

# Aurora Edit and Edit LD Version 6.5.2 Release Notes and Upgrade Instructions

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|----------------|------------------|-------------------|
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| Region                            | County   | Telephone                                 |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|
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| Central America,<br>South America | All  | +55 11 5509 3440                          |
| North America                     | North America, Mexico,<br>Caribbean                      | +1 800 547 8949;<br>+1 530 478 4148       |
| Europe                            | UK, Ireland, Israel                                      | +44 118 923 0499                          |
|                                   | Benelux – Netherlands                                    | +31 (0) 35 62 38 421                      |
|                                   | Benelux – Belgium  | +32 (0) 2 334 90 30                       |
|                                   | France   | +800 80 80 20 20;<br>+33 1 48 25 20 20    |
|                                   | Germany, Austria,<br>Eastern Europe                      | +49 6150 104 444                          |
|                                   | Belarus, Russia,<br>Tadzhikistan, Ukraine,<br>Uzbekistan | +7 095 258 09 20;<br>+33 (0) 2 334 90 30  |
|                                   | Nordics (Norway, Sweden, Finland, Denmark, Iceland)      | +45 40 47 22 37                           |
|                                   | Southern Europe – Italy                                  | +39 02 24 13 16 01;<br>+39 06 87 20 35 42 |
|                                   | Southern Europe – Spain                                  | +34 91 512 03 50                          |
| Middle East, Near East,           | Middle East  | +971 4 299 64 40                          |
| Africa                            | Near East and Africa                                     | +800 80 80 20 20;<br>+33 1 48 25 20 20    |

# Release Summary

### What's new in version 6.5.2

This version of software includes several improvements, in addition to correcting some problems that were present in earlier releases.

#### Version 6.5.2

- **SiteConfig support** Network configuration and software deployment across all Aurora products is supported by SiteConfig, Grass Valley's system management
- **Administrator password** The default administrator account on Aurora devices has credentials as follows:
  - Username: administrator
  - Password: adminGV!

SiteConfig expects these credentials by default.

**Hot keys** – There are modified or new keyboard shortcuts for Aurora Edit functionality, as specified in topics later in this document.

#### **Fixed in 6.5.2**

| Reference<br>number | Description   |
|---------------------|---|
| CR106226            | JL Cooper Jog/Shuttle is not working while in Record to Bin with deck control                           |
| CR105803            | Importing .mpg files exported from 6.3 results in a green video picture                                 |
| CR104960            | Data corruption error when performing long records  |
| CR102317            | When SDB server restarts, MediaFrame search results in Edit do not appear unless Edit is also restarted |
| CR102570            | Copying clips within the News database does not copy metadata from the parent clip.                     |
| CR102967            | News MDI searches generate errors when searching under metadata in LD and under News MDI in Aurora Edit |
| CR102983            | Story View line wrap is incorrect for Chinese characters  |
| CR106347            | Striped TC is off when reading clip from the cache  |
| CR103172            | Play speed is not working properly with Interlaced to Progressive Timelines                             |
| CR103587            | Aurora crashes in vbrMPGReader2 in the case of growing LGOP files                                       |
| CR103878            | RMI import of spanned P2 clip can result in missing audio   |

| Reference<br>number | Description   |
|---------------------|---|
| CR104467            | Conform server is missing a registry key which caused LGOP transcodes and renders to fail   |
| CR104584            | License server error msg. is generated when connecting to local mode.   |
| CR105566            | Use of 20 minute sequences results in sluggish LD performance with 100baseT network   |
| CR105671            | Certain imported XDCAM clips are displaying black when loaded in Clip Source  |
| CR105812            | Audio disappears when switching between Timeline tool and Video effects tool  |
| CR105871            | Sending a sequence from Edit with I frame at the front and LGOP results in the sequence being short in duration   |
| CR106070            | The installer does not set the DbUseServer registry value that indicates to use shared storage. This occurs if the only features selected to install are Aurora FTP and/or SmartBins.                 |
| CR106255            | When doing multiple Restores from archive, occasionally a race condition occurs that results in timecode not appearing in the bin. This creates a clip that is zero length and that cannot be opened. |

## Changes and features in previous releases

The following sections describe changes and features in past releases.

### Version 6.5.1.440

• **K2 Summit compatible** – The Aurora suite of software, including Aurora Edit, is compatible with the K2 Summit software.

### Version 6.5

- NOTE: Aurora Edit 6.5 now requires you to have an Aurora Sys license running on the license manager, typically the DSM, for shared connectivity as well linking to story via Aurora Playout tools.
- **DV100 Support** Aurora Edit 6.5 includes support for DV100 media, either via record or removable media import from P2. Note that transfers of DV100 media to the Summit are supported, while transfers to K2 server are not.
- MPEG Long GOP Support XDCAM HD, as well as Long GOP K2 records, can be used natively within Aurora Edit timelines.

- Agile Timeline Users can mix and match various formats (e.g. HD/SD, 1080i/720p, DV/MPEG, etc.) in real time within the timeline without having to media convert up front.
- **Send as MPEG2** As an enhancement to the previous Long GOP Send capability that was supported in previous versions of Aurora Edit, 6.5 now allows transfers to transcode to MPEG I-Frame as well as MPEG Long GOP and XDCAM HD formats.
- More Audio Channels Aurora Edit now supports 16 channels of audio within a file for playback, 8 channels of audio for recording, 16 tracks of audio within the timeline, and up to 16 channels of output when sending to a server.
- MediaFrame Integration New search and metadata tools have been embedded in numerous areas within the application. These changes represent practical improvements to the product as well as providing overarching workflow enhancements to the workflow.
- Final Cut Pro Enhancements Aurora Edit 6.5 has added special support for the Leopard OS for Apple. In addition to setup changes, DV100 and XDCAM HD workflows are fully supported.

NOTE: Previous Apple operating systems are not supported in Aurora Edit 6.5.

- System Information Utility The Help->About box now includes a System Information Utility.
- Render and Send via Conform Server Aurora Edit can now off load sequences to a conform server for rendering, transcoding, and sending jobs, just like Aurora Edit LD has supported in the past.
- **HDV** HDV media can be ingested with the Record to Bin feature of Aurora Edit.
- Write-back to SD XDCAM Sequences and clips can be exported to an XDCAM disk in the SD format.
- Native Timecode Support Media that is recorded on the K2 will have its timecode preserved, even if discontinuous, with shared SmartBin environments.
- Improved Aspect Ratio Conversion Users can adjust aspect ratio settings in real time prior to adding clips to the timeline. The resulting clip can be used on the timeline prior to the actual conversion process.
- **AVC-Intra Support** AVC-Intra clips can be imported and placed on the timeline in its native format. These will be transcoded on sending to the K2 server.
- **JPEG2K Support** JPEG2K clips can be imported and placed on the timeline in its native format. These will be transcoded on sending to the K2 server.
- Online Help Users can access online help from Aurora Edit, which is an improvement upon the help manuals of the past.

#### Older versions

For information about older software versions not listed in these release notes, refer to the release notes for those versions.

# Version compatibility

Versions qualified for compatibility with this release of software are summarized in the following sections.

## **System specifications**

This section describes the hardware requirements that customers should use when purchasing equipment for this release. The minimum spec describes the bare minimum requirement for running Aurora, which may reduce the quality of user experience, depending on the task. The expected lifespan of minimum spec equipment is also less than that of recommended spec equipment, since it lacks head room for future growth.

NOTE: Minimum specs for SD configurations are provided only for existing SD customers upgrading to this release. New customers should use HD configurations.

### **Aurora Edit SD laptop**

|                | MINIMUM Spec  |  |
|----------------|---|--|
| Processor      | Intel Core 2 Dual Core 2.4 GHz  |  |
| Memory         | 2 GB  |  |
| Graphics       | Integrated or discrete graphics with 128 MB of memory and support for Direct3D 9 and Shader Model 3.0 |  |
| System Drive   | 80 GB 7200 RPM SATA   |  |
| Media Drive(s) | 7200 RPM SATA if 2nd drive is available; otherwise order a larger system drive                        |  |
| Optical Drive  | CD/DVD  |  |
| Network        | Gigabit Ethernet  |  |
| Firewire/1394  | As needed   |  |
| OS             | Windows XP Pro 32 SP3   |  |

### **Aurora Edit HD laptop**

|           | MINIMUM Spec                      | RECOMMENDED Spec                   |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Processor | Intel Core 2 Dual Core 2.4<br>GHz | Intel Core 2 Quad Core 2.53<br>GHz |
| Memory    | 3 GB                              | 3 GB                               |

|                | MINIMUM Spec   | RECOMMENDED Spec  |
|----------------|--|---|
| Graphics       | Integrated or discrete<br>graphics with 256 MB of<br>memory and support for<br>Direct3D 9 and Shader<br>Model 3.0  | Integrated or discrete<br>graphics with 256 MB of<br>memory and support for<br>Direct3D 9 and Shader<br>Model 3.0 |
| System Drive   | 80 GB 7200 RPM SATA  | 80 GB 7200 RPM SATA   |
| Media Drive(s) | 7200 RPM SATA if 2 <sup>nd</sup> drive is available; otherwise order a larger system drive   | 7200 RPM SATA if 2 <sup>nd</sup> drive is available; otherwise order a larger system drive                        |
| Optical Drive  | CD/DVD   | CD/DVD  |
| Network        | Gigabit Ethernet   | Gigabit Ethernet  |
| Firewire/1394  | As needed  | As needed   |
| OS             | Windows XP Pro 32 SP3  | Windows XP Pro 32 SP3   |
| Notes          | Editing HD on laptop systems may result in some performance difficulties compared to desktop systems. This includes potentially choppy playback, particularly during un-rendered effects or when playing multiple streams of video. In addition, render performance on a laptop is affected by inherently slower drive performance within laptops. |   |

## Aurora Edit SD desktop

|               | MINIMUM Spec   |  |
|---------------|--|--|
| Processor(s)  | Intel Core 2 Dual Core 2.33 GHz <i>OR</i> Intel Xeon 5140 Dual Core 2.33 GHz <i>OR</i> AMD Opteron 270 Dual Core 2.0 GHz |  |
| Memory        | 2 GB   |  |
| Graphics      | Discrete graphics w/ 128 MB of dedicated memory and support for Direct3D 9 and Shader Model 3.0                          |  |
| System Drive  | 80 GB 7200 RPM SATA  |  |
| Media Drives  | 2 x 250 GB 7200 RPM SATA striped   |  |
| Optical Drive | CD/DVD   |  |
| Network       | Gigabit Ethernet (2)   |  |
| Firewire/1394 | As needed  |  |
| OS            | Windows XP Pro 32 SP3  |  |
| Notes         | A Gigabit Ethernet card and a Firewire/1394 card shall NOT be installed on the same PCI                                  |  |

| MINIMUM Spec   |
|--|
| bus segment (e.g. adjacent PCI slots), since this can cause very poor performance. |

## Aurora Edit HD desktop

|               | MINIMUM Spec   | RECOMMENDED Spec  |  |
|---------------|--|---|--|
| Processor(s)  | Intel Core 2 Quad Core 2.33<br>GHz <i>OR Two</i> Intel Xeon<br>5160 Dual Core 3.0 GHz  | Two Intel Xeon 5410 Quad<br>Core 2.33 GHz   |  |
| Memory        | 3 GB   | 3 GB  |  |
| Graphics      | Discrete graphics w/ 256<br>MB of dedicated memory<br>and support for Direct3D 9<br>and Shader Model 3.0                               | Discrete graphics w/ 384<br>MB of dedicated memory<br>and support for Direct3D 9<br>+ 10 and Shader Model 4.0   |  |
| System Drive  | 80 GB 7200 RPM SATA  | 80 GB 7200 RPM SATA   |  |
| Media Drives  | 2 x 250 GB 7200 RPM<br>SATA striped  | 2 x 250 GB 7200 RPM<br>SATA striped   |  |
| Optical Drive | CD/DVD   | CD/DVD  |  |
| Network       | Gigabit Ethernet (2)   | Gigabit Ethernet (2)  |  |
| Firewire/1394 | As needed  | As needed   |  |
| OS            | Windows XP Pro 32 SP3  | Windows XP Pro 32 SP3   |  |
| Notes         | be installed on the same PCI to<br>slots), since this can cause ve<br>customer's responsibility to in<br>sufficient number and type of | A Gigabit Ethernet card and a Firewire/1394 card shall NOT be installed on the same PCI bus segment (e.g. adjacent PCI slots), since this can cause very poor performance. It is the customer's responsibility to insure that the system has sufficient number and type of expansion slots to meet the intended use. (For example, to accommodate network and/or FireWire cards.) |  |

