Cl9925 - Gaming the System: Combine AutoCAD Civil 3D, Revit, InfraWorks, and Game Engines for Sites

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Before we begin...

We are a big class...

Please hold all questions and comments until the end of the lecture.

Silence your phones now!!









Class summary

This class is designed to show land development professionals techniques for creating renderings and movies of their proposed projects. Utilizing many of the programs provided in Infrastructure Design Suite software (AutoCAD Civil 3D software, InfraWorks software, Revit software, and 3ds Max software), this class will consist of a live demonstration showing how to create compelling and grade accurate visualizations of your site designs.

By treating InfraWorks 360 software as a "level builder" we will explore how to composite existing and proposed ground surfaces, build and apply coverages for pavement and pavement markings, and prepare tree surveys for 3D placement. Finally, we will explore the use of InfraWorks software models in real-time game rendering engines.



Key learning objectives

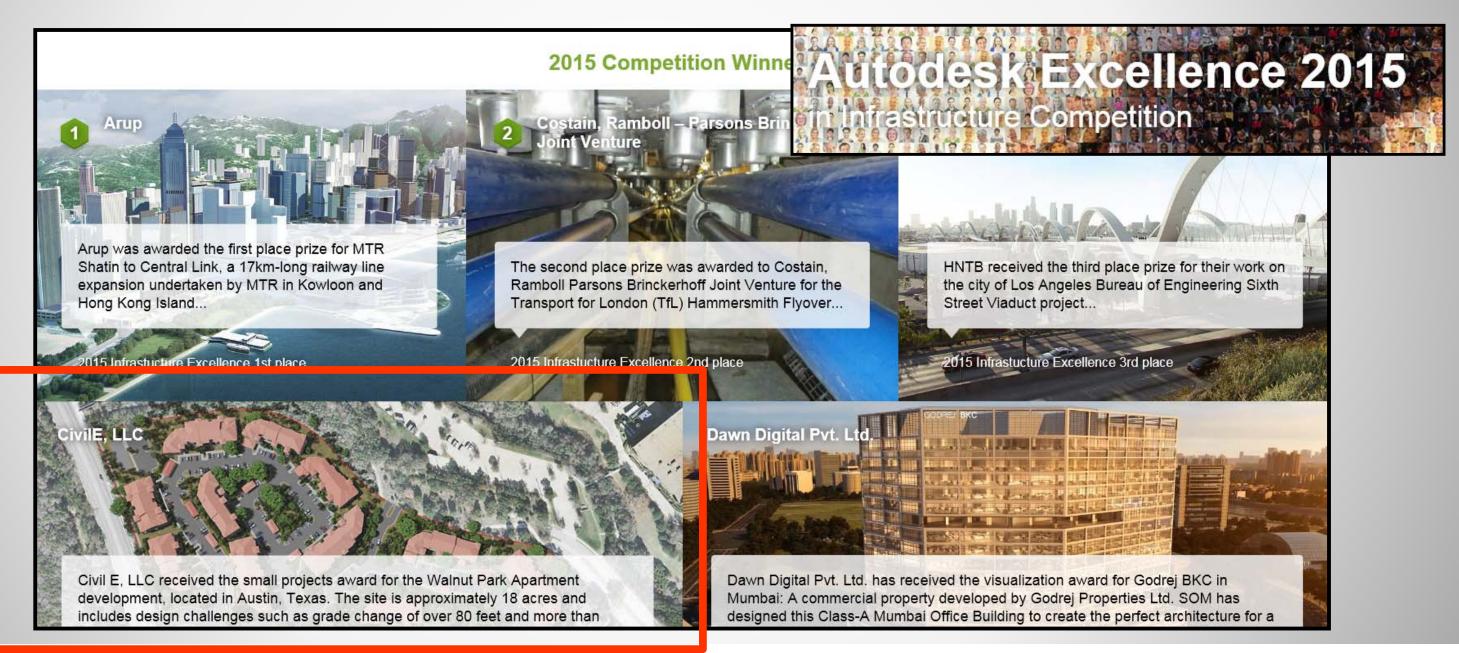
At the end of this class, you will be able to:

- Develop quick workflows to create compelling and cost-effective visualizations using Infrastructure Design Suite
- Establish a model-based design as a means to coordinate with architects when creating realistic site renderings
- Composite AutoCAD® Civil 3D® surfaces and coverages (grass, pavement, markings) in InfraWorks® in order to create a detailed site model
- Use an InfraWorks model in a game engine to produce real-time visualization deliverable



"Competing among the Goliaths on civil projects, one small firm uses BIM as their slingshot to success."

