

Case Study

Serverless Image Processing Workflow

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Problem Statement:

- **Concepts Used:** AWS Lambda, S3, and CodePipeline.
- **Problem Statement:** "Create a serverless workflow that triggers an AWS Lambda function when a new image is uploaded to an S3 bucket. Use CodePipeline to automate the deployment of the Lambda function."
- **Tasks:**
 - Create a Lambda function in Python that logs and processes an image when uploaded to a specific S3 bucket.
 - Set up AWS CodePipeline to automatically deploy updates to the Lambda function.
 - Upload a sample image to S3 and verify that the Lambda function is triggered and logs the event

Theory:

- **AWS Lambda:** A serverless compute service that automatically runs code in response to events, managing the infrastructure needed to execute code without provisioning or managing servers. It supports multiple languages and scales automatically based on demand.
- **Amazon S3:** A highly scalable object storage service designed for storing and retrieving any amount of data from anywhere, with built-in features like data durability, security, and versioning for backups and archiving.
- **AWS CodePipeline:** A fully managed continuous integration and continuous delivery (CI/CD) service that automates the build, test, and deployment process of your code, enabling rapid software releases.

SOLUTION

Step 1: Set Up an S3 Bucket

1. **Log in to AWS Console** and go to the **S3** service.
2. Click **Create Bucket**, give it a unique name (e.g., image-processing-bucket), and choose a region.
3. Enable **versioning** if needed and leave other options as default. Click **Create Bucket**.

The screenshot displays the AWS S3 console interface. The top section shows the 'Create bucket' wizard with the following configuration:

- AWS Region:** US East (N. Virginia) us-east-1
- Bucket type:** General purpose (selected), Directory (unselected)
- Bucket name:** rujuta-bucket

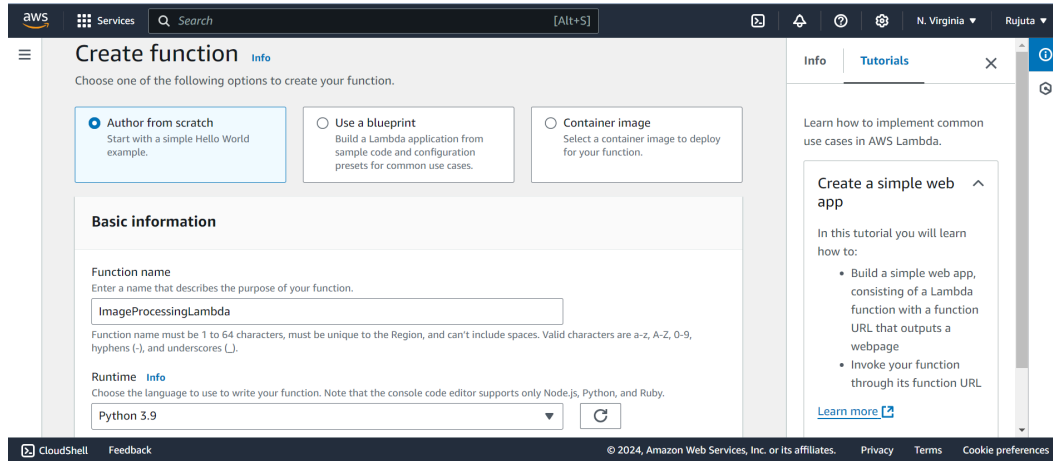
Below the wizard, a green notification banner states: "Successfully created bucket 'rujuta-bucket'. To upload files and folders, or to configure additional bucket settings, choose View details."

The bottom section shows the 'General purpose buckets' list. The table contains the following data:

	Name	AWS Region	IAM Access Analyzer	Creation date
<input type="radio"/>	elasticbeanstalk-eu-north-1-476114155925	Europe (Stockholm) eu-north-1	View analyzer for eu-north-1	August 21, 2024, 10:42:04 (UTC+05:30)
<input type="radio"/>	rujuta-bucket	US East (N. Virginia) us-east-1	View analyzer for us-east-1	October 21, 2024, 16:48:26 (UTC+05:30)

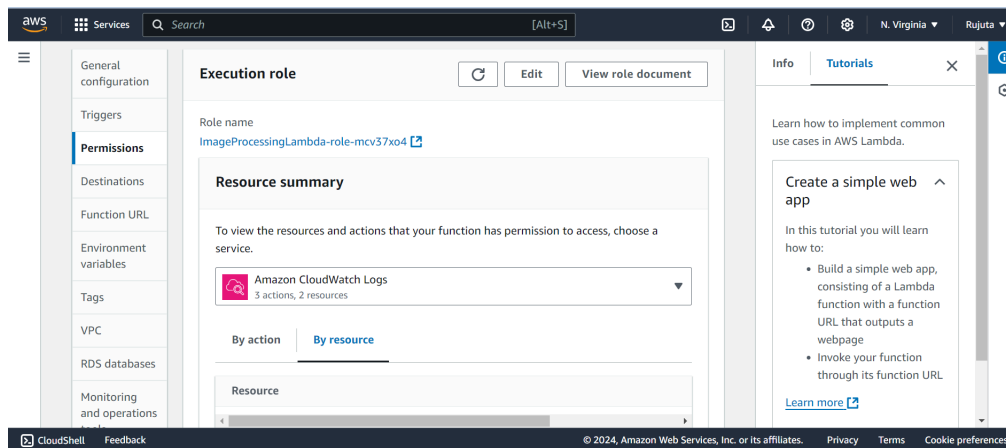
Step 2: Create a Lambda Function to Process Images

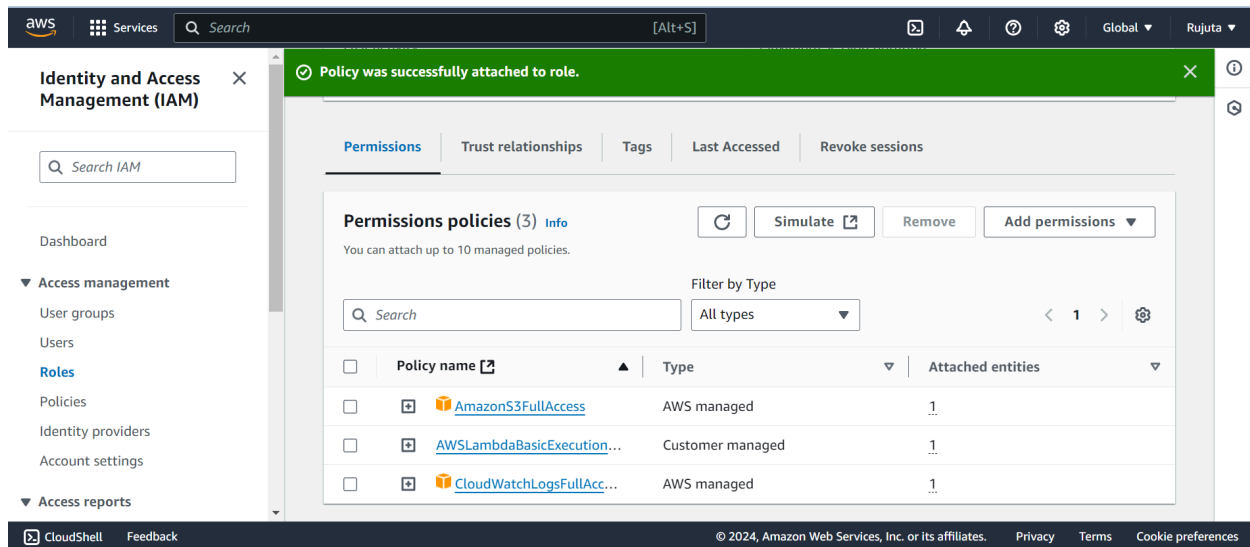
1. Go to the **Lambda** service in AWS.
2. Click **Create Function** and choose **Author from Scratch**.
 - **Name:** ImageProcessingLambda
 - **Runtime:** Python 3.x (e.g., Python 3.9)



