

UPDATING THE NFHL ON GOOGLE EARTH

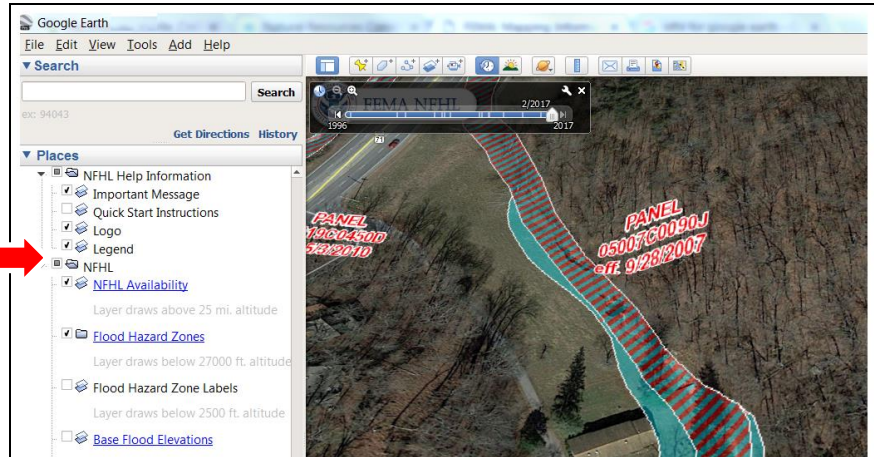
New versions of the files for viewing the FEMA National Flood Hazard Layer (NFHL) overlays in Google Earth have been released. As of August 1st, the previous versions of the files no longer work. Please note that Google Earth version 7.3 or higher must be used for this service.

Below is guidance for updating both the NFHL and Google Earth.

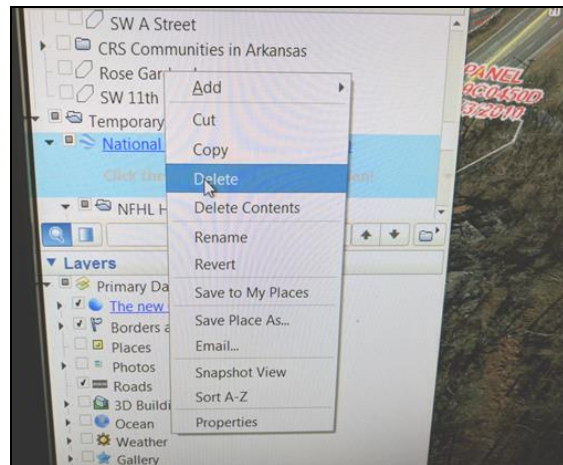
1. Remove the old NFHL files

A. Open Google Earth and locate the NFHL layers

(This may say **National Flood Hazard Layer**, instead.)



B. Right click on the NFHL and select **Delete**.



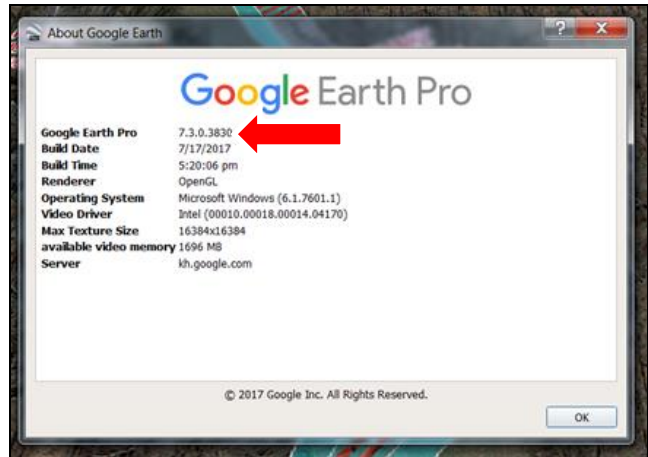
2. Determine which version of Google Earth or Google Earth Pro is on your computer.

