Instructions for Configuring a SAFARI Montage® Managed Home Access Expansion Server

~ Please read these instructions in their entirety before you begin. ~

These instructions explain how to add a SAFARI Montage Managed Home Access (MHA) Expansion Server to your WAN Manager environment. An MHA server is a special purpose WAN Expansion Server that provides users with home access to packaged and, if applicable, district-created SAFARI Montage Creation Station® content.

Before You Begin:

- These instructions are for SAFARI Montage version 3.2.8 or greater. Note: Screens and menu links may vary slightly between software versions.
- Review the SAFARI Montage System Requirements, which include important information that will ensure that your environment meets all requirements.
- It is important that you review the **Release Notes**, which are available online; as they may include **Known Issues** you should understand before running the upgrade.
- The MHA server is a special purpose WAN Expansion Server, and it may be helpful to review the **WAN Expansion** topic in the online help, available by navigating to **Help** > **WAN Manager Guide** > **WAN Expansion**.
- You may choose to physically install the MHA Expansion Server in advance. Please do not power on or configure until directed to do so in the instructions below.
- To support home access, SAFARI Montage Creation Station video content must be encoded as H.264 and hinted for streaming. Please see SAFARI Montage Creation Station Encoding Guidelines for Managed Home Access, available online at http://www.safarimontage.com/support.
- Include time to backup your system in your upgrade planning.
- No one should use the SAFARI Montage system during the installation process, so please perform the installation
 off-hours.
- Review any questions with Technical Support in advance. Please note that SAFARI Montage Technical Support is available Monday – Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Eastern Time, and may be contacted by telephone at 800-782-7230 or online via http://www.safarimontage.com/support.

Instructions:

- 1. Verify the version of SAFARI Montage that you are running by navigating to Admin > Settings > System on the WAN Controller.
- 2. Backup your SAFARI Montage system via the Administration Tools:
 - a. Navigate to Admin > Data Recovery > Backup.
 - b. Perform a full backup by setting the backup option Data Only to No.
- 3. Prepare your network.

As MHA provides access from home, it requires that you prepare your internal network. To provide public Internet access to the MHA Expansion Server, please confirm the following before proceeding:

- Refer to the attached network diagrams that provide sample site configurations as an overview.
- Confirm that you have the public and private IP addresses and hostnames for your new MHA server and existing WAN Controller.
- Confirm that you have created DNS records with the external (public) and internal (private) hostnames and IP addresses for your new MHA server:
 - o The external (public) hostname of the MHA server must be the same as the internal (private) hostname of the WAN Controller in order for permanent links to function correctly from internal and home clients. Refer to the network diagram of the example site configuration for a depiction of this.



- Confirm that your firewall(s) is properly configured to:
 - o Translate the public <-> private IP addresses for your MHA server.
 - o Allow network traffic for the following ports:

WAN Controller ←→ MHA Server			
Туре	Port	Protocol	
FTP	21	TCP	
SSH	22	TCP	
SMTP	25	TCP	
DNS	53	TCP/UDP	
HTTP	80	TCP	
HTTPS	443	TCP	
NTP	123	UDP	
SMB	135	TCP	
SMB	137	UDP	
SMB	138	UDP	
SMB	139	TCP	
SNMP	161	UDP	
LDAP	389	TCP	
LDAPS	636	TCP	
SMB	445	TCP	
RSync	873	TCP	

External Client → MHA Server		
Туре	Port	Protocol
HTTP	80	TCP
HTTPS	443	TCP
RTSP	554	ТСР

4. Integrate the new MHA Expansion Server into the existing SAFARI Montage WAN Manager environment.

The MHA Expansion server is a special purpose WAN Expansion Server, and it must first be integrated into your WAN Manager environment:

Verify or Activate the Required Software Licenses on the WAN Controller Server

- a. Log in directly to the WAN Controller server as an administrator by using a web browser.
- b. Verify that the necessary add-on modules and content licenses are active.
 - i. Click on the Admin tab on the Dashboard.
 - ii. Click on Add-On Modules (Add-Ons in earlier versions) from the left-hand navigation menu. Add-On Modules is located under Settings.



- iii. Locate the following from the **Modules** list. If activated, a green check will appear in the **Active** column. If not activated, click the **Activation** link and follow the on-screen instructions.
 - SAFARI Montage WAN Manager
 - SAFARI Montage Expansion Controller
 - SAFARI Montage Managed Home Access

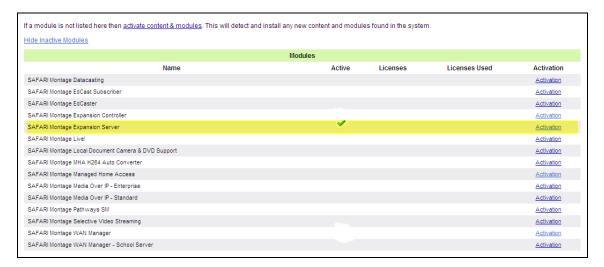
Note: Internet access is required for activation.



Install the MHA Expansion Server and Activate the Software License

- a. If you have not already done so, physically install the MHA Expansion server according to the setup guide included with the server.
- b. Assign an IP address and hostname according to the setup guide included with the server.
- c. Log in directly to the MHA Expansion Server as an administrator by using a web browser.
- d. Verify that the WAN Expansion Server Module license is active.
 - i. Click on the Admin tab on the Dashboard.
 - Click on Add-On Modules (Add-Ons in earlier versions) from the left-hand navigation menu. Add-On Modules is located under Settings.
 - iii. Locate SAFARI Montage Expansion Server from the Modules list. If activated, a green check will appear in the Active column. If not activated, click the Activation link and the follow on-screen instructions.

Note: Internet access is required for activation.





Synchronize the MHA Expansion Server With the WAN Controller Server

- a. From the MHA Expansion Server
 - i. Login directly into the MHA Expansion Server as an administrator by using a web browser.
 - ii. Click on the Admin tab on the Dashboard.
 - iii. Click on Expansion Server from the left-hand navigation menu.
 - iv. Click on Server Settings from the left-hand navigation sub menu.
 - v. Enter the Expansion Controller (IP or Computer Name) under Expansion Server Settings.
 - vi. Check the Allow Direct Login checkbox under Expansion Server Settings.

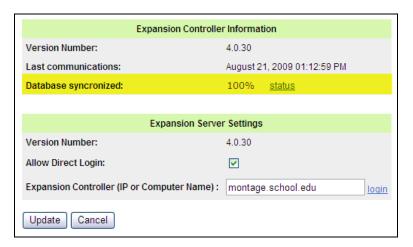


- vii. Click on the **Update** button.
- viii. Allow the MHA Expansion server to synchronize with the WAN Controller server before continuing. This process synchronizes configuration and, if applicable, SAFARI Montage Creation Station content. Typical time for server synchronization is 2 to 6 hours. It is recommended that synchronization be allowed to run overnight.
- ix. You may monitor the synchronization process by viewing the following screen.





Upon completion, the user will be returned to Expansion Server Settings, and Database synchronized will display the percentage synchronized with a link to view the status.



x. Once the MHA Expansion server is fully synchronized, proceed to the next step.

Activate Content Licenses on the WAN Controller and Synchronize Them With the MHA Expansion Server

- a. From the WAN Controller Server
 - i. Log in directly to the WAN Controller server as an administrator by using a web browser.
 - ii. Click on the Admin tab on the Dashboard.
 - iii. Click on Activate Content & Modules (Activate All Contents & Add-Ons in earlier versions) from the left-hand navigation menu. Activate Content & Modules is located under Settings, along with the on-screen instructions for activation.
 - iv. Allow the WAN Controller server to synchronize with the MHA Expansion Server before continuing. Synchronization can be monitored by viewing the following screen under **Expansion Servers**.



