

## Mapping Mania

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Use GRIN (the GRCA's online mapping tool) to take a close look at your neighbourhood, your city, your region.

[https://www.grandriver.ca/en/Planning-Development/Map-Your-Property.aspx?\\_mid\\_=21](https://www.grandriver.ca/en/Planning-Development/Map-Your-Property.aspx?_mid_=21)

First, let's look at the big picture.

- Can you find the region you live in? Click on the Municipality in which you live.

Now, let's zoom in a bit closer.

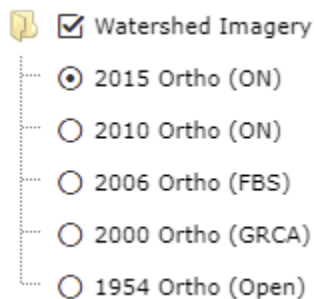
- Can you find your city?
- How about your neighbourhood?
- Where is the nearest wetland? (Hint: type wetland into the "search" tab on under layers)

Can you find your house?

- What is the closest body of water to your house?
- Use the measuring tool to measure the distance from your house to your school.
- Is your house located in a floodplain? (Click on the floodplain layer)

Now, let's travel in time. Zoom back out so that you can see your neighbourhood. Try clicking on the different Ortho layers starting with 1954 an ending with 2015.

- What has changed in your neighbourhood?



For an extra challenge, create a map of your yard or neighbourhood and using the mark up tools in the tool bar, create a scavenger hunt for your family to complete. You can hide letters to spell out a word or just use the map to help them find cool nature things like an early blooming flower by your front door or that interesting rock you found last time at your sit spot.

