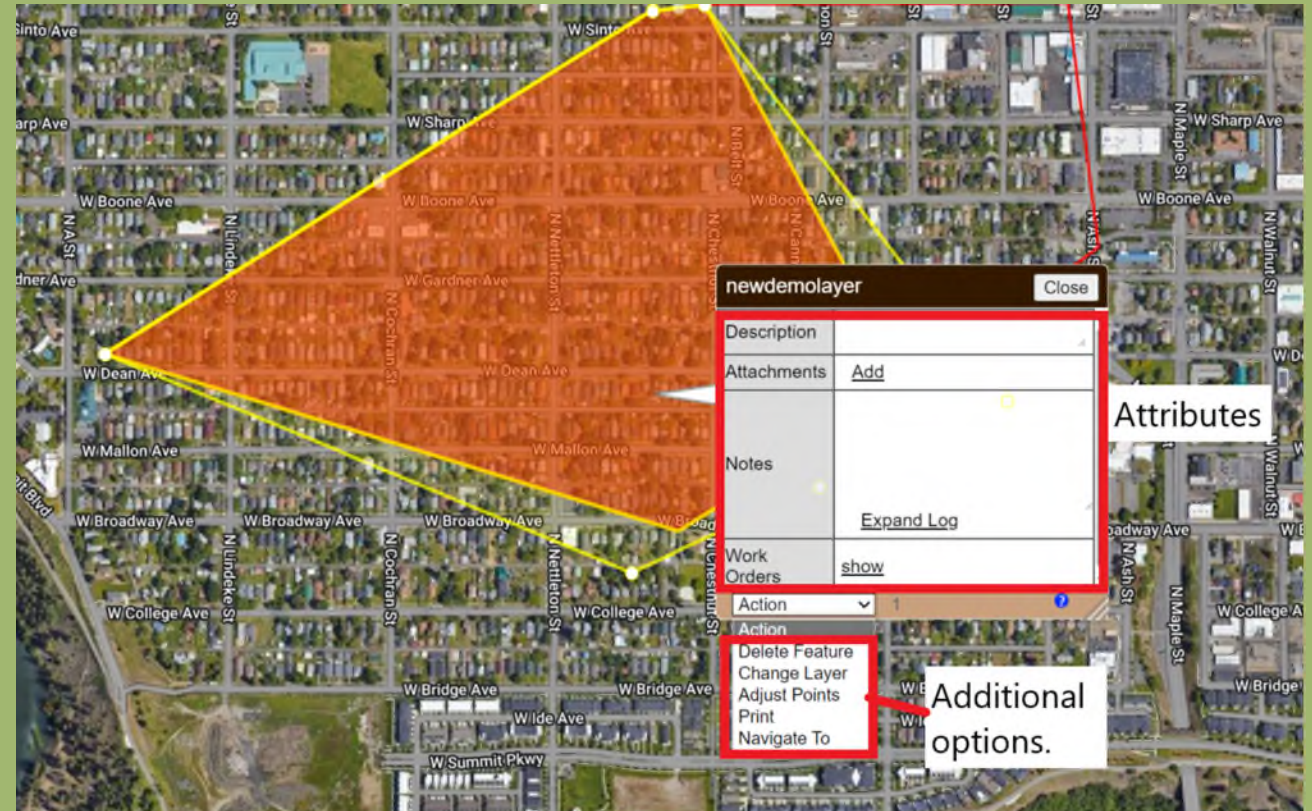
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- Clicking on a feature will bring up the attributes of that feature
- Edit the attributes by typing or changing anything in the table.
