

Map Resources

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There are some great free resources for color aerial maps and you are encouraged to switch from black and white if you can. If one website map is too blurry, try the others.

Google Earth – Download for free, but you need a newer computer (2006 or later) and lots of memory required.

- Great color maps and a measurement ruler which makes measuring distances very easy!
- Just enter address or latitude and longitude
- You can “Copy Image” and then paste it into report.

Mapquest.com

This used to be just street maps, but now you can get aerial view (look in upper right corner of map to select street or aerial view). After getting the map you want, click on the “Print” button and then right click on the map and click on “Copy” which will put it onto the clipboard so that you can paste it into your report. Just enter “Address”

Maps.yahoo.com

Select “Satellite” in upper right corner to see the aerial. After getting the map you want, click on the “Print” button and then go up to the tool bar and select “Edit” and click on “Select all” and then on “Copy”, which will put it onto the clipboard so that you can paste it into your report. Just enter Address

maps.nationalgeographic.com/map-machine

Select “Satellite” in upper left corner to see aerial. No obvious way to print or copy it though. Just enter Address

Terraserver-USA.com – This is the most primitive option, but does have good topo maps.

- Just enter the address or latitude and longitude
- You can toggle between aerial and topo

Be sure to click on the “Download” option (seen just above the map) before right clicking the map and selecting “Copy” or “Save Picture As” from pop-up menu. Save it to the folder with your report.

Trails.com

\$50/year for downloadable Topo maps in US

USGS website has topos that can be downloaded for free, but they are very large 4MB maps and don't just download where you zoomed into. Play with it and see if you have luck.

[http://store.usgs.gov/b2c_usgs/b2c/start/\(xcm=r3standardpitrex_prd\)/.do](http://store.usgs.gov/b2c_usgs/b2c/start/(xcm=r3standardpitrex_prd)/.do)

Must go to MapLocator

You can also purchase software packages with topo maps for the US from outdoor stores like REI and Gander Mountain.

