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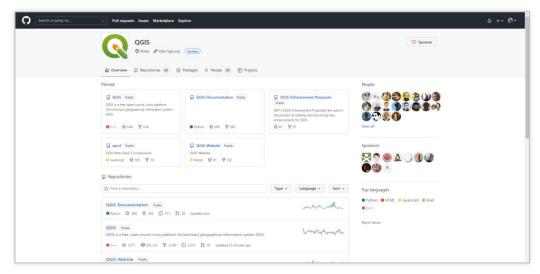




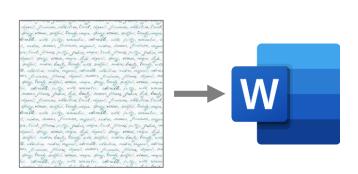
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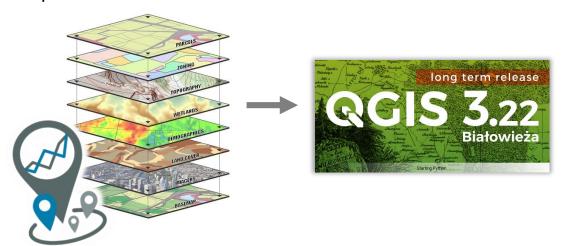
QGIS (A Desktop Geographical Information System)

A free and open source GIS software



Just as we use a word processor to write documents and deal with words on a computer, we can use a GIS application to deal with spatial information on a computer







With a GIS application you can open digital maps on your computer, create new spatial information to add to a map, create printed maps customised to your needs and perform spatial analysis.

GIS Applications are normally programs with a <u>graphical user interface</u> that can be manipulated using the mouse and keyboard. The application provides <u>menus</u> near to the top of the window (Project, Edit etc.) which, when clicked using the mouse, show a panel of actions. <u>Toolbars</u> (rows of small pictures that can be clicked with the mouse) normally sit just below the menus and provide a quicker way to use frequently needed

actions.

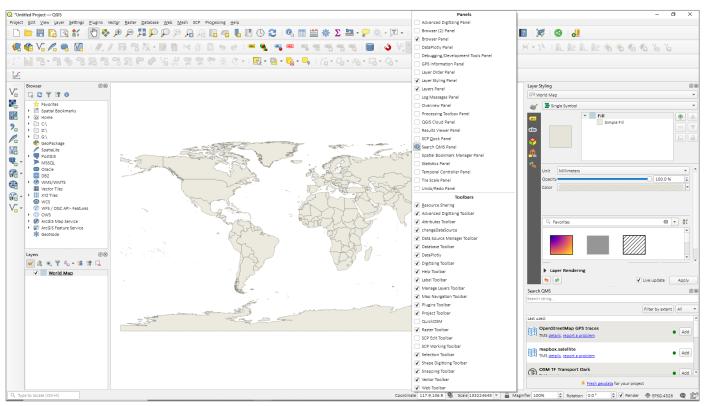


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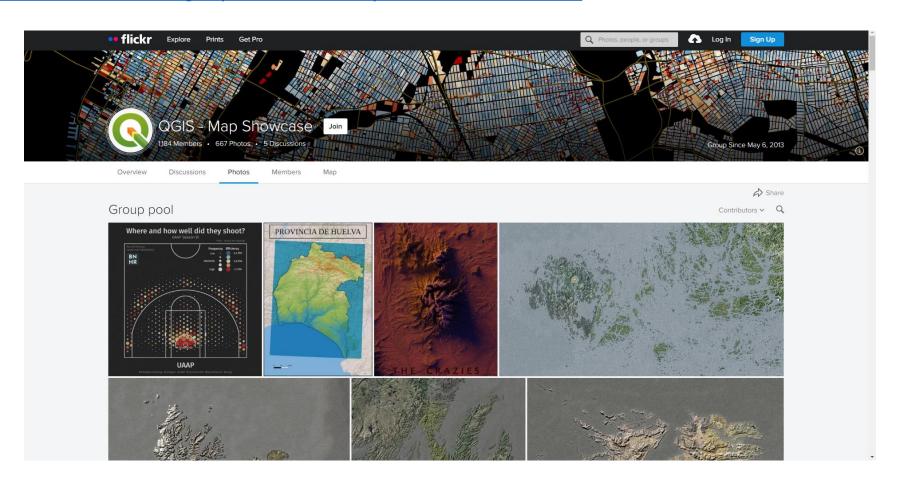
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If you are interested in seeing more examples of maps and information products created with QGIS go to: https://www.flickr.com/groups/2244553@N22/pool/with/50355460063/