- Add attachments
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- Clicking on Action will bring up additional options



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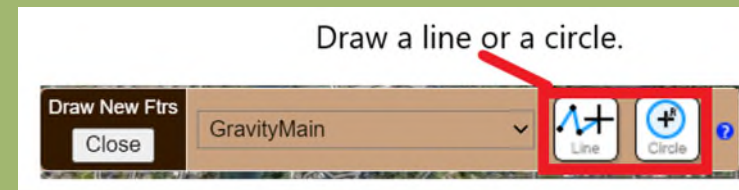
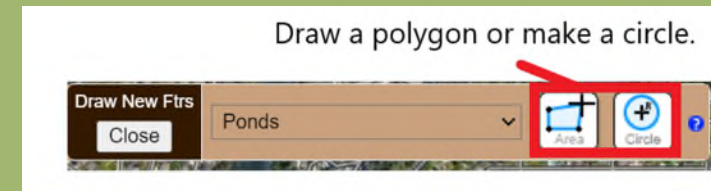
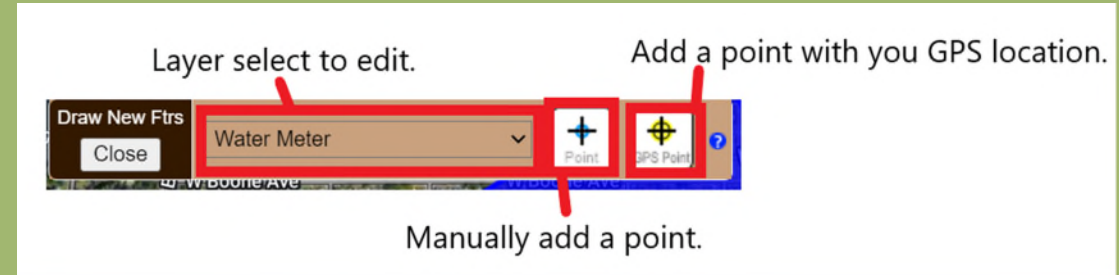
