

## Using DataFlow Catalog Registry Client

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# Creating a Machine User

Learn how to create a Machine User with the proper roles for the DataFlow Catalog and generate credentials.

## About this task

You can connect the Registry Client to the Cloudera DataFlow Catalog, expanding beyond NiFi Registry. This allows you to version and manage flow definitions in a unified location for both on-premises and cloud environments.

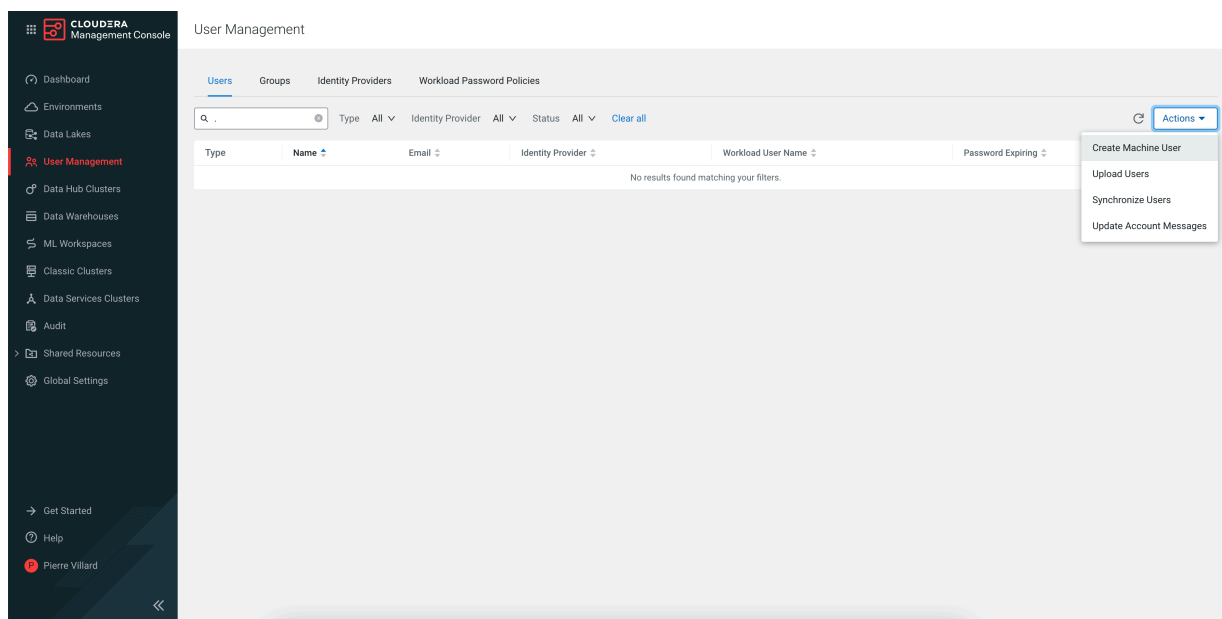
Hybrid customers can streamline flow versioning across deployments, while on-premises users with a public cloud tenant gain access to the Cloudera DataFlow ReadyFlow Gallery.

## Before you begin

Besides using Cloudera Flow Management on premises, you are a Cloudera customer for Cloudera Public Cloud.

## Procedure

1. Log in to the CDP Public Cloud web interface.
2. Navigate to **Management Console User Management** to create a Machine User that will be used by NiFi to interact with the DataFlow Catalog.
3. Select **Create Machine User** from the Actions menu on the Users tab.



4. Give the user a meaningful name and give it the proper roles:

### DFCatalogViewer

It gives read-only access to the DataFlow Catalog. This is enough if you just want to check out existing flows from the Catalog.

### DFCatalogAdmin

It gives read-write access to the DataFlow Catalog. This would allow you to version and control flows from NiFi into the Catalog, and to check out existing flows from the Catalog.

