



MPLS EM—MPLS VPN MIB RFC 4382 Upgrade

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The MPLS EM—MPLS VPN MIB RFC 4382 Upgrade feature document describes the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB that supports Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) Layer 3 Virtual Private Networks (VPNs) based on RFC 4382, *MPLS/BGP Layer 3 Virtual Private Network (VPN) Management Information Base*, and describes the major differences between RFC 4382 and MPLS-VPN-MIB, which is based on the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) draft Version 3 (draft-ietf-ppvpn-mpls-vpn-mib-03.txt). This document also describes the changes needed to implement MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB (RFC 4382). The MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB provide an interface for managing the MPLS VPN feature in Cisco IOS software through the use of the Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP).

Cisco IOS MPLS Embedded Management (EM) is a set of standards and value-added services that facilitate the deployment, operation, administration, and management of MPLS-based networks according to the fault, configuration, accounting, performance, and security (FCAPS) model.

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Prerequisites for MPLS EM—MPLS VPN MIB RFC 4382 Upgrade

The MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB agent requires the following:

- SNMP is installed and enabled on the label switching routers (LSRs).
- MPLS is enabled on the LSRs.
- Multiprotocol Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) is enabled on the LSRs.
- Cisco Express Forwarding is enabled on the LSRs.
- Label Distribution Protocol (LDP) paths or traffic-engineered tunnels (RFC 3812) are configured between provider edge (PE) routers and customer edge (CE) routers.

Restrictions for MPLS EM—MPLS VPN MIB RFC 4382 Upgrade

The following is not supported for Cisco IOS Releases 12.2(33)SRC and 12.2(33)SB:

- Configuration of the MIB using the SNMP SET command is not supported, except for the trap-related object, `mplsL3VpnNotificationEnable`.

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MPLS Layer 3 VPN Overview

The MPLS Layer 3 VPN technology allows service providers to offer intranet and extranet VPN services that directly connect their customers' remote offices to a public network with the same security and service levels that a private network offers. Each VPN is associated with one or more VPN routing and forwarding (VRF) instances. A VRF is created for each VPN defined on a router and contains most of the information needed to manage and monitor MPLS Layer 3 VPNs: an IP routing table, a derived Cisco Express Forwarding table, a set of interfaces that use this forwarding table, and a set of rules and routing protocol parameters that control the information that is included in the routing table.

MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Benefits

The MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB provides access to VRF information, and to interfaces included in the VRF, and other configuration and monitoring information.

The MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB provides the following benefits:

- A standards-based SNMP interface for retrieving information about critical MPLS VPN events.
- VRF information to assist in the management and monitoring of MPLS VPNs.
- Information, in conjunction with the Interfaces MIB, about interfaces assigned to VRFs.
- Performance statistics for all VRFs on a router.
- The generation and queuing of notifications that call attention to major changes in the operational status of MPLS VPN enabled interfaces and the forwarding of notification messages to a designated network management system (NMS) for evaluation and action by network administrators.
- Warning when VPN routing tables are approaching or exceed their capacity.
- Warnings about the reception of illegal labels on a VRF-enabled interface. Such receptions may indicate misconfiguration or an attempt to violate security.

Capabilities Supported by the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB

SNMP agent code operating with the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB enables a standardized, SNMP-based approach to managing MPLS VPNs in Cisco IOS software.

The MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB is based on RFC 4382, *MPLS/BGP Layer 3 Virtual Private Network (VPN) Management Information Base*, which includes objects describing features that support MPLS VPN events.

The MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB provides you with the ability to do the following:

- Gather routing and forwarding information for MPLS VPNs on a router.
- Display information in the VRF routing table.
- Send notification messages that signal changes when critical MPLS VPN events occur.
- Enable, disable, and configure notification messages for MPLS VPN events by using extensions to existing SNMP command-line interface (CLI) commands.
- Specify the IP address of an NMS in the operating environment to which notification messages are sent.
- Write notification configurations into nonvolatile memory.

Some slight differences between RFC 4382 and the actual implementation of MPLS VPNs within Cisco IOS software require some minor translations between the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB and the internal data structures of Cisco IOS software. These translations are accomplished by means of the SNMP agent code. Also, while running as a low priority process, the SNMP agent provides a management interface to Cisco IOS software. SNMP adds minimal overhead on the normal functions of the device.

All MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB objects are based on RFC 4382; thus, no Cisco-specific SNMP application is required to support the functions and operations pertaining to the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB features.

Supported Objects in the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB

The MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB contains numerous tables and object definitions that provide read-only SNMP management support for the MPLS VPN feature in Cisco IOS software. The MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB conforms to Abstract Syntax Notation One (ASN.1), thus providing an idealized MPLS VPN database.

Using any standard SNMP network management application, you can retrieve and display information from the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB using GET operations; similarly, you can traverse information in the MIB database for display using GETNEXT operations.

The MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB tables and objects are described briefly in the following sections:

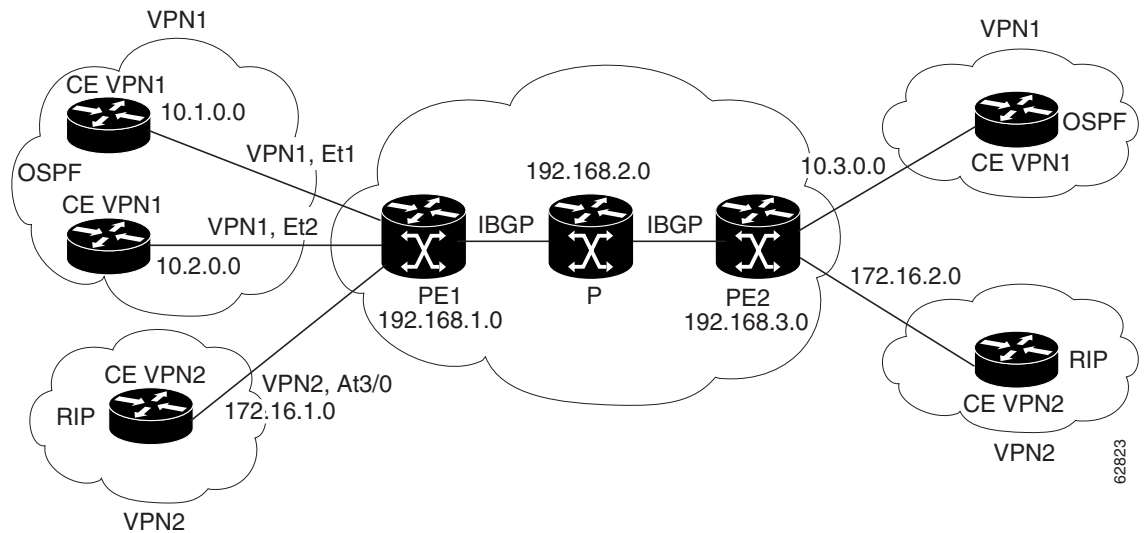
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[Figure 1](#) shows a simple MPLS VPN configuration. This configuration includes two customer MPLS VPNs (labeled VPN1 and VPN2) and a simple provider network that consists of two PE routers (labeled PE1 and PE2) and a provider core router labeled P. [Figure 1](#) shows the following sample configuration:

- VRF names—VPN1 and VPN2
- Interfaces associated with VRFs—Et1, Et2, and At3/0
- Routing protocols—Open Shortest Path First (OSPF), Routing Information Protocol (RIP), and Interior Border Gateway Protocol (IBGP)
- Routes associated with VPN1—10.1.0.0, 10.2.0.0, and 10.3.0.0
- Routes associated with VPN2—172.16.1.0 and 172.16.2.0
- Routes associated with the provider network—192.168.1.0, 192.168.2.0, and 192.168.3.0

This configuration is used to explain MPLS VPN events that are monitored and managed by the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB.

Figure 1 Sample MPLS Layer 3 VPN Configuration



For information on IPv6 VPN over MPLS (6VPE) configuration, see the “Implementing IPv6 VPN over MPLS (6VPE)” chapter in the *Cisco IOS IPv6 Configuration Guide*.

MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Scalar Objects

MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB defines several scalar objects. [Table 1](#) describes the scalar objects that are implemented for Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SRC and Release 12.2(33)SB.

Table 1 MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Scalar Objects

MIB Object	Description
mplsL3VpnConfiguredVrfs	The number of VRFs configured on the router, including VRFs recently deleted.
mplsL3VpnActiveVrfs	The number of VRFs that are active on the router. An active VRF is assigned to at least one interface that is in the operationally up state.
mplsL3VpnConnectedInterfaces	The total number of interfaces assigned to a VRF.
mplsL3VpnNotificationEnable	An object to enable or disable MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB notifications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Setting this object to true enables all notifications defined in the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB. Setting this object to false disables all notifications defined in the MIB. This is the default. This is one of the few objects that is writable.
mplsL3VpnVrfConfMaxPossRts	The number of routes that this router is capable of storing. This value cannot be determined because it is based on the amount of available memory in the system. Therefore, this object is set to zero (0).

Table 1 MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Scalar Objects (continued)

MIB Object	Description
mplsL3VpnVrfConfRteMxThrshTime	<p>An interval in seconds in which repeat mplsL3VpnVrfNumVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded notifications can be sent if there is an attempt to continuously add routes after the maximum route limit is reached.</p> <p>The default value is 0. When the value is 0, the MIB agent does not send the notification again unless the number of routes drops below the threshold and attempts to exceed the threshold again.</p> <p>You can set the number of seconds after which the maximum threshold notification is sent with the following configuration command:</p> <pre>Router(config)# snmp mib mpls vpn max-threshold seconds</pre>
mplsL3VpnIILblRcvThrsh	<p>A number above which the receipt of an illegal label generates an mplsNumVrfSecIILglLblThrshExcd notification. The default value is 0.</p> <p>You can set the number of illegal labels that generate a notification with the following configuration command:</p> <pre>Router(config)# snmp mib mpls vpn illegal-label number</pre>

MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB MIB Tables

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VRF Configuration Table (mplsL3VpnVrfTable)

Entries in the VRF configuration table (mplsL3VpnVrfTable) represent the VRF instances that are configured on the router. These include recently deleted VRFs. The information in this table is also displayed in the output of the **show vrf detail** command.

Each VRF is referenced by its VRF name (mplsL3VpnVrfName).

[Table 2](#) lists MPLS Layer 3 VPN information and the associated MIB objects supported by the VRF configuration table (mplsL3VpnVrfTable).

Table 2 VRF Configuration Table—MPLS Layer 3 VPN Information and Associated MIB Objects

MIB Object	MPLS Layer 3 VPN Information
mplsL3VpnVrfName	<p>The name associated with this VRF. When this object is used as an index to a table, the first octet is the string length, and subsequent octets are the ASCII codes of each character. For example, “vpn1” is represented as 4.118.112.110.49.</p> <p>The VRF name can be equivalent to the VPN ID. If the VRF name is equivalent to the VPN ID, the VRF name must be equivalent to the value for the mplsL3VpnVrfVpnId MIB object. We recommend that all sites that support VRFs that are part of the same VPN use the same naming convention for VRFs and use the same VPN ID.</p>
mplsL3VpnVrfVpnId	The VPN identification number based on RFC 2685. If you do not specify a VPN ID, the value is an empty string.
mplsL3VpnVrfDescription	<p>The description of the VRF. This is specified with the description command in VRF configuration mode:</p> <pre>Router(config)# vrf definition vrf-name Router(config-vrf)# description vrf-description</pre> <p>Note You can use the vrf definition vrf-name command to configure both IPv6 and IPv4 address-family VRFs. When you use the ip vrf vrf-name command, you can configure only an IPv4 address-family VRF.</p>
mplsL3VpnVrfRD	<p>The route distinguisher for this VRF. This is specified with the rd command in VRF configuration mode:</p> <pre>Router(config)# vrf definition vrf-name Router(config-vrf)# rd route-distinguisher</pre> <p>Note You can use the vrf definition vrf-name command to configure both IPv6 and IPv4 address-family VRFs. When you use the ip vrf vrf-name command, you can configure only an IPv4 address-family VRF.</p>
mplsL3VpnVrfCreationTime	The value of the sysUpTime when this VRF entry was created.
mplsL3VpnVrfOperStatus	<p>The operational status of this VRF. A VRF is up (1) when at least one interface associated with the VRF is up. A VRF is down (2) when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No interfaces exist whose ifOperStatus = up (1). • No interfaces are associated with this VRF.
mplsL3VpnVrfActiveInterfaces	The number of interfaces assigned to this VRF that are operationally up.
mplsL3VpnVrfAssociatedInterfaces	The number of interfaces assigned to this VRF, independent of the operational status.