-BimOnTheRocks.com about CivilE's 3D workflows-





The Goal: Get complex Civil3D designs into a game engine for creating visualizations



Take a cue from the video game industry

- development is a coordination between three teams



Artist



Level Builder



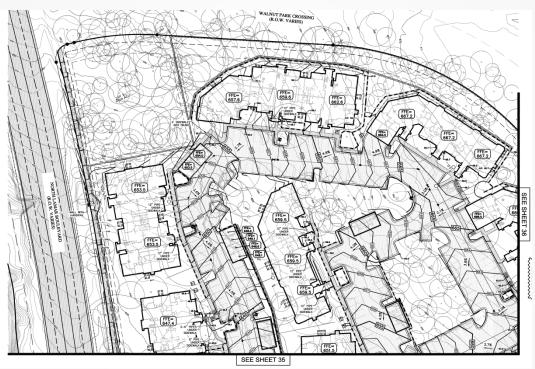
Programmer

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Land Planners



Civil Engineers & Architects

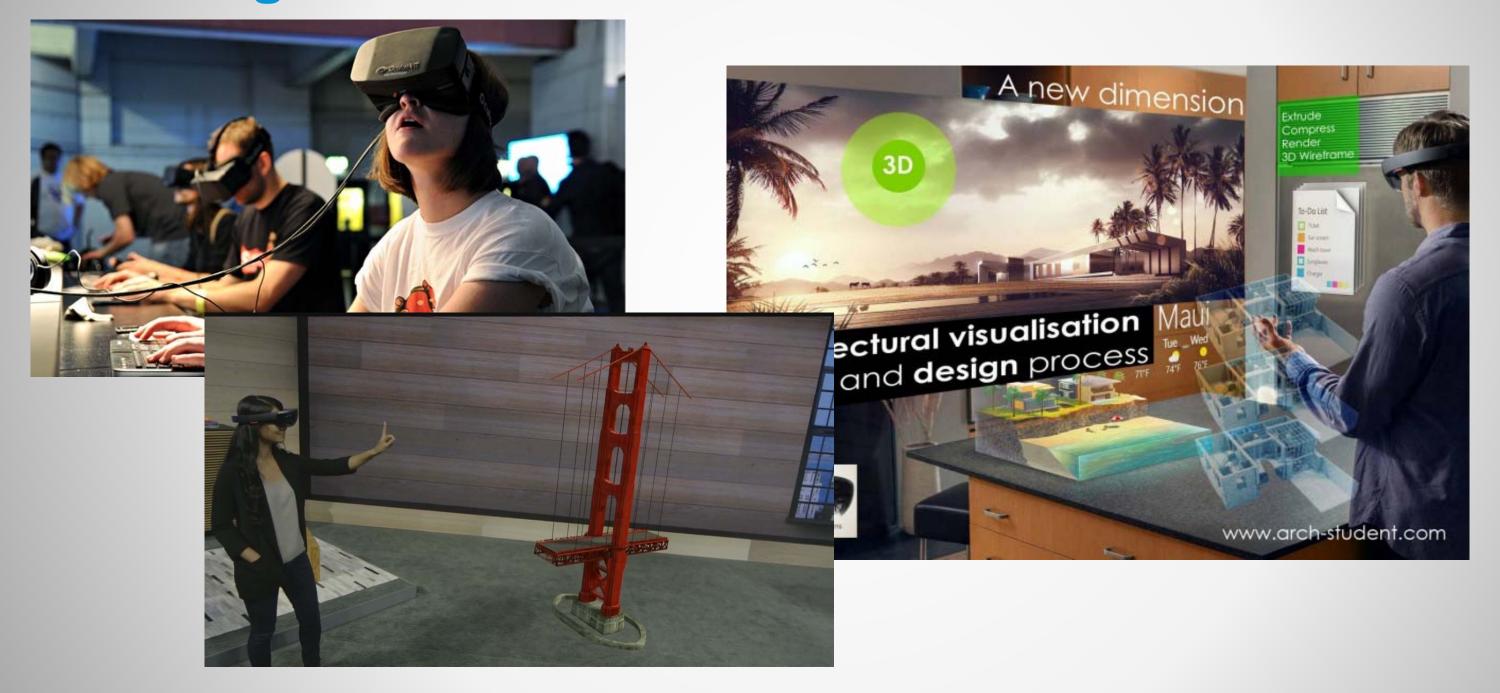


Design software



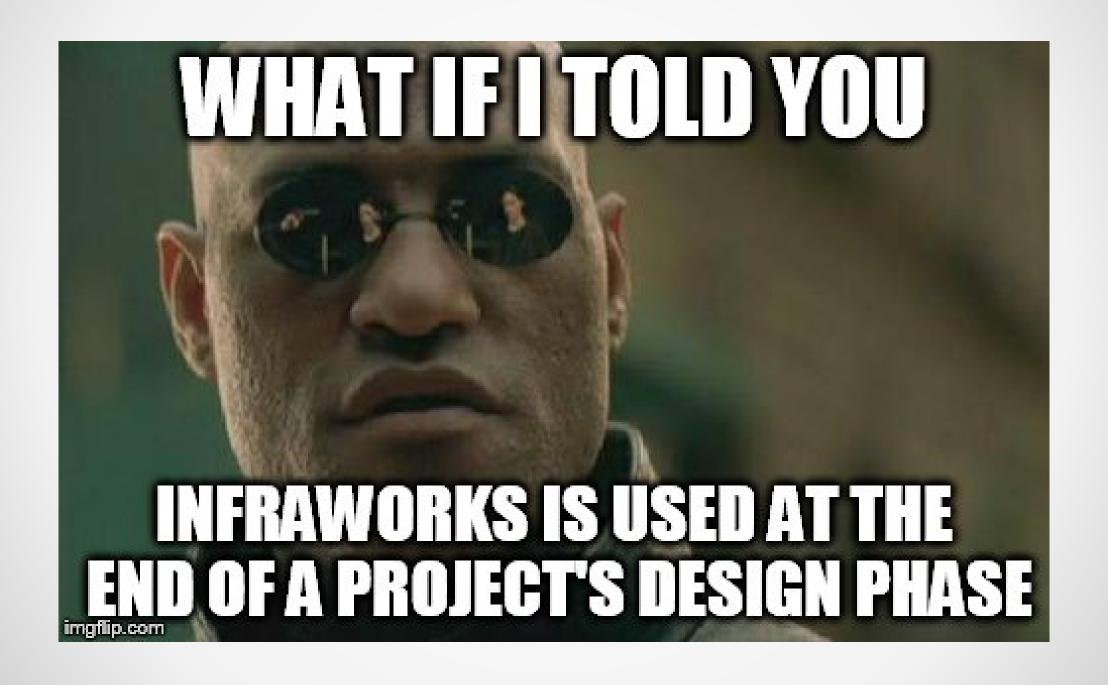


Get your surfboard ready... waves (of change) are coming.



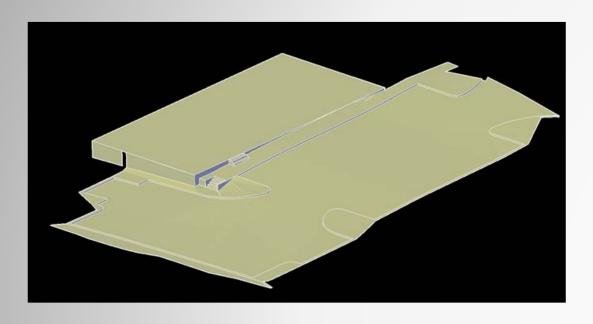


Using Infraworks at the End of Design Phase!?





Building good 3D content matters. How to do it now!



3D grading in Civil3D



Easy data compositing in Infraworks



Revit Building Model



Work flow for this class

Civil3D (1)

- a) Existing Ground
- b) Site Plan
- c) Proposed Ground
- d) Coverages
- e) Tree Points

Infraworks



(2)

- a) Composite Ground
- b) Aerial Overlay
- c) Coverages
- d) Trees
- e) FBX export

Revit



(3)

a) Building Conversions

3ds Max



(4)