3. IAM Role for Lambda:

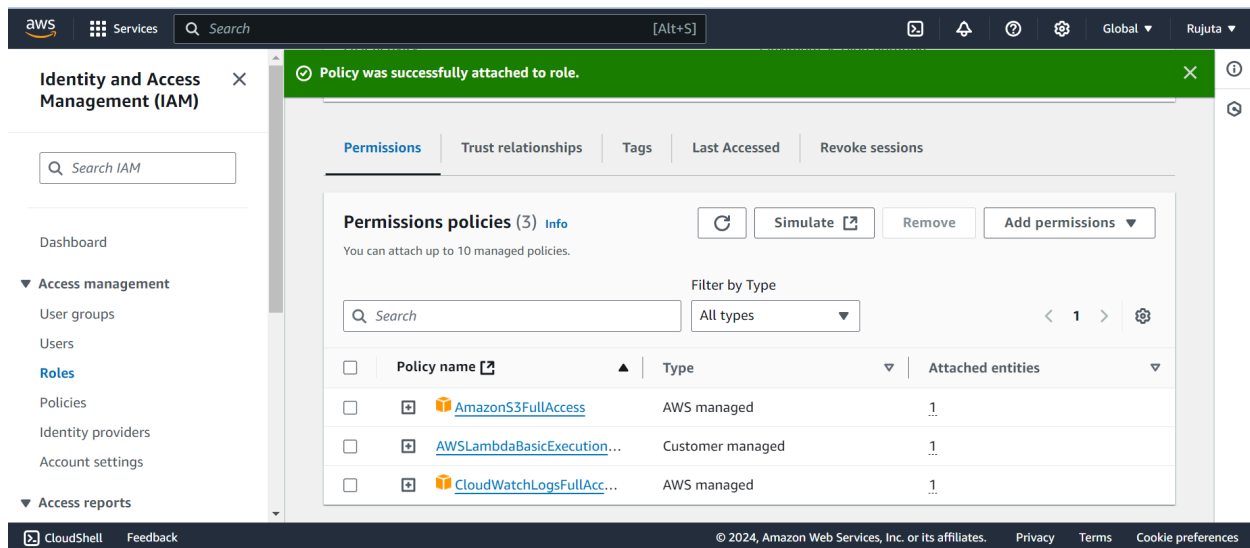
- Create a new role with basic Lambda permissions:
 - Choose **Create a new role with basic Lambda permissions**.
 - It automatically assigns the policy **AWSLambdaBasicExecutionRole** to the role, which allows the function to write logs to **CloudWatch**.





4. After the function is created, add the following permissions to access the S3 bucket:

- Click on **Configuration > Permissions > Execution Role**.
- Click on the role and attach the following permissions:
 - **AmazonS3FullAccess**
 - **CloudWatchLogsFullAccess**



5. Add Python Code to Process Images:

- Go back to **Code** section and replace the sample code with:

CODE:

```
import json

import boto3

def lambda_handler(event, context):

    # Log the event in CloudWatch

    print("Event: ", json.dumps(event))

    # Extract S3 bucket and object details

    s3 = boto3.client('s3')

    bucket = event['Records'][0]['s3']['bucket']['name']

    key = event['Records'][0]['s3']['object']['key']

    # Process the image (log details in this case)

    response = s3.get_object(Bucket=bucket, Key=key)

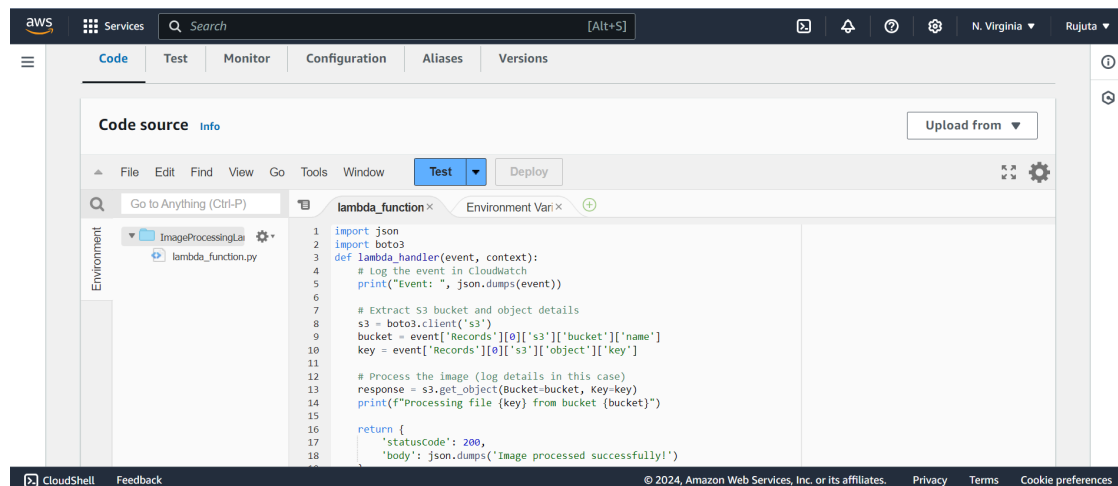
    print(f"Processing file {key} from bucket {bucket}")

    return {

        'statusCode': 200,

        'body': json.dumps('Image processed successfully!')

    }
```



- This code logs the S3 event and retrieves basic information about the uploaded image.

Step 3: Set Up S3 Event Notification to Trigger Lambda

1. Go back to the **S3** service and select your bucket (image-processing-bucket).
2. In the **Properties** tab, scroll to the **Event Notifications** section and click **Create Event Notification**.

- **Event Name:** ImageUploadEvent
- **Event Type:** Select **All object create events** (i.e., triggers when any file is uploaded).
- **Destination:** Choose **Lambda function** and select ImageProcessingLambda.

The screenshot shows the AWS Management Console interface for creating an event notification. The top navigation bar includes the AWS logo, 'Services', a search bar, and the current region 'N. Virginia' and user 'Rujuta'. The breadcrumb trail indicates the path: Amazon S3 > Buckets > rujuta-bucket > Create event notification.

Create event notification [Info](#)

To enable notifications, you must first add a notification configuration that identifies the events you want Amazon S3 to publish and the destinations where you want Amazon S3 to send the notifications.

General configuration

Event name

uploadImage

Event name can contain up to 255 characters.

Prefix - optional

Limit the notifications to objects with key starting with specified characters.

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Suffix - optional

Limit the notifications to objects with key ending with specified characters.

Event types

Specify at least one event for which you want to receive notifications. For each group, you can choose an event type for all events, or you can choose one or more individual events.

Object creation

☒ **All object create events**
s3:ObjectCreated:*

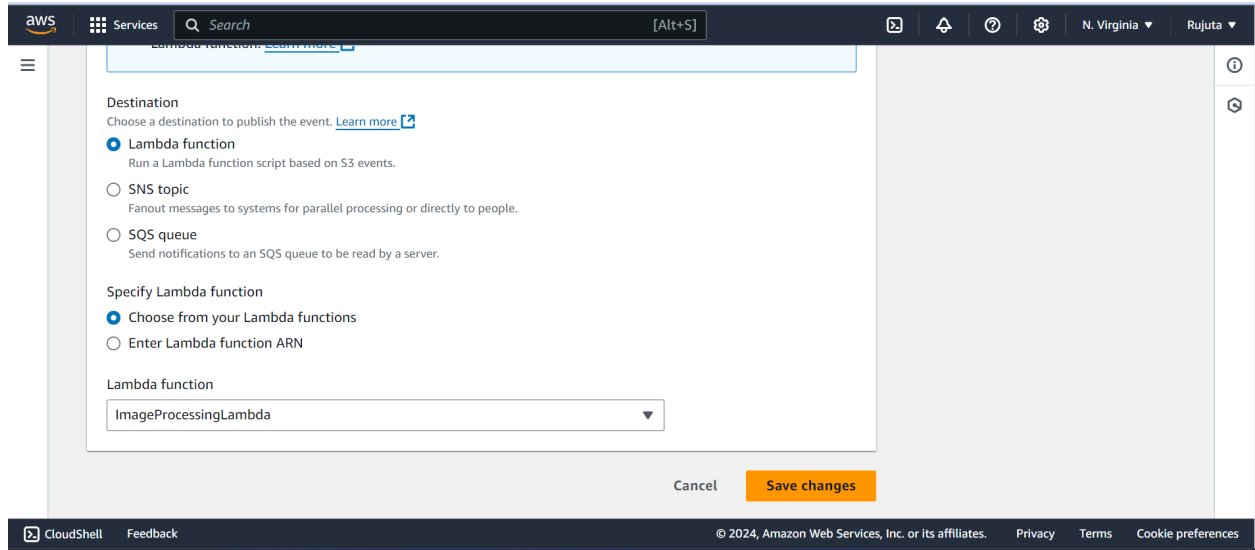
☐ **Put**
s3:ObjectCreated:Put

☐ **Post**
s3:ObjectCreated:Post

☐ **Copy**
s3:ObjectCreated:Copy

☐ **Multipart upload completed**
s3:ObjectCreated:CompleteMultipartUpload

Object removal



Click **Save Changes**.