The screenshot shows the Cloudera Management Console interface. On the left is a navigation sidebar with options like Dashboard, Environments, Data Lakes, User Management (highlighted), Data Hub Clusters, Data Warehouses, ML Workspaces, Classic Clusters, Data Services Clusters, Audit, Shared Resources, and Global Settings. The main content area is titled 'Users / DFCatalogRegistryUser'. It shows user details: Name (DFCatalogRegistryUser), Workload User Name (srv\_dfccatalogregistryuser), CRN (cm:altusiam:us-west-1:9d74eee4-1cad-45d7-b645-7ccf9edbb73d:machine...), Tenant ID (9d74eee4-1cad-45d7-b645-7ccf9edbb73d), Creation Date (12/14/2022 7:10 PM CET), Workload Password (Set Workload Password), and Azure Object ID (Not available). Below this is a tabbed interface with 'Access Keys', 'Roles', 'Resources', 'Groups', and 'SSH Keys'. The 'Roles' tab is active, showing a table with one role: DFCatalogAdmin. A 'Policies' link is visible next to the role name.

5. Go to the Access Keys tab and generate credentials for your user.

This screenshot shows the same 'Users / DFCatalogRegistryUser' page, but with the 'Access Keys' tab selected. A 'Generate Access Key' dialog box is open in the center. It displays a green 'Success' message: 'Your access key has been successfully created.' Below the message, it shows the 'Access Key ID' (7dbb019c-eb51-480e-b8f9-d0f6178f977c) and the 'Private Key' (xxBHIstE4oshirt34OuTMgUg74X9C+ce7MT5+J5FxlVg=). Instructions at the bottom of the dialog state: 'To use the access key, download the credentials file into the .cdp directory in your user home directory. Or run the command cdp config and enter the access key ID and private key to create a CDP credentials file in the same directory.' There are 'Close' and 'Download Credentials File' buttons at the bottom of the dialog. In the background, the 'Access Keys' table is visible, showing a new entry with Type 'v2' and Access Key ID '7dbb019c-eb51-480e-b8f9-d0f6178f977c'.



**Note:** Make sure to keep track of the Access Key ID and the Private Key as you will need these credentials to configure the Registry Client in NiFi.

### What to do next

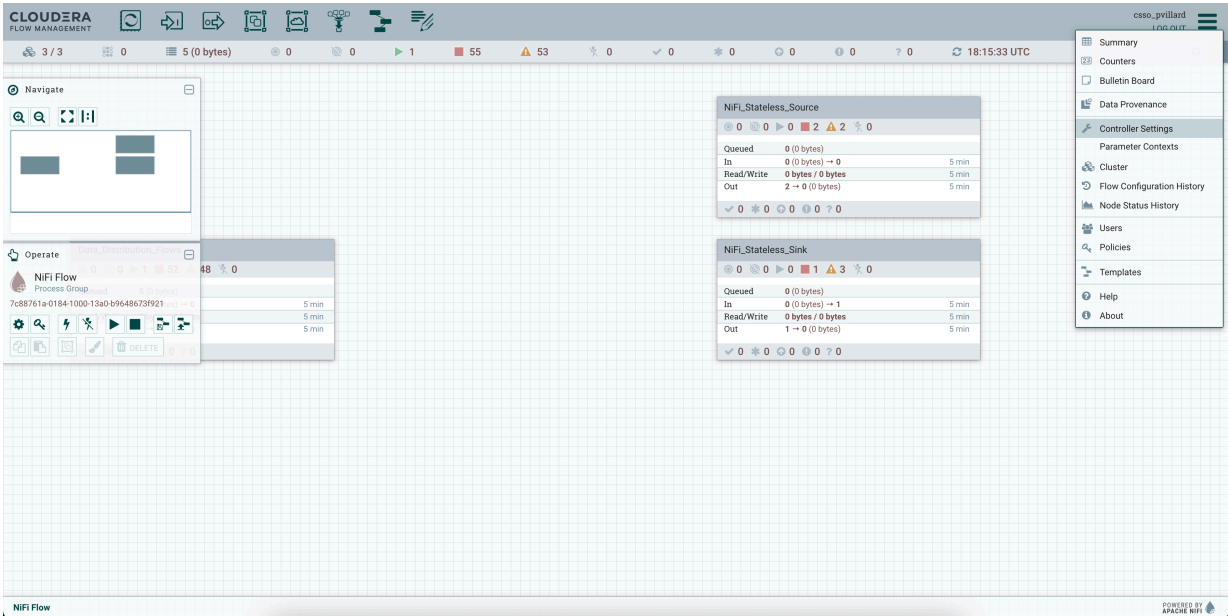
You can now create and configure the DF Catalog client with the available credentials.