- a) Material Adjustments
- b) Model Location Adjustments

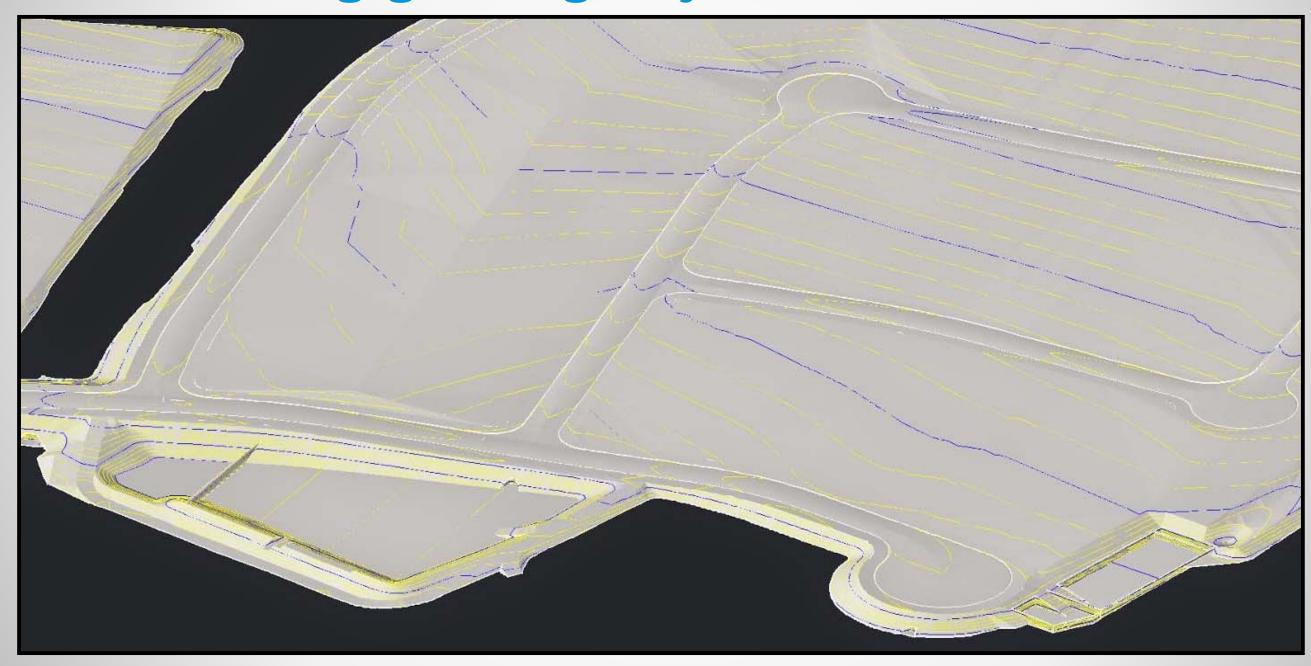
Lumion



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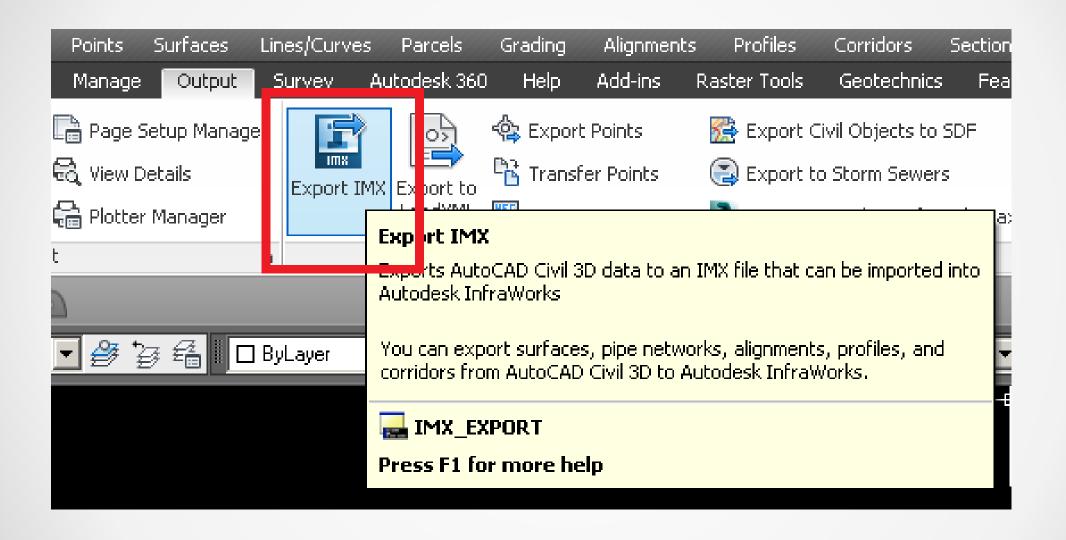
- a) Bring in the Site
- b) Bring in the Building
- c) Adding Assets
- d) Render Images

Step 1: Create existing and proposed surfaces in Civil3D utilizing grading objects.