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- Change the feature to a different layer type
- Adjust the vertices
- Put the attribute table into a printer friendly page
- Navigate To will bring up Google Maps and set the feature as the location to navigate to





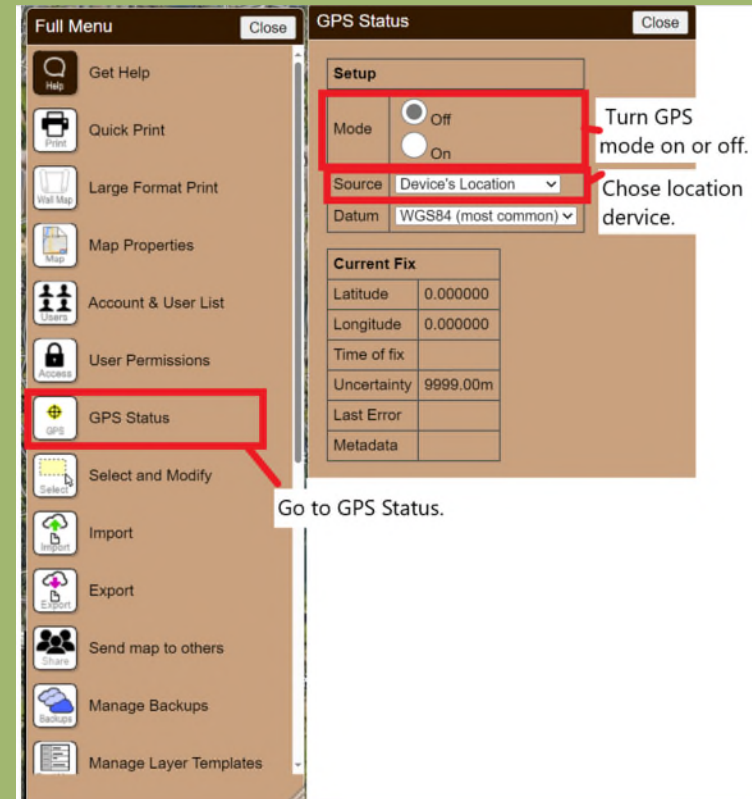