# Adding a new Registry Client

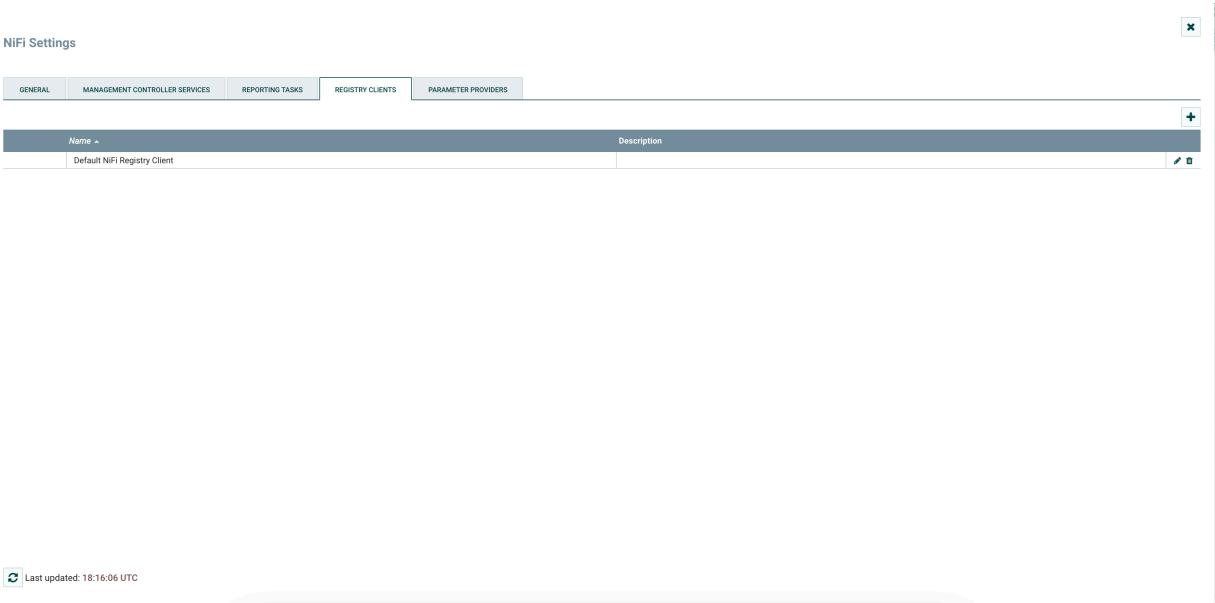
Learn how to add and configure the DF Catalog client as a new Registry Client.

## Procedure

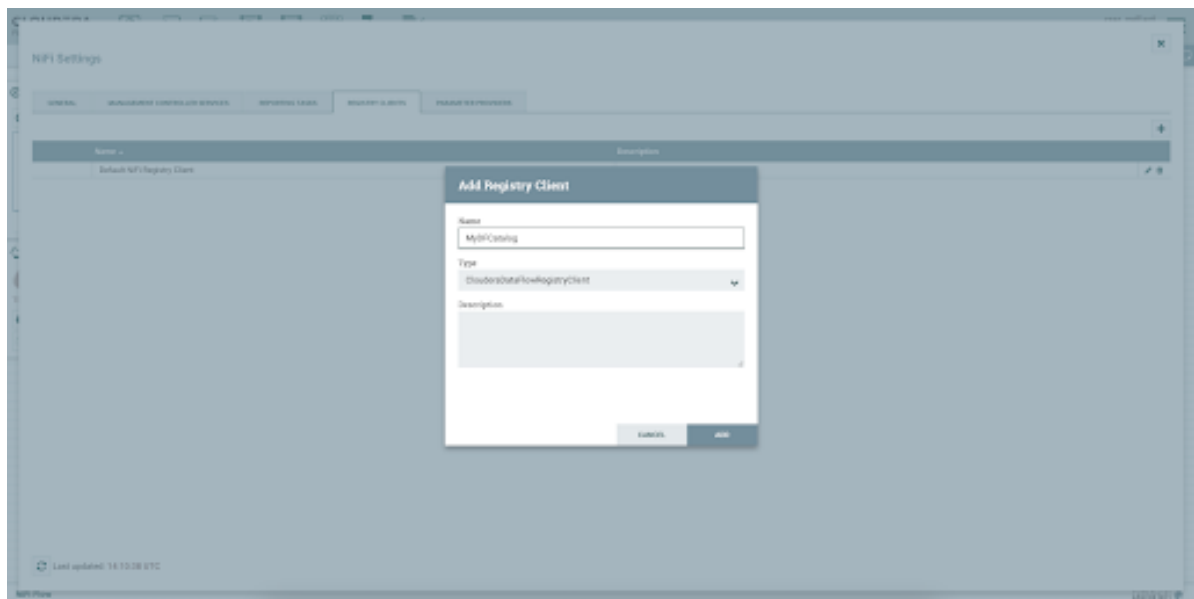
- 1. Open the NiFi UI.
- 2. Click the Global menu and select Controller Settings.