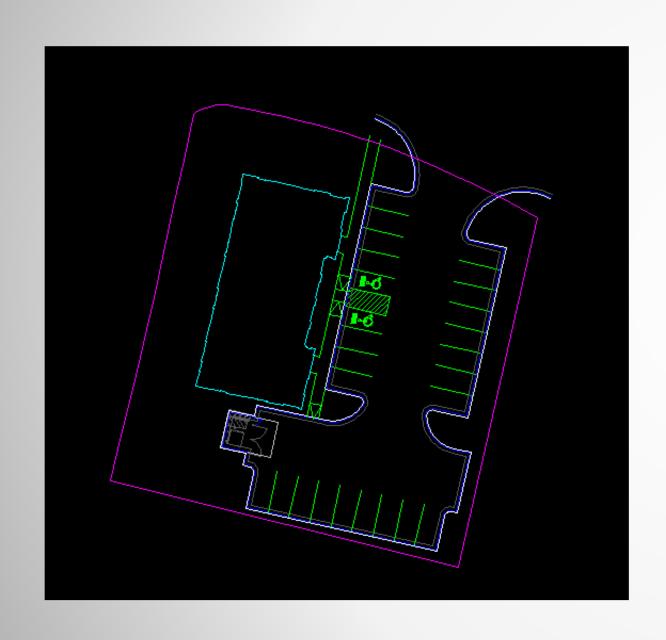


Step 1: Export the existing and proposed ground as IMX files





Step 1: Create SDF files of the coverage from the Civil3D base file. (Used closed polylines)

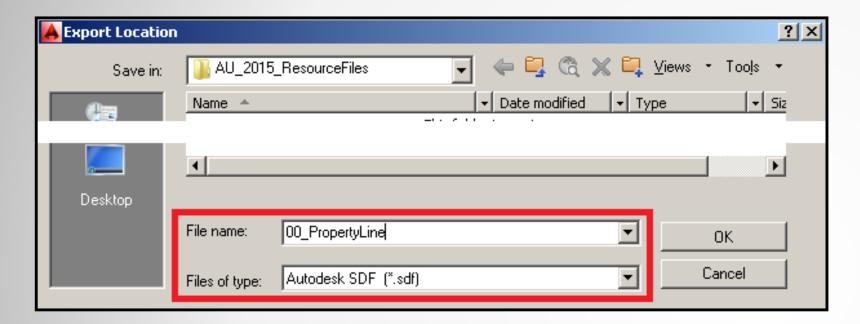


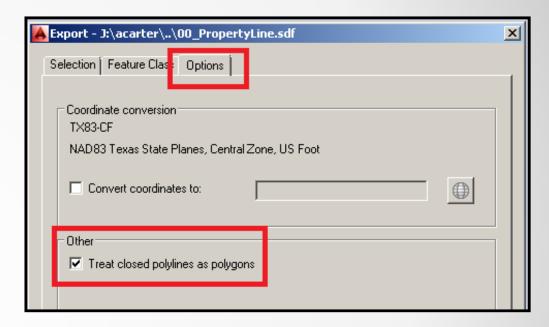
Total site boundary
Asphalt pavement limits
Concrete gutter limits
Sidewalks
Building slabs
Retaining walls