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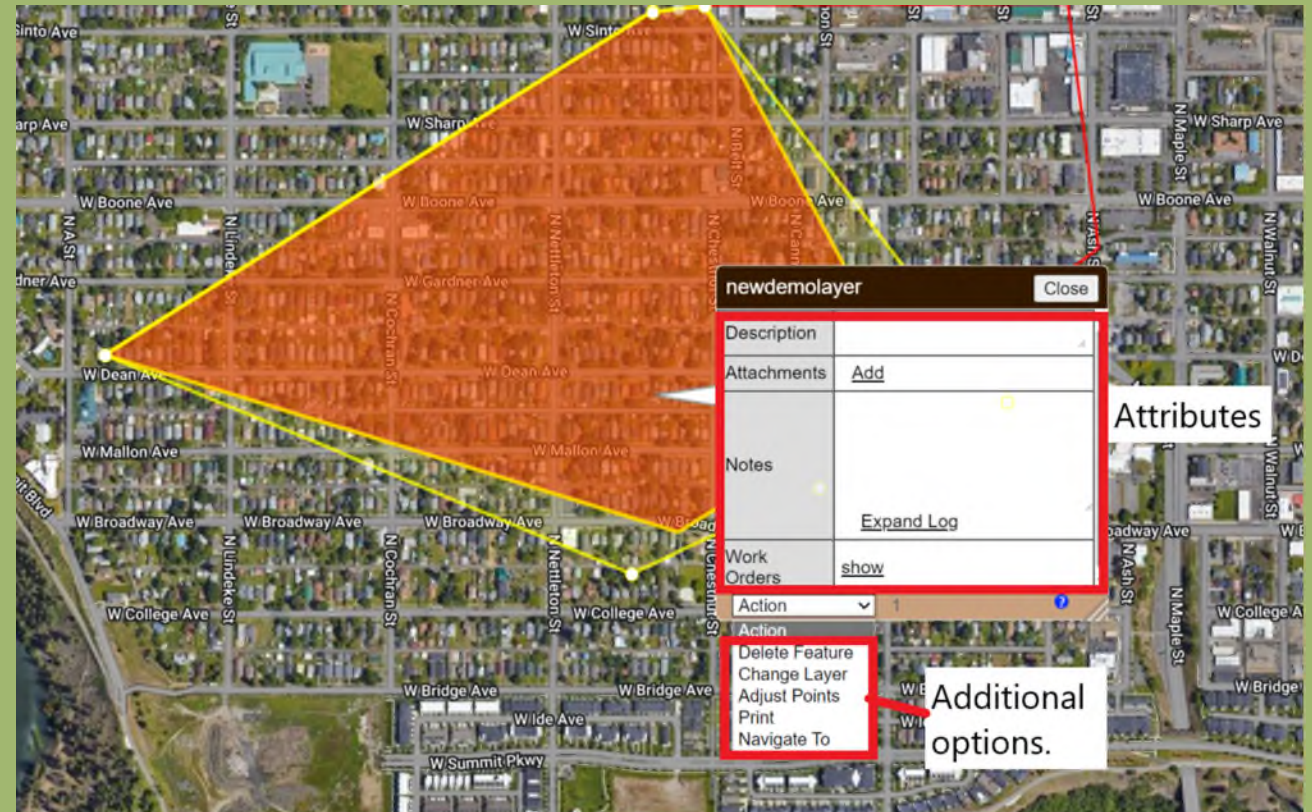
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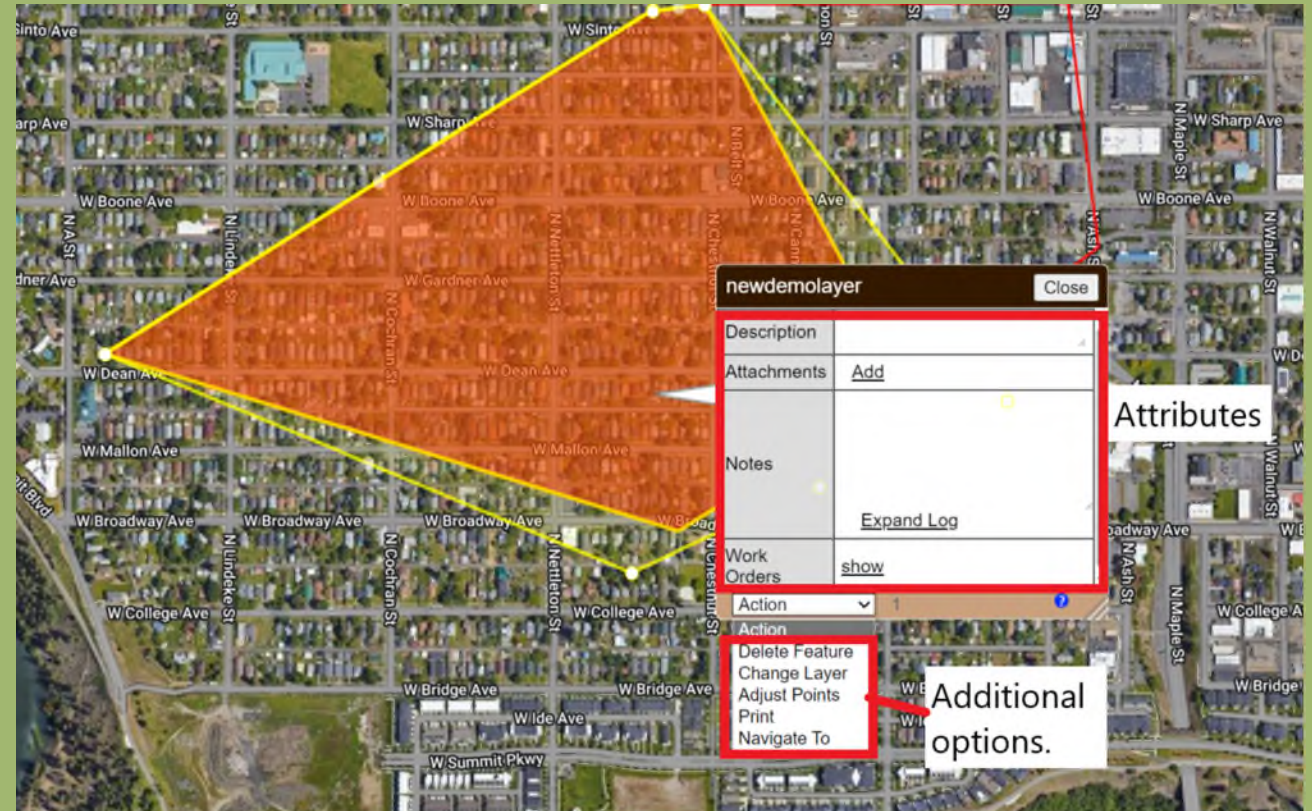
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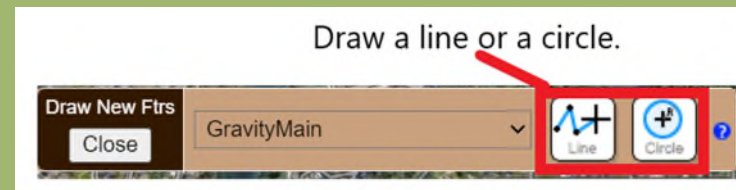
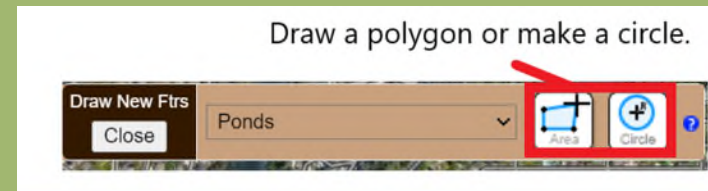
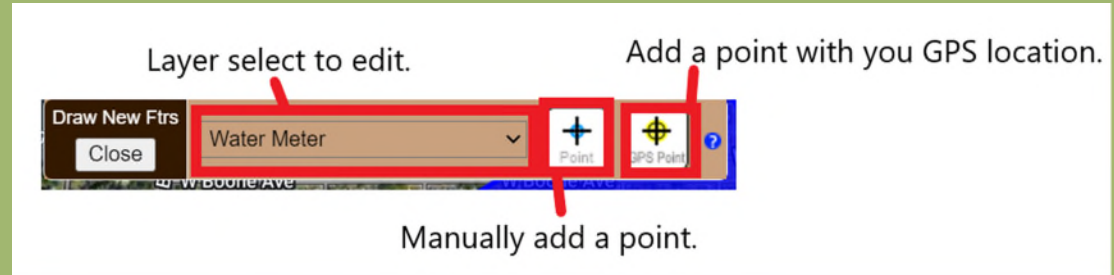