Table 2 VRF Configuration Table—MPLS Layer 3 VPN Information and Associated MIB Objects (continued)

MIB Object	MPLS Layer 3 VPN Information
mplsL3VpnVrfConfMidRteThresh	<p>The middle threshold. If the number of routes in the VRF crosses this threshold, an mplsL3VpnVrfRouteMidThreshExceeded notification is sent (if notifications are enabled and configured). You can set this value in VRF address family configuration mode as a percentage of the maximum with the maximum routes limit {warn-threshold warn-only} command.</p> <p>For example, the following maximum routes command sets the warning threshold for an IPv4 address family in VRF vpn1 as 50 percent of the maximum route threshold:</p> <pre>Router(config)# vrf definition vpn1 Router(config-vrf)# address-family ipv4 Router(config-vrf-af)# maximum routes 1000 50</pre> <p>If vpn1 also has an IPv6 address family configured, the following maximum routes command sets the warning threshold for the IPv6 address family as 50 percent of its maximum route threshold:</p> <pre>Router(config)# vrf definition vpn1 Router(config-vrf)# address-family ipv6 Router(config-vrf-af)# maximum routes 2000 50</pre> <p>Note The vrf definition vrf-name command can configure both IPv6 and IPv4 address-family VRFs. When you use the ip vrf vrf-name command, you can configure only an IPv4 address-family VRF.</p> <p>If both IPv4 and IPv6 address-family configurations are present in the VRF, the threshold is an aggregate of the warning threshold values. In this example, the aggregate warning threshold is 1500 routes [(ipv4 = 500) + (ipv6 = 1000)]. An mplsL3VpnVrfRouteMidThreshExceeded notification is not sent until both address families reach their warning threshold. If only a single address family exists for the VRF, the mplsL3VpnVrfRouteMidThreshExceeded notification is sent when the warning threshold is reached for the single address family.</p> <p>The following command sets a middle threshold of 1000 routes. An mplsL3VrfRouteMidThreshExceeded notification is sent when this threshold is exceeded. However, additional routes are still allowed because a maximum route threshold is not set with this command.</p> <pre>Router(config-vrf-if)# maximum routes 1000 warn-only</pre> <p>See the “MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Notification Events” section on page 18 for more information on the mplsL3VpnVrfRouteMidThreshExceeded notification.</p>

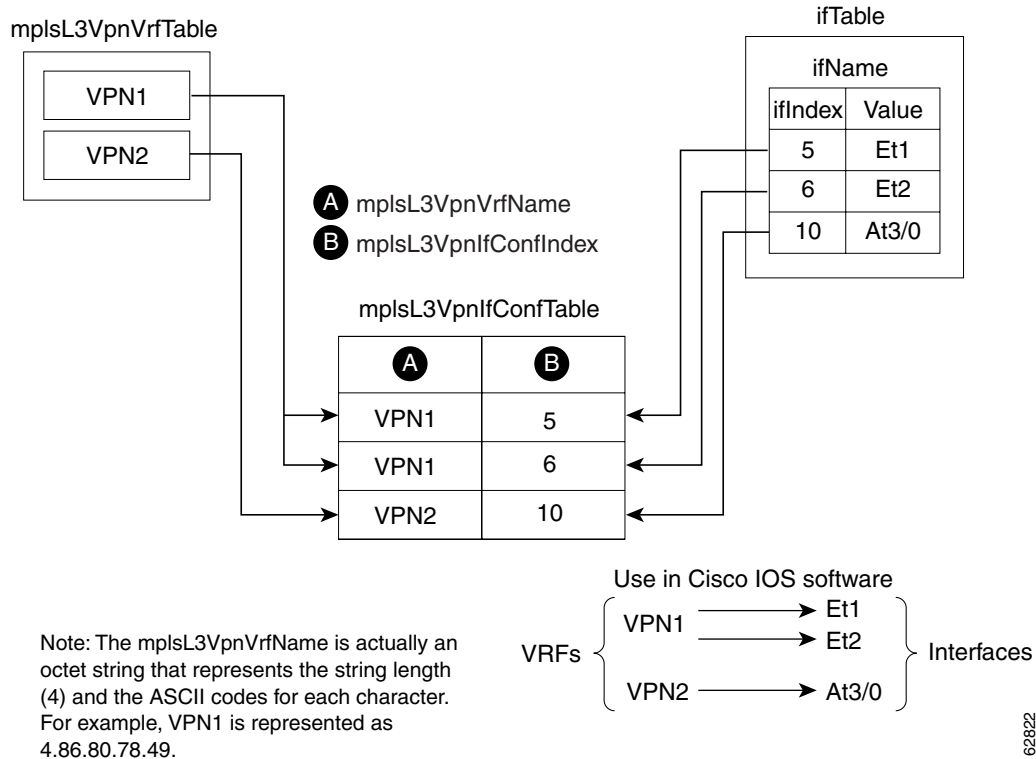
Table 2 VRF Configuration Table—MPLS Layer 3 VPN Information and Associated MIB Objects (continued)

MIB Object	MPLS Layer 3 VPN Information
mplsL3VpnVrfConfHighRteThresh	<p>The maximum route threshold. If the number of routes in the VRF crosses this threshold, an mplsL3VpnVrfNumVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded notification is sent (if notifications are enabled and configured). You can set this value in VRF address family configuration mode with the maximum routes limit {<i>warn-threshold</i> warn-only} command as follows:</p> <pre>Router(config)# vrf definition vpn2 Router(config-vrf)# address-family ipv4 Router(config-vrf-af)# maximum routes 1000 75 Router(config)# vrf definition vpn2 Router(config-vrf)# address-family ipv6 Router(config-vrf-af)# maximum routes 2000 75</pre> <p>Note The vrf definition vrf-name command can configure both IPv6 and IPv4 address-family VRFs. When you use the ip vrf vrf-name command, you can configure only an IPv4 address-family VRF.</p> <p>If both IPv4 and IPv6 address-family configurations are present in the VRF, the threshold is an aggregate of the maximum threshold values. In this example, the aggregate maximum route threshold is 3000 [(ipv4 = 1000)+ (ipv6 = 2000)]. An mplsL3VpnVrfNumVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded notification is not sent until both address families reaches their maximum route threshold. If only a single address family exists for the VRF, the mplsL3VpnVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded notification is sent when the maximum route threshold is reached for the single address family. Routes are not added to the address-family that has already reached its maximum route threshold.</p> <p>See the “MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Notification Events” section on page 18 for more information on the mplsL3VpnVrfNumVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded notification.</p>
mplsL3VpnVrfConfMaxRoutes	This value is the same as that for mplsL3VpnVrfConfHighRteThresh.
mplsL3VpnVrfConfLastChanged	<p>The value of sysUpTime when the configuration of the VRF changes or interfaces are assigned or unassigned from the VRF.</p> <p>Note This object is updated only when values in this table change.</p>
mplsL3VpnVrfConfRowStatus	The status of a row in the table. This object normally reads “active (1),” but may read “notInService (2)” if a VRF was recently deleted.
mplsL3VpnVrfConfAdminStatus	<p>The operation status of the VRF. The possible values are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • up (1)—At least one interface is administratively up and the VRF is ready to pass packets. • down (2)—All interfaces are administratively down and the VRF cannot pass packets.
mplsL3VpnVrfConfStorageType	The storage type for the VRF entry. This object always returns a value of “volatile (2).”

VPN Interface Configuration Table (mplsL3VpnIfConfTable)

In Cisco IOS software, a VRF is associated with one MPLS Layer 3 VPN. Zero or more interfaces can be associated with a VRF. A VRF uses an interface that is defined in the ifTable of the Interfaces Group of MIB II (IFMIB). The IFMIB defines objects for managing interfaces. The ifTable of this MIB contains information on each interface in the network. The mplsL3VpnIfConfTable associates a VRF from the mplsL3VpnVrfTable with a forwarding interface from the ifTable. [Figure 2](#) shows the relationship between VRFs and interfaces defined in the ifTable and the mplsL3VpnIfConfTable.

Figure 2 VRFs, the Interfaces MIB, and the mplsL3VpnIfConfTable



Entries in the VPN interface configuration table (mplsL3VpnIfConfTable) represent the interfaces that are assigned to each VRF. The information available in this table is also displayed in the output of the **show vrf** command.

The mplsL3VpnIfConfTable shows how interfaces are assigned to VRFs. An LSR creates an entry in this table for every interface capable of supporting MPLS Layer 3 VPNs.

The mplsL3VpnIfConfTable is indexed by the following:

- mplsL3VpnVrfName—The VRF name
- mplsL3VpnIfConfIndex—An identifier that is the same as the ifIndex from the Interface MIB of the interface assigned to the VRF

[Table 3](#) lists MPLS Layer 3 VPN information and the associated MIB objects supported by the VPN interface configuration table (mplsL3VpnIfConfTable).

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Table 3 VPN Interface Configuration Table—MPLS Layer 3 VPN Information and Associated MIB Objects

MIB Object	MPLS Layer 3 VPN Information
mplsL3VpnIfConfIndex	Provides the interface MIB ifIndex of this interface that is assigned to a VRF.
mplsL3VpnIfVpnClassification	Specifies what type of VPN this interface is providing: carrier supporting carrier (CsC) (1), enterprise (2), or InterProvider (3). This value is set to enterprise (2) if MPLS is not enabled and to carrier supporting carrier (1) if MPLS is enabled on this interface.
mplsL3VpnIfVpnRouteDistProtocol	Indicates the route distribution protocols that are being used to redistribute routes across the PE-to-CE link on this interface: none (0), BGP (1), OSPF (2), RIP (3), Intermediate System-Intermediate System (IS-IS) (4), static (5), or other (6). More than one protocol can be enabled at the same time. In Cisco IOS software, router processes are defined and redistributed on a per-VRF basis, not per-interface. Therefore, all interfaces assigned to the same VRF have the same value for this object.
mplsL3VpnIfConfStorageType	Indicates the storage type for the VPN interface entry. The default value for this object is “volatile (2).”
mplsL3VpnIfConfRowStatus	Provides the status of the row in the table that associates the specified interface with the VRF. This object normally reads “active (1),” but may read “notInService (2),” if a VRF was recently deleted.

VRF Route Target Table (mplsL3VpnVrfRTTable)

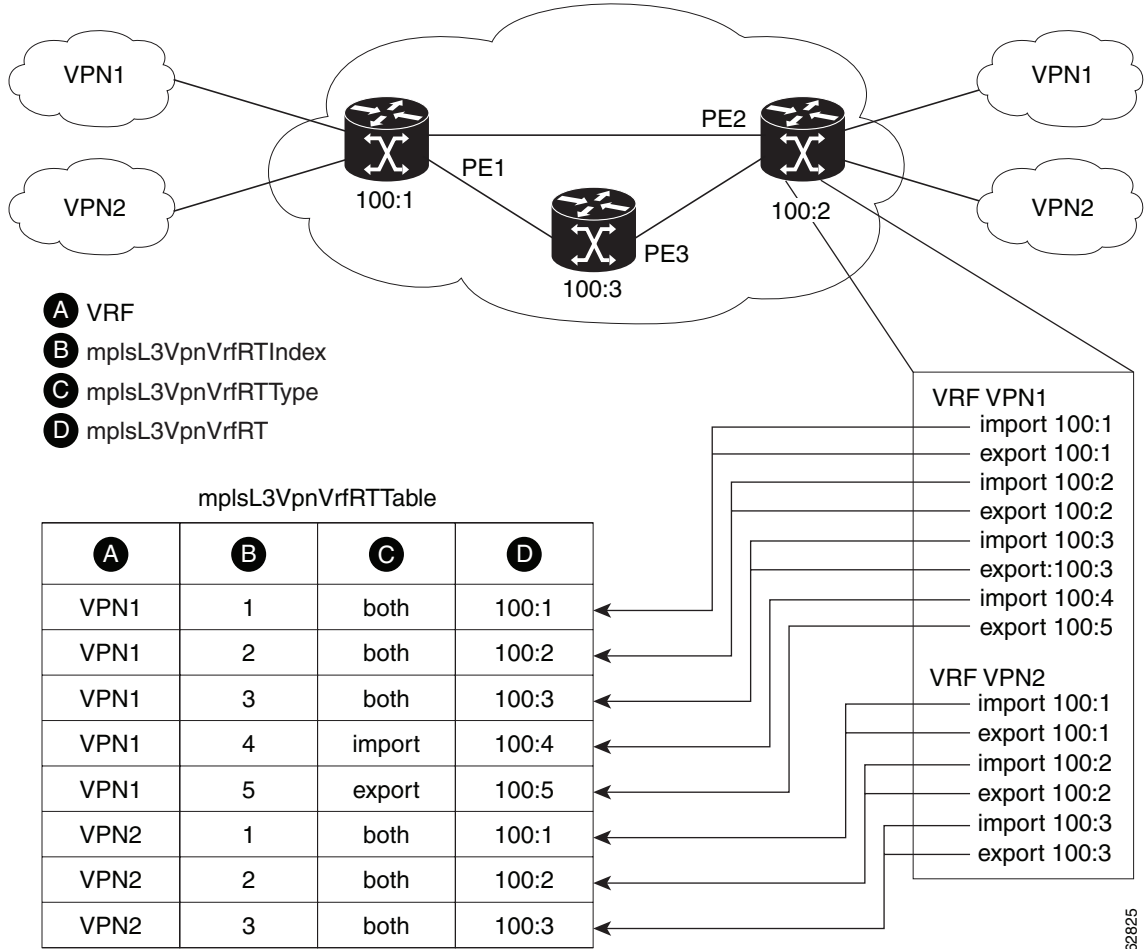
The VRF route target table (mplsL3VpnVrfRTTable) describes the route target communities that are defined for a particular VRF. An LSR creates an entry in this table for each target configured for a VRF supporting an MPLS Layer 3 VPN instance.

