

SEND YOUR HOMEWORK #2

HOMEWORK #2 – URBAN MAPPING EXERCISE

INSTRUCTIONS:

- TAKE A SHORT WALK (AGAIN) AROUND YOUR FAVORITE PLACE IN THE CITY.
- CHOOSE ONE ELEMENT TO BE MAPPED AS POINTS (E.G., TREES, BENCHES, CAFÉS, MURALS, ETC.).
- MAP AT LEAST 5 POINTS FOR THIS ELEMENT.
- RECORD 5 DIFFERENT ATTRIBUTES FOR YOUR POINTS (E.G., NAME, CONDITION, SIZE, COLOR, MATERIAL).
- BE CREATIVE AND THINK ABOUT HOW EVERYDAY URBAN ELEMENTS CAN TELL A SPATIAL STORY!
- UPLOAD YOUR WORK BELOW.
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BE READY TO SHARE YOUR EXAMPLES IN THE NEXT CLASS. BE CREATIVE!



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HOMEWORK #1:

1. BRING A CONCEPT OF GEOGRAPHICAL SPACE;
2. TAKE A SHORT WALK AT YOUR FAVORITE PLACE IN THE CITY AND TAKE A PHOTO OF THE LANDSCAPE. THINK OF 3 THINGS THAT COULD BE REPRESENTED IN GIS, ONE AS:
 - A POINT,
 - A LINE,
 - A POLYGON.
- BE READY TO SHARE YOUR EXAMPLES NEXT CLASS!
3. INSTALL QGIS IN YOUR LAPTOP (OPTIONAL);



GIS - Geographical Information Systems

CLASS #2 - MAPPING POINTS IN THE SPACE

REGISTER SURROUNDING TREES

BUILD AN ATTRIBUTE TABLE FROM ZERO

COLLECT DATA TO THE ATTRIBUTE TABLE

CREATE A POINT LAYER IN QGIS



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What data should we collect?

- a) Identifier number
- b) Latitude and Longitude
- c) Species
- d) Height (small/medium/ tall)
- e) Condition (healthy/ damaged/ dead)
- etc...

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Data = Attribute

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FIELD	TYPE	DESCRIPTION / NOTES	EXAMPLE VALUE
tree_id	Number	Unique identifier for each tree	1
latitude	Decimal	Latitude in decimal degrees	48
longitude	Decimal	Longitude in decimal degrees	8
name	Text	Tree's name (if known)	Maple Tree
species	Text	Tree species or type	Acer platanoides
height	Text	Size class (Small / Medium / Tall)	Medium
colour	Text	Current leaf colour	Green
condition	Text	Health condition	Healthy
location	Text	Short description or reference	"Near the main entrance"

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Attribute Table



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Attribute Table

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TREE ID	LAT	LON	NAME	SPECIES	HEIGHT	COLOUR	CONDITION	LOCATION

To remember:

Attributes are in COLUMNS (FIELDS)

Trees are in LINES (REGISTERS)

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Attribute Table

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TREE ID	LAT	LON	NAME	SPECIES	HEIGHT	COLOUR	CONDITION	LOCATION

How can we get the data?

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Let's map!

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Attribute Table



Copy this Attibute Table in a papper sheet

Mapping trees in QGIS

5 MAIN STEPS:

1. CREATE THE PROJECT'S FOLDER IN YOUR COMPUTER.
2. WRITE THE ATTRIBUTE TABLE AND SAVE AS CSV FILE.
3. IMPORT THE .CSV FILE IN QGIS.
4. SAVE THE TREES AS A SHAPFILE (SHP).
5. ADD SATELLITE VIEW (BACKGROUND).





