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OpenStreetMap

OpenStreetMap (OSM) is like Wikipedia for maps. It's built by the community using aerial imagery, GSP devices, or existing public domain maps. The maps can be viewed or edited online in a browser, or using various apps.

Some links


- Viewing the Maps: osm.org or openstreetmap.org
- App for Android, iPhone, Linux: <https://organicmaps.app>
- Editing Info: <https://wiki.openstreetmap.org>

Advantages

Up-To-Date


One advantage of OSM is that maps get updated more quickly than Google Maps . For example, here's a new street that I added in Gibsons over a month ago:

 From Google Maps </WRAP>

 From OSM </WRAP>
==== More
Trails ==== There are
also a lot more trails in
OSM than Google Maps.
Here's the golf course and
Cliff Gilker park in Roberts
Creek:



==== Different Layers
==== OSM also has
different layers, which
highlight different
information. For example,
the CycleOSM and Cycle
Map add topographical

information, and public
GPS traces uploaded by
the community can be
added to any layer. 

==== Offline ==== The
biggest advantage (from
an emergency
preparedness perspective)
is that OSM can be used
offline using various apps.