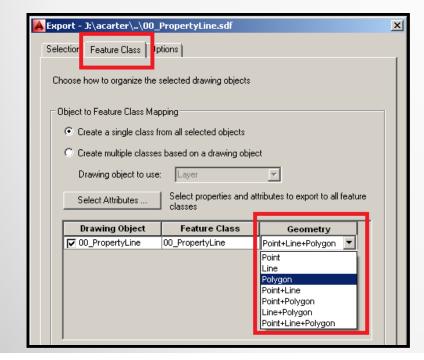


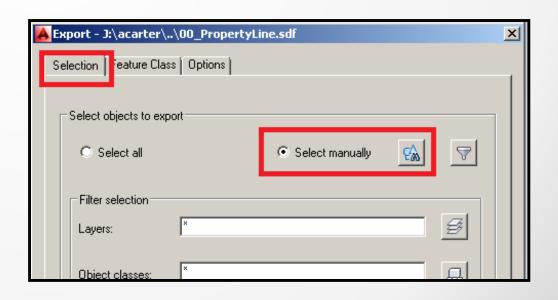


Step 1: Export the coverages as SDF files – "mapexport" command





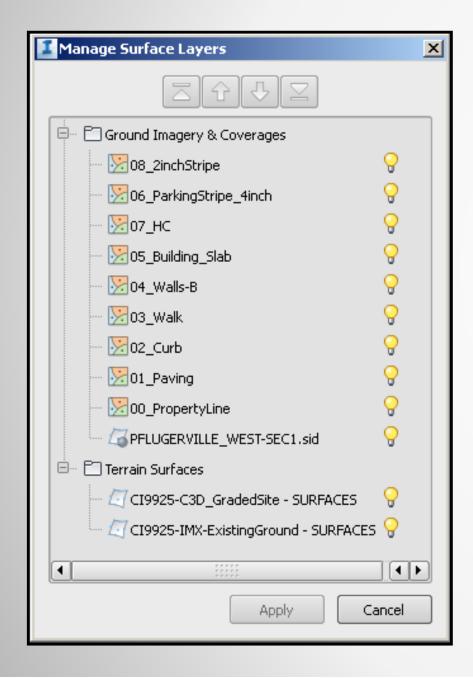








Step 2: Import Surfaces and coverages into Infraworks. Order appropriately.

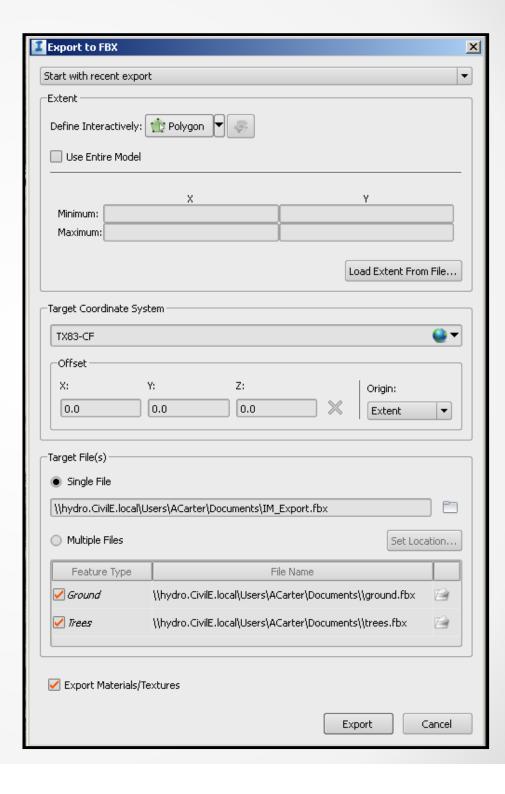






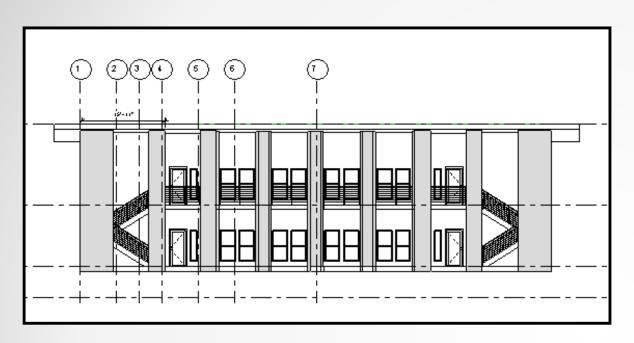
Step 2: Export the Infraworks model as an FBX