Step 4 :Step-by-Step Guide Using CodeBuild:

1. **Create a Buildspec File:** In your GitHub repo (where your `lambda_function.py` is), add a `buildspec.yml` file. This file will tell CodeBuild how to package and deploy your Lambda function.

Example `buildspec.yml`:

CODE:

version: 0.2

phases:

install:

commands:

- pip install --upgrade awscli

build:

commands:

- zip function.zip lambda_function.py

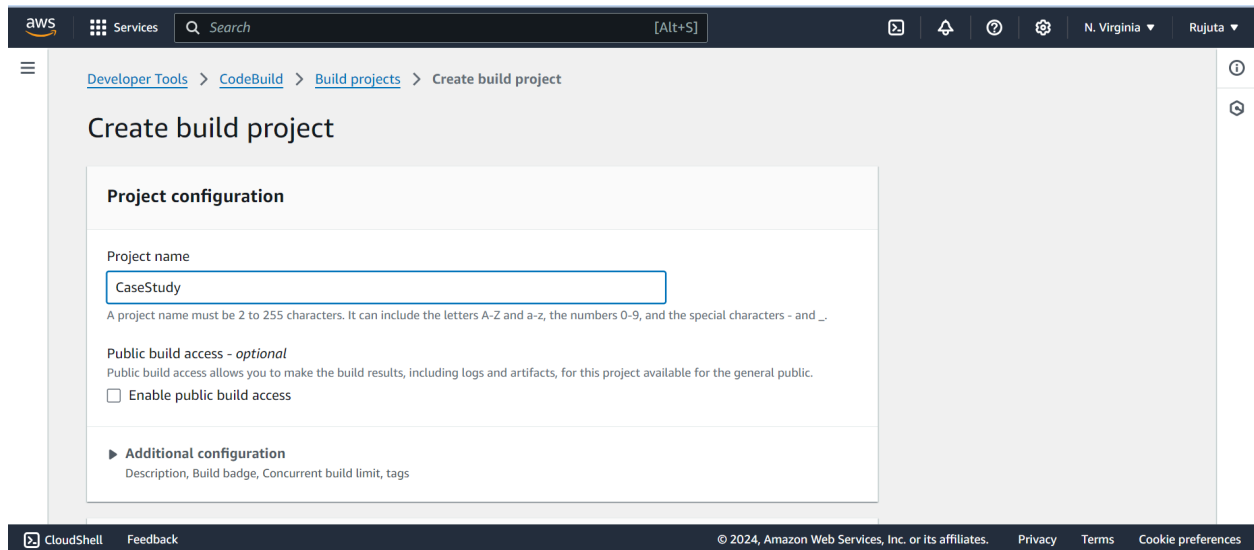
- aws lambda update-function-code --function-name ImageProcessingLambda
--zip-file fileb://function.zip

```
lambda_function.py X ! buildspec.yml
Practical > lambda_function.py > ...
1 import json
2 import boto3
3 def lambda_handler(event, context):
4     # Log the event in CloudWatch
5     print("Event: ", json.dumps(event))
6
7     # Extract S3 bucket and object details
8     s3 = boto3.client('s3')
9     bucket = event['Records'][0]['s3']['bucket']['name']
10    key = event['Records'][0]['s3']['object']['key']
11
12    # Process the image (log details in this case)
13    response = s3.get_object(Bucket=bucket, Key=key)
14    print(f"Processing file {key} from bucket {bucket}")
15
16    return {
17        'statusCode': 200,
18        'body': json.dumps('Image processed successfully!')
19    }
20
```

```
lambda_function.py ! buildspec.yml X
Practical > ! buildspec.yml
1 version: 0.2
2
3 phases:
4   install:
5     commands:
6       - pip install --upgrade awscli
7   build:
8     commands:
9       - zip function.zip lambda_function.py
10      - aws lambda update-function-code --function-name ImageProcessingLambda --zip-file fileb://function.zip
11
```


2. Create a CodeBuild Project:

- Go to **AWS CodeBuild** and create a new build project



The screenshot shows the AWS CodeBuild console with the 'Create build project' page. The breadcrumb trail is 'Developer Tools > CodeBuild > Build projects > Create build project'. The main heading is 'Create build project'. Under 'Project configuration', the 'Project name' field contains 'CaseStudy'. A note below the field states: 'A project name must be 2 to 255 characters. It can include the letters A-Z and a-z, the numbers 0-9, and the special characters - and _.' The 'Public build access - optional' section has an unchecked checkbox for 'Enable public build access'. An expandable section 'Additional configuration' lists 'Description, Build badge, Concurrent build limit, tags'. The footer includes 'CloudShell', 'Feedback', and copyright information for Amazon Web Services, Inc. or its affiliates.

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Developer Tools > CodeBuild > Build projects > Create build project

Create build project

Project configuration

Project name

A project name must be 2 to 255 characters. It can include the letters A-Z and a-z, the numbers 0-9, and the special characters - and _.

Public build access - optional

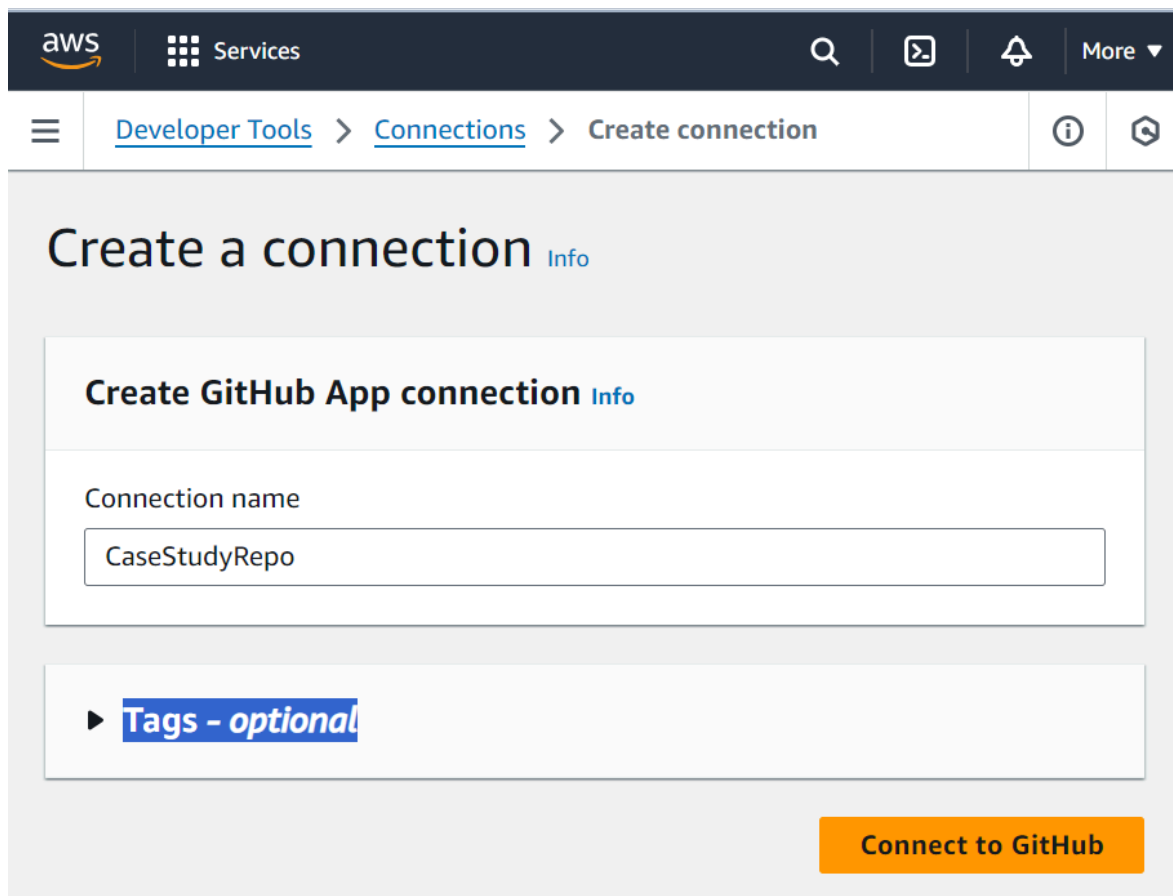
Public build access allows you to make the build results, including logs and artifacts, for this project available for the general public.