The distribution of VPN routing information is controlled through the use of VPN route target communities, implemented by BGP extended communities. Distribution of VPN routing information works as follows:

- When a VPN route learned from a CE router is injected into BGP, a list of VPN route target extended community attributes is associated with it. Typically the list of route target community values is set from an export list of route targets associated with the VRF from which the route was learned.
- An import list of route target extended communities is associated with each VRF. The import list defines route target extended community attributes a route must have for the route to be imported into the VRF. For example, if the import list for a particular VRF includes route target communities A, B, and C, then any VPN route that carries any of those route target extended communities—A, B, or C—is imported into the VRF.

Figure 3 shows a sample configuration and its relationship to an mplsL3VpnVrfRTTable. A route target table exists on each PE router. Routers with route distinguishers (RDs) 100:1, 100:2, and 100:3 are shown in the sample configuration. Routers with RDs 100:4 and 100:5 are not shown in Figure 3, but are included in the route targets for PE2 and in the mplsL3VpnVrfRTTable.

Figure 3 Sample Configuration and the mplsL3VpnVrfRTTable



Note: The mplsL3VpnVrfName is actually an octet string that represents the string length (4) and the ASCII codes for each character. For example, VPN1 is represented as 4.86.80.78.49.

The mplsL3VpnVrfRTTable shows the import and export route targets for each VRF. The table is indexed by the following:

- mplsL3VpnVrfName—The VRF name
- mplsL3VpnVrfRTIndex—The route target entry identifier
- mplsL3VpnVrfRTType—A value specifying whether the entry is an import route target, is an export route target, or is defined as both

Table 4 lists MPLS Layer 3 VPN information and the associated MIB objects supported by the VRF route target table (mplsL3VpnVrfRTTable).

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Table 4 VRF Route Target Table—MPLS Layer 3 VPN Information and Associated MIB Objects

MIB Object	MPLS Layer 3 VPN Information
mplsL3VpnVrfRTIndex	A value that defines each route target's position in the table.
mplsL3VpnVrfRTType	The route target distribution type: import (1), export (2), or both (3).
mplsL3VpnVrfRT	The route target distribution policy. Determines the route distinguisher for this target.
mplsL3VpnVrfRTDescr	This object contains a string that indicates the address family in which the route target was declared. If the route target was declared in an IPv4 address family, the value of this object is AF_IPv4. If the route target was declared in an IPv6 address family, the value of this object is AF_IPv6.
mplsL3VpnVrfRTRowStatus	The status of the row in the table. This object normally reads "active (1)," but may read "notInService (2)" if a VRF was recently deleted.
mplsL3VpnVrfRTStorageType	The storage type for the VPN route target entry. The default value for this object is "volatile (2)."

VRF Security Table (mplsL3VpnVrfSecTable)

The VRF security table (mplsL3VpnVrfSecTable) provides information about security for each VRF. An LSR creates an entry in this table for every VRF capable of supporting MPLS Layer 3 VPNs.

The mplsL3VpnVrfSecTable augments the mplsL3VpnVrfTable and has the same indexing.

[Table 5](#) lists MPLS Layer 3 VPN information and the associated MIB objects supported by the VRF security table (mplsL3VpnVrfSecTable).

Table 5 VRF Security Table—MPLS Layer 3 VPN Information and Associated MIB Objects

MIB Object	MPLS Layer 3 Information
mplsL3VpnVrfSecIllegalLblVltns	<p>The number of illegally received labels on a VRF interface. Only illegal labels are counted by this object, therefore the object applies only to a VRF interface that is MPLS-enabled (carrier supporting carrier [CsC] situation).</p> <p>This counter is incremented whenever a label is received that is above or below the valid label range, is not in the global label forwarding table, or is received on the wrong VRF (that is, table IDs for the receiving interface and appropriate VRF label forwarding table do not match).</p> <p>Note Discontinuities can occur at reinitialization of the management system and at other times are indicated by the value of the mplsL3VpnVrfSecDiscontinuityTime object.</p>
mplsL3VpnVrfSecDiscontinuityTime	The value of sysUpTime when any one or more of this entry's counters last had a discontinuity. A switchover would cause a discontinuity. If no discontinuities occurred since the last reinitialization of the local management system, this object contains a value of 0.

VRF Performance Table (mplsL3VpnVrfPerfTable)

The VRF performance table (mplsL3VpnVrfPerfTable) provides statistical performance information for each VRF. An LSR creates an entry in this table for every VRF capable of supporting MPLS Layer 3 VPNs.

The `mplsL3VpnVrfPerfTable` augments the `mplsL3VpnVrfTable` and has the same indexing.

[Table 6](#) lists the MPLS Layer 3 VPN information and the associated MIB objects supported by the VRF performance table (`mplsL3VpnVrfPerfTable`).

Table 6 VRF Performance Table—MPLS Layer 3 VPN Information and Associated MIB Objects

MIB Object	MPLS Layer 3 VPN Information
<code>mplsL3VpnVrfPerfRoutesAdded</code>	<p>The value of this counter is the number of routes added to this VRF since the last discontinuity. Discontinuities can occur at reinitialization of the management system (such as on a switchover) and at other times are indicated by the value of the <code>mplsL3VpnVrfPerfDiscTime</code> object.</p> <p>If both IPv4 and IPv6 address-family configurations are present in the VRF, the value of this counter is the sum of the number of routes from the IPv4 and IPv6 routing tables that are added to the VRF.</p>
<code>mplsL3VpnVrfPerfRoutesDeleted</code>	<p>The value of this counter is the number of routes removed from this VRF.</p> <p>Note Discontinuities can occur at reinitialization of the management system and at other times are indicated by the value of the <code>mplsL3VpnVrfPerfDiscTime</code> object.</p> <p>If both IPv4 and IPv6 address-family configurations are present in the VRF, the value of this counter is the sum of the number of routes from the IPv4 and IPv6 routing tables that have been deleted from the VRF.</p>
<code>mplsL3VpnVrfPerfCurrNumRoutes</code>	<p>The number of routes currently defined within this VRF.</p> <p>If both IPv4 and IPv6 address-family configurations are present in the VRF, the number of routes is the sum of the number of routes defined for the IPv4 and IPv6 address families in the VRF.</p>
<code>mplsL3VpnVrfPerfRoutesDropped</code>	This object is not supported. The counter always returns a value of 0.
<code>mplsL3VpnVrfPerfDiscTime</code>	The value of <code>sysUpTime</code> when any one or more of this entry's counters had a discontinuity. A switchover would cause a discontinuity. If no discontinuities occurred since the last reinitialization of the local management subsystem, this object contains a value of 0.

VRF Routing Table (`mplsL3VpnVrfRteTable`)

The VRF routing table (`mplsL3VpnVrfRteTable`) provides per-interface routing table information for each MPLS Layer 3 VPN VRF.

The information available in this table can also be displayed with the `show ip route vrf vrf-name` command for IPv4 routes or the `show ipv6 route vrf vrf-name` command for IPv6 routes.

- For example, for PE1 in [Figure 1](#), with the `show ip route vrf vpn1` command, you would see results like the following:

```
Router# show ip route vrf vpn1
```

```
Codes: C - connected, S - static, I - IGRP, R - RIP, M - mobile, B - BGP
D - EIGRP, EX - EIGRP external, O - OSPF, IA - OSPF inter area
N1 - OSPF NSSA external type 1, N2 - OSPF NSSA external type 2
E1 - OSPF external type 1, E2 - OSPF external type 2, E - EGP
i - IS-IS, L1 - IS-IS level-1, L2 - IS-IS level-2, ia - IS-IS inter area
```

```

* - candidate default, U - per-user static route, o - ODR
P - periodic downloaded static route
!
Gateway of last resort is not set
!
      10.0.0.0/32 is subnetted, 3 subnets
B       10.3.0.0 [200/0] via 192.168.2.1, 04:36:33
C       10.1.0.0/16 is directly connected, Ethernet1
C       10.2.0.0/16 [200/0] directly connected Ethernet2, 04:36:33

```

- With the **show ip route vrf vpn2** command, you would see results like the following:

```

Router# show ip route vrf vpn2

Codes: C - connected, S - static, I - IGRP, R - RIP, M - mobile, B - BGP
D - EIGRP, EX - EIGRP external, O - OSPF, IA - OSPF inter area
N1 - OSPF NSSA external type 1, N2 - OSPF NSSA external type 2
E1 - OSPF external type 1, E2 - OSPF external type 2, E - EGP
i - IS-IS, L1 - IS-IS level-1, L2 - IS-IS level-2, ia - IS-IS inter area
* - candidate default, U - per-user static route, o - ODR
P - periodic downloaded static route
!
Gateway of last resort is not set
!
      172.16.0.0/32 is subnetted, 2 subnets
B       172.16.2.0 [200/0] via 192.168.2.1, 04:36:33
C       172.16.1.0 is directly connected, ATM 3/0

```

- The following is sample IPv6 output associated with a VRF named vrf3 that you would see with the **show ipv6 route vrf** command:

```

Router# show ipv6 route vrf vrf3

IPv6 Routing Table vrf3 - 6 entries

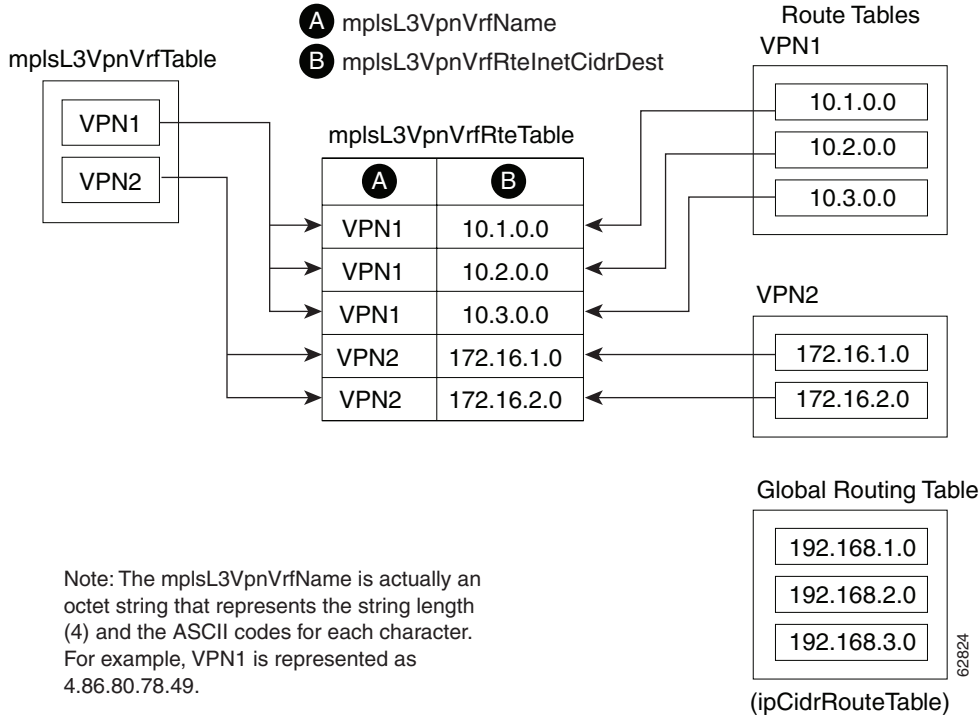
Codes: C - Connected, L - Local, S - Static, R - RIP, B - BGP
       U - Per-user Static route
       I1 - ISIS L1, I2 - ISIS L2, IA - ISIS interarea
       O - OSPF intra, OI - OSPF inter, OE1 - OSPF ext 1, OE2 - OSPF ext 2

C  2001:8::/64 [0/0]
   via ::, FastEthernet0/0
L  2001:8::3/128 [0/0]
   via ::, FastEthernet0/0
B  2002:8::/64 [200/0]
   via ::FFFF:192.168.1.4,
B  2010::/64 [20/1]
   via 2001:8::1,
C  2012::/64 [0/0]
   via ::, Loopback1
L  2012::1/128 [0/0]
   via ::, Loopback1

```

Figure 4 shows the relationship of the routing tables, the VRFs, and the `mplsL3VpnVrfRteTable`. You can display information about the VPN1 and VPN2 route tables using the **show ip route vrf vrf-name** command. The global route table for IPv4 routes is the same as `ipCidrRouteTable` in the IP-FORWARD-MIB. You can display information about the global route table with the **show ip route** command.

