

JOSM | Introduction and Setup

Editing in JOSM

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JOSM - Java Open Street Map Editor



Overview

- Open-Source GIS software for editing OSM data
- Among the three most popular OSM data editing platforms:
 - *iD*
 - *Potlatch*
 - *JOSM*
- Data is downloaded off the OSM server, edited, and changes are uploaded back to the server
- No shapefile management required
- Simple set of vector editing tools

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Basics

- We use production level version
- There will always be one current stable version available, with a new development version released daily
- Large community of users and ~7 developers
- Bugs and feature requests can be reported on the JOSM forum for developers to fix
- Plugins can be downloaded

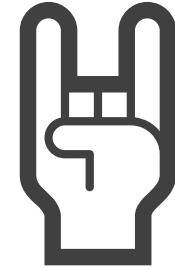


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Create OSM Account



1. Navigate to osm.org
2. Select “Sign Up”
3. Enter account info:
 - Email
 - Display name
 - Password
4. Welcome to OSM! 

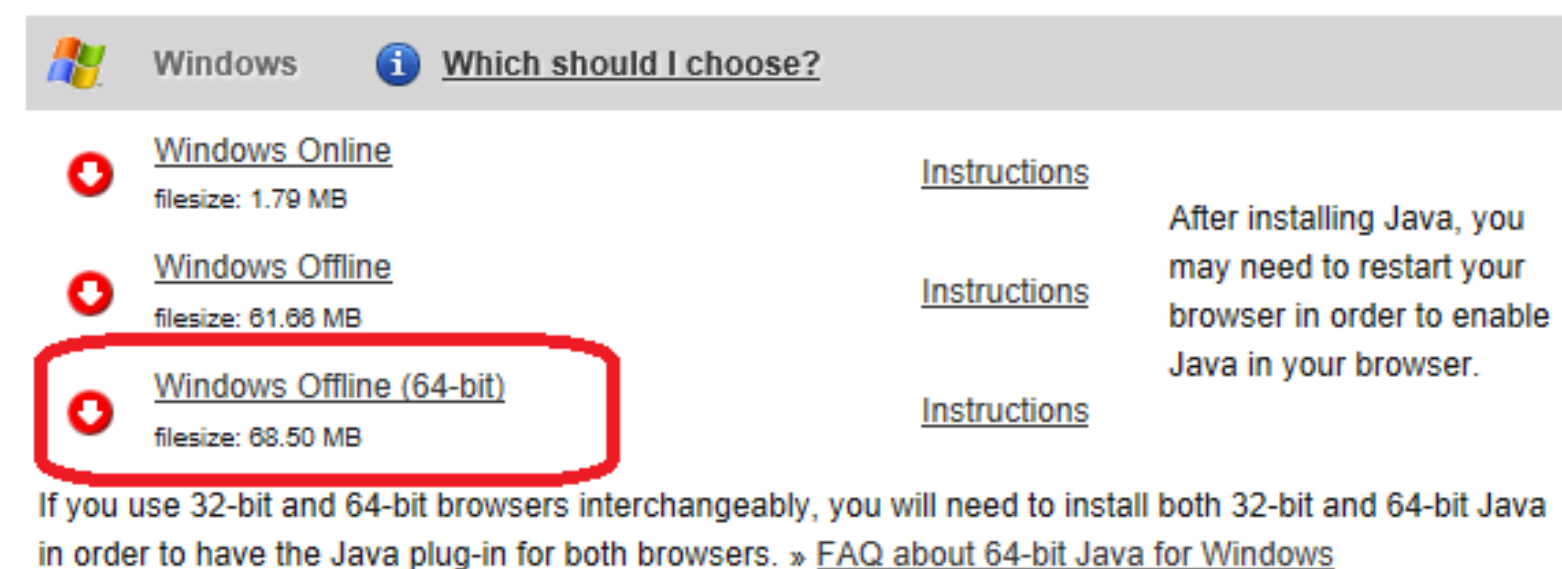
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Download



Lets get started!

- First!.. Java must be downloaded: <https://www.java.com/en/download/> (choose Windows Offline-64-bit)



- We will be using the latest stable version of JSOM
 - Current stable release is located here: <https://josm.openstreetmap.de>


JOSM Setup-(a)


Download/update


To install JOSM:


GO TO: <https://josm.openstreetmap.de>

- **Download** josm-tested.jar to your *Desktop*
- **Open** a new notepad doc and put the following string in "java -d64 -Xmx10240m -jar josm-tested.jar" (this increases memory for the app)
- **Save** the notepad doc as a .bat file, click save-as, give it a file name that ends in .bat, so mine is josm.bat and save it to your desktop
- **Double click** the new file and JOSM should launch



JOSM is an extensible editor for [OpenStreetMap](#). It supports loading GPX tracks, background imagery (ways, and relations) and their metadata tags. JOSM is [open source](#) and licensed under [GPL](#) .

 Start [josm.jnlp](#) (newest tested version)
recommended version, all platforms, monthly automatic update ([how to start](#))

 Download [josm-tested.jar](#) (version 13576)
all platforms ([how to run](#))

[Windows installer](#) (version 13576, [how to install](#))

[MacOS package](#) (version 13576, [how on Mac](#))



Main Toolbar

Windows

Viewport

Layer Window

Tags Window

Selection Window

Filters Window

Map Paint Window

Edit Toolbar

Location

Java OpenStreetMap Editor

0 5.00 km

Layers

- Data Layer 1
- Bing aerial imagery

Tags / Memberships

Select objects for which to change tags.

+ Add Edit Delete

Selection

Select Search History

Filter Hidden:0 Disabled:0

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<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	natural=*	<input type="checkbox"/>	A
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	building=*	<input type="checkbox"/>	A
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	landuse=*	<input type="checkbox"/>	A
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	amenity=*	<input type="checkbox"/>	A

+ ... E... ... Up Down

Map Paint Styles

- ☐ Wireframe View
- ☐ Local_test
- ☒ street_custom

Background Terms of Use

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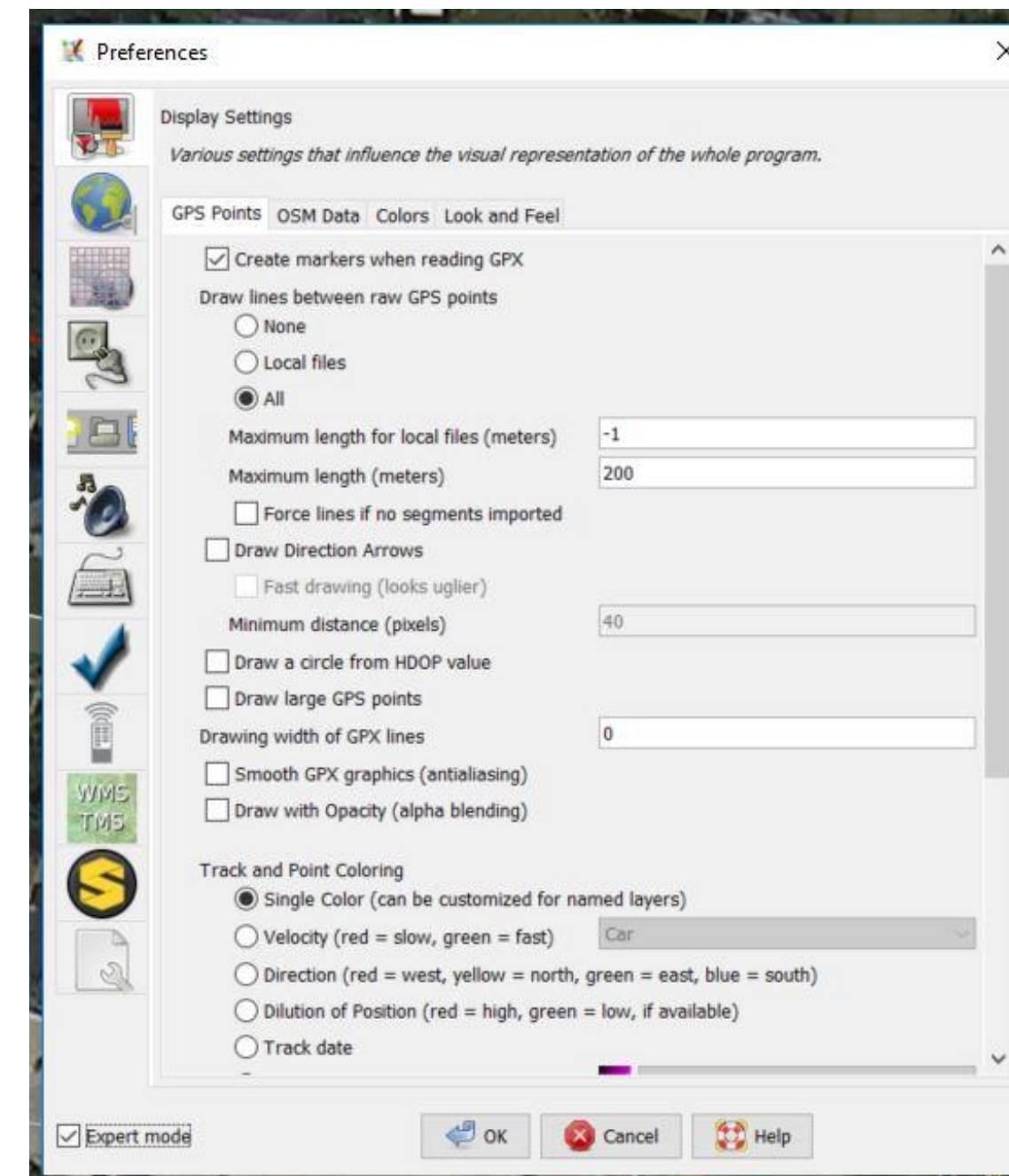
47.6179047 -122.3267391 (no object)

on (Ctrl to toggle); Shift-Ctrl to rotate selected; Alt-Ctrl to scale selected; or change selection

