



# MPLS TE: Link and Node Protection, with RSVP Hellos Support (with Fast Tunnel Interface Down Detection)

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This MPLS TE: Link and Node Protection, with RSVP Hellos Support (with Fast Tunnel Interface Down Detection) document describes the following Fast ReRoute (FRR) features:

- Backup tunnel support
- Backup bandwidth protection
- Fast Tunnel Interface Down detection
- Resource Reservation Protocol (RSVP) Hellos

Backup bandwidth protection allows you to give label-switched paths (LSPs) carrying certain kinds of data (such as voice) priority for using backup tunnels. For a more detailed description, see the [“Prioritizing Which LSPs Obtain Backup Tunnels with Bandwidth Protection” section on page 9](#).



## Note

If you plan to use or already use Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) TE FRR Link Protection before Cisco IOS Release 12.0(24)S, contact the Cisco Technical Assistance Center for important deployment and upgrade information.

For information about shared risk link groups (SRLGs), which are sets of links that are likely to go down together, refer to the [MPLS Traffic Engineering: Shared Risk Link Groups \(SRLG\)](#) feature module.

## History for MPLS TE: Link and Node Protection, with RSVP Hellos Support (with Fast Tunnel Interface Down Detection)

Release	Modification
12.0(10)ST	Fast ReRoute Link Protection feature was introduced.
12.0(16)ST	Link Protection for Cisco Series 7200 and 7500 platforms was added.
12.0(22)S	Fast ReRoute enhancements were added.



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12.0(23)S	The <b>show mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute database</b> command was revised.
12.0(24)S	Support for the Cisco 10720 Internet Router and the Cisco 12000 series router engine 3 was added.
12.0(29)S	Backup bandwidth protection was added.
12.0(30)S	Support for the following was added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Node Protection Desired, Fast Tunnel Interface Down Detection,</li> <li>• Fast ReRoute over ATM,</li> <li>• Gigabit Ethernet line cards,</li> <li>• Link Protection for GE interfaces on 10x1G engine 4+ GE, 1x10G engine 4+ GE, and 4x1G engine 3 GE routers with the Loss of Signal Fast ReRoute trigger.</li> <li>• The <b>tunnel mpls traffic-eng interface down delay</b> command was added.</li> </ul>
12.2(33)SRB	This feature was integrated into Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SRB.
12.2(33)SXH	This feature was integrated into Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SXH.

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## Prerequisites for MPLS TE: Link and Node Protection, with RSVP Hellos Support (with Fast Tunnel Interface Down Detection)

Your network must support the following Cisco IOS features in order to support features described in this document:

- IP Cisco Express Forwarding (CEF)
- MPLS

Your network must support at least one of the following protocols:

- Intermediate System-to-Intermediate System (IS-IS)
- Open Shortest Path First (OSPF)

## Restrictions for MPLS TE: Link and Node Protection, with RSVP Hellos Support (with Fast Tunnel Interface Down Detection)

- Interfaces must use MPLS Global Label Allocation.
- Backup tunnel headend and tailend routers must implement FRR as described in this document.
- Backup tunnels are not protected. If an LSP is actively using a backup tunnel and the backup tunnel fails, the LSP is torn down.
- LSPs that are actively using backup tunnels are not considered for promotion. So, if an LSP is actively using a backup tunnel and a better backup tunnel becomes available, the active LSP is not switched to the better backup tunnel.

## Information About MPLS TE: Link and Node Protection, with RSVP Hellos Support (with Fast Tunnel Interface Down Detection)

To configure MPLS TE Link and Node Protection with RSVP Hellos Support (with Fast Tunnel Interface Down Detection), you need to understand the following concepts:

- [Fast ReRoute, page 4](#)
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- [Bandwidth Protection, page 5](#)
- [Fast Tunnel Interface Down Detection, page 6](#)
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- [Features of MPLS TE: Link and Node Protection, with RSVP Hellos Support \(with Fast Tunnel Interface Down Detection\), page 8](#)
- [Fast ReRoute Operation, page 10](#)

## Fast ReRoute

Fast ReRoute (FRR) is a mechanism for protecting MPLS TE LSPs from link and node failures by locally repairing the LSPs at the point of failure, allowing data to continue to flow on them while their headend routers attempt to establish new end-to-end LSPs to replace them. FRR locally repairs the protected LSPs by rerouting them over backup tunnels that bypass failed links or nodes.

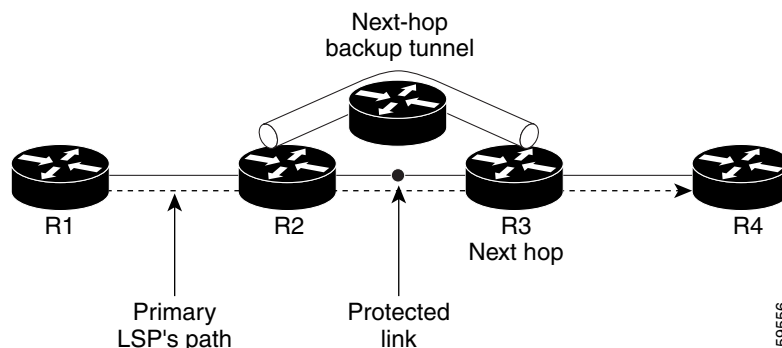
For more information about FRR, refer to the [MPLS Traffic Engineering Fast ReRoute–Link Protection](#) feature module.

For information about how FRR protects TE LSPs from shared risk link group (SRLG) failure, refer to the [MPLS Traffic Engineering: Shared Risk Link Groups \(SRLG\)](#) document.

## Link Protection

Backup tunnels that bypass only a single link of the LSP's path provide Link Protection. They protect LSPs if a link along their path fails by rerouting the LSP's traffic to the next hop (bypassing the failed link). These are referred to as next-hop (NHOP) backup tunnels because they terminate at the LSP's next hop beyond the point of failure. [Figure 1](#) illustrates an NHOP backup tunnel.

**Figure 1** *NHOP Backup Tunnel*

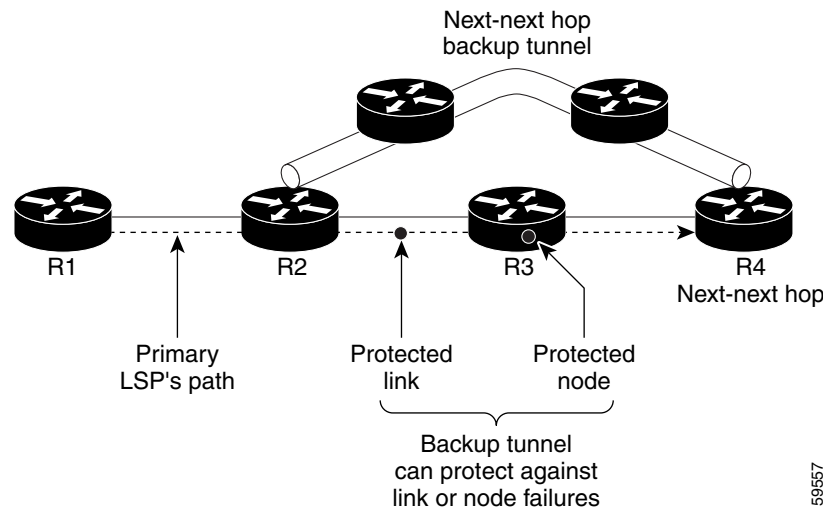


## Node Protection

FRR provides Node Protection for LSPs. Backup tunnels that bypass next-hop nodes along LSP paths are called next-next-hop (NNHOP) backup tunnels because they terminate at the node following the next-hop node of the LSP paths, thereby bypassing the next-hop node. They protect LSPs if a node along their path fails by enabling the node upstream of the failure to reroute the LSPs and their traffic around the failed node to the next-next hop. FRR supports the use of RSVP Hellos to accelerate the detection of node failures. NNHOP backup tunnels also provide protection from link failures, because they bypass the failed link as well as the node.

Figure 2 illustrates an NNHOP backup tunnel.

**Figure 2** *NNHOP Backup Tunnel*



If an LSP is using a backup tunnel and something changes so that the LSP is no longer appropriate for the backup tunnel, the LSP is torn down. Such changes include the following:

- Backup bandwidth of the backup tunnel is reduced.
- Backup bandwidth type of backup tunnel is changed to a type that is incompatible with the primary LSP.
- Primary LSP is modified so that FRR is disabled. (The `no mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute` command is entered.)

## Bandwidth Protection

NHOP and NNHOP backup tunnels can be used to provide bandwidth protection for rerouted LSPs. This is referred to as backup bandwidth. You can associate backup bandwidth with NHOP or NNHOP backup tunnels. This informs the router of the amount of backup bandwidth a particular backup tunnel can protect. When a router maps LSPs to backup tunnels, bandwidth protection ensures that an LSP uses a given backup tunnel only if there is sufficient backup bandwidth. The router selects which LSPs use which backup tunnels in order to provide maximum bandwidth protection. That is, the router determines the best way to map LSPs onto backup tunnels in order to maximize the number of LSPs that can be protected. For information about mapping tunnels and assigning backup bandwidth, see the [“Backup Tunnel Selection Procedure”](#) section on page 12.

LSPs that have the “bandwidth protection desired” bit set have a higher right to select backup tunnels that provide bandwidth protection; that is, those LSPs can preempt other LSPs that do not have that bit set. For more information, see the [“Prioritizing Which LSPs Obtain Backup Tunnels with Bandwidth Protection”](#) section on page 9.

## Fast Tunnel Interface Down Detection

If the headend router detects that a link on a label-switched path (LSP) has gone down, the Fast Tunnel Interface Down feature forces the interface's tunnel to go down immediately. Fast Tunnel Interface Down applies to generic tunnels.

If you do not configure this feature, there is a delay before the tunnel becomes unoperational and before the traffic uses an alternative path chosen by the headend/midpoint router to forward the traffic. This is fine for data traffic, but voice traffic expects the TE tunnel to go down as soon as the LSP goes down.

This feature is required if a fast switchover from an MPLS tunnel path to an IP path is desired upon an LSP failure. It is not required nor recommended if path protection is configured. This is because an LSP failure will trigger protection activation and traffic will be switched to the protection MPLS path, rather than switched to an IP path.

To implement Fast Tunnel Interface Down, use the **tunnel mpls traffic-eng interface down delay** command.

## RSVP Hello

RSVP Hellos are described in the following sections:

- [RSVP Hello Operation, page 6](#)
- [Hello Instance, page 7](#)
- [Hello Commands, page 7](#)

## RSVP Hello Operation

RSVP Hello enables RSVP nodes to detect when a neighboring node is not reachable. This provides node-to-node failure detection. When such a failure is detected, it is handled in a similar manner as a link-layer communication failure.

RSVP Hello can be used by FRR when notification of link-layer failures is not available (for example, with Ethernet), or when the failure detection mechanisms provided by the link layer are not sufficient for the timely detection of node failures.

