

# Use the Mask Editor

**DID YOU KNOW** . . . you can use the Mask Editor to edit and save a null mask or separate mask raster for a target raster object?

## What Using the Mask Editor Gives You

- Create mask that excludes designated raster areas from display or processing
- Use variety of drawing tools to mark the areas to be masked
- Set highlight colors and transparency for the included, excluded, and marked areas
- Save the mask as a null mask subobject or as a separate binary raster object
- Directly create/edit masks in the Spatial Display process and other processes that provide a View of the input raster object

Click to select a target raster.

Click to include/exclude marked areas from the mask or invert the marked areas.

Choose a drawing tool to mark areas.

Click to apply actions on mask

The highlight colors selected are displayed with 80% transparency in the View window.

Choose to save the current mask as a null mask subobject of the target raster or as a separate binary raster object.

The screenshot shows the 'Mask Editor (3716)' window on the left and the 'Display Group 1 - View 1 (3716)' window on the right. The Mask Editor window has fields for 'Raster...' (blackbrn.rvc / AERIAL) and 'Mask...' (AERIAL). It features an 'Edit Tools' panel with various drawing tools and a 'Highlight Color' section with 'Included' (green), 'Excluded' (red), and 'Marked' (yellow) options, each with a 'Transparency' slider set to 80%. There are also 'Save As...' options for 'Binary Raster' and 'Null Mask'. The Display Manager window shows a raster view with three highlighted regions: 'Marked for action' (yellow), 'Included' (green), and 'Excluded' (red). A legend on the left of the Display Manager window shows 'Marked', 'MASK', and '200 dpi scan of all'.

## How to Use the Mask Editor

- Select Image/Utilities/Edit Mask from the menubar, or choose Edit Mask from the right mouse menu of the raster in the Display Manager or LegendView.
- Click on the Raster button and select a target raster.
- Click on the desired drawing tool in the Edit Tools panel.
- Draw the area to mask and right-click to mark the area for action.
- Click on the Exclude from Raster button to mask the marked area.
- Repeat the above two steps as necessary.
- Click on the Null Mask or Binary Raster toggle button to save the current mask as a null mask subobject of the target raster or as a separate binary raster object.
- Click on the Save button.

### WANT TO KNOW MORE?

See the Technical Guide entitled Spatial Display:

**Create and Edit Masks and Null Masks**