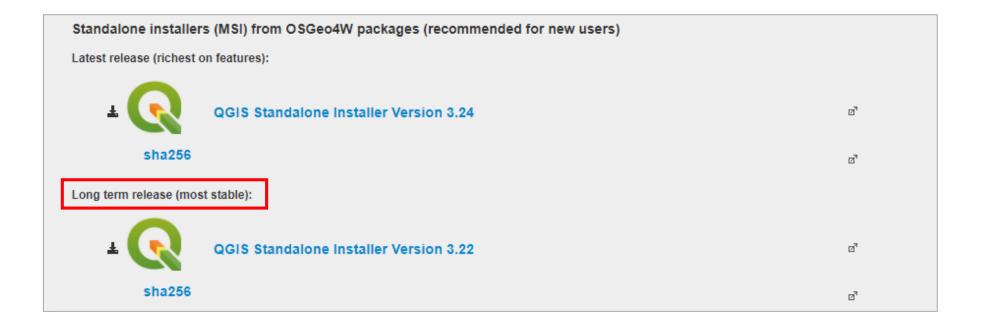




Let's get started!

Installation

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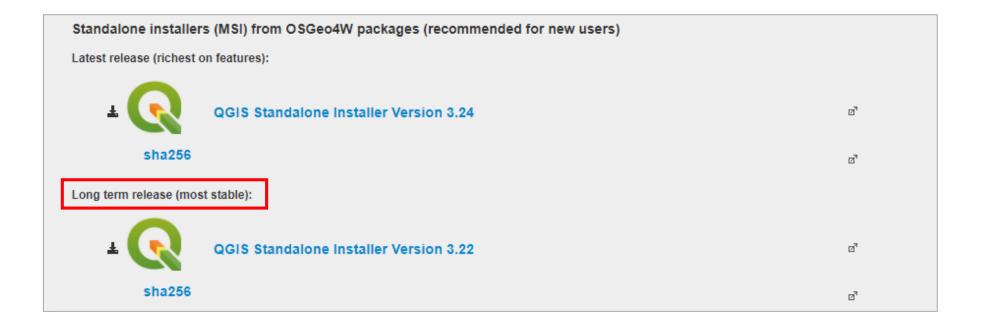




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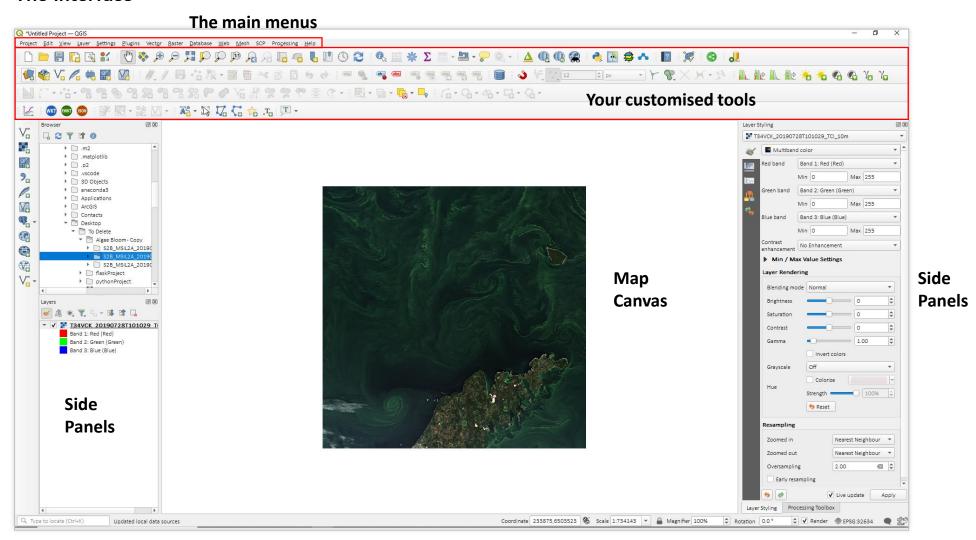
Opening a new Project

- Start QGIS
- Once the interface has opened, find the "Project Templates" section and simply click on "New Empty Project". This will open up a blank project.