☐ Enable public build access

► **Additional configuration**

Description, Build badge, Concurrent build limit, tags

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The screenshot shows the AWS CodeBuild console with the 'Create a connection' page. The breadcrumb trail is 'Developer Tools > Connections > Create connection'. The main heading is 'Create a connection' with an 'Info' link. The section 'Create GitHub App connection' also has an 'Info' link. The 'Connection name' field contains 'CaseStudyRepo'. An expandable section 'Tags - optional' is visible. A large orange button at the bottom right says 'Connect to GitHub'.

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Developer Tools > Connections > Create connection

Create a connection [Info](#)

Create GitHub App connection [Info](#)

Connection name

► **Tags - optional**

Connect to GitHub

- For the **Source**, select the same GitHub repo you are using.

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Source 1 - Primary

Source provider

GitHub

Credential

☐ Default source credential
Use your account's default source credential to apply to all projects

☒ Custom source credential
Use a custom source credential to override your account's default settings

Credential type

☒ GitHub App
Connect project to GitHub using an AWS managed GitHub App

☐ OAuth app
Connect project to GitHub using an OAuth app

☐ Personal access token
Connect project to GitHub using a personal access token

Connection

You can [create a new GitHub connection](#) by using an AWS managed GitHub App

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Repository

☐ Repository in my GitHub account

☒ Public repository

☐ GitHub scoped webhook

Repository URL

https://github.com/rujutamedhi/CaseStudy.git

https://github.com/<user-name>/<repository-name>

Source version - [optional Info](#)

Enter a pull request, branch, commit ID, tag, or reference and a commit ID.

► Additional configuration

Git clone depth, Git submodules

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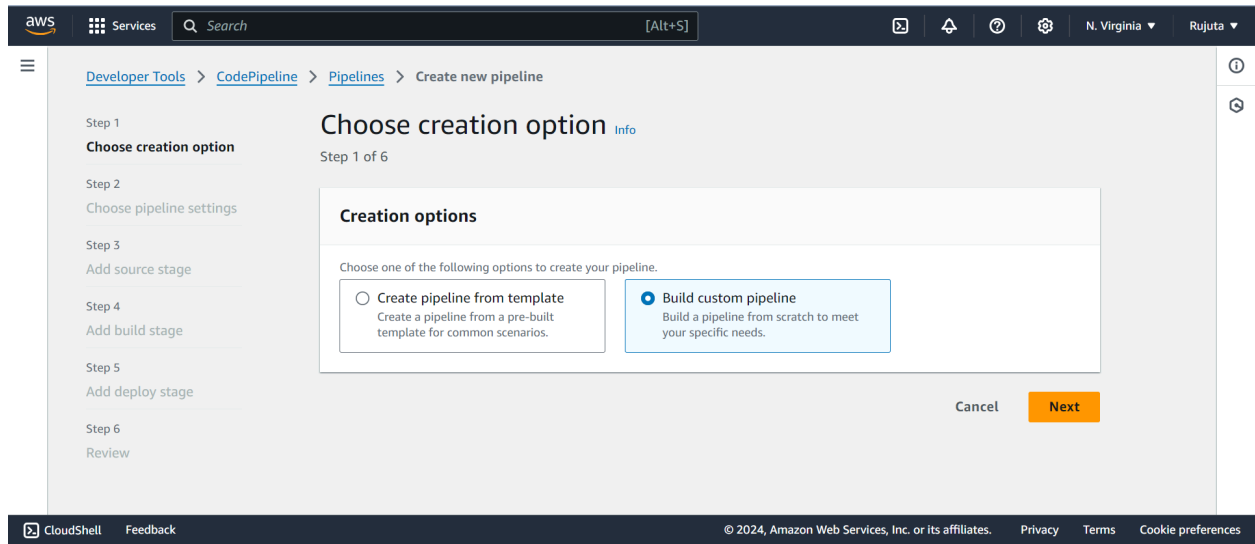
☐ Custom source credential
Use a custom source credential to override your account's default settings

✔ Successfully connected by using an AWS managed GitHub App - [open resource](#)

Manage default source credential

Step 5: Set Up AWS CodePipeline to Automate Lambda Deployment

1. Go to the **CodePipeline** service and click **Create Pipeline**.



2. Pipeline Settings:

- **Pipeline Name:** ImageProcessingPipeline
- **Service Role:** Allow CodePipeline to create a new role.

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Choose pipeline settings

Step 3

Add source stage

Step 4

Add build stage

Step 5

Add deploy stage

Step 6

Review

Pipeline settings

Pipeline name

Enter the pipeline name. You cannot edit the pipeline name after it is created.

ImageProcessingPipeline

No more than 100 characters

Pipeline type

You can no longer create V1 pipelines through the console. We recommend you use the V2 pipeline type with improved release safety, pipeline triggers, parameterized pipelines, and a new billing model.

Execution mode

Choose the execution mode for your pipeline. This determines how the pipeline is run.

☐ Superseded

A more recent execution can overtake an older one. This is the default.

☒ Queued (Pipeline type V2 required)

Executions are processed one by one in the order that they are queued.

☐ Parallel (Pipeline type V2 required)

Executions don't wait for other runs to complete before starting or finishing.

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Queued (Pipeline type V2 required)

Executions are processed one by one in the order that they are queued.

☐ Parallel (Pipeline type V2 required)

Executions don't wait for other runs to complete before starting or finishing.

Service role

☒ New service role

Create a service role in your account

☐ Existing service role

Choose an existing service role from your account

Role name

AWSCodePipelineServiceRole-us-east-1-ImageProcessingPipeline

Type your service role name

☒ Allow AWS CodePipeline to create a service role so it can be used with this new pipeline

Variables

You can add variables at the pipeline level. You can choose to assign the value when you start the pipeline. Choosing this option requires pipeline type V2. [Learn more](#)

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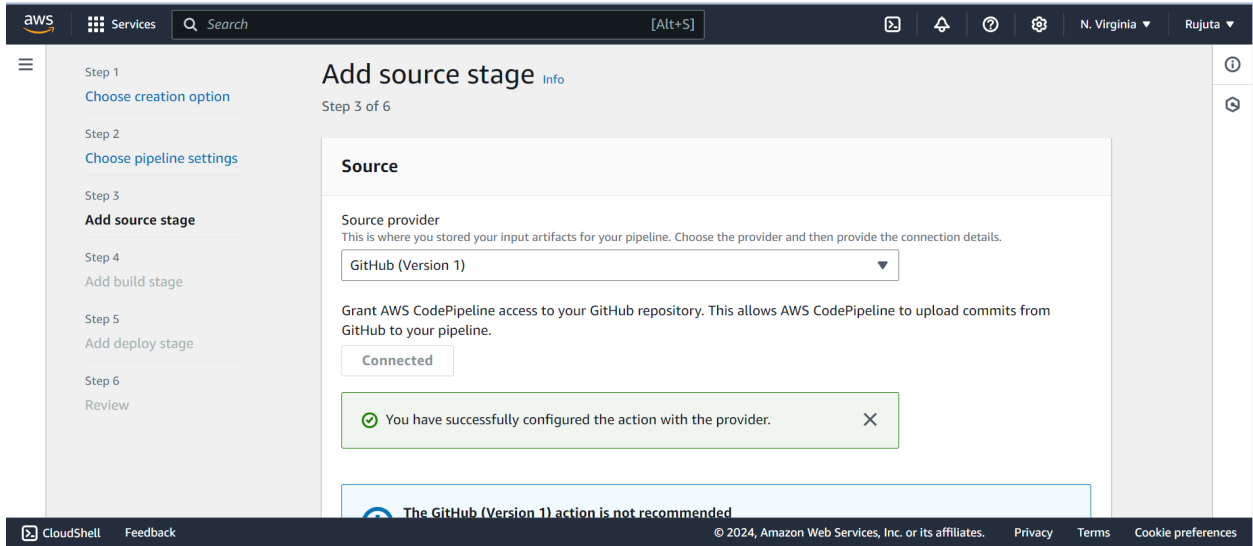
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3. Source Stage (Code Repository):

- For **Source Provider**, choose **GitHub** or **AWS CodeCommit** based on your code repository.