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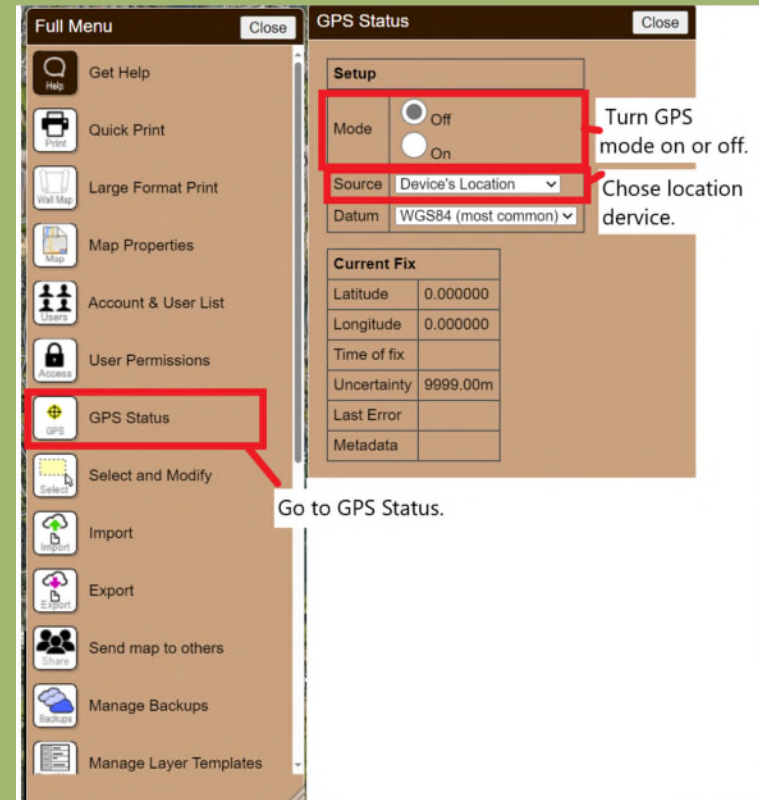
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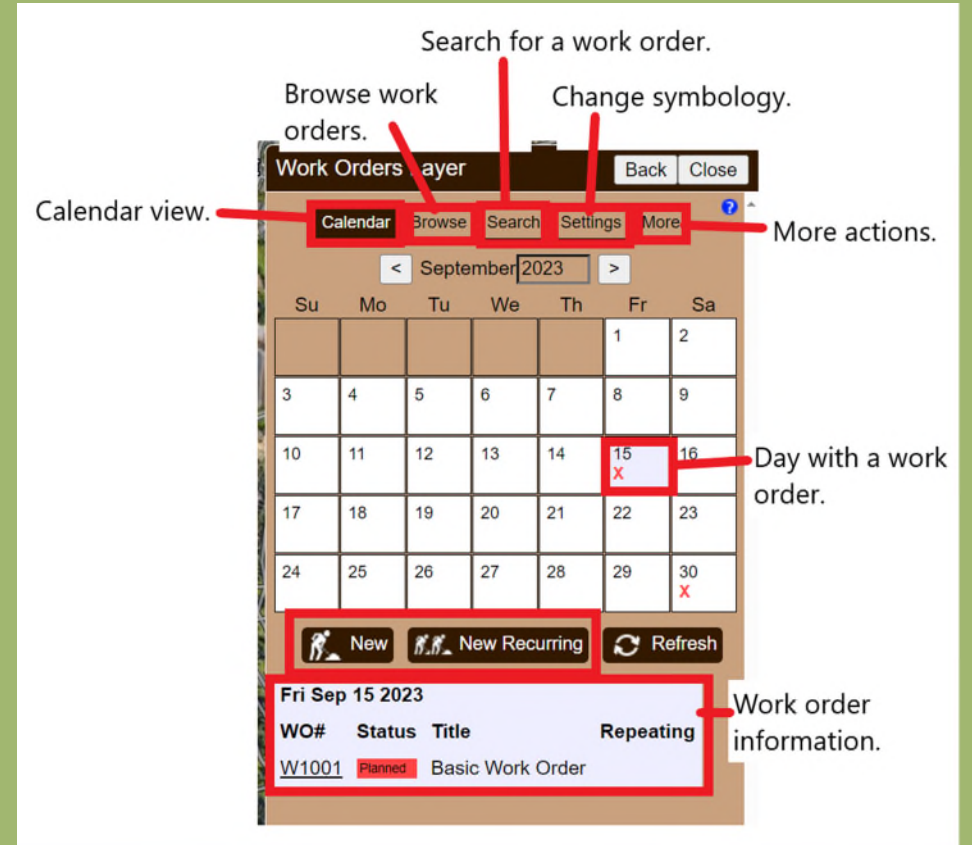
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# Diamond Maps Work Orders

- Diamond maps has a built-in work order system.