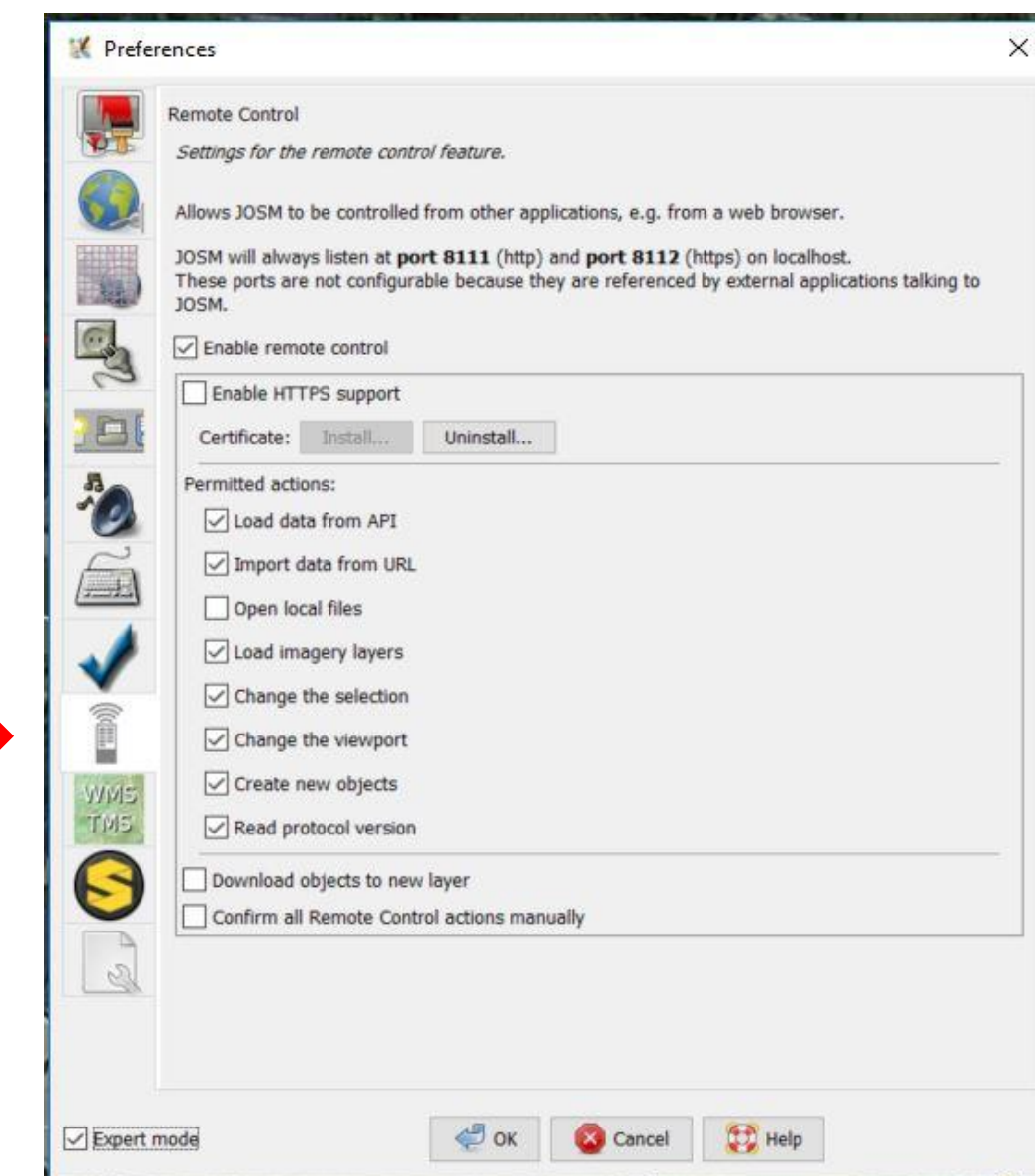
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Initial Setup

- Adjust settings under *Edit>Preferences*
- Best practice:
 1. Expert Mode -
 - Bottom left corner of *Edit Preferences>turn on Expert mode*
 2. Remote Control -
 - Fourth icon from bottom left *>Enable remote control*
 - Please also enable HTTPS support



1. Expert mode



2. Remote control

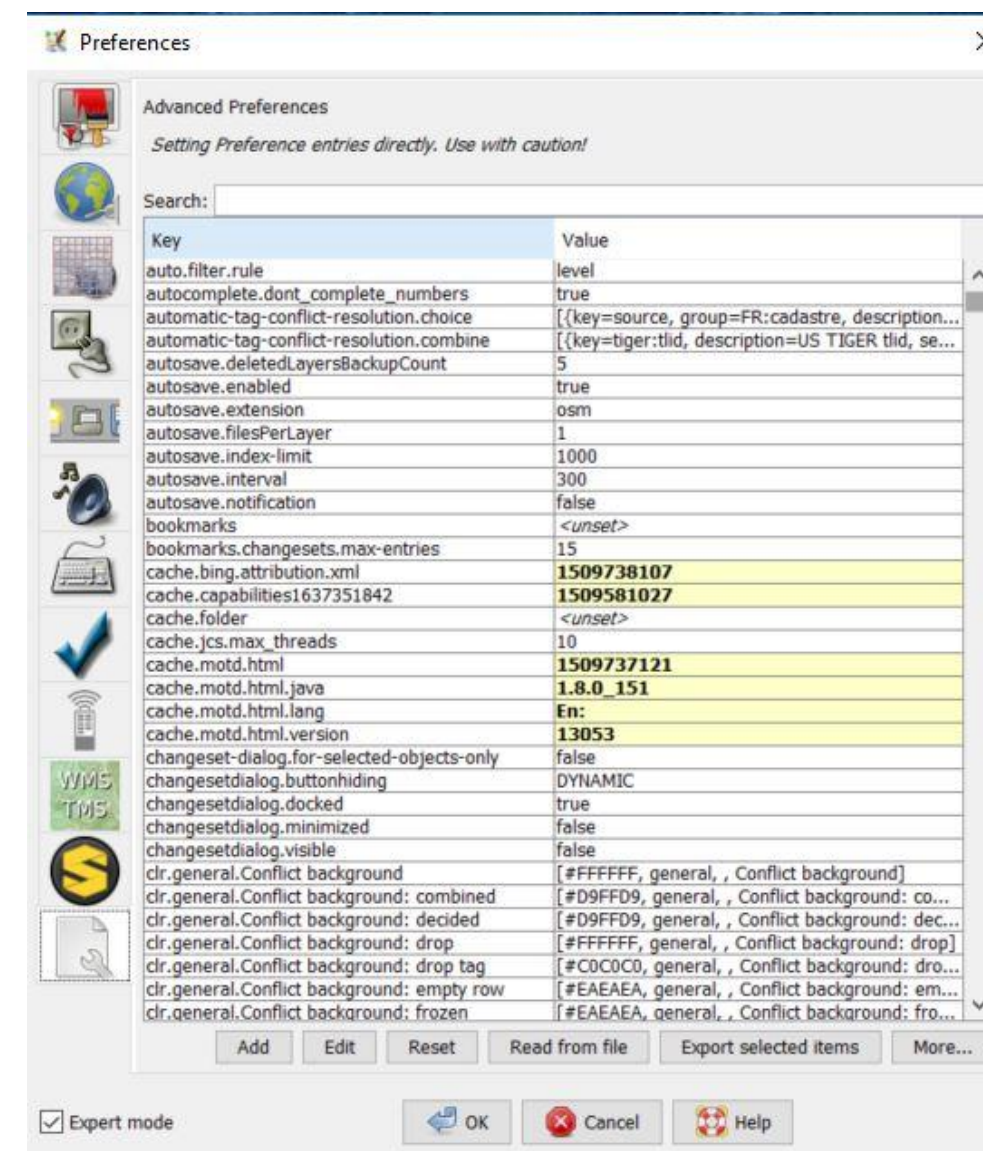


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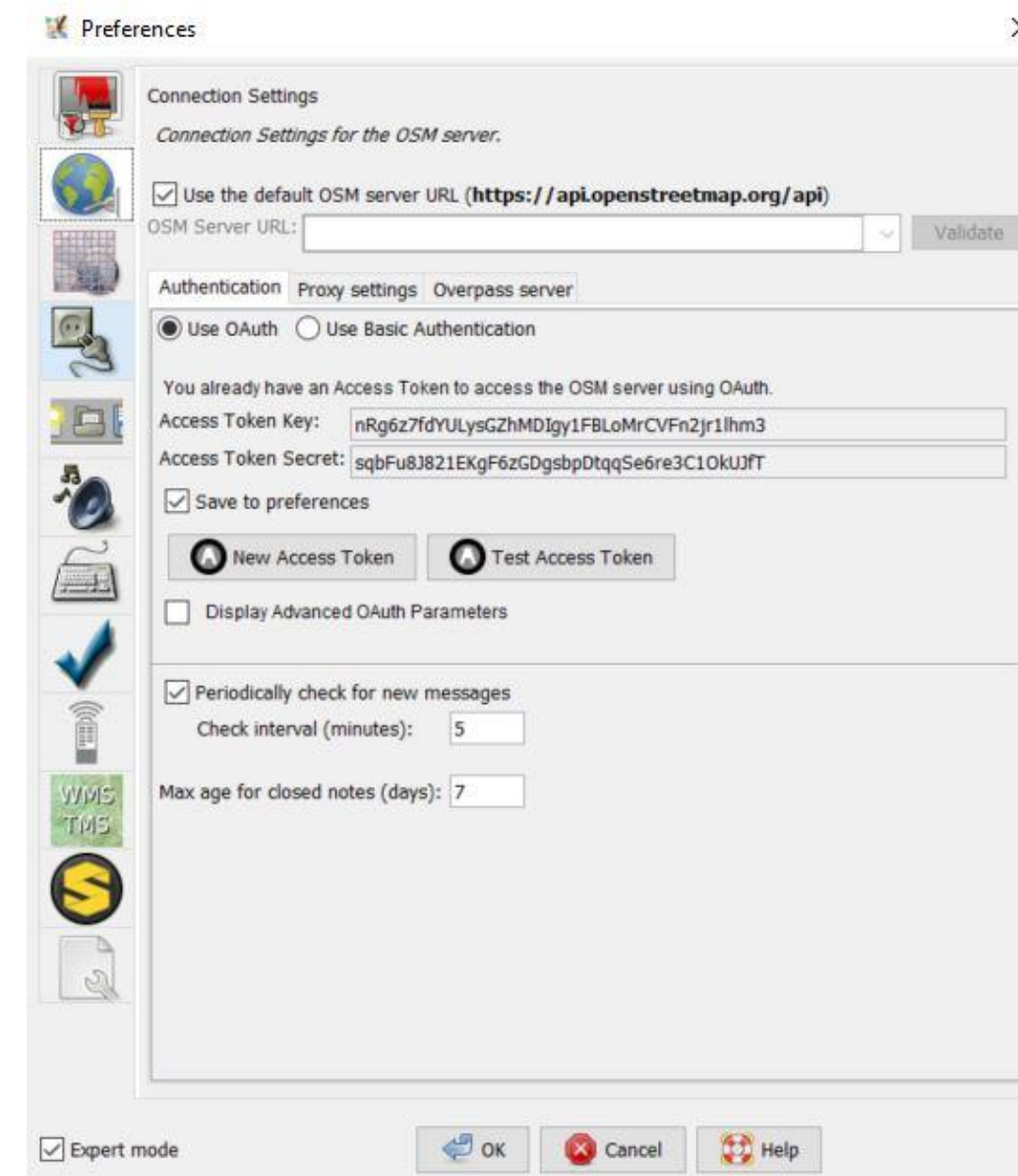
Initial Setup con't...