A node running Hello sends a Hello Request to a neighboring node every interval. If the receiving node is running Hello, it responds with Hello Ack. If four intervals pass and the sending node has not received an Ack or it receives a bad message, the sending node declares that the neighbor is down and notifies FRR.

There are two configurable parameters:

- Hello interval, by using the **ip rsvp signalling hello refresh interval** command
- Number of acknowledgment messages that are missed before the sending node declares that the neighbor is down, by using the **ip rsvp signalling hello refresh misses** command



### Note

If a router's CPU utilization is high due to frequent RSVP Hello processing, there may be false failures due to Hello messages that are not transmitted.

## Hello Instance

A Hello instance implements RSVP Hello for a given router interface address and remote IP address. A Hello instance is expensive because of the large number of Hello requests that are sent and the strains they put on the router resources. Therefore, create a Hello instance only when it is necessary and delete it when it is no longer needed.

There are two types of Hello instances:

- [Active Hello Instances](#)
- [Passive Hello Instances](#)

### Active Hello Instances

If a neighbor is unreachable when an LSP is ready to be fast rerouted, an active Hello instance is needed. Create an active Hello instance for each neighbor with at least one LSP in this state.

Active Hello instances periodically send Hello Request messages, and expect Hello Ack messages in response. If the expected Ack message is not received, the active Hello instance declares that the neighbor (remote IP address) is unreachable (lost). LSPs traversing that neighbor may be fast rerouted.

If there is a Hello instance with no LSPs for an unreachable neighbor, do not delete the Hello instance. Convert the active Hello instance to a passive Hello instance because there may be an active instance on the neighboring router that is sending Hello requests to this instance.

### Passive Hello Instances

Passive Hello instances respond to Hello Request messages (sending Ack messages), but do not initiate Hello Request messages and do not cause LSPs to be fast rerouted. A router with multiple interfaces can run multiple Hello instances to different neighbors or to the same neighbor.

A passive Hello instance is created when a Hello Request is received from a neighbor with a source IP address/destination IP address pair in the IP header for which a Hello instance does not exist.

Delete passive instances if no Hello messages are received for this instance within 10 minutes.

## Hello Commands

RSVP Hello comprises the following commands. For detailed command descriptions, refer to *MPLS Traffic Engineering—RSVP Hello State Timer*, Release 12.2(33)SRA.

- RSVP Hello Configuration Commands
- RSVP Hello Statistics Commands
- RSVP Hello Show Commands
- RSVP Hello Debug Commands

## Features of MPLS TE: Link and Node Protection, with RSVP Hellos Support (with Fast Tunnel Interface Down Detection)

MPLS TE Link and Node Protection, with RSVP Hellos Support (with Fast Tunnel Interface Down Detection) includes the following features:

- [Backup Tunnel Support, page 8](#)
- [Backup Bandwidth Protection, page 9](#)
- [RSVP Hello, page 10](#)

### Backup Tunnel Support

Backup tunnel support has the following capabilities:

- [Backup Tunnels Can Terminate at the Next-Next Hop to Support FRR, page 8](#)
- [Multiple Backup Tunnels Can Protect the Same Interface, page 8](#)
- [Scalability, page 8](#)

#### Backup Tunnels Can Terminate at the Next-Next Hop to Support FRR

Backup tunnels that terminate at the next-next hop protect both the downstream link and node. This provides protection for link and node failures. For more detailed information, see the [“Node Protection” section on page 4](#).

#### Multiple Backup Tunnels Can Protect the Same Interface

There is no limit (except memory limitations) to the number of backup tunnels that can protect a given interface. In many topologies, support for Node Protection requires supporting multiple backup tunnels per protected interface. These backup tunnels can terminate at the same destination or at different destinations. That is, for a given protected interface, you can configure multiple NHOP or NNHOP backup tunnels. This allows redundancy and load balancing.

In addition to being required for Node Protection, this feature provides the following benefits:

- Redundancy—If one backup tunnel is down, other backup tunnels protect LSPs.
- Increased backup capacity—If the protected interface is a high-capacity link and no single backup path exists with an equal capacity, multiple backup tunnels can protect that one high-capacity link. The LSPs using this link will fail over to different backup tunnels, allowing all of the LSPs to have adequate bandwidth protection during failure (rerouting). If bandwidth protection is not desired, the router spreads LSPs across all available backup tunnels (that is, there is load balancing across backup tunnels). For a more detailed explanation, see the [“Backup Tunnel Selection Procedure” section on page 12](#).

Examples are shown in the [“Backup Tunnels Terminating at Different Destinations” section on page 11](#) and the [“Backup Tunnels Terminating at the Same Destination” section on page 11](#).

#### Scalability

A backup tunnel can protect multiple LSPs. Furthermore, a backup tunnel can protect multiple interfaces. This is called many-to-one (N:1) protection. N:1 protection has significant scalability advantages over one-to-one (1:1) protection, where a separate backup tunnel must be used for each LSP needing protection.

Example of 1:1 protection: When 5,000 backup tunnels protect 5,000 LSPs, each router along the backup path must maintain state for an additional 5,000 tunnels.



Example of N:1 protection: When one backup tunnel protects 5,000 LSPs, each router along the backup path maintains one additional tunnel.

## Backup Bandwidth Protection

Backup bandwidth protection has the following capabilities:

- [Bandwidth Protection on Backup Tunnels, page 9](#)
- [Bandwidth Pool Specifications for Backup Tunnels, page 9](#)
- [Semidynamic Backup Tunnel Paths, page 9](#)
- [Prioritizing Which LSPs Obtain Backup Tunnels with Bandwidth Protection, page 9](#)

### Bandwidth Protection on Backup Tunnels

Rerouted LSPs not only have their packets delivered during a failure, but the quality of service can also be maintained.

### Bandwidth Pool Specifications for Backup Tunnels

You can restrict the types of LSPs that can use a given backup tunnel. Backup tunnels can be restricted so that only LSPs using sub pool bandwidth can use them or only LSPs that use global pool bandwidth can use them. This allows different backup tunnels to be used for voice and data. Example: The backup tunnel used for voice could provide bandwidth protection, and the backup tunnel used for data could (optionally) not provide bandwidth protection.

### Semidynamic Backup Tunnel Paths

The path of a backup tunnel can be configured to be determined dynamically. This can be done by using the IP explicit address exclusion feature that was added in Release 12.0(14)ST. Using this feature, semidynamic NHOP backup tunnel paths can be specified simply by excluding the protected link; semidynamic NNHOP backup tunnel paths can be configured simply by excluding the protected node.

### Prioritizing Which LSPs Obtain Backup Tunnels with Bandwidth Protection

In case there are not enough NHOP or NNHOP backup tunnels or they do not have enough backup bandwidth to protect all LSPs, you can give an LSP priority in obtaining backup tunnels with bandwidth protection. This is especially useful if you want to give LSPs carrying voice a higher priority than those carrying data.

To activate this feature, enter the **tunnel mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute bw-protect** command to set the “bandwidth protection desired” bit. See the configuration task [“Enabling Fast ReRoute on LSPs”](#). The LSPs do not necessarily *receive* bandwidth protection. They have a higher *chance* of receiving bandwidth protection if they need it.

LSPs that do not have the bandwidth protection bit set can be demoted. Demotion is when one or more LSPs are removed from their assigned backup tunnel to provide backup to an LSP that has its bandwidth protection bit set. Demotion occurs only when there is a scarcity of backup bandwidth.

When an LSP is demoted, it becomes unprotected (that is, it no longer has a backup tunnel). During the next periodic promotion cycle, an attempt is made to find the best possible backup tunnels for all LSPs that do not currently have protection, including the LSP that was demoted. The LSP may get protection at the same level or a lower level, or it may get no protection.

For information about how routers determine which LSPs to demote, see the [“Backup Protection Preemption Algorithms”](#) section on page 16.

## RSVP Hello

RSVP Hello enables a router to detect when a neighboring node has gone down but its interface to that neighbor is still operational. This feature is useful when next-hop node failure is not detectable by link layer mechanisms, or when notification of link-layer failures is not available. This allows the router to switch LSPs onto its backup tunnels and avoid packet loss.

For a more detailed description of RSVP Hello, see the [“RSVP Hello” section on page 6](#).

## Fast ReRoute Operation

This section describes the following:

- [Fast ReRoute Activation, page 10](#)
- [Backup Tunnels Terminating at Different Destinations, page 11](#)
- [Backup Tunnels Terminating at the Same Destination, page 11](#)
- [Backup Tunnel Selection Procedure, page 12](#)
- [Bandwidth Protection, page 12](#)
- [Load-balancing on Limited-bandwidth Backup Tunnels, page 13](#)
- [Load-balancing on Unlimited-bandwidth Backup Tunnels, page 14](#)
- [Pool Type and Backup Tunnels, page 14](#)
- [Tunnel Selection Priorities, page 14](#)
- [Bandwidth Protection Considerations, page 16](#)

## Fast ReRoute Activation

Three mechanisms cause routers to switch LSPs onto their backup tunnels:

- Interface down notification
- Loss of Signal
- RSVP Hello neighbor down notification

When a router's link or neighboring node fails, the router often detects this failure by an interface down notification. On a Packet over SONET (POS) interface, this notification is very fast. When a router notices that an interface has gone down, it switches LSPs going out that interface onto their respective backup tunnels (if any).

Unlike POS interfaces, Gigabit Ethernet does not have any alarms to detect link failures. If a link is down due to a cut cable or because the remote end shuts its laser, the optics module (GBIC or SFPs) on the Gigabit Ethernet card detects a loss of signal (LOS). The LOS is used as a mechanism to detect the failure and begin the switchover.

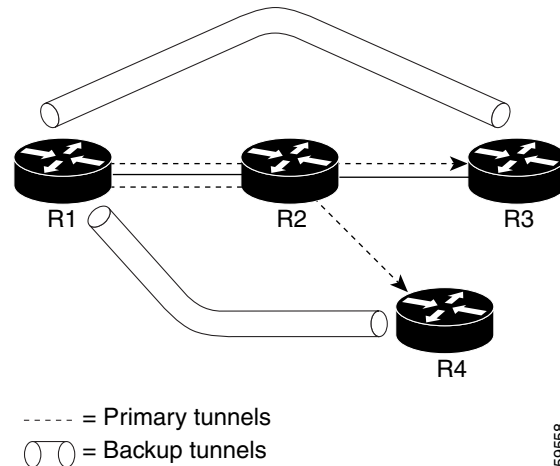
RSVP Hellos can also be used to trigger FRR. If RSVP Hellos are configured on an interface, messages are periodically sent to the neighboring router. If no response is received, Hellos declare that the neighbor is down. This causes any LSPs going out that interface to be switched to their respective backup tunnels.

Fast ReRoute also works over ATM interfaces. The interfaces must use RSVP Hello to detect failures.

## Backup Tunnels Terminating at Different Destinations

Figure 3 illustrates an interface that has multiple backup tunnels terminating at different destinations and demonstrates why, in many topologies, support for Node Protection requires supporting multiple backup tunnels per protected interface.

