

A quick guide to BrDR Support and Training

Mark Mlynarski, P.E.
mmlynarski@promiles.com

AASHTOWare RADBUG
August 8, 2023



Brief Topics

- Support Site
 - Jira Migration
 - Licensing Service Desk - BLSD *(New)*
 - Email Service Desk - BESD
 - Support Service Desk - BSSD
- Procedures
 - Filing an issue (Do's and Don'ts)
- Resources – Available Tools
 - Tutorials (being updated)
 - Confluence

Support Site: Jira Migration

- New location – URL has changed
- <https://aashtobrdr.atlassian.net/>
- Some issues with older attachments

Support Site: **BLSD – Licensing Service Desk**

- New Jira Project –BLSD
- Intended solely for processing new/renewal license
- Covers software approval-> Successful installation in one Jira ticket
- BrDR-Licensing@promiles.com
- Allows us to separate out license/installation issues from regular support issues

Support Site: **BESD – Email Service Desk**

- **Purpose**

- Intended for quick response questions

- e.g.

- What is the latest version of BrR?
- How do I obtain an evaluation of BrD?
- Can BrR load rate a steel box girder bridge?
- Why are my load ratings 0.0?

Support Site: **BESD – Email Service Desk**

• Statistics

Reporting Period	Number of New Issues	Number of User Reviews	Average Rating (Out of 5)
July, 2022	432	26	4.7
August, 2022	521	35	4.7
September, 2022	235	29	5.0
October, 2022	251	15	4.9
November, 2022	300	28	4.7
December, 2022	198	25	4.5
January, 2023	221	34	4.8
February, 2023	209	38	5.0
March, 2023	232	44	4.7
April, 2023	180	16	5.0
May, 2023	319	18	4.7
June, 2023	218	22	4.9
Totals	3316	330	4.8

Support Site: BSSD – Support Service Desk

- Purpose
 - Technical requests
 - Enhancements
 - Maintenance items
 - Bugs

Support Site: **BSSD – Support Service Desk**

Who has access? What can they do?

- BrDR licensing options that include technical support
 - Unlimited Option (2 users) and Single Workstation Option
- Tracks technical support requests, enhancement requests, maintenance issues, and bug issues
- Login users can search for and access their own or any service request in BSSD

Support Site: BSSD – Support Service Desk

Reporting Issues: A guideline

Support Site: BSSD – Support Service Desk

[AASHTOWare Bridge Support](#) / [BrDR Support Service Desk](#)



BrDR Support Service Desk

Please select from the options below to let us know how to best support you. To view existing requests click the "Requests" button in the upper-right corner of the screen.

What can we help you with?



Installation, Activation or Licensing

Choose this if you have questions about installing, activating or licensing the product.



Technical Support

Need troubleshooting help? Select this to request assistance.



Suggestion, Idea or Feature Request

Let us know your idea for a new feature.



Other Questions

Don't see what you're looking for? Select this option and we'll help you out.

Support Site: BSSD – Support Service Desk

Reporting Issues: A guideline

Do's: What to include?... **As much as possible.**

- Bridge File
- Analysis Settings
- Clear documentation on why you disagree with something in BrR
- Screen captures
- Error Messages
- Tolerances
- Anything that would be helpful on the support end.

Support Site: BSSD – Support Service Desk

Reporting Issues: A guideline

Don'ts?... What not to do...

- Why is my rating 0.0?
 - Check capacity/Spec articles – maybe an input issue
 - Check DL – maybe input (Input 500 klf, meant 200 plf)
 - Check LL
 - Provide Calculations if you believe it is incorrect.

Support Site: BSSD – Support Service Desk

Reporting Issues: A guideline

Single Point of Contact: Why?

- Resources
- Modeling/Analysis
- Build Knowledge Base
- New users

Note to POCs:
Consider making these
resources available to new
users.

Support Site: Training/Resources

- Resources available
 - Training/Tutorials
 - Technical Notes
 - Confluence

Resources

Training/Tutorial



- Videos
- Tutorials
- Tutorials being updated with the 7.5 release
- On site/Virtual Training

Resources

Technical Notes



- Technical Notes
- Critical notes related to the software
- No workarounds

Resources

Confluence Site



- Part of Jira
- Common issues
 - Release Notes from 6.8.4 to present
 - Modeling issues
 - Computer requirements
 - Other common user questions

A blue-tinted photograph of a long bridge over a body of water. In the foreground, there are large, dark rocks. A small boat is visible on the water in the middle ground. The sky is overcast with some clouds. The word "Questions?" is written in white, bold, sans-serif font across the center of the image.

Questions?

Thank you!

Pick up a Card!

**Join us tonight
5:30 – 7:30 PM
Food and Drink**



**MONONA
TERRACE**

One John Nolen Drive
Madison, WI 53703



A blue-tinted photograph of a long bridge over a body of water. In the foreground, there is a rocky shoreline. A small boat is visible on the water in the middle ground. The sky is overcast with some clouds. The text "Thank you!" is overlaid in the center in a white, bold, sans-serif font.

Thank you!