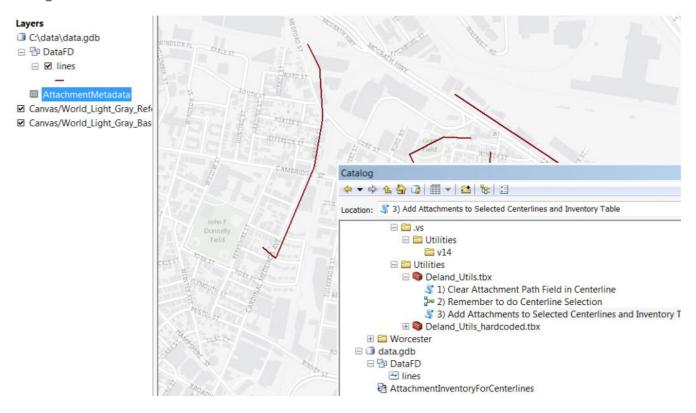
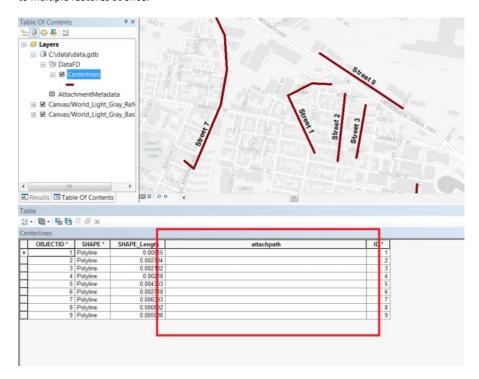
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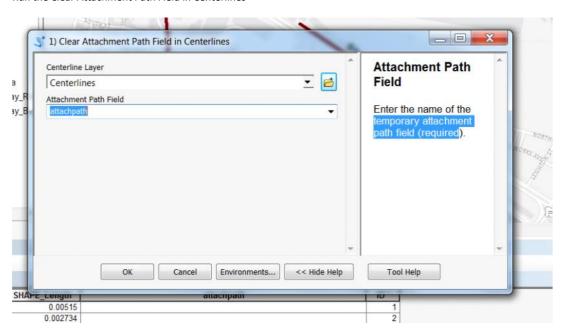
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We are going to take advantage of the Add Attachments Geoprocessing tool as we can make it read a single table for the path to attachments to be added to all features. It will ignore features with blank attributes. Therefore if we populate that attribute for selected features only, we can add an attachment to multiple features at once.

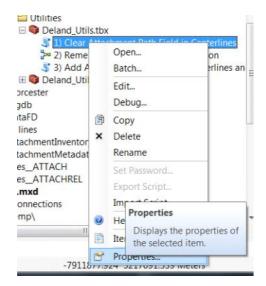


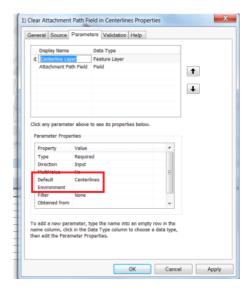
Step 1.
Run the Clear Attachment Path Field in Centerlines



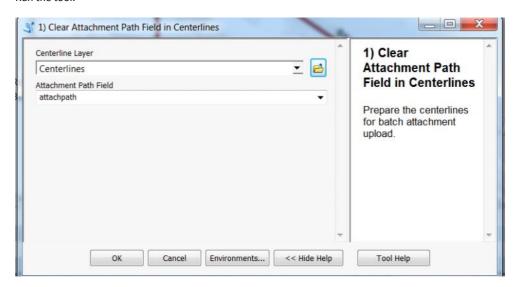
Since this will not likely change during the project we can definitely hard code this so as to elimnate the requirement to fill it out each time. *Note:* you can also run it from the Geoprocessing Results window to use the same parameters for the tool each time.

An easy way to do this is to edit the GP tool and put in default values for this per project schema:

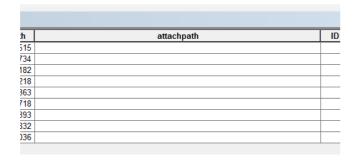




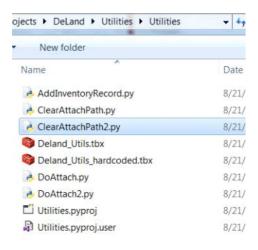
Run the tool.



The attachpath field should be blank for all features.

