Guide to Using the Distance Measurement Tool

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# Getting Familiar with the Map Environment





### **Opening Data Layers and Adjusting their Appearance**

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- Click on the Layers icon (resembles a stack of papers).
- Check the box to display a data layer or turn it off.
- Click on the layer to display the symbol legend.
- Adjust the transparency of the layer (to see data beneath it without turning it off).
- Adjust the visible range (the map extent at which symbols are visible).
- Adjust the drawing order of the map layers.
- Open the attribute table to see the underlying data.

### Working in the Attribute Table



- Select a row to highlight the associated point on the map.
- Filter by map extent to only display records currently visible on the map.



### Working in the Attribute Table



• Export the underlying data table to a Comma Separated Values File.



• This example will return all properties with the word "Village" in the name.





### **Other Tools in the Map Environment**



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### **Create a Printable Version of What you See**





- Select the print icon.
- Choose advanced and select the preserve extent option.
- Select map format and click print.
- Wait a moment and open the document.



## Measure Distance From Active & Pipeline Properties

**Two Methods** 

### One: Search an address of geographic coordinate.





- Type in a location in the search box. Use
  street addresses or latitude and longitude coordinates (decimal degree format, with longitude coordinates represented first, then latitude).
- Click the ellipses within the popup result and select "set as incident."





- The analysis tool displays the nearest address to the point selected.\*
- The default buffer will be 25 miles. Adjust this as desired.
- Select 'List by Proximity' to see all active/pipeline properties within the buffer.
- Select 'Nearest' to see the nearest active/pipeline property.

\*Reminder – this is an informational tool not a precise instrument. Actual tie-breaker analysis will be done in ArcMap 10.7.1 using precise locations provided by applicants.



### List by Proximity Results (downloadable to CSV):



### Nearest result for a quicker answer:



### Two: Drop a Pin on the Map







- At the top right of the map select the site analysis tool (compass icon).
- Select the push pin icon.
- Choose a location on the map to analyze.
- Repeat the steps from the previous method to perform the 'List by Proximity' and 'Nearest' analysis.



#### The results...







### **Still Have Questions?**

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