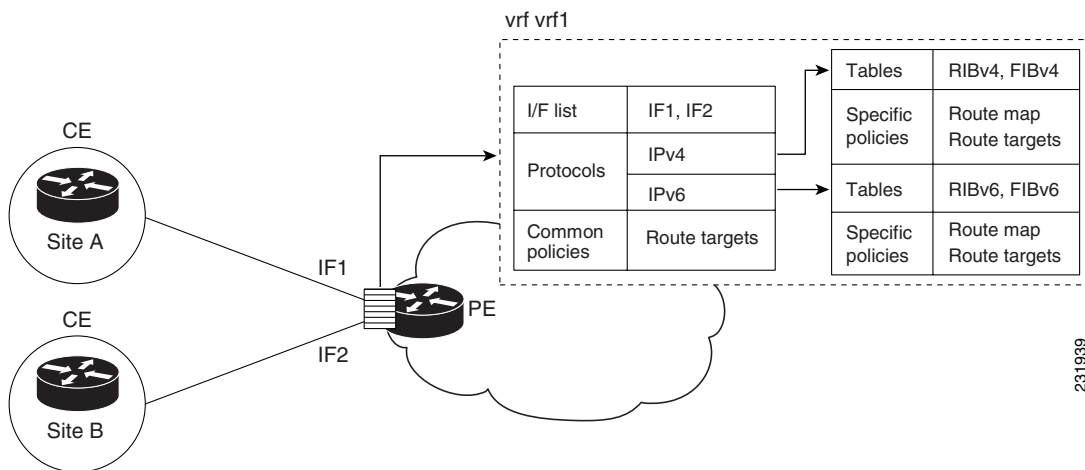
Figure 4 IPv4 Route Table, VRFs, and the mplsL3VpnVrfRteTable



You can display information about IPv6 route tables using the `show ipv6 route vrf {vrf-name | vrf-number}` command. The global route table for IPv6 routes is the same as `inetCidrRouteTable` in the IP-FORWARD-MIB. You can display information about the global route table with the `show ipv6 route` command.

Figure 5 illustrates a multiprotocol VRF, in which the VRF named `vrf1` is enabled for both IPv4 and IPv6 routes and is associated with two interfaces (`IF1`, `IF2`), two sets of tables (IPv4 RIB and FIB and IPv6 RIB and FIB), and a set of common or distinct policies.

Figure 5 Multiprotocol VRF



An LSR creates an entry in the `mplsL3VpnVrfRteTable` for every route that is configured, either dynamically or statically, within the context of a specific VRF capable of supporting MPLS Layer 3 VPNs.

The `mplsL3VpnVrfRteTable` is indexed by the following:

- `mplsL3VpnVrfName`—The VRF name, which provides the VRF routing context
- `mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrDestType`—The destination address type (IPv4 or IPv6)
- `mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrDest`—The destination IPv4 or IPv6 address
- `mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrPfxLen`—The length of the prefix for the IP destination address
- `mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrPolicy`—An index that distinguishes between multiple paths to the same destination
- `mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrNHopType`—The address type of the next hop IP address (IPv4 or IPv6)
- `mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrNextHop`—The IP address of the next hop for each route entry

[Table 7](#) lists MPLS Layer 3 VPN information for the MIB objects supported by the VRF routing table (`mplsL3VpnVrfRteTable`). This table represents VRF-specific routes. The global routing table is the `ipCidrRouteTable` (IPv4 routes) or `inetCidrRouteTable` (IPv6 routes) in the IP-FORWARD-MIB.

Table 7 VRF Routing Table—MPLS Layer 3 VPN Information and Associated MIB Objects

MIB Object	MPLS LAYER 3 VPN Information
<code>mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrDestType</code>	The address type of the IP destination address. This object has a value of <code>ipv4</code> (1) or <code>ipv6</code> (2).
<code>mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrDest</code>	The destination IP address defined for this route. The type of this address is determined by the value of the <code>mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrDestType</code> object. The values for the index objects <code>mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrDest</code> and <code>mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrPfxLen</code> must be consistent.
<code>mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrPfxLen</code>	The length of the prefix for the destination address (<code>mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrDest</code>). The values for the index objects <code>mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrDest</code> and <code>mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrPfxLen</code> must be consistent.
<code>mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrPolicy</code>	An index used to distinguish between multiple paths to the same destination. The default value is (0 0).
<code>mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrNHopType</code>	The address type of the next hop IP address. This object has the following values: <code>unknown</code> (0), <code>ipv4</code> (1), <code>ipv6</code> (2), or <code>ipv6z</code> (4). The value should be set to <code>unknown</code> (0) for routes that are not remote.
<code>mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrNextHop</code>	The next hop IP address defined for this route. The type of this address is determined by the <code>mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrNHopType</code> object.
<code>mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrIfIndex</code>	The interface MIB <code>ifIndex</code> for the interface through which this route is forwarded. The object is 0 if no interface is defined for the route.
<code>mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrType</code>	The type of route. The value <code>local</code> (3) indicates a route for which the next hop is the final destination. The value <code>remote</code> (4) is for a route for which the next hop is not the final destination.
<code>mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrProto</code>	The routing protocol that was responsible for adding this route to the VRF.
<code>mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrAge</code>	The number of seconds since this route was last updated.

Table 7 VRF Routing Table—MPLS Layer 3 VPN Information and Associated MIB Objects (continued)

MIB Object	MPLS LAYER 3 VPN Information
mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrNextHopAS	The autonomous system number of the next hop for this route. This object is not supported and is always 0.
mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrMetric1	The primary routing metric used for this route.
mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrMetric2 mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrMetric3 mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrMetric4 mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrMetric5	Alternate routing metrics used for this route. These objects are supported only for Cisco Interior Gateway Routing Protocol (IGRP) and Cisco Enhanced Interior Gateway Routing Protocol (EIGRP) protocols. These objects display the bandwidth metrics used for the route. Otherwise, these values are set to -1.
mplsL3VpnVrfRteXCPointet	This object is not supported. It returns an empty string. The cross-connect index for the entry associated with the VRF route table entry is in the MPLS Cross-Connect table (mplsXCTable) in the MPLS-LSR-STD-MIB.
mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrStatus	Status of the row. This object normally reads active (1), but may read notInService (2) if a VRF was recently deleted. A row entry cannot be modified when the row status is active (1).

MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Notification Events

The following notifications of the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB are supported:

- mplsL3VpnVrfUp—This notification indicates that the VRF is up. It is generated and sent to an NMS when one interface associated with the VRF is brought up, after previously all interfaces were in the down state.
- mplsL3VpnVrfDown—This notification indicates that the VRF is down. It is generated and sent to the NMS when the last interface associated with the VRF is brought down, after all other interfaces associated with the VRF are already in the down state.
- mplsL3VpnVrfRouteMidThreshExceeded—This notification is generated and sent when the middle or warning threshold, mplsL3VpnVrfMidRouteThreshold, is crossed. You can configure this threshold in the CLI by using the following commands:

```
Router(config)# vrf definition vrf-name
Router(config-vrf)# address-family {ipv4 | ipv6}
Router(config-vrf-af)# maximum routes limit warn-threshold [% of max]
```

The *warn-threshold* argument is a percentage of the maximum routes specified by the *limit* argument. You can also configure a middle threshold with the following command, in which the *limit* argument represents the warning threshold:

```
Router(config-vrf-af)# maximum routes limit warn-only
```

This notification is sent to the NMS only at the time the threshold is exceeded. (See [Figure 6](#) for a comparison of the warning and maximum thresholds.) Whenever the number of routes falls below this threshold and exceeds the threshold again, a notification is sent to the NMS.

If both IPv4 and IPv6 address-family configurations are present in the VRF, the threshold is an aggregate of the warning threshold values. An mplsL3VpnVrfRouteMidThreshExceeded notification is not sent until the second address family reaches its warning threshold.

- `mplsL3VpnVrfNumVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded`—This notification is generated and sent when you attempt to create a route on a VRF that already contains the maximum number of routes indicated by the `mplsL3VpnVrfMaxRouteThreshold` object. The maximum number of routes is defined by the *limit* argument of the **maximum routes** commands:

```
Router(config)# vrf definition vrf-name
Router(config-vrf)# address-family {ipv4 | ipv6}
Router(config-vrf-af)# maximum routes limit warn-threshold [% of max]
```

A trap notification is sent to the NMS when you attempt to exceed the maximum threshold. Another `mplsL3VpnVrfNumVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded` notification is not sent until the number of routes falls below the maximum threshold and reaches the maximum threshold again or if the time interval is reached when the `mplsL3VpnVrfConfRteMxThrshTime` value is nonzero. (See [Figure 6](#) for an example of how this notification works and for a comparison of the maximum and warning thresholds.)

If an attempt is made to add routes beyond the route limit, SNMP sends a single notification. No other notification is sent until the route count drops below the route limit and another attempt is made to add routes beyond the limit.

However, if you configure the **snmp mib mpls vpn max-threshold time** command with a value other than 0 (0 is the default), SNMP repeats sending of the notification after the time interval passes if an attempt is made to add another route.

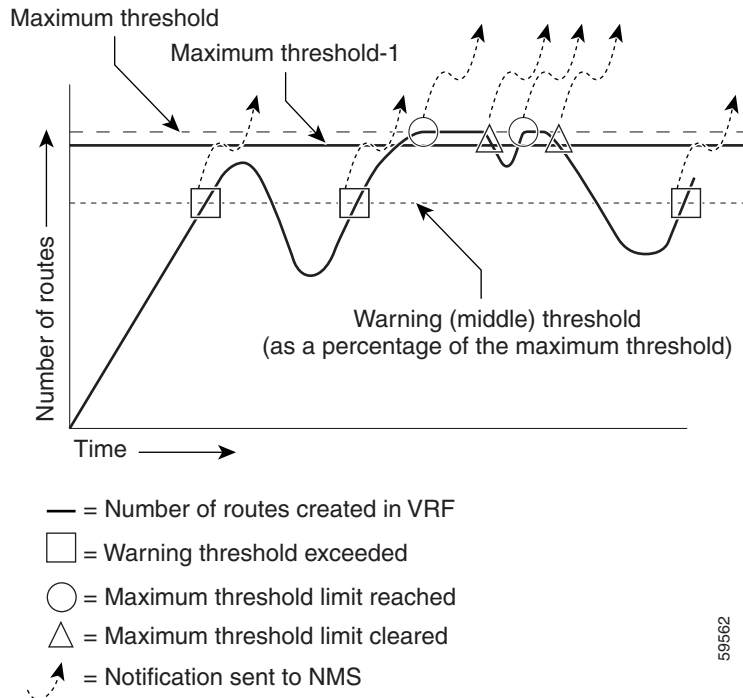
If both IPv4 and IPv6 address-family configurations are present in the VRF, the threshold is an aggregate of the maximum threshold values. An `mplsL3VpnVrfNumVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded` notification is not sent until the second address family reaches its maximum route threshold. Routes are not added to the address family that has already reached its maximum route threshold.



Note

If both IPv4 and IPv6 address-family configurations are present in the VRF and one address family does not have a maximum threshold configured, no maximum threshold notification is sent.

- `mplsL3VpnNumVrfSecIlglLblThrshExcd`—This notification is generated and sent when the number of illegal labels received on a VRF interface as indicated by the `mplsL3VpnVrfSecIllegalLblVltns` value has exceeded the `mplsL3VpnIlglLblRcvThrsh` value. This threshold is defined with a value of 0. Therefore, a notification is sent when the first illegal label is received on a VRF. Labels are considered illegal if they are outside of the valid label range, do not have a Label Forwarding Information Base (LFIB) entry, or the table ID of the message does not match the table ID for the label in the LFIB.
- `MplsL3VpnNumVrfRouteMaxThreshCleared`—Generated and sent when the number of routes on a VRF attempts to exceed the maximum number of routes and then drops below the maximum number of routes. If you attempt to create a route on a VRF that already contains the maximum number of routes, the `mplsL3VpnVrfNumVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded` notification is sent (if enabled). When you remove routes from the VRF so that the number of routes falls below the set limit, the `MplsL3VpnNumVrfRouteMaxThreshCleared` notification is sent. You can clear all routes from the VRF by using the **clear ip route vrf** command for IPv4 routes and the **clear ipv6 route vrf** command for IPv6 routes. (See [Figure 6](#) to see when the `MplsL3VpnNumVrfRouteMaxThreshCleared` notification is sent.)