A. Click on **Help** at the top of the Google Earth screen and then click on **About Google Earth**.



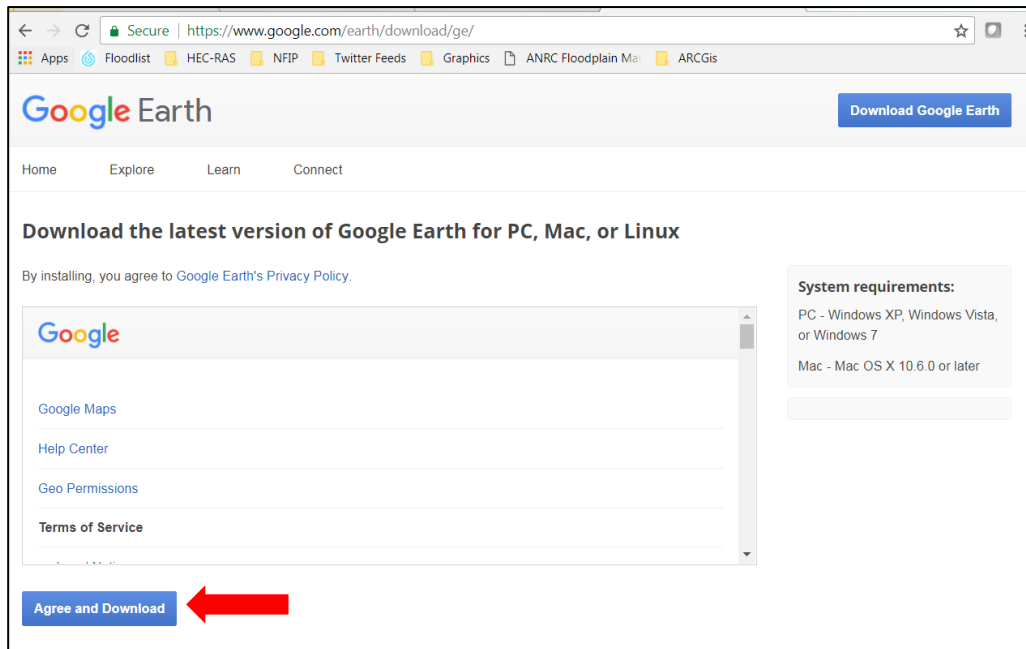
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- B. This dialog box (or something similar) will open. If it is Version 7.3 or higher, skip to Step 4. If not, continue to Step 3.



3. Update Google Earth

- A. Close Google Earth. In the internet browser, type in <https://www.google.com/earth/download/ge/>, then **Enter**. This will open a screen that looks like this:

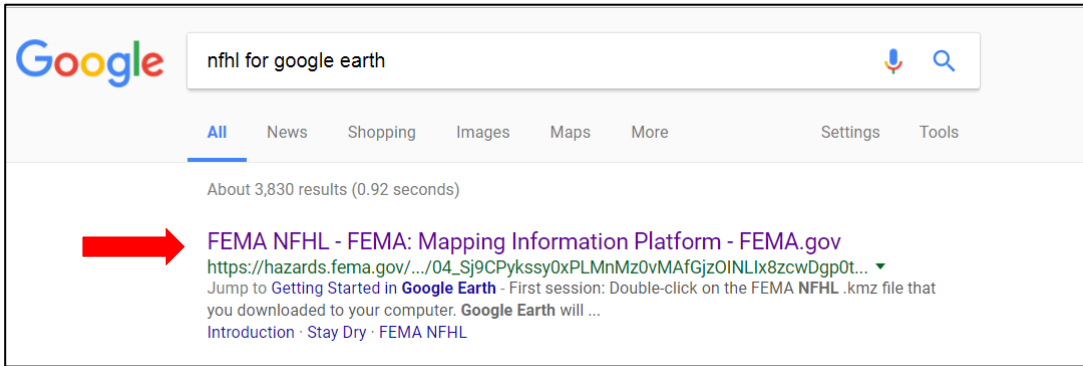


- B. Click on **Agree and Download** and follow the instructions.
- C. The Google Earth setup program will appear on the download bar at the bottom of the webpage. Double click on it to execute and update Google Earth.