- 3. Switch to the Registry Clients tab.



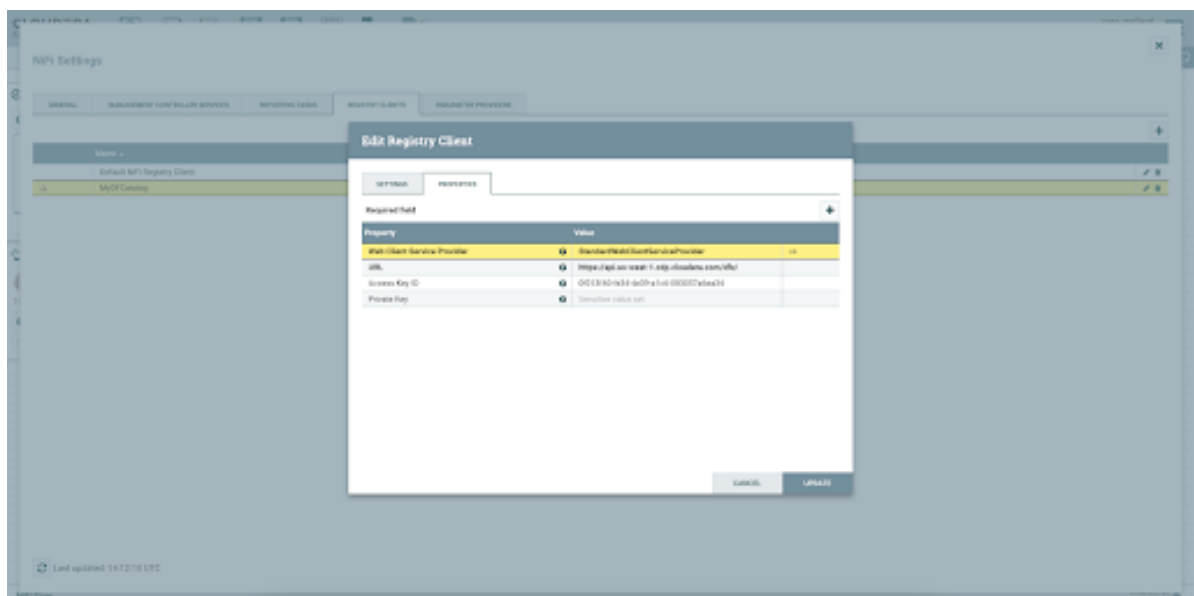
4. Add a new client.
  - a) Select the type and give it a name.



- b) Configure the client by providing the information related to your Machine User.



**Note:** You will have to create a StandardWebClientServiceProvider controller service and start it with its default configuration.



## Results

When properly configured, you are ready to use the DataFlow Catalog to either version control your flows or check out flow definitions from the Catalog into NiFi.

## What to do next

You can now start using the new client to version or check out flows from the DataFlow Catalog.