## Aurora Edit HDR (AJA) desktop / rackmount

|              | REQUIRED Spec   |  |
|--------------|---|--|
| Model        | HP z800 workstation (850 W chassis)                                 |  |
| Processors   | Two Intel Xeon 5540 Quad Core 2.53 GHz                              |  |
| Memory       | 4 GB (4 x 1 GB)   |  |
| Graphics     | NVIDIA FX1800 768 MB graphics<br>(Direct3D 10 and Shader Model 4.0) |  |
| System Drive | 250 GB 7200 RPM SATA  |  |

|               | REQUIRED Spec  |  |
|---------------|--|--|
| Media Drives  | 2 x 250 GB 7200 RPM SATA striped (RAID 0 Data Array)   |  |
| Optical Drive | CD/DVD   |  |
| Network       | Gigabit Ethernet (2) (built into motherboard)  |  |
| Firewire/1394 | (2) (built into motherboard)   |  |
| Optional      | Rack mount kit   |  |
| OS            | Windows XP Pro 32 SP3  |  |
| Notes         | System shall be equipped EXACTLY as specified above, except as follows:  |  |
|               | <ul> <li>Customer may order faster quad core CPUs if desired.</li> <li>Customer may order larger/faster system drive and/or larger/faster media drives if desired.</li> <li>Customer may order additional network interfaces as needed.</li> <li>Customer may order additional 1394 card if needed.</li> </ul> |  |

You might need to update the firmware on the AJA LHi board, since some early boards from AJA might have shipped with an older firmware. Aurora Self Test should notify you if the wrong firmware is installed.

To update the firmware, follow these steps:

- 1. Open a command prompt with Administrator privileges
- 2. Type: cd "C:\Program Files\Grass Valley\Aurora\AJA Drivers\HD (for LH and LHi)"
- 3. Type: spiflash top\_pike\_01\_2f.bit
- 4. Wait for it finish flashing (it can take upwards of a minute or so)
- 5. Restart.

#### **Aurora Conform Server (SD)**

|               | MINIMUM Spec                |
|---------------|-----------------------------|
| Model         | Dell PowerEdge 2850 or 2950 |
| Processor(s)  | Intel Xeon 1.0 GHz          |
| Memory        | 2 GB                        |
| Graphics      | Integrated graphics         |
| System Drive  | 36 GB 7200 RPM SATA or SAS  |
| Optical Drive | CD/DVD                      |

|         | MINIMUM Spec               |
|---------|----------------------------|
| Network | Gigabit Ethernet (2)       |
| OS      | Windows Server 2003 32 SP2 |

## **Aurora Conform Server (HD)**

|               | MINIMUM Spec RECOMMENDED Sp   |   |  |
|---------------|---|---|--|
| Model         | Dell PowerEdge 2850 or 2950   | Dell PowerEdge 2950                           |  |
| Processor(s)  | Intel Xeon Dual Core 1.0<br>GHz <i>OR Two</i> Intel Xeon 1.0<br>GHz | <i>Two</i> Intel Xeon E5405 Quad Core 2.0 GHz |  |
| Memory        | 3 GB  | 4 GB  |  |
| Graphics      | Integrated graphics   | Integrated graphics                           |  |
| System Drive  | 36 GB 7200 RPM SATA or<br>SAS                                       | 160 GB 7200 RPM SATA<br>or SAS                |  |
| Optical Drive | CD/DVD  | CD/DVD  |  |
| Network       | Gigabit Ethernet (2)  | Gigabit Ethernet (2)                          |  |
| OS            | Windows Server 2003 32<br>SP2                                       | Windows Server 2003 R2 32<br>SP2              |  |

### **Aurora Edit LD**

|               | MINIMUM Spec  | RECOMMENDED Spec   |
|---------------|---|--|
| Processor(s)  | Intel Pentium 4 2.4 GHz <i>OR</i> Intel Pentium Dual Core 1.6 GHz <i>OR</i> Intel Core 2 2.0 GHz <i>OR</i> Intel Core 2 Dual Core 1.6 GHz | Intel Core 2 Dual Core 2.0<br>GHz  |
| Memory        | 1 GB  | 2 GB   |
| Graphics      | Integrated or discrete<br>graphics with 64 MB of<br>memory and support for<br>Direct3D 9 and Shader<br>Model 3.0                          | Discrete graphics with 128<br>MB of memory and support<br>for Direct3D 9 and Shader<br>Model 3.0 |
| System Drive  | 80 GB 7200 RPM SATA   | 80 GB 7200 RPM SATA  |
| Optical Drive | CD/DVD  | CD/DVD   |
| Network       | Gigabit Ethernet  | Gigabit Ethernet   |
| OS            | Windows XP Pro 32 SP3   | Windows XP Pro 32 SP3  |

|       | MINIMUM Spec                                   | RECOMMENDED Spec   |
|-------|--|--|
| Notes | minimum specifications problems, including tim | systems that do not meet the s should expect performance neline disruptions on playback, transitions, and effects, and delays and audio. |

# **HP** workstation board assignments

This section lists the supported Aurora Edit workstations and the corresponding slot assignments.

## **HP xw8600 Workstation Board Assignment**

| Slot # | Slot Type             |  |
|--------|-----------------------|--|
| 1      | PCI                   | Comtrol RS-422 (optional)<br>OR additional IEEE 1394<br>(optional) |
| 2      | PCI-e x16             | NVIDIA Quadro FX3700 graphics                                      |
| 3      | PCI-e x8 (x4)         | Empty (use as needed)  |
| 4      | PCI-e x16 (x16 or x8) | Empty (use as needed)  |
| 5      | PCI-e x8 (x1 or x8)   | Empty (use as needed)  |
| 6      | PCI-e x8 (x4)         | Empty (use as needed)  |
| 7      | PCI-X                 | SDR/HDR I/O board  |

### HP xw8400 Single-CPU Workstation Board Assignment

| Slot # | Slot Type | SD/SDR  | SDFX  |
|--------|-----------|---|---|
| 1      | PCI       | Comtrol RS-422<br>(optional) OR<br>additional IEEE<br>1394 (optional) | Comtrol RS-422<br>(optional) OR<br>additional IEEE<br>1394 (optional) |
| 2      | PCI-e     | NVIDIA Quadro<br>FX1500 graphics                                      | NVIDIA Quadro<br>FX560 graphics                                       |
| 3      | PCI-e     | Network Interface   | Network Interface   |
| 4      | PCI-e     | Network Interface   | Network Interface   |
| 5      | PCI-X     | SDR I/O   | SDFX I/O  |
| 6      | PCI-X     |   | SDFX Audio<br>Adapter   |

| Slot # | Slot Type | SD/SDR        | SDFX          |
|--------|-----------|---------------|---------------|
| 7      | PCI-X     | Fibre Channel | Fibre Channel |

## HP xw8400 Dual-CPU Workstation Board Assignment

| Slot # | Slot Type | HD/HDR  | HDFX  |
|--------|-----------|---|---|
| 1      | PCI       | Comtrol RS-422<br>(optional) OR<br>additional IEEE<br>1394 (optional) | Comtrol RS-422<br>(optional) OR<br>additional IEEE<br>1394 (optional) |
| 2      | PCI-e     | NVIDIA Quadro<br>FX1500 graphics                                      | NVIDIA Quadro<br>FX1500 graphics                                      |
| 3      | PCI-e     | Network Interface   | Network Interface   |
| 4      | PCI-e     | Network Interface   | Network Interface   |
| 5      | PCI-X     | HDR I/O   | HDFX I/O  |
| 6      | PCI-X     |   | HDFX Audio<br>Adapter   |
| 7      | PCI-X     | Fibre Channel   | HDFX Effects  |

### HP xw9300 Workstation Single-CPU Board Assignment

| Slot # | Slot Type | SD/SDR   | SDFX (Option<br>1)   | SDFX (Option<br>2)   |
|--------|-----------|--|--|--|
| 1      | PCI-e     | NVIDIA<br>Quadro FX1400<br>graphics                                      | NVIDIA<br>Quadro FX1500<br>graphics                                      | NVIDIA<br>Quadro FX1400<br>graphics                                      |
| 2      | PCI       | Comtrol<br>RS-422<br>(optional) OR<br>additional IEEE<br>1394 (optional) | Comtrol<br>RS-422<br>(optional) OR<br>additional IEEE<br>1394 (optional) | Comtrol<br>RS-422<br>(optional) OR<br>additional IEEE<br>1394 (optional) |
| 3      | PCI-e     | inactive   | inactive   | SDFX Audio<br>Adapter  |
| 4      | PCI-X     | Network<br>Interface, Fibre<br>Channel, or<br>RS422                      | SDFX Audio<br>Adapter  | Network<br>Interface   |
| 5      | PCI-X     | Network<br>Interface   | SDFX I/O   | SDFX I/O   |
| 6      | PCI-X     | SDR I/O  | _  | SDFX Effects   |

| HP | xw9300 | <b>Dual-CPU</b> | J Workstation | <b>Board</b> | <b>Assignment</b> |
|----|--------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|-------------------|
|----|--------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|-------------------|

| Slot # | Slot Type | HD/HDR  | HDFX  |
|--------|-----------|---|---|
| 1      | PCI-e     | NVIDIA Quadro<br>FX3450 graphics                                      | NVIDIA Quadro<br>FX3450 graphics                                      |
| 2      | PCI       | Comtrol RS-422<br>(optional) OR<br>additional IEEE<br>1394 (optional) | Comtrol RS-422<br>(optional) OR<br>additional IEEE<br>1394 (optional) |
| 3      | PCI-e     | Network Interface   | Network Interface   |
| 4      | PCI-X     | Network Interface or Fibre Channel                                    | HDFX Audio<br>Adapter   |
| 5      | PCI-X     | Network Interface or<br>Fibre Channel                                 | HDFX I/O  |
| 6      | PCI-X     | HDR I/O   | HDFX Effects  |

### **HP z800 Workstation Board Assignment**

| Slot # | Slot Type            | Use  |
|--------|----------------------|--|
| 1      | PCI-e Gen2 x8 (x4)   | Empty (can be used as needed)                                    |
| 2      | PCI-e Gen2 x16       | NVIDIA Quadro FX1800 graphics                                    |
| 3      | PCI-e x8 (x4)        | Empty (can be used as needed)                                    |
| 4      | PCI-e Gen 2 x16 (x8) | HDR I/O board (optional)   |
| 5      | PCI-e Gen 2 x16      | Empty (can be used as needed)                                    |
| 6      | PCI                  | Comtrol 422 (optional) <i>OR</i> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1394 (optional) |
| 7      | PCI-e Gen2 x16 (x8)  | Empty (can be used as needed)                                    |

## **Compatible DSM components**

The following components reside on the DSM and are compatible with this release of software as listed in the following table. Compatible versions are pre-installed on the DSM when you receive it new from Grass Valley.

| Product | Version  | Comments |
|---------|----------|----------|
| SQL     | 2005 SP2 |          |

## **Compatible Grass Valley products**

Grass Valley products are compatible with this release of software as follows:

| Product                             | Version                                  | Comments                       |
|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| Aurora Browse client                | 6.5.2.8                                  | _                              |
| Aurora Browse MediaFrame<br>Server  | 6.5.2.19                                 | With compatible version of SQL |
| Aurora Browse Proxy<br>Encoder      | 6.5.2.12                                 | _                              |
| Aurora Ingest                       | 6.5.2.175                                | With compatible version of SQL |
| Aurora Playout                      | 6.5.2.80                                 | With compatible version of SQL |
| Aurora SDR/HDR Driver<br>(AJA)      | 7.0.0.46                                 | _                              |
| Aurora SDFX/HDFX Driver<br>(Matrox) | DSX.utils 5.5.1.203                      | _                              |
| Generic iSCSI Installer             | 3.3.0.1141 or 7.0.11.1081 or 7.0.12.1151 | _                              |
| GVG_MLib Installer                  | 3.3.0.1141 or 7.0.11.1081 or 7.0.12.1151 | _                              |
| K2 system software                  | 3.3.0.1141 or 7.0.11.1081 or 7.0.12.1151 | _                              |
| K2-Aurora FTP                       | 6.5.2.745                                | _                              |
| M-Series system software            | 2.0.13.567                               | _                              |
| SiteConfig application              | 1.1.0.433 or higher                      | _                              |

## **Compatible third party products**

Products by manufacturers other than Grass Valley are compatible with this release of software as follows:

| Product               | Version | Comments |
|-----------------------|---------|----------|
| Chyron Lyric Software | 5.21    |          |
| DirectX               | 9.0c    |          |
| HP z800 BIOS          | 1.14    |          |
| HP xw8400 BIOS        | 2.35    |          |

| Product                           | Version                | Comments                                 |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|--|
| HP xw8600 BIOS                    | 1.35                   |  |
| HP xw9300 BIOS                    | 2.09                   |  |
| JLCooper USB Driver               | 1.0.2176.1             |  |
| Microsoft Windows                 | XP with Service Pack 3 | Windows Vista is NOT currently supported |
| Microsoft Windows Media<br>Player | 10 or greater          |  |
| NVIDIA driver                     | 186.18                 |  |
| Panasonic P2 Driver               | 2.03.0002              | Contact Panasonic for driver             |
| QuickTime                         | 7.0 or greater         |  |
| SNFS                              | 3.1.2.RC25225.6138     | Required for K2 SAN installations        |
| Sony XDCAM FAM Driver             | 2.04                   | Contact Sony for driver                  |

# Upgrading Aurora Edit and Aurora Edit LD systems

This section contains the tasks necessary for the upgrade to this release of software.