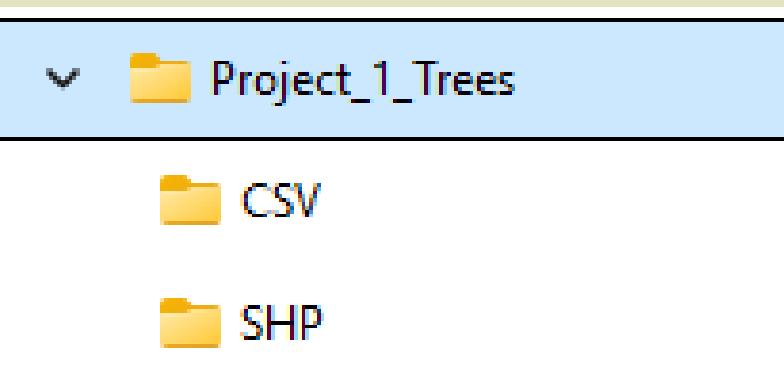
1. CREATE THE PROJECT'S FOLDER

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Create a folder for your new map

Folder name: Project_1_Trees

Create 2 folders inside: CSV and SHP



2. WRITE THE ATTRIBUTE TABLE AND SAVE AS CSV FILE



A screenshot of a CSV file titled "Trees.csv". The file is open in a simple text editor. The header row contains the following columns separated by commas: TREE_ID, LONGITUDE, LATITUDE, NAME, SPECIES, HEIGHT, COLOUR, CONDITION, LOCATION. The status bar at the bottom of the editor window shows: Ln 1, Col 73 | 72 caracteres | Texto sem forma | 100% | Windows (CRLF) | UTF-8 com BOM.

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(commas are columns separator)

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Trees.csv

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(commas are columns separator)

