

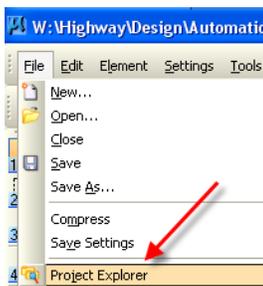


Hyperlinks in MicroStation

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Create a Link Set

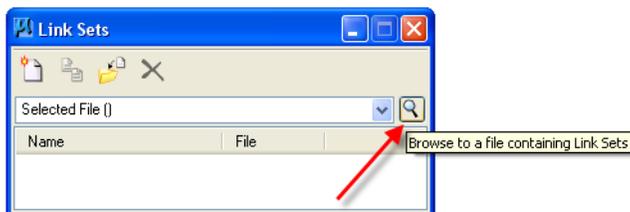
Open the **Project Explorer** dialog from the pull-down menu *File > Project Explorer*, as shown below.



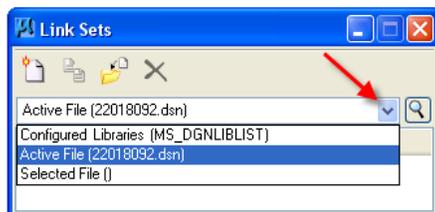
If a link set does not exist, one must be created. From the **Project Explorer** dialog, *click* the **Manage Link Sets** button, shown below, to access the **Link Sets** dialog.



In the **Link Sets** dialog, use the **Browse** button to select a file containing Link Sets, or



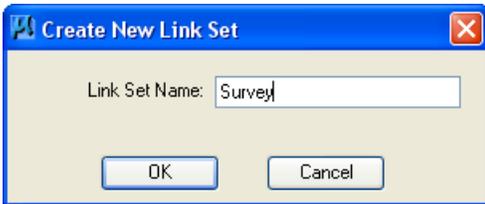
click the *drop-down* list, as shown below, to select the **Active File** to contain the Link Set.



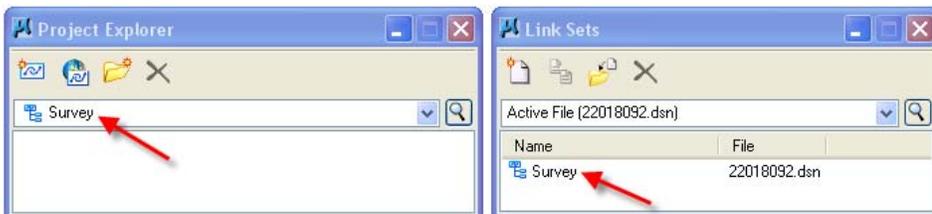
To create a new link set, click the **New Link Set** icon, shown below.



In the **Create New Link Set** dialog, enter the new **Link Set Name**, shown below. *Click OK.*



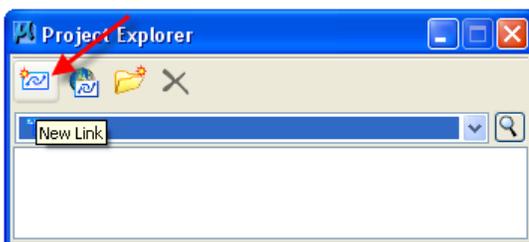
As soon as the new **Link Set Name** has been approved with the **OK** button, the new name will display in both the **Link Sets** and the **Project Explorer** dialogs, as shown below.



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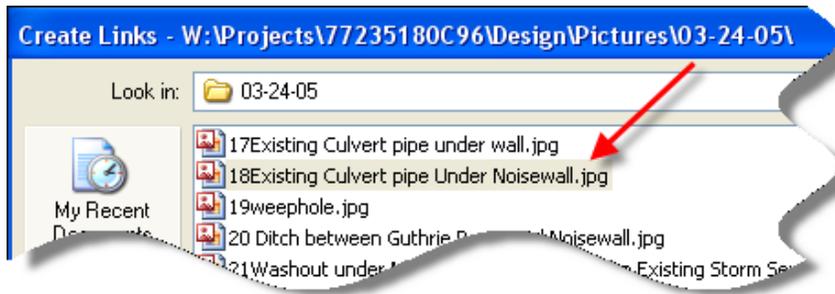
NOTE: Links can't be modified, only recreated and/or moved within the Link Set structure. Be sure that link items, (files, photos, etc.), are in the correct and permanent location. If the linked item moves to a new location on the system, the Link will be broken and must be recreated.