Figure 6 Comparison of Warning and Maximum Thresholds

For information on the Cisco IOS CLI commands for configuring MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB notifications that are sent to an NMS, see the [“How to Configure MPLS EM—MPLS VPN MIB RFC 4382 Upgrade”](#) section on page 30.

SNMP Notification Specification for the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB

In an SNMPv1 notification, each MPLS Layer 3 VPN notification has a generic type identifier and an enterprise-specific type identifier for identifying the notification type:

- The generic type for all VPN notifications is “enterpriseSpecific” because this is not one of the generic notification types defined for SNMP.
- The enterprise-specific type is identified as follows:
 - 1 for mplsL3VpnVrfUp
 - 2 for mplsL3VpnVrfDown
 - 3 for mplsL3VpnVrfRouteMidThreshExceeded
 - 4 for mplsL3VpnVrfNumVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded
 - 5 for mplsL3VpnNumVrfSecIllgLblThrshExcd
 - 6 for mplsL3VpnNumVrfRouteMaxThreshCleared

In SNMPv2, the notification type is identified by an SnmpTrapOID varbind (variable binding consisting of an object identifier [OID] type and value) included within the notification message:

- The VRF up and down notifications provide additional variables—mplsL3VpnIfConfRowStatus and mplsL3VpnVrfOperStatus—in the notification. These variables describe the SNMP row status and operational status, respectively.

- The mid threshold notification includes the `mplsL3VpnVrfVConfMidRteThresh` variable and the `mplsL3VpnVrfPerfCurrNumRoutes` variable that indicates the current number of routes within the VRF.
- The max threshold notification includes the `mplsL3VpnVrfVConfHighRteThresh` variable and the `mplsL3VpnVrfPerfCurrNumRoutes` variable that indicates the current number of routes within the VRF.
- The illegal label notification includes the `mplsL3VpnVrfSecIllegalLbIVltns` variable that maintains the current count of illegal labels on a VPN.
- The max threshold cleared notification includes the `mplsL3VpnVrfConfHighRteThresh` variable and the `mplsL3VpnVrfPerfCurrNumRoutes` variable that indicates the current number of routes within the VRF.

MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Notifications Display on Network Management Station

When MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB notifications are enabled (see the `snmp-server enable traps mpls rfc vpn` command), notification messages relating to specific MPLS VPN events within Cisco IOS software are generated and sent to a specified NMS in the network. Any utility that supports SNMPv1 or SNMPv2 notifications can receive notification messages.

To monitor MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB notification messages, log in to an NMS that supports a utility that displays SNMP notifications, and start the display utility.

MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Support for IPv6 VPNs over MPLS

The following sections describe how the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB supports IPv6 VPNs over MPLS (6VPE).

- [MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Tables and Objects Support for IPv6 VPNs over MPLS, page 21](#)
- [MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Notifications Support for IPv6 VPNs over MPLS, page 22](#)
- [Information About Setting Maximum Routes for IPv6 Address-Family VRF Route Limits, page 24](#)

MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Tables and Objects Support for IPv6 VPNs over MPLS

The MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB gets some of the information to populate the MIB objects from the RIB routing table. For the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB to support IPv6 routes over MPLS, the MIB needs to access the RIB routing tables for both IPv6 and IPv4 for the VRF.

[Table 8](#) describes how the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB supports the MIB tables and objects that are specified by address families or that require routing table information.

Table 8 *MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Support of Address Families in MIB Table and Objects*

MIB Tables and Objects	MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Support
VRF route target table (<code>mplsL3VpnVrfRTTable</code>)	<p>This table lists the route targets specified for the VRF. For IPv6 VPNs over MPLS, route targets can be specified for each address family.</p> <p>The MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB retrieves all route targets for IPv4, then retrieves all route targets specified for IPv6.</p> <p>The <code>mplsL3VpnVrfRTDescr</code> object indicates whether a particular route target was defined in an IPv4 or IPv6 address family.</p>

Table 8 *MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Support of Address Families in MIB Table and Objects (continued)*

MIB Tables and Objects	MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Support
VRF configuration table (mplsL3VpnVrfTable), mplsL3VpnVrfConfMidRteThresh, mplsL3VpnVrfConfHighRteThresh, mplsL3VpnVrfConfMaxRoutes	<p>The Cisco IOS CLI allows the setting of maximum and middle threshold values on a per-address-family basis.</p> <p>When both IPv4 and IPv6 address-family configurations exist, the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB displays the aggregate value of these settings (not to exceed the max int32 value). If the maximum route limit is configured for one address family and not for the other address family, the aggregate value is max int32 (4,294,967,295).</p> <p>When only a single address-family configuration exists for the VRF, the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB displays the value as configured for the single address family. For more information on how the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB supports notifications, see the “MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Notifications Display on Network Management Station” section on page 21 and the “MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Notifications Support for IPv6 VPNs over MPLS” section on page 22.</p>
VRF performance table (mplsL3VpnVrfPerfTable), mplsL3VpnVrfPerfRoutesAdded, mplsL3VpnVrfPerfRoutesDeleted, mplsL3VpnVrfPerfCurrNumRoutes, mplsL3VpnVrfPerfRoutesDropped	The MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB gets the routing table information from IPv4 and routing table information from IPv6, adds the values, and give a cumulative count for each of the VRF performance table objects.
VRF routing table (mplsL3VpnVrfRteTable)	<p>This table lists the routes associated with this VRF.</p> <p>The MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB needs to get all routes from both the IPv4 route table and IPv6 route table for the VRF.</p>
VPN interface configuration table (mplsL3VpnIfConfTable), mplsL3VpnIfVpnRouteDistProtocol	<p>This is a bit mask that indicates the protocol for the interface on which the VRF is defined. The MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB needs to get route table information from both the IPv4 address family and the IPv6 address family to look up the protocol and bits to set.</p> <p>This MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB information is a union of the IPv4 and IPv6 configurations in the VRF.</p>

MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Notifications Support for IPv6 VPNs over MPLS

This section explains how the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB handles the mplsL3VpnVrfRouteMidThreshExceeded, mplsL3VpnVrfNumVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded, and mplsL3VpnNumVrfRouteMaxThreshCleared notifications.

Notifications for exceeding the route limit for the middle (mplsL3VpnVrfRouteMidThreshExceeded) and maximum (mplsL3VpnVrfNumVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded) thresholds are triggered by the route table when there is an attempt to add a new route after the number of routes has reached the threshold. With MIB support for both IPv6 and IPv4, two separate route tables could exist for the VRF. When the maximum or middle threshold is exceeded, MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB sends notifications to an NMS if you configured these thresholds.

MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB manages the maximum and middle thresholds based on an address-family configuration. For Cisco IOS Releases 12.2(33)SRC and 12.2(33)SB, the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB triggers a notification (or trap) based on the aggregate of the IPv4 and IPv6 maximum and middle threshold values.

**Note**

A **maximum** command is introduced in Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SRC for the IPv6 address family.

The MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB manages the aggregate threshold values as described in the following scenarios:

- Scenario 1: One address family is configured (IPv4 or IPv6); the address family contains maximum and middle threshold configurations:
 - The aggregate max-threshold value is equal to the address family-specific max-route value.
 - The aggregate mid-threshold value is equal to the address family-specific mid-route value.
 - Address family routes stop adding to the routing table when the number of routes reaches the maximum threshold set for the address family. A notification or trap is sent with the next attempt to add a route.
- Scenario 2: Both IPv4 and IPv6 address families are configured; both contain maximum and middle threshold configurations:
 - The aggregate max-threshold value is equal to the sum of the IPv4 and IPv6 max-threshold values (with the upper limit set to a maximum value of 4,294,967,295).
 - The aggregate mid-threshold value is equal to the sum of the IPv4 and IPv6 mid-threshold values. Only when both address families have reached the mid-threshold limit is the notification sent.
 - Address family routes stop adding to the routing table when the number of routes reaches the maximum threshold per address family. A notification or trap is not sent until both IPv4 and IPv6 routes reach the maximum threshold.
- Scenario 3: Both IPv4 and IPv6 address families are configured; only one contains a maximum and middle route threshold configuration:
 - The aggregate max-threshold value is equal to the maximum threshold value (4,294,967,295).
 - The aggregate mid-threshold value is equal to the maximum threshold value (4,294,967,295).
 - Address family routes stop adding to the routing table for the address family that contains the maximum threshold configuration when the number of routes reaches the maximum threshold for the address family. However, no notification or trap is sent.

**Note**

If you configure a single address-family VRF with a maximum and middle threshold (Scenario 1), and later add the other address-family configuration to your VRF without configuring a maximum threshold (Scenario 3), you no longer receive a maximum threshold notification for the original address family when the threshold is reached, but routes would no longer be added to the routing table for this address family.

Information About Setting Maximum Routes for IPv6 Address-Family VRF Route Limits

You should understand the following before you set maximum routes for the IPv6 address family:

- The **maximum routes** command is entered in address-family configuration mode (the **address-family ipv6** or **address-family ipv4** command) for the specified VRF.
- If you attempt to set the maximum route limit below the current number of routes in the IPv6 routing table for the VRF, the CLI command is rejected. You cannot downsize the IPv6 routing table.

If you configure a warning-only threshold, the command is accepted, but the route limit is not enforced. This statement also applies to IPv4.

- If the routing table has exceeded its route limit, the output from **show ipv6 route vrf** command displays an error message that indicates that the RIB has overflowed.
- If the routing table does not automatically recover from the overflow condition when the number of routes drops below the enforced limit, you would need to enter the **clear ipv6 route vrf** command. This forces the routing table to purge and repopulate.

If the repopulate is successful, then the error condition is cleared. If the automatic or manual purging and repopulate are unsuccessful, the error message in the **show ipv6 route vrf** command output remains.

- For Cisco IOS Releases 12.2(1st)SRC and 12.2(33)SB, the notifications generated in the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB for the route maximum, middle, 3or warnings, and for threshold-cleared objects are an aggregate of the IPv4 and IPv6 route limits and route counts when both routing tables are configured for the VRF.

MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Data Security

Requirements of the network-facing operator and customers to ensure MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB data security are as follows:

- Network-facing operators need to poll all the data in the VRF-aware MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB without compromising security. Operators managing the network need to poll all available data in a single SNMP walk.
- Customers managing VRFs from an NMS need to be able to poll data only on VRFs for which they are responsible. Customer VRF information should be visible only to that particular customer. In the configuration example that follows, the customer associated with VRF vrf1 should see only VRF vrf1 information and the customer associated with VRF vrf2 should see only VRF vrf2 information.

Network operators can enter an **snmp-server community** command that contains an access control list (ACL) to make sure that all data is accessible in a single SNMP walk and that customer routers cannot access the data. For example, the operator can enter the following global configuration command: **snmp-server community any-community-name rw access-list acl-number**. The *acl-number* argument can be configured to allow requests from the PE network. This ensures that customer-facing routers cannot access any data using the specified community string.

To ensure that a customer's VRF information is secure, you can configure an SMNP context that is peculiar to the customer's VRF. For example, the following sample configuration ensures that the customer associated with VRF vrf1 and the customer associated with VRF vrf2 both connected to the same PE can access information pertaining only to their own VRF and nothing else:

```
!
vrf definition vrf1
  rd 100:110
  !
  address-family ipv4
  route-target export 100:1000
  route-target import 100:1000
  exit-address-family
!
vrf definition vrf2
  rd 100:120
  !
  address-family ipv4
```



```

route-target export 100:2000
route-target import 100:2000
exit-address-family
!
interface Ethernet3/1
  description Belongs to VPN vrf1
  vrf forwarding vrf1
  ip address 10.20.1.20 255.255.0.0
!
interface Ethernet3/2
  description Belongs to vrf2
  vrf forwarding vrf2
  ip address 10.30.1.10 255.255.0.0
!
access-list 10 permit 10.20.1.21
access-list 10 deny any
access-list 20 permit 10.30.1.11
access-list 20 deny any
!
snmp-server view vrf1View mplsL3VpnMIB.*.*.*.*.3.114.101.100 included
snmp-server view vrf2View mplsL3VpnMIB.*.*.*.*.5.103.114.101.101.110 included
!
snmp-server community vrf1Comm view vrf1View rw 10
snmp-server community vrf2Comm view vrf2View rw 20
!

```

**Note**

The **snmp-server view** commands include **mplsL3VpnMIB** with OIDs in this format: **mplsL3VpnMIB.*.*.*.*.length-of-vrf-name.vrf-name-converted-to-octet-character-representation-of-the-name**. For example:

- VRF vrf1 would be represented as 3.114.101.100.
- VRF vrf2 would be represented as 5.103.114.101.101.110.

**Caution**

You should not enter the **snmp-server community *community-name* rw** command unless a firewall protects SNMP requests entered at the PE router. The community string is unprotected and can be used to poll any data from any network.

