

OC Survey – Historic Imagery:

OC Survey has a vast collection of historic aerial imagery that spans back for 50+ years. This collection consists of various Aerial Photogrammetric projects acquired by OC Survey that was used to generate topographic mapping. These overlapping 9" x 9" photos have been sitting in boxes for years and now with the improvements of basic scanners and imagery software, we're able to scan each image and generate digital geo-referenced ortho-mosaic images that can be viewed in Google Earth.

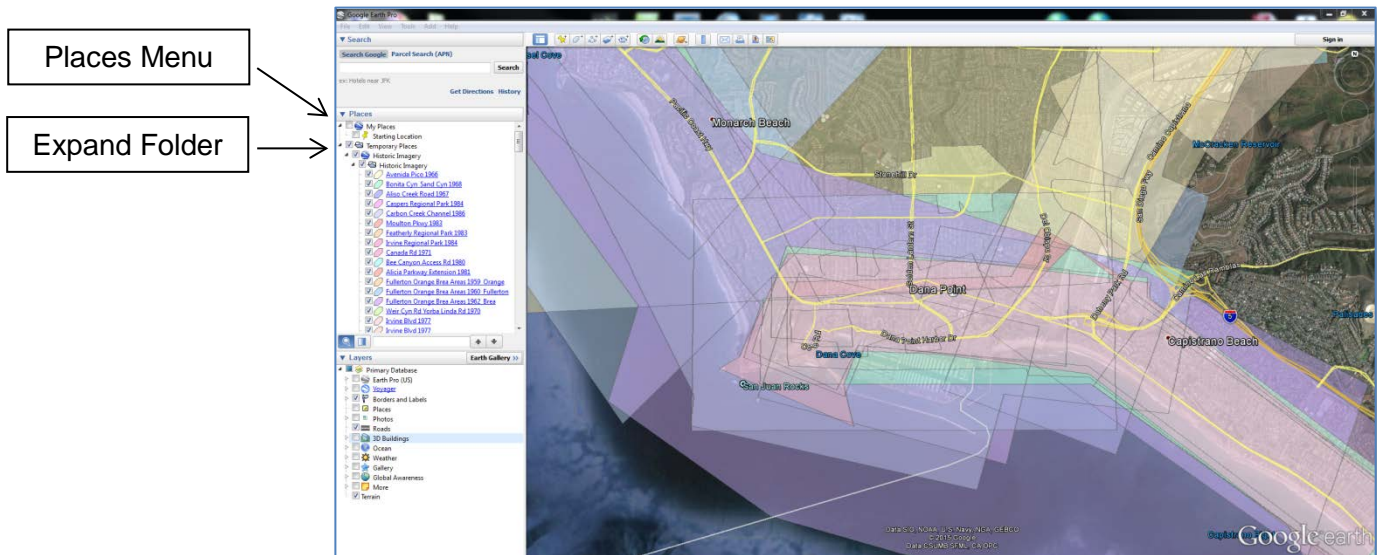
Google Earth KMZ

We have created a Google Earth KMZ file which contains area polygons for each project. By simply zooming into an area and selecting the polygon with your mouse brings up a hyperlink that allows you to open up the mosaic image in Google Earth.

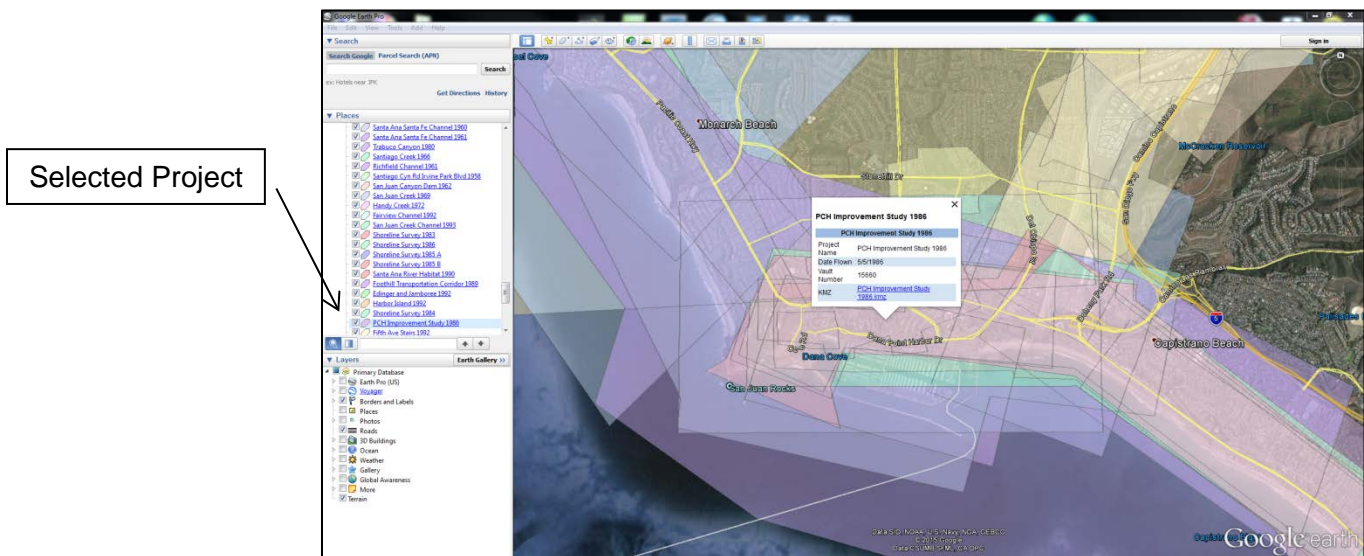
How To Use

When you first open the KMZ in Google Earth; you will see the entire County of Orange with hundreds of colored polygons. Each polygon is a different ortho-mosaic and many overlap each other. Zooming into an area such as Dana Point Harbor, you will find many overlapping polygons. Follow these instructions for viewing each ortho-mosaic.

1. Expand the "Historic Imagery" folder located in Places menu located on the left side of your screen until you can see the list of projects.



- Left click your mouse anywhere on top of a polygon to get the hyperlink of the project on top. This will also highlight the selected project in the Places menu. If you want to see the ortho-mosaic of this project, click on the hyperlink. If you don't want to see this ortho-mosaic and would like to see the others below, deselect the project in the Places menu. This will turn off the top polygon.



Continue with this procedure for viewing the various projects overlaid on top of each other.

- Be patient when opening the KMZ files!** It may seem like nothing is happening. Many of the ortho-mosaics are large and it may take some time to open them. You can still move about the program while the files are opening.

Opened ortho-mosaic goes to bottom of list. To turn off, deselect file.

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