## Upgrading Aurora Edit and Edit LD devices with SiteConfig

This section contains the tasks for using SiteConfig to upgrade Aurora Edit and Aurora Edit LD devices to this release of software. Work through the tasks sequentially to complete the upgrade.

NOTE: These upgrade instructions assume that current software is at version 6.5 or higher. If you have a lower version of software, contact Grass Valley Support before upgrading.

NOTE: When upgrading from a version lower than 6.5, the software installs with a 30 day trial license. You need a permanent license to operate beyond the trial period.

↑ CAUTION: If you upgrade and then decide you do not want to stay with this version of software, you must use the recovery disk image process to downgrade to your previous version.

## About upgrading Aurora Edit and Aurora Edit LD with SiteConfig

These upgrade instructions apply to Aurora Edit devices as follows:

- Aurora Edit workstation of any storage option: Shared storage, NAS storage, and stand-alone.
- Aurora Edit LD computer
- DSM
- Conform Server
- SmartBin Server
- FTP Server

With these upgrade instructions, you use SiteConfig from a network connected control point PC and remotely upgrade software simultaneously on one or more devices. This is the recommended process for software upgrades.

Before you upgrade software using SiteConfig, your Aurora Edit devices must be migrated to become a SiteConfig managed device. This includes installing SiteConfig support on the device and qualifying the device for communication with SiteConfig. Refer to SiteConfig Migration Instructions. Also refer to the SiteConfig User Manual or SiteConfig Help Topics.

NOTE: Do not attempt to upgrade software incrementally across the devices of a K2 SAN while media access is underway. Online software upgrading is not supported.

To upgrade software using SiteConfig, you must first have SiteConfig set up for system managment and software deployment in your facility. These upgrade instructions assume that you have already done that for your K2 SAN. Then you add your Aurora Edit devices to the SiteConfig system description that you are using for your K2 SAN.

The following installation tasks provide information specifically for the upgrade to this version of software. Read the information in these sections carefully before attempting any upgrade to software.

### Make recovery images

Do not do this task if:

• You previously made a recovery image at the current software version for each computer you are upgrading.

Do this task if:

• You do not have a recovery image at the current software version for one or more of the computers you are upgrading.

The recommended procedure is to make a recovery image immediately after a software upgrade. If you neglected to do this when you last upgraded software you should make the recovery image now, before upgrading to the new version.

<u>A</u> CAUTION: If you upgrade and then decide you do not want to stay with this version of software, you must use the recovery disk image process to downgrade to your previous version.

### Prepare for upgrade

Before upgrading, do the following:

- Procure the software installation files for this release via the appropriate distibution method, such as download, CD-ROM, network drive, or external drive.
- Start up the devices you are upgrading, if they are not already started.
- Stop all media access on the devices you are upgrading.
- Shut down all applications on the devices you are upgrading.

### Prepare SiteConfig for software deployment

Do the following to prepare SiteConfig for the software upgrade.

- 1. Make the following files accessible to the SiteConfig control point PC:
  - AuroraSuite software installation (\*.cab) file
  - AuroraEditLD software installation (\*.cab) file
  - NewsShare software installation (\*.cab) file

- ConformServer software installation (\*.cab) file
- Generic iSCSI software installation (\*.cab) files
- GVGMLib software installation (\*.cab) file
- 2. If a newer version of SiteConfig is available for upgrade and you have not yet upgraded SiteConfig, do the following:
  - a) From Windows Add/Remove programs, uninstall the current version of SiteConfig from the control point PC.
  - b) Install the new version of SiteConfig on the control point PC.

## **Upgrade K2 systems**

Prerequisites for this task are as follows:

If upgrading a K2 SAN, all SAN clients must be offline (all media access stopped) or shut down. Depending on your system design, this could include devices such as K2 clients, K2 appliances, Aurora Proxy (Advanced) Encoders, MDI server, Aurora Edit clients, Aurora Ingest clients, Aurora Playout clients, and generic clients.

Upgrade your K2 systems to the compatible version of K2 system software. This includes K2 SAN systems and stand-alone K2 Media Client and K2 Summit Production Client systems. Refer to *K2 Release Notes* for procedures.

## Set up K2 Aurora FTP

Do the following tasks if you use K2-Aurora FTP.

#### Adding K2-Aurora FTP software role to K2 Media Server

Use the following SiteConfig procedure to add the **K2-Aurora FTP** role to the K2 Media Server that you use as your K2-Aurora FTP server, if you have not already done so. The K2 Media Server that you use as your K2-Aurora FTP server must also have the role of K2 FTP Server.

1. In the Software Deployment | Devices tree view, right-click the device and select Add Role.

The Add Role dialog box opens.



The Add Role dialog box displays only those roles that SiteConfig allows for the selected device type.

- 2. Select the role or roles that you want to add to the device. Use Ctrl + Click or Shift + Click to add multiple roles.
- 3. Click **OK** to save settings and close.

The new role or roles appear under the device in the tree view.

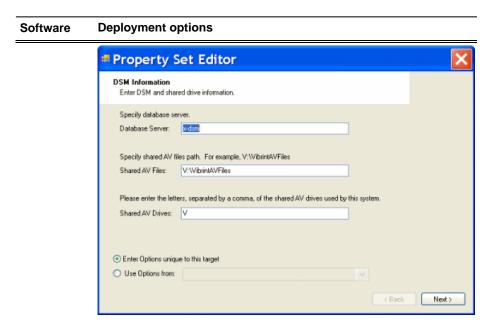
### Install and configure K2-Aurora FTP

- 1. In SiteConfig, check software on the the deployment group that contains your K2 Media Servers.
- 2. In SiteConfig, add the K2AuroraFTP\_x.x.x.xxx.cab file to the deployment group that contains your K2 Media Servers.
- 3. Proceed with next steps to set deployment options for K2-Aurora FTP software.
- 4. Do one of the following to set deployment options:
  - Double-click the task.
  - Select the task and click the **Options** button.

A wizard opens.

5. Work through the wizard and set deployment options as follows:

| Software  | Deployment options |  |
|-----------|--------------------|--|
| K2-Aurora |                    |  |
| FTP       |                    |  |

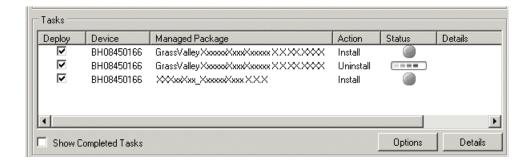


Enter Database server(DSM), Shared AV Files, Shared AV Drives.

6. Deploy the following tasks:

| Deploy | Managed Package         | Action                                 |
|--------|-------------------------|--|
| ✓      | K2-Aurora FTP x.x.x.xxx | Uninstall (if upgrading K2-Aurora FTP) |
| ✓      | K2-Aurora FTP x.x.x.xxx | Install                                |

7. Click the **Start Deployment** button.



- 8. When the Status or Details columns indicate next steps, proceed as follows:
  - When Details displays a Restart required link, click the link and when prompted "...are you sure...", click Yes.
  - If the Details column does not prompt you, restart the K2 Media Server manually.

The K2 Media Server restarts. This restart is required.

- 9. On the K2 Media Server, to enable port range limits for passive transfers, create the following two DWORDs in the registry at HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE/SOFTWARE/Grass Valley Group/Streaming/:
  - FtpPasvStart (starting port number, inclusive : DWORD)
  - FtpPasvEnd (ending port number, inclusive : DWORD)
- 10. Open MediaFrame Configuration and for the News MDI, configure the transfer server to the K2 Media Server that is your K2-Aurora FTP server.

## Distribute devices into deployment groups

You can gather devices of different types into a SiteConfig deployment group. This allows you to deploy software to all the devices in the deployment group at the same time, as part of the same deployment session. Based on the roles you have assigned to the devices, SiteConfig deploys the proper software to each device. This increases the efficiency of your software deployment with SiteConfig.

If you have not already done so, configure your deployment groups. The recommended deployment group distribution is as follows. Depending on your system design, your system might not have all the device types listed.

- In a deployment group named "Aurora\_Edit\_Ingest\_Playout", place the following devices:
  - Aurora Edit workstation of any storage options: Shared storage, NAS storage, and stand-alone.
  - Aurora Edit LD computer
  - DSM
  - Conform Server
  - SmartBin Server
  - FTP Server
  - · Aurora Ingest workstation
  - IEP
  - Aurora Playout computer
- In a deployment group named "Aurora\_Browse\_MediaFrame", place the following devices:
  - MediaFrame server
  - MDI server
  - Aurora Proxy Encoder
  - K2 Basecamp Express
- If you have a K2 Nearline SAN (NAS), in a deployment group named for the SAN system, place the following devices:
  - The Nearline SAN's K2 Media Servers.

### Install High Priority Windows updates (recommended)

• Windows "High Priority" updates are recommended, but not required. While you have devices in an offline state to upgrade software, you should check to see if there are any new updates that you need to install. Use standard Windows procedures.

△ CAUTION: Only "High Priority Updates" should be installed. Do not install other Windows or driver updates.

### Manually upgrade systems

Some tasks that might be required with the upgrade to this release are not supported for SiteConfig management and/or software deployment. For these tasks you must manually upgrade and/or configure the device before using SiteConfig to upgrade software. Refer to the tasks in this section as appropriate for your system.

#### Upgrade Microsoft SQL Server 2005 Standard Edition

Microsoft SQL Server 2005 Standard Edition is installed on devices as follows:

- Aurora DSM SQL Server 2005 Standard Edition is required.
- Ingest Server Either Microsoft SQL Express 2005 or Microsoft SQL Server 2005 Standard Edition is required.

Use the following steps to manage upgrades to Microsoft SQL Server 2005 Standard Edition.

- 1. Determine if you have Microsoft SQL Server 2005 Standard Edition installed on one or more of your system devices, If installed, continue with next steps.
- 2. Check version compatibility information in these release notes and determine if this release of software requires an upgrade to Microsoft SQL Server 2005 Standard
- 3. If an upgrade is required, go to the local device and upgrade Microsoft SQL Server 2005 Standard Edition.

### Check all currently installed software on Aurora Edit devices

Prerequisites for this task are as follow:

- The device is assigned in the SiteConfig system description and network connectivity is present.
- SiteConfig is able to log in to the device using the username/password credentials assigned to the device.
- The SiteConfig control point PC does not have a network drive mapped to an administrative share (such as C\$) on a device on which you are checking software.