Connect your repository that contains the Lambda code



4. Add CodeBuild to CodePipeline:

- In your CodePipeline, add **CodeBuild** as the **Build Stage** (instead of a Deploy Stage).
- This will allow CodePipeline to trigger the CodeBuild project, which will run the `buildspec.yml` commands to package and deploy the Lambda function

The screenshot shows the 'Build - optional' configuration page in the AWS CodePipeline console. On the left, a sidebar lists steps: Step 3 (Add source stage), Step 4 (Add build stage), Step 5 (Add deploy stage), Step 6 (Review), and a 'Review' link. The main content area is titled 'Build - optional' and contains the following sections:

- Build provider:** A section with the instruction 'Choose the tool you want to use to run build commands and specify artifacts for your build action.' It features two radio buttons: 'Commands' (unselected) and 'Other build providers' (selected). Below is a dropdown menu currently showing 'AWS CodeBuild'.
- Project name:** A section with the instruction 'Choose a build project that you have already created in the AWS CodeBuild console. Or create a build project in the AWS CodeBuild console and then return to this task.' It includes a search input field containing 'CaseStudy' and a 'Create project' button with an external link icon.
- Environment variables - optional:** A section with the instruction 'Choose the key, value, and type for your CodeBuild environment variables. In the value field, you can reference variables generated by CodePipeline. [Learn more](#)'. It features an 'Add environment variable' button.
- Build type:** A section with a dropdown menu.

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5. Deploy Stage (Deploy to Lambda):

- SKIP THIS (as Choose **AWS Lambda** as the deploy provider Does not exist.)

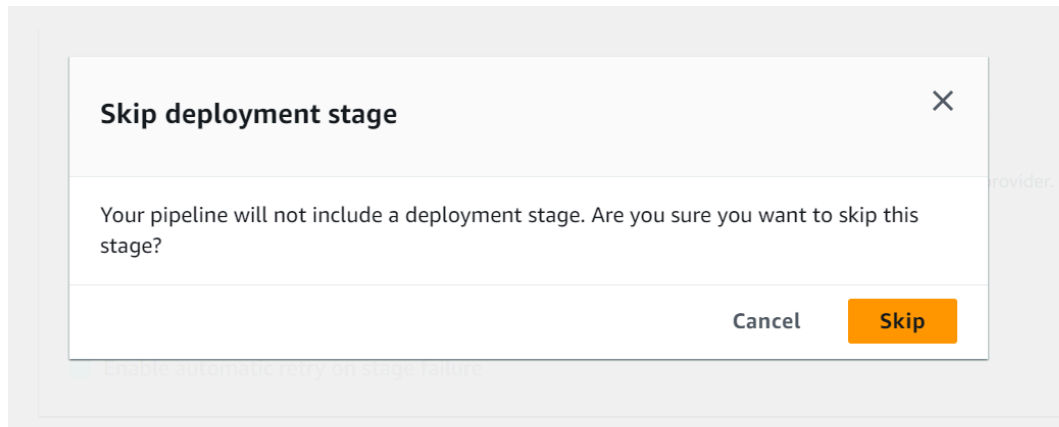
The screenshot shows the 'Add deploy stage' configuration page in the AWS CodePipeline console. The breadcrumb trail at the top reads 'Developer Tools > CodePipeline > Pipelines > Create new pipeline'. The left sidebar shows the step progression: Step 1 (Choose creation option), Step 2 (Choose pipeline settings), Step 3 (Add source stage), Step 4 (Add build stage), Step 5 (Add deploy stage), Step 6 (Review), and a 'Review' link. The main content area is titled 'Add deploy stage' with an 'Info' link and indicates 'Step 5 of 6'.

The configuration section is titled 'Deploy - optional' and includes:

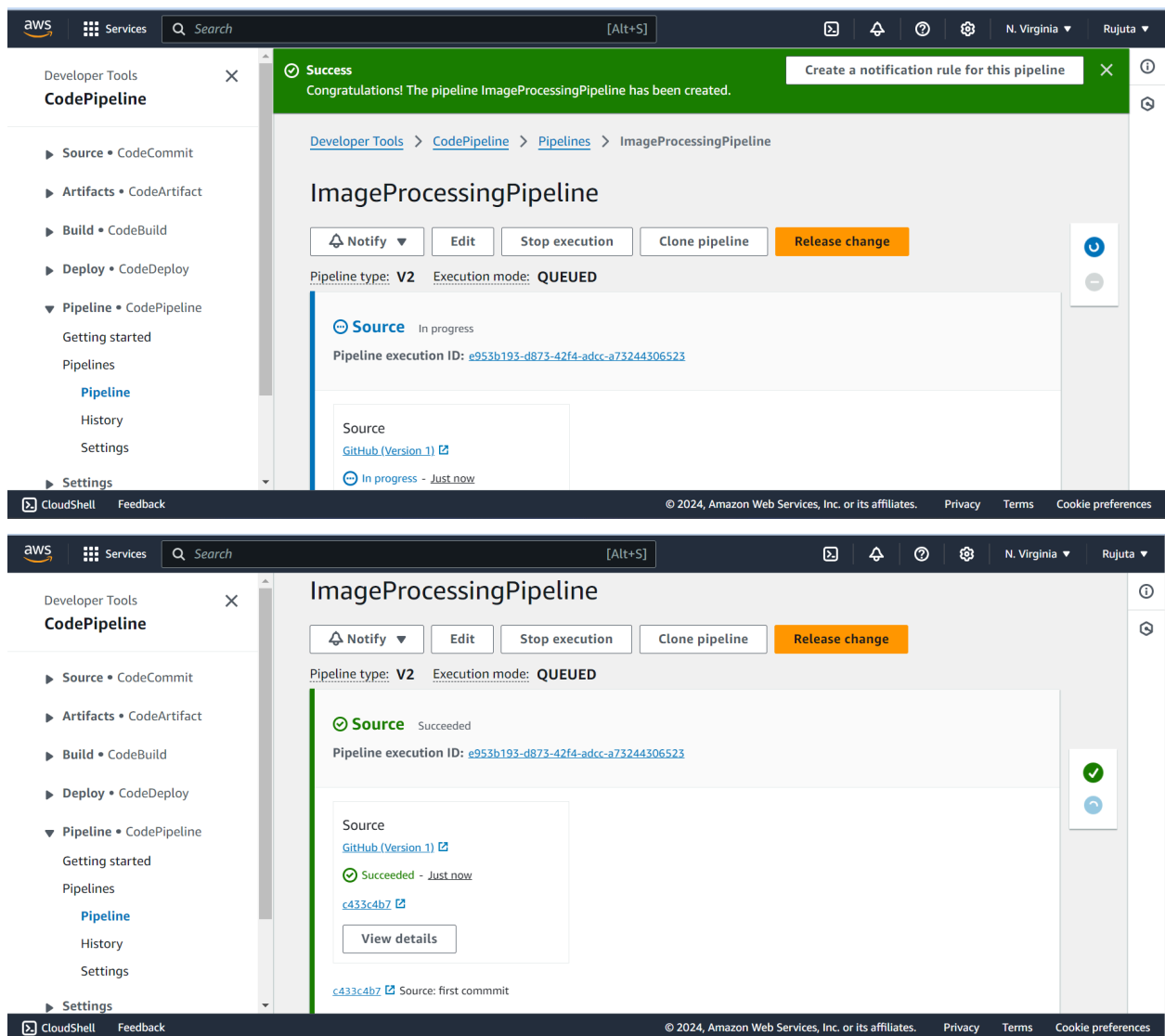
- Deploy provider:** A section with the instruction 'Choose how you deploy to instances. Choose the provider, and then provide the configuration details for that provider.' It features a dropdown menu.
- Configuration options:** Two checkboxes are present: 'Configure automatic rollback on stage failure' (checked) and 'Enable automatic retry on stage failure' (unchecked).