The Interface

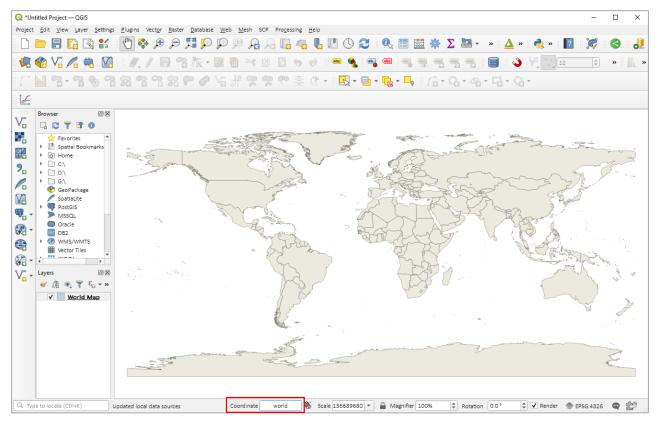




Base Maps

There are many different ways of adding base maps into QGIS

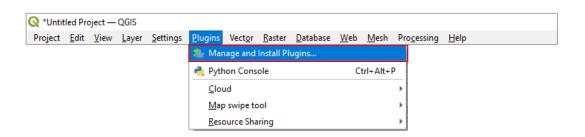
■ The most basic option is to write "world" into the coordinate field at the bottom of the QGIS interface. This will load a very simple world map.



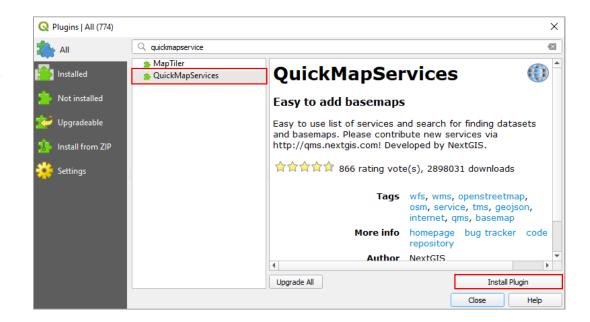


Another option is to use a plugin

Open the Plugin Manager:



- Search for "QuickMapSerivces"
- Once you've found it, click "Install Plugin"



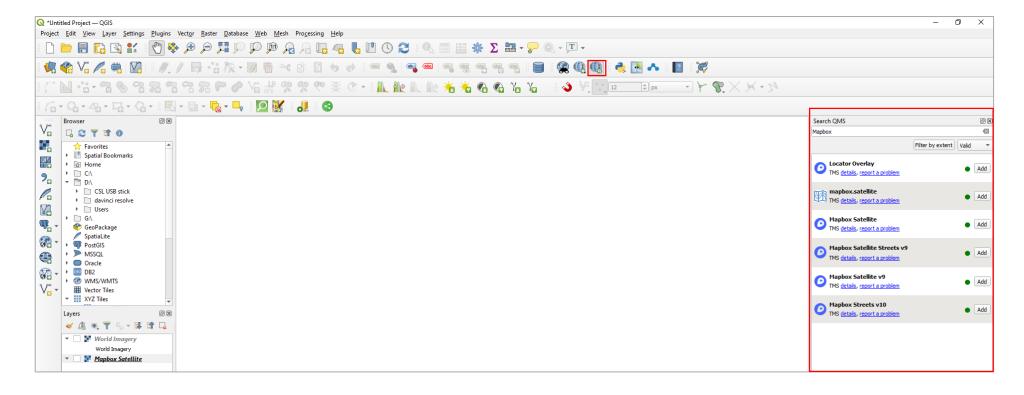


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■ If the plugin doesn't open automatically, search for its icon and click on it to open the search panel:



- In the drop down box on the right hand side, change "All" to "Valid".
- Search for base maps that you want to add (some examples below)!











