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Tsunami Information Portal User Guide

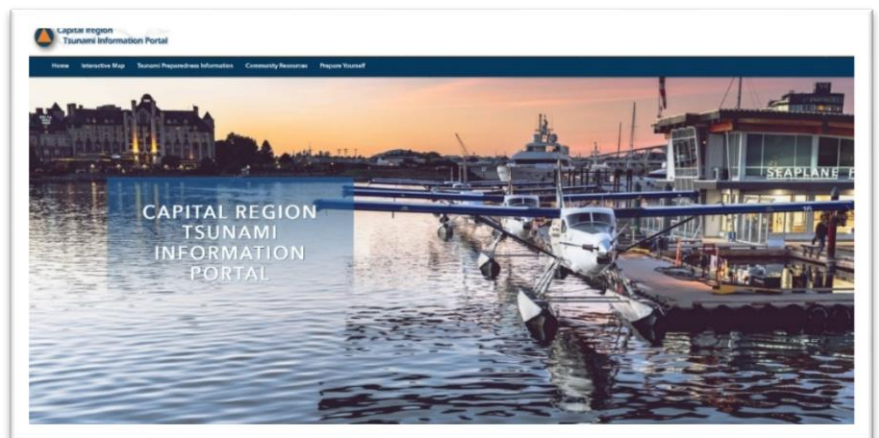
Technical Requirements

- The portal is viewable on mobile and desktop browsers.
- For best results, supported browsers include Edge, Firefox, Safari, or Chrome.

Introduction to Portal Features

Landing Page

The landing page provides access to mapping and information resources related to tsunami preparedness in the Capital region.



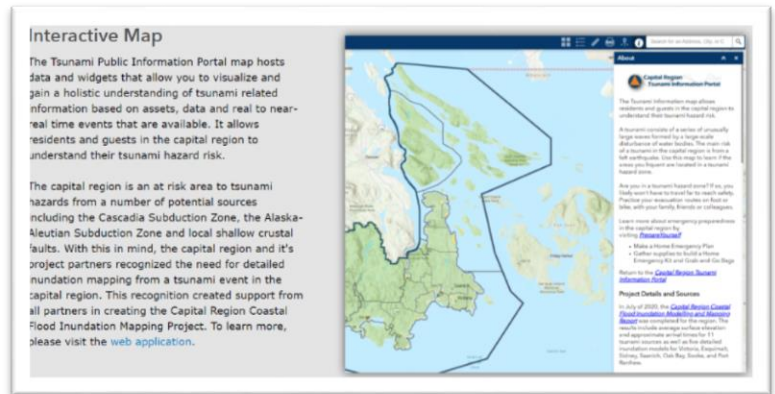
Header

These clickable links allows users to quickly navigate different sections including: the Interactive Map, Tsunami Preparedness Information, Community Resources and the Prepare Yourself webpage.



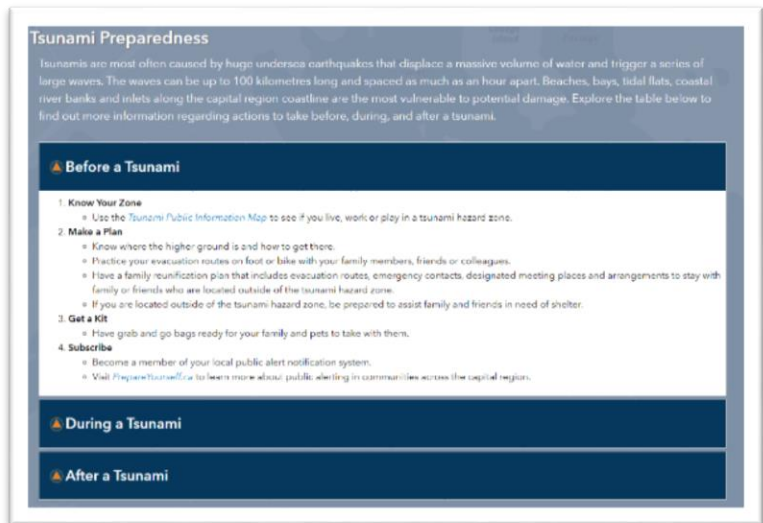
Interactive Map

Allows the user explore and visualize place-based tsunami-related information



Tsunami Preparedness Information

Provides Tsunami Preparedness information for Local and Distant Tsunami



Community Resources

These clickable icons direct users to learn more about emergency preparedness in that local jurisdiction