**Figure 3** Backup Tunnels that Terminate at Different Destinations



In this illustration, a single interface on R1 requires multiple backup tunnels. LSPs traverse the following routes:

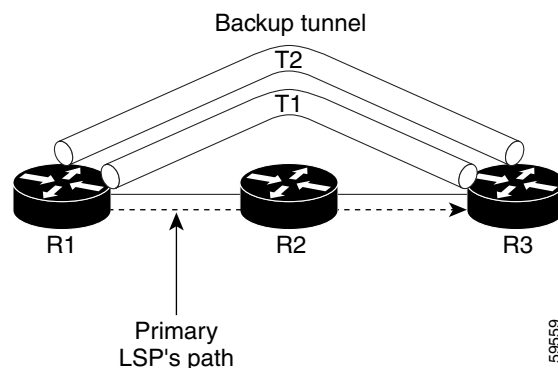
- R1, R2, R3
- R1, R2, R4

To provide protection if node R2 fails, two NNHOP backup tunnels are required: one terminating at R3 and one terminating at R4.

## Backup Tunnels Terminating at the Same Destination

Figure 4 shows how backup tunnels terminating at the same location can be used for redundancy and load balancing. Redundancy and load balancing work for both NHOP and NNHOP backup tunnels.

**Figure 4** Backup Tunnels that Terminate at the Same Destination



In this illustration, there are three routers: R1, R2, and R3. At R1, there are two NNHOP backup tunnels (T1 and T2) that go from R1 to R3 without traversing R2.

With redundancy, if R2 fails or the link from R1 to R2 fails, either backup tunnel can be used. If one backup tunnel is down, the other can be used. LSPs are assigned to backup tunnels when the LSPs are first established. This is done before a failure.

With load balancing, if neither backup tunnel has enough bandwidth to back up all LSPs, both tunnels can be used. Some LSPs will use one backup tunnel, other LSPs will use the other backup tunnel. The router decides the best way to fit the LSPs onto the backup tunnels.

## Backup Tunnel Selection Procedure

When an LSP is signaled, each node along the LSP path that provides FRR protection for the LSP selects a backup tunnel for the LSP to use if either of the following events occurs:

- The link to the next hop fails.
- The next hop fails.

By having the node select the backup tunnel for an LSP before a failure occurs, the LSP can be rerouted onto the backup tunnel quickly if there is a failure.

For an LSP to be mapped to a backup tunnel, all of the following conditions must exist:

- The LSP is protected by FRR; that is, the LSP is configured with the **tunnel mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute** command.
- The backup tunnel is up.
- The backup tunnel is configured to have an IP address, typically a loopback address.
- The backup tunnel is configured to protect this LSP's outgoing interface; that is, the interface is configured with the **mpls traffic-eng backup-path** command.
- The backup tunnel does not traverse the LSP's protected interface.
- The backup tunnel terminates at the LSP's NHOP or NNHOP. If it is an NNHOP tunnel, it does not traverse the LSP's NHOP.
- The bandwidth protection requirements and constraints, if any, for the LSP and backup tunnel are met. For information about bandwidth protection considerations, see the [“Bandwidth Protection” section on page 12](#).

## Bandwidth Protection

A backup tunnel can be configured to protect two types of backup bandwidth:

- Limited backup bandwidth—A backup tunnel provides bandwidth protection. The sum of the bandwidth of all LSPs using this backup tunnel cannot exceed the backup tunnel's backup bandwidth. When assigning LSPs to this type of backup tunnel, sufficient backup bandwidth must exist.
- Unlimited backup bandwidth—The backup tunnel does not provide any bandwidth protection (that is, best-effort protection exists). There is no limit to the amount of bandwidth used by the LSPs that are mapped to this backup tunnel. LSPs that allocate zero bandwidth can only use backup tunnels that have unlimited backup bandwidth.



## Load-balancing on Unlimited-bandwidth Backup Tunnels

More than one backup tunnel, each having unlimited backup bandwidth, can protect a given interface. In this case, when choosing a backup tunnel for a given LSP, the router chooses the backup tunnel that has the least amount of backup bandwidth in use. This algorithm evenly distributes the LSPs across backup tunnels based on LSP's bandwidth. If an LSP is requesting zero bandwidth, the router chooses the backup tunnel that is currently protecting the fewest LSPs.

## Pool Type and Backup Tunnels

By default, a backup tunnel provides protection for LSPs that allocate from any pool (that is, global or sub pool). However, a backup tunnel can be configured to protect only LSPs that use global pool bandwidth, or only those that use sub pool bandwidth.

## Tunnel Selection Priorities

This section describes the following:

- [NHOP Versus NNHOP Backup Tunnels, page 14](#)
- [Promotion, page 15](#)
- [Backup Protection Preemption Algorithms, page 16](#)

### NHOP Versus NNHOP Backup Tunnels

More than one backup tunnel can protect a given LSP, where one backup tunnel terminates at the LSP's NNHOP, and the other terminates at the LSP's NHOP. In this case, the router chooses the backup tunnel that terminates at the NNHOP (that is, FRR prefers NNHOP over NHOP backup tunnels).

[Table 1](#) lists the tunnel selection priorities. The first choice is an NNHOP backup tunnel that acquires its bandwidth from a sub pool or global pool, and has limited bandwidth. If there is no such backup tunnel, the next choice (2) is a next-next hop backup tunnel that acquires a limited amount of bandwidth from any pool. The preferences go from 1 (best) to 8 (worst), where choice 3 is for an NNHOP backup tunnel with an unlimited amount of sub pool or global pool bandwidth.

**Table 1** *Tunnel Selection Priorities*

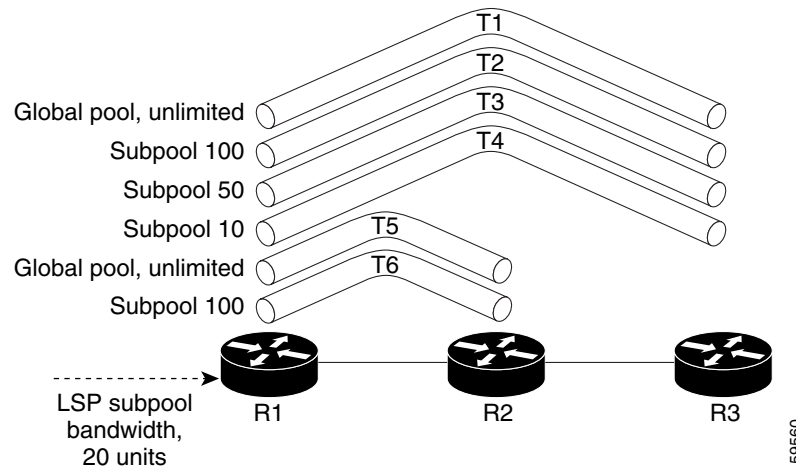
Preference	Backup Tunnel Destination	Bandwidth Pool	Bandwidth Amount
1 (Best)	NNHOP	Sub pool or global pool	Limited
2	NNHOP	Any	Limited
3	NNHOP	Sub pool or global pool	Unlimited
4	NNHOP	Any	Unlimited
5	NHOP	Sub pool or global pool	Limited
6	NHOP	Any	Limited
7	NHOP	Sub pool or global pool	Unlimited
8 (Worst)	NHOP	Any	Unlimited

[Figure 7](#) shows an example of the backup tunnel selection procedure based on the designated amount of global pool and sub pool bandwidth currently available.

**Note**

If NHOP and NNHOP backup tunnels do not have sufficient backup bandwidth, no consideration is given to the type of data that the LSP is carrying. For example, a voice LSP may not be protected unless it is signalled before a data LSP. To prioritize backup tunnel usage, see the [“Backup Protection Preemption Algorithms”](#) section on page 16.

**Figure 7** *Choosing from Among Multiple Backup Tunnels*



In this example, an LSP requires 20 units (kilobits per second) of sub pool backup bandwidth. The best backup tunnel is selected as follows:

1. Backup tunnels T1 through T4 are considered first because they terminate at the NNHOP.
2. Tunnel T4 is eliminated because it only has 10 units of sub pool backup bandwidth.
3. Tunnel T1 is eliminated because it protects only LSPs using global pool bandwidth.
4. Tunnel T3 is chosen over T2 because, although both have sufficient backup bandwidth, T3 has the least backup bandwidth available (leaving the most backup bandwidth available on T2).
5. Tunnels T5 and T6 need not be considered because they terminate at an NHOP, and therefore are less desirable than T3, which terminates at an NNHOP.

#### Promotion

After a backup tunnel has been chosen for an LSP, conditions may change that will cause us to reevaluate this choice. This reevaluation, if successful, is called promotion. Such conditions may include:

1. A new backup tunnel comes up.
2. The currently chosen backup tunnel for this LSP goes down.
3. A backup tunnel's available backup bandwidth increases. For example, an LSP protected by the tunnel has been reoptimized by the headend to use another path.
4. A backup tunnel's available backup-bandwidth decreases.

For cases 1 and 2, the LSP's backup tunnel is evaluated immediately. Cases 3 and 4 are addressed by periodically reevaluating LSP-to-backup tunnel mappings. By default, background reevaluation is performed every 5 minutes. This interval is configurable via the **mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute timers** command.

The response to case 4 is as follows:

When the backup tunnel's bandwidth is reduced, promotion will *not* be run so long as the remaining bandwidth is greater than the sum of the bandwidths of all primary paths for which this tunnel is the backup. This policy prevents unnecessary disruption of protection of the primary paths.

When the backup tunnel's bandwidth *does* fall below the required bandwidth needed for it to substitute for all primary paths to which it has been assigned, promotion is run.

### Backup Protection Preemption Algorithms

When you set the “bandwidth protection desired” bit for an LSP, the LSP has a higher right to select backup tunnels that provide bandwidth protection and it can preempt other LSPs that do not have that bit set.

If there is insufficient backup bandwidth on NNHOP backup tunnels but not on NHOP backup tunnels, the bandwidth-protected LSP does not preempt NNHOP LSPs; it uses NHOP protection.

If there are multiple LSPs using a given backup tunnel and one or more must be demoted to provide bandwidth, there are two user-configurable methods (algorithms) that the router can use to determine which LSPs are demoted.

- Minimize amount of bandwidth that is wasted.
- Minimize the number of LSPs that are demoted.

For example, If you need 10 units of backup bandwidth on a backup tunnel, you can demote one of the following:

- A single LSP using 100 units of bandwidth—Makes available more bandwidth than needed, but results in lots of waste
- Ten LSPs, each using one unit of bandwidth—Results in no wasted bandwidth, but affects more LSPs

The default algorithm minimizes the number of LSPs that are demoted. To change the algorithm to minimize the amount of bandwidth that is wasted, enter the **mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute backup-prot-preemption optimize-bw** command.

## Bandwidth Protection Considerations

There are numerous ways in which bandwidth protection can be ensured. [Table 2](#) describes the advantages and disadvantages of three methods.