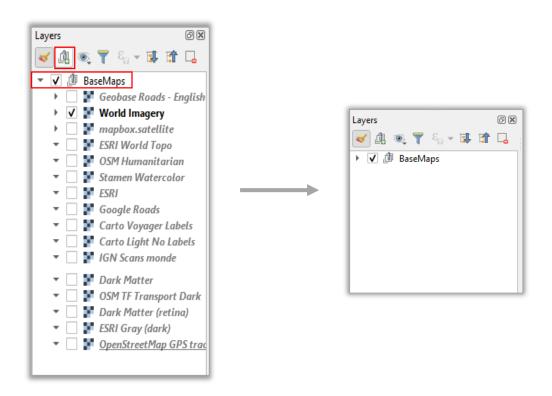








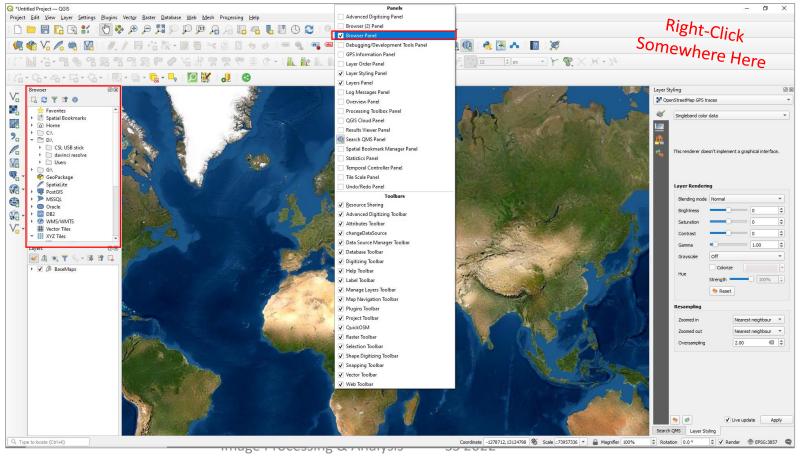
- Tip: If you have added as many base maps as I have ;-) its useful to put them in a group so we can manage our layers better:
 - Click on the "Add Group" icon in the layers-panel.
 - Give the group a name like "BaseMaps"
 - Move all base maps into the group. Now you can collapse the group and not worry about your basemap obsession ©





Add a satellite image.

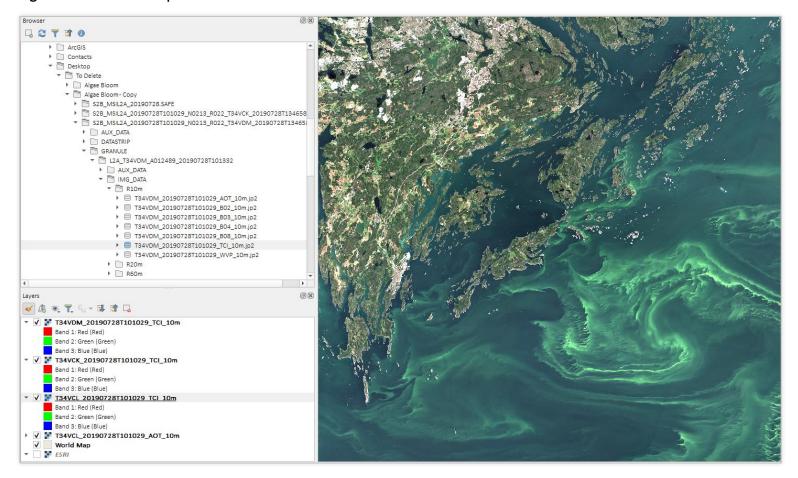
Open the browser panel if it isn't already open (right-click in the top-section of the QGIS interface and select browser panel so that it is turned on.