3. IPv6 Connection

- Bottom icon>search for “ipv6”>set *prefer.ipv6* to “false”



3. ipv6 setting



4. Login to OSM using OAuth



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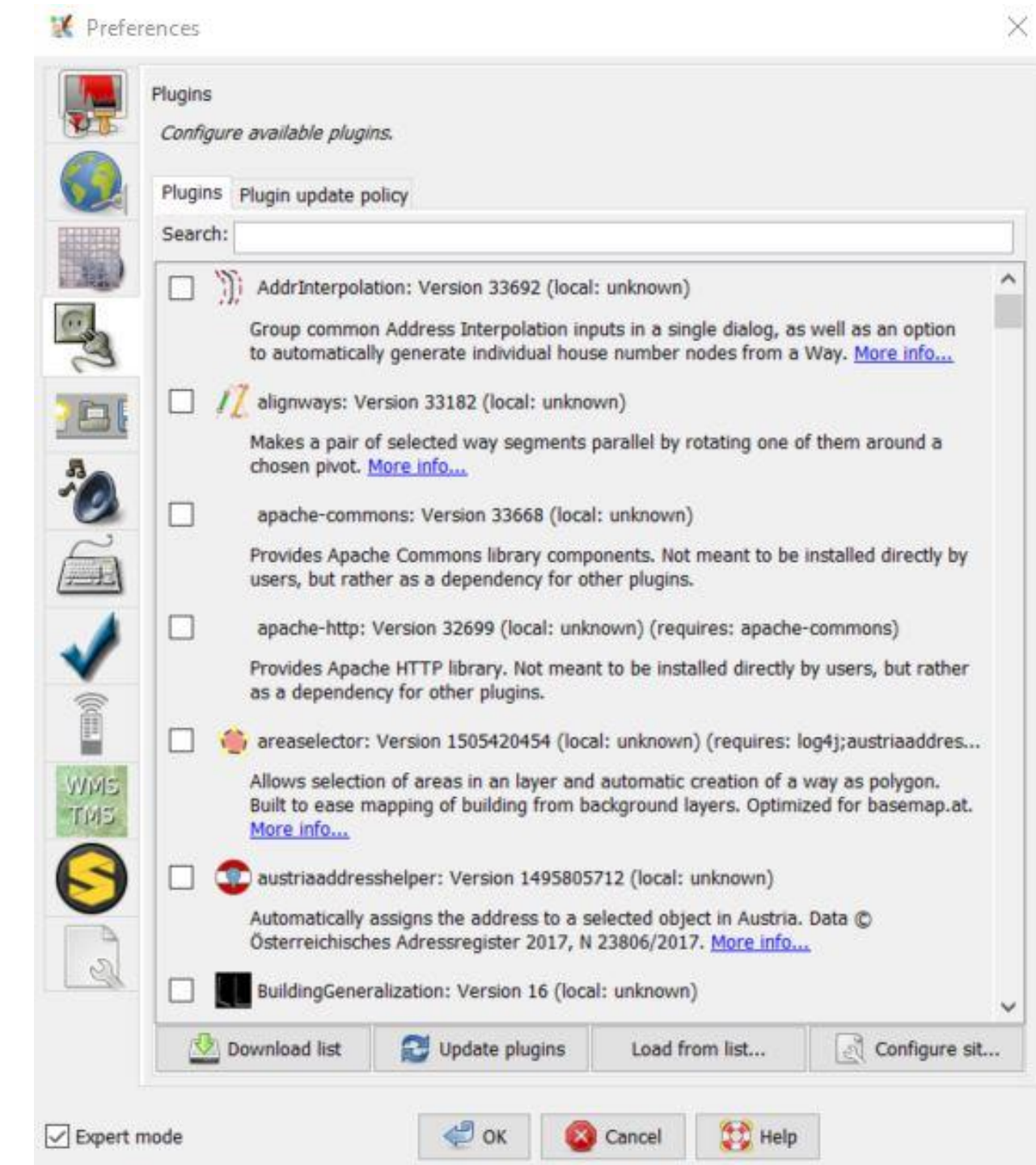
Plugins

- Plugins are tools that add to overall JOSM functionality

- [JOSM plugin home](#)

- Useful Plugins:

- *ImproveOSM*
 - *utilsplugin2*
 - *building_tools*
 - *opendata*
 - *turnrestrictions*
 - *Openstreetcam*
 - *Geojson*
 - *Mapillary*
 - *Todo*
 - *MicrosoftStreetSide*



To install:

1. Navigate to
Edit>preferences>plugins
2. Check the boxes for mentioned plugins
3. “Download list”
4. Select “OK”

JOSM restart will be required

<https://josm.openstreetmap.de/wiki/DevelopersGuide/DevelopingPlugins>

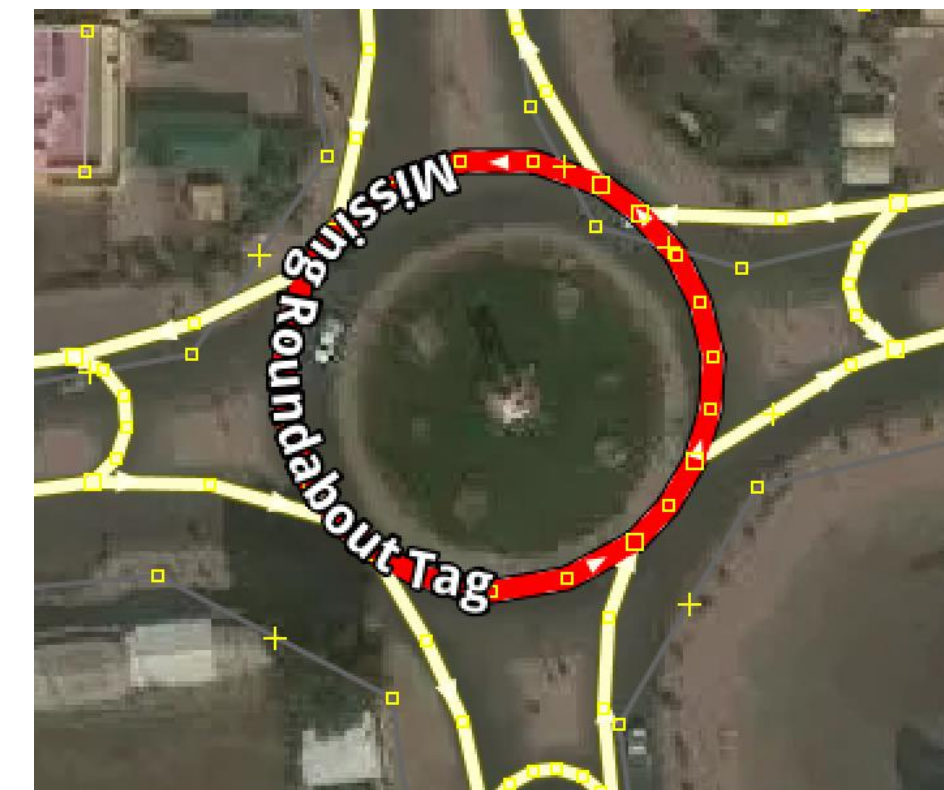
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Map Paint Style



- Map paint styles render features in JOSM using **rules**
- **Rules** are made up of **Selectors** and **Declarations**
 - **Selector**: object and/or feature being styled
 - **Declaration**: How the selector is styled
- mapcss is the language used for the JOSM stylesheet
- Uses the framework of a cascading style sheet (i.e. rules at the bottom will override rules above)
- Eval statements can also be used

- We released a Paint Style on our [GitHub](#)
 - This style is used to call out map errors by rendering them differently in JOSM
 - Example:



Most likely missing roundabout tag



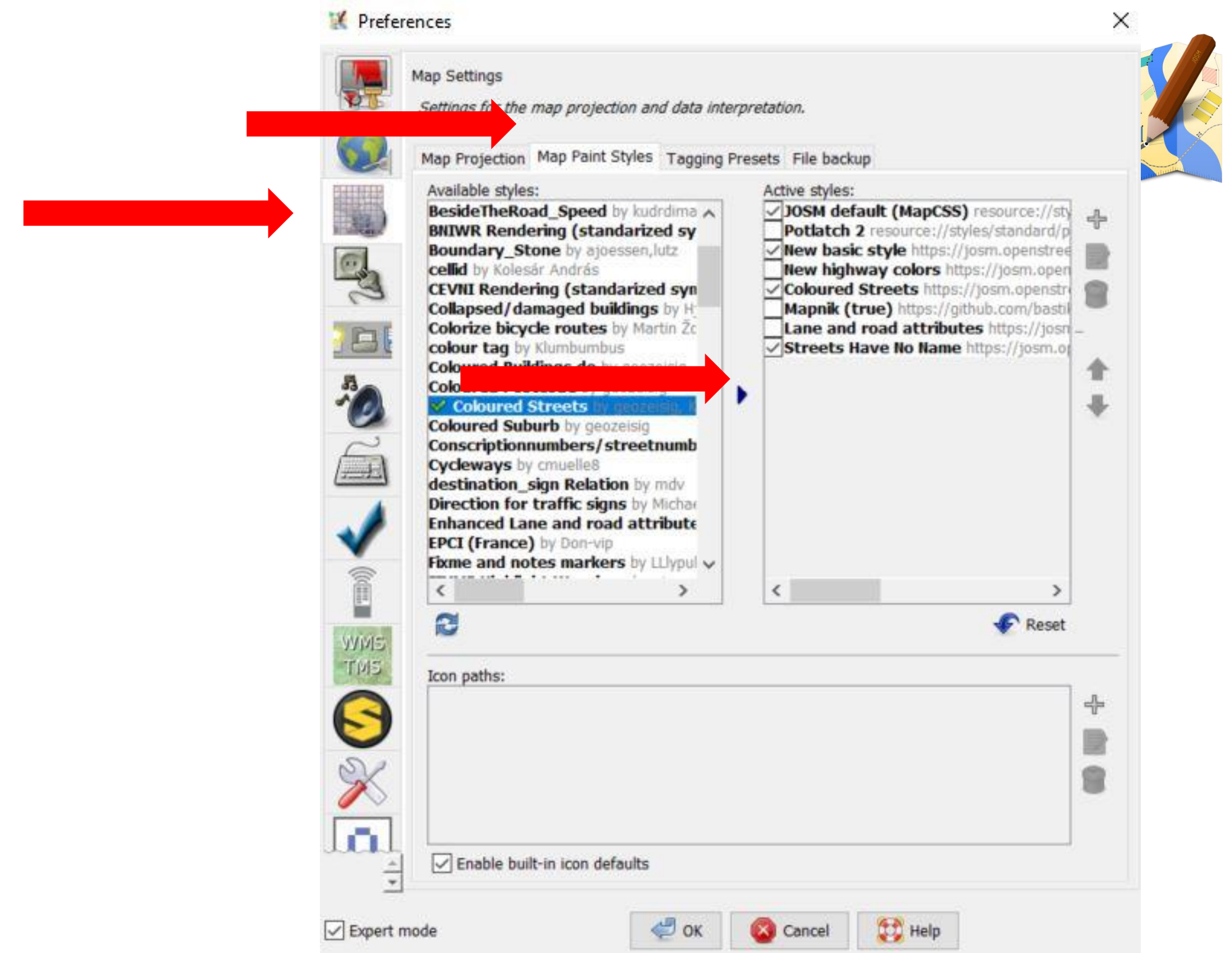
Roundabout tag present on element

More information on mapcss [here](#)

