

RGS Projects on Google Earth®*

Additional information for those not fully familiar with Google Earth®. GE has many features and Help that is beyond the scope of this document but we will attempt to get you started.

Clicking the green ...Project Locations hyperlink on the **Projects on GE** page opens a KMZ file on Google Earth. GE does not need to be open to begin. If presented, select **Open** and then close the GE **Start-Up Tips** window. The GE globe will rotate and zoom into North America. Icons indicating the location of the projects along with their state project number will be displayed. Double-clicking on or near an icon will zoom the map. Clicking any time during the fly-in process stops the zoom at that elevation. Clicking once on any of the icons will display a bubble containing some information about the project. Right-clicking and clicking Properties will display a pop-up window where the lat/long is displayed.

Note: public viewable locations are mapped based on "nearest" town Zip Code and are thus not locatable without additional information.

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White dots, or what appear to be gray dots until you zoom in closer, are mapped via nearest Zip Code "centroid." On the left of the GE window, in the **Temporary Places** folder, you will notice three distinct folders for the overall **RGS US MAP and DF Projects by Zip.kmz** file. The three folders inside the **RGS Map and DF Projects by Zip** folder include similar data except the program used to create the file to plot them has a 200 item mapping limit so they are combined there. The user may check or uncheck any or all of the folders to display different subsets of information, keeping in mind that the three labeled ZipData# contain similar data.

When the user closes GE, a pop-up appears asking if you want to **Save the locations to My Places**. If you save, you will not need to access this page again until accessing an updated .kmz file. The Revision date shown behind the file indicates the most recent update. If you've saved the RGS US MAP ... from **Temporary to My Places** and click the link(s) on this page again, you will have duplicate plots of data indicated by the checks in front of corresponding folders. Outdated **My Places** folders may be deleted by right-clicking and selecting Delete and then right-click the appropriate folders in **Temporary Places** and **Save to My Places**.

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