Prepare Yourself

Takes users to the Prepare Yourself Website to learn about additional hazards and emergency preparedness in the Capital region



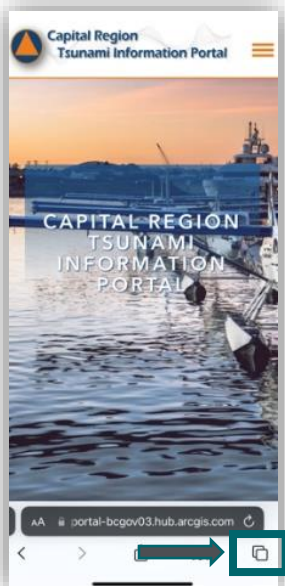
Portal FAQs

Is there an App that I can download on my phone?

No, there is not an app, however the portal is built on a webpage application that uses a web URL address allowing you to create a shortcut on your phone's homescreen.

On Apple devices:

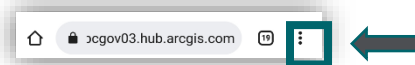
1. Launch Safari (Note: Google Chrome, and other browsers are not compatible for this function on Apple devices).
2. Enter the following URL in the address bar: maps.prepareyourself.ca
 - a. Tap "Go"
 - b. Tap the share icon at the bottom of the screen



- c. Pull the menu up, and click on the option: "Add to Home Screen"

On Android devices:

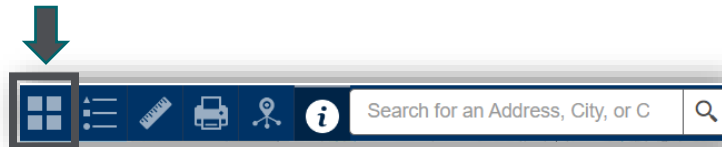
1. Launch Google Chrome (Note: Safari, and other browsers are not compatible for this function on Android devices).
2. Navigate to maps.prepareyourself.ca
 - a. Tap the menu icon (three dots on the upper right hand corner) and tap "Add to Homescreen"



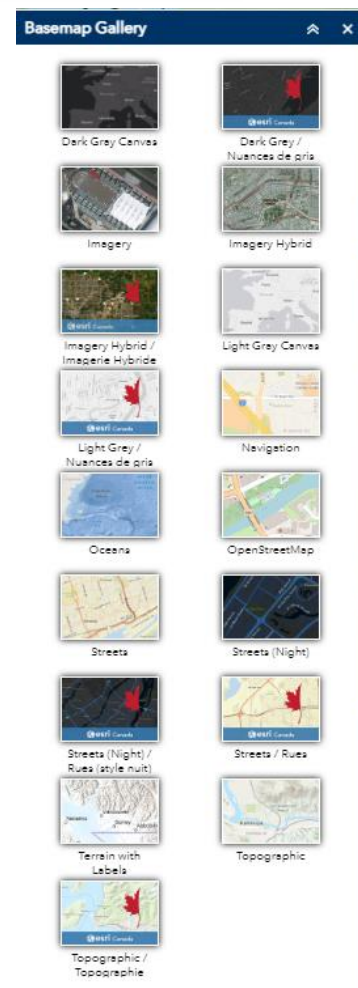
How can I change the basemap?

The web map is built using ArcGIS Online, with supporting widgets around the homescreen of the map.