Major Differences Between the MPLS-VPN-MIB and the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB

The MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB based on RFC 4382 provides the same basic functionality as the MPLS-VPN-MIB, draft Version 3 (draft-ietf-ppvpn-mpls-vpn-mib-03.txt). They both provide an interface for MPLS Layer 3 VPNs through the use of SNMP.

After the implementation of the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB (RFC 4382) in Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SRC, the MPLS-VPN-MIB will exist for a period of time before support is completely removed. This gives you the chance to migrate to the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB. Both MIBs can coexist in the same image because the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB and the MPLS-VPN-MIB have different root OIDs.

The following sections provide information about the major differences between the MPLS-VPN-MIB and the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB:

- [Global Name Changes for the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Objects, page 26](#)

- [MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Scalar Object Differences](#), page 26
- [MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Table Object Differences](#), page 26
- [Tables Not Supported in the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB](#), page 29
- [MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Notification Differences](#), page 29

Global Name Changes for the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Objects

For the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB, the names of all objects were changed from `mplsVpnname` (MPLS-VPN-MIB object name) to `mplsL3Vpnname`. For example, the VRF configuration table name was changed from `mplsVpnVrfTable` to `mplsL3VpnVrfTable`.

The following sections describe major differences between the MPLS-VPN-MIB and the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB objects where the name change is more significant than the global name change.

MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Scalar Object Differences

[Table 9](#) shows the major difference between the MPLS-VPN-MIB objects and the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB objects for each scalar object.

Table 9 *MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Scalar Objects*

MPLS-VPN-MIB Object	MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Object	Difference
<code>mplsVpnVrfConfMaxPossibleRoutes</code>	<code>mplsL3VpnVrfConfMaxPossRts</code>	Object name changed.
—	<code>mplsL3VpnVrfConfRteMxThrshTime</code>	New object.
—	<code>mplsL3VpIILblRcvThrsh</code>	New object.

MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Table Object Differences

The following tables show the major differences between the MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB objects for each table.

VRF Configuration Table (`mplsL3VpnVrfTable`)

[Table 10](#) shows the major differences between the MPLS-VPN-MIB objects and the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB objects for the VRF configuration table (`mplsL3VpnVrfTable`, formerly `mplsVpnVrfTable`).

Table 10 *VRF Configuration Table: MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Object Differences*

MPLS-VPN-MIB Object	MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Object	Difference
—	<code>mplsL3VpnVrfVpnId</code>	New object.
<code>mplsVpnVrfRouteDistinguisher</code>	<code>mplsL3VpnVrfRD</code>	Object name changed.
<code>mplsVpnVrfConfMidRouteThreshold</code>	<code>mplsL3VpnVrfConfMidRteThresh</code>	Object name changed.
<code>mplsVpnVrfConfHighRouteThreshold</code>	<code>mplsL3VpnVrfConfHighRteThresh</code>	Object name changed.
—	<code>mplsL3VpnVrfConfAdminStatus</code>	New object.

VPN Interface Configuration Table (mplsL3VpnIfConfTable)

Table 11 shows the major differences between the MPLS-VPN-MIB objects and the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB objects for the VPN interface configuration table (mplsL3VpnIfConfTable, formerly mplsVpnInterfaceConfTable).

Table 11 VPN Interface Configuration Table: MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Object Differences

MPLS-VPN-MIB Object	MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Object	Difference
mplsVpnInterfaceConfTable	mplsL3VpnIfConfTable	Table name changed.
mplsVpnInterfaceConfIndex	mplsL3VpnIfConfIndex	Object name changed.
mplsVpnInterfaceLabelEdgeType	—	Object deleted.
mplsVpnInterfaceVpnClassification	mplsL3VpnIfVpnClassification	Object name changed.
mplsVpnInterfaceVPNRouteDistProtocol	mplsL3VpnIfVpnRouteDist Protocol	Object name changed.
mplsVpnInterfaceConfStorageType	mplsL3VpnIfConfStorageType	Object name changed.
mplsVpnInterfaceConfRowStatus	mplsL3VpnIfConfRowStatus	Object name changed.

VRF Route Target Table (mplsL3VpnVrfRTTable)

Table 12 shows the major differences between the MPLS-VPN-MIB objects and the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB objects for the VRF route target table (mplsL3VpnVrfRTTable, formerly mplsVpnVrfRouteTargetTable).

Table 12 VRF Route Target Table: MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Object Differences

MPLS-VPN-MIB Object	MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Object	Difference
mplsVpnVrfRouteTargetTable	mplsL3VpnVrfRTTable	Table named changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteTargetIndex	mplsL3VpnVrfRTIndex	Object name changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteTargetType	mplsL3VpnVrfRTType	Object name changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteTarget	mplsL3VpnVrfRT	Object name changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteTargetDescr	mplsL3VpnVrfRTDescr	Object name changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteTargetRowStatus	mplsL3VpnVrfRTRowStatus	Object name changed.
—	mplsL3VpnVrfRTStorageType	New object.

VRF Security Table (mplsL3VpnVrfSecTable)

Table 13 shows the major differences between the MPLS-VPN-MIB objects and the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB objects for the VRF security table (mplsL3VpnVrfSecTable, formerly mplsVpnVrfSectTable).

Table 13 VRF Security Table: MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Object Differences

MPLS-VPN-MIB Object	MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Object	Difference
mplsVpnVrfSecIllegalLabelViolations	mplsL3VpnVrfSecIllegalLblVtns	Object name changed.
mplsVpnVrfSecIllegalLabelRcvThresh	—	Object deleted.
—	mplsL3VpnVrfSecDiscontinuityTime	New object.

VRF Performance Table (mplsL3VpnVrfPerfTable)

Table 14 shows the major differences between the MPLS-VPN-MIB objects and the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB objects for the VRF performance table (mplsL3VpnVrfPerfTable, formerly mplsVpnVrfPerfTable).

Table 14 VRF Performance Table: MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Object Differences

MPLS-VPN-MIB Object	MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Object	Difference
—	mplsL3VpnVrfPerfRoutesDropped	New object.
—	mplsL3VpnVrfPerfDiscTime	New object.

VRF Routing Table (mplsL3VpnVrfRteTable)

Table 14 shows the major differences between the MPLS-VPN-MIB objects and the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB objects for the VRF routing table (mplsL3VpnVrfRteTable, formerly mplsVpnVrfRouteTable).

The indexing for the VRF routing table has also changed:

- MPLS-VPN-MIB indexing—mplsVpnVrfName, mplsVpnVrfRouteDest, mplsVpnVrfRouteMask, mplsVpnVrfRouteTos, mplsVpnVrfRouteNextHop
- MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB indexing—mplsL3VpnVrfName, mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrDestType, mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrDest, mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrPfxLen, mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrPolicy, mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrNHopType, mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrNextHop

Table 15 VRF Routing Table: MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Object Differences

MPLS-VPN-MIB Object	MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Object	Difference
mplsVpnVrfRouteTable	mplsL3VpnVrfRteTable	Table name changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteDest	mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrDest	Object name changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteDestAddrType	mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrDestType	Object name changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteMask	—	Object deleted.
mplsVpnVrfRouteMaskAddrType	—	Object deleted.
—	mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrPfxLen	New object.
mplsVpnVrfRouteTos	—	Object deleted.
—	mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrPolicy	New object.
mplsVpnVrfRouteNextHop	mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrNextHop	Object name changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteNextHopAddrType	mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrNHopType	Object name changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteIfIndex	mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrIfIndex	Object name changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteType	mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrType	Object name changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteProto	mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrProto	Object name changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteAge	mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrAge	Object name changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteInfo	—	Object deleted.
mplsVpnVrfRouteNextHopAS	mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrNextHopAS	Object name changed.

Table 15 VRF Routing Table: MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Object Differences (continued)

MPLS-VPN-MIB Object	MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Object	Difference
mplsVpnVrfRouteMetric1	mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrMetric1	Object name changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteMetric2	mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrMetric2	Object name changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteMetric3	mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrMetric3	Object name changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteMetric4	mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrMetric4	Object name changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteMetric5	mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrMetric5	Object name changed.
—	mplsL3VpnVrfRteXCPointer	New object.
mplsVpnVrfRouteStatus	mplsL3VpnVrfRteInetCidrStatus	Object name changed.
mplsVpnVrfRouteStorageType	—	Object deleted.

Tables Not Supported in the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB

The following tables from the MPLS-VPN-MIB are deleted in the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB (RFC 4382):

- BGP neighbor address table (mplsVpnVrfBgpNbrAddrTable)
- BGP neighbor prefix table (mplsVpnVrfBgpNeighborPrefixTable)

The mplsVpnVrfBgpNeighborPrefixTable was not supported in the Cisco IOS implementation of the MPLS-VPN-MIB.

The Cisco-BGP4-MIB based on *Definitions of Managed Objects for BGP-4* (RFC 4273) provides the information related to BGP.

MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Notification Differences

Table 16 shows the major differences between MPLS-VPN-MIB and the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB notifications.

Table 16 MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Notification Differences

MPLS-VPN-MIB Notification	MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Notification	Difference
mplsVpnVrfIfUp	—	Notification deleted.
mplsVpnVrfIfDown	—	Notification deleted.
—	mplsL3VpnVrfUp	New notification.
—	mplsL3VpnVrfDown	New notification.
mplsNumVrfRouteMidThreshExceeded	mplsL3VpnVrfRouteMidThreshExceeded	Returned objects changed. Notification name change.
mplsNumVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded	mplsL3VpnVRFNumVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded	Returned objects changed. Notification name change.

Table 16 *MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Notification Differences (continued)*

MPLS-VPN-MIB Notification	MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Notification	Difference
mplsNumVrfSecIllegalLabelThreshExceeded	mplsL3VpnNumVrfSecIlglLblThrshExcd	Returned objects changed. Notification name change.
cMplsNumVrfRouteMaxThreshCleared (from the CISCO-IETF-PPVPN-MPLS-VPN-MIB)	mplsL3VpnNumVrfRouteMaxThreshCleared	Notification name changed.

How to Configure MPLS EM—MPLS VPN MIB RFC 4382 Upgrade

This section contains tasks to configure the MPLS EM—MPLS VPN MIB RFC 4382 Upgrade feature. The MPLS EM—MPLS VPN MIB RFC 4382 Upgrade feature introduces the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB. Perform the following tasks to configure your router to use SNMP to monitor and manage MPLS Layer 3 VPNs:

- [Configuring the SNMP Community, page 30](#) (required)
- [Configuring the Router to Send MPLS Layer 3 VPN SNMP Notifications to a Host, page 32](#) (optional)
- [Configuring Threshold Values for MPLS Layer 3 VPN SNMP Notifications, page 35](#) (optional)
- [Example: Configuring SMNP Controls for MPLS Layer 3 VPN Notification Thresholds, page 39](#) (optional)

Configuring the SNMP Community

The SNMP agent for the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB is disabled by default and must be enabled for you to use SNMP for monitoring and managing MPLS Layer 3 VPNs on your network.

An SNMP community string defines the relationship between the SNMP manager and the agent. The community string acts like a password to regulate access to the agent on the router. The SNMP agent for the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB is enabled when you configure an SNMP community.

Perform this task to configure an SNMP community.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **show running-config**
3. **configure terminal**
4. **snmp-server community** *string* [**view** *view-name*] [**ro** | **rw**] [*acl-number*]
5. **do copy running-config startup-config**
6. **exit**
7. **show running-config | include** *[option]*

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<p>enable</p> <p>Example: Router> enable</p>	<p>Enables privileged EXEC mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	<p>show running-config</p> <p>Example: Router# show running-config</p>	<p>Displays the running configuration to determine if an SNMP agent is already running.</p> <p>If no SNMP information is displayed, continue with the next step.</p> <p>If any SNMP information is displayed, you can modify the information or change it as needed.</p>
Step 3	<p>configure terminal</p> <p>Example: Router# configure terminal</p>	<p>Enters global configuration mode.</p>
Step 4	<p>snmp-server community <i>string</i> [view <i>view-name</i>] [ro rw] [<i>acl-number</i>]</p> <p>Example: Router(config)# snmp-server community comaccess ro</p>	<p>Configures the community access string to permit access to the SNMP protocol.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The <i>string</i> argument acts like a password and permits access to the SNMP protocol. The view <i>view-name</i> keyword and argument pair specifies the name of a previously defined view. The view defines the objects available to the community. The ro keyword specifies read-only access. Authorized management stations are able to retrieve only MIB objects. The rw keyword specifies read/write access. Authorized management stations are able to both retrieve and modify MIB objects. The <i>acl-number</i> argument is an integer from 1 to 99 that specifies an access list of IP addresses that are allowed to use the community string to gain access to the SNMP agent.
Step 5	<p>do copy running-config startup-config</p> <p>Example: Router(config)# do copy running-config startup-config</p>	<p>Saves the modified configuration to NVRAM as the startup configuration file.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The do command allows you to perform EXEC-level commands in configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 6	<code>exit</code> Example: Router(config)# <code>exit</code>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 7	<code>show running-config include [option]</code> Example: Router# <code>show-running config include snmp-server</code>	(Optional) Displays the configuration information currently on the router, the configuration for a specific interface, or map-class information. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use the show running-config command to confirm that the snmp-server statements appear in the output.

