

# How to downgrade a master database in InfoWorks ICM

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## Issue:

InfoWorks ICM is not backwards compatible.

A master database created in a newer version of InfoWorks ICM cannot be opened in previous versions of the software.

## Causes:

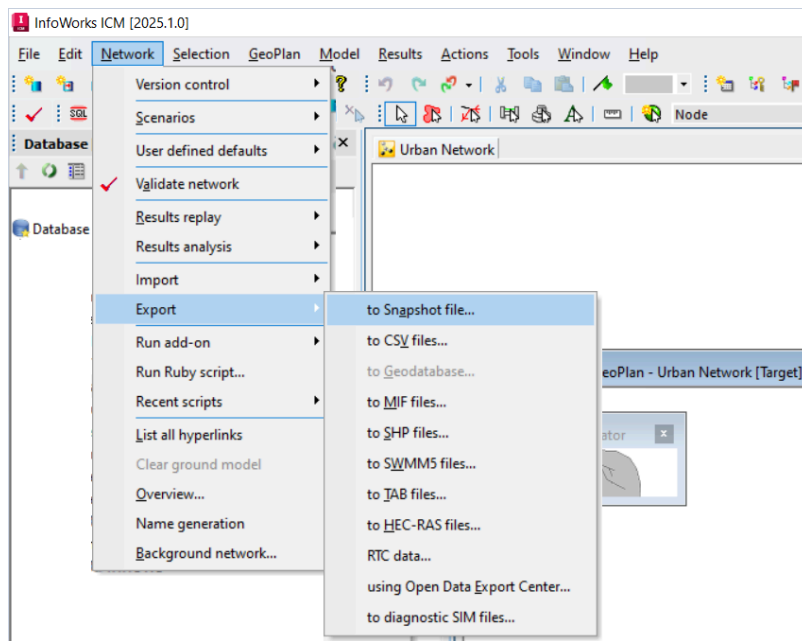
Users want to open a database in a previous version of InfoWorks ICM.

## Solution:

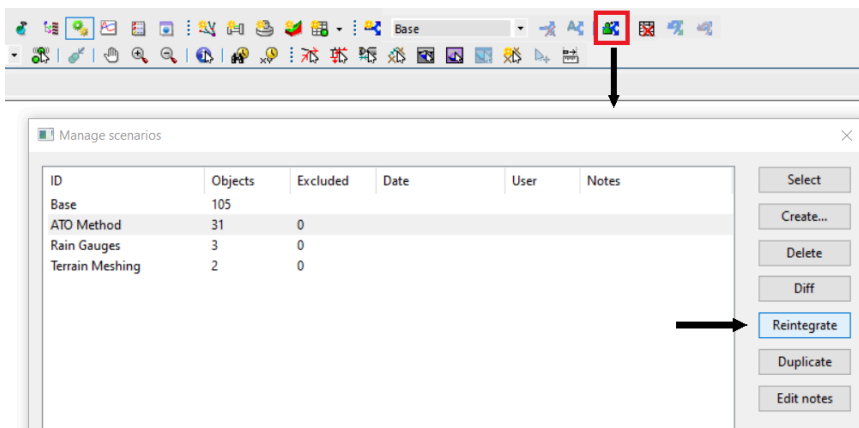
The work-around to downgrade a master database in InfoWorks ICM requires the following steps

- Export the network to a snapshot file by navigating to **Network >> Export >> to Snapshot files....**
- A snapshot file .isfm can be opened in any version of InfoWorks ICM; however, it carries network data on the base scenario only.

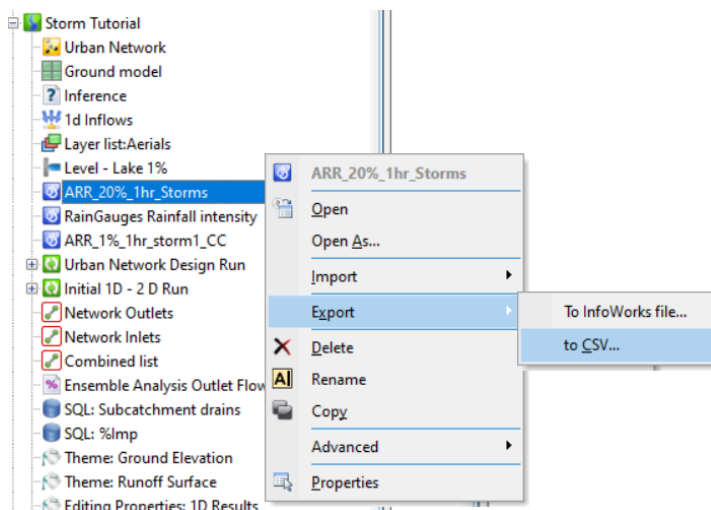




- If there are multiple scenarios, it is necessary to create multiple networks and use the **Reintegrate** function under **Manage scenarios** to make each scenario a new base scenario and then export them to .isfm files.



- Other input files such as inflow, level, and rainfall can be exported to a .csv format (Right click an object in the database tree >> **Export** >> **to CSV ...**) and reimported into InfoWorks ICM later.



**NOTE:** Please note that any features related to changes in database structure will not be transferred across InfoWorks ICM versions. For example, a polygon object, **Building**, is available

in InfoWorks ICM version 2024.0 and onwards. It can still be exported to a snapshot file; however, it will appear invalid in InfoWorks ICM version before 2024.0.

See Also:

- [InfoWorks ICM | Export to Snapshot File](#)
- [InfoWorks ICM | Import from Snapshot File](#)
- [InfoWorks ICM | Mange Scenario Dialog](#)

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