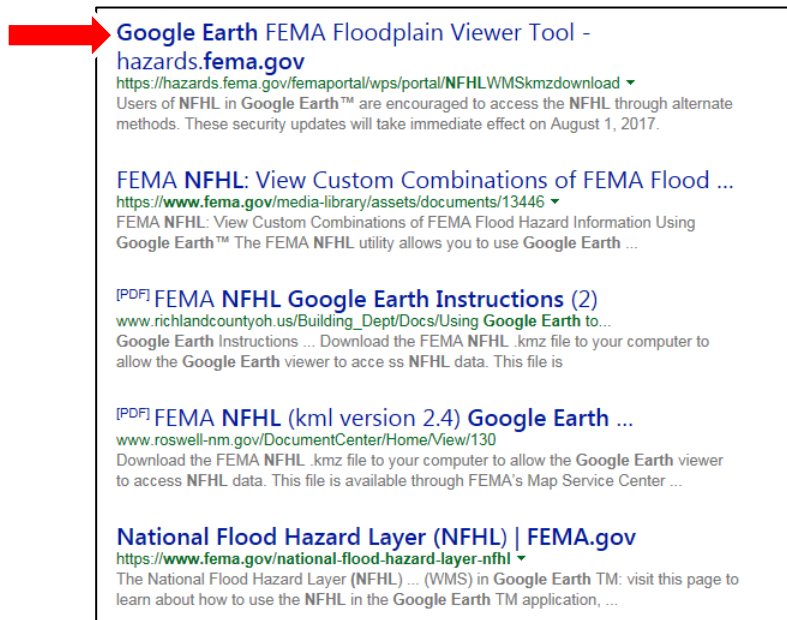


4. Download updated NFHL layer

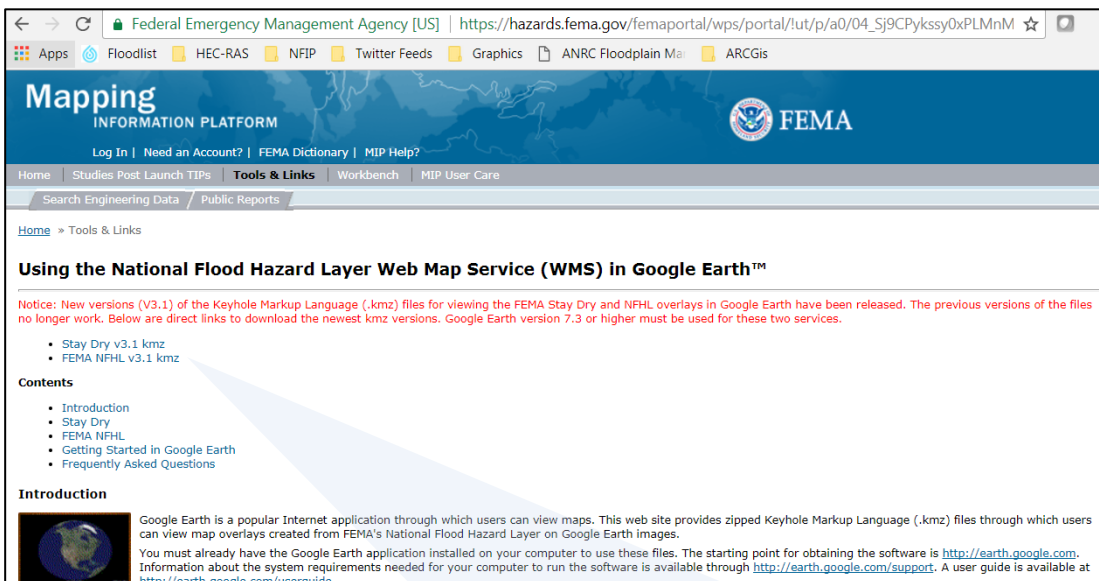
A. In the internet search bar, type in "nfhl for google earth". The search results should look similar to either of these two:



or



B. Click on the appropriate page and the following website will open:



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C. Click on **FEMA NFHL v3.1 kmz**

Notice: New versions (V3.1) of the Ke
no longer work. Below are direct links

- Stay Dry v3.1 kmz
- FEMA NFHL v3.1 kmz

D. The FEMA NFHL v3.1 kmz file will appear on the download bar at the bottom of the webpage. Double click on it to open the NFHL layers in Google Earth.



Google Earth should reopen with the updated NFHL layers included.

Questions?

If you have any questions or concerns please contact MIP Help (miphelp@riskmapcds.com) or the FEMA Map Information eXchange (FMIX) at 1-877-FEMA-MAP. You may also contact Whit Montague (ANRC) at 501-682-1853 or whitney.montague@arkansas.gov.