- Click on a date on the calendar and create a new work order.
- Delect a feature on your map to assign the work order to a feature or click an open area.
- Browse work orders in your system.
- The “More” tab will allow you to change the fields for the work order layer.



# Diamond Maps Work Orders

- New Work Order menu allows you to add and modify a work order.
- If you click on a work order on the map it will bring up this window.
- Can add notes to the work order, and it will record who and at what time it was recorded.
- You can pick a person within your organization to assign the work order to.
- You can select a status of the work order.

The screenshot shows a 'New Work Order' dialog box with the following fields and annotations:

- WO#**: W1006
- Status**: A row of buttons: **Planned** (highlighted with a red box), Started, Completed, and Approved. An annotation points to this row: "Select a status for your work order."
- Title**: Basic Work Order
- Description**: Check on a line break.
- Work Performed**: Fixed line break.
- Assignee**: jrosenblit@rcac.org. A red box highlights the 'Pick' button next to the email, with an annotation: "Select a person from your organization to the work order."
- Attachments**: [Add](#). An annotation points to this field: "Add a attachment."
- Notes**: A list of notes with timestamps and user names. The first note is "2023-09-22 11:46:09 jrosenblit@rcac.org Checked site." The second is "2023-09-22 11:46:16 jrosenblit@rcac.org Repaired line break." Below the notes is an [Expand Log](#) link. An annotation points to the notes section: "Notes can be added and kept as a record."

At the bottom of the dialog, there is a 'More detail' section with an 'Action' dropdown menu and a question mark icon.

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- You can also export the data to be used in other GIS systems and Google Earth.
- When you export data you export it one layer at a time







# Asset Management

| Quantity                                      | Asset  | Year Acquired | Unit Cost (Historic, Current or Future) | Cost Type (H, C, F) | % Belonging to Water | Estimated Historic Cost (Water only) | Normal Estimated Life | Current Age | Estimated Current Cost | Standard Remaining Life | Priority (From AM Sheet) | Estimated Remaining Life | Estimated Future Cost | Fund with Cash | Fund with Grant | Fund with Loan | Existing Reserves | Annual Reserve Required |
|---|--|---------------|---|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Replacement of Existing Capital Assets</b> |  |               |   |                     |                      |                                      |                       |             |                        |                         |                          |                          |                       |                |                 |                |                   |                         |
| 1   | Cibcrete Headwakk Diversion with Slow Rate SaND Filter | 2009          | 25,000                                  | C                   | 100%                 | \$18,184                             | 50                    | 15          | 25,000                 | 35                      | 4                        | 33                       | 66,308                |                | 0%              | 100%           | 0                 | 0                       |
| 1   | Steel Reservoir 312000 Gal                             | 2009          | 817,700                                 | C                   | 100%                 | \$594,750                            | 75                    | 15          | 817,700                | 60                      | 4                        | 60                       | 4,817,564             |                | 0%              | 100%           | 0                 | 0                       |
| 1   | SKID with 3 Harmsco cartirdge filters model HUR170HP   | 2009          | 50,000                                  | C                   | 100%                 | \$36,367                             | 50                    | 15          | 50,000                 | 35                      | 4                        | 35                       | 140,693               | 25%            | 25%             | 50%            | 0                 | 922                     |
| 1   | SKID with 10 Strainrite bag filters SRS series         | 2009          | 50,000                                  | C                   | 100%                 | \$36,367                             | 50                    | 15          | 50,000                 | 35                      | 4                        | 35                       | 140,693               | 25%            | 25%             | 50%            | 0                 | 922                     |
| 1   | LMI metering pump injecting liquid chlorine            | 2021          | 1,400                                   | C                   | 100%                 | \$1,314                              | 10                    | 3           | 1,400                  | 7                       | 4                        | 7                        | 1,722                 | 100%           | 0%              | 0%             | 0                 | Not Cap.                |
| 1   | 6" Steel 6613 LF                                       | 1960          | 1,064,693                               | C                   | 100%                 | \$273,726                            | 40                    | 64          | 1,064,693              | -24                     | 1                        | 0                        | 1,064,693             | 0%             | 25%             | 75%            | 0                 | 0                       |
| 1   | 8" PVC 1964 LF   | 2012          | 363,340                                 | C                   | 100%                 | \$281,647                            | 40                    | 12          | 363,340                | 28                      | 3                        | 26                       | 783,576               | 0%             | 25%             | 75%            | 0                 | 0                       |
| 1   | 10" Steel 4482 LF                                      | 1960          | 829,170                                 | C                   | 100%                 | \$213,175                            | 40                    | 64          | 829,170                | -24                     | 1                        | 0                        | 829,170               | 0%             | 25%             | 75%            | 0                 | 0                       |