save as “Trees_Att_Table.csv”
in CSV folder

Project_1_Trees

CSV

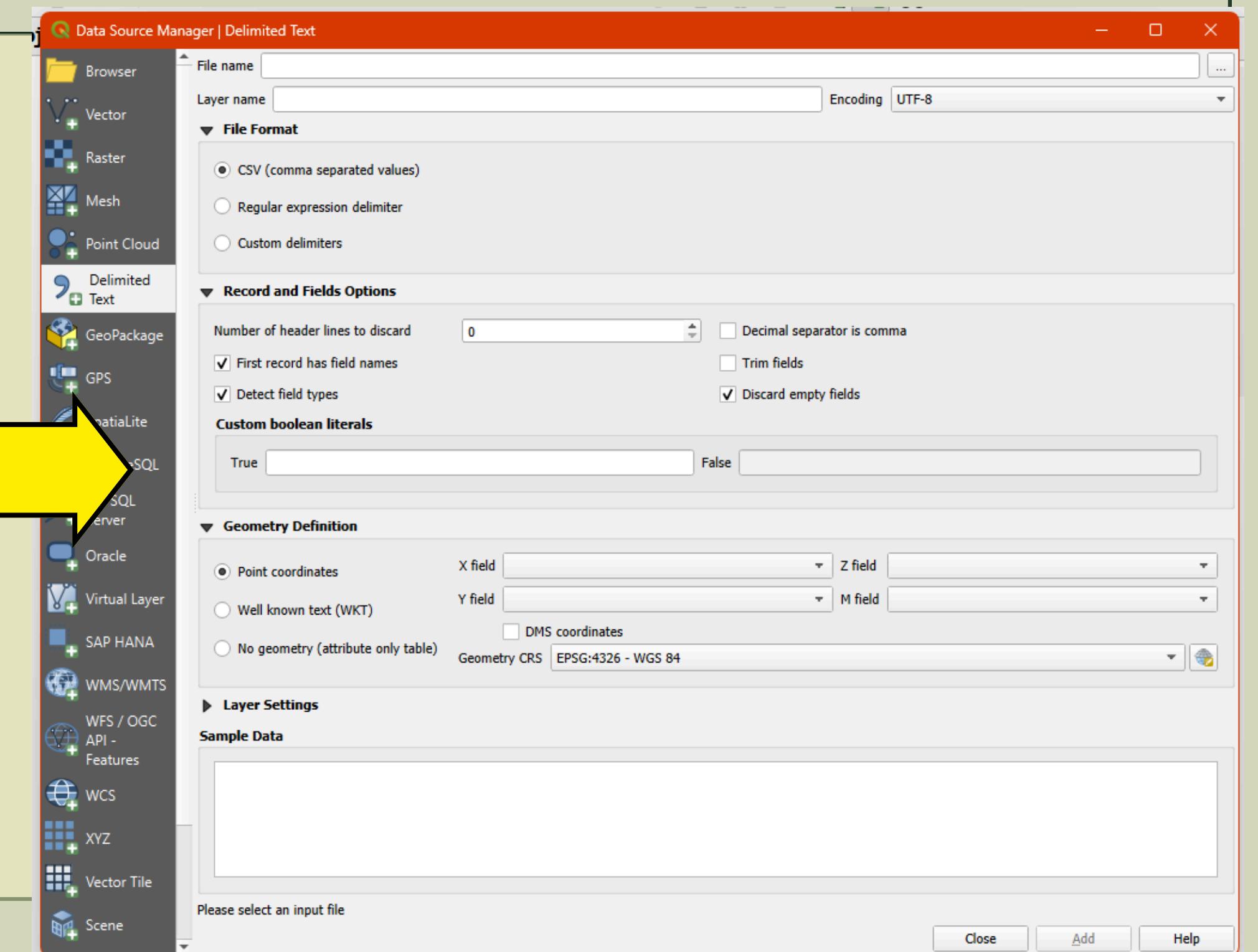
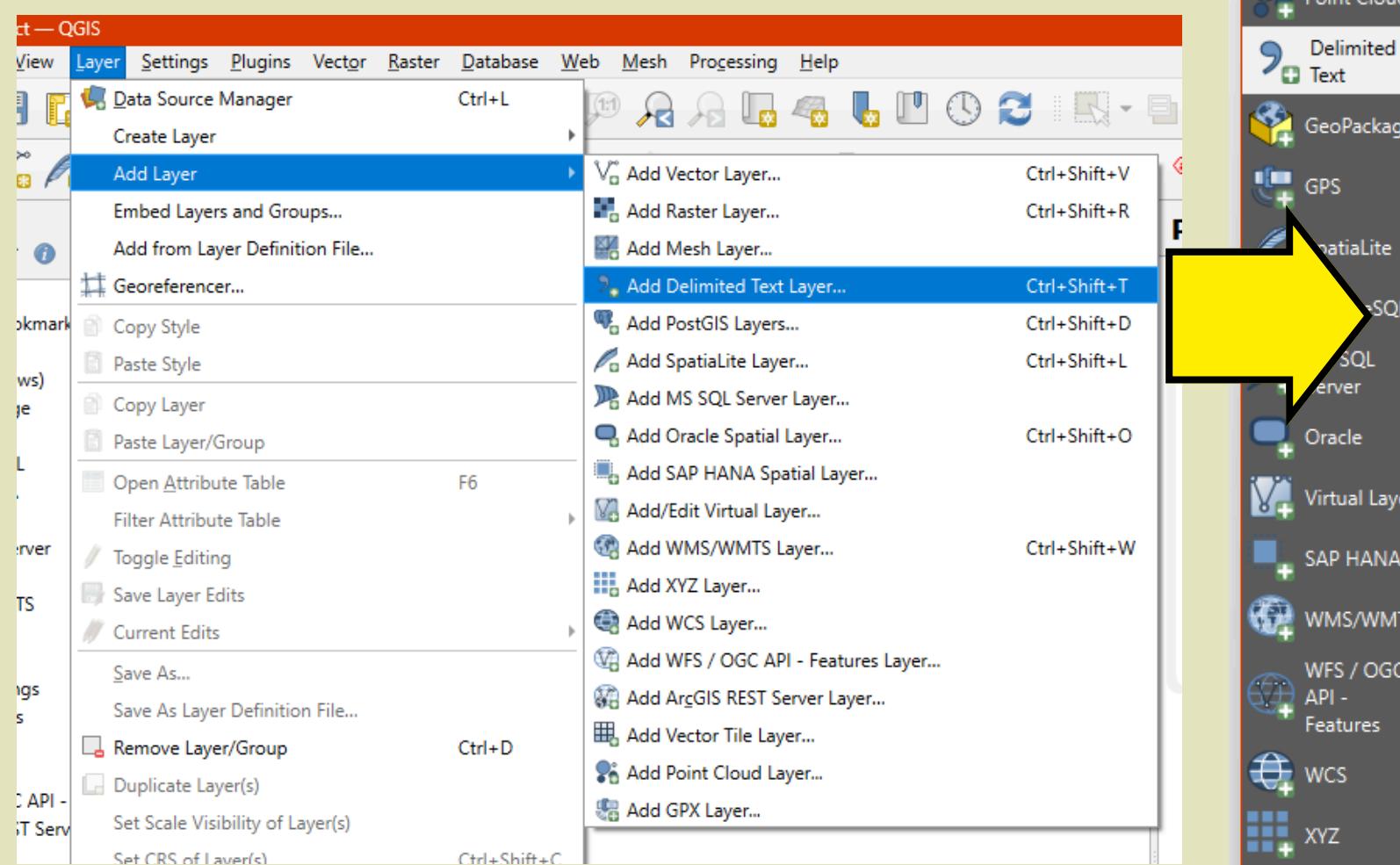
SHP