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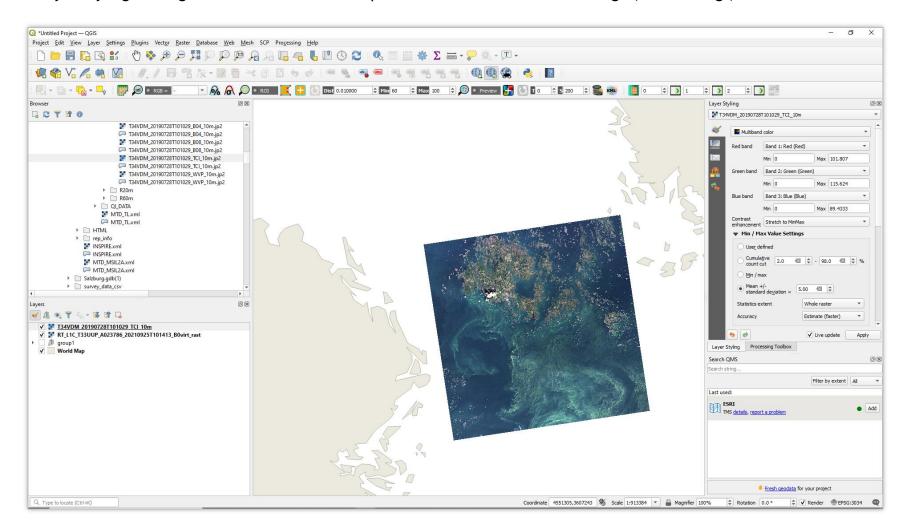
- Navigate to the location of your downloaded satellite images "S2B_..." > Granule > IMG_Data > R10m > TCI
- Simply drag them into the map.



■ (Images downloaded from Copernicus Open Access Hub)



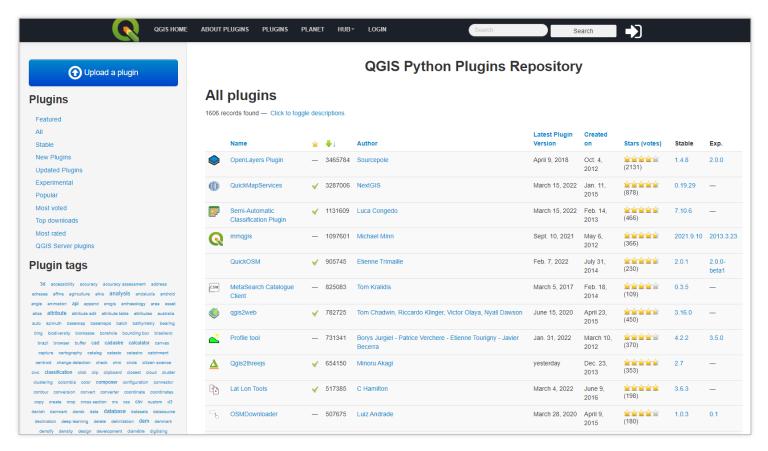
■ The Layer Styling Panel gives us some immediate options for visualisation of the image (NOT editing!)





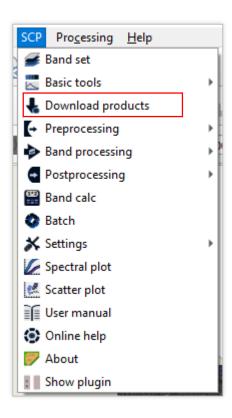
More On Plugins...

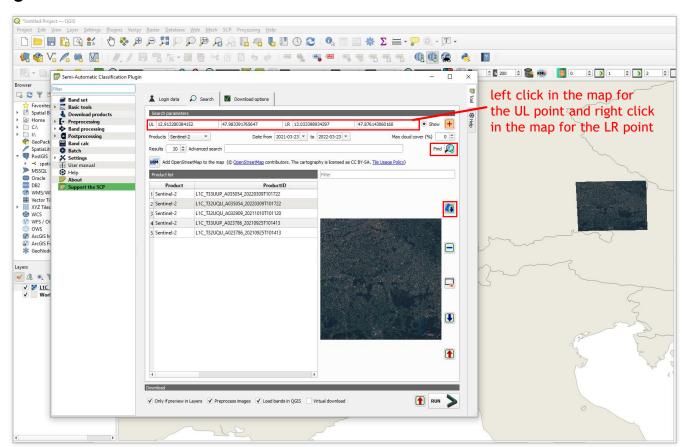
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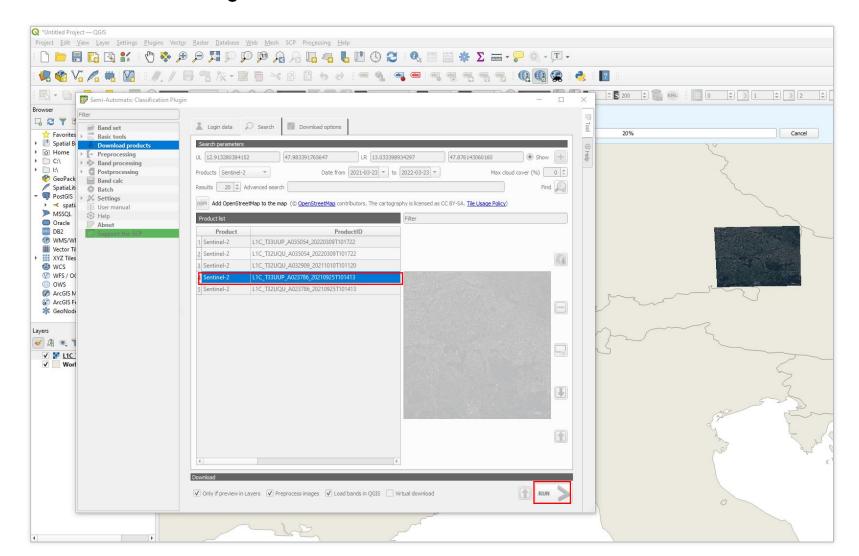
 One of the most used plugins, which features a large set of tools for handling remote sensing data