To create a new link, *click* the **New Link** icon, shown below. The second icon, shown below, will allow links to be made to file folders or Web URL's.

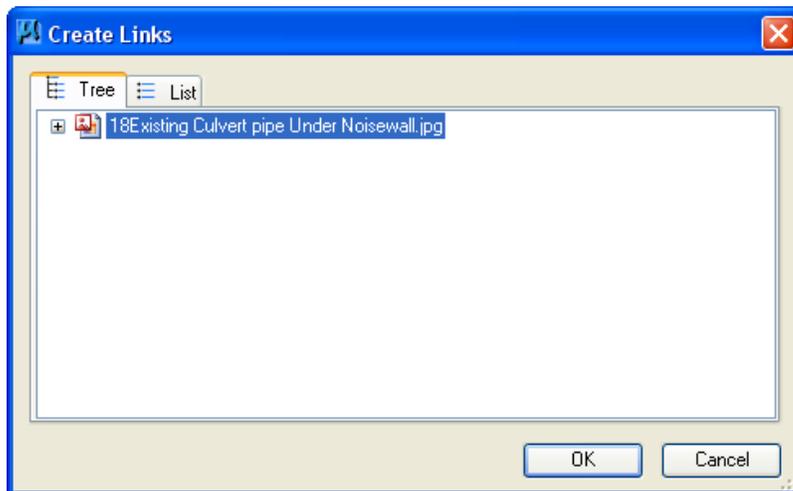


Clicking the **New Link** icon will produce a **Windows Explorer** style of dialog, shown below.

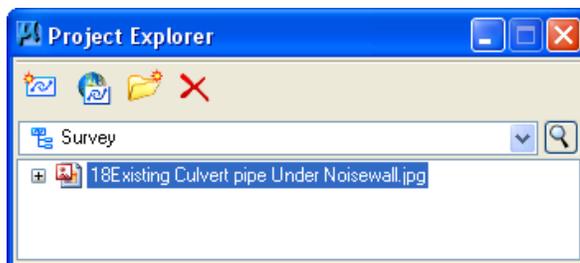
Double-click the file that is to be the new linked item.



The selected link will display in the **Create Links** dialog. Select (highlight) the link, shown below, and *click* the **OK** button.

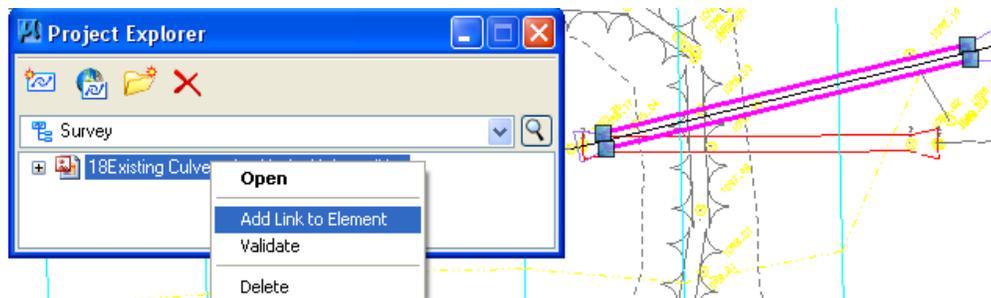


This will place the new link into the **Project Explorer** dialog, shown below.