• If this is the first time deploying software to Aurora devices using SiteConfig, on those Aurora devices previous versions of Aurora software and SiteConfig software, such as the Network Configuration Kit and/or Discovery Agent, have been manually uninstalled. For more information refer to SiteConfig Migration Instructions.

Do the following steps on the devices that you are upgrading.

1. In the **Software Deployment | Deployment Groups** tree view, right-click the top-most node for the group or any individual device and select **Check Software**.

NOTE: If you have access problems, verify that the adminstrator account on the device has credentials as currently configured in SiteConfig. By default credentials on the device should be administrator/adminGV! for Aurora devices and Administrator/adminK2 for K2 devices.

The Check Software dialog box appears. SiteConfig searches for software on the selected device or devices and gathers information. Progress is reported.

2. When the check is complete for the selected device or devices, close the Check Software dialog box.

An updated list of all currently installed software is displayed in the **Software Deployment | Devices | Installed Software** list view. If software is a SiteConfig managed software package, information is displayed in the Managed Package and Deployment Group columns.

#### **Related Links**

About installing SiteConfig

### Add software package to deployment group for Aurora Edit devices

Prerequisites for this task are as follows:

- You can access the software package file from the SiteConfig control point PC.
- The devices to which you are deploying software are in a deployment group.

Use the following procedure to add one or more software package installation files to the deployment group that contains the devices in the following list. Depending on your system design, you might not have all of the device-types listed:

- Aurora Edit Workstation
- Aurora Edit LD computer
- DSM
- Conform Server
- SmartBin Server
- FTP Server

For this release of software, identify and add software package installation files as follows:

| Software     | File name                 |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| Aurora Suite | AuroraSuite_6.5.2.xxx.cab |

| Software       | File name                   |  |
|----------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Aurora Edit LD | AuroraEditLD_6.5.2.xxx.cab  |  |
| NewShare       | NewsShare_6.5.2.xxx.cab     |  |
| Conform server | ConformServer_6.5.2.xxx.cab |  |

Depending on the K2 software version of your K2 SAN, also add software package installation files as follows:

### NOTE: Add files for either 3.x OR 7.x. Do not add files for both 3.x AND 7.x.

If your devices access storage on a K2 software version 3.x K2 SAN, add software package installation files as follows:

| Software compatible with 3.x K2 SAN     | File name                 |
|---|---------------------------|
| Generic iSCSI client for 32 bit systems | GenericISCI_x86_3.3.0.cab |
| Generic iSCSI client for 64 bit systems | GenericISCI_x64_3.3.0.cab |
| GVG MLib                                | GVG_MLib_3.3.0.cab        |

SNFS is bundled with the Generic iSCSI cab file.

• If your devices access storage on a K2 software version 7.x K2 SAN, add software package installation files as follows:

| Software compatible with 7.x K2 SAN     | File name                  |
|---|----------------------------|
| Generic iSCSI client for 32 bit systems | GenericISCI_x86_7.0.12.cab |
| Generic iSCSI client for 64 bit systems | GenericISCI_x64_7.0.12.cab |
| GVG MLib                                | GVG_MLib_7.0.12.cab        |

You can add files for both 32 bit and 64 bit systems because when SiteConfig deploys software it automatically deploys the 32 bit or 64 bit software appropriate for the target device. SNFS is bundled with the Generic iSCSI cab file.

- 1. In the Software Deployment | Deployment Groups tree view, select a deployment group.
- 2. Click the **Add** button.

The Add Package(s) dialog box opens.

- 3. Do one of the following to select the software package:
  - Select from the list of packages then click **OK**.
  - Click **Browse**, browse to and select the package, then click **Open**.
- 4. If one or more EULAs are displayed, accept them to proceed. If you do not accept a EULA, the associated software is not assigned to the deployment group.

SiteConfig adds the package to the deployment group.

The package appears in the Managed Packages list for the selected deployment group. SiteConfig creates new software deployment tasks for the package and displays them in the Tasks list view.

### **Setting deployment options**

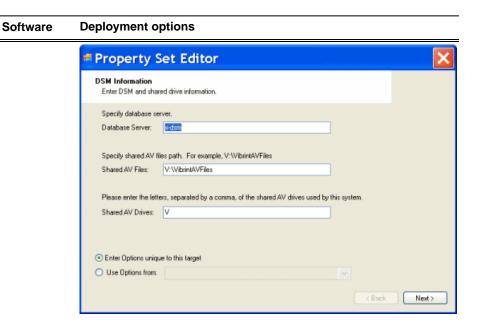
Pre-requisites for this procedure are as follows:

- A software package has been assigned to the deployment group and applicable deployment tasks are now displayed in the Tasks area.
- 1. In the **Software Deployment | Deployment Groups** tree view, select a deployment group.
- 2. In the Tasks list view, view tasks and determine if you must set deployment options. Tasks that need to have deployment options set display in the Details column a message stating "Deployment options required."
  - If you select a task that needs to have its deployment options set, the Start Deployment button is disabled and the message is displayed next to the button.
- 3. Proceed with next steps to set deployment options for the following:
  - · GVG MLib
  - Conform Server
- 4. Do one of the following to set deployment options:
  - Double-click the task.
  - Select the task and click the **Options** button.

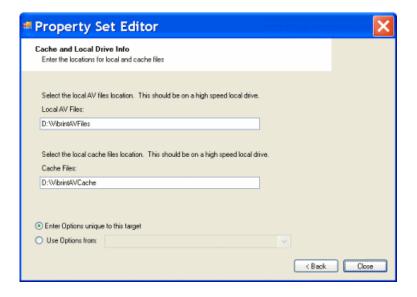
A wizard opens.

5. Work through wizards and set deployment options as follows:

| Software          | Deployment options  |
|-------------------|---|
| GVG_MLib          | Enter the name(s) of the K2 Media Server(s) with role of file system server (FSMs)                  |
| Conform<br>Server | Database server, Shared AV Files (e.g. V:\xreAVFiles), Shared AV Drives, and the Media Frame Server |
| Aurora<br>Suite   |   |



Enter Database server(DSM), Shared AV Files, Shared AV Drives.



Enter Local AV Files, Cache Files.

- 6. If you have multiple devices of the same type, you can enter deployment options for one of them using the wizard. Then, when you bring up the same wizard on every device, you can choose the Use options from radio button and select the first device for which you set options.
  - SiteConfig copies the options you set for the first device and fills in the blanks on the wizard.

## **Upgrade software on Aurora Edit devices**

Prerequisites for this task are as follows:

- The devices that you are upgrading are in a deployment group.
- For the software you are upgrading, you have added a newer version of that managed software package to the deployment group.
- You have recently done the SiteConfig "Check Software" operation on the devices you are upgrading.

When you upgrade software, SiteConfig enforces an uninstall of the current version of software before installing the upgrade version. SiteConfig can do the uninstall/install in a single deployment session. If you are upgrading multiple software components, SiteConfig enforces any dependencies by sequencing deployment tasks. SiteConfig provides uninstall deployment tasks and install deployment tasks to indicate the taskflow.

- In the Software Deployment | Deployment Groups tree view, select the device or the group of devices for which you are upgrading software.
   The corresponding software deployment tasks are displayed in the Tasks list view.
- 2. For the software you are uninstalling, select the **Deploy** check box in the row for the uninstall task.

NOTE: If you manually uninstalled or installed software, the uninstall task might not appear or it might appear with a different package name.

3. For the software you are installing, select the **Deploy** check box in the row for the install task.

For upgrading Aurora Edit devices to this release, deploy the following tasks:

| Deploy | Managed Package           | Action    |
|--------|---------------------------|-----------|
| ✓      | AuroraSuite xxxx.xxxx     | Uninstall |
| ✓      | AuroraSuite 6.5.2.xxxx    | Install   |
| ✓      | AuroraEditLD xxxx.xxxx    | Uninstall |
| ✓      | AuroraEditLD 6.5.2.xxxx   | Install   |
| ✓      | NewsShare xxxx.xxxx       | Uninstall |
| ✓      | NewsShare 6.5.2.xxxx      | Install   |
| ✓      | ConformServer xxxx.xxxx   | Uninstall |
| ✓      | ConformServer 6.5.2.xxxx  | Install   |
| ✓      | GenericISCI x86 xxxx.xxxx | Uninstall |

| Deploy | Managed Package  | Action    |
|--------|--|-----------|
| ✓      | GenericISCI x86 xxxx.xxxx<br>(version must be compatible with<br>K2 SAN) | Install   |
| ✓      | GenericISCI x64 xxxx.xxxx  | Uninstall |
| ✓      | GenericISCI x64 xxxx.xxxx<br>(version must be compatible with<br>K2 SAN) | Install   |
| ✓      | GVGMLib xxxx.xxxx  | Uninstall |
| ✓      | GVGMLib xxxx.xxxx (version must be compatible with K2 SAN)               | Install   |

Also, you must upgrade SNFS with this release, so deploy the following tasks at the same time:

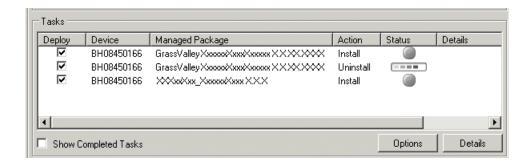
| Deploy | Managed Package           | Action    |
|--------|---------------------------|-----------|
| ✓      | SNFS nonK2 x86 xxxxxx     | Uninstall |
| ✓      | SNFS nonK2 x86 3.1.2.6138 | Install   |
| ✓      | SNFS nonK2 x64 xxxxxx     | Uninstall |
| ✓      | SNFS nonK2 x64 3.1.2.6138 | Install   |

When using SiteConfig for upgrades, the SNFS upgrade is required even if you are already at version 3.1.2.RC25225.6138. The upgrade resets SNFS version information for SiteConfig.

If a message instructs you to upgrade the Discovery Agent, on the control point PC go to the directory to which SiteConfig is installed and in the Discovery Agent Setup directory find the DiscoveryAgent\_x.x.x.x.cab file. Add it to the deployment group and deploy the Discovery Agent software as well.

NOTE: If there are dependencies, SiteConfig can enforce that some tasks be deployed together.

4. Click the **Start Deployment** button.



Deployment tasks run and software is uninstalled. Progress is reported and next steps are indicated in both the Status and Details columns.

- 5. When the Status or Details columns indicate next steps, proceed as follows:
  - When Details displays a **Restart required** link, click the link and when prompted "...are you sure...", click **Yes**.

The device restarts.

Deployment tasks run and software is installed. Progress is reported and next steps are indicated in both the Status and Details columns.

- 6. When the Status or Details columns indicate next steps, proceed as follows:
  - When Details displays a Restart required link, click the link and when prompted "...are you sure...", click Yes.
- 7. Monitor progress as indicated by both the Status and Details column. When finished, the Status column indicates complete.

## Upgrade NAS systems

Prerequisites for this task are as follows:

- K2 systems are upgraded to the compatible version of K2 system software.
- Aurora Edit, Ingest, and Playout systems are upgraded to the compatible versions of software.

Upgrade the MediaFrame Proxy NAS (K2 Nearline SAN) to the compatible version of K2 software. Use SiteConfig and deploy software, using steps similar to those for other systems.

- a) Check software on the Nearline SAN's K2 Media Servers.
- b) Add software \*.cab file to the deployment group that contains the K2 Media Servers.
- c) Upgrade software on K2 Media Servers via a SiteConfig deployment session.

## **Upgrade Browse and MediaFrame systems**

Prerequisites for this task are as follows:

- K2 systems are upgraded to the compatible version of K2 system software.
- Aurora Edit, Ingest, and Playout systems are upgraded to the compatible versions of software.
- K2 Nearline SAN (NAS) systems are upgraded to the compatible version of K2 system software.

Upgrade your Browse and MediaFrame systems to the compatible versions of software. Refer to Aurora Browse Release Notes for procedures.

## Make recovery images

After you have upgraded software as instructed in these procedures and verified that your system is working properly, you should always make a recovery image of each of your upgraded computers. Use a sequence of events similar to those you followed for upgrading software, so that as you take systems offline you manage redundancy, servers, and clients, as appropriate for your system.

# Licensing Grass Valley products

The following sections contain instructions for managing Grass Valley product licenses.