## Checking out a ReadyFlow

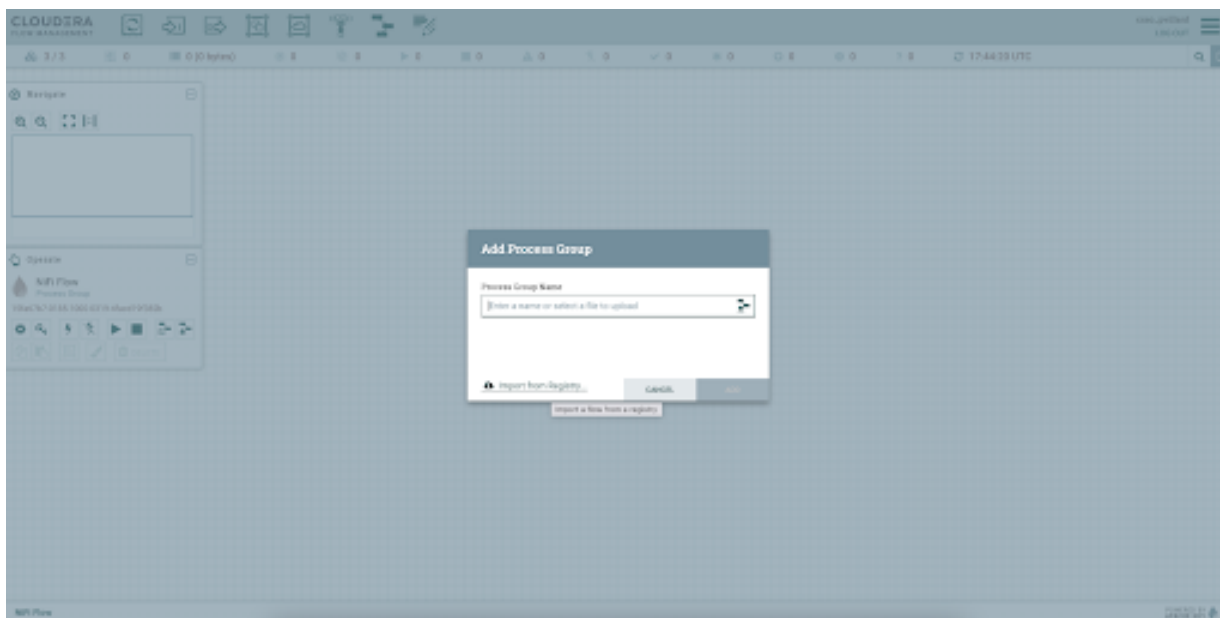
Learn how to check out a ReadyFlow from the DataFlow Catalog.

### About this task

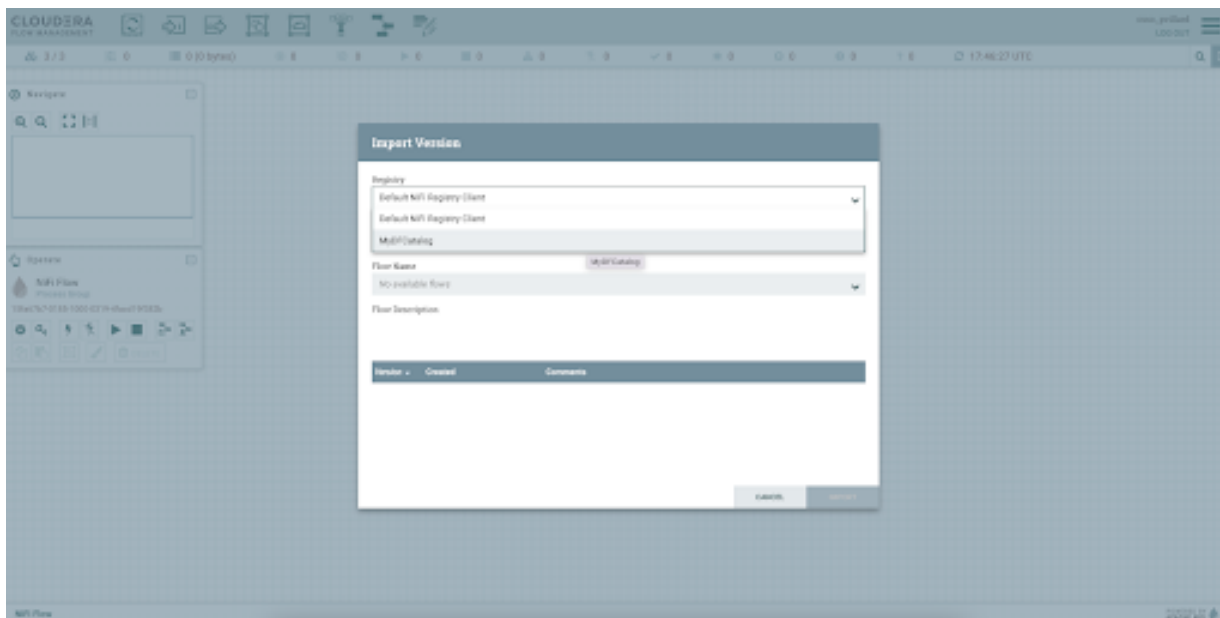
ReadyFlows are predefined, out-of-the-box data flows, which can be deployed by providing a small set of required parameters. They are read-only by default so you would not be able to commit any change made to them. With the Registry Client in NiFi connecting to Cloudera DataFlow Catalog, you can check out a ReadyFlow from the Catalog and edit it as a custom flow.