**Table 2** *Bandwidth Protection Methods*

Method	Advantages	Disadvantages
Reserve bandwidth for backup tunnels explicitly.	It is simple.	It is a challenge to allow bandwidth sharing of backup tunnels protecting against independent failures.



**Table 2**      **Bandwidth Protection Methods**

Method	Advantages	Disadvantages
Use backup tunnels that are signaled with zero bandwidth.	It provides a way to share bandwidth used for protection against independent failures, so it ensures more economical bandwidth usage.	It may be complicated to determine the proper placement of zero bandwidth tunnels.
Backup bandwidth protection	Ensures bandwidth protection for voice traffic.	An LSP that does not have backup bandwidth protection can be demoted at any time if there is not enough backup bandwidth and an LSP that has backup bandwidth protection needs bandwidth.

Cisco implementation of FRR does not mandate a particular approach, and it provides the flexibility to use any of the above approaches. However, given a range of configuration choices, be sure that the choices are constant with a particular bandwidth protection strategy.

The following sections describe some important issues in choosing an appropriate configuration:

- [Using Backup Tunnels with Explicitly Signaled Bandwidth, page 17](#)
- [Using Backup Tunnels Signaled with Zero Bandwidth, page 18](#)

## Using Backup Tunnels with Explicitly Signaled Bandwidth

There are two bandwidth parameters that must be set for a backup tunnel:

- actual signaled bandwidth
- backup-bandwidth

To signal bandwidth requirements of a backup tunnel, configure the bandwidth of the backup tunnel by using the **tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth** command.

To configure the backup bandwidth of the backup tunnel, use the **tunnel mpls traffic-eng backup-bw** command.

The signaled bandwidth is used by the LSRs on the path of the backup tunnel to perform admission control and do appropriate bandwidth accounting.

The backup bandwidth is used by the PLR (the headend of the backup tunnel) to decide how much primary traffic can be rerouted to this backup tunnel if there is a failure.

Both parameters need to be set to ensure proper operation. The numerical value of the signaled bandwidth and the backup-bandwidth should be the same.

### Protected Bandwidth Pools and the Bandwidth Pool from which the Backup Tunnel Reserves its Bandwidth

The **tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth** command allows you to configure the following:

- Amount of bandwidth a backup tunnel reserves
- The DS-TE bandwidth pool from which the bandwidth needs to be reserved



#### Note

Only one pool can be selected (that is, the backup tunnel can explicitly reserve bandwidth from either the global pool or the sub pool, but not both).

The **tunnel mpls traffic-eng backup-bw** command allows you to specify the bandwidth pool to which the traffic must belong for the traffic to use this backup tunnel. Multiple pools are allowed.

There is no direct correspondence between the bandwidth pool that is protected and the bandwidth pool from which the bandwidth of the backup tunnel draws its bandwidth.

Example: In this example, assume the following:

- Bandwidth protection is desired only for sub pool traffic, but the best-effort traffic using the global pool does not require bandwidth protection.
- Scheduling is configured so that sub pool traffic uses the priority queue, and global pool traffic is served at a lower priority.

Bandwidth protection for 10 Kbps of sub pool traffic on a given link can be achieved by any of the following combinations:

- **tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth sub-pool 10**  
**tunnel mpls traffic-eng backup-bw sub-pool 10**
- **tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth global-pool 10**  
**tunnel mpls traffic-eng backup-bw sub-pool 10 global-pool unlimited**
- **tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth global-pool 40**  
**tunnel mpls traffic-eng backup-bw sub-pool 10 global-pool 30**

## Using Backup Tunnels Signaled with Zero Bandwidth

Frequently it is desirable to use backup tunnels with zero signaled bandwidth, even when bandwidth protection is required. It may seem that if no bandwidth is explicitly reserved, no bandwidth guarantees can be provided. However, that is not necessarily true.

In the following situation:

- Only link protection is desired.
- Bandwidth protection is desired only for sub pool traffic.

For each protected link AB with a max reservable sub pool value of S, there may be a path from node A to node B such that the difference between max reservable global and max reservable sub pool is at least S. If it is possible to find such paths for each link in the network, you can establish all the backup tunnels along such paths without any bandwidth reservations. If there is a single link failure, only one backup tunnel will use any link on its path. Because that path has at least S of available bandwidth (in the global pool), assuming that marking and scheduling is configured to classify the sub pool traffic into a priority queue, the sub pool bandwidth is guaranteed.

The above approach allows sharing of the global pool bandwidth between backup tunnels protecting independent link failures. The backup tunnels are expected to be used for only a short period of time after a failure (until the headends of affected LSPs reroute those LSPs to other paths with available sub pool bandwidth). The probability of multiple unrelated link failures is very small (in the absence of node or SRLG failures, which result in multiple link failures). Therefore, it is reasonable to assume that link failures are in practice independent with high probability. This “independent failure assumption” in combination with backup tunnels signaled without explicit bandwidth reservation enables efficient bandwidth sharing that yields substantial bandwidth savings.

Backup tunnels protecting the sub pool traffic do now draw bandwidth from any pool. Primary traffic using the global pool can use the entire global pool, and primary traffic using the sub pool can use the entire sub pool. Yet, sub pool traffic has a complete bandwidth guarantee if there is a single link failure.

A similar approach can be used for node and SRLG protection. However, the decision of where to put the backup tunnels is more complicated because both node and SRLG failures effectively result in the simultaneous failure of several links. Therefore, the backup tunnels protecting traffic traversing all affected links cannot be computed independently of each other. The backup tunnels protecting groups of links corresponding to different failures can still be computed independently of each other, which results in similar bandwidth savings.

#### Signaled Bandwidth Versus Backup Bandwidth

Backup bandwidth is used locally (by the router that is the headend of the backup tunnel) to determine which, and how many, primary LSPs can be rerouted on a particular backup tunnel. The router ensures that the combined bandwidth requirement of these LSPs does not exceed the backup bandwidth.

Therefore, even when the backup tunnel is signaled with zero bandwidth, the backup bandwidth must be configured with the value corresponding to the actual bandwidth requirement of the traffic protected by this backup tunnel. Unlike the case when bandwidth requirements of the backup tunnels are explicitly signaled, the value of the signaled bandwidth (which is zero) is not the same value as the backup bandwidth.

## How to Configure MPLS TE: Link and Node Protection, with RSVP Hellos Support (with Fast Tunnel Interface Down Detection)

This section assumes that you want to add FRR protection to a network in which MPLS TE LSPs are configured.

Before performing the configuration tasks, it is assumed that you have done the following tasks but you do not have to already have configured MPLS TE tunnels:

- Enabled MPLS TE on all relevant routers and interfaces
- Configured MPLS TE tunnels

To review how to configure MPLS TE tunnels, see the [Cisco IOS Multiprotocol Label Switching Configuration Guide](#), Release 12.4.

The following sections describe how to use FRR to protect LSPs in your network from link or node failures. Each task is identified as either required or optional.

- [Enabling Fast ReRoute on LSPs, page 20](#) (required)
- [Creating a Backup Tunnel to the Next Hop or to the Next-Next Hop, page 21](#) (required)
- [Assigning Backup Tunnels to a Protected Interface, page 22](#) (required)
- [Associating Backup Bandwidth and Pool Type with a Backup Tunnel, page 23](#) (optional)
- [Configuring Backup Bandwidth Protection, page 24](#) (optional)
- [Configuring an Interface for Fast Link and Node Failure Detection, page 25](#) (optional)
- [Configuring an Interface for Fast Tunnel Interface Down, page 26](#) (optional)
- [Verifying That Fast ReRoute Is Operational, page 27](#) (optional)



#### Note

You can perform the configuration tasks in any order.

**Note**

An NNHOP backup tunnel must *not* go via the NHOP.

## Enabling Fast ReRoute on LSPs

LSPs can use backup tunnels only if they have been configured as fast reroutable. To do this, enter the following commands at the headend of each LSP.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface tunnel** *number*
4. **tunnel mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute** [**bw-protect**] [**node-protect**]

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
Step 2	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>interface tunnel</b> <i>number</i>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config)# interface tunnel 1000	Enters interface configuration mode for the specified tunnel.
Step 4	<b>tunnel mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute</b> [ <b>bw-protect</b> ] [ <b>node-protect</b> ]  <b>Example:</b> Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute bw-protect node-protect	Enables an MPLS TE tunnel to use an established backup tunnel if there is a link or node failure.

# Creating a Backup Tunnel to the Next Hop or to the Next-Next Hop

To create a backup tunnel to the next hop or to the next-next hop, enter the following commands on the node that will be the headend of the backup tunnel (that is, the node whose downstream link or node may fail). The node on which you enter these commands must be a supported platform. See the [“Finding Support Information for Platforms and Cisco IOS and Catalyst OS Software Images”](#) section on page 2.

Creating a backup tunnel is basically no different from creating any other tunnel. None of the commands below is new.



**Note**

When using the **exclude-address** command to specify the path for a backup tunnel, you must exclude an interface address to avoid a link (for creating an NHOP backup tunnel), or a router-ID address to avoid a node (for creating an NNHOP backup tunnel).

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface tunnel** *number*
4. **ip unnumbered** *type number*
5. **tunnel destination** *A.B.C.D*
6. **tunnel mode mpls traffic-eng**
7. **tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option** *number* { **dynamic** | **explicit** { **name** *path-name* | *path-number* } } [**lockdown**]
8. **ip explicit-path name** *name*
9. **exclude-address** *address*

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li></ul>
Step 2	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>interface tunnel</b> <i>number</i>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config)# interface tunnel 1	Creates a new tunnel interface and enters interface configuration mode.

	Command	Purpose
Step 4	<b>ip unnumbered</b> <i>type number</i>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config-if)# ip unnumbered loopback0	Gives the tunnel interface an IP address that is the same as that of interface Loopback0.  <b>Note</b> This command is not effective until Loopback0 has been configured with an IP address.
Step 5	<b>tunnel destination</b> <i>A.B.C.D</i>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config-if)# tunnel destination 10.3.3.3	Specifies the IP address of the device where the tunnel will terminate. That address should be the router ID of the device that is the NHOP or NNHOP of LSPs to be protected.
Step 6	<b>tunnel mode mpls traffic-eng</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config-if)# tunnel mode mpls traffic-eng	Sets encapsulation mode of the tunnel to MPLS TE.
Step 7	<b>tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option</b> <i>number {dynamic   explicit {name path-name   path-number}} [lockdown]</i>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option explicit avoid-protected-link	Configures a path option for an MPLS TE tunnel.
Step 8	<b>ip explicit-path name</b> <i>name</i>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config)# ip explicit-path name avoid-protected-link	Enters the subcommand mode for IP explicit paths to create the named path.
Step 9	<b>exclude-address</b> <i>address</i>  <b>Example:</b> Router(cfg-ip-expl-path)# exclude-address 10.3.3.3	For Link Protection, specifies the IP address of the link to be protected. For Node Protection, specifies the router ID of the node to be protected.  <b>Note</b> Backup tunnel paths can be dynamic or explicit and they do not have to use exclude-address. Because backup tunnels must avoid the protected link or node, it is convenient to use an exclude-address.

