

# How OSPF Injects a Default Route into a Not So Stubby Area

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## Introduction

This document shows how Open Shortest Path First (OSPF) injects a default route into a not so stubby area (NSSA). The area border router (ABR) for the NSSA does not, by default, originate a default route into the NSSA. You must use the **area <x> nssa default-information originate** command.

## Prerequisites

### Requirements

There are no specific requirements for this document.

### Components Used

This document is not restricted to specific software and hardware versions.

### Conventions

For more information on document conventions, see the Cisco Technical Tips Conventions.

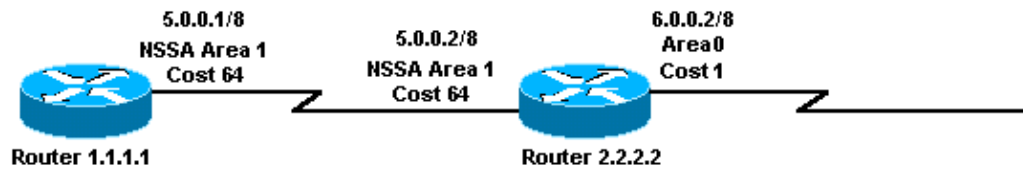
## Configure

In this section, you are presented with the information to configure the features described in this document.

**Note:** To find additional information on the commands used in this document, use the Command Lookup Tool (registered customers only) .

## Network Diagram

This document uses the network setup shown in this diagram.



## Configurations

This document uses the configurations shown here.

- Router 1.1.1.1
- Router 2.2.2.2

```
Router 1.1.1.1
Current configuration:
hostname r1.1.1.1
interface Loopback0
 ip address 1.1.1.1 255.0.0.0
interface Serial2/1/0
 ip address 5.0.0.1 255.0.0.0
router ospf 2
 network 5.0.0.0 0.255.255.255 area 1
 area 1 nssa
end
```

```
Router 2.2.2.2
Current configuration:
hostname r2.2.2.2
interface Loopback0
 ip address 2.2.2.2 255.0.0.0
interface Serial0/1/0
 ip address 5.0.0.2 255.0.0.0
interface ATM1/0.20
 ip address 6.0.0.2 255.0.0.0
router ospf 2
 network 5.0.0.0 0.255.255.255 area 1
 network 6.0.0.0 0.255.255.255 area 0
 area 1 nssa default-information originate
end
```

# Verify

This section provides information you can use to confirm your configuration is working properly.

Certain **show** commands are supported by the Output Interpreter Tool (registered customers only) , which allows you to view an analysis of **show** command output.

- **show ip ospf database** Displays a list of the Link State Advertisements (LSAs) and types them into a link state database. This list shows only the information in the LSA header.
- **show ip ospf database nssa-external** Displays information only about the NSSA external LSAs.
- **show ip route** Displays the current status of the routing table.

## Examine the OSPF Database in a Not So Stubby Area

To see how the OSPF Database looks, use the **show ip ospf database** command.

```
r2.2.2.2#show ip ospf database

      OSPF Router with ID (2.2.2.2) (Process ID 2)

      Router Link States (Area 0)

Link ID  ADV Router  Age   Seq#           Checksum  Link count
2.2.2.2  2.2.2.2          600   0x80000001    0x9583   1

      Summary Net Link States (Area 0)

Link ID  ADV Router  Age   Seq#           Checksum
5.0.0.0  2.2.2.2          600   0x80000001    0x8E61

      Router Link States (Area 1)

Link ID  ADV Router  Age   Seq#           Checksum  Link count
1.1.1.1  1.1.1.1      864   0x8000005E    0xD350   2
2.2.2.2  2.2.2.2          584   0x8000001E    0xF667   2

      Summary Net Link States (Area 1)

Link ID  ADV Router  Age   Seq#           Checksum
6.0.0.0  2.2.2.2          585   0x80000004    0xA87C

      Type-7 AS External Link States (Area 1)

Link ID  ADV Router  Age   Seq#           Checksum  Tag
0.0.0.0  2.2.2.2          601   0x80000001    0xD0D8   0
```

The ABR for the NSSA originates a type 7 and an LSA with a link ID of 0.0.0.0. This is a result of the **area 1 nssa default-information-originate** command in its OSPF configuration.

```
r2.2.2.2#show ip ospf database nssa-external 0.0.0.0

      OSPF Router with ID (2.2.2.2) (Process ID 2)

      Type-7 AS External Link States (Area 1)

LS age: 650
Options: (No TOS-capability, No Type 7/5 translation, DC)
LS Type: AS External Link
Link State ID: 0.0.0.0 (External Network Number )
Advertising Router: 2.2.2.2
LS Seq Number: 80000001
```

```
Checksum: 0xD0D8
Length: 36
Network Mask: /0
    Metric Type: 2 (Larger than any link state path)
    TOS: 0
    Metric: 1
    Forward Address: 0.0.0.0
    External Route Tag: 0
```

The ABR originates the 0.0.0.0 type 7 LSA, even though it does not have a default route.

```
r2.2.2.2#show ip route 0.0.0.0
% Network not in table

r1.1.1.1#show ip route ospf
O IA 6.0.0.0/8 [110/65] via 5.0.0.2, 00:00:18, Serial2/1/0
O*N2 0.0.0.0/0 [110/1] via 5.0.0.2, 00:00:18, Serial2/1/0
```

## Troubleshoot

There is currently no specific troubleshooting information available for this configuration.

## Related Information

- [OSPF Database Explanation Guide](#)
- [OSPF Support Page](#)
- [IP Routing Support Page](#)
- [Technical Support & Documentation – Cisco Systems](#)

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