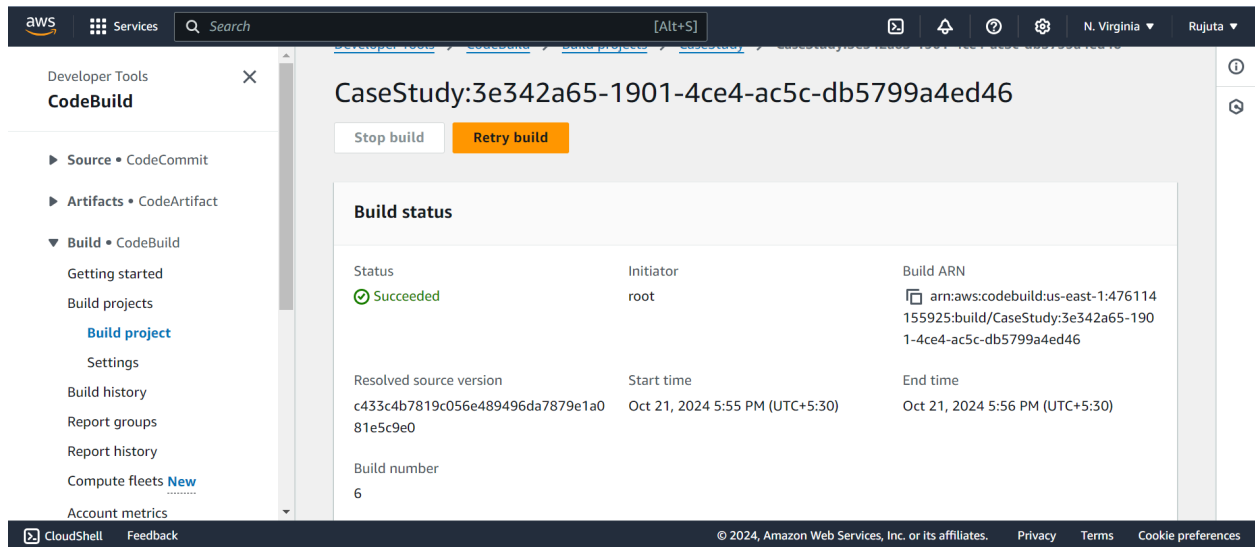
At the bottom of the configuration area, there are four buttons: 'Cancel', 'Previous', 'Skip deploy stage', and 'Next'.

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6. Click **Create Pipeline** to finish setting up.

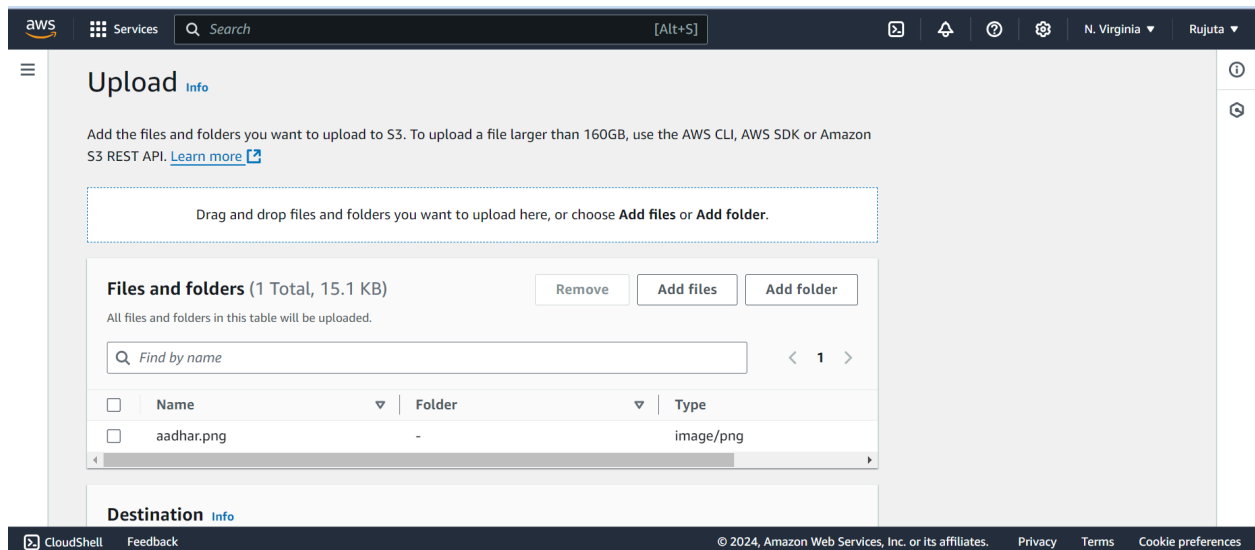


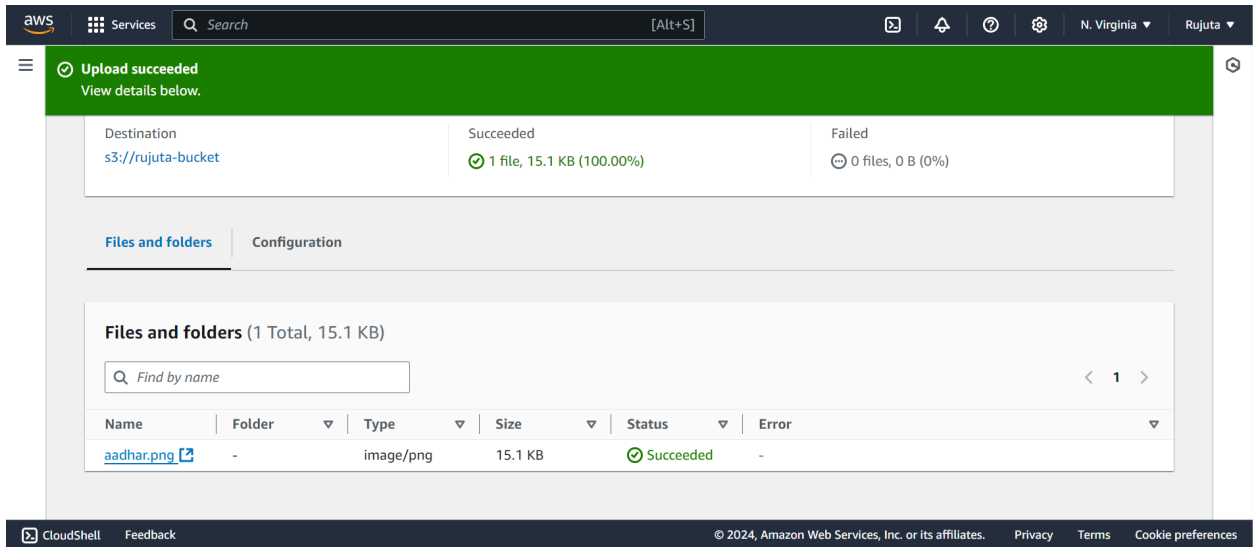


Step 6: Test the Serverless Workflow

1. Upload a sample image to your S3 bucket:

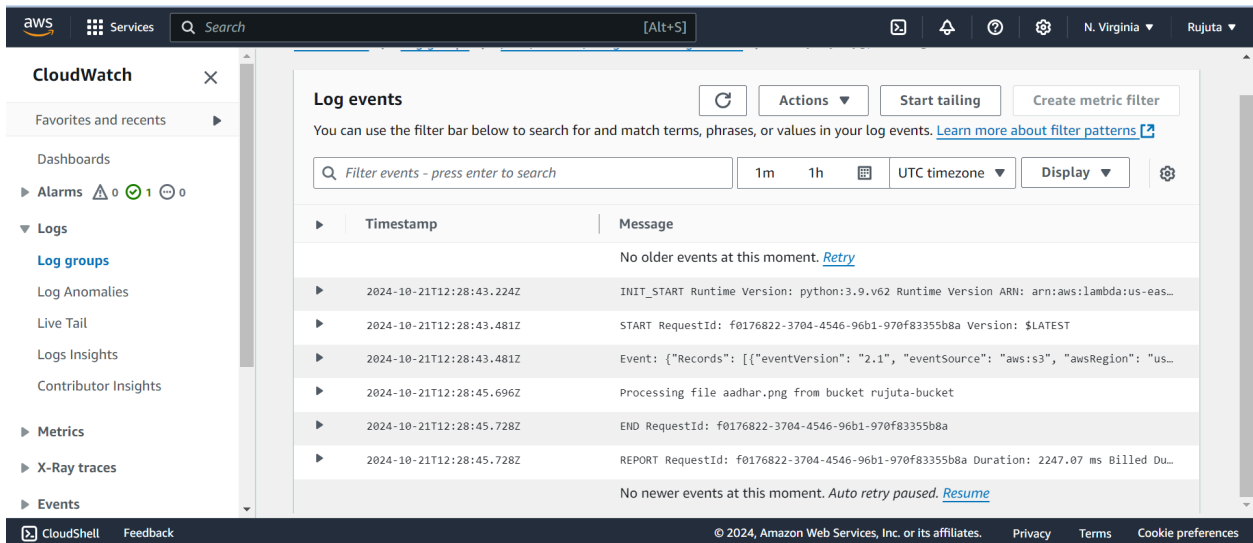
- Go to **S3**, select the bucket image-processing-bucket, and click **Upload**.
- Upload any image





1. Check CloudWatch Logs:

- Go to **CloudWatch** > **Logs** > **Log groups**.
- You should see a new log group for ImageProcessingLambda.
- In the logs, you'll see details about the S3 event, including the bucket name and the key (filename).