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3. IMPORT THE ATTRIBUTE TABLE (CSV FILE) IN QGIS

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Add Delimited Text Layer

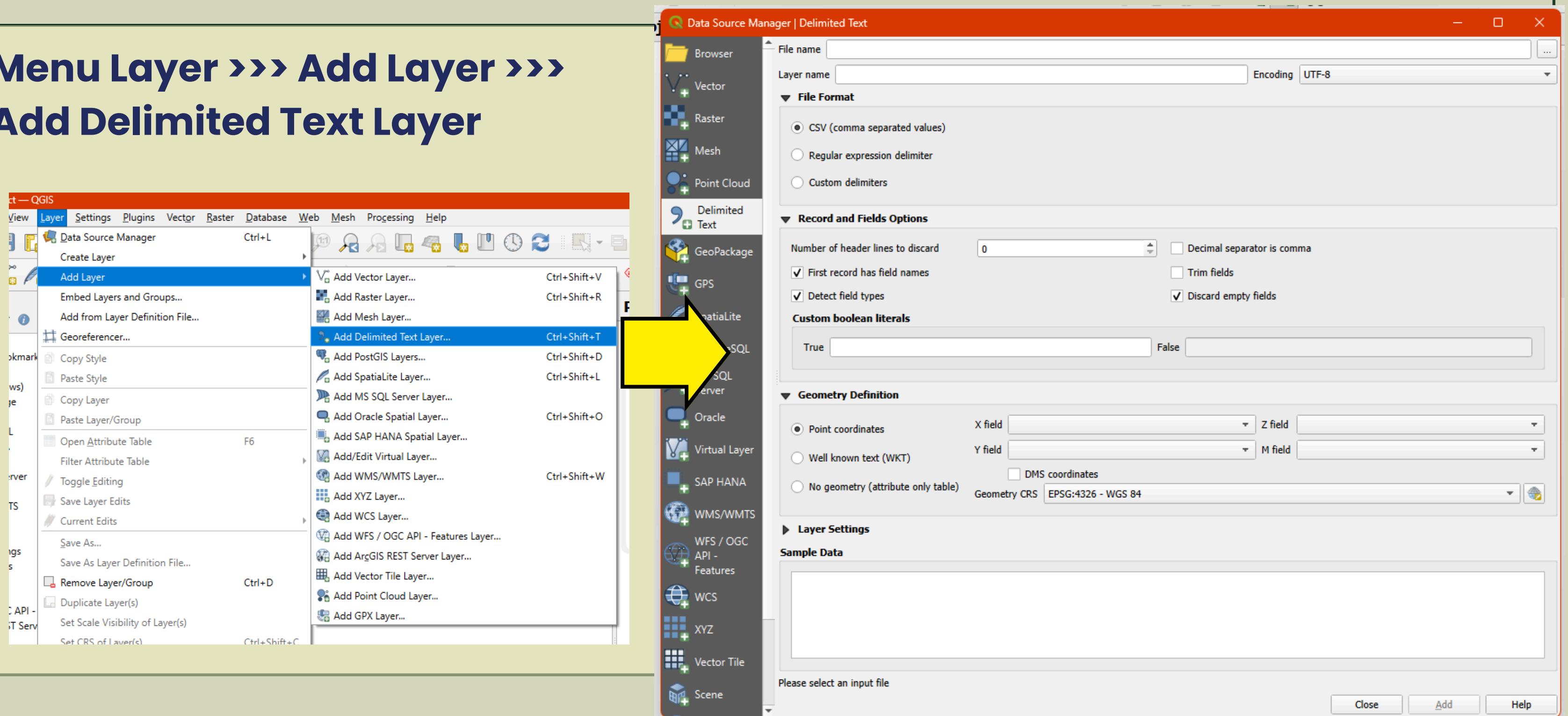
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4. SAVE THE TREES AS A SHAPEFILE (SHP)