## **About software licensing**

Aurora Edit is licensed via Grass Valley's SabreTooth License Manager. When the software is initially installed, it will have a 30 day temporary license (Aurora Edit HD) that can be used during the setup phase. It is important to run the License Request Wizard found on the system desktop in order to retrieve a permanent license. Once the permanent license is in place, you may then delete the temporary license from the License Manager application.

Licenses are requested through the License Wizard and managed through the SabreTooth License Manager, which is installed on the Grass Valley product with the Grass Valley software. The License Wizard and SabreTooth License Manager must be located on the Grass Valley product.

License information is stored in text files that you can manage just like any other file on your system. Licenses are unique to the system for which they are requested and cannot be used on any other machine. You should back up the license text files to a separate drive or as part of a recovery image.

Licenses are based on your system's unique identifier, which is partially derived from your system's Media Access Control (MAC) address. If you change your system's MAC address by performing operations such as changing the System Processor card, you must obtain a new license based on the new MAC address.

## Requesting a license

Software licenses are unique to the system for which they are purchased. They cannot be used on any other system. This requires that you provide a generated unique ID for the desired system to Grass Valley, which is then used to create your unique license.

1. Log on to the device that you want to license.

You must log in as a Windows administrator with a local account, not a domain account.

2. Open the License Request Wizard.

Find the License Request Wizard shortcut on the Windows desktop.

The License Request Wizard displays.

3. Read the on-screen instructions, then click **Next**.

The Customer dialog box displays.

4. Enter the information requested on this page then click **Next**.

You must provide a valid email address to receive your license file.

The Sales Number dialog box displays.

5. Enter the Sales Order Number in the field then click **Next**.

Typically the Sales Order Number is found on the Software License sheet that you received with your Grass Valley product.

The Summary dialog box displays.

6. Review the License Request information and click Finish.

A License Request text file, License\_Request\_<SalesNumber>.txt, is generated and saved to the Windows Desktop.

NOTE: If you are requesting licenses for more than one application, be sure to modify the name of the first License Request text file before saving it to your desktop. (In Notepad, use the Save As command.) Otherwise, the second License Request text file will overwrite it.

- 7. Do one of the following:
  - Attach this text file to an email.
  - Paste the text directly into an email message.

You might want to keep a copy of the message for your records.

8. Send the email as instructed by the License Request Wizard.

An email will be sent from Grass Valley to the return email address you specified; your Sabre Tooth software license will be provided as a text file.

9. Save this email in case you ever need to re-image this machine.

Next add the license to the SabreTooth License Manager.

## If you encounter difficulties when requesting a license

If you encounter difficulties running the License wizard, try this alternate method:

- 1. Generate a unique ID of the device where you will install software, as follows:
  - a) Click on the License Manager icon on the Windows Desktop.

The SabreTooth License Manager opens.

- b) Choose File | Generate Unique Id the License Manager.
- c) Click Copy to clipboard to copy the generated ID, and OK to exit.
- 2. Prepare an email that includes the following information:

- Customer Name
- Customer Email
- Sales Order Number
- Unique ID of the device where you will install software.
- 3. Send the email to AuroraLicenses@grassvalley.com.

The SabreTooth license number will be emailed to the email address you specified.

## Adding a license

Your software license, Licenses\_<SalesNumber>.txt, is provided as a text file. Use the License Manager to add this file to your system and enable the desired feature.

1. Click on the License Manager icon on the Windows Desktop. The SabreTooth License Manager opens.

The SabreTooth License Manager opens.

- 2. Do one of the following:
  - Choose File | Import License and navigate to the file location to open the text file
  - Drag and drop the text file onto the License Manager.

You will now see the permanent license in SabreTooth, as well as any other licenses, permanent or temporary, that have been installed on this machine.

Once you have added the permanent license, you can delete the temporary license. If the temporary license is still in SabreTooth you will continue to get temporary license notifications, even with the permanent license installed, unless you delete the temporary license.

You should save the permanent license to a backup system.

## **Deleting licenses**

Deleting a license disables the feature that it enabled. You might want to delete a temporary license prior to its expiry if you have decided not to purchase the feature. You can delete a temporary license after the permanent license has been installed without disabling the licensed product.

- 1. Select the license in the SabreTooth License Manager.
- 2. Use the Delete key on your keyboard or right click with your mouse and select **Delete**.

## **Archiving licenses**

You can archive your licenses to a secure external location. This allows you to quickly re-install a license should it be deleted or should you have to downgrade and then the licensed software. You can archive multiple licenses at the same time.

NOTE: If you downgrade to an earlier version of the licensed software, make sure to archive the licenses first.

- 1. In the SabreTooth License Manager, select the license or licenses.
- 2. Choose File | Export License to open the Save As dialog box.
- 3. Assign a meaningful name to the file, and save it to the desired location. Grass Valley recommends saving the license file to a USB drive or other external location.

# Additional notes

The following sections contain additional information about this release.

# Modified and new hot keys

Hot keys for the following functionality have changed or are new with this release:

- Match Frame to Bin M
- Match Frame to Source Shift + F4
- View Search Results ->
- Find ?
- In the Video Effects view:
  - Insert Keyframe Ctrl + Insert
- In the MediaFrame metadata view:
  - Add Keyword **F3**
  - Add Keyframe Insert
  - Automark Keyword F4

The following topics highlight the modified and new hot keys. Use these topics rather than those in the *Aurora Edit User Guide*.

# The Aurora Edit keyboard

Aurora Edit's keyboard uses color-coded keys that correspond to Aurora Edit functions, allowing you to edit more quickly and easily.

#### Editing and clip/track selection keys

The yellow keys perform cut point edits. The gray keys select the different edit modes. The peach keys select clips and tracks on the Timeline.



# Additional notes

| Icon                | Key | Name                | Function  |
|---------------------|-----|---------------------|---|
| <b>←]</b> →         | T   | Trim Mark Out       | Trims the Out point in the Cut Point Edit Tool; changes the duration of the sequence (Edit HD only)   |
| <b>←</b> [ <b>→</b> | Y   | Trim Mark In        | Trims the In point in the Cut Point Edit Tool; changes the duration of the sequence (Edit HD only)  |
| <b>+][→</b>         | U   | Trim Both           | Trims both the In and Out points in the Cut<br>Point Edit Tool; doesn't change the duration of<br>the sequence (Edit HD only)                                 |
| 1                   | F9  | Overwrite Mode      | Allows you to overwrite clips to the Timeline   |
| <b>10</b> 100       | F10 | Splice Mode         | Allows you to splice clips to the Timeline  |
| 7                   | F11 | Fit To Fill         | Lets you create fit to fill clips   |
| *                   | С   | Copy To Timeline    | Copies selected clips from Bin as well as<br>Timeline clip sources to the Timeline. In the<br>Record to Bin window, adds a clip to the Batch<br>Capture list. |
| 4                   | M   | Match Frame to Bin  | Matches the selected frame in the Timeline to the exact frame in the Bin and becomes the Clip Source  |
| -                   | <   | Select Next Clip    | Selects the next clip in the sequence   |
| <b>♠</b>            | >   | View Search Results | Displays the results bin for Aurora Edit searches (not MediaFrame searches)   |
| <b>Q</b>            | ?   | Find                | Searches for assets within the Aurora Edit database (not the MediaFrame Asset Management database)  |

# Mark point keys

The dark purple keys set and control the mark In and Out points.

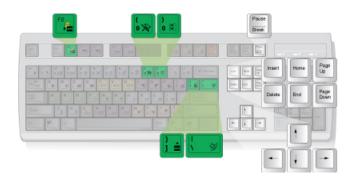


| Icon                    | Key | Name                             | Function   |
|-------------------------|-----|----------------------------------|--|
| <b>v</b> <sub>1</sub>   | F3  | Add Keyword (in MediaFrame)      | Adds a keyword into the MediaFrame metadata view for quick recall throughout the system  |
| <b>1</b> / <sub>2</sub> | F4  | Automark Keyword (in MediaFrame) | Automatically marks a keyword from<br>the current position of the cursor<br>along with a configurable duration.<br>The duration is set though the settings<br>option with the MediaFrame metadata<br>view. |
| <b>[</b> %              | F5  | Cut Mark In<br>Refresh           | Cuts the beginning of the clip (the top) off the selected clips on the Timeline; in the Bin, refreshes bin folders and displays any newly imported files   |
| $\approx$               | F6  | Cut Mark Out                     | Cuts the end of the clip (the tail) off<br>the selected clips on the Timeline  |
| <b>\</b> ←              | F7  | Go to Mark In                    | Moves to the Mark In point   |
| → 🔽                     | F8  | Go to Mark Out                   | Moves to the Mark Out point  |
| 1                       | I   | Mark In                          | Marks an In point  |
|                         | 0   | Mark Out                         | Marks an Out point   |
|                         | Р   | Clear Mark In                    | Clears the In point  |
|                         | [   | Clear Mark Out                   | Clears the Out point   |
| <del>-[]-</del>         | V   | Extend Edit                      | Extends an edit past the end of the clip using handles   |
| CTL                     | В   | Timecode/Control Track           | Toggles between Timecode and<br>Control Track modes  |

| Icon                | Key | Name                | Function                                |
|---------------------|-----|---------------------|---|
| <b>+</b> 0 <b>+</b> | N   | Reset Control Track | Resets the Control Track to 00:00:00:00 |

# Other Aurora Edit keys

The green and black keys perform miscellaneous editing functions.



| Icon           | Key   | Name              | Function   |
|----------------|-------|-------------------|--|
|                | F2    | Send              | Lets you send a clip<br>or sequence to<br>another destination                                  |
| *              | 9     | Input Tools       | Lets you adjust the<br>Audio EQ in a clip<br>while it is recording<br>(Aurora Edit HD<br>only) |
| Ħ              | 0     | Collapse Sequence | Collapses a clip in a sequence to close a gap between media                                    |
| <u></u>        | ]     | Lift Selection    | Lifts the selected<br>clip out of the<br>sequence, leaving<br>black and silence                |
| <b>%</b>       | \     | Split Clip        | Splits the selected clip at the cursor point   |
| Pause<br>Break | Pause | Enable Vary Speed | Enables variable speed controls in the Source Tool   |
|                |       |                   |  |

| Icon         | Key           | Name                       | Function  |
|--------------|---------------|----------------------------|---|
| Insert       | Ctrl + Insert | Insert Keyframe            | In the Video Effects Tool, adds a keyframe to the currently selected effect       |
| Home         | Home          | Go to Start                | Moves the position<br>to the beginning of a<br>clip or sequence                   |
| Page<br>Up   | Page Up       | Previous Vary Speed        | In the Source Tool<br>or Trimmer, selects<br>the previously set<br>variable speed |
| Delete       | Delete        | Delete Selection           | Deletes the selected clip from the Bin or Timeline                                |
| End          | End           | Go to End                  | Moves the position<br>to the end of a clip<br>of sequence                         |
| Page<br>Down | Page Down     | Next Vary Speed            | In the Source Tool<br>or Trimmer, selects<br>the next variable<br>speed           |
| -            | Left arrow    | Shuttle Rewind             | Shuttles left in increments of -50%, -75%, -1x, -2x, -3x                          |
| <b>→</b>     | Right arrow   | Shuttle Fast Forward       | Shuttles left in increments o +50%, +75%, +1x, +2x, +3x                           |
| <u>†</u>     | Up arrow      | Shuttle Default<br>Speed   | Resets the shuttle speed to its default speed                                     |
| ţ            | Down arrow    | Shuttle Prevous<br>Speed   | Selects previous shuttle speed  |
| <b>←</b>     | Numberpad 4   | Move Clip Left 1<br>Frame  | Moves the selected<br>clip on the Timeline<br>backwards one<br>frame              |
| <b>→</b>     | Numberpad 6   | Move Clip Right 1<br>Frame | Moves the selected clip on the Timeline forward one frame                         |

# **Keyboard shortcuts**

Keyboard shortcuts let you perform tasks more quickly and efficiently by using the keyboard instead of pointing and clicking with the mouse.