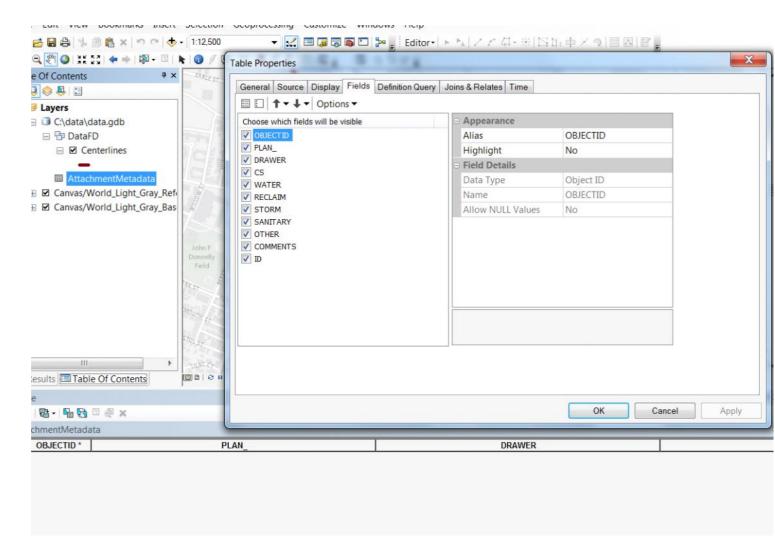


The script that was just run is called ClearAttachPath2.py



```
layer_name = 'lines'
 attachpathfield='attachpath'
 myworkspace=None
 mxd = arcpy.mapping.MapDocument("CURRENT")
 df = arcpy.mapping.ListDataFrames(mxd)[0]
 layer_name = arcpy.GetParameterAsText(0)
 arcpy.AddMessage("Centerline layer: " + layer_name)
 attachpathfield=arcpy.GetParameterAsText(1)
 arcpy.AddMessage("Attachment Path: " + attachpathfield)
⊡for lyr in arcpy.mapping.ListLayers(mxd, "", df):
     if lyr.name == layer_name:
         myworkspace=lyr.workspacePath
 arcpy.SelectLayerByAttribute_management(layer_name, 'CLEAR_SELECTION', '#')
⊡with arcpy.da.Editor(myworkspace) as edit:
     arcpy.CalculateField_management(
         layer_name, attachpathfield, '""', 'PYTHON')
```

The Centerline layer has a relationship to a standalone table storing information about each attachment.



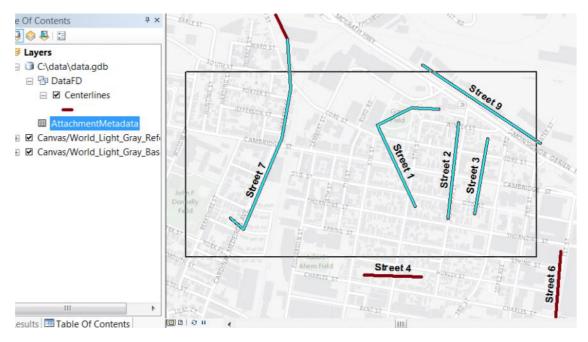
So rather than do this individually for each attachment and for each feature we can collect that information once and use a little python script to loop through the selected features and update each one programmatically.

From DoAttach2.py

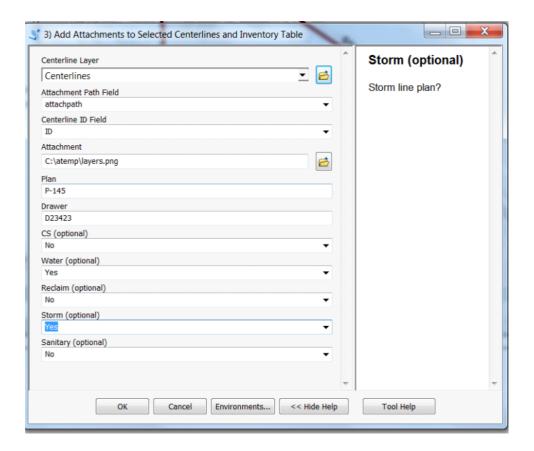
```
arcpy.AddAttachments_management(layer_name, 'OBJECTID', layer_name, 'OBJECTID', attachpathfield, '#')
attachmentmetadata_rows = arcpy.InsertCursor(attachmetadatatable_name)
count=0
   with arcpy.da.SearchCursor(layer_name , (layer_idfield,)) as selectedstreetcursor:
       for row in selectedstreetcursor:
           attachmentmedata_record = attachmentmetadata_rows.newRow()
           attachmentmedata\_record.ID = row[0]
           attachmentmedata_record.PLAN_ = plan
           attachmentmedata_record.DRAWER = drawer
           attachmentmedata_record.CS = cs
           attachmentmedata_record.WATER = water
           attachmentmedata_record.RECLAIM = reclaim
           attachmentmedata record.STORM = storm
           attachmentmedata_record.SANITARY = sanitary
           attachmentmetadata_rows.insertRow(attachmentmedata_record)
           count=count+1
except arcpy.ExecuteError:
   print(arcpy.GetMessages(2))
print "Added " + str(count) + " new records to " + attachmetadatatable_name + "..."
```

We can call this script from the tool "3) Add Attachments to Selected Centerlines and Inventory Table".

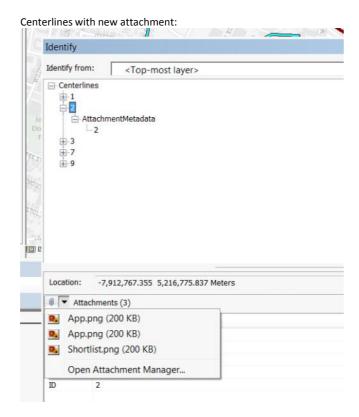
Don't forget to select the target features in the map using the standard ArcGIS tools.



The tool will present a dialog to collect the relevant information including the file to attach and then run AddAttachments using the values in the attachpath field for each row and then iterate through the selected centerlines, adding a table in the related "inventory scan" metadata table for each entry.



The results:



Related record with plan information:

