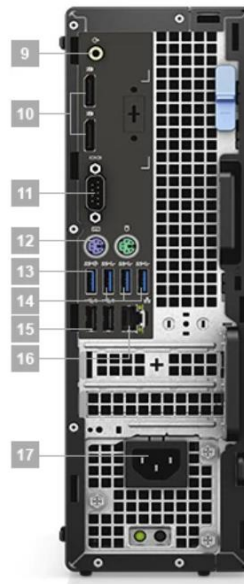




Avid Configuration Guidelines
DELL Precision 3440 workstation SFF
6, 8 or 10 Core CPU System



Ports & Slots

1. Power Button | 2. Optical Drive (optional) | 3. Internal SD 4.0 Card reader (Optional) | 4. Universal Audio Jack | 5. USB 2.0 with PowerShare | 6. USB 2.0 | 7. USB 3.2 Gen 2 Type A | 8. USB 3.2 Gen 2 Type-C with PowerDelivery | 9. Audio Line Out | 10. Display Port 1.4 (2) | 11. Serial | 12. PS2 Keyboard/Mouse | 13. USB 3.2 Gen 2, Type A | 14. USB 3.2 Gen 1 (3) | 15. USB 2.0 with Power On (2) | 16. RJ45 Network Connector | 17. Power Plug

1.) DELL 3440 AVID Qualified System Specification:

3440 Hardware Configuration

Supported Intel Xeon and 10th Generation Intel Core i7/i9 CPU Choices (Dell 3440)

- Intel core i7-10700 2.9 Ghz, turbo up to 4.8 Ghz 8-core
- Intel core i9-10900 2.8 Ghz, turbo up to 5.2 Ghz 10-core
- Xeon W-1250 3.3 Ghz, turbo up to 4.7 Ghz 6-core
- Xeon W-1270 3.4 Ghz, turbo up to 5.0 Ghz 8-core
- Xeon W-1290 3.2 Ghz, turbo up to 5.2 Ghz 10-core (**Best Performance SFF**)

Supported Video Cards

- 1.) NVIDIA P620 2GB PCIe video board
- 2.) NVIDIA P1000 4GB PCI-e video board

System Disk Drive – 500 GB (recommended) M.2 PCIe NVMe. DELL also offers slower 7200 RPM SATA HDD boot drive options which are acceptable. Recommend a DELL qualified drive be selected.

Standard AVID memory configuration:

- Systems using the Xeon CPU's will use DDR4-2933MHz ECC memory (up to 4 DIMMs per system)
- Systems using core i7/i9 will use DDR4-2933Mhz Non-ECC memory (up to 4 DIMMs per system)
- 128 GB memory max for this system
- Each CPU has 2 memory lanes - optimal bandwidth when 2 or 4 memory lanes filled
 - 32GB (2 x 16GB) DDR4 2933MHz memory – (Requires two 16GB DIMMs)

Memory modules must be installed according to manufacturer's requirements

Optional AVID memory configuration:

- 16GB (2 x 8GB) DDR4 2933 memory – (Requires two 8GB DIMMs)
- 32GB (4 x 8GB) DDR4 2933 memory – (Requires four 8GB DIMMs)
- 64GB (4 x 16GB) DDR4 2933 memory – (Requires four 16GB DIMMs)
- 64GB (2 x 32GB) DDR4 2933 memory – (Requires two 32GB DIMMs)
- 128GB (4 x 32GB) DDR4 2933 memory – (Requires four 32GB DIMMs)

Memory configuration constraints

- No other memory configurations are formally supported in AVID environments.
- **Un-balanced memory configurations which mix and match memory module sizes and locations will result in a poor performing, non-optimal operating environment.**

2.) Qualified Operating Systems, Avid Client Editing Applications, Hardware and Shared-Storage support for the DELL 3440:

DELL Supports:

- Microsoft® Windows 10 Pro for workstations 64-bit Version 2004

Not Supported –

- Microsoft® Windows 7 – any version
- Microsoft Windows 8 or 8.1 – any version

Media Composer Application	Minimum Rev
Media Composer	2019.12
Media Composer 7.x, 8.x, 2018.x	Not supported
NewsCutter 11.x	Not Supported

* See Avid Media Composer version matrix for Nvidia driver version
https://avid.secure.force.com/pkb/articles/en_US/Compatibility/en267087

3.) Qualified O.S., Hardware and shared storage supported:

	Qualified / Supported
Nitris DX, Mojo DX	NOT SUPPORTED End of support 3/31/2020
Artist DNxIO/ DNxIQ thunderbolt connection) Artist DNxIV/DNxIP/DNxID (thunderbolt only connection)	Yes – Supported – Thunderbolt only <u>Thunderbolt Guidance</u> Thunderbolt 2 & 3 - higher system over-head, not recommended to share Thunderbolt devices on the same Thunderbolt bus with DNxID, DNxIV DNxIO would require TB3 to TB2 converter Thunderbolt 3 offers support of cable lengths up to 60-meters (via qualified Corning Thunderbolt cables) for users needing to physically place the Artist DNxIO at longer distances from the host CPU Workstation.
3 rd Party Qualified Hardware	See release notes and Avid website for information regarding supported 3 rd party hardware (vendor qualified)
NEXIS / ISIS Single 1Gb Ethernet Client NEXIS Dual 1Gb Ethernet Client Intel i350 T2V2, i219, X722	ISIS 5500 / 5000 , 7500 / 7000 Avid NEXIS Pro, E2, E2 SSD, E4, E5, E5 NL V20.5
NEXIS / ISIS Ultra Hi-res (10Gbit) client Myricom Single or dual Port 10Gbit Atto FFRM-NS11,NS12 NT11, NT12 Intel X520-T2, X540-T2, X710-DA2, X722	ISIS 5500 / 5000 , 7500 / 7000 Avid NEXIS Pro, E2, E2 SSD, E4, E5, E5 NL V20.5
NEXIS 40Gigabit Atto FFRM-NQ 41/42	Avid NEXIS Pro, E2, E2 SSD, E4, E5, E5 NL V20.5

4.) AVID qualified HBA info

AVID qualified HBA	AVID Part Number	Slot Location	Function
DELL Thunderbolt 3 adapter card	Not stocked by AVID	#2	2 ports TB3
Vendor qualified 3 rd party hardware X4 PCI-E	Not stocked by AVID	#2	Vendor qualified 3 rd party hardware interface. See release notes and Avid website for information regarding supported 3 rd party hardware
Atto FFRM-NS11, NS12, NT11, NT12 10 Gb single or dual port	Not stocked by AVID	#2	Shared Storage: NEXIS Optical Gb-Ethernet
Intel i350-T2 – Dual Gb NIC	Not stocked by AVID	#2	Shared Storage: NEXIS Copper Gb-Ethernet Dual Gb NEXIS Connectivity
Intel X710 dual port 10Gb	Not stocked by AVID	#2	Shared Storage: NEXIS Optical Gb-Ethernet
Myricom 10G-PCIE-8B-S 10G-PCIE-8B2-2S, 10G-PCIE-8C2-2T	7030-30041-01	#2	Shared Storage: NEXIS 10Gb-Ethernet

Notes:

- **DELL thunderbolt 3 PCIe cards are specific to each system. Make sure you order the correct TB3 card for this system.**
- **Notes: Only low profile cards will fit into this chassis**

5.) Slot Configuration:

Slot Configuration Information (Tower and SFF)			
Slot #	Electrical	Mechanical	
1	x16 PCIe Gen 3	X16 Low Profile	Graphics Card: Nvidia P620, P1000
2	X4 PCIe Gen 3	X4 Low profile	DELL Thunderbolt 3 adapter card for DNxIQ, DNxIO, DNxIV, DNxIP, DNxD 3 rd party PCIe Open IO card (PCIe x4 or less) Shared storage PCIe card
M 1	M.2 slot 1 PCI-E Gen 3	M.2 x4	DELL NVMe SSD storage cards
M 2	M.2 slot 2 PCI-E Gen 3	M.2 x4	DELL NVMe SSD storage cards
	Embedded Intel I219-LM Gb NIC	PCI-E x1 Gen 3	Qualified for Avid Nexis/ISIS

6.) Use of embedded NIC ports for Nexis/ISIS connectivity **Important Information**

The Dell 3440 has one embedded NIC ports. This port is qualified for Nexis

For proper operation and connectivity of the Intel network interface with NEXIS the following settings are required:

1. For the Intel NIC driver, under the performance settings, change the following parameters:
 - Receive Buffers to 1024
 - Transmit Buffers to 1024
2. Disable the windows firewall.

7.) Required system BIOS settings for AVID environments:

Use latest version from Vendor website

Please Note: CPU Hyper-threading should be enabled in all configurations. It is currently enabled by default by DELL for shipping 3440 systems

3440 Required system BIOS changes:

1. Verify CPU Processors are set to Hyper-Threading

- During boot up press F1 at the DELL splash screen to invoke Set Up.
- Select the Performance tab
- Select Hyper-Threading
- Verify setting is Enabled (or enable if currently set to disable)

8.) Graphics Drivers:

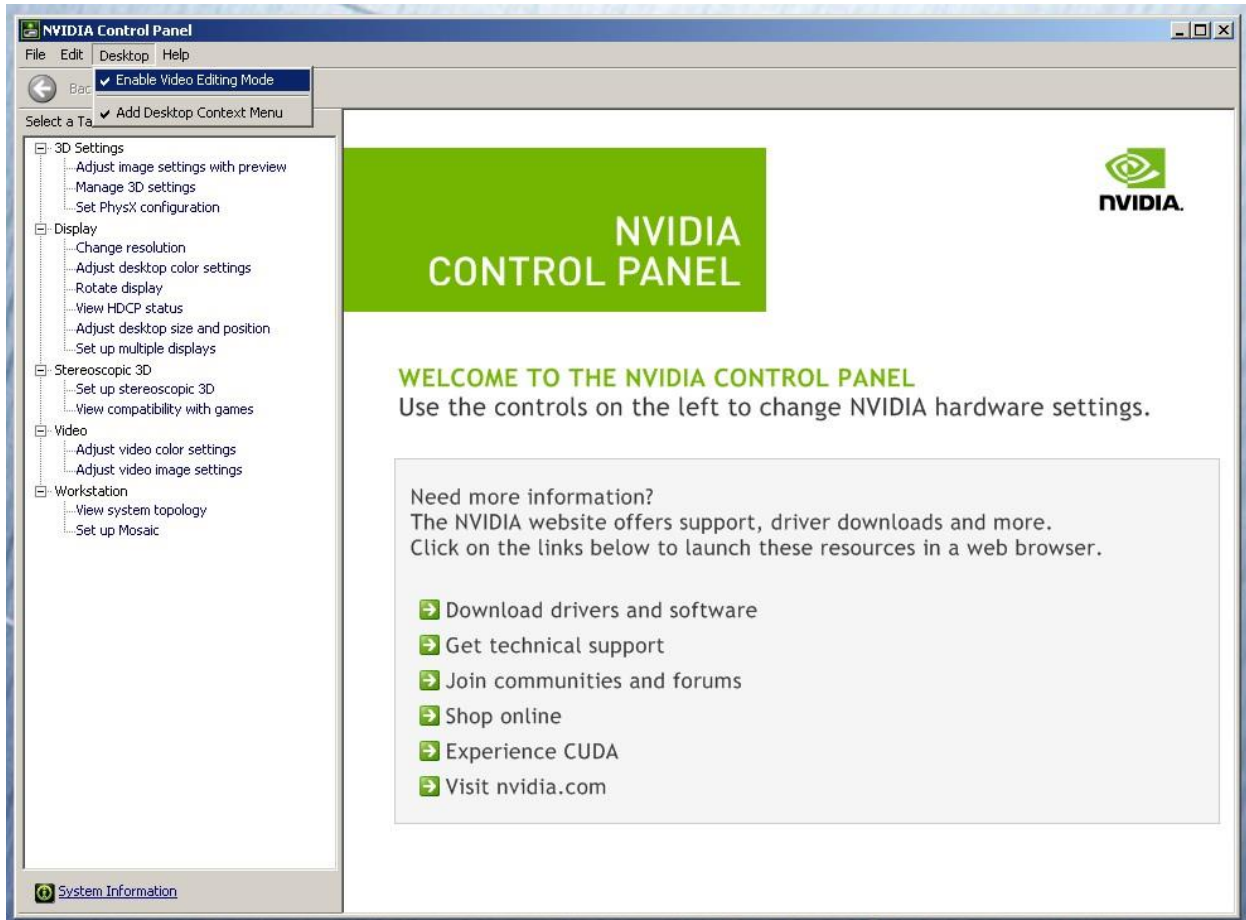
AVID Software	Version(s)	GPU	Driver Required
Media Composer	2020.6 and later	Nvidia P620, P1000	Nvidia 442.50
Media Composer	2019.12.x	Nvidia P620, P1000	Nvidia 441.28

After installation of the AVID software the supported Nvidia driver can be found in the following directory:
Program Files / Avid / Utilities / Nvidia.

** The AMD graphics driver is NOT included with MC release builds. You can find this driver on the AMD web page
<https://www.amd.com/en/support>

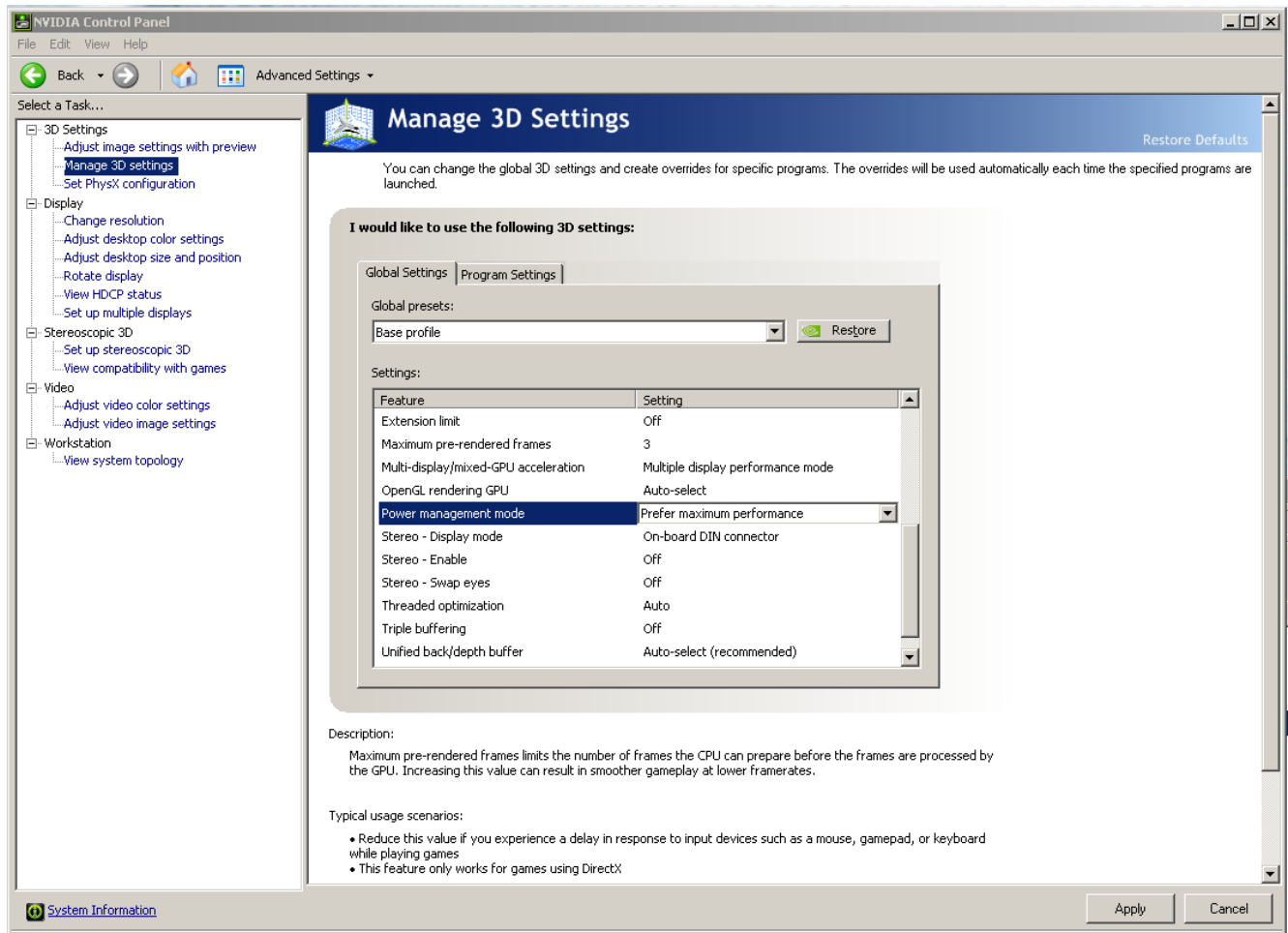
Set optimized Nvidia driver settings for Avid editing environments:

1. See picture below
2. Right-Click on the desktop and select Nvidia Control Panel
3. Select the “Desktop” menu selection in the control panel menu bar.
4. Enable “Desktop -> Video Editing Mode



5. Select Manage 3D Settings
6. Select “Global Settings” Tab
7. Under the “Global Settings” tab select “3D App – Default Global Settings” (Same as Base Profile)
8. Scroll down and locate the “Power Management Mode” feature. The default setting is “Adaptive”

- For the “Power management mode” feature, select “Prefer maximum performance” as shown in the picture below.



- Depress the “Apply” button.

- Nvidia driver optimization settings for Avid environments are complete.

9.) GPU monitor connectivity:

The P620 and P1000 has 4 mini-display ports. All 4 ports can be used simultaneously.

*(Important: Display-ports **are not** HDMI ports; at first glance they do look very similar to HDMI ports)*

10.) Serial Port Deck Control

The DELL 3440 workstation does NOT have an embedded serial port. Primary or secondary / additional serial port deck control can be established via USB to serial adapters. See Avid KB for more info.

11.) O.S. setting recommendations for optimum performance with Avid Editing applications:

The following links provide O.S. setting suggestions for ensuring optimum performance when working with your Avid editing application with a Windows operating system.

- Optimizations for Video Editors - windows 10

http://avid.force.com/pkb/articles/en_US/Troubleshooting/Media-Composer-Windows-10-Optimizations-and-Troubleshooting

Revision Update

Revision	Date	Name	Update
Rev A	Oct 21, 2020	Dave Pimm	Initial release of the DELL 3440 configuration guide