Configuring the Router to Send MPLS Layer 3 VPN SNMP Notifications to a Host

Perform this task to configure the router to send MPLS Layer 3 VPN SNMP notifications or traps to a host.

The **snmp-server host** command specifies which hosts receive the notifications. The **snmp-server enable traps** command globally enables the trap production mechanism for the specified notifications.

For a host to receive a notification, an **snmp-server host** command must be configured for that host, and, generally, the notification must be enabled globally through the **snmp-server enable traps** command.



Note

Although you can set the *community-string* argument using the **snmp-server host** command by itself, we recommend you define this string using the **snmp-server community** command before using the **snmp-server host** command.

SUMMARY STEPS

- enable**
- configure terminal**
- snmp-server host** *host-addr* [**traps** | **informs**] [**version** {**1** | **2c** | **3** [**auth** | **noauth** | **priv**]}] *community-string* [**udp-port** *port*] [*notification-type*] [**vrf** *vrf-name*]
- snmp-server enable traps mpls rfc vpn** [**illegal-label**] [**max-thresh-cleared**] [**max-threshold**] [**mid-threshold**] [**vrf-down**] [**vrf-up**]
- end**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<p>enable</p> <p>Example: Router> enable</p>	<p>Enables privileged EXEC mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	<p>configure terminal</p> <p>Example: Router# configure terminal</p>	<p>Enters global configuration mode.</p>
Step 3	<p>snmp-server host <i>host-addr</i> [traps informs] [version {1 2c 3 [auth noauth priv]}] <i>community-string</i> [udp-port <i>port</i>] [<i>notification-type</i>] [vrf <i>vrf-name</i>]</p> <p>Example: Router(config)# snmp-server host 172.20.2.160 traps comaccess mpls-vpn</p>	<p>Specifies the recipient of an SNMP notification operation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The <i>host-addr</i> argument specifies the name or Internet address of the host (the targeted recipient). The traps keyword sends SNMP traps to this host. This is the default. The informs keyword sends SNMP informs to this host. The version keyword specifies the version of the SNMP used to send the traps. Version 3 is the most secure model, because it allows packet encryption with the priv keyword. If you use the version keyword, you must specify one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 —SNMPv1. This option is not available with informs. 2c —SNMPv2C. 3 —SNMPv3. The following three optional keywords can follow the version 3 keyword: auth, noauth, priv. The <i>community-string</i> argument is a password-like community string sent with the notification operation. The udp-port <i>port</i> keyword and argument pair names the User Datagram Protocol (UDP) port of the host to use. The default is 162. The <i>notification-type</i> argument specifies the type of notification to be sent to the host. If no type is specified, all notifications are sent. The vrf <i>vrf-name</i> keyword and argument pair specifies the VRF table that should be used to send SNMP notifications.

Command or Action	Purpose
<p>Step 4</p> <pre>snmp-server enable traps mpls rfc vpn [illegal-label] [max-thresh-cleared] [max-threshold] [mid-threshold] [vrf-down] [vrf-up]</pre> <p>Example: Router(config)# snmp-server enable traps mpls rfc vpn vrf-down vrf-up</p>	<p>Enables the router to send MPLS Layer 3 VPN-specific SNMP notifications (traps and informs).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The illegal-label keyword enables a notification for any illegal labels received on a VRF interface. Labels are illegal if they are outside the legal range, do not have an LFIB entry, or do not match table IDs for the label. The max-thresh-cleared keyword enables a notification when the number of routes falls below the limit after the maximum route limit was attempted. <p>Note For information on notifications if a VRF has both IPv4 and IPv6 address-family configurations, see the “MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Notifications Support for IPv6 VPNs over MPLS” section on page 22.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The max-threshold keyword enables a notification that a route creation attempt was unsuccessful because the maximum route limit was reached. Another <code>mplsL3VpnVrfNumVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded</code> notification is not sent until the number of routes falls below the maximum threshold and reaches the maximum threshold again. The <code>max-threshold</code> value is determined by the maximum routes command in VRF configuration mode. <p>Note For more information on the maximum threshold notification if both IPv4 and IPv6 address family configurations are present in the VRF, see the “MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Notifications Support for IPv6 VPNs over MPLS” section on page 22.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The mid-threshold keyword enables a notification of a warning that the number of routes created has crossed the warning threshold. This warning is sent only at the time the warning threshold is exceeded. <p>Note For more information on the maximum threshold notification if both IPv4 and IPv6 address family configurations are present in the VRF, see the “MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Notifications Support for IPv6 VPNs over MPLS” section on page 22.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The vrf-down keyword enables a notification when the last interface in a VRF goes from the up state to the down state. The vrf-up keyword enables a notification when all interfaces in a VRF are previously in a down state and one VRF interface goes to the up state.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 5	<code>end</code>	(Optional) Exits to privileged EXEC mode.
	Example: <code>Router(config)# end</code>	

Configuring Threshold Values for MPLS Layer 3 VPN SNMP Notifications

Perform this task to configure the following threshold values for MPLS Layer 3 VPN SNMP notifications:

- The `mplsL3VpnVrfRouteMidThreshExceeded` notification event is generated and sent when the middle threshold (warning) is crossed. You can configure this threshold in the CLI by using the **maximum routes** command in VRF configuration mode. This notification is sent to the NMS only at the time the threshold is exceeded. Whenever the number of routes falls below this threshold and exceeds the threshold again, a notification is sent to the NMS.

If both IPv4 and IPv6 address-family configurations are present in the VRF, the threshold is an aggregate of the warning threshold values. An `mplsL3VpnVrfRouteMidThreshExceeded` notification is not sent until the second address family reaches its warning threshold.

- The `mplsL3VpnVrfNumVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded` notification event is generated and sent when you attempt to create a route on a VRF that already contains the maximum number of routes as defined by the **maximum routes** command in VRF configuration mode. A trap notification is sent to the NMS when you attempt to exceed the maximum threshold. Another `mplsL3VpnVrfNumVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded` notification is not sent until the number of routes falls below the maximum threshold and reaches the maximum threshold again.

If both IPv4 and IPv6 address-family configurations are present in the VRF, the threshold is an aggregate of the maximum threshold values. An `mplsL3VpnVrfNumVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded` notification is not sent until the second address family reaches its maximum route threshold. Routes are not added to the address family that has already reached its maximum route threshold.

See [Figure 6](#) for an example of how this notification works and for a comparison of the maximum and warning thresholds.

SUMMARY STEPS

- `enable`
- `configure terminal`
- `vrf definition vrf-name`
- `address-family {ipv4 | ipv6}`
- `maximum routes limit warn-threshold`
or
`maximum routes limit warn-only`
- `exit-address-family`
- `end`

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<p>enable</p> <p>Example: Router> enable</p>	<p>Enables privileged EXEC mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	<p>configure terminal</p> <p>Example: Router# configure terminal</p>	<p>Enters global configuration mode.</p>
Step 3	<p>vrf definition <i>vrf-name</i></p> <p>Example: Router(config)# vrf definition vpn1</p>	<p>Configures a VRF routing table and enters VRF configuration mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The <i>vrf-name</i> argument specifies the name assigned to a VRF.
Step 4	<p>address-family {ipv4 ipv6}</p> <p>Example: Router(config-vrf) address-family ipv4</p>	<p>Enters VRF address family configuration mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The ipv4 keyword specifies an address family for an IPv4 VPN. The ipv6 keyword specifies an address family for an IPv6 VPN.
Step 5	<p>maximum routes <i>limit</i> <i>warn-threshold</i></p> <p>Example: Router(config-vrf-af)# maximum routes 10000 80 OR maximum routes <i>limit</i> warn-only</p> <p>Example: Router(config-vrf-af)# maximum routes 10000 warn-only</p>	<p>Limits the maximum number of routes in a VRF to prevent a PE router from importing too many routes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The <i>limit</i> argument specifies the maximum number of routes allowed in a VRF. The range is from 1 to 4,294,967,295. The <i>warn-threshold</i> argument generates a warning when the number of routes set by the <i>warn-threshold</i> argument is reached and rejects routes that exceed the maximum number set in the <i>limit</i> argument. The warning threshold is a percentage from 1 to 100 of the maximum number of routes specified in the <i>limit</i> argument. The warn-only keyword specifies that a system message logging (syslog) error message is issued when the maximum number of routes allowed for a VRF exceeds the limit threshold. However, additional routes are still allowed.
Step 6	<p>exit-address-family</p> <p>Example: Router(config-vrf-af)# exit-address-family</p>	<p>Exits from VRF address family configuration mode.</p>
Step 7	<p>end</p> <p>Example: Router(config-vrf)# end</p>	<p>(Optional) Exits to privileged EXEC mode.</p>

Configuring SNMP Controls for MPLS VPN Notification Thresholds

Perform this task to configure the following SNMP controls for MPLS VPN notification thresholds:

- The `mplsL3VpnVrfConfRteMxThrshTime` is the interval at which the maximum route exceeded notification (`mplsL3VpnVrfNumVrfRouteMaxThreshExceeded`) is reissued after the maximum value is exceeded (or reached) and after the initial notification was sent. You can configure this interval in the CLI by using the `snmp mib mpls vpn max-threshold seconds` command in global configuration mode. Configure this command if you want to receive more than the initial notification that the maximum route value is exceeded.
- The `mplsL3VpnNumVrfSecIlglLbIThrshExcd` notification is generated and sent when the number of illegal label violations on a VRF has exceeded the number indicated by the `mplsL3VpnIlglLbIRevThrsh` scalar. You can configure the number of illegal labels that generate the `mplsL3VpnNumVrfSecIlglLbIThrshExcd` notification in the CLI by using the `snmp mib mpls vpn illegal-label number` command in global configuration mode. Configure this command if you want to allow a certain number of illegal label violations before you receive the `mplsL3VpnNumVrfSecIlglLbIThrshExcd` notification.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. `enable`
2. `configure terminal`
3. `snmp mib mpls vpn max-threshold seconds`
4. `snmp mib mpls vpn illegal-label number`
5. `end`

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<code>enable</code> Example: Router> <code>enable</code>	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	<code>configure terminal</code> Example: Router# <code>configure terminal</code>	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<code>snmp mib mpls vpn max-threshold seconds</code> Example: Router(config)# <code>snmp mib mpls vpn max-threshold 3600</code>	Configures SNMP controls for MPLS VPN notification thresholds. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The <code>max-threshold</code> keyword controls MPLS VPN maximum threshold exceeded notifications. • The <code>seconds</code> argument is the time in seconds before SNMP resends maximum threshold notifications. The valid range is from 0 to 4,294,967,295. The default is 0.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 4	<pre>snmp mib mpls vpn illegal-label number</pre> <p>Example: Router(config)# snmp mib mpls vpn illegal-label 10</p>	<p>Configures simple SNMP controls for MPLS VPN notification thresholds.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The illegal-label keyword controls MPLS VPN illegal label threshold exceeded notifications. The <i>number</i> argument is the number of illegal labels allowed before SNMP sends an illegal label threshold notification. The valid range is from 1 to 4,294,967,295. The default is 0.
Step 5	<pre>end</pre> <p>Example: Router(config)# end</p>	<p>Exits to privileged EXEC mode.</p>

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Example: Configuring the SNMP Community

The following example shows enabling a simple SNMP community group. This configuration permits any SNMP client to access all MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB objects with read-only access using the community string comaccess.

```
configure terminal
!
snmp-server community comaccess ro
```

Use the following command to verify that the SNMP master agent is enabled for the MPLS EM—MPLS VPN MIB RFC 4382 Upgrade feature:

```
Router# show running-config | include snmp-server

Building configuration...
....
snmp-server community comaccess RO
....
```



Note

If you do not see any “snmp-server” statements, SNMP is not enabled on the router.