1. The first widget icon along the top right that looks like four squares

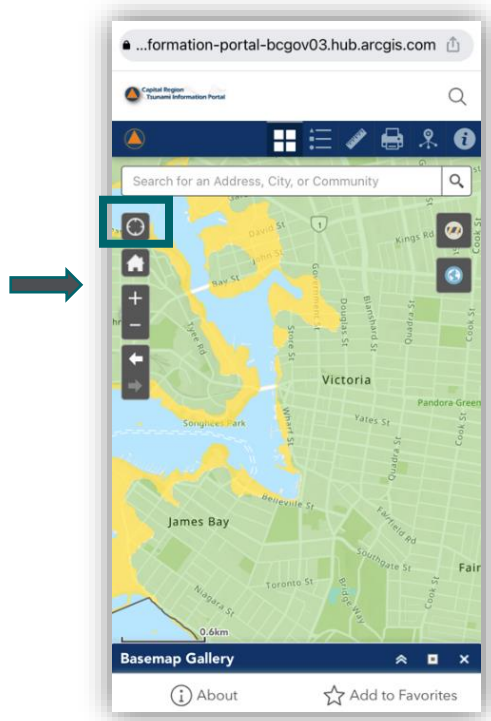


2. The Basemap Gallery menu allows users to select a basemap



How can I use the “My Location” button on the map when I open it on my mobile device?

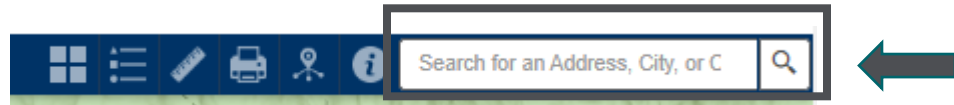
Once opened on the users phone, the map interface will present a widget along the left hand side that looks like a target. This is the “My Location” button.



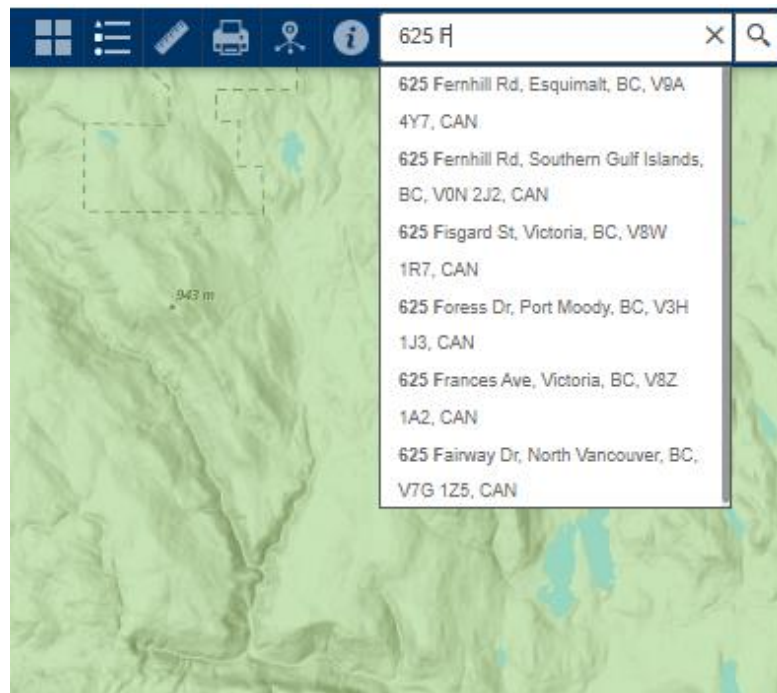
- Click the icon and click “Allow” to let the app use the device’s location.
- This will zoom the map into where the device is located, allowing the user to display surrounding information much quicker.
- Once finished sharing the device location, tap the same widget again to stop sharing the devices location.

How can I search for my address?

In the top right of the app, where it has a white bar that says “Search for an Address, City, or Community” and a magnifying glass beside it.



