

Release Notes for Cisco NFV SD-Branch features in Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Manager Release 20.13.x

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About Cisco NFV SD-Branch Support in Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Manager



Note

To achieve simplification and consistency, the Cisco SD-WAN solution has been rebranded as Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN. In addition, from Cisco IOS XE SD-WAN Release 17.12.1a and Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Release 20.12.1, the following component changes are applicable: Cisco vManage to Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Manager, Cisco vAnalytics to Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Analytics, Cisco vBond to Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Validator, Cisco vSmart to Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller, and Cisco Controllers to Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Control Components. See the latest Release Notes for a comprehensive list of all the component brand name changes. While we transition to the new names, some inconsistencies might be present in the documentation set because of a phased approach to the user interface updates of the software product.

Cisco Network Function Virtualization Software-Defined Branch (NFV SD-Branch) features in Cisco SD-WAN Manager are a collection of capabilities that allow you to use Cisco SD-WAN Manager as a single centralized orchestrator to manage both the Cisco NFV hardware platforms powered by Cisco NFVIS hypervisor software and the virtualized network function (VNF) based network services that run as guest virtual machines (VMs). SD-Branch in Cisco SD-WAN Manager provides a three-step user experience of design, deploy and monitor that enables you to deploy networking services efficiently across all sites within your enterprise network infrastructure.

The Cisco SD-WAN Manager portal supports:

- 1. **Design** A network architect can graphically create a parameterized network design template that captures the enterprise networking standards and best practices including WAN circuits and VNF service chains.
- 2. **Deploy** A network operator can use the pre-defined network design templates to deploy and configure network devices and services in multiple locations in an automated and secure manner without making any design decisions.
- 3. Monitor A network auditor can monitor and manage both the hardware platforms and the virtualized network services VMs that are running on them, without the fear of making accidental configuration changes.



Note

Cisco NFV SD-Branch features in Cisco SD-WAN Manager are only supported for greenfield deployments of the ENCS 5400 Series and the C8200-uCPE platforms.

Resolved and Open Bugs

Open Bugs for NFV SD-Branch Release 20.13.1

Identifier	Headline	
CSCwi21221	QuickConnect UI fail to import, export and Create New site-id. Pop-up is not shown.	
CSCwi35518	ND push fail to ENCS device: Invalid usage - Remove vlan before using vlan-range	
CSCwi26347	Delete all VNF service fail under Network Design	
CSCwi12234	Workflow library: 'Do not show again' option on introduction of workflows not honoured	
CSCwi21272	Password fields are not masked in Add and Review Device Configuration page	

Software Upgrade



Note

NFVIS 4.1.1 release or later on ENCS 5400 devices are supported on Cisco SD-Branch solution.

For more details on the NFVIS software upgrade, see Upgrade Cisco NFVIS.

For more details on Cisco SD-WAN Manager software upgrade, see Cisco SD-WAN Manager Software Upgrade.

System Requirements

The following resources are required for a standalone Cisco Enterprise NFVIS:

- See Cisco SD-WAN Manager requirements
- 20 GB storage is required for Cisco NFVIS



Note

More memory and disk space are required to be added to the system, depending on VM deployments.

Supported Programs and Platforms

Supported Platforms and Firmware

The following table lists the only supported platforms and firmware for Cisco ENFV

Platform	Firmware	Version
ENCS 5406, ENCS 5408, and ENCS 5412	BIOS	ENCS54_3.06
ENCS 3412	CIMC	3.2.(14.2)
	WAN Port Driver	5.4.0-5-k CISCO
	LAN Port Driver	1.4.22.7-11-ciscocsx
C8200-UCPE-1N8	BIOS	C8200-UCPE_1.04
	MCU	240.52
UCS C-Series M6 Rack Servers	BIOS	C240M6.4.3.2c.0.0726232000
	CIMC	HUU version 4.3(2.230207)

Guest VNFs

For the list of supported VNFs that can be orchestrated through Cisco SD-WAN Manager, see the Guest VNFs section of Release Notes for Cisco Enterprise Network Function Virtualization Infrastructure Software, Release 4.13.1.

Related Documentation

- Cisco Network Function Virtualization Infrastructure Software Getting Started Guide
- Design and Deployment of Cisco NFVIS SD-Branch using Cisco SD-WAN Manager
- Cisco Enterprise Network Function Virtualization Infrastructure Software Configuration Guide, Release 4.x
- Release Notes for Cisco Enterprise Network Function Virtualization Infrastructure Software, Release Notes
- Cisco Catalyst 8200 Series Edge uCPE Data Sheet
- Cisco 5000 Enterprise Network Compute System Data Sheet
- Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Configuration Guides

