

MobileMapper Office Tech Note: Editing NGS CORS Download Parameters

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If you attempt to automatically download NGS CORS data using MobileMapper Office and see an error message saying the RINEX download module cannot find the navigation file, this tech note will tell you how you can edit the download parameters to correct the situation.

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	Provider : NGS CORS	
	Station : PLS1 Load Available Base Station List	
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8	File not found : "/cors/rinex/2004/063/brdc0630.04n.gz"	* *
	ОК	*
	Target Path : C:\Program Files\MobileMapper Office\D0CS\Karsky\March11\	
Provider Infos : <u>http://ww</u>	w.ngs.noaa.gov/CORS/ Download Close	
Connecting to Host ''www. Searching for file ''/cors/rin Searching for file ''/cors/rin	ngs.noaa.gov'' OK nex/2004/063/pls1/pls10630.04d.Z'' OK nex/2004/063/brdc0630.04n.gz'' Error	

Background

MobileMapper Office (MMO) automatically downloads RINEX data for post-processed differential correction. There are two types of file that are required: observation, or "o" files and navigation, or "n" files. Continuously Operating Reference Station networks typically compress these files using one type of compression technology, but some, like the US National Geodetic Service (NGS), use two different types of file compression programs. The NGS publishes observation files with a .Z file extension and navigation files with a .gz file extension.

MMO can read and uncompress both types of files automatically by referring to a pre-set list of site and filename parameters. It looks on the NGS ftp site for observation files with the .Z extension and then downloads navigation files with the .gz extension. However, the NGS has recently recompressed some navigation files so that they also are

listed on the CORS ftp site with a .Z extension. This prevents MMO from automatically downloading these files and so prevents automatic differential correction.

MMO's differential correction software allows you to edit the download parameters for the various supported providers of CORS data and to create new providers. This tech note tells you how to create a new CORS network called NGS CORS II so you can automatically download the newly recompressed navigation files.

Creating a new CORS data provider

1. Click on the Download Reference Station icon on the Differential Correction tool bar.

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File Name	Start Time	End Time
A BNICOA05.066	wnload Reference Stati	on /07/2005 11:06:00 AM
🛕 BNICOB05.066	03/07/2005 10:46:00 AM	03/07/2005 11:06:00 AM

2. On the RINEX Download window, click on the small tab with three dots in it as seen in the diagram below.

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	Provider :	NGS CORS	
	Station :	KOSG Load Available Base Station List	
	Time Zone :	(GMT-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada); Tijuana	•
I	Start Date :	3/ 7/2005 Start Time : 10:46:00 AM	•
	Duration :	00:20	
	End Date :	3/ 7/2005 End Time : 11:06:00 AM	* *
	Target Path :	C:\Program Files\MobileMapper Office\DOCS\NevadaBLM\	
Provider Infos : http://www.ngs.noaa.gov/CORS/ Download Close			
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3. On the Providers selection window click on the Add button.

4. Fill out the Provider Properties window with the information in the diagram below. *Note: the letters are case sensitive.* By clicking the button with the plus sign (located to the right of the **OBS Files** and **NAV Files** fields) you can select from a list of possible strings.

Provider			Σ
Name : N		as cors	
FTF	Host:	vw.ngs.noaa.gov	
Data	Type : Co	ompact RINEX Raw Data	
Time Spar	n (min):	OBS: 1440	NAV: 1440
OE	[d]	1-digit day of week (0-6; Sunday	is 0)
NA	[dd] [ddd]	2-digit day of month (00-31) 3-digit day of year (001-366)	
Co	[h] [bb]	1-character RINEX file hour (a-x,	where a=00 GMT and x=23 GMT)
	[mm]	2-digit ninutes (00-59)	
C D-H	[MM] [MO]	2-digit month (01-12) 2-character Month (JA-DE)	
C Resti	[Mon]	3-character Month (Jan-Dec)	
	[SSSS]	4-character site ID (lower case)	
	[SSSS]	4-character site ID (upper case)	Ň
	[wwww]	4-digit GPS week number (e.g., 10	D47) VS
	[y]	1-digit year (0-9)	
	[уу]	2-digit year (00-99)	
	[уууу]	4-digit year (e.g., 2005)	

This information is nearly identical to that shown on the NGS CORS Provider Properties window. An alternative is to edit the NGS CORS parameters by replacing the .gz at the end of the NAV Files field with a .Z. When you are done, click **OK**.

Provider		×
Name :	NGS CORS II	
FTP Host:	www.ngs.noaa.gov	
Data Type :	Compact RINEX Raw Data	
Time Span (min):	1440	
OBS Files :	/cors/rinex/[yyyy]/[ddd]/[ssss]/[ssss][ddd]0.[yy]d.Z	+
NAV Files :	/cors/rinex/[yyyy]/[ddd]/brdc[ddd]0.[yy]n.Z	+
Comment :	NGS CORS site with nav files in .Z format	
More Info :	www.ngs.noaa.gov/CORS	
Public Access		
C Restricted Acc	cess	
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	OK Cancel	

5. Now highlight NGS CORS II on the Providers screen and click **OK**.

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6. After you fill out the Provider info dialog box, click **OK**. Then you must also type in the station name in the **Station** field on the **RINEX Download** page (see below). You can then click the **Download** button and MMO will download the required files.

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	Provider : NGS CORS II	
	Station : \$300 Load Available Base Station List	
	Time Zone : (GMT-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada); Tijuana	•
	Start Date : 3/ 7/2005 Start Time : 10:46:00 AM	÷
	Duration : 00:20	
	End Date : 3/ 7/2005 End Time : 11:06:00 AM	* *
	Target Path : C:\Program Files\MobileMapper Office\D0CS\NevadaBLM\	
Provider Infos : <u>www.ng</u>	noaa.gov/CORS Download Close	
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- 7. You can also click the **Show CORS** icon and double-click on the name of the reference station you wish to use, as in this case S300.
- 8. In the future if you try using NGS CORS or NGS CORS II as the RINEX data "Provider" and it does not work, click on the other Provider and it should work.