### Procedure

1. Drag and drop a process group onto the canvas and click Import from Registry.



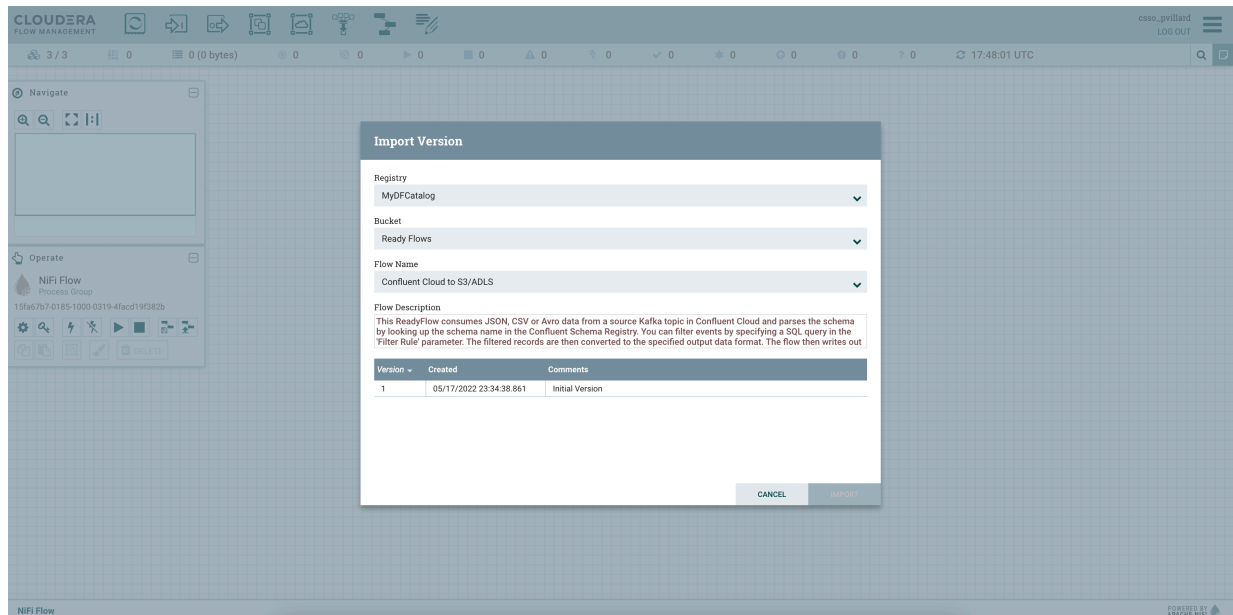
2. In the drop-down list, select the Registry Client configured to access your DataFlow Catalog.