## Assigning Backup Tunnels to a Protected Interface

To assign one or more backup tunnels to a protected interface, enter the following commands on the node that will be the headend of the backup tunnel (that is, the node whose downstream link or node may fail). The node on which you enter these commands must be a supported platform. See the [“Finding Support Information for Platforms and Cisco IOS and Catalyst OS Software Images”](#) section on page 2.



### Note

You must configure the interface to have an IP address and to enable the MPLS TE tunnel feature.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. enable

2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface** *type slot/port*
4. **mpls traffic-eng backup-path tunnel** *tunnel-id*

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
Step 2	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>interface</b> <i>type slot/port</i>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config)# interface POS5/0	Moves configuration to the physical interface level, directing subsequent configuration commands to the specific physical interface identified by the <i>type</i> . The <i>slot</i> and <i>port</i> identify the slot and port being configured. The interface must be a supported interface. See the <a href="#">“Finding Support Information for Platforms and Cisco IOS and Catalyst OS Software Images”</a> section on page 2.
Step 4	<b>mpls traffic-eng backup-path tunnel</b> <i>tunnel-id</i>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config-if)# mpls traffic-eng backup-path tunnel2	Allows LSPs going out this interface to use this backup tunnel if there is a link or node failure.  <b>Note</b> You can enter this command multiple times to associate multiple backup tunnels with the same protected interface.

## Associating Backup Bandwidth and Pool Type with a Backup Tunnel

To associate backup bandwidth with a backup tunnel and designate the type of LSP that can use a backup tunnel, enter the following commands.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface tunnel** *number*
4. **tunnel mpls traffic-eng backup-bw** *{bandwidth | [sub-pool {bandwidth | Unlimited}][global-pool {bandwidth | Unlimited}][any {bandwidth | Unlimited}]}*

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Enter your password if prompted.</li></ul>
Step 2	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>interface tunnel</b> <i>number</i>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config)# interface tunnel 2	Enters interface configuration mode for the specified tunnel.
Step 4	<b>tunnel mpls traffic-eng backup-bw</b> { <i>bandwidth</i>   [ <i>sub-pool</i> { <i>bandwidth</i>   <b>Unlimited</b> }] [ <i>global-pool</i> { <i>bandwidth</i>   <b>Unlimited</b> }] [ <i>any</i> { <i>bandwidth</i>   <b>Unlimited</b> }]  <b>Example:</b> Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng backup-bw sub-pool 1000	Associates bandwidth with a backup tunnel and designates whether LSPs that allocate bandwidth from the specified pool can use the tunnel.

## Configuring Backup Bandwidth Protection

To configure the backup bandwidth protection, perform the following steps.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **tunnel mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute [bw-protect]**
4. **mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute backup-prot-preemption [optimize-bw]**

## DETAILED STEPS

Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Enter your password if prompted.</li></ul>
Step 2	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.



<b>Step 3</b> <pre>tunnel mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute [bw-protect]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b> Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute bw-protect</p>	<p>Enables an MPLS TE tunnel to use an established backup tunnel in the event of a link or node failure. The <b>bw-protect</b> keyword gives an LSP priority for using backup tunnels with bandwidth protection.</p>
<b>Step 4</b> <pre>mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute backup-prot-preemption [optimize-bw]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b> Router(config)# mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute backup-prot-preemption optimize-bw</p>	<p>Changes the backup protection preemption algorithm from minimize the number of LSPs that are demoted to minimize the amount of bandwidth that is wasted.</p>

## Configuring an Interface for Fast Link and Node Failure Detection

To configure interface for interface for fast link and node failure detection, perform the following steps.

### SUMMARY STEPS

- enable**
- configure terminal**
- interface** *type slot/port*
- pos ais-shut**
- pos report** {b1-tca | b2-tca | b3-tca | lais | lrdi | pais | plop | prdi | rdool | sd-ber | sf-ber | slof | slos}

### DETAILED STEPS

<b>Step 1</b> <pre>enable</pre> <p><b>Example:</b> Router&gt; enable</p>	<p>Enables privileged EXEC mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b> <pre>configure terminal</pre> <p><b>Example:</b> Router# configure terminal</p>	<p>Enters global configuration mode.</p>
<b>Step 3</b> <pre>interface type slot/port</pre> <p><b>Example:</b> Router(config)# interface pos0/0</p>	<p>Configures an interface type and enters interface configuration mode.</p>

<b>Step 4</b>	<pre>pos ais-shut</pre> <p><b>Example:</b> Router(config-if)# pos ais-shut</p>	Sends the line alarm indication signal (LAIS) when the Packet-over-SONET (POS) interface is placed in any administrative shutdown state.
<b>Step 5</b>	<pre>pos report {b1-tca   b2-tca   b3-tca   lais   lrdi   pais   plop   prdi   rdool   sd-ber   sf-ber   slof   slos}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b> Router(config-if)# pos report lrdi</p>	Permits selected SONET alarms to be logged to the console for a POS interface.

## Configuring an Interface for Fast Tunnel Interface Down

To configure interface for fast tunnel interface down, perform the following steps.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface** *type slot/port*
4. **tunnel mpls traffic-eng interface down delay** *time*

### DETAILED STEPS

<b>Step 1</b>	<pre>enable</pre> <p><b>Example:</b> Router&gt; enable</p>	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<pre>configure terminal</pre> <p><b>Example:</b> Router# configure terminal</p>	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<pre>interface type slot/port</pre> <p><b>Example:</b> Router(config)# interface tunnel 1000</p>	Configures an interface type and enters interface configuration mode.
<b>Step 4</b>	<pre>tunnel mpls traffic-eng interface down delay time</pre> <p><b>Example:</b> Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng interface down delay 0</p>	Forces a tunnel to go down as soon as the headend router detects that the label-switched path (LSP) is down.

## Verifying That Fast ReRoute Is Operational

To verify that FRR can function, perform the following steps.

### SUMMARY STEPS



#### Note

To determine if FRR has been configured correctly, perform Steps 1 and 2.



#### Note

If you created LSPs and performed the required configuration tasks but do not have operational backup tunnels (that is, the backup tunnels are not up or the LSPs are not associated with those backup tunnels), perform Step 3.

1. **show mpls traffic-eng tunnels brief**
2. **show ip rsvp sender detail**
3. **show mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute database**
4. **show mpls traffic-eng tunnels backup**
5. **show mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute database**
6. **show ip rsvp reservation**

### DETAILED STEPS

#### Step 1 **show mpls traffic-eng tunnels brief**

Use this command to verify that backup tunnels are up.

```
Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels brief
```

```

Signalling Summary:
  LSP Tunnels Process:      running
  RSVP Process:             running
  Forwarding:               enabled
  Periodic reoptimization:  every 3600 seconds, next in 1706 seconds
TUNNEL NAME                DESTINATION    UP IF    DOWN IF    STATE/PROT
Router_t1                   10.112.0.12    -        PO4/0/1    up/up
Router_t2                   10.112.0.12    -        unknown    up/down
Router_t3                   10.112.0.12    -        unknown    admin-down
Router_t1000                10.110.0.10    -        unknown    up/down
Router_t2000                10.110.0.10    -        PO4/0/1    up/up
Displayed 5 (of 5) heads, 0 (of 0) midpoints, 0 (of 0) tails

```

#### Step 2 **show ip rsvp sender detail**

Use this command to verify that LSPs are protected by the appropriate backup tunnels.

Following is sample output from the **show ip rsvp sender detail** command when the command is entered at the PLR before a failure.

```
Router# show ip rsvp sender detail
```

```

PATH:
Tun Dest:  10.10.0.6  Tun ID: 100  Ext Tun ID: 10.10.0.1
Tun Sender: 10.10.0.1  LSP ID: 31
Path refreshes:

```

```

arriving: from PHOP 10.10.7.1 on Et0/0 every 30000 msecs
Session Attr:
  Setup Prio: 7, Holding Prio: 7
  Flags: (0x7) Local Prot desired, Label Recording, SE Style
  session Name: R1_t100
ERO: (incoming)
  10.10.7.2 (Strict IPv4 Prefix, 8 bytes, /32)
  10.10.0.6 (Strict IPv4 Prefix, 8 bytes, /32)
RRO:
  10.10.7.1/32, Flags:0x0 (No Local Protection)
  10.10.4.1/32, Flags:0x9 (Local Prot Avail/to NNHOP) !Available to NNHOP
  10.10.1.1/32, Flags:0x0 (No Local Protection)
Traffic params - Rate: 10K bits/sec, Max. burst: 1K bytes
Min Policed Unit: 0 bytes, Max Pkt Size 4294967295 bytes
Fast-Reroute Backup info:
  Inbound FRR: Not active
  Outbound FRR: No backup tunnel selected
Path ID handle: 50000416.
Incoming policy: Accepted. Policy source(s): MPLS/TE
Status: Proxy-terminated

```

### Step 3 show mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute database

Enter the **clear ip rsvp hello instance counters** command to verify the following:

- MPLS TE FRR Node Protection has been enabled.
- A certain type of LSP can use a backup tunnel.

The following command output displays the LSPs that are protected:

Router# **show mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute database**

```

Tunnel head end item frr information:
Protected tunnel      In-label Out intf/label  FRR intf/label  Status
Tunnel500            Tun hd   AT4/0.100:Untagg Tu501:20        ready

Prefix item frr information:
Prefix      Tunnel  In-label Out intf/label  FRR intf/label  Status
10.0.0.8/32 Tu500    18       AT4/0.100:Pop ta Tu501:20        ready
10.0.8.8/32 Tu500    19       AT4/0.100:Untagg Tu501:20        ready
10.8.9.0/24 Tu500    22       AT4/0.100:Untagg Tu501:20        ready

LSP midpoint item frr information:
LSP identifier      In-label Out intf/label  FRR intf/label  Status

```

If LDP is not enabled, separate prefix items are not shown because all prefixes then use a single rewrite. To confirm that a particular IP prefix is FRR protected, even though it is not shown in this display, enter it within the **show mpls forwarding-table ip-address detail** command. The final line of the display will tell whether that prefix is protected:

Router# **show mpls forwarding-table 10.0.0.11 32 detail**

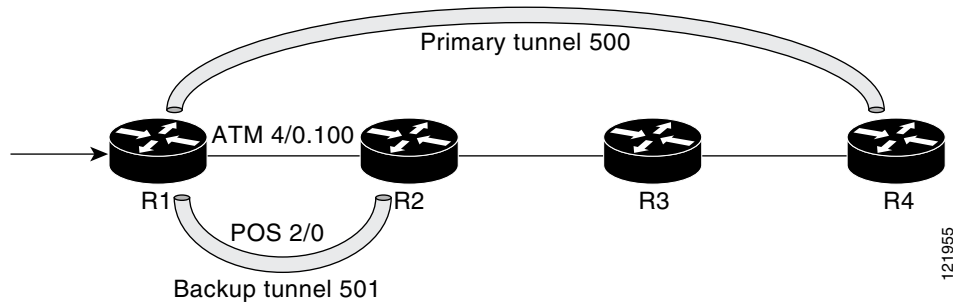
```

Local   Outgoing  Prefix      Bytes tag  Outgoing    Next Hop
tag      tag or VC  or Tunnel Id  switched   interface
Tun hd  Untagged  10.0.0.11/32  48         pos5/0      point2point
MAC/Encaps=4/8, MTU=1520, Tag Stack{22}
48D18847 00016000
No output feature configured
Fast Reroute Protection via (Tu0, outgoing label 12304)

```

The following command output displays the LSPs that are protected when the FRR *primary* tunnel is over an ATM interface and the backup tunnel is over a POS interface. As shown in [Figure 8](#), interface ATM4/0.100 is protected by backup tunnel 501.