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Map Paint Styles

- Base styles are included by default, but here are a few add-on styles we'll use:
- Useful Styles:
 - *Coloured Streets*
 - *Streets Have No Name*
 - *New Basic Style*
 - *Modified objects*
 - *Inline_validation*
 - *FIXME Highlight Warnings*



To add:

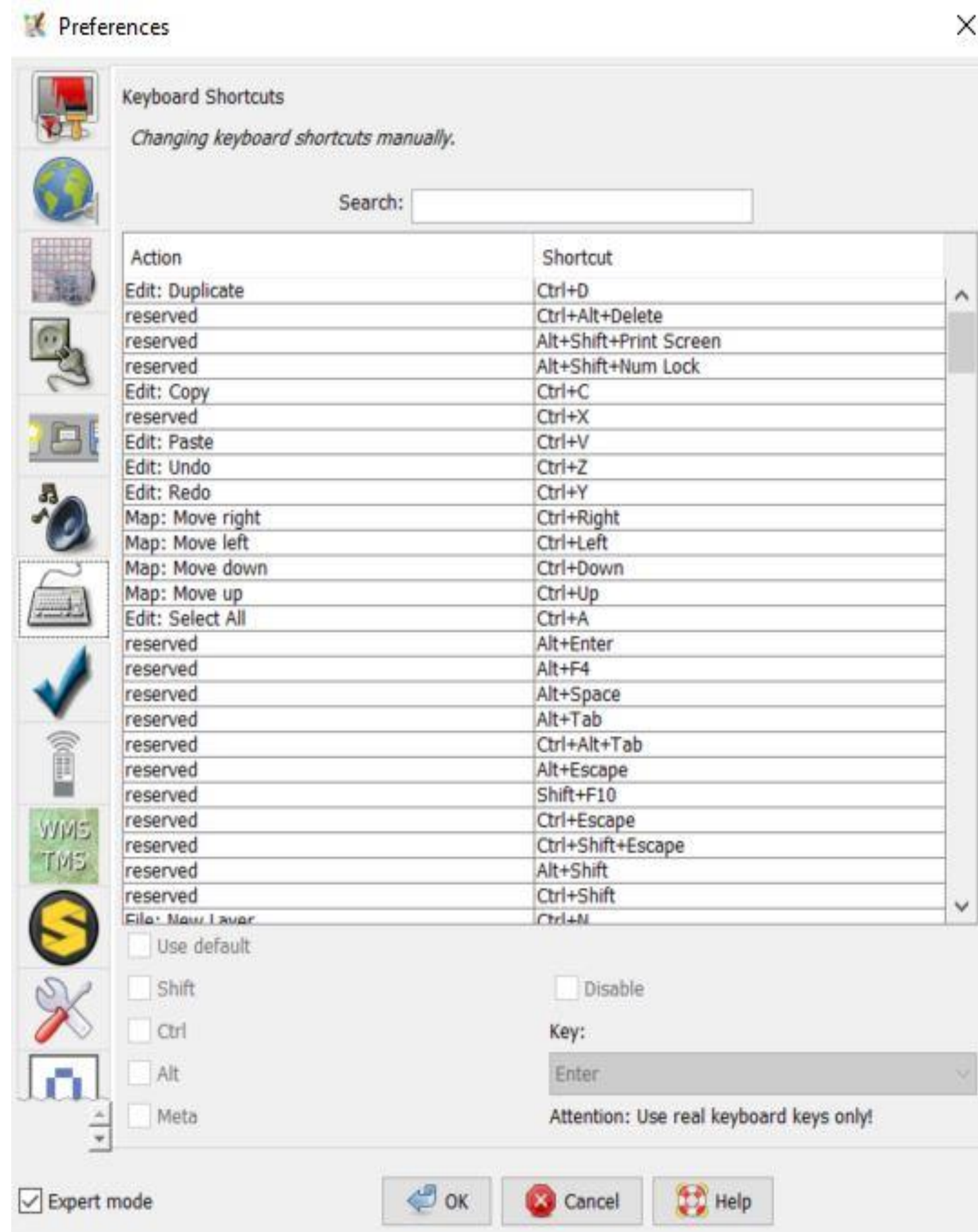
1. Navigate to Edit>preferences>Map settings>Map Paint Styles
2. Select styles in 'available styles'
3. Activate by clicking blue arrow button
4. Select "OK"

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Keyboard Shortcuts



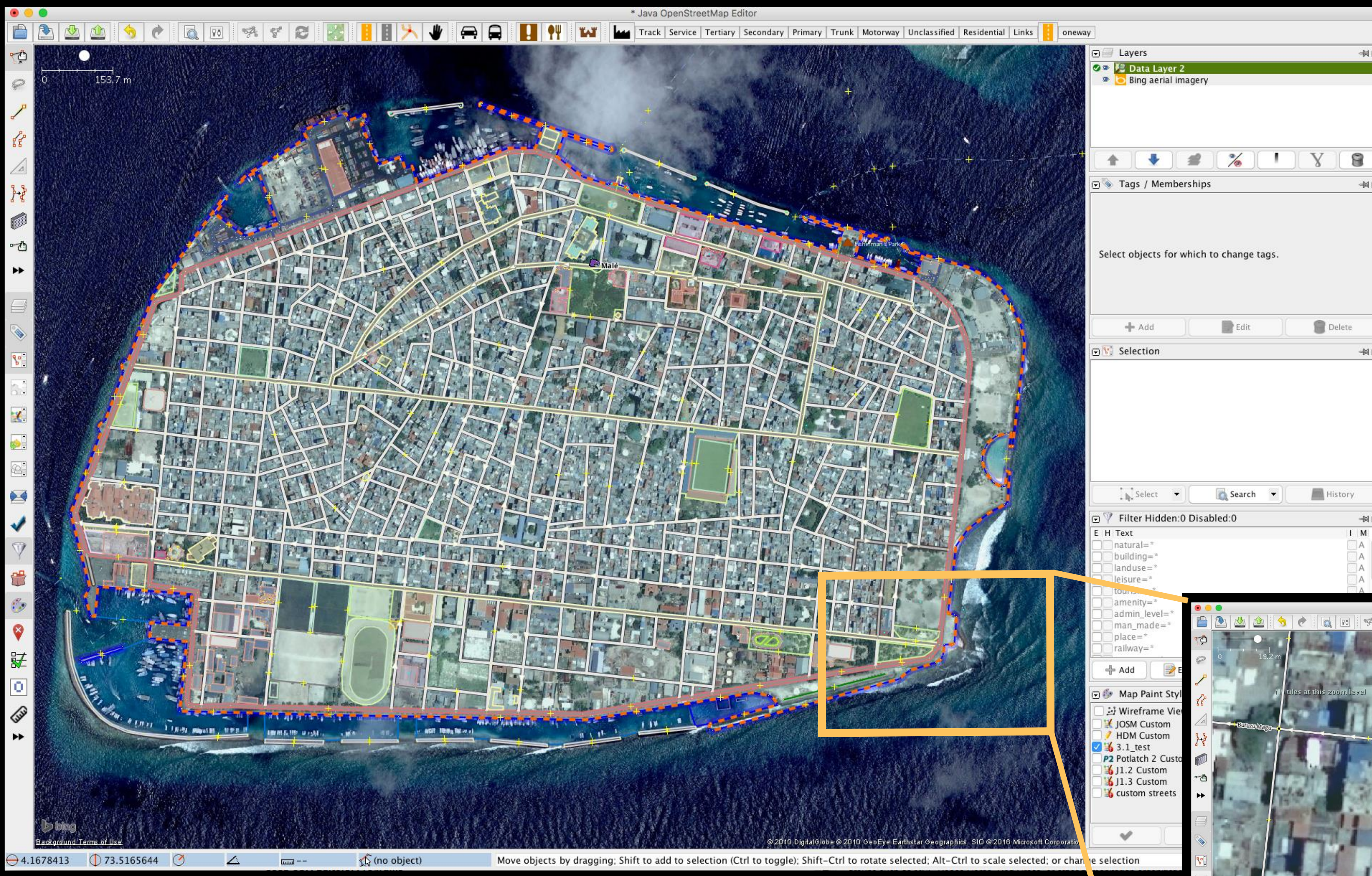
- Keyboard shortcuts in JOSM are fully customizable and easy to adjust
- Most feature tags and editing tools can be assigned a shortcut
 - If the tag/tool does not exist as a shortcut by default, a custom preset must be created
- To adjust keyboard shortcuts:
 - *Edit>Preferences>Keyboard Shortcuts* - Uncheck 'Use Default' and adjust key to your preference
 - Green Highlight indicates changed shortcut

[List of default Keyboard shortcuts](#)