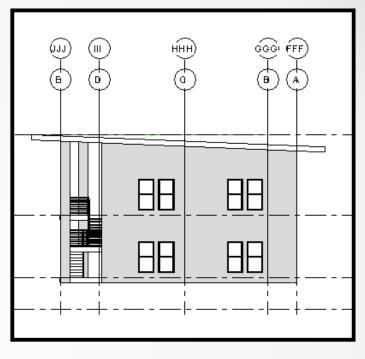






Step 3: Revit Building Models

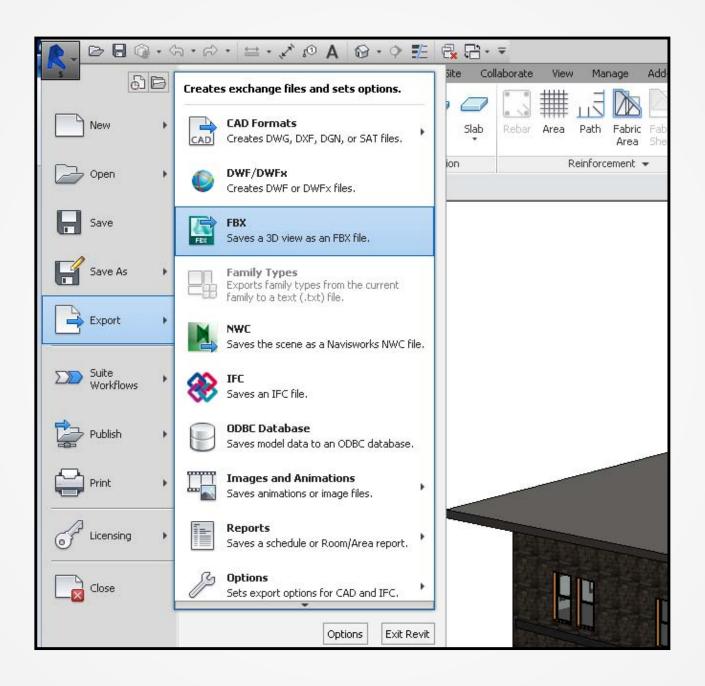






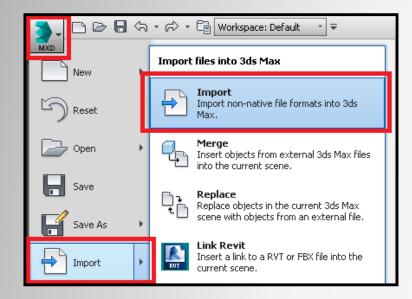


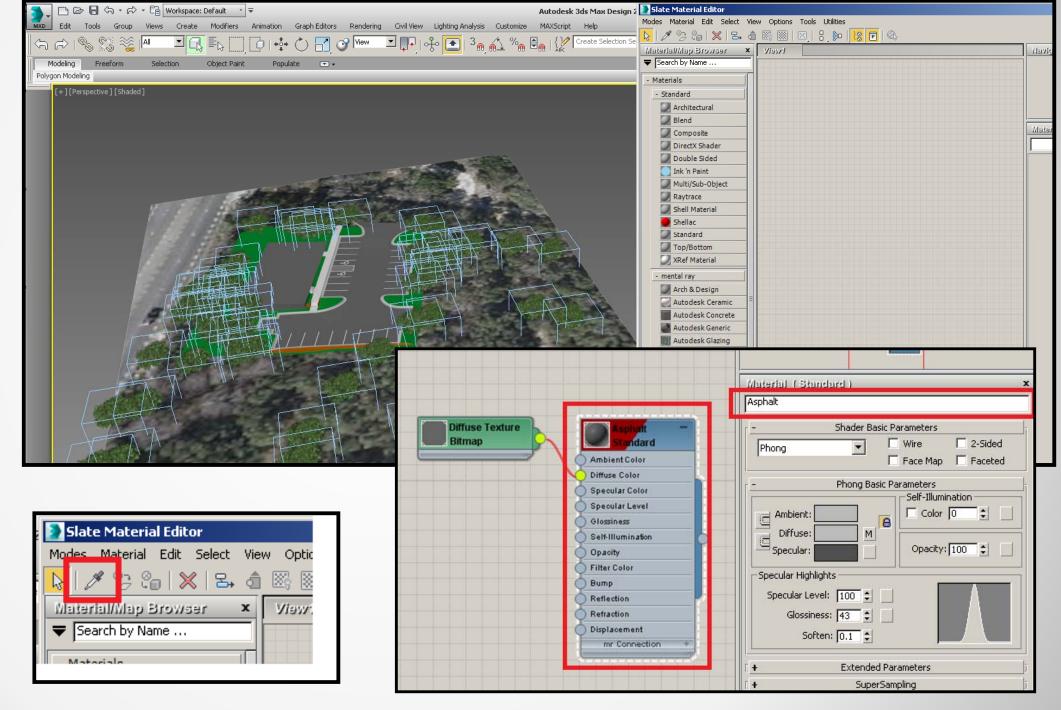
Step 3: Export Revit Model as FBX





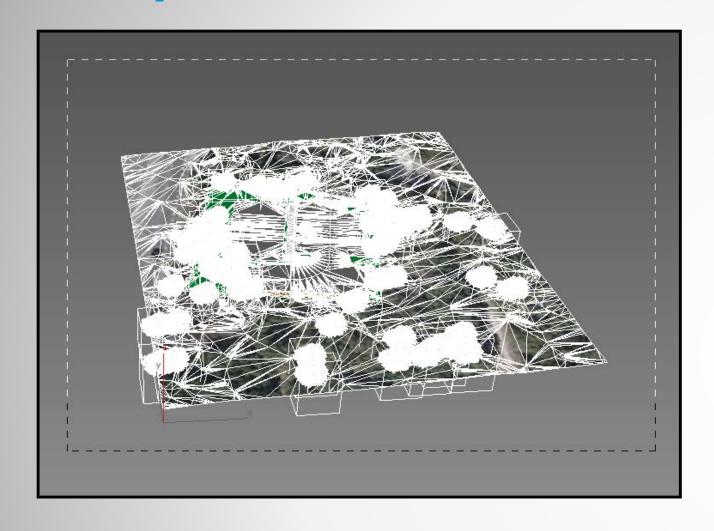
Step 4: Material assignments in 3DS Max

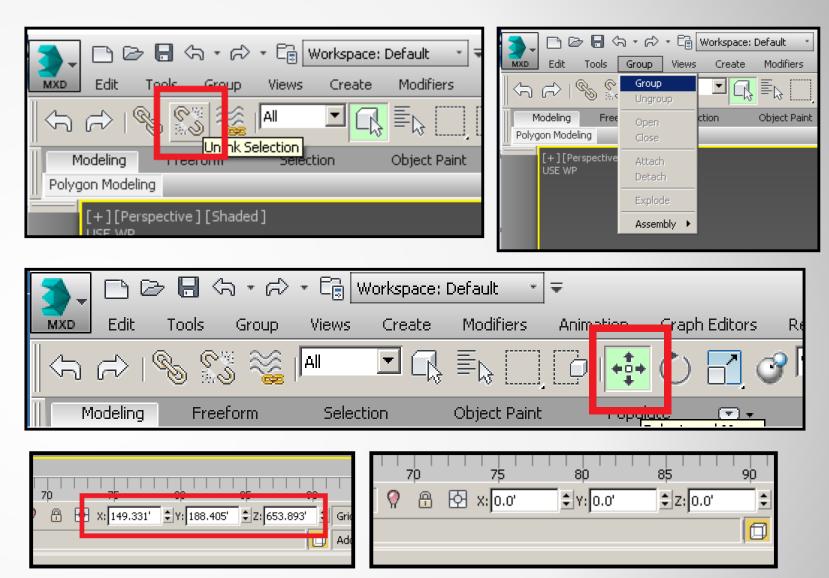






Step 4: Model relocation in 3DS Max



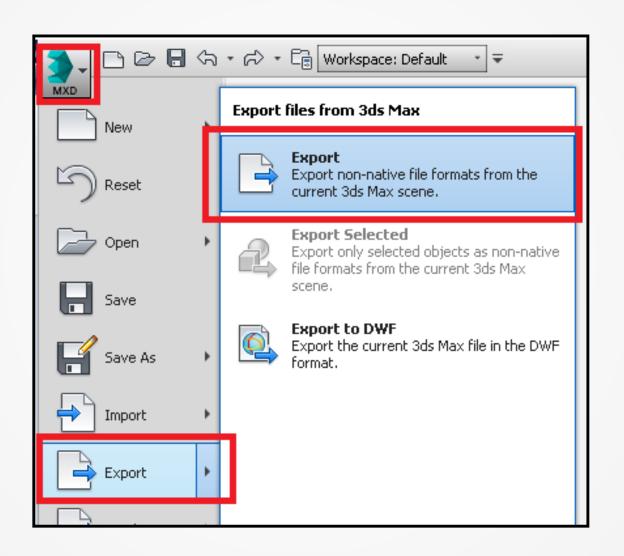