Add an existing link to an element

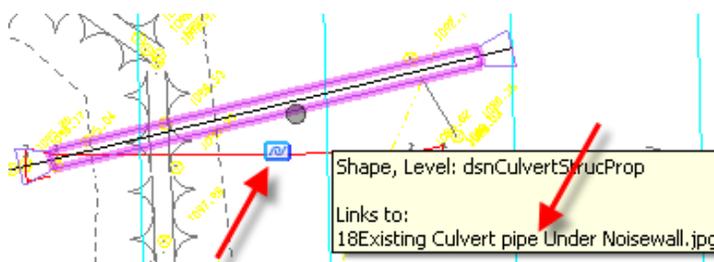
1. Open **Project Explorer** through *File > Project Explorer*.
The **Project Explorer** dialog box opens. The active link set's name appears in the *drop-down* list box and its links appear below its name.
2. (Optional) If the link that you want to add is in a closed folder or other link, expand (open) the folder or link by *clicking* the plus sign to the left of it.
3. Using the **Element Selection** tool, select the element to which you want to add the link, shown below as the selected pipe
4. *Right-click* the link that you want to add to an element and choose **Add Link to Element** from the *pop-up menu*, shown below.
5. Accept the link.



NOTE: Several links may be assigned to the same element.

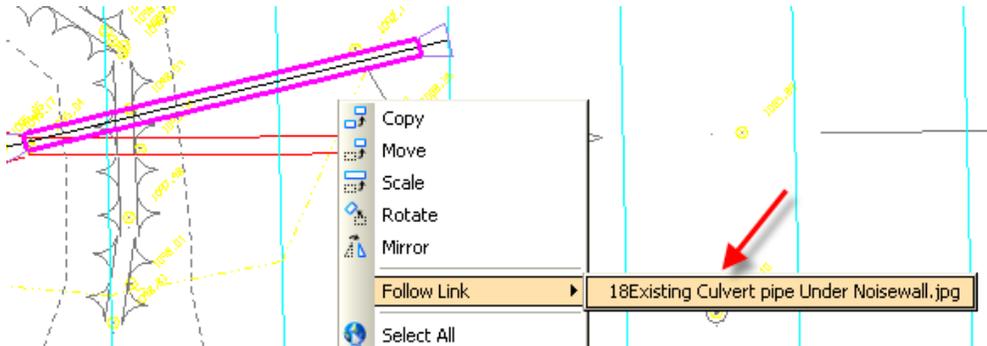
See if there are links attached to an element

Hover the cursor over the element. The blue link icon will display, as well as information about the link, as shown below.

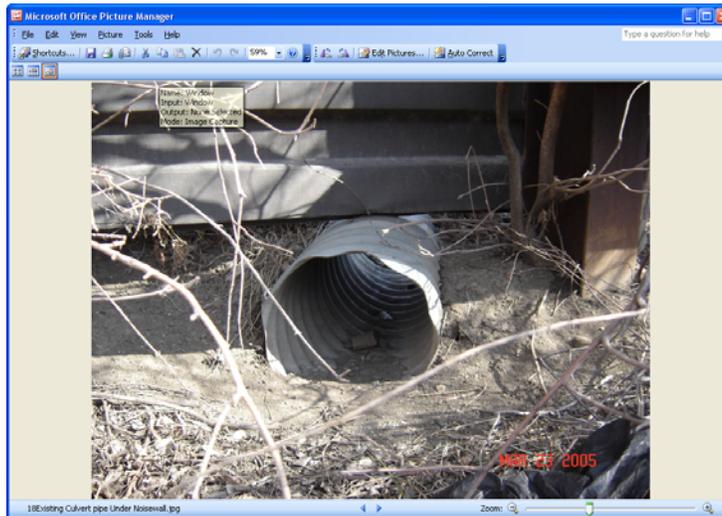


Open a link attached to an element

1. Use a *lazy-right-click*, (*right-click-hold*), on the element, and a *Pop-Up-Menu* will display (this is sometimes referred to as a *Reset-Pop-Up-Menu*).
2. Click **Follow Link** in the *Reset-pop-up-menu*.
3. Choose the desired link from the sub-menu, as shown below.



The target of the link opens.



Complete instructions

Complete instructions for [MicroStation Hyperlinks](#) can be found in the [MicroStation Help](#)

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