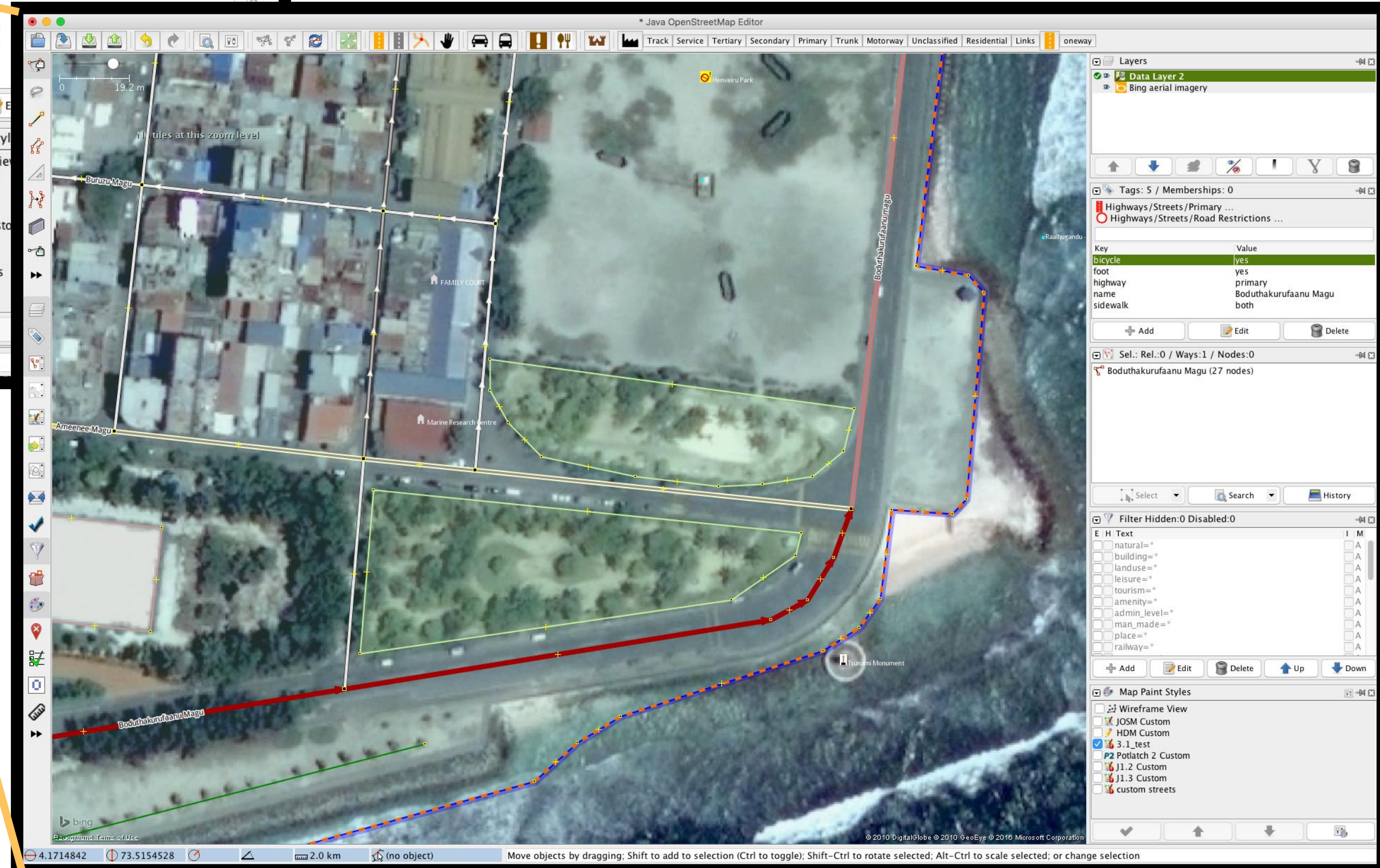


JOSM Basics

May 2018



JOSM UI



To add basemap: *Imagery>Bing Aerial Imagery*

Editing Basics

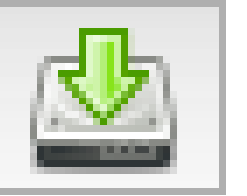
Imagery & Tile Layers

- Basemap
 - Digital Globe (New May 2018!)
 - Standard and Premium layers
 - Bing (1)
 - Map Box (2)
- Map Tiles
 - OSM Standard Layer (3)
 - Mapnik

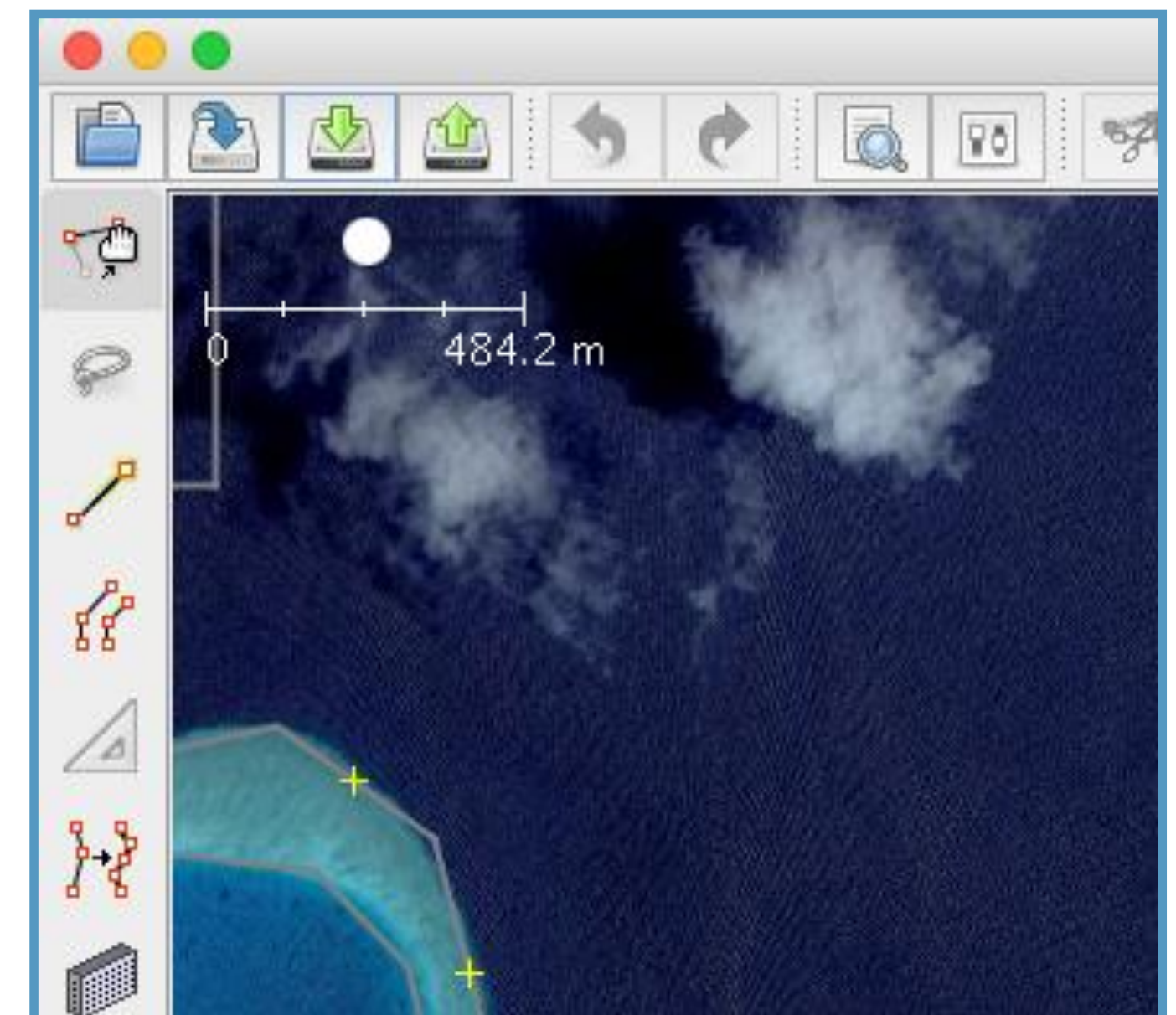


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JOSM Editing

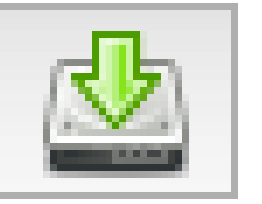


- To edit OSM data, a selection of the data must be downloaded into JOSM from the OSM servers
- Downloaded data can be edited and then uploaded back to the servers with the changes
- To add new JOSM data, the area must be downloaded
 - OSM
 - Overpass API




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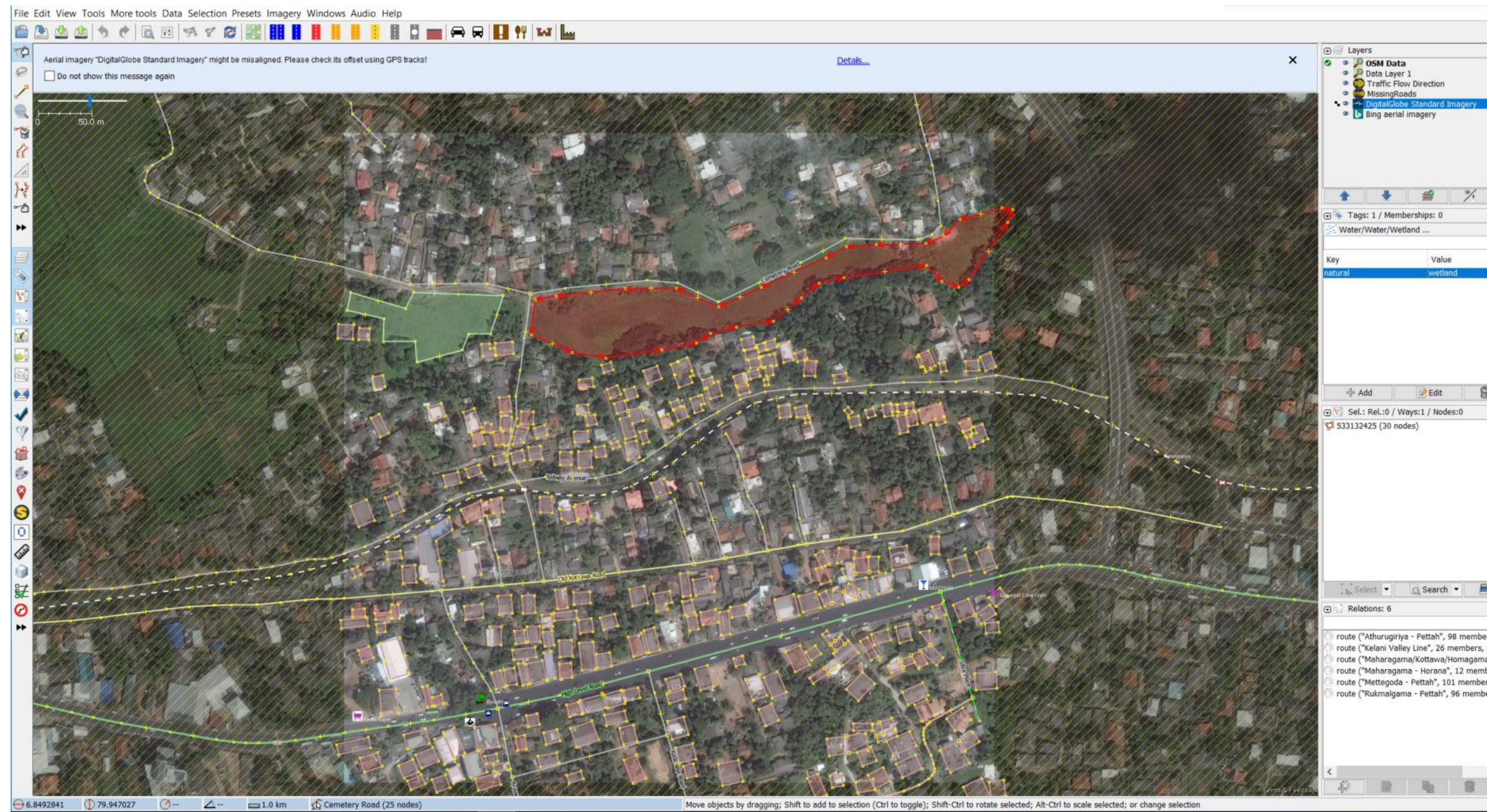
Downloading Data