Step 7: Verify CodePipeline Automation

1. **Make a change** to the Lambda function code (e.g., update the print statement).

New Code:

```
import json
```

```
import boto3
```

```
def lambda_handler(event, context):
```

```
    # Log the event in CloudWatch
```

```
    print("Event: ", json.dumps(event))
```

```
    # Extract S3 bucket and object details
```

```
    s3 = boto3.client('s3')
```

```
    bucket = event['Records'][0]['s3']['bucket']['name']
```

```
    key = event['Records'][0]['s3']['object']['key']
```

```
    # Process the image (log details in this case)
```

```
    response = s3.get_object(Bucket=bucket, Key=key)
```

```
    print(f'Processing file {key} from bucket {bucket}')
```

```
    # New print statement for verification
```

```
    print(f'Lambda function updated! Now processing {key} from {bucket}.')
```

```
    return {
```

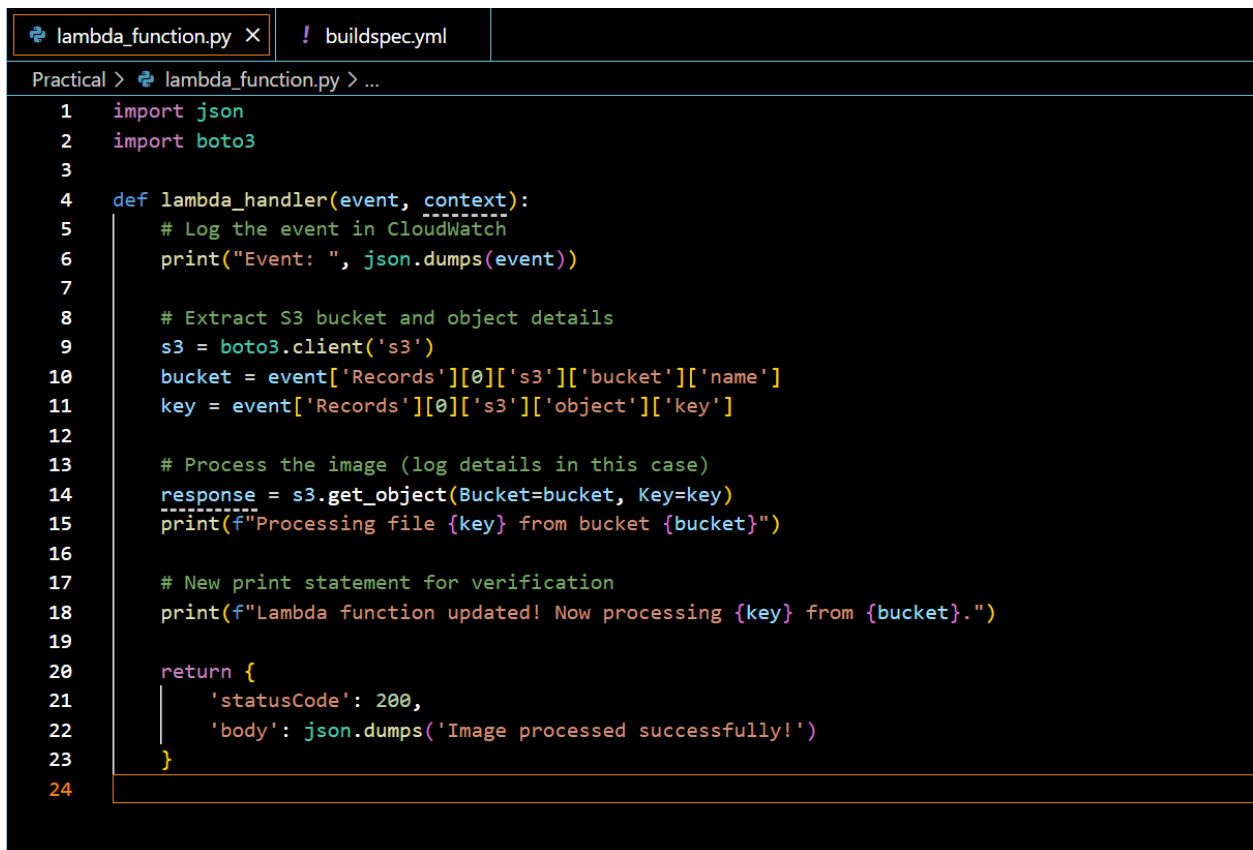
```
'statusCode': 200,  
  
'body': json.dumps('Image processed successfully!')  
  
}
```

1. **Push the changes** to the GitHub or CodeCommit repository.

```
git add lambda_function.py
```

```
git commit -m "Update Lambda function to add verification print statement"
```

```
git push origin main
```

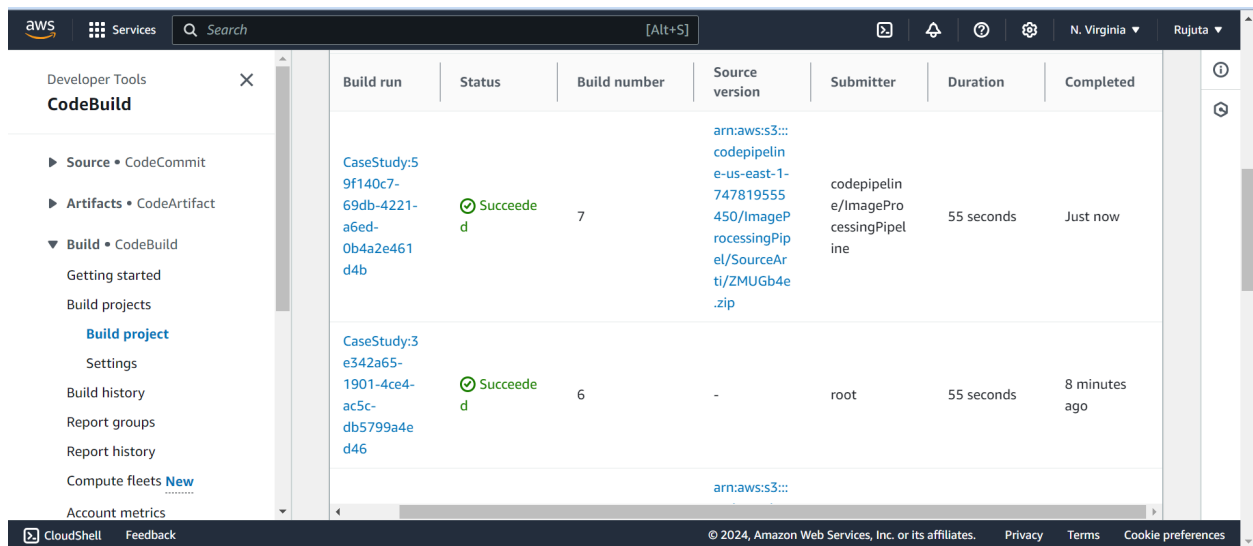


```
lambda_function.py X  ! buildspec.yml  
Practical > lambda_function.py > ...  
1  import json  
2  import boto3  
3  
4  def lambda_handler(event, context):  
5      # Log the event in CloudWatch  
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7  
8      # Extract S3 bucket and object details  
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16  
17     # New print statement for verification  
18     print(f"Lambda function updated! Now processing {key} from {bucket}.")  
19  
20     return {  
21         'statusCode': 200,  
22         'body': json.dumps('Image processed successfully!')  
23     }  
24
```

```
PROBLEMS OUTPUT DEBUG CONSOLE PORTS POSTMAN CONSOLE
✓ TERMINAL

PS C:\Docs\Rujuta\AdvDevOps\Practical> git push
Enumerating objects: 5, done.
Counting objects: 100% (5/5), done.
Delta compression using up to 8 threads
Compressing objects: 100% (3/3), done.
Writing objects: 100% (3/3), 435 bytes | 435.00 KiB/s, done.
Total 3 (delta 1), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 0 (from 0)
remote: Resolving deltas: 100% (1/1), completed with 1 local object.
To https://github.com/rujutamedhi/CaseStudy.git
c433c4b..d1ae65a master -> master
PS C:\Docs\Rujuta\AdvDevOps\Practical> git push
Enumerating objects: 5, done.
Counting objects: 100% (5/5), done.
Delta compression using up to 8 threads
Compressing objects: 100% (3/3), done.
Writing objects: 100% (3/3), 435 bytes | 435.00 KiB/s, done.
Total 3 (delta 1), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 0 (from 0)
```

