Living Documents **Evolving Documents** Checkpoint Documents Checkpoint Drafts

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Disclaimers

- This is an idea / concept
 - It's not a hill worth dying on
 - far more discussion than we'd been expecting
- Many different use cases
 - One size does not fit all
 - One solution will not fit all
 - Possibly one solution suitable for many though

Stable Checkpoint is not carved in stone...

RSEs views...

- Interesting idea that has potential to improve the quality of RFCs published
- If this means fewer RFCs are published, that's OK
- None of this is in the official purview of the RFC Editor (but we really like the idea of producing ever-higher quality technical documents)

Use Cases

- 1. Operational documents
- 2. WG Support documents
- 3. Implementation documents
- 4. External documents
- 5. Protocol documents

Operational Documents

- This is where this started
- These are "advice", not protocol
- Changes frequently, not "worth" creating new RFC
 - V1: "you should filter routes using IRR"
 - V2: "you should filter routes using IRR and RPKI"
 - V3: "you should rank RPKI data over IRR"
- Terminology documents:
 - RFC7719 DNS Terminology (Dec 2015)
 - RFC8499 DNS Terminology (Jan 2019)
 - draft-hoffman-dns-terminology-ter-01...
- Hitchhikers Guide to... [SIP, DNS]

Implementation Documents

- QUIC / HTTPBIS name specific drafts as "implementation" drafts.
- Github document indicates which features are tested at each interop event.
- TSV tried to use Status Reports in the datatracker for similar functions.
- A standard way of indicating the "state of play" for new implementers would be useful.

This is a different use case - not covered here.

WG Support documents

- Use case documents
- Requirements documents
- Lessons learned (we tried X, if failed like this...)
- Long term documents

External documents

- This was an earlier use-case, based on an earlier mechanism
- A "stable" link to an external thing
- Not addressed in this design

"Protocol" Documents

AKA - end runs around the process...

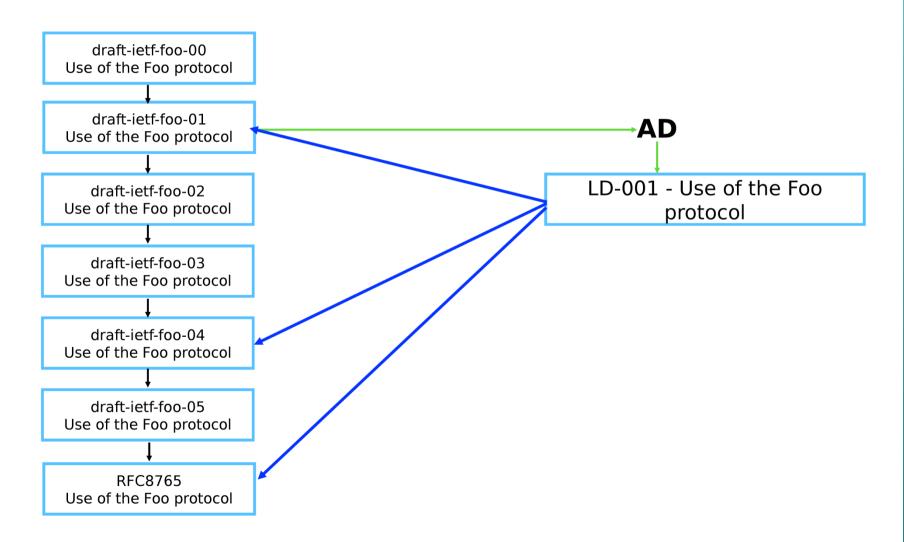
- Don't do this
- Trying to figure out how to mitigate this

History / background

Abandoned mechanisms...

#1

Worked example



Preview

Number	Title	WG / Area	Last updated
<u>LD-001</u>	Use of the Foo protocol	OpSec	Apr 8, 2019
LD-002	SoK: SSL and HTTPS: Revisiting past challenges and evaluating certificate trust model enhancements	TAPS	Apr 1, 2019
<u>LD-003</u>	RFC7457 - Summarizing Known Attacks on Transport Layer Security (TLS) and Datagram TLS (DTLS)	Security Area	Feb, 2015
LD-004			

Abandoned mechanisms...

#2

DataTracker Tag

- Easy to do
- Doesn't imply **too** much stability
- Hard for external people to understand

Currently proposed...

#3

Encoding in the name

- Easy to do
- Follows the "name changes when adopted" paradigm
 - draft-bob-grow-bar-19 -> draft-ietf-grow-bar-00
 - draft-ietf-grow-bar-12 -> GROW-5 version 2
 - draft-ietf-grow-bar-22 -> GROW-5 version 3
 - GROW-5 redirect to latest (GROW-5 version 3)
- RFCs may not normatively reference IDs.
 - RFCs MAY NOT reference checkpoint docs
- "checkpoints" never become RFCs
 - the "underlying" document might
- Easy for external people to understand
- The term "checkpoint" may still imply more than intended

DRAFT disclaimer...

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* version is stable enough to experiment with. Feedback
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If so, how so?

- 1. A web page listing these?
- 2. A tag in the datatracker?
- 3. Encoding in the name?
 - 1. draft-checkpoint-grow-03
 - 2. checkpoint-ietf-grow-03
 - 3. GROW-3

Example

- draft-bob-grow