Downloading data:

- Select , choose download area via map view or sloppy selection, then hit Download
- All Nodes, Ways and Relations within the selected area will download into one data layer
- If selected download area is too large, OSM server will throw an error
- Download from Overpass server when this occurs*

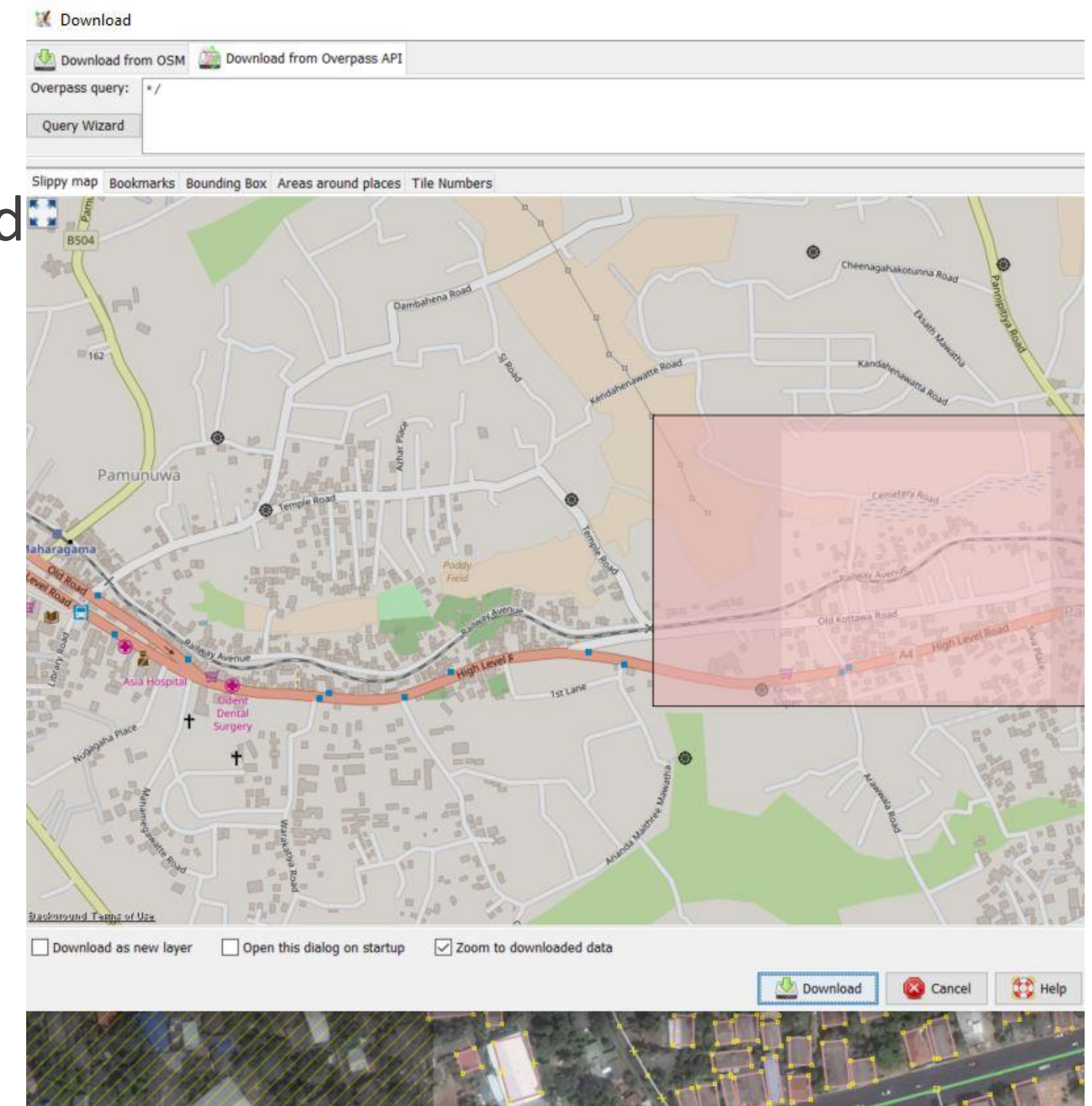
*Overpass is a read-only api, so we shouldn't be editing this layer unless absolutely necessary



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Downloading from Overpass API

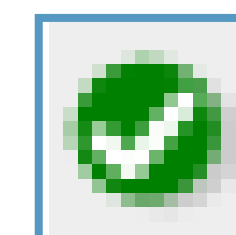
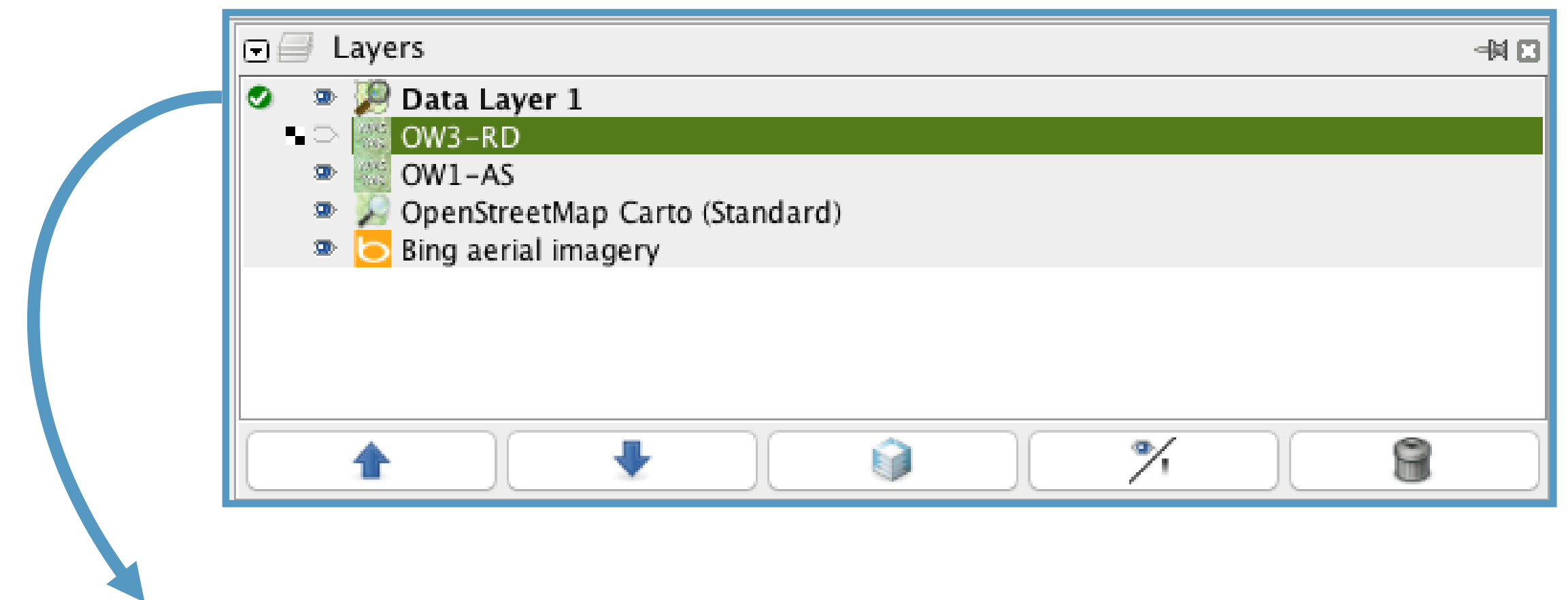
- Overpass API in JOSM allows for larger data downloads and data download queries
 - Data queries use Overpass Query Language (OverpassQL)
 - Information on OverpassQL is available [here](#)
- To access this server: *Hit download icon, and choose 'Download from Overpass API'*
- Overpass provides an option to download certain features only, such as all highway=residential in the bounding box.