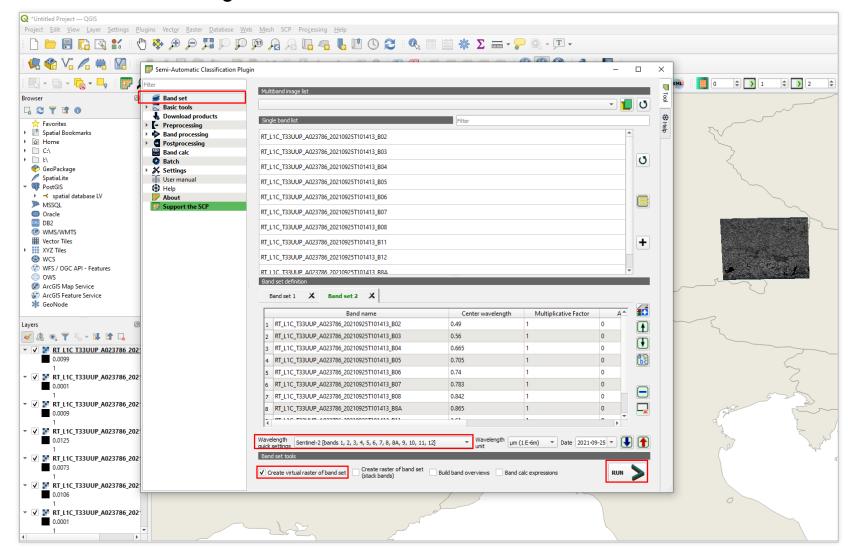


Set AOI > Chose Products ("Sentinel-2") > Dates > Cloud cover > Results > "Find" > Preview in Map > Highlight one and click "Run" to download product











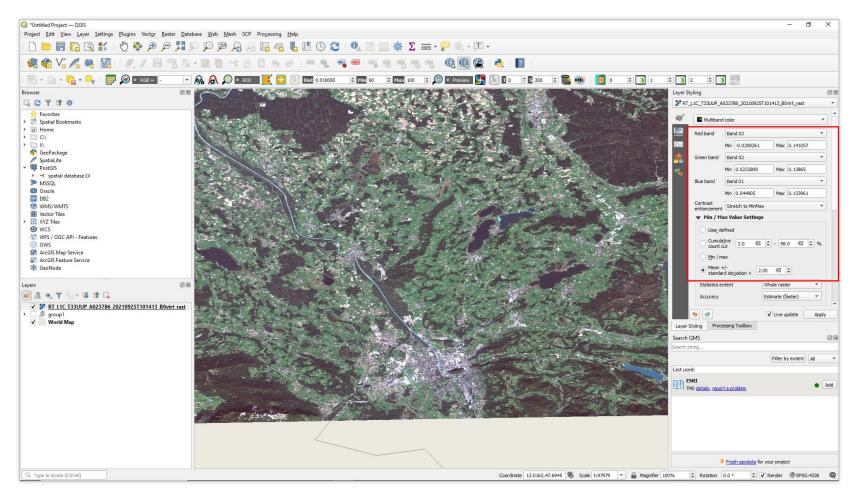


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