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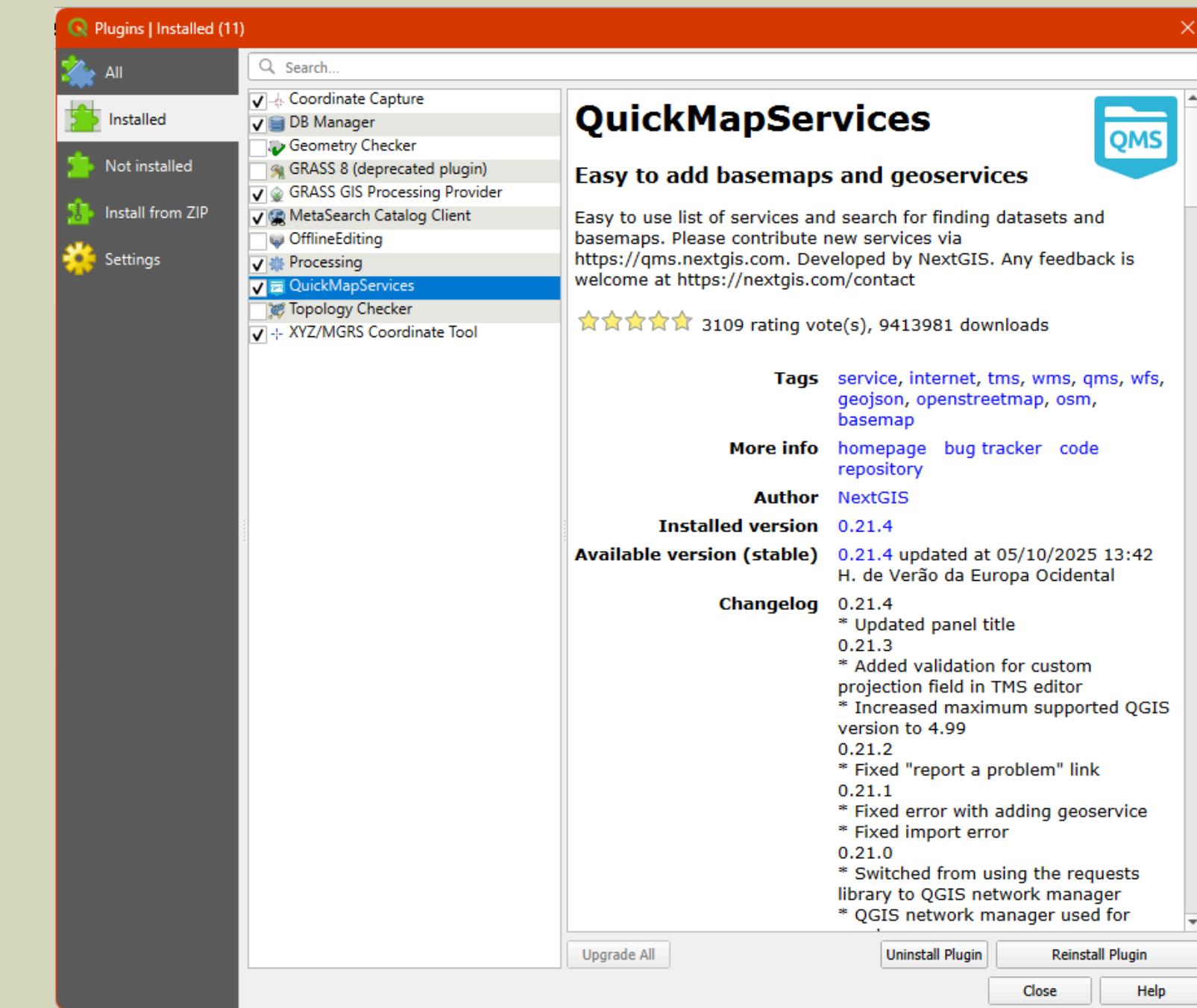