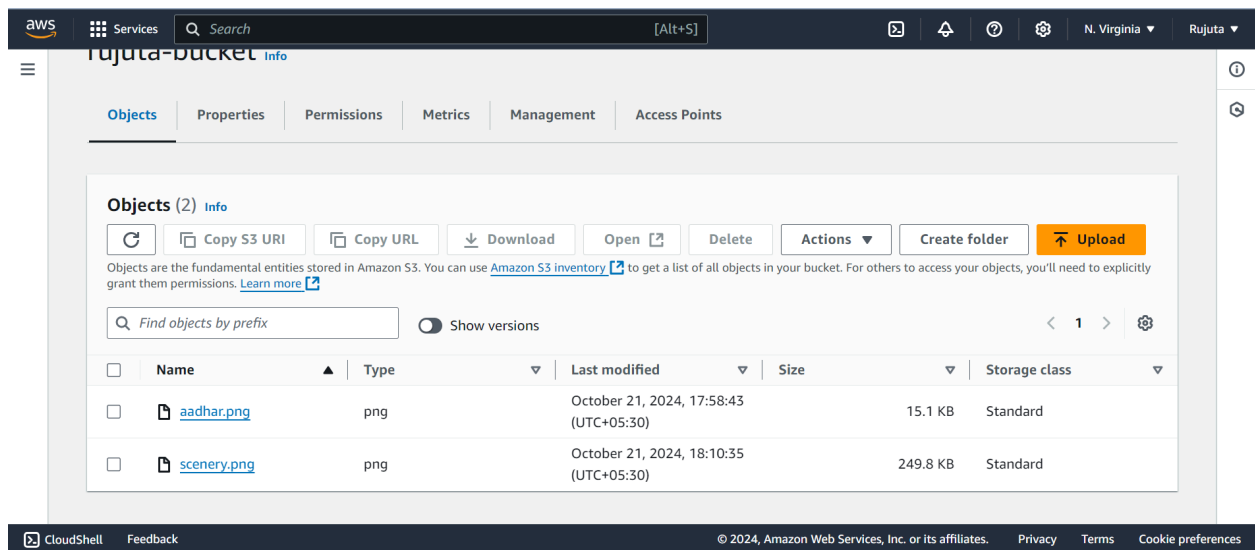
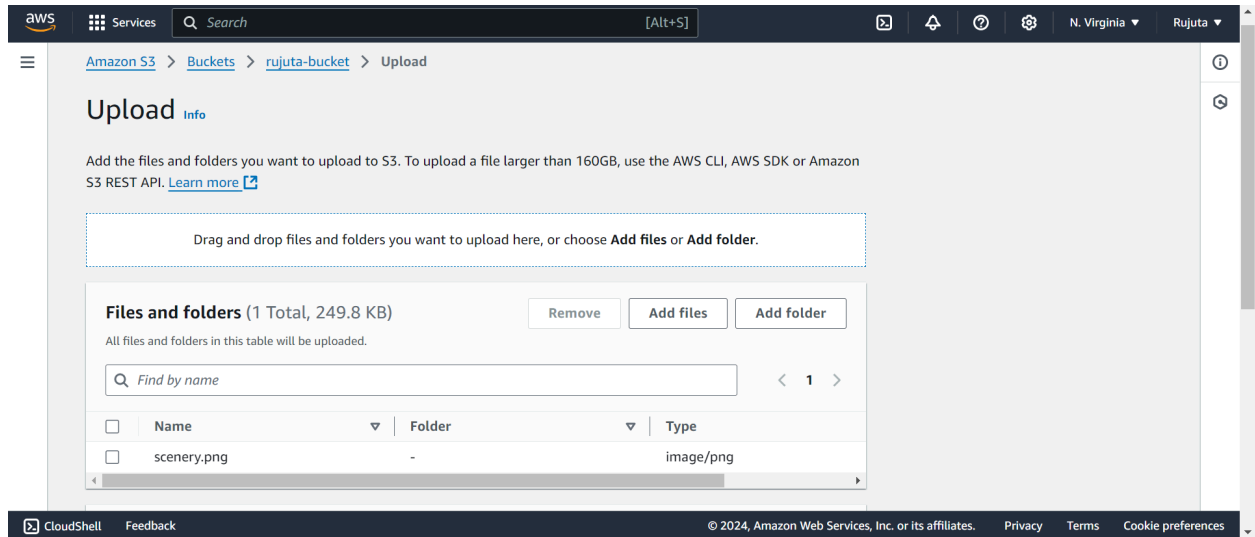
3. CodePipeline will automatically detect the changes and redeploy the updated Lambda function.

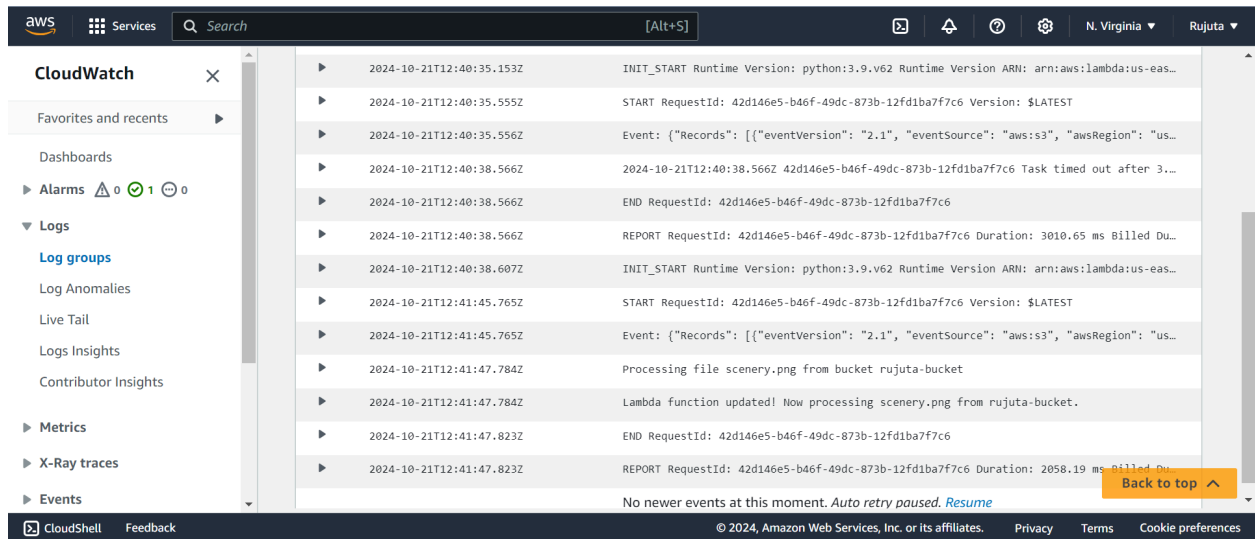


The screenshot shows the AWS CodeBuild console. On the left, there is a sidebar with navigation options: Source (CodeCommit), Artifacts (CodeArtifact), Build (CodeBuild), Getting started, Build projects (with a 'Build project' link), Settings, Build history, Report groups, Report history, Compute fleets (with a 'New' button), and Account metrics. The main area displays a table of build runs. The table has columns for Build run, Status, Build number, Source version, Submitter, Duration, and Completed. Two build runs are visible, both with a 'Succeeded' status. The first build run is for 'CaseStudy:5' and the second is for 'CaseStudy:3'.

Build run	Status	Build number	Source version	Submitter	Duration	Completed
CaseStudy:5 9f140c7-69db-4221-a6ed-0b4a2e461d4b	Succeeded	7	arn:aws:s3:::codepipeline-us-east-1-747819555450/ImageProcessingPipeline/SourceArtifacts/ZMUGb4e.zip	codepipeline/ImageProcessingPipeline	55 seconds	Just now
CaseStudy:3 e342a65-1901-4ce4-ac5c-db5799a4ed46	Succeeded	6	-	root	55 seconds	8 minutes ago

4. Verify that the updated function gets deployed by checking CloudWatch logs after uploading another image.





Conclusion

This workflow will set up a fully serverless image processing system that triggers an AWS Lambda function whenever a new image is uploaded to S3, and it will automate the deployment using AWS CodePipeline.