**Figure 8**      **Protected LSPs**



Primary tunnel 500—Path is R1 via ATM4/0.100 to R2 to R3 to R4.

FRR backup tunnel 501—Path is R1 via POS2/0 to R2.

Interface ATM4/0.100—Protected by backup tunnel 501.

Router# **show mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute database**

Tunnel head end item frr information:

Protected tunnel	In-label	Out	intf/label	FRR	intf/label	Status
Tunnel500	Tun hd	AT4/0.100:Untagg	Tu501:20	ready		

Prefix item frr information:

Prefix	Tunnel	In-label	Out	intf/label	FRR	intf/label	Status
10.0.0.8/32	Tu500	18	AT4/0.100:Pop ta	Tu501:20	ready		
10.0.8.8/32	Tu500	19	AT4/0.100:Untagg	Tu501:20	ready		
10.8.9.0/24	Tu500	22	AT4/0.100:Untagg	Tu501:20	ready		

LSP midpoint item frr information:

LSP identifier	In-label	Out	intf/label	FRR	intf/label	Status

The following command output displays the LSPs that are protected when the FRR *backup* tunnel is over an ATM interface.

Router# **show mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute database**

Tunnel head end item frr information:

Protected tunnel	In-label	Out	intf/label	FRR	intf/label	Status
Tunnel500	Tun hd	PO2/0:Untagged	Tu501:20	ready		

Prefix item frr information:

Prefix	Tunnel	In-label	Out	intf/label	FRR	intf/label	Status
10.0.0.8/32	Tu500	18	PO2/0:Pop tag	Tu501:20	ready		
10.0.8.8/32	Tu500	19	PO2/0:Untagged	Tu501:20	ready		
10.8.9.0/24	Tu500	22	PO2/0:Untagged	Tu501:20	ready		

LSP midpoint item frr information:

LSP identifier	In-label	Out	intf/label	FRR	intf/label	Status

**Step 4 show mpls traffic-eng tunnels backup**

The following conditions must exist for backup tunnels to be operational:

- **LSP is reroutable**—At the headend of the LSP, enter the **show run int tunnel *tunnel-number*** command. The output should include the **tunnel mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute** command. If it does not, enter this command for the tunnel.

On the router where the backup tunnels originate, enter the **show mpls traffic-eng tunnels backup** command. Following is sample command output.

```
Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels backup

Router_t578
  LSP Head, Tunnel578, Admin: up, Oper: up
  Src 10.55.55.55, Dest 10.88.88.88, Instance 1
  Fast Reroute Backup Provided:
    Protected i/fs: PO1/0, PO1/1, PO3/3
    Protected lsps: 1
    Backup BW: any pool unlimited; inuse: 100 kbps
Router_t5710
  LSP Head, Tunnel5710, Admin: admin-down, Oper: down
  Src 10.55.55.55, Dest 10.7.7.7, Instance 0
  Fast Reroute Backup Provided:
    Protected i/fs: PO1/1
    Protected lsps: 0
    Backup BW: any pool unlimited; inuse: 0 kbps
Router_t5711
  LSP Head, Tunnel5711, Admin: up, Oper: up
  Src 10.55.55.55, Dest 10.7.7.7, Instance 1
  Fast Reroute Backup Provided:
    Protected i/fs: PO1/0
    Protected lsps: 2
    Backup BW: any pool unlimited; inuse: 6010 kbps
```

The command output will allow you to verify the following:

- Backup tunnel exists—Verify that there is a backup tunnel that terminates at this LSP's NHOP or NNHOP. Look for the LSP's NHOP or NNHOP in the Dest field.
- Backup tunnel is up—To verify that the backup tunnel is up, look for “Up” in the State field.
- Backup tunnel is associated with LSP's I/F—Verify that the interface for the LSP is allowed to use this backup tunnel. Look for the LSP's output interface in the “protects” field list.
- Backup tunnel has sufficient bandwidth—If you restricted the amount of bandwidth a backup tunnel can hold, verify that the backup tunnel has sufficient bandwidth to hold the LSPs that would use this backup tunnel if there is a failure. The bandwidth of an LSP is defined by the line **tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth** at the headend of the LSP. To determine the available bandwidth on a backup tunnel, look at the “cfg” and “inuse” fields. If there is insufficient backup bandwidth to accommodate the LSPs that would use this backup tunnel in the event of a failure, create an additional backup tunnel or increase the backup bandwidth of the existing tunnel by using the **tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth** command.

**Note**

To determine how much bandwidth is sufficient, offline capacity planning may be required.

- Backup tunnel has appropriate bandwidth type—If you restricted the type of LSPs (sub pool or global pool) that can use this backup tunnel, verify that the LSP is the appropriate type for the backup tunnel. The type of the LSP is defined by the line **tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth** at the headend of this LSP. If this line contains the word “sub pool”, then it uses sub pool bandwidth; otherwise, it uses global pool bandwidth. Verify that the type matches the type the backup tunnel can hold by looking in the output of the above command.

If none of the above actions works, enable debug by entering the **debug ip rsvp fast-reroute** command and the **debug mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute** command on the router that is the headend of the backup tunnel. Then do the following:

1. Enter the **shutdown** command for the primary tunnel.
2. Enter the **no shutdown** command for the primary tunnel.
3. View the debug output.

#### Step 5 show mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute database

Enter the **clear ip rsvp hello instance counters** command to verify the following:

- MPLS TE FRR Node Protection has been enabled.
- A certain type of LSP can use a backup tunnel.

The following command output displays the LSPs that are protected:

```
Router# show mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute database
```

Tunnel head end item frr information:

Protected Tunnel	In-label	intf/label	FRR intf/label	Status
Tunnel10	Tun	pos5/0:Untagged	Tu0:12304	ready

Prefix item frr information:

Prefix	Tunnel	In-label	Out intf/label	FRR intf/label	Status
10.0.0.11/32	Tu110	Tun hd	pos5/0:Untagged	Tu0:12304	ready

LSP midpoint frr information:

LSP identifier	In-label	Out intf/label	FRR intf/label	Status
10.0.0.12 1 [459]	16	pos0/1:17	Tu2000:19	ready



#### Note

If LDP is not enabled, separate prefix items are not shown because all prefixes then use a single rewrite. To confirm that a particular IP prefix is FRR protected, even though it is not shown in this display, enter it within the **show mpls forwarding-table ip\_address detail** command. The final line of the display will tell whether that prefix is protected:

```
Router# show mpls forwarding-table 10.0.0.11 32 detail
```

Local tag	Outgoing tag or VC	Prefix or Tunnel Id	Bytes tag switched	Outgoing interface	Next Hop
Tun hd	Untagged	10.0.0.11/32	48	pos5/0	point2point
MAC/Encaps=4/8, MTU=1520, Tag Stack{22}					
48D18847 00016000					
No output feature configured					
Fast Reroute Protection via (Tu0, outgoing label 12304)					

#### Step 6 show ip rsvp reservation

Following is sample output from the **show ip rsvp reservation** command entered at the headend of a primary LSP. Entering the command at the head-end of the primary LSP shows, among other things, the status of FRR (that is, local protection) at each hop this LSP traverses. The per-hop information is collected in the Record Route Object (RRO) that travels with the Resv message from the tail to the head.

```
Router# show ip rsvp reservation detail
```

```
Reservation:
```

```
Tun Dest: 10.1.1.1 Tun ID: 1 Ext Tun ID: 10.1.1.1
Tun Sender: 10.1.1.1 LSP ID: 104
Next Hop: 10.1.1.2 on POS1/0
Label: 18 (outgoing)
Reservation Style is Shared-Explicit, QoS Service is Controlled-Load
Average Bitrate is 0 bits/sec, Maximum Burst is 1K bytes
Min Policed Unit: 0 bytes, Max Pkt Size: 0 bytes
RRO:
  10.1.1.1/32, Flags:0x1 (Local Prot Avail/to NHOP)
    Label subobject: Flags 0x1, C-Type 1, Label 18
  10.1.1.1/32, Flags:0x0 (Local Prot Avail/In Use/Has BW/to NHOP)
    Label subobject: Flags 0x1, C-Type 1, Label 16
  10.1.1.2/32, Flags:0x0 (No Local Protection)
    Label subobject: Flags 0x1, C-Type 1, Label 0
Resv ID handle: CD000404.
Policy: Accepted. Policy source(s): MPLS/TE
```

Notice the following about the primary LSP:

- It has protection that uses a NHOP backup tunnel at its first hop.
- It has protection and is actively using an NHOP backup tunnel at its second hop.
- It has no local protection at its third hop.

The RRO display shows the following information for each hop:

- Whether local protection is available (that is, whether the LSP has selected a backup tunnel)
- Whether local protection is in use (that is, whether the LSP is currently using its selected backup tunnel)
- Whether the selected backup tunnel is an NHOP or NNHOP backup tunnel
- Whether the backup tunnel used at this hop provides bandwidth protection

## Troubleshooting Tips

This section describes the following:

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- [Primary Tunnel Does Not Select Backup Tunnel That Is Up, page 33](#)
- [Enhanced RSVP Commands, page 33](#)
- [RSVP Hello, page 33](#)
- [Hello Instances Have Not Been Created, page 34](#)
- [No entry at index \(error may self-correct, RRO may not yet have propagated from downstream node of interest\)" Error Message Is Printed at the Point of Local Repair, page 34](#)
- [Couldn't get rsbs \(error may self-correct when Resv arrives\)" Error Message Is Printed at the Point of Local Repair, page 34](#)



### LSPs Do Not Become Active; They Remain Ready

At a PLR, LSPs transition from Ready to Active if one of the following events occurs:

- **Primary interface goes down**—If the primary interface (LSP's outbound interface) goes down and the LSP is ready to use a backup tunnel, the LSP will transition to the active state causing its data to flow over the backup tunnel. On some platforms and interface types (for example, GSR POS interfaces), fast interface-down logic has been added to detect this event very quickly. On other platforms where this logic does not exist, detection time is slower. On such platforms, it may be desirable to enable RSVP Hello (see the next bulleted item, "Hellos detect next hop is down").
- **Hellos detect next hop is down**—If Hellos are enabled on the primary interface (LSP's outbound interface), and the LSP's next hop is no longer reachable, the next hop is declared down. This event will cause the LSP to begin actively using its backup tunnel. Notice that a next hop will be declared down even if the primary interface does not go down. For example, if the next hop stops responding due to a reboot or software/hardware problem, Hellos will trigger the LSPs using this next hop to switch to their backup tunnels. Hellos can also help trigger FRR on interfaces such as Gigabit Ethernet where the interface remains up but is unusable (due to lack of link-layer liveness detection mechanisms).

### Primary Tunnel Does Not Select Backup Tunnel That Is Up

If a backup tunnel is up, but it is not selected as a backup tunnel by the primary tunnel (LSP), enter the following commands for the backup tunnel:

- **shutdown**
- **no shutdown**



#### Note

If you change the status of a backup tunnel, the backup tunnel selection algorithm is rerun for the backup tunnel. LSPs that have currently selected (that is, are ready to use) that backup tunnel will be disassociated from it, and then reassociated with that backup tunnel or another backup tunnel. This is generally harmless and usually results in mapping the same LSPs to that backup tunnel. However, if any LSPs are actively using that backup tunnel, shutting down the backup tunnel will tear down those LSPs.

### Enhanced RSVP Commands

The following RSVP commands have been enhanced to display information that can be helpful when examining FRR state or when troubleshooting FRR:

- **show ip rsvp request**—Displays upstream reservation state (that is, information related to the Resv messages that this node will send upstream).
- **show ip rsvp reservation**—Displays information about Resv messages received.
- **show ip rsvp sender**—Displays information about Path messages being received.

These commands show control plane state; they do not show data state. That is, they show information about RSVP messages (Path and Resv) used to signal LSPs. For information about the data packets being forwarded along LSPs, use the **show mpls forwarding** command.

### RSVP Hello

The RSVP Hello feature enables RSVP nodes to detect when a neighboring node is not reachable. Use this feature when notification of link-layer failures is not available and unnumbered links are not used, or when the failure detection mechanisms provided by the link layer are not sufficient for timely node failure detection. Hello must be configured both globally on the router and on the specific interface to be operational.

**Hello Instances Have Not Been Created**

If Hello instances have not been created, do the following:

- Determine if RSVP Hello has been enabled globally on the router. Enter the **ip rsvp signalling hello (configuration)** command.
- Determine if RSVP Hello has been enabled on an interface that the LSPs traverse. Enter the **ip rsvp signalling hello (interface)** command.
- Verify that at least one LSP has a backup tunnel by viewing the output of the **show ip rsvp sender** command. A value of “Ready” indicates that a backup tunnel has been selected.

**No entry at index (error may self-correct, RRO may not yet have propagated from downstream node of interest)” Error Message Is Printed at the Point of Local Repair**

FRR relies on a Record Route Object (RRO) in Resv messages arriving from downstream. Routers receiving Path messages with the SESSION\_ATTRIBUTE bit indicating that the LSP is fast-reroutable should include an RRO in the corresponding Resv messages.

If an LSP is configured for FRR, but the Resv arriving from a downstream router contains an incomplete RRO, the “No entry at index (error may self-correct, RRO may not yet have propagated from downstream node of interest)” message is printed. An incomplete RRO is one in which the NHOP or the NNHOP did not include an entry in the RRO.

This error typically means that backup tunnels to the NHOP or the NNHOP cannot be selected for this LSP because there is insufficient information about the NHOP or NNHOP due to the lack of an RRO entry.

Occasionally there are valid circumstances in which this situation occurs temporarily and the problem is self-corrected. If subsequent Resv messages arrive with a complete RRO, ignore the error message.

To determine whether the error has been corrected, view the RRO in Resv messages by entering the **clear ip rsvp hello instance counters** command. Use an output filter keyword to view only the LSP of interest.

**Couldn't get rsbs (error may self-correct when Resv arrives)” Error Message Is Printed at the Point of Local Repair**

The PLR cannot select a backup tunnel for an LSP until a Resv message has arrived from downstream.

When this error occurs, it typically means that something is truly wrong. For example, no reservation exists for this LSP. You can troubleshoot this problem by using the **debug ip rsvp reservation** command to enable debug.

Occasionally there are valid circumstances in which this error message occurs and there is no need for concern. One such circumstance is when an LSP experiences a change before any Resv message has arrived from downstream. Changes can cause a PLR to try to select a backup tunnel for an LSP, and the selection will fail (causing this error message) if no Resv message has arrived for this LSP.

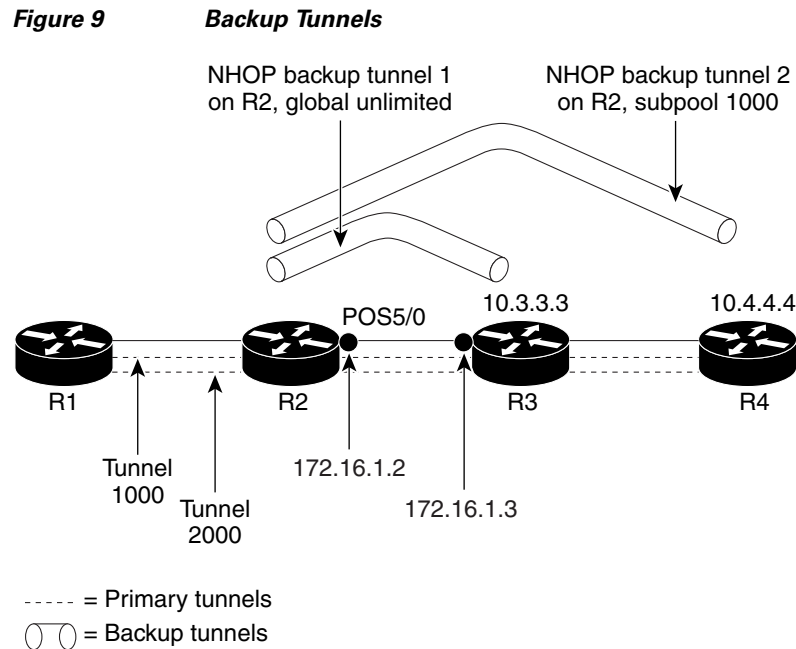
## Configuration Examples for MPLS TE: Link and Node Protection, with RSVP Hellos Support (with Fast Tunnel Interface Down Detection)

This section provides the following configuration examples:

- [Enabling Fast ReRoute for all Tunnels: Example, page 35](#)
- [Creating an NNHOP Backup Tunnel: Example, page 36](#)
- [Assigning Backup Tunnels to a Protected Interface: Example, page 36](#)

- [Associating Backup Bandwidth and Pool Type with Backup Tunnels: Example, page 36](#)
- [Configuring Backup Bandwidth Protection: Example, page 37](#)
- [Configuring an Interface for Fast Link and Node Failure Detection: Example, page 37](#)
- [Configuring an Interface for Fast Tunnel Interface Down: Example, page 37](#)
- [Configuring RSVP Hello and POS Signals: Example, page 37](#)

The examples relate to the illustration shown in [Figure 9](#).



## Enabling Fast ReRoute for all Tunnels: Example

On router R1, enter interface configuration mode for each tunnel to be protected (Tunnel 1000 and Tunnel 2000). Enable these tunnels to use a backup tunnel in case of a link or node failure along their paths.

Tunnel 1000 will use 10 units of bandwidth from the sub pool.

Tunnel 2000 will use 5 units of bandwidth from the global pool. The “bandwidth protection desired” bit and the “node protection desired bit” have been set by specifying **bw-prot** and **node-prot**, respectively, in the **tunnel mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute** command.

```
Router(config)# interface Tunnel1000
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth sub-pool 10

Router(config)# interface Tunnel2000
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute bw-prot node-prot
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth 5
```

## Creating an NHOP Backup Tunnel: Example

On router R2, create an NHOP backup tunnel to R3. This backup tunnel should avoid using the link 10.1.1.2.

```
Router(config)# ip explicit-path name avoid-protected-link
Router(cfg-ip-expl-path)# exclude-address 10.1.1.2
Explicit Path name avoid-protected-link:
____1: exclude-address 10.1.1.2
Router(cfg-ip-expl-path)# end

Router(config)# interface Tunnel1
Router(config-if)# ip unnumbered loopback0
Router(config-if)# tunnel destination 10.3.3.3
Router(config-if)# tunnel mode mpls traffic-eng0
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option explicit avoid-protected-link
```

## Creating an NNHOP Backup Tunnel: Example

On router R2, create an NNHOP backup tunnel to R4. This backup tunnel should avoid R3.

```
Router(config)# ip explicit-path name avoid-protected-node
Router(cfg-ip-expl-path)# exclude-address 10.3.3.3
Explicit Path name avoid-protected-node:
____1: exclude-address 10.3.3.3
Router(cfg-ip-expl-path)# end

Router(config)# interface Tunnel2
Router(config-if)# ip unnumbered loopback0
Router(config-if)# tunnel destination 10.4.4.4
Router(config-if)# tunnel mode mpls traffic-eng0
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option explicit avoid-protected-node
```

## Assigning Backup Tunnels to a Protected Interface: Example

On router R2, associate both backup tunnels with interface POS5/0.

```
Router(config)# interface POS5/0
Router(config-if)# mpls traffic-eng backup-path tunnel1
Router(config-if)# mpls traffic-eng backup-path tunnel2
```

## Associating Backup Bandwidth and Pool Type with Backup Tunnels: Example

Backup tunnel 1 is to be used only by LSPs that take their bandwidth from the global pool. It does not provide bandwidth protection. Backup tunnel 2 is to be used only by LSPs that take their bandwidth from the sub pool. Backup tunnel 2 provides bandwidth protection for up to 1000 units.

```
Router(config)# interface Tunnel1
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng backup-bw global-pool Unlimited

Router(config)# interface Tunnel2
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng backup-bw sub-pool 1000
```

## Configuring Backup Bandwidth Protection: Example

In the following example, backup bandwidth protection is configured.



### Note

This global configuration is required only to change the backup protection preemption algorithm from minimize the number of LSPs that are demoted to minimize the amount of bandwidth that is wasted.

```
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute bw-protect
Router(config)# mpls traffic-eng fast-reroute backup-prot-preemption optimize-bw
```

## Configuring an Interface for Fast Link and Node Failure Detection: Example

In the following example, pos ais-shut is configured.

```
Router(config)# interface pos0/0
Router(config-if)# pos ais-shut
```

In the following example, report lrdi is configured on OS interfaces.

```
Router(config)# interface pos0/0
Router(config-if)# pos report lrdi
```

## Configuring an Interface for Fast Tunnel Interface Down: Example

In the following example, tunnel 1000 goes down as soon as the headend router detects that the LSP is down.

```
Router(config)# interface tunnel 1000
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng interface down delay 0
```

## Configuring RSVP Hello and POS Signals: Example

Hello must be configured both globally on the router and on the specific interface on which you need FRR protection. To configure Hello, use the following configuration commands:

- **ip rsvp signalling hello** (configuration)—Enables Hello globally on the router.
- **ip rsvp signalling hello** (interface)—Enables Hello on an interface where you need FRR protection.

The following configuration commands are optional:

- **ip rsvp signalling hello dscp**—Sets the DSCP value that is in the IP header of the Hello message.
- **ip rsvp signalling hello refresh misses**—Specifies how many acknowledgments a node can miss in a row before the node considers that communication with its neighbor is down.
- **ip rsvp signalling hello refresh interval**—Configures the Hello request interval.
- **ip rsvp signalling hello statistics**—Enables Hello statistics on the router.

For configuration examples, see the Hello command descriptions in the “Command Reference” section of *MPLS Traffic Engineering (TE): Link and Node Protection, with RSVP Hellos Support*, Release 12.0(24)S.

To configure POS signaling for detecting FRR failures, enter **pos report all** or enter the following commands to request individual reports:

```

pos ais-shut
pos report rdool
pos report lais
pos report lrdi
pos report pais
pos report prdi
pos report sd-ber

```

## Additional References

The following sections provide references related to the MPLS TE: Link and Node Protection, with RSVP Hellos Support (with Fast Tunnel Interface Down Detection) feature.

## Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
IS-IS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Cisco IOS IP Routing Protocols Command Reference</a>, Release 12.4T</li> <li>• <a href="#">Cisco IOS IP Routing Protocols Command Reference</a>, Release 12.2SB</li> <li>• <a href="#">Cisco IOS IP Routing Protocols Command Reference</a>, Release 12.2SR</li> <li>• <a href="#">Cisco IOS IP Routing Protocols Configuration Guide</a>, Release 12.4</li> </ul>
Link protection	<a href="#">MPLS Traffic Engineering Fast ReRoute Link Protection</a> , Release 12.0(16)ST
SRLG protection	<a href="#">MPLS Traffic Engineering: Shared Risk Link Groups (SRLG)</a> , Release 12.0
MPLS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Cisco IOS IP Switching Command Reference</a>, Release 12.4T</li> <li>• <a href="#">Cisco IOS IP Switching Command Reference</a>, Release 12.2SB</li> <li>• <a href="#">Cisco IOS IP Switching Command Reference</a>, Release 12.2SR</li> </ul>

Related Topic	Document Title
OSPF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Cisco IOS IP Routing Protocols Command Reference</a>, Release 12.4T</li> <li>• <a href="#">Cisco IOS IP Routing Protocols Command Reference</a>, Release 12.2SB</li> <li>• <a href="#">Cisco IOS IP Routing Protocols Command Reference</a>, Release 12.2SR</li> <li>• <a href="#">Cisco IOS IP Routing Protocols Configuration Guide</a>, Release 12.4</li> </ul>
RSVP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Cisco IOS Quality of Service Solutions Command Reference</a>, Release 12.4T</li> <li>• <a href="#">Cisco IOS Quality of Service Solutions Command Reference</a>, Release 12.2SB</li> <li>• <a href="#">Cisco IOS Quality of Service Solutions Command Reference</a>, Release 12.2SR</li> <li>• <a href="#">Cisco IOS Quality of Service Solutions Configuration Guide</a>, Release 12.4</li> </ul>

## Standards

Standards	Title
No new or modified standards are supported by this feature, and support for existing standards has not been modified by this feature.	—

## MIBs

MIBs	MIBs Link
No new or modified MIBs are supported by this feature, and support for existing MIBs has not been modified by this feature.	<p>To locate and download MIBs for selected platforms, Cisco IOS releases, and feature sets, use Cisco MIB Locator found at the following URL:</p> <p><a href="http://www.cisco.com/go/mibs">http://www.cisco.com/go/mibs</a></p>

## RFCs

RFCs	Title
RFC 4090	<i>Fast Reroute Extensions for RSVP-TE for LSP Tunnels</i>

## Technical Assistance

Description	Link
The Cisco Support website provides extensive online resources, including documentation and tools for troubleshooting and resolving technical issues with Cisco products and technologies. Access to most tools on the Cisco Support website requires a Cisco.com user ID and password. If you have a valid service contract but do not have a user ID or password, you can register on Cisco.com.	<a href="http://www.cisco.com/techsupport">http://www.cisco.com/techsupport</a>

## Command Reference

This section documents only commands that are new or modified.

- [tunnel mpls traffic-eng interface down delay](#)



# tunnel mpls traffic-eng interface down delay

To force a tunnel to go down as soon as the headend router detects that the label-switched path (LSP) is down, use the **tunnel mpls traffic-eng interface down delay** command in interface configuration mode. To disable this feature, use the **no** form of this command.

**tunnel mpls traffic-eng interface down delay** *time*

**no tunnel mpls traffic-eng interface down delay** *time*

## Syntax Description

<i>time</i>	Time, in minutes. The only valid value is 0.
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## Defaults

There is a delay before the tunnel goes down.

## Command Modes

Interface configuration

## Command History

Release	Modification
12.0(30)S	This command was introduced.
12.2(33)SRB	This command was integrated into Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SRB.
12.2(33)SXH	This command was integrated into Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SXH.

## Usage Guidelines

You cannot specify both the **tunnel mpls traffic-eng interface down delay** command and the **tunnel mpls traffic-eng forwarding-adjacency** command. The first command that you enter would prevent the implementation of the other command and would cause the system to display error messages.

## Examples

In the following example, if the headend router detects that a link has goes down on tunnel 1000, the tunnel goes down immediately.

```
Router(config)# interface tunnel 1000
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng interface down delay 0
```

# Glossary

**backup bandwidth**—The usage of NHOP and NNHOP backup tunnels to provide bandwidth protection for rerouted LSPs.

**backup tunnel**—An MPLS TE tunnel used to protect other (primary) tunnels' traffic when a link or node failure occurs.

**bandwidth**—The available traffic capacity of a link.

**Cisco Express Forwarding**—A means for accelerating the forwarding of packets within a router, by storing route lookup.

**enterprise network**—A large and diverse network connecting most major points in a company or other organization.

**Fast ReRoute**—Procedures that enable temporary routing around a failed link or node while a new LSP is being established at the head end.

**Gigabit Ethernet**—Standard for a high-speed Ethernet, approved by the IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers) 802.3z standards committee in 1996.

**global pool**—The total bandwidth allocated to an MPLS Traffic Engineering link or node.

**headend**—The router that originates and maintains a given LSP. This is the first router in the LSP's path.

**hop**—Passage of a data packet between two network nodes (for example, between two routers).

**instance**—A Hello instance implements the RSVP Hello extensions for a given router interface address and remote IP address. Active Hello instances periodically send Hello Request messages, expecting Hello ACK messages in response. If the expected Ack message is not received, the active Hello instance declares that the neighbor (remote IP address) is unreachable (that is, it is lost). This can cause LSPs crossing this neighbor to be fast rerouted.

**interface**—A network connection.

**Intermediate System-to-Intermediate System**—IS-IS. Link-state hierarchical routing protocol that calls for intermediate system (IS) routers to exchange routing information based on a single metric to determine network topology.

**link**—A point-to-point connection between adjacent nodes. There can be more than one link between adjacent nodes. A network communications channel consisting of a circuit or transmission path and all related equipment between a sender and a receiver. Sometimes referred to as a line or a transmission link.

**limited backup bandwidth**—Backup tunnels that provide bandwidth protection.

**load balancing**—A configuration technique that shifts traffic to an alternative link if a certain threshold is exceeded on the primary link. Load balancing is similar to redundancy in that if an event causes traffic to shift directions, alternative equipment must be present in the configuration. In load balancing, the alternative equipment is not necessarily redundant equipment that only operates in the event of a failure.

**LSP**—label-switched path. A configured connection between two routers, in which label switching is used to carry the packets. The purpose of an LSP is to carry data packets.

**merge point**—The backup tunnel's tail.

**MPLS**—Multiprotocol Label Switching. Packet-forwarding technology, used in the network core, that applies data link layer labels to tell switching nodes how to forward data, resulting in faster and more scalable forwarding than network layer routing normally can do.

**MPLS global label allocation**—There is one label space for all interfaces in the router. For example, label 100 coming in one interface is treated the same as label 100 coming in a different interface.

**NHOP**—next hop. The next downstream node along an LSP's path.

**NHOP backup tunnel**—next-hop backup tunnel. Backup tunnel terminating at the LSP's next hop beyond the point of failure, and originating at the hop immediately upstream of the point of failure. It bypasses a failed link, and is used to protect primary LSPs that were using this link before the failure.

**NNHOP**—next-next hop. The node after the next downstream node along an LSP's path.

**NNHOP backup tunnel**—next-next-hop backup tunnel. Backup tunnel terminating at the LSP's next-next hop beyond the point of failure, and originating at the hop immediately upstream of the point of failure. It bypasses a failed link and/or node, and is used to protect primary LSPs that were using this link or node before the failure.

**node**—Endpoint of a network connection or a junction common to two or more lines in a network. Nodes can be interconnected by links, and serve as control points in the network. Computers on a network, or any endpoint or a junction common to two or more lines in a network. Nodes can be processors, controllers, or workstations.

**OSPF**—Open Shortest Path First. A link-state hierarchical Interior Gateway Protocol routing algorithm, derived from the IS-IS protocol. OSPF features include least-cost routing, multipath routing, and load balancing.

**primary LSP**—The last LSP originally signaled over the protected interface before the failure. The LSP before the failure.

**primary tunnel**—Tunnel whose LSP may be fast rerouted if there is a failure. Backup tunnels cannot be primary tunnels.

**promotion**—Conditions, such as a new backup tunnel comes up, cause a reevaluation of a backup tunnel that was chosen for an LSP. If the reevaluation is successful, it is called a promotion.

**protected interface**—An interface that has one or more backup tunnels associated with it.

**redundancy**—The duplication of devices, services, or connections so that, in the event of a failure, the redundant devices, services, or connections can perform the work of those that failed.

**RSVP**—Resource Reservation Protocol. An IETF protocol used for signaling requests (setting up reservations) for Internet services by a customer before that customer is permitted to transmit data over that portion of the network.

**scalability**—An indicator showing how quickly some measure of resource usage increases as a network gets larger.

**state**—Information that a router must maintain about each LSP. The information is used for rerouting tunnels.

**sub pool**—The more restrictive bandwidth in an MPLS Traffic Engineering link or node. The sub pool is a portion of the link or node's overall global pool bandwidth.

**tailend**—The router upon which an LSP is terminated. This is the last router in the LSP's path.

**topology**—The physical arrangement of network nodes and media within an enterprise networking structure.

**tunnel**—Secure communications path between two peers, such as two routers.

**unlimited backup bandwidth**—Backup tunnels that provide no bandwidth (best-effort) protection (that is, they provide best-effort protection).

**Note**

Refer to [Internetworking Terms and Acronyms](#) for terms not included in this glossary.

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