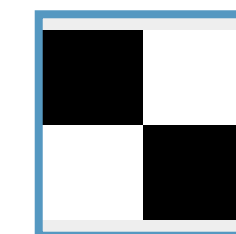
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Layer Window

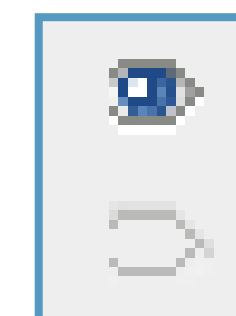
- Shows which layers have been added to your JOSM session
- Order of Layers matters:
 - Top layer renders on top
 - Bottom layer renders on bottom
- Layer management tips:
 - Limit number total layers
 - Set keyboard shortcuts for toggling layers
 - Edit data layer names if you have multiple to keep track



- Active/editable layer



- Scale follows resolution of this layer



- Layer is visible

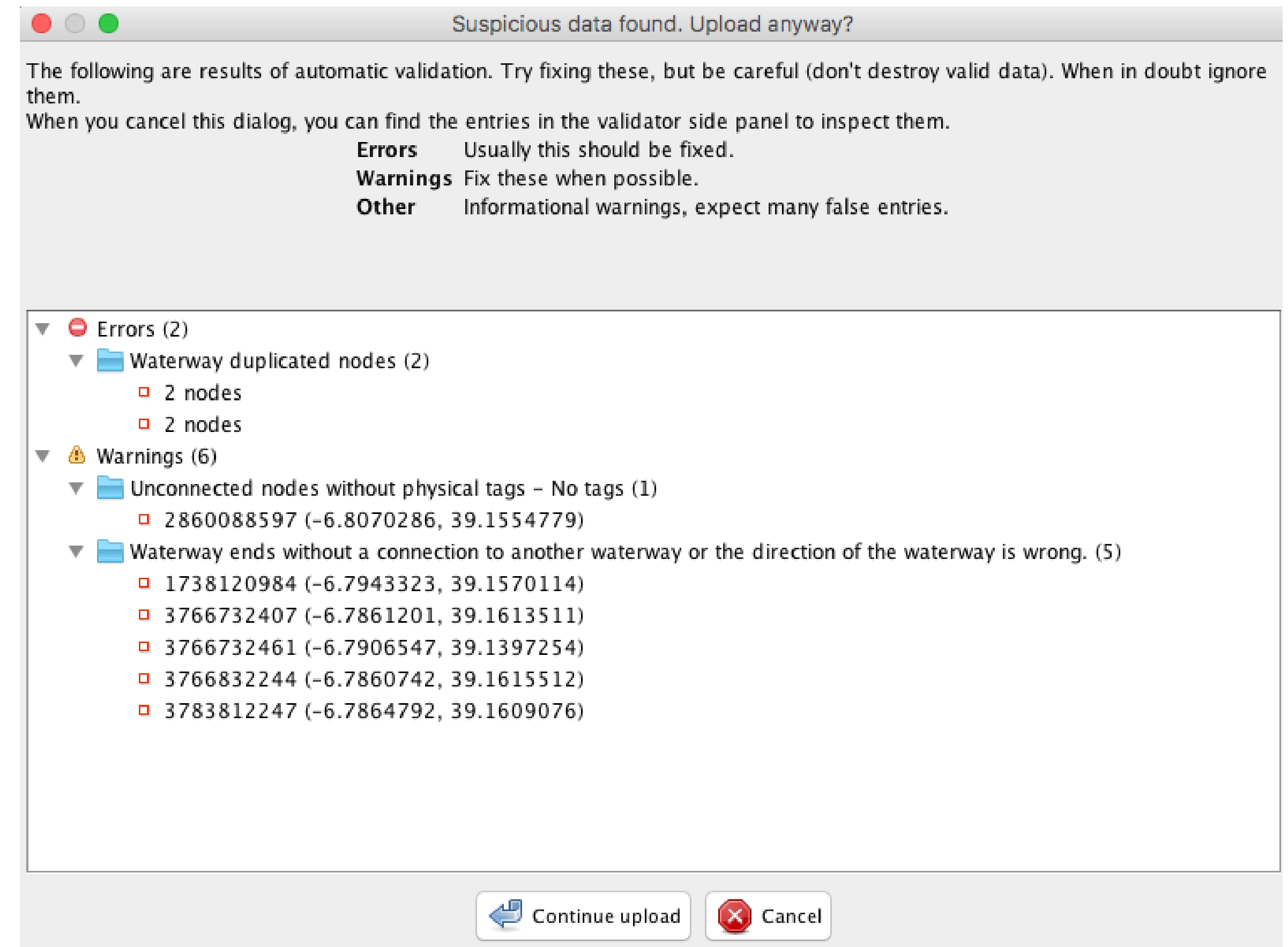
- Layer is not visible

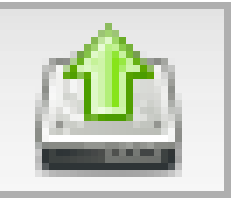
Layers

- Adding, Importing, editing layers
- To add a new imagery layer click on the imagery tab on top and select the imagery you want to use (You might want to check with the community what is the preferred imagery to align to in the area you are working for consistency)

JOSM Validator


- JOSM Validator is a core feature that checks for invalid data
 - Automatically fixes some errors
 - Some errors must be manually fixed
- Checks are written and maintained by JOSM devs
- Types:
 - Error - Bad errors, always review
 - Warning - Some false positives but good to review
 - Other - Suggested fix or general information on an element type
- [List of checks](#)
- [Source code](#)
- [Examples](#)





Editing Basics

Uploading Data

- Uploading data back to the server saves changes to OSM
- Data changes will render on OSM front end within a few minutes
- To upload:
 - *File>Upload Data* or select the upload icon in the top left corner of JOSM ()
- Add a detailed comment describing edits made

Upload to 'https://api.openstreetmap.org/api/0.6/'

1 object to modify:

- 2092301407 (8.0240407, 79.8422427)

Settings Tags of new changeset ▶

Provide a brief comment for the changes you are uploading:



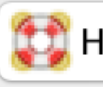
added highway:residential segment based on imagery ▼

Specify the data source for the changes ([obtain from current layers](#)):

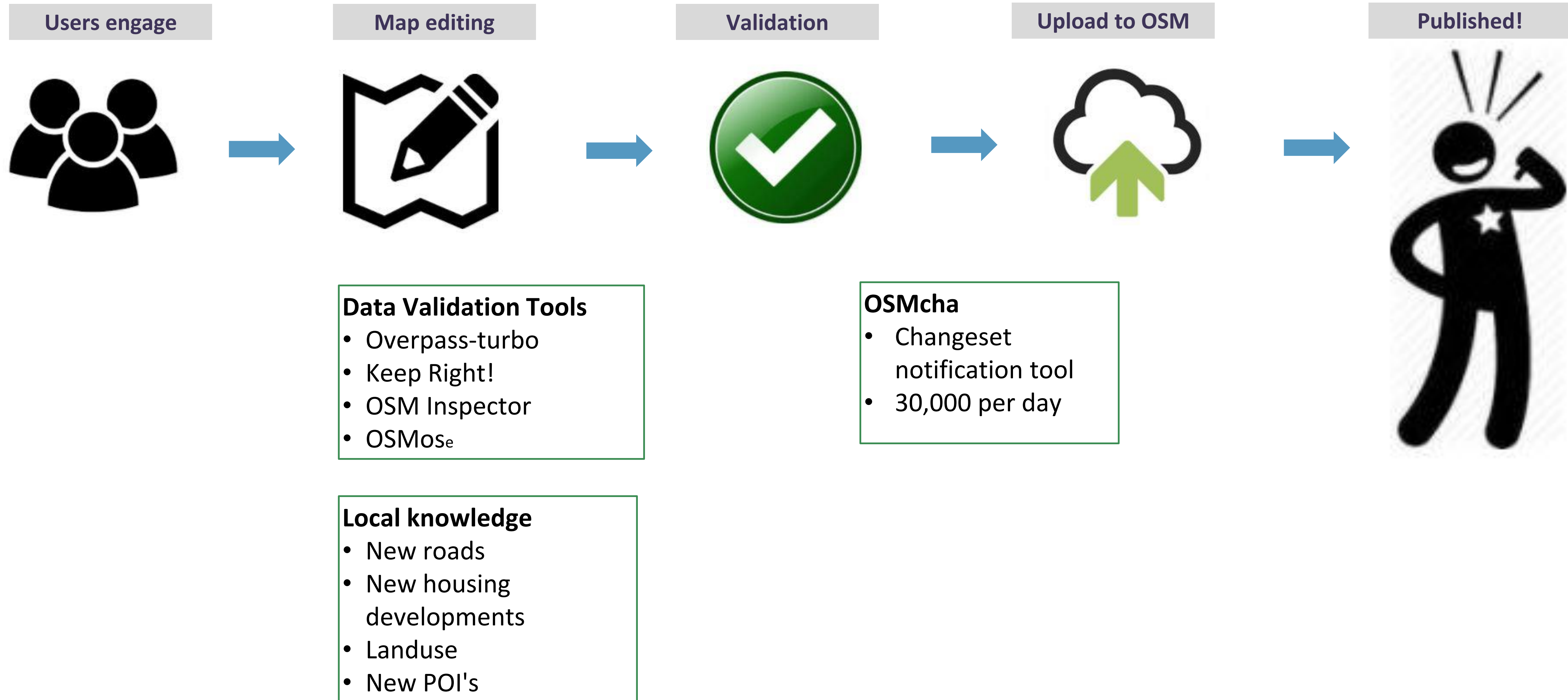
Bing ▼

Uploading **1 object** to **1 changeset** using **1 request** ([advanced configuration](#))

Objects are uploaded to a **new changeset**. The changeset is going to be **closed** after this upload ([configure changeset](#))

 Upload Changes  Cancel  Help

Data pipeline: User to live on OSM



Editing Basics

Tools

Tools

C = Combine Ways	R = Reverse Way	SHIFT+O = Create Circle from way	CTRL+D = Duplicate
G = Unglue Ways	Del = Delete object but don't change into delete mode	SHIFT+Q = Orthogonalization for certain nodes	CTRL+F = Search
J = Join Node to Way	ESC = Unselect All	SHIFT + R = copy way tags from one way to another	CTRL+X = Cut Way/Node to Clipboard
K = House Number Editor	SHIFT+Arrow Key = Move Object in that direction	CTRL+A = Select All	CTRL+V = Paste from Clipboard
L = Align nodes into a straight line	SHIFT+B = Distribute nodes	CTRL+C = Copy Way/Node to Clipboard	CTRL+SHIFT+V = Paste only the tags
M = Merge Nodes	SHIFT+M = Mirror Nodes		Alt + A = Add Tag
O = Align nodes in a circle			
P = Split Way			
Q = Orthogonalize Shape			

Modes

B = Draw Building	S = Select Objects
E = Select adjacent nodes to selected node	W = Edit Way
I = Intersecting Ways	
A = Draw connected nodes	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">A + hold ALT = Starts a new way, rather than continuing an existing wayA + hold CTRL = disable snapping to existing ways/nodesA + hold SHIFT = create nodesA toggled by A = enables angle-snapping mode	
X = Stretch a part of a closed way	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">X toggled by X = Dual Alignment (uses 2 reference segments and moves the nodes according to its own reference way)X + hold CTRL while dragging a node = will move node along one of it's adjacent segmentsX + double click at way = inserts a new nodeX + hold ALT = Create new wayX + hold CTRL = move segment parallel to base segmentX + hold SHIFT = Always create nodes	
SHIFT + D = Create node where exact coordinates are	
SHIFT + P = Duplicate way	
CTRL + Del + hold ALT = Help/Action/Delete#Altmodifier	
CTRL + Del + hold CTRL = Help/Action/Delete#Ctrlmodifier	
CTRL + Del + hold SHIFT = Remove segments under cursor and split way in two	
F3 = Search preset tags	