## Aurora Edit keyboard shortcuts

| To do this            | Use this key     |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| Collapse a sequence   | 0                |
| Copy an area          |                  |
| Cut an area           |                  |
| Cut a mark in point   | F5               |
| Cut a mark out point  | F6               |
| Delete an area        | Ctrl + Del       |
| Delete a selection    | Del              |
| Deselect all          | Shift + D        |
| Extend an edit        | V                |
| Insert filler         | Ctrl + Shift + F |
| Lift an area          | Ctrl + ]         |
| Lift a selection      | ]                |
| Match frame to Bin    | M                |
| Match frame to source | Shift + F4       |
| Mixdown selected      | Shift + M        |
| Move a selection      | Ctrl + M         |
| Render all            | Shift + V        |
| Render selected       | Ctrl + Shift + R |
| Select all            | Shift + S        |
| Split a clip          | \                |

## Video effects keyboard shortcuts

| To do this           | Use this key |
|----------------------|--------------|
| Add an effect        | Shift + 8    |
| Delete all keyframes | Shift + Del  |

| To do this           | Use this key   |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Insert a keyframe    | Ctrl + Insert  |
| Modify all keyframes | Shift + insert |
| Modify a keyframe    | Alt + insert   |
| Next keyframe        | Page down      |
| Previous keyframe    | Page up        |
| Run the effect       | Ctrl + W       |

# MediaFrame keyboard shortcuts

| To do this       | Use this key |
|------------------|--------------|
| Add Keyword      | F3           |
| Add Keyframe     | Insert       |
| Automark Keyword | F4           |

# Operation considerations

The following sections contain additional information about operating your product systems.

#### **Anti-Virus software**

If you have Anti-Virus software installed on systems running Aurora Edit, it should be configured to skip the following media file types:

• \*.key, \*.yuva, \*.hdr, \*.idx, \*.tc, \*.vid, \*.pcm, \*.exp

Failure to do so can adversely affect performance in Aurora Edit.

use of Trend Micro OfficeScan is not recommended, since it severely degrades system performance, resulting in dropped frames.

#### **Audio**

HP has released an updated Realtek sound driver for the xw8400 (v5.10.0.5433) that resolves an audio quality problem. It can be found here:

http://h20000.www2.hp.com/bizsupport/TechSupport/ SoftwareDescription.jsp?lang=en&cc=us&prodTypeId=12454&prodSeriesId= 1844968&prodNameId=1844969&swEnvOID=1093&swLang=13&mode=2&taskId= 135&swItem=wk-51920-1

#### **Aurora Conform Server**

When sending a job that has effects that require rendering from Aurora Edit to the Conform Server, the process will be slower than Aurora Edit. Some effects, such as blurs or resizes, take much longer in the Conform Server due to hardware limitations.

#### **COM** ports

- Note that COM1 and COM2 on the DNP systems are reserved by default for external GPI devices. However, these can be changed to 422 communication ports by deselecting the Reserve COM1 and COM2 for GPIO checkbox within the Tools Options dialog of Aurora Edit. The Comtrol COM ports use COM3 and COM4 for 422 communications by default.
- When using either COM3 or COM4 to connect to an External Control Device, a dipswitch on top of the Comtrol Card must be toggled to the "out" position for the corresponding COM Port. Comtrol switches 1 and 2 belong to COM Ports 3 and 4 respectively.
- When setting up an external control device on the Controller tab in Tools | Options, be sure to allocate a COM port that is not currently in use by a source VTR.

#### **Display**

- Aurora Edit is designed to run in the Windows Classic theme with a screen resolution of 1280x1024 for standard configurations and 1280x800 for laptop configurations.
- The refresh rate of the monitor should be set to 60Hz.
- For reliable operation, Windows fade effects must be disabled through the display properties. To do this, go to the Appearance tab within Display Properties and deselect the **Use the following transition effect for menus and tooltips** checkbox within the Effects tool. Doing this will reduce the potential of disrupting records through minimizing and maximizing application windows during recording.
- It is not recommended that systems, either tower or laptop, use hibernation mode as a means to conserve power when Aurora Edit is active.

#### **Dual monitor**

- When using dual monitor displays, it is recommended that the full screen video be set up to display on the 2nd monitor rather than on the primary display.
- Due to system resource limitations, when using the Chyron Title Tool with dual monitor displays, you need to change a setting with the video card:
  - 1. Open Display Properties.
  - 2. Select **Settings**, then **Advanced**.
  - 3. Select the Quadro Card tab.
  - 4. Select Start the NVIDIA Control Panel.
  - 5. If prompted for Advanced Settings or Standard Settings, select Advanced Settings and then select OK.
  - 6. On the left hand panel, expand **3D Settings** and select **Manage 3D Settings**.
  - 7. On the right hand panel, select Global Settings, then select Base Profile.
  - 8. Under **Settings**, scroll down to find **Unified back/depth buffer**. Select it and change the value from On to **Off**.
  - 9. Select Apply.
- When using 720p and HDR, dual monitor mode is disabled as resources needed for processing the additional signal are unavailable.

# **Edit LD automatic login**

To avoid logging in each time you launch Aurora Edit LD, configure your machine for automatic login:

- 1. Open Internet Explorer, then go to Tools | Options.
- 2. Click the Security tab and select **Custom Level**.
- 3. Scroll to the bottom and select automatic logon with current username and password.
- 4. Click **OK**.

#### Edit LD playback

When playing to the end of a currently recording file, playback may pause or flash as video is updated within the player.

#### Edit LD video card

An incompatible video card will display the following symptoms after you launch Aurora Edit LD:

- The Timeline Video Display will be grayed out. No clips can be loaded into the Timeline or Source Tool.
- The Timeline Video Display will be black even after a clip is loaded into the Source Tool or a sequence is opened from the bin.

#### **Edit LD Windows event viewer**

Aurora Edit LD 6.5 automatically sets the Windows Event Viewer application and the System Log to Overwrite Events as Needed.

#### **HP BIOS settings**

- Aurora Edit SDR/HDR models
  - If you are installing Aurora Edit SDR/HDR 6.5.1.440 on an HP xw9300, you must make the following BIOS change for proper operation. Failure to do so will result in stuttering audio and video and dropped frames.

#### NOTE: This does NOT apply to the HP xw8400.

- 1. Verify that the SDR/HDR I/O board is installed in slot 6 of the xw9300 (bottom most slot).
- 2. Turn on the xw9300 and press **F10** to enter the BIOS setup.
- 3. Select Advanced | Slot 6 (PCI-X 133) and press Enter.
- 4. Select Slot 6 Latency Timer, and change it from Default to 224.
- 5. Press **F10** to accept.
- 6. Select File | Save changes and press Enter.
- 7. Press **F10** to accept. The system will restart.
- If you are installing Aurora Edit HDR on an HP z800, you **must** make the following BIOS change for proper operation. Failure to do so may result in dropped frames.
  - 1. Turn on the z800 and press **F10** to enter the BIOS setup.
  - 2. Select Power | OS Power Management and press Enter.
  - 3. Select Idle Power Savings and change it from Extended to Normal.
  - 4. Press **F10** to accept.
  - 5. Select File | Save changes and press Enter.
  - 6. Press **F10** to accept. The system will restart.
- Aurora Edit SDFX/HDFX models
  - If you are installing Aurora Edit SDFX/HDFX 6.5.1.440 on an HP xw9300, you must make the following BIOS change for proper cooling. Failure to do so may result in overheating, which can cause unpredictable behavior and possibly hardware failure.
    - 1. Turn on the xw9300 and press **F10** to enter the BIOS setup.

- 2. Select Advanced | Thermal and press Enter.
- 3. Select Full Speed Chassis Fans, and change it from Disable to Enable.
- 4. Press **F10** to accept.
- 5. Select File | Save changes and press Enter.
- 6. Press **F10** to accept. The system will restart.
- If you are installing Aurora Edit SDFX/HDFX 6.5.1.440 on an HP xw8400, you **must** make the following BIOS change for proper cooling. Failure to do so may result in overheating, which can cause unpredictable behavior and possibly hardware failure.
  - 1. Turn on the xw8400 and press F10 to enter the BIOS setup.
  - 2. Select **Power | Thermal** and press Enter.
  - 3. Select **Fan Idle Mode**, and change it from 1 bar (minimum) to **7 bars** (maximum).
  - 4. Press **F10** to accept.
  - 5. Select File | Save changes and press Enter.
  - 6. Press **F10** to accept. The system will restart.

#### **Hyper Threading**

Hyper Threading should be disabled for Intel processors that support this feature. This is typically controlled via the system BIOS. Performance tests with Aurora Edit have consistently demonstrated a decrease in overall performance when Hyper Threading is enabled.

#### Long-GOP MPEG media

Aurora Edit version 6.5 adds support for long-GOP MPEG clips. Previous versions of Aurora Edit did not support long-GOP MPEG clips. While mixing Aurora Edit 6.3 and 6.5 client systems is not recommended, customers choosing to do so should be especially careful not to open long-GOP clips, or sequences that contain long-GOP clips, in Aurora Edit 6.3, since unpredictable behavior will occur. Likewise, customers who choose to revert back to Aurora Edit version 6.3 after installing and running Aurora Edit 6.5 should be careful not to open long-GOP clips, or sequences that contain long-GOP clips, in Aurora Edit 6.3.

#### Microphone Recording

When you record to Timeline using a microphone source, the first few frames of the sound recording incorrectly includes sound from the Timeline. This is because Windows, by default, feeds the sound card output back into the input.

To change the Windows setting and correct this problem:

- 1. Go to Start | Settings | Control Panel | Sounds and Audio Devices .
- 2. b. Click on the Audio tab.
- 3. Under Sound recording, click on **Volume**.
- 4. On the Recording Control dialog, select **Mute** for the Stereo Mix source.

If the Stereo Mix source is not shown, go to **Options | Properties**, click to select the Stereo Mix source and click **OK**.

- 5. Exit the window.
- 6. Click **OK** to exit Sounds and Audio Devices.

#### Networking

- When using a Gigabit Ethernet card with an HP system, you must install this card into a PCI Express or PCI-X slot to avoid conflict with the 1394 controller on the motherboard.
- Windows XP Service Pack 3 automatically configures a Windows Firewall for the client. For clients attached to networks with an existing Firewall, it is recommended that you disabled this Windows Firewall. For those without an external Firewall, individual ports may need to have restrictions lifted as Windows will block the unknown connection. To unblock a port, go to Start | Settings | Control Panel | Security Center | Windows Firewall | Exceptions and add Aurora Edit to the firewall exceptions.
- DNP systems utilize both TCP and UDP ports during normal operation. The following ports, or groups of ports, are typically in use and should be kept available:
  - 1027-1028, 1041-1057, 1067, 1099, 1104, 1117-1119, 2895, 4068, 4954, 4990-4992, 5800, 5900, 16090, 34571-34573, 49168-49169.

For a list of additional TCP and UDP port numbers that are used by Windows, see the services.txt file in the System32\Drivers\Etc folder.

#### **Performance**

- The recommended Virtual Memory Allocation for all DNP systems is 2046 MB (set at the Grass Valley factory).
- To improve system performance, adjust this setting:
  - 1. Right-click on My Computer and select **Properties**.
  - 2. Click the Advanced tab.
  - 3. In the Performance area, click **Settings**.
  - 4. Click the Adjust for best performance radio button.
  - 5. Click **OK**.

#### Removable Media

When importing removable media from XDCAM in View as Tape mode, it will be considerably slower than real time if the removable media is comprised of a large number of clips. The number of clips directly affects the speed of the import. It is recommended that you mark and import only the sections of video that you need, rather than importing the entire duration of the source media.

# **XDCAM**

When inserting an XDCAM disk or Panasonic P2 disk into the system, Windows may begin an autorun session, which will pop up a windows explorer dialog by default.

To disable the autorun session:

- 1. Go to **Start | Run** and type in *gpedit.msc*.
- 2. Go to Administrative Templates.
- 3. Click System.
- 4. In the right hand pane, open **Turn off AutoPlay**.
- 5. Select **CD-ROM drives** in the dropdown menu.
- 6. Select **Enable** and click **OK**.

#### **System Imaging Software**

Aurora systems use Acronis imaging software, version 3647, which allows you to back up your system. When the system boots using Acronis Imaging software, select either Safe Version, Full Version, or boot into Windows.

Safe version should normally be used to restore or create the  $C:\$  partition from the backup partition, drive  $F:\$ .

Full version loads additional USB drivers, which allows a user to backup or restore with a USB drive. However, the boot process hangs unless the following parameters are entered prior to selecting Full Version:

- 1. Press **F11**.
- 2. Change the boot parameters from *quiet* to *quiet acpi=off noapic*.
- 3. Click OK.
- 4. Select the Full Version to load True Image.