| 1   | Water Treant PLant                                     | 2009          | 429,350                                 | C                   | 100%                 | \$312,286                            | 50                    | 15          | 429,350                | 35                      | 4                        | 35                       | 1,208,132             | 0%             | 25%             | 75%            | 0                 | 0                       |
| 1   | Generatorat treantnet plant                            | 2009          | 26,000                                  | C                   | 100%                 | \$18,911                             | 20                    | 15          | 26,000                 | 5                       | 4                        | 5                        | 30,141                | 100%           | 0%              | 0%             | 0                 | 5,968                   |
| 1   | 17 Fire Hydrants                                       | 1970          | 100,504                                 | C                   | 100%                 | \$31,948                             | 50                    | 54          | 100,504                | -4                      | 15                       | 0                        | 100,504               | 0%             | 25%             | 75%            | 0                 | 0                       |
| 1   | 2 1.5 HP booster pumps                                 | 2022          | 2,400                                   | C                   | 100%                 | \$2,300                              | 15                    | 2           | 2,400                  | 13                      | 4                        | 12                       | 3,422                 | 100%           | 0%              | 0%             | 0                 | 277                     |
| 1   | 85 Meters  | 2009          | 10,625                                  | C                   | 100%                 | \$7,728                              | 10                    | 15          | 10,625                 | -5                      | 15                       | 0                        | 10,625                | 75%            | 0%              | 25%            | 0                 | 0                       |
| 1   | International Tract/Backhoe                            | 1980          | 13,500                                  | C                   | 100%                 | \$5,306                              | 30                    | 44          | 13,500                 | -14                     | 17                       | 0                        | 13,500                | 75%            | 0%              | 25%            | 0                 | 0                       |
| 1   | Chevy K1PU GK1   | 1993          | 12,000                                  | C                   | 100%                 | \$6,215                              | 30                    | 31          | 12,000                 | -1                      | 18                       | 0                        | 12,000                | 75%            | 0%              | 25%            | 0                 | 0                       |
| 1   | 15 Distribution Valves                                 | 1974          | 57,000                                  | C                   | 100%                 | \$19,725                             | 50                    | 50          | 57,000                 | 0                       | 14                       | 0                        | 57,000                | 75%            | 25%             | 0%             | 0                 | 0                       |
| 1   | Auto dailer for water plant                            | 2023          | 600                                     | C                   | 100%                 | \$587                                | 1                     | 1           | 600                    | 0                       | 4                        | 5                        | 696                   | 100%           | 0%              | 0%             | 0                 | Not Cap.                |
| 1   | Data logger center                                     | 2009          | 13,000                                  | C                   | 100%                 | \$9,455                              | 20                    | 15          | 13,000                 | 5                       | 4                        | 4                        | 14,632                | 75%            | 0%              | 25%            | 0                 | 2,723                   |
|   |  |               |   |                     | 100%                 |                                      |                       |             |                        |                         |                          |                          |                       | 0%             | 0%              | 100%           | 0                 | 0                       |
|   |  |               |   |                     | 100%                 |                                      |                       |             |                        |                         |                          |                          |                       | 0%             | 0%              | 100%           | 0                 | 0                       |
|   |  |               |   |                     | 100%                 |                                      |                       |             |                        |                         |                          |                          |                       | 0%             | 0%              | 100%           | 0                 | 0                       |
|   |  |               |   |                     | 100%                 |                                      |                       |             |                        |                         |                          |                          |                       | 0%             | 0%              | 100%           | 0                 | 0                       |
|   |  |               |   |                     | 100%                 |                                      |                       |             |                        |                         |                          |                          |                       | 0%             | 0%              | 100%           | 0                 | 0                       |







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