

# Contributing

## Who can contribute

Currently, only members of the OIMA Team are able to make *edits* to this User Manual and the Map, however we are always looking for feedback!

! We want your feedback!

If you have recommendations for improvement related to the Map or this User Manual you can send it to us by:

- Completing the [Tribal Water Data Map Survey](#), OR
- Emailing Anna Holder at: [anna.holder@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:anna.holder@waterboards.ca.gov), OR
- Submitting a [GitHub Issue](#)
  - Note this requires the individual to have a GitHub Account.
  - If you would like to create a GitHub Account, complete Step 3 in the [Setup Section](#) below; no other steps need to be completed to submit an Issue.

## How we contribute

We develop the content for this User Manual using RStudio, build the book using [Quarto](#) (via RStudio), and collaborate and publish using GitHub (also via RStudio).

## Setup

To contribute, OIMA Team members must do the following, and it should only take about 20 minutes to complete:

### 1. Install R and RStudio

Both R and RStudio should be available in the Software Center (for Windows 10) or Company Portal (for Windows 11) – if you don't see them in your Software Center/Company

Portal or you have issues/questions during the instillation process, please send a request to the DIT HelpDesk and they can help you install them.

Also see these [step by step instructions on how to install these programs](#) – you will only need to go through steps 1 and 2

If you are new to R, it would also be helpful if you could review the [Getting Started Module](#) so you can begin to familiarize yourself with the fundamentals of the program.

## **2. Install Quarto**

[Quarto download and install instructions](#)

## **3. Create a GitHub Account**

[Create your free personal account GitHub account](#)

[Tips on choosing your username](#)

## **4. Download and Install Git**

Follow your operating system's normal [Git installation process](#). Note: you will not see an application called Git listed but if the installation process completed it was likely successful, and we will confirm together.