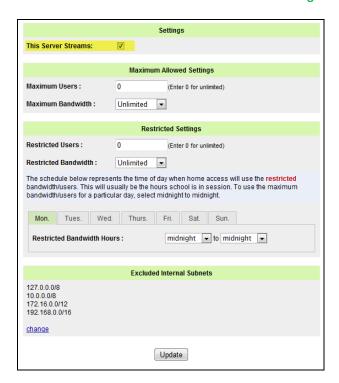
- v. Once the WAN Controller Server is fully synchronized, proceed to the next step.
- 5. Configure the MHA Expansion Server for Home Access.

The MHA Expansion server can now be configured for Home Access:

- a. Log in directly to the MHA Expansion Server as an **administrator** by using a web browser.
- b. Click on the Admin tab on the Dashboard.
- c. Click on Managed Home Access from the left-hand navigation menu.
- d. Click on **Streamer Settings** from the left-hand navigation sub menu.



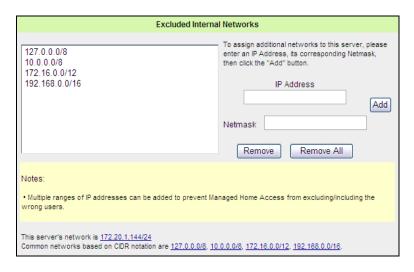
e. Check the This Server Streams checkbox under Settings.



- f. Click on the **Update** button.
- g. Click on Exclude Subnets from the left-hand navigation sub menu.

Exclude Internal Subnets – IP address ranges included in the setting will be treated as Direct Play connections (i.e., internal connections), and SAFARI Montage will behave as if being used in a local environment. IP addresses or ranges **not** included here will be treated as Managed Home Access connections and will receive lower bit rate content intended for home access.

h. Assign additional networks to the server by entering an IP address and its corresponding Netmask, then clicking on the Add button.



Configuration of the MHA Expansion Server and WAN Controller Servers are complete. Test the configuration from an external client for verification.



Optional Settings:

Refer to the image below as reference for these settings. These settings can be found by clicking on **Admin > Managed Home Access** > **Streamer Settings**.



Maximum Allowed Settings

- o Maximum Users The number of users that can access the server at the same time.
- Maximum Bandwidth The amount of bandwidth to be used while streaming.
 Note: To view SAFARI Montage pre-packaged content, Maximum Bandwidth should be set to 0 kbps (unlimited) or 384 kbps or higher.

Restricted Settings

- Restricted Users The number of users that can access the server at the same time during the Restricted Bandwidth Hours.
- Restricted Bandwidth The amount of bandwidth to be used while streaming during the Restricted Bandwidth
 Hours.
- Restricted Bandwidth Hours Used to set days and times for restricted bandwidth. Restricted Users and Bandwidth settings become active during the scheduled times.

Notes:

- The Managed Home Access Expansion Server must have access to the Internet. It is recommended that the server be put
 into a DMZ with the appropriate ports open. For a list of the specific ports to open, see the attached network drawing
 labeled Sample Setup Using a DMZ.
- For MHA servers not within a DMZ, see attached network drawing labeled Sample Setup Without a DMZ.



Troubleshooting:

Most issues are resolved by verifying that the proper network and firewall configuration exists.

- Verify that the DNS hostnames are properly registered and resolved to the correct IP addresses.
 - o From an external client, the fully qualified hostname (e.g., montage.school.edu) should resolve to the external (public) IP address of the MHA Expansion Server.
 - o From an internal client, the fully qualified hostname (e.g., montage.school.edu) should resolve to the internal (private) IP address of the WAN Controller.
- Verify that the Network Address Translation (NAT) is properly configured and the public IP address of the MHA server correctly redirects to the private IP address of the MHA server.
- Verify that the required firewall ports are open.
 - Network traffic can typically be viewed from your firewall and/or router console or monitoring applications.
 - o It may also be helpful for external and internal clients to use a port scanner such as WSPingPro to verify that the required ports are open. Scan each required port and adjust firewall configuration as required to allow access on the required ports.

Support:

For assistance with SAFARI Montage or SAFARI Montage Managed Home Access, please contact SAFARI Montage Technical Support by calling (800) 782-7230 or by visiting http://www.safarimontage.com/support.