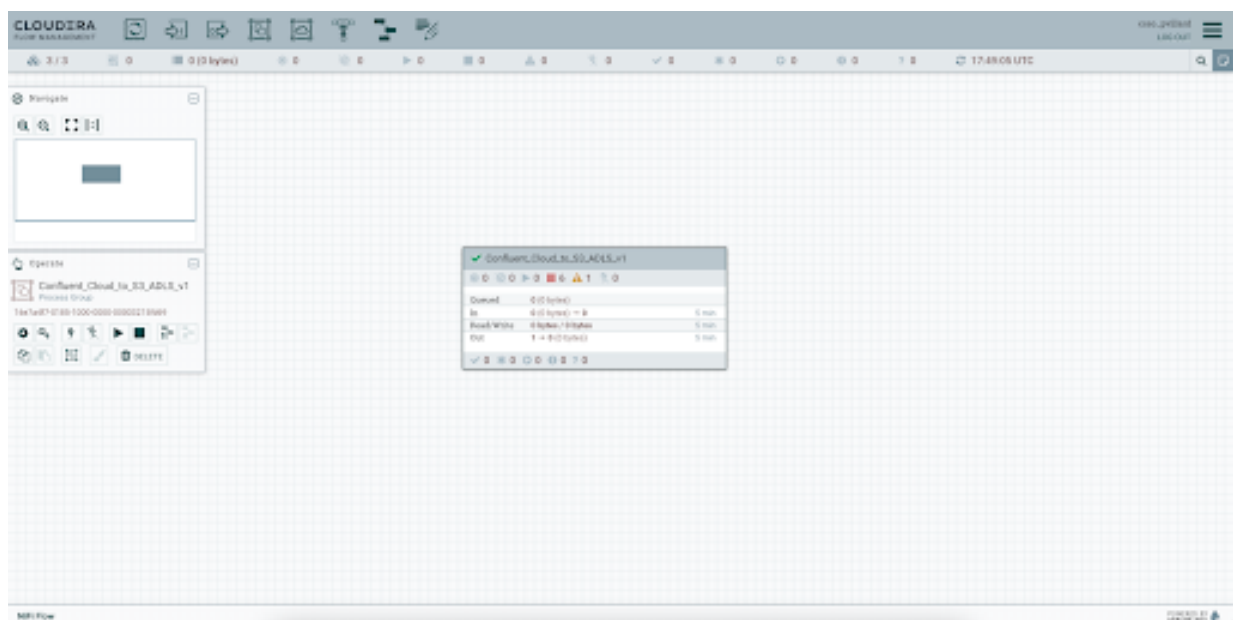


### 3. Select the ReadyFlows bucket.

You have two buckets - one for the ReadyFlows (which is read-only) and one for your own flows that are stored in the Catalog.



### 4. Select the ReadyFlow that you want to check out in NiFi by clicking the selected version and then clicking Import.



### 5. ReadyFlows are read-only so you would not be able to change flow. If you want to edit the flow:

- Right-click the process group, select Version and click Stop version control.
- Make the changes you want.
- Version the flow as a custom flow in your Catalog: right-click the process group, select Version and click Start version control.

## Checking out your flows

Learn how to check out your own flows from the DataFlow Catalog.

### About this task

If you want check out your own flow from the Catalog, you can follow the same approach as when checking out a ReadyFlow. You just need to select the Custom flows bucket. You can then make changes to your flow and commit the changes to create a new version of the flow in the Catalog.

### Procedure

1. Drag and drop a process group onto the canvas and click Import from Registry.
2. In the drop-down list, select the Registry Client configured to access your DataFlow Catalog.
3. Select the Custom flows bucket.
4. Edit your flow and commit the changes to create a new flow version in the Catalog.

## Versioning a flow in the Catalog

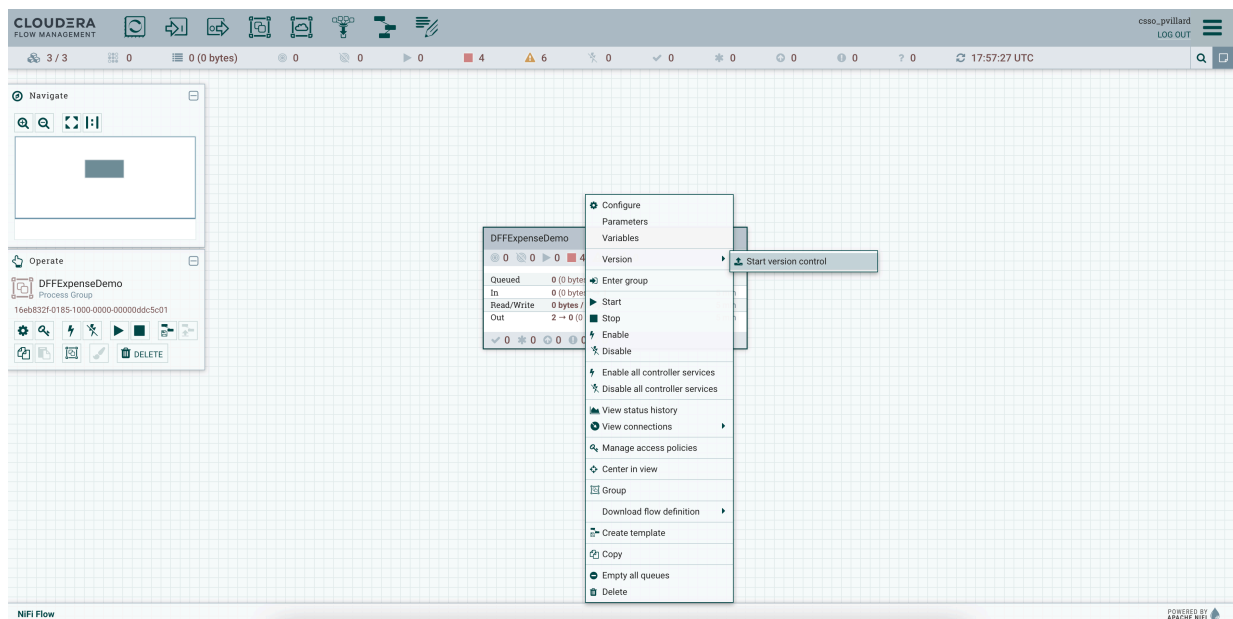
Learn how to use the DataFlow Catalog to version your flows.

