## **Use QGIS Field Calculator: Calculate Population Density**

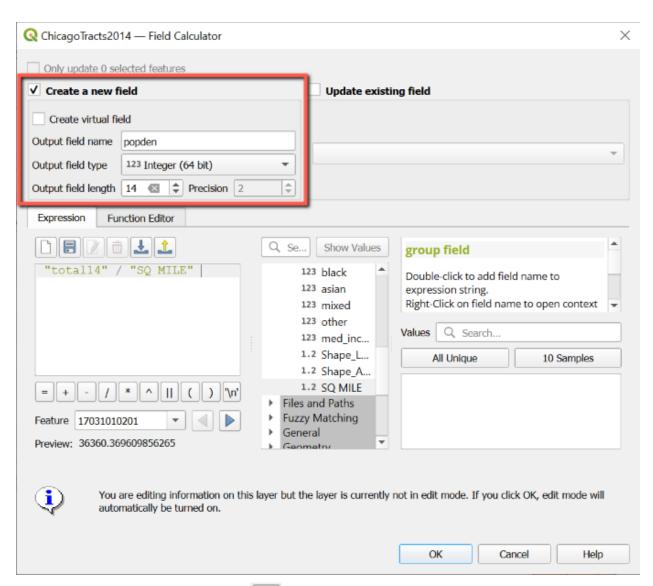
- If necessary, open **QGIS Desktop** and add the vector layer.
- In the Layers Panel, right-click the layer and select **Open Attribute Table**. To calculate population density, ensure that the area field has already been calculated.
- In the Attribute Table, click on the **Toggle editing mode** button



• Then click on the **Open field calculator** button



- Now, we are about to create a new field to calculate population density using the values from total14 (total 2014 population) and SQ MILE (total area measured in square mile). In the Field Calculator window, make the following changes:
  - Check the box next to Create a new field (we will create a new field to hold the population density values)
  - Set the Output field name as **popden** (this is the name of the new field)
  - Set the Output field type as **Integer** (the data type of the new field)
  - o Set Output field width as 14 (total number of digits)
  - Enter the Expression to calculate "total14" / "SQ MILE". You can double-click the field name from the Fields and Values section to add a field. And you may complete the rest of the expression using your keyboard.
  - Click **OK** to calculate the population density field.



• Click on the **Save Edits** button . Then click on the **Toggle editing mode** button again to exit the editing mode. Then close the attribute table.