LAB 16 - Importing Cogo Points
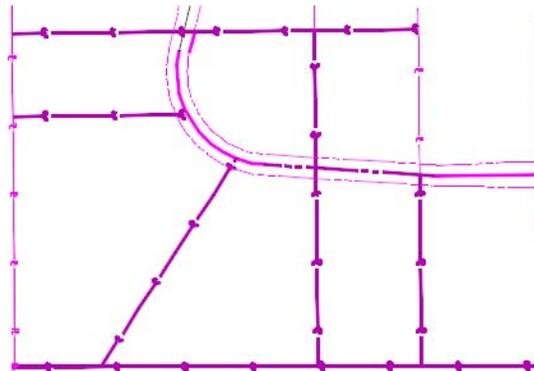
Chapter Objectives:

- Inport Cogo Points from graphics
- Import Cogo Points from ASCII
- Import Cogo Points from ICS
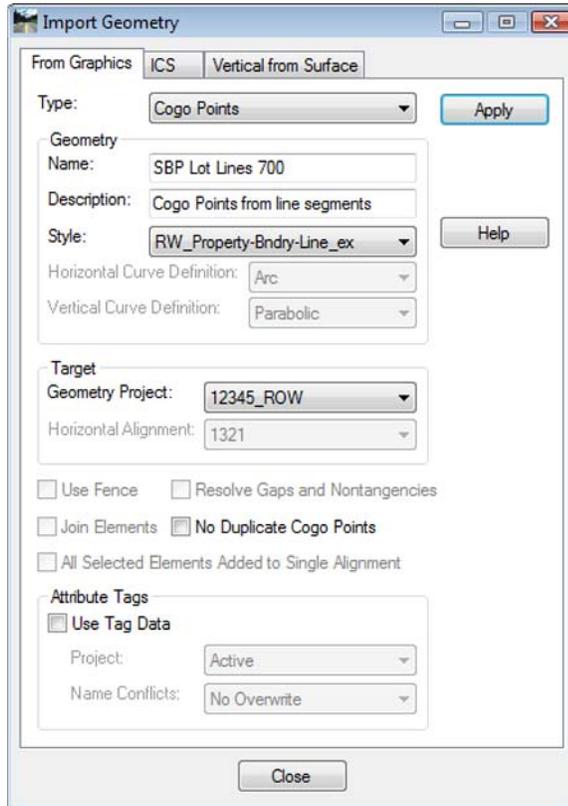
Lab 16.1 - Importing Cogo Points from Graphics

Graphic elements can be imported to generate geometry. Some of the valid element types are: lines, linestrings, cells, text, shapes, etc. Refer to the InRoads help topic Import Geometry
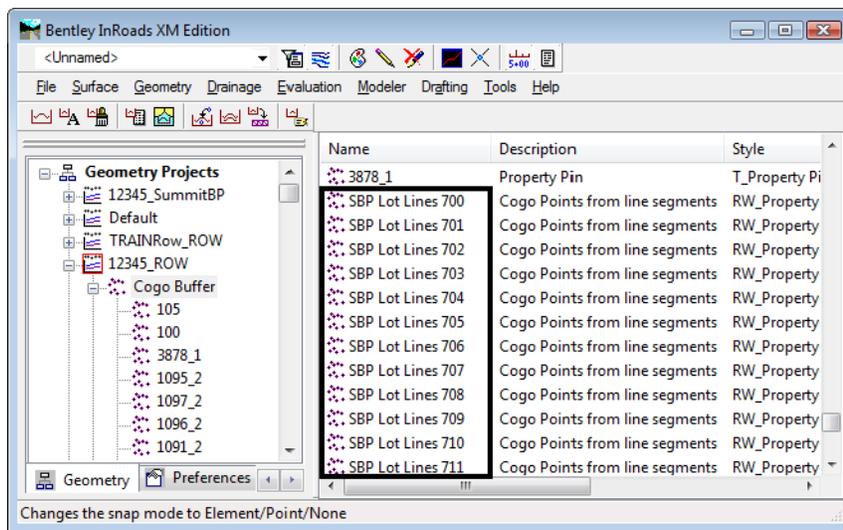
To import Cogo points from a graphics file;

1. Identify graphics using a selection set or a MicroStation fence

2. Select **File > Import > Geometry > [From Graphics] Type – Cogo Points**

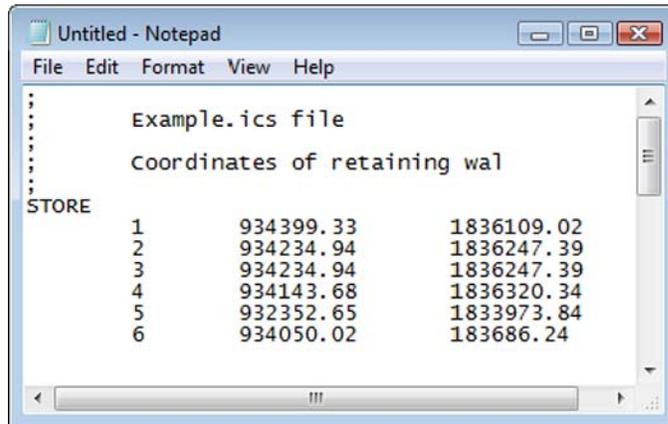3. **<D> Apply**

4. Verify the results

Lab 16.2 - Importing Cogo Point from ICS

From the CDOT manual: Roadway Design Using InRoads – Importing Geometry from text files

Text files may be imported from several formats, the easiest of which to create is an *.ics* file. (Interactive Coordinate geometry Subsystem) This file type was first used with a product of the same name many years ago, but is still in use with InRoads today. It is basically a list of cogo commands along with the input for those commands.
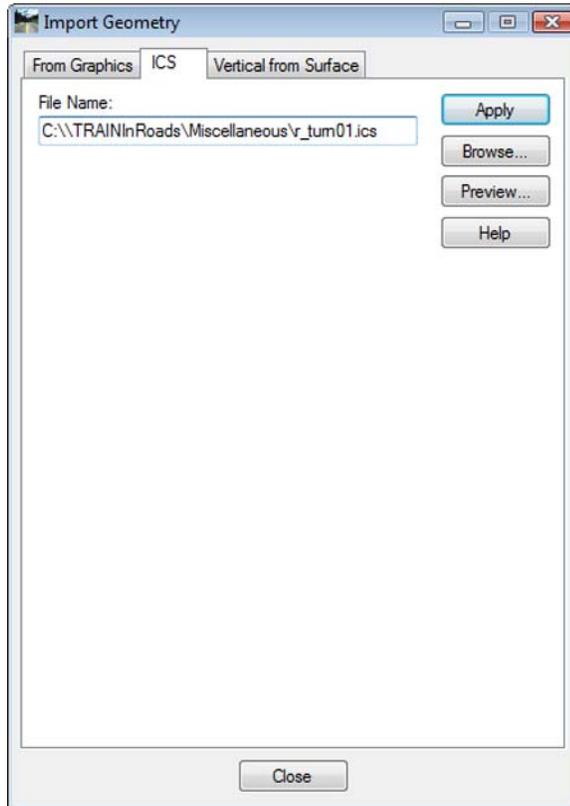
If you have a text file of coordinates, you can create an .ics file by adding a **Store** command at the top and formatting the file similar to the one shown below.

1. Choose **File** > **Import** > **Geometry** > **[ICS]**

2. **Browse** to find the file then choose **Apply**.

The cogo points will be added to the active geometry project. You may then use **Geometry > Utilities > Create/Edit Alignment** to join the points, forming an Alignment and **Geometry > Horizontal Curve Sets > Define Curves** to add curves to the alignment. You can also accomplish these same tasks within the **.ics** file. See the Bentley Help topic *Alpha Cogo*