Example: Configuring the Router to Send MPLS Layer 3 VPN SNMP Traps

The following example shows you how to enable the router to send MPLS Layer 3 VPN notifications to host 172.20.2.160 using the comaccess community string if a VRF transitions from an up or down state:

```
configure terminal
!
snmp-server host 172.20.2.160 traps comaccess mpls-vpn
snmp-server enable traps mpls rfc vpn vrf-down vrf-up
```

Example: Configuring Threshold Values for MPLS Layer 3 VPN SNMP Notifications

The following example shows how to set a maximum threshold of 10,000 routes and a warning threshold that is 80 percent of the maximum threshold for a VRF named vpn1 on a router:

```
configure terminal
!
vrf definition vpn1
 address-family ipv4
  maximum routes 10000 80
 exit address-family
end
```

The following example shows how to set a warning threshold of 10,000 routes for a VRF named vpn2 on a router. An error message is generated; however, additional routes are still allowed because a maximum route threshold is not set with this command.

```
configure terminal
!
vrf definition vpn2
 address-family ipv4
  maximum routes 10000 warn-only
 exit address-family
end
```

Example: Configuring SNMP Controls for MPLS Layer 3 VPN Notification Thresholds

The following examples show how to configure SNMP controls for MPLS Layer 3 VPN notification thresholds.

In this example, an interval of 2 hours (7200 seconds) is configured for the resending of maximum threshold exceeded notifications after the first notification was sent and the attempt to add routes continues:

```
configure terminal
!
snmp mib mpls vpn max-threshold 7200
end
```

If you do not configure an interval to resend maximum route exceeded notifications, SNMP sends a single maximum threshold notification at the time that the maximum threshold is exceeded.

In the following example, the number of illegal labels allowed for a VRF is configured as 5 before SNMP sends an illegal label threshold exceeded notification:

Additional References

```
configure terminal
!
snmp mib mpls vpn illegal-label 5
end
```

If you do not configure an illegal label threshold, then SNMP sends an illegal label notification on the first occurrence of an illegal label.

Additional References

Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Configuration tasks and information about MPLS Layer 3 VPNs	<i>Cisco IOS Multiprotocol Label Switching Configuration Guide</i>
Configuration tasks and information about IPv6 VPNs over MPLS	“Implementing IPv6 VPN over MPLS (6VPE)” chapter in the <i>Cisco IOS IPv6 Configuration Library</i>
Description of commands related to Cisco IPv6	<i>Cisco IOS IPv6 Command Reference</i>
Descriptions of and links to other MPLS Layer 3 VPN feature documentation	<i>Cisco IOS Multiprotocol Label Switching Configuration Guide</i>
Description of commands related to MPLS Layer 3 VPNs	<i>Cisco IOS Multiprotocol Label Switching Command Reference</i>

Standards

Standard	Title
http://www.rfc-editor.org/rfc/rfc2578.txt	<i>Structure of Management Information Version 2 (SMIPv2)</i>

MIBs

MIB	MIBs Link
MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB	To locate and download MIBs for selected platforms, Cisco IOS releases, and feature sets, use Cisco MIB Locator found at the following URL: http://www.cisco.com/go/mibs

RFCs

RFC	Title
RFC 2578	<i>Structure of Management Information Version 2 (SMIPv2)</i>
RFC 2685	<i>Virtual Private Networks Identifier</i>

RFC	Title
RFC 2863	<i>The Interfaces Group MIB</i>
RFC 3031	<i>Multiprotocol Label Switching Architecture</i>
RFC 3410	<i>Introduction and Applicability Statements for the Internet-Standard Management Framework</i>
RFC 3413	<i>Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) Applications</i>
RFC 3813	<i>Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) Label Switching Router (LSR) Management Information Base (MIB)</i>
RFC 4001	<i>Textual Conventions for Internet Network Addresses</i>
RFC 4273	<i>Definitions of Managed Objects for BGP-4</i>
RFC 4364	<i>BGP/MPLS IP Virtual Private Networks (VPNs)</i>
RFC 4382	<i>MPLS/BGP Layer 3 Virtual Private Network (VPN) Management Information Base</i>

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Description	Link
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Table 17 lists the release history for this feature.

Not all commands may be available in your Cisco IOS software release. For release information about a specific command, see the command reference documentation.

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Note

Table 17 lists only the Cisco IOS software release that introduced support for a given feature in a given Cisco IOS software release train. Unless noted otherwise, subsequent releases of that Cisco IOS software release train also support that feature.

Table 17 Feature Information for MPLS EM—MPLS VPN MIB RFC 4382 Upgrade

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
MPLS EM—MPLS VPN MIB RFC 4382 Upgrade	12.2(33)SRC 12.2(33)SB	<p>The MPLS EM—MPLS VPN MIB RFC 4382 Upgrade feature document describes the MIB that supports Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) Virtual Private Networks (VPNs) based on RFC 4382, <i>MPLS/BGP Virtual Private Network (VPN) Management Information Base</i>. This document also describes the differences between RFC 4382 and the MPLS-VPN-MIB based on the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) draft Version 3 (draft-ietf-ppvnp-mpls-vpn-mib-03.txt) and describes the changes needed to implement MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB (RFC 4382). The MPLS-VPN-MIB and MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB provide an interface for managing the MPLS VPN feature in Cisco IOS software through the use of the Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP).</p> <p>Cisco IOS MPLS Embedded Management (EM) is a set of standards and value-added services that facilitate the deployment, operation, administration, and management of MPLS-based networks according to the fault, configuration, accounting, performance, and security (FCAPS) model.</p> <p>In 12.2(33)SRC, this feature was introduced on the Cisco 7600 series router.</p> <p>In 12.2(33)SB, the feature was implemented for the Cisco 10000 series router on the Cisco 10000 Performance Routing Engine 2 (PRE-2) and PRE-3.</p> <p>The following sections provide information about this feature:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MPLS Layer 3 VPN Overview, page 3

Table 17 Feature Information for MPLS EM—MPLS VPN MIB RFC 4382 Upgrade (continued)

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Benefits, page 3 • Capabilities Supported by the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB, page 3 • Supported Objects in the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB, page 4 • MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Scalar Objects, page 5 • MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB MIB Tables, page 6 • MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Notification Events, page 18 • MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Support for IPv6 VPNs over MPLS, page 21 • MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB Data Security, page 24 • Major Differences Between the MPLS-VPN-MIB and the MPLS-L3VPN-STD-MIB, page 25 • Configuring the SNMP Community, page 30 • Configuring the Router to Send MPLS Layer 3 VPN SNMP Notifications to a Host, page 32 • Configuring Threshold Values for MPLS Layer 3 VPN SNMP Notifications, page 35 <p>The following commands were introduced or modified: maximum routes, snmp mib mpls vpn, snmp-server enable traps mpls rfc vpn.</p>

Glossary

6VPE router—Provider edge router that provides BGP-MPLS IPv6 VPN service over an IPv4-based MPLS core. It is a IPv6 VPN PE, dual-stack router that implements 6PE concepts on the core-facing interfaces.

autonomous system—A collection of networks that share the same routing protocol and that are under the same system administration.

ASN.1—Abstract Syntax Notation One. The data types independent of particular computer structures and representation techniques. Described by ISO International Standard 8824.

BGP—Border Gateway Protocol. The exterior Border Gateway Protocol used to exchange routing information between routers in separate autonomous systems. BGP uses TCP. Because TCP is a reliable protocol, BGP does not experience problems with dropped or fragmented data packets.

BGP prefixes—A route announcement using the BGP. A prefix is composed of a path of autonomous system numbers, indicating which networks the packet must pass through, and the IP block that is being routed. A BGP prefix would look something like: 701 1239 42 206.24.14.0/24. (The /24 part is referred to as a CIDR mask.) The /24 indicates that there are 24 ones in the netmask for this block starting from the left side. A /24 corresponds to the natural mask 255.255.255.0.

CE router—customer edge router. A router on the border between a VPN provider and a VPN customer that belongs to the customer.

CIDR—classless interdomain routing. A technique supported by BGP4 and based on route aggregation. CIDR allows routers to group routes to reduce the quantity of routing information carried by the core routers. With CIDR, several IP networks appear to networks outside the group as a single, larger entity. With CIDR, IP addresses and their subnet masks are written as four octets, separated by periods, followed by a forward slash and a two-digit number that represents the subnet mask.

Cisco Express Forwarding—An advanced Layer 3 IP switching technology. Cisco Express Forwarding optimizes network performance and scalability for networks with large and dynamic traffic patterns.

community—In SNMP, a logical group of managed devices and NMSs in the same administrative domain.

community name—*See* community string.

community string—A text string that acts as a password and is used to authenticate messages sent between a managed station and a router containing an SNMP agent. The community string is sent in every packet between the manager and the client. Also called a community name.

IETF—Internet Engineering Task Force. A task force consisting of over 80 working groups responsible for developing Internet standards. The IETF operates under the auspices of ISOC. *See also* ISOC.

informs—A type of notification message that is more reliable than a conventional trap notification message, because the informs message notification requires acknowledgment, and a trap notification does not.

ISOC—Internet Society. An international nonprofit organization, founded in 1992, that coordinates the evolution and use of the Internet. In addition, ISOC delegates authority to other groups related to the Internet, such as the IAB. ISOC is headquartered in Reston, Virginia (United States).

label—A short, fixed-length data construct that tells switching nodes how to forward data (packets or cells).

LDP—Label Distribution Protocol. A standard protocol between MPLS-enabled routers that is used for the negotiation of the labels (addresses) used to forward packets.

LFIB—Label Forwarding Information Base. In the Cisco Label Switching system, the data structure for storing information about incoming and outgoing tags (labels) and associated equivalent packets suitable for labeling.

LSR—label switch router. A device that forwards MPLS packets based on the value of a fixed-length label encapsulated in each packet.

MIB—Management Information Base. A database of network management information that is used and maintained by a network management protocol such as SNMP or CMIP. The value of a MIB object can be changed or retrieved using SNMP or CMIP commands, usually through a GUI network management system. MIB objects are organized in a tree structure that includes public (standard) and private (proprietary) branches.

MPLS—Multiprotocol Label Switching. A method for forwarding packets (frames) through a network. It enables routers at the edge of a network to apply labels to packets (frames). ATM switches or existing routers in the network core can switch packets according to the labels with minimal lookup overhead.

MPLS interface—An interface on which MPLS traffic is enabled.

MPLS VPN—Multiprotocol Label Switching Virtual Private Network. An IP network infrastructure delivering private network services over a public infrastructure using a Layer 3 backbone. Using MPLS VPNs in a Cisco IOS network provides the capability to deploy and administer scalable Layer 3 VPN backbone services including applications, data hosting network commerce, and telephony services to business customers.

For an MPLS VPN solution, an MPLS VPN is a set of provider edge routers that are connected by means of a common “backbone” network to supply private IP interconnectivity between two or more customer sites for a given customer. Each VPN has a set of provisioning templates and policies and can span multiple provider administrative domains (PADs).

NMS—network management system. A powerful, well-equipped computer (typically an engineering workstation) that is used by a network administrator to communicate with other devices in the network. An NMS is typically used to manage network resources, gather statistics, and perform a variety of network administration and configuration tasks.

notification—A message sent by an SNMP agent to a network management station, console, or terminal to indicate that a significant event within Cisco IOS software has occurred. *See also* trap.

PE router—provider edge router. A router on the border between a VPN provider and a VPN customer that belongs to the provider.

QoS—quality of service. A measure of performance for a transmission system that reflects its transmission quality and service availability.

RIB—Routing Information Base. Also called the routing table.

RT—route target. An extended community attribute that identifies a group of routers and, in each router of that group, a subset of forwarding tables maintained by the router that can be populated with a BGP route carrying that extended community attribute. The RT is a 64-bit value by which Cisco IOS software discriminates routes for route updates in VRFs.

SNMP—Simple Network Management Protocol. The network management protocol used almost exclusively in TCP/IP networks. SNMP provides a means to monitor and control network devices, and to manage configurations, statistics collection, performance, and security. *See also* SNMP2.

SNMP2—SNMP Version 2. Version 2 of the popular network management protocol. SNMP2 supports centralized and distributed network management strategies, and includes improvements in the Structure of Management Information (SMI), protocol operations, management architecture, and security. *See also* SNMP.

trap—A message sent by an SNMP agent to a network management station, console, or terminal, indicating that a significant event occurred. Traps (notifications) are less reliable than inform requests, because the receiver does not send an acknowledgment when it receives a trap. The sender cannot determine if the trap was received. *See also* notification.

VPN—Virtual Private Network. A group of sites that, as the result of a set of administrative policies, are able to communicate with each other over a shared backbone network. A VPN is a secure IP-based network that shares resources on one or more physical networks. A VPN contains geographically dispersed sites that can communicate securely over a shared backbone. *See also* MPLS VPN.

VPN ID—A mechanism that identifies a VPN based on RFC 2685. A VPN ID consists of an Organizational Unique Identifier (OUI), a three-octet hex number assigned by the IEEE Registration Authority, and a VPN index, a four-octet hex number, which identifies the VPN within the company.

VRF—VPN routing and forwarding instance. A VRF consists of an IP routing table, a derived forwarding table, a set of interfaces that use the forwarding table, and a set of rules and routing protocols that determine what goes into the forwarding table. In general, a VRF includes the routing information that defines a customer VPN site that is attached to a PE router.

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