5. ADD SATELLITE VIEW (BACKGROUND)

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» Manage and install plugins

Install QuickMapServices



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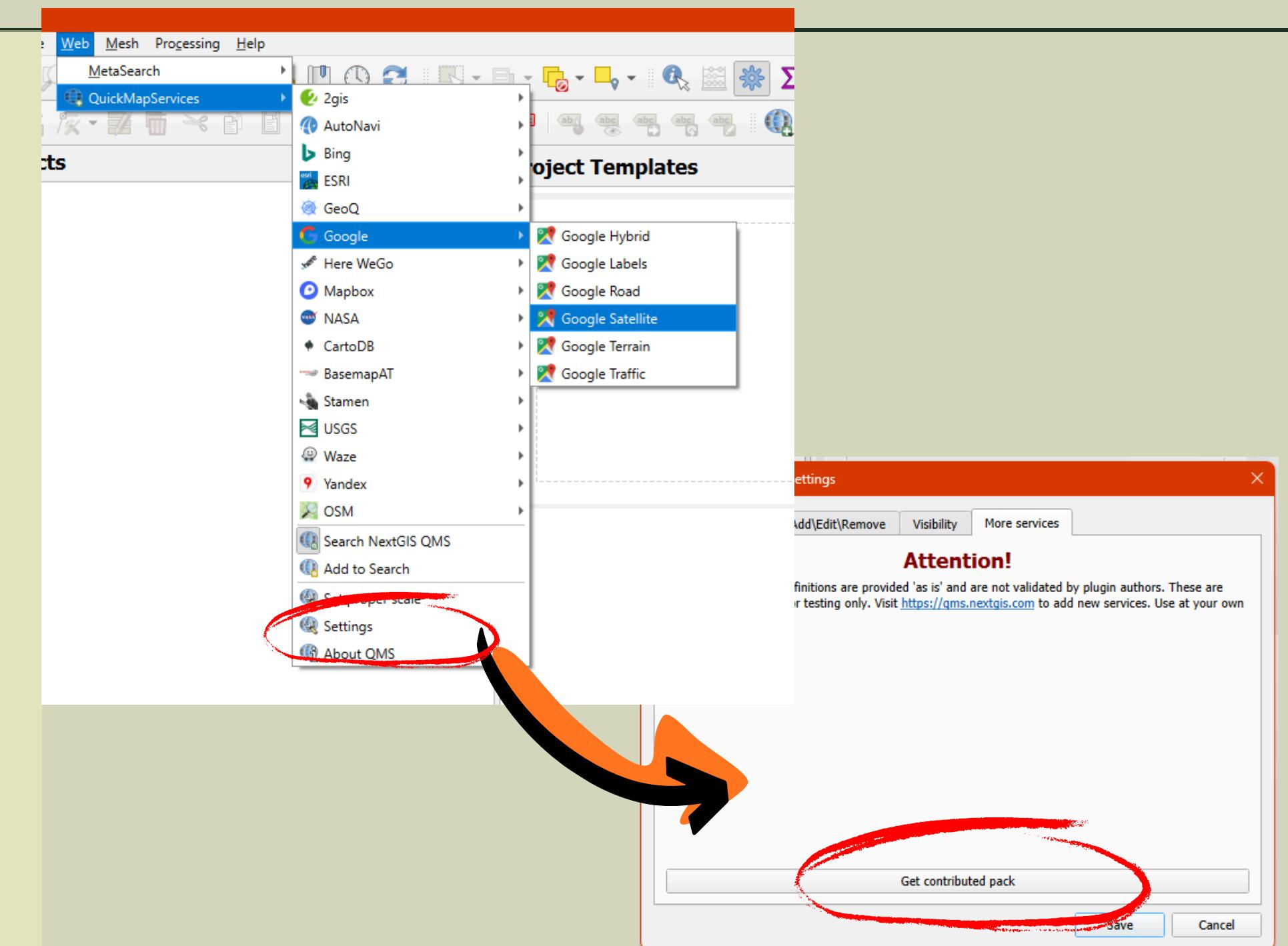
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MAP POINTS FROM ELEMENTS OF YOUR
FAVORITE SPOT IN THE CITY
FOLLOWING THE STEPS PRESENTED
TODAY.