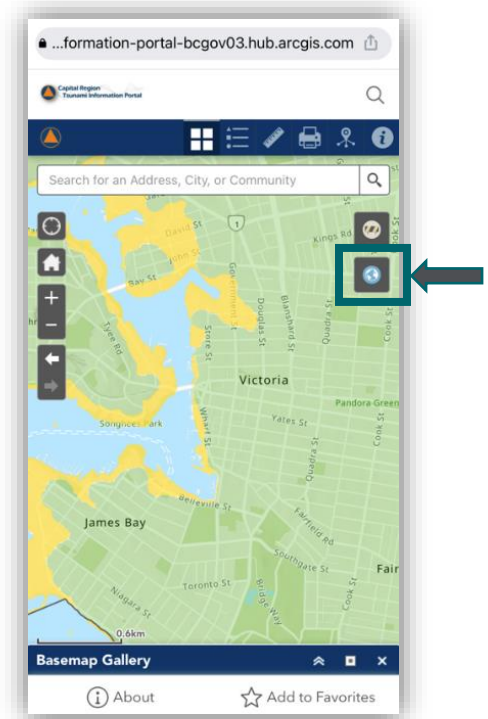
- You can enter a complete address and press enter
- or click on one of the autocomplete options, if applicable.
- Clicking the address will zoom in on the location specified.



Can I add landmarks?

Yes, you can add references using the globe-like icon, or the Administrative References icon.

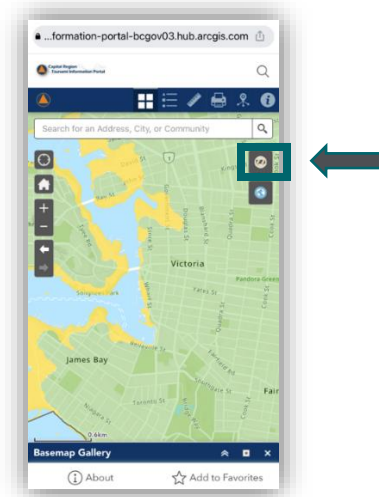
- Landmarks include first responder sites, civic facilities, hospitals, and B.C. Schools (K-12)
- At this time, the webpage does not support user entered data



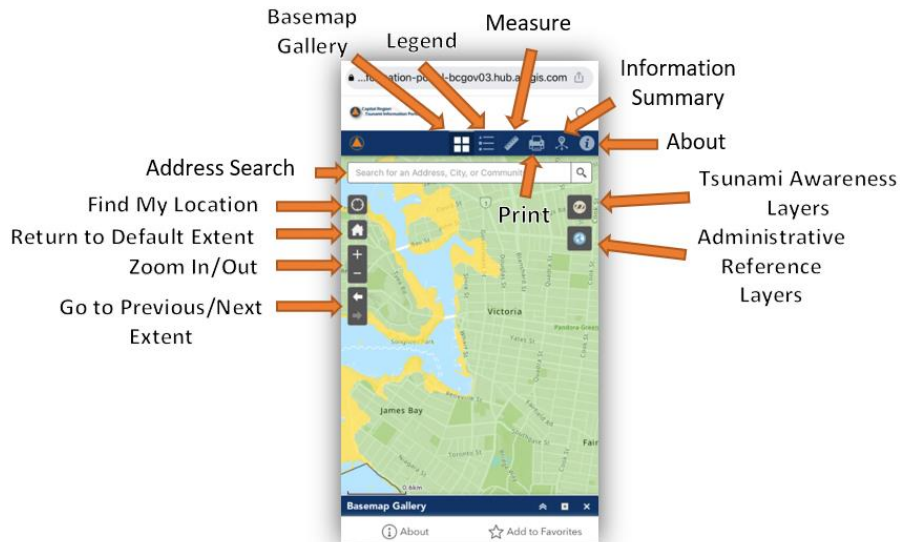
Will I know if there is a tsunami warning by visiting this portal?

Yes, the map is linked to [EmergencyInfoBC](https://www24.gov.bc.ca/emergencyinfo) and will automatically display any tsunami notifications (warning, advisory, watch or cancellation)

Open the “Tsunami Awareness” widget to view tsunami notification symbology and add additional layers including the Provincial Notification Zones



What functions and widgets are available on the mobile portal?



What functions and widgets are available on the desktop portal?