NOTE: Acronis imaging software recognizes Rev Pro drives.

#### **Database Backup**

Several command-line utilities are available for maintenance of the News database that is used by Aurora Edit. These utilities automatically install on DNP machines that host shared or embedded instances of the News database.

The utilities can be found in the \DB Maintenance\ subdirectory for the respective Aurora Product under the C:\Program Files\Grass Valley\Aurora directory. They must be run from the \DB Maintenance\ subdirectory of the machine whose database is being operated upon. The user must be a member of the system's Administrators group. For a local, stand-alone machine, run the utilities at that workstation. For the central News database of a shared storage system (NewsShare), run the utilities at the DSM.

Detailed instructions accompany the command-line utilities in the <code>NewsDatabaseUtilities.htm</code> document.

# Known Issues

The following limitations are present in this release of software. If you wish to obtain more information about these limitations, please mention the reference numbers.

#### 1394

When using multiple 1394 devices for input into Aurora Edit, the Firewire connections must not be going through the same interface card. You may use the onboard 1394 input along with an additional Firewire card for this operation.

NOTE: XDCAM in FAM mode does not count as a 1394 Input device.

#### **Apple Final Cut Pro integration**

These are known issues with using Apple Final Cut Pro with Aurora Edit:

- The Final Cut Pro plug-in is only qualified with the Macintosh Leopard OS.
- Quicktime .mov files are limited to 59 characters in length per Apple limitations.
- When using the Media Services Test Application to generate .mov files for previously recorded clips in Aurora Edit, the login to the system must be done as Administrator. (51300)
- The Final Cut Pro export directories may not be fully purged by SmartBins after media have been imported to News. These directories must therefore be scanned and purged manually on a regular basis.
- Despite having successfully imported a movie to News, the SmartBins Event Log will post the nuisance error "CMediaImport::HandleImport(): CreateVMF() failed for file: <movie name>.xml. hr=0x80040200".
- When connecting a Macintosh computer to a K2 SAN, the Macintosh computer must currently be connected via CIFS.

NOTE: CIFS connections will not adhere to the security scheme that you may have set within SNFS controlled Edit clients.

- Playing HD long-GOP DV100 media in Aurora Edit 6.5 from shared storage via CIFS connect from Final Cut Pro may result in choppy playback. Copying the media locally will help resolve this issue.
- When using the Grass Valley plug-in for Final Cut Pro, you cannot send a clip with the same name as one that already exists in a monitored bin. (84176)
- The "Wink Quicktime files" option instructs SmartBins to wink Quicktime files generated by K2 when clips are winked to the News system. This option should not be used if Final Cut Pro is connected to the storage via CIFS due to an SNFS limitation.

For additional help with Final Cut Pro Integration, refer to the Aurora Edit Installation and Configuration Guide found in C:/Program Files/Grass Valley/Aurora Edit/Docs.

## Aurora Edit models HD/HDR

| CR96329    | Description: | A JPEG2000 clip only displays one field in 1080i playback.   |
|------------|--------------|--|
|            | Workaround:  | Aurora Edit models HD/HDR are unable to play a single JPEG2000 full-resolution clip in real time.  |
| Aurora Edi | t LD         |  |
| CR105624   | Description: | Aurora Edit LD thumbnails display as "Media Not Available". This occurs if the graphic is on the V: drive, yet the V: drive is not connected to the Aurora Edit LD computer.   |
|            | Workaround:  | To display thumbnails of graphics on the V: drive, you must map the V: drive on the Aurora Edit LD computer.   |
| CR106275   | Description: | Graphics on Aurora Edit LD timeline display as black. This occurs if the graphic is on the V: drive, yet the V: drive is not connected to the Aurora Edit LD computer.   |
|            | Workaround:  | To display graphics on the V: drive on the Aurora Edit LD timeline, you must map the V: drive on the Aurora Edit LD computer. However, these graphics can be added to the timeline and conformed on send, even when the V: drive is not connected. |
| CR106260   | Description: | Aurora Edit LD Story line highlight feature becomes unresponsive during playback. This occurs after an edit of a timeline with a linked story.   |
|            | Workaround:  | Close and re-open the sequence to reset the Story view.  |

## Aurora Edit models SDFX/HDFX

| CR77369 | Description: | Aurora Edit fails to start if the input signal is corrupt.  |
|---------|--------------|---|
|         | Workaround:  | Verify all cables are terminated if using a split signal.   |
| signal  |              | A limitation in the SDFX/HDFX I/O card generates a bad signal in the VGA when using a 1080i source with 720p video settings. You are able to record this bad signal and use it. |
|         | Workaround:  | Verify that video settings in Aurora Edit are correctly set to 1080i.   |
| CR82354 | Description: | Play to tape inconsistent with mark IN points.  |
|         | Workaround:  | None  |
| CR82652 | Description: | HDSDI output from HDFX to a Sony HDXDCAM deck with firmware 1.62 there is no audio.   |
|         | Workaround:  | None  |
| CR83022 | Description: | Aurora Edit may not launch if running under a non Administrator account.  |
|         |              |   |

|                               | Workaround:    | Modify the registry file HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE   System   CurrentControlSet00X   Enum. Then apply Read permission to Everyone to the Enum key under CurrentControlSet00X. Make the registry change as an administrator and then log in as the non-admin and it should work fine. |
|-------------------------------|----------------|---|
| Aurora Edi                    | it models SDF  | R/HDR output  |
| CR66408                       | Description:   | Negative varispeed video displays field swapping on the external monitor during play preview.   |
|                               | Workaround:    | Rendering the varispeed video will show proper field order.   |
| CR71317                       | Description:   | Playback of some effects, such as blur, may be choppy.  |
|                               | Workaround:    | Rendering the blur will alleviate the choppy playback.  |
| Aurora str                    | eam setup      |   |
| CR94561                       | Description:   | After adding a new Aurora Edit system to a K2 network, the System Self-Test fails with the error, "Stream Count Not Set", even though the bandwidth setting from the K2 server is correct.  |
|                               | Workaround:    | Run AuroraStreamSetup.exe, verify that the bandwidth setting is correct, and re-run the System Self-Test.   |
| Bin behavi                    | ior            |   |
| CR69438                       | Description:   | Switching to 16:9 thumbnails during a record will result in a thumbnail that says "Media Not Available" for the currently recording clip.   |
|                               | Workaround:    | Record the clips first and then switch to 16:9 thumbnails if that aspect ratio is desired.  |
| CR91413                       | Description:   | When you rename a clip in Aurora Edit, the corresponding logical asset does not rename so that it appears when you browse for it.   |
|                               | Workaround:    | Media management should be done using MediaFrame.   |
| Caching                       |                |   |
| It is not rec<br>self-regulat | e according to | at the local cache folder be deleted manually. The cache will space within the drive. Tampering with the cache media is not supported.  |
| CR80209                       | Description:   | The first play of an uncached clip may result in brief play   |

Workaround:

stutter.

successful.

Once played, the subsequent playback efforts should be

#### **Effects**

| CR37062  | Description: | When placing an effect over an unrendered transition, which resides over a cut point of an unrendered vary speed clip, the transition may stutter upon playback.                     |
|----------|--------------|--|
|          | Workaround:  | Rendering the transition will resolve the problem.   |
| CR106515 | Description: | If an effect is placed over an unrendered vary speed clip within<br>the timeline, the field interpolation will be disabled and the<br>vary speed clip will play back as frame based. |
|          | Workaround:  | Rendering of vary speed clips will always use field based interpolation.   |
| CR73848  | Description: | If an effect is placed over an unrendered vary speed clip within<br>the timeline, the field interpolation will be disabled and the<br>vary speed clip will play back as frame based. |
|          | Workaround:  | Rendering the effect will allow the system to process the video and audio properly when playing back.  |
| CR82536  | Description: | There are size and shape differences between odd shape resizes and drop-shadows between the SD/SDR/HD/HDR and SDFX/HDFX.   |
|          | Workaround:  | None   |
|          |              | ·  |

# External jog/shuttle controller

The JLCooper ES-450 external controller with Sony knob is currently supported using the version 1.04 or 1.05 controller chip.

| CR20980 | Description: | The JLCooper ES-450 external controller will occasionally lose its communication with Aurora Edit.  |
|---------|--------------|---|
|         | Workaround:  | The controller must be power cycled in order to regain its connection.  |
| CR50736 | Description: | The +1/-1 buttons on the controller may creep if the Drop Frame/Non Drop Frame settings of the tape and Aurora Edit do not match.   |
|         | Workaround:  | Tape timecode should match the current settings found within Tools/Options of NewsEdit.   |
| CR50763 | Description: | Some VTRs do not respond properly to the external controller's $+1/-1$ frame requests.  |
|         | Workaround:  | Hold the Shift key of the external controller down while clicking on the Stop button. This changes the mode of the controller from Slow Mo Step Mode to Cue Up Step Mode. |

# **Graphics**

It is recommended that graphics placed adjacent to one another on the timeline do not have durations of less than 5 frames.

| CR39360   | Description:             | Some graphics that get placed on the timeline and played back may display field swap issues.  |
|-----------|--------------------------|---|
|           | Workaround:              | Right click the graphic in the Timeline and adjust the Y position by .01. Hit OK and play the graphic again.  |
| CR106516  | Description:             | Playing back HD graphics may result in choppy playback.   |
|           | Workaround:              | Rendering the graphic resolves the issue.   |
| HP xw9300 | workstation              |   |
| CR99235   | Description:             | When using Aurora Edit on the HP9300 platform, HD record to timeline can experience output audio drop-outs (hiccups) due to known performance limitations of the platform. In this case, the record audio is fine when played back. In extreme cases, audio can be dropped on the input and the user will get the message that "Frames were dropped during record due performance limitations." |
|           | Workaround:              | Record the media to bin and then add it to your timeline.   |
| CR48622   | Description: Workaround: | Importing media directly off of a CD can result in a failure.  Import the media onto the local hard drive and then try  |
| CR48622   |                          | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·   |
|           |                          | importing from that location.   |
| CR80136   | Description:             | Imports of WM9 files may lead to incorrect durations.   |
|           | Workaround:              | Using Aurora Edit Profiles found within the options pages of the WM9 import dialog.   |
| CR79063   | Description:             | On some systems, 1080i media fails to export as .asf.   |
|           | Workaround:              | The qasf.dll should be from 8/4/2004. This can be found in C:\Windows\System32. Contact customer support for more information.  |
| CR83236   | Description:             | Aurora Edit crashes while trying export any 1080i/SD MPEG2/IMX clip as .mov file type. This is due to using the Quick Time 7.1.5.120 version installed on the X8400 HP.   |
|           | Workaround:              | Uninstall this version of Quick Time and use version 7.0.4 which is packaged with Aurora 6.3.   |
| CR85928   | Description:             | Importing a section of a long HD XDCAM clip failed.   |
|           | Workaround:              | In Aurora Edit 6,5, two demo files from Main Concept for the upcoming release were removed. This will cause any Media   |

## Laptop Dell 820

When using FAM mode for XDCAM file import, the Dell 820 laptop will fail the import when the 4 pin onboard Firewire port is used. This is a problem with all Firewire file transfers with this version of Dell Laptop. It is recommended that a 6 Pin 1394 PCMCIA card be used for this type of Firewire transfer.

NOTE: AV/C control is not affected by this issue.

Please contact customer support for additional information.