All Modes

- Click Right Mouse** = Drag to move the map
- Scroll Wheel** = Zoom in and out
- Command + SHIFT + 4** = Screenshot

Interface & Appearance

- Tab** = Toggle Dialogs
- F11** = Fullscreen Mode
- CTRL + J** = Jump To Position
- CTRL + SHIFT + F** = Enable/Disable automatic centering of map view to last placed node
- CTRL + W** =Toggle between wireframe and mappaint mode
- Alt + #** = Toggle between map layers

Viewport

- Z** = Zoom in by dropping
- +** = Zoom in
- = Zoom out
- CTRL + ,** = Zoom in
- CTRL + .** = Zoom out
- CTRL + Arrow Key** = Move visible area in that direction
- 1** = Zoom to data
- 2** = Zoom to layer
- 3** = Zoom to selection
- 4** = Zoom to conflict
- 5** = Zoom to download
- 6** = Zoom to problem
- 8** = Zoom to previous
- 9** = Zoom to next
- SHIFT + A** = Cycle through different Auto Zoom modes

Workflow

- F1** = Open main Help page
- F1** = press over element in question to open context Help page
- SHIFT + F1** = “About” screen (JOSM version number)
- CTRL + E** = Export to GPX
- CTRL + N** = New File
- CTRL + O** = Open File
- CTRL + S** = Save File
- CTRL + SHIFT + S** = Save As
- CTRL + Q** = Exit Applications
- CTRL + Y** = Redo
- CTRL + Z** = Undo
- CTRL + SHIFT +^** = Download
- CTRL + SHIFT +v** = Upload
- F12** = Preferences

Resources



[JOSM Download Page](#)

[Java Download Page](#)

[OSM Default Keyboard Shortcuts](#)

[Overpass Turbo Wizard](#)

[Humanitarian Open Street Map Team](#)

[Getting started with JOSM](#)

[Mapbox intro tutorial to JOSM](#)

OSM Bookmarks:

LearnOSM intro page: <http://learnosm.org/en/beginner/introduction/>)

OSM Wiki page (Map features) - https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/Map_Features

[HOT Task Manager](#)

[Overpass API/Overpass API by Example - OpenStreetMap Wiki](#)

[Good practice - OpenStreetMap Wiki](#)

[Import/Guidelines - OpenStreetMap Wiki](#)

[Using Filters in JOSM – Points of interest](#)

[Map Features - OpenStreetMap Wiki](#)

[Useful Overpass queries | Mapbox](#)

[Tag:junction=roundabout - OpenStreetMap Wiki](#)

[Mapping turn lanes in OpenStreetMap – Points of interest](#)

[Road Features Mapping Guide | Mapbox](#)

[Adding turn restrictions | Mapbox](#)

[Mapping with JOSM | Mapbox](#)

[Aerial imagery - OpenStreetMap Wiki](#)

[Using Imagery - OpenStreetMap Wiki](#)

[The OpenStreetMap Contributors Map aka Who's around me? : Neis One!](#)

Project set up/Tools

- Communications, groups, bookmarks, etc.

Editing tools:

Below are some tools we will get familiar with for some of our projects:

- ID Editor (<http://learnosm.org/en/beginner/id-editor/>)
- JOSM (<http://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/JOSM/Guide>)
- OverPass API (http://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/Overpass_turbo/Wizard)

In all cases, be sure to turn on Mapnotes in the tools to observe, and respond, to the community's comments:

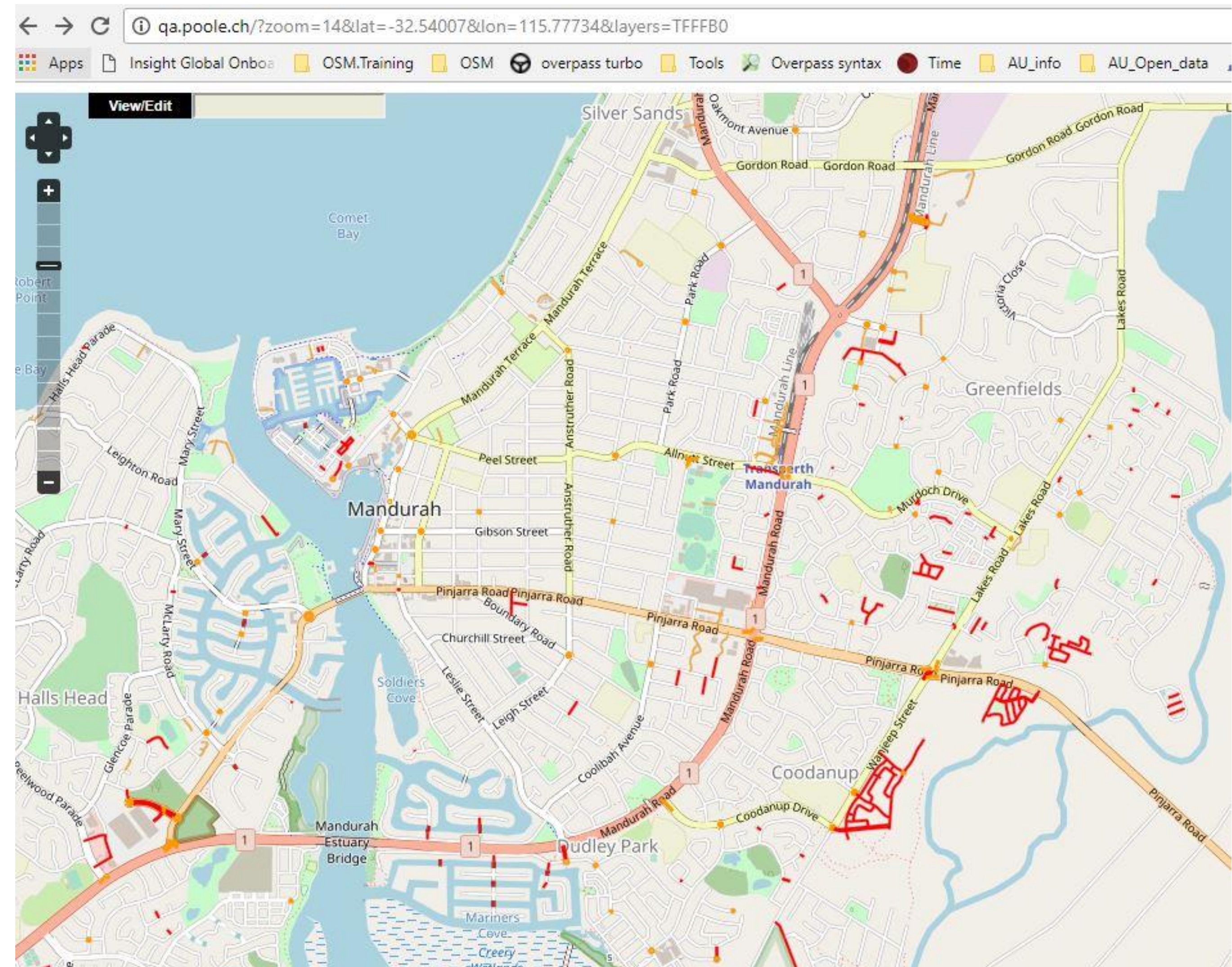
- Mapnotes in IdE (<https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/Notes>)
- With ALL edits include:
 1. Description of all edits made
 2. Source used to make edits.

Useful tools when working in OSM data

[Qa.poole.ch](http://qa.poole.ch) ([documentation](#))

- Tool to show streets with no names (respects `noname=*`), `noaddress=*`, and `access=*`.

- Pro's: good visualization of area.
- Con's: Need editing tool open to toggle back to for editing.



How do you contribute to Open Street Map?

- <http://hdyc.neis-one.org/>
- This tool allows you to view contributions to OSM by user name statistics.
- What kind of edits
- Where
- Activity
- Timeline
- Very useful to find power users in an area.

How do you contribute to Open street map?

How did you contribute to OpenStreetMap?

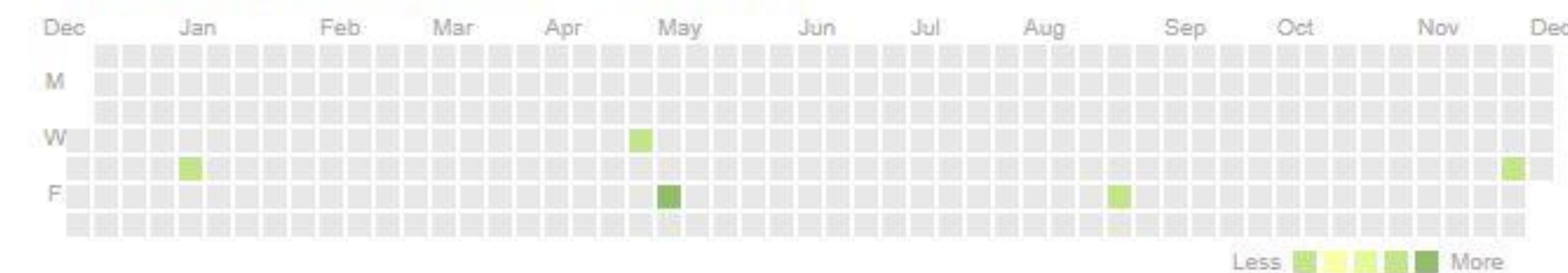
Alex-P Search

Name: [Alex-P](#)
Registered: June 01st, 2009
Active mapping days: 172 (5.5%)
Changesets: 446 ([w/ comments 3](#))
Map changes: 46 313
GPS-tracks: 16
Type? Casual Mapper (Rarely Active)
Recent changesets: No activity
Recent ranks: "unknown" #433



OSM Notes: Closed w/ comment 0 (w/o 0), commented 0 and 0 opened
Changeset discussions: Participated in 0 and [created 0 comments](#)

5 mapping days with 6 changesets in the last year



	Created	Modified	Deleted
Nodes	39 269	2 957	1 091
Ways	2 007	911	74
Relations	0	8	0
Ways with addr*	16	28	
Building	617	18	
Highway	1 080	709	
Landuse	67	19	
Name	1 351	756	
Natural	146	67	
Waterway	69	24	
Changesets	With comments	Unique comments	Median length
446	324 (72.6%)	254 (57.0%)	20.00
Comment-words:	pois (52), #hotosm-ebola-sl-586 (43), #mapgive (43), leone (43), sierra (43)...		
Hashtags:	#mapgive (43), #hotosm-ebola-sl-586, (43)		
Amount of map changes	<15 changes: 232 changesets	>15 <150 changes: 143 changesets	>150 changes: 71 changesets

Main & latest (6 months) activity area - First created & latest changeset