Select All... Unlink... Group... Move





Step 4: Export the modified model from 3DS Max as an FBX file

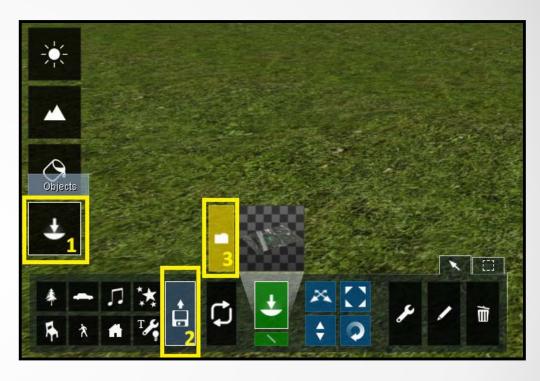




Step 5: Bring it into a Game Engine

Currently, we like Lumion for ease of use and speed. Import the FBX files







Step 5: Assign Materials to the Imported FBX







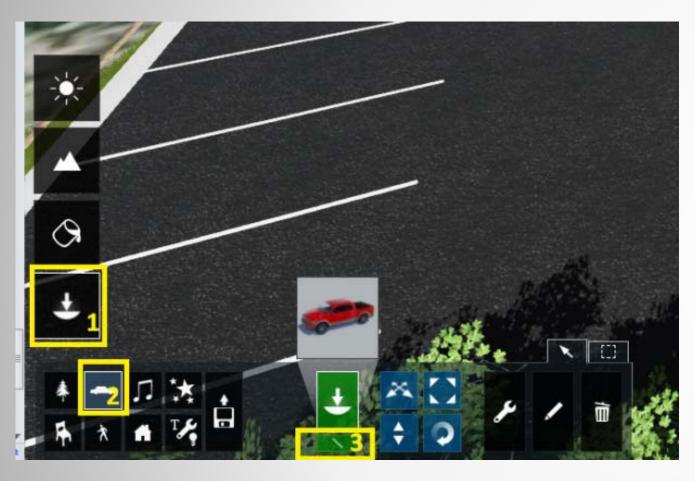
Step 5: Bring in the building. Assign Materials and rotate into place