## Licensing

| CR102883    | Description: | Fail to connect to license server on Edit as non-admin login. This occurs if working in a shared environment on a workgroup (not a domain).  |
|-------------|--------------|--|
|             | Workaround:  | Add "anonymous login" on the DCOM config license server on the DSM as follows:   |
|             |              | <ol> <li>From the DSM Windows desktop click Start   Settings   Control Panel   Administrative Tools   Component Services   Computers   My Computer   DCOM Config.</li> <li>Right-click License Server and select Properties.</li> <li>On the Security tab, under the Customize on Launch and Activation Permission area, add anonymous logon.</li> <li>Check Allow for all listed permissions.</li> <li>Click OK.</li> </ol> |
| Link To Sto | ory          |  |
| CR72952     | Description: | When linked to iNEWS scripts, Story View window sometimes gives an Internet Explorer script error. Re-sizing of this window can cause this to happen.  |
|             | Workaround:  | Go to Windows Display Properties   Appearance   Effects and turn off the Show Window Contents While Dragging option.   |
| Long-GOP    | media        |  |
| CR96727     | Description: | When exporting a sequence as AAF, with rendered long-GOP material, the Consolidate and Embed options are greyed out.   |
|             | Workaround:  | Long-GOP consolidation is not supported in Aurora Edit 6.5, so the Consolidate and Embed options are unavailable.  |
| CR98432     | Description: | Long-GOP clips created in Aurora Edit 6.5 are incompatible with Aurora Edit 6.3, and Aurora Edit 6.3 will crash when trying to load a long-GOP clip created by Aurora Edit 6.5.  |
|             |              |  |

| Workaround: | Long-GOP is not supported in Aurora Edit version 6.3, so you   |
|-------------|--|
|             | cannot use clips created in Aurora Edit 6.5 if you revert back |
|             | to version 6.3.  |

#### Lyric trial software

In addition to the CD containing the Plug-in and the Bit stream Fonts CD, your purchase includes a CD containing a trial version of the full Lyric application. During installation, the system will call for a license code. Enter this sequence of characters: ZIRSCUCVF4OQPMXKJQ39V37ZLEVXFSD33E8WW9ZP

NOTE: This trial version of the Chyron Lyric software is not the plug-in for Aurora Edit and should never be installed on an Aurora Edit system.

The license is good for 60 days. If you wish to purchase the latest version of the full Lyric application, contact Chyron Customer Service at 631-845-2132. A copy of the Lyric Handbook will accompany the software.

| CR32580   | Description: | Undo removes elements from graphics templates.   |
|-----------|--------------|--|
|           | Workaround:  | Reload the original template.  |
| CR42775   | Description: | Configuring a .lyr file to be read-only prevents Aurora Edit from opening templates from that directory.   |
|           | Workaround:  | Lyric templates should not be configured to be read-only.  |
| CR106517  | Description: | If using Chyron Title Tool within a dual monitor environment, renders will fail if the monitor resolution is set to higher than 1280x1024.                             |
|           | Workaround:  | Set resolutions to 1280x1024.  |
| CR101144  | Description: | After uninstalling Chyron Title Tool plugin, OMFObject.dll and TBMSlogger.dll no longer register. Systems that have never had Chyron installed do not have this issue. |
|           | Workaround:  | Reinstall Chyron.  |
| MediaFram | е            |  |
| CR106170  | Description: | When configuring an MDI, using the IP address for the DSM location instead of the DSM name results in connection difficulties.   |
|           | Workaround:  | Always configure MDIs with the name, not the IP address.   |
| CR105665  | Description: | In the MediaFrame Event Log, the News MDI can report an event for a non-existent object in the assetEventList.   |
|           | Workaround:  | When convenient, restart the "GV News Share MDI" service.  |
| MobilePre |              |  |
| CR82288   | Description: | When using the MobilePre for voice/audio recordings,<br>Windows makes it the default capture device AND the default  |

|             | playout device. This should be only used for audio capture and not for playout. |
|-------------|---|
| Workaround: | Disable Playout options for the MobilePre.                                      |

#### Panasonic P2

The Panasonic P2 driver must be loaded in order for P2 media to work properly on the Aurora Edit station.

USB 2.0 is required for the station using Panasonic P2 media. If the on-board USB is currently 1.0, an additional USB 2.0 card must be installed in order for this feature to work properly.

# **Playback**

| CR67175 | Description: | Playing back HD media while the application is currently set to SD within Tools/Options leads to slightly murky video output for the HD material. |
|---------|--------------|---|
|         | Workaround:  | Configure the application's record settings to HD.  |
| CR92603 | Description: | Using two streams in an unrendered HD AVC-Intra sequence results in skipped frames on playback.   |
|         | Workaround:  | Rendering effects fixes the problem.  |

## Play to tape

| CR85414 | Description: | The first frame is doubled when playing to tape. |
|---------|--------------|--|
|         | Workaround:  | None at this time.                               |

# **Recording to Timeline**

| CR81820 | Description: | Intermittent flash frame with record to timeline (SDR/HDR/SDFX/HDFX). Set up an in point on a tape that is the first frame after a scene change. Go to the timeline and set an in point in the middle of a clip or in filler. Record to timeline. Notice that you see a flash frame of the scene before the in point on the tape. |
|---------|--------------|---|
|         | Workaround:  | None  |
| CR80923 | Description: | Timeline pointer skips ahead a couple of frames when reaching the IN mark of a record to timeline (SDFX/HDFX)   |
|         | Workaround:  | None  |
| CR92196 | Description: | When you are recording to a Timeline while you also have a Record to Bin window open, you may get a Src Filter error. This may indicate insufficient bandwidth on shared storage or poor disk performance on local storage.   |

|                      | Workaround:  | Close the Record to Bin window before recording to the Timeline.                                  |
|----------------------|--------------|---|
| CR95207              | Description: | If you click on the Storyboard while recording to the Timeline, recording stops.                  |
|                      | Workaround:  | Restart your recording.   |
|                      |              |   |
| Removable<br>CR88477 | Description: | Playing a clip from a REV disk after it has been ejected hangs the Aurora Edit application.       |
|                      |              | Playing a clip from a REV disk after it has been ejected hangs the Aurora Edit application.  None |
|                      | Description: | the Aurora Edit application.  |

## Rendering

Faster than real-time variable speed clips may require rendering. If rendering has not been done, the video output will be replaced by a "Media not Available" slate. This will not occur if the clips have been cached locally.

| CR97642 | Description: | When rendering a clip with an Alpha Channel, the aspect ratio conversion doesn't get saved. |
|---------|--------------|---|
|         | Workaround:  | Graphics and animations should be created in the same format as the Aurora Edit timeline.   |

## Second video display - Edit LD

| CR96329 | Description: | A JPEG2000 clip only displays one field in 1080i playback.  |
|---------|--------------|---|
|         | Workaround:  | Aurora Edit models HD/HDR are unable to play a single JPEG2000 full-resolution clip in real time. |

# Sending sequences

| CR91896 | Description: | When sending a sequence to a K2 system with a non-supported format, Aurora Edit displays a Server Busy message for DV100, AVC-Intra, and JPEG2000 GXF transfers, and never completes; the operation is eventually aborted. |
|---------|--------------|--|
|         | Workaround:  | Only use supported formats.  |

#### **SmartBins**

In order for SmartBins to be successful, the SmartBin server must have the shared drive locations mapped.

When changing a SmartBin within Aurora Edit from a Transfer SmartBin to a Shared SmartBin, you need to restart the SmartBin Service in order for the change to take effect.

The SmartBin service will occasionally display an error when stopping and restarting the service. To resolve this, simply restart the service once again.

| CR44044 | Description: | Cancelling a transfer to a destination bin is being monitored as a DNP SmartBin can result in black at the end of the clip residing in the Aurora Edit.         |
|---------|--------------|---|
|         | Workaround:  | Cancelling transfers to bins that are monitored as SmartBins is not recommended. Allow the transfer to complete and then delete the clip from the media client. |
| CR43144 | Description: | Making changes to the SmartBin Setup Tool while files are currently transferring stops the transfers.   |
|         | Workaround:  | Wait until all files have transferred prior to changing the SmartBin setup.   |
| CR43245 | Description: | Zero length clips within the SmartBin will report incorrect video compression data until the clip's duration begins to grow.                                    |
|         | Workaround:  | Clips with zero length will not be available for use within Aurora Edit. Once the file reaches 25 seconds in length, it will ready for use.                     |
| CR34804 | Description: | Renaming a media client bin that is currently being monitored as a SmartBin can lead to SmartBin disconnects in the NewsShare database.                         |
|         | Workaround:  | Renaming bins that are monitored as SmartBins is not recommended.   |
| CR85250 | Description: | MOV files without corresponding XML files don't work in Media SmartBins.  |
|         | Workaround:  | None  |
| CR88960 | Description: | Transfer SmartBins do not preserve the discontinuous timecode track.  |
|         | Workaround:  | None at this time. The first frame of the timecode from the source clip is preserved and the timecode is continuous after that.                                 |
| CR94982 | Description: | Media Import SmartBins fail when a non-DV sequence is sent from Apple's Final Cut Pro application.  |
|         | Workaround:  | Use K2 Hotbins.   |

## **Sony XDCAM**

The Sony XDCAM FAM driver must be loaded in order for XDCAM media to work properly on the NewsEdit station. HD XDCAM clips cannot be viewed prior to importing. To import, simply drag and drop the HD XDCAM media directly in the destination bin.

| CR53600  | Description: | Disconnecting the 1394 connection to the Aurora Edit system while clips are importing from XDCAM leads to an application error.   |
|----------|--------------|---|
|          | Workaround:  | Don't disconnect the 1394 source while using the XDCAM.   |
| CR106519 | Description: | When an XDCAM clip is open in either the bin trimmer or clip source, the XDCAM disk will not eject from the device.   |
|          | Workaround:  | Close the bin trimmer or load a non-XDCAM clip into the clip source. Once the XDCAM is not in use, the disk will eject. Hitting refresh (F5) on the XDCAM bin will also clear the clip source.                        |
| CR106520 | Description: | Recording to timeline with XDCAM may result in choppy playback of the XDCAM material as it plays to the timeline. This occurs more with higher bit rates such as IMX 50 and IMX 40.                                   |
|          | Workaround:  | Copying directly to timeline, instead of recording to timeline, bypasses the issue. Note that the result of the record to timeline will not be choppy as the clip import will succeed regardless of play performance. |
| CR79687  | Description: | Dragging and dropping XDCAM clips of varying formats to the bin at the same time may result in incorrect Compression Format.  |
|          | Workaround:  | Importing them individually will result in proper formats.  |

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## Sources/Recording

| CR29334 | Description: | Switching an external SDI router while recording, may cause video and audio to be asynchronous. |
|---------|--------------|---|
|         | Workaround:  | Don't switch external SDI signals while recording.  |
| CR38987 | Description: | Records may become corrupt when disk space on the SAN reaches very low levels.                  |
|         | Workaround:  | Don't allow the SAN to exceed 90% capacity during normal operation.                             |

NOTE: When configuring a VTR as both the input source and play to tape location, it is imperative that a feedback loop not be created as doing so may disrupt standard Aurora Edit behavior.

| CR84145  | Description: | Capture of audio has a weird audio echo happening after switching sources.   |
|----------|--------------|--|
|          | Workaround:  | Toggle between the source giving you this issue and another source and back again. You should no longer hear the audio echo. |
| Summit   |              |  |
| CR101388 | Description: | Creating a long bin name over 32 characters causes smartbins to fail to transfer clips to Edit.                              |
|          | Workaround:  | Rename the bin to be 32 characters or less.  |

## Super black/super white

Aurora Edit models SD/SDR/HD/HDR do not support super black/super white (e.g. video values outside of the normal range). The video output will automatically clip super black to black and super white to white. Rendering an effect will also automatically clip the video.

## **TGA** sequences

| CR106521    | Description: | Playing back HD TGA sequences may result in choppy playback.  |
|-------------|--------------|---|
|             | Workaround:  | Render the TGA sequence.  |
| CR66521     | Description: | Media conversion of TGA sequences is not supported.   |
|             | Workaround:  | It is recommended that TGA sequences get imported into Aurora Edit in the format that they were created for.  |
| Transfers   |              |   |
| CR51595     | Description: | Transferring a clip that has an apostrophe in the name will result in a "Server Busy" error when sending to a SAN.  |
|             | Workaround:  | Go to Tools/Options and check the box that says "Test for Invalid Video Server Characters". Once completed, resend the clip or sequence to the SAN Profile. |
| Transitions | 3            |   |
| CR86085     | Description: | Deleting a transition under an effect with a border can cause problems with the border settings of that effect.   |
|             | Workaround:  | None  |
|             |              |   |

# Known Issues

# Video settings

| CR88077 | Description: | In an HD sequence, when the Title Tool is selected after Video Settings are changed from SD to HD, the Aurora Edit application crashes. |
|---------|--------------|---|
|         | Workaround:  | None  |