### About this task

Follow the below steps if you have a process group that you want to version as a completely new flow in the Catalog.

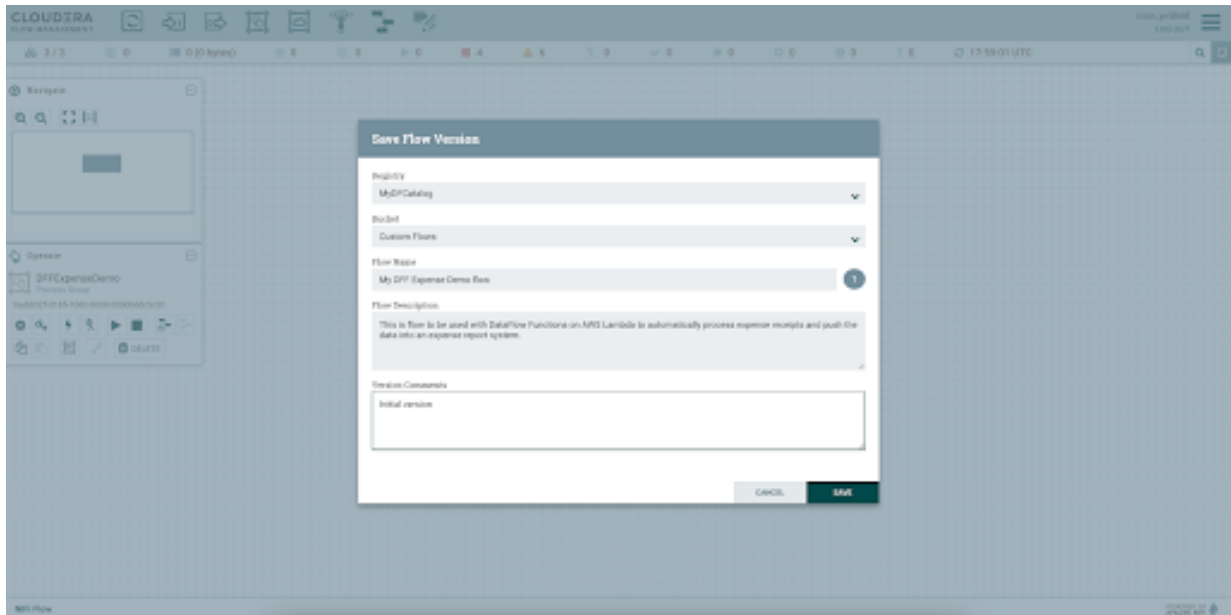
### Procedure

1. Right-click the process group and select Version Start version control .



2. Select the Registry that you want to use.

3. Select Custom flows for the bucket and give your flow a name, a description, and a comment for the first version.



4. Click Save.

## Results

The flow is now available in the DataFlow Catalog.



**Note:** All commits will be associated with the Machine User you configured when creating the Registry client.

Flow Catalog

Search: DFF Expense Demo

Name ↑
My DFF Expense Demo flow

My DFF Expense Demo flow  
Updated 2 minutes ago by DFCatalogRegistryUser

FLOW DESCRIPTION  
This is flow to be used with DataFlow Functions on AWS Lambda to automatically process expense receipts and push the data into an expense report system.

CRN #  
[crm.cdp.df.us-west-1:558bc1d2-8867-4357-8524-311d51259233:flow:My-DFF-Expense-Demo-flow](#)

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LAST UPDATE  
2022-12-15 18:59 CET by [DFCatalogRegistryUser](#)  
"Initial version"

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