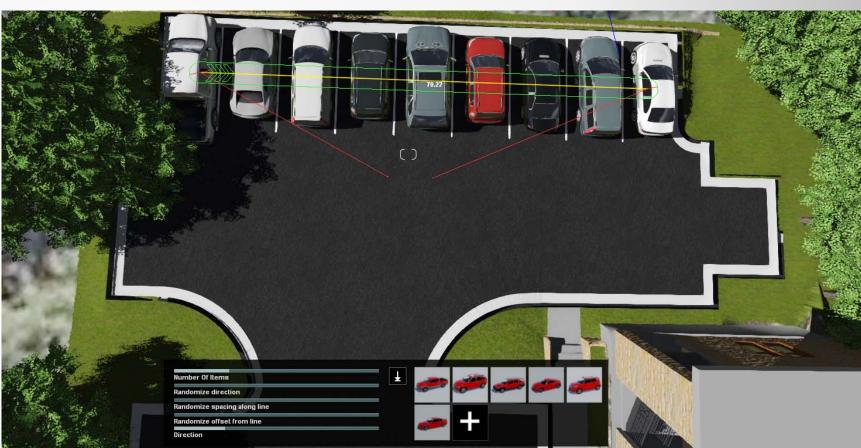






Step 5: Add assets... Cars, Landscape, light poles, dumpsters, fences







Step 5: Render images!





Bonus Material: Stingray Game Engine

Interactive First Person - shooter



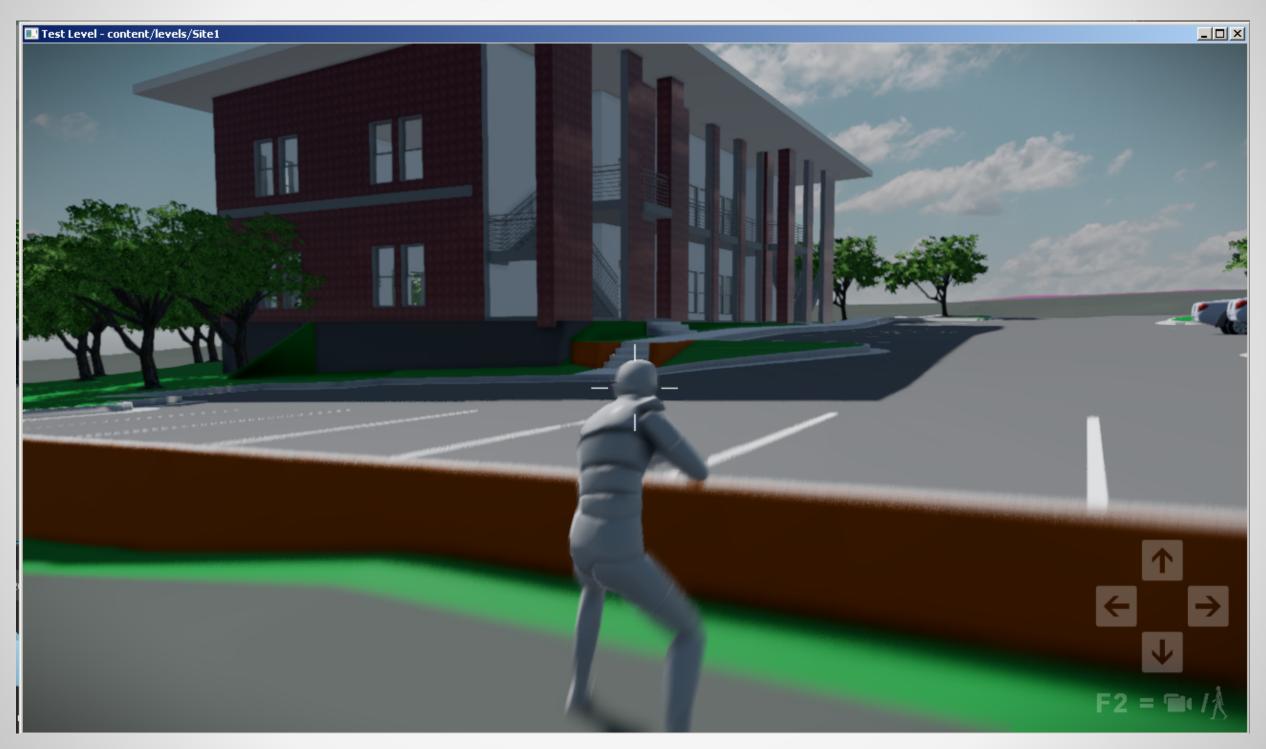


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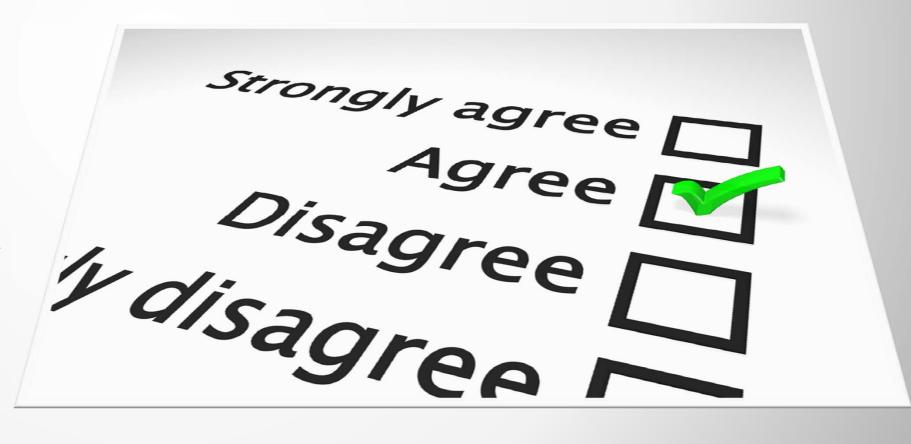
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