

## How to connect to SGID via ArcSDE connection:

### Try this first

Copy M:\Training\ **SGID10.sde** to

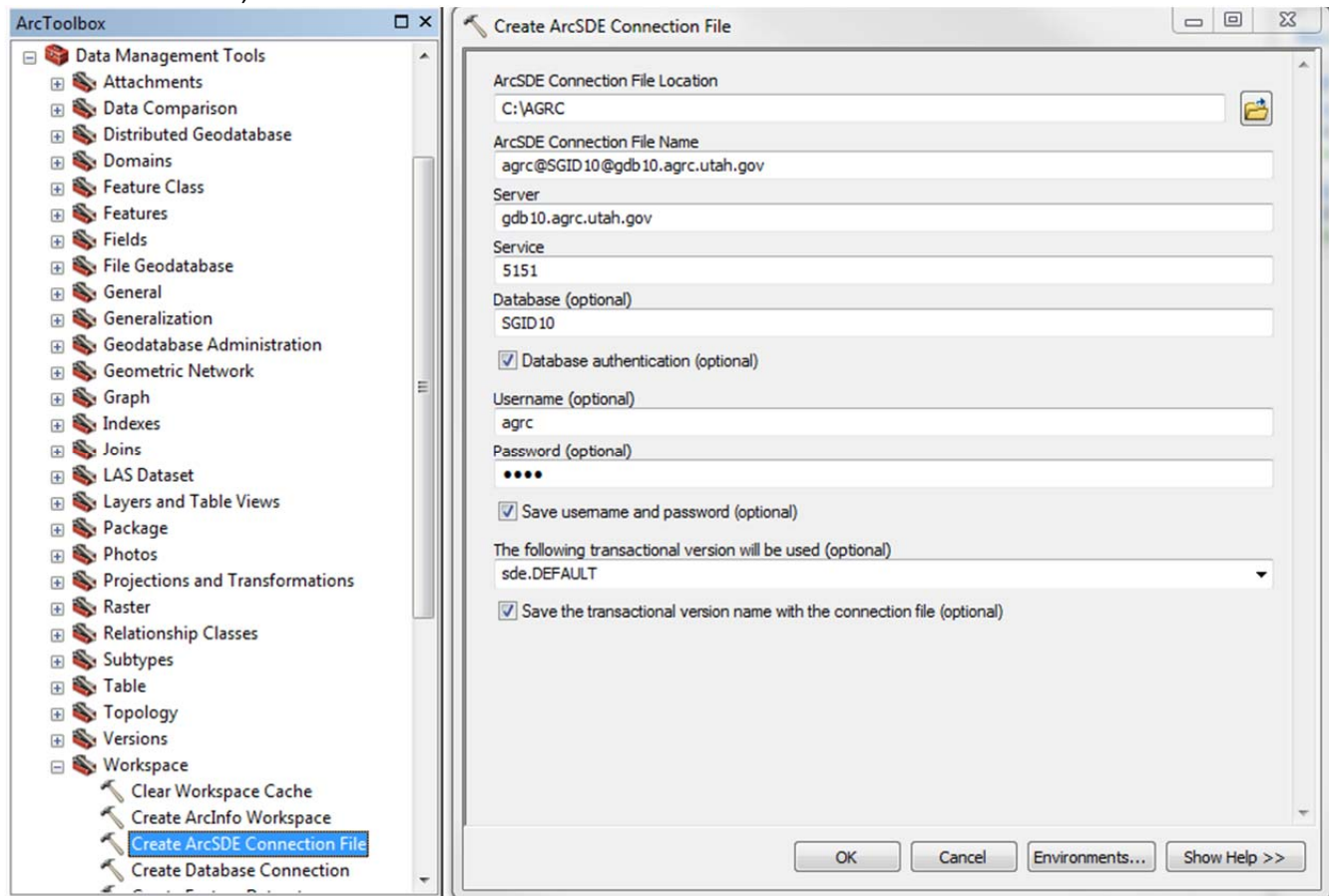
XP: C:\Documents and Settings\YourUserName\Application Data\ESRI\Desktop10.1\ArcCatalog

Windows 7: C:\Users\ YourUserName \AppData\Roaming\ESRI\Desktop10.1\ArcCatalog

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### If above doesn't work and you have have Advanced License:

Esri is now providing a tool to create an ArcSDE Connection File wherever you would like on your file system. The tool is located in the standard toolbox under Data Management -> Workspace -> Create ArcSDE Connection File. Here's a look at where it's located, and what it looks like when filled out:



You can save the connection file anywhere you'd like, but if you want to see the connection in the Database

Connections folder in ArcGIS Desktop, you'll need to save it to this location:

C:\Users\\AppData\Roaming\ESRI\Desktop10.1\ArcCatalog

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Just replace the entry <Your User Name> with your login name.