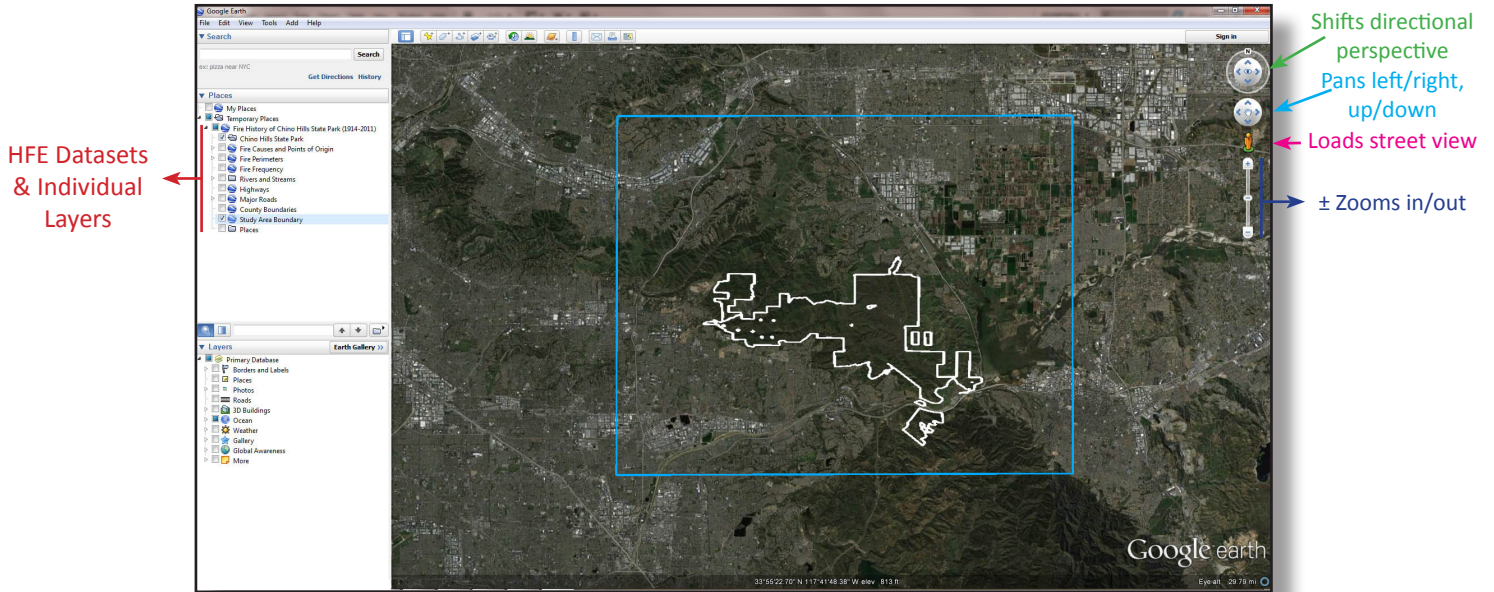# Google Earth: The Basics

This is a snapshot of the Google Earth interface and a few of the tools you may encounter or use while interacting with the Hills For Everyone datasets.



HFE Datasets & Individual Layers

Shifts directional perspective
Pans left/right, up/down
Loads street view
± Zooms in/out

## Turn layers on/off
- Click in the empty box ☐ next to the layer that you wish to turn on.  The check mark ☑ indicates the layer is on.
- Click in the checked box ☑ next to the layer that you wish to turn off.  The empty box ☐ indicates the layer is off.

## Expand/Collapse Layers
- Items with an ▷ or + indicate there are more options.  Depending on the version of Google Earth you are using, you will either have an arrow (▷) or a plus sign (+).  Though both examples are listed below you will only see one or the other, not both.
- Click on the ▷ or + to expand the options.
- Click on the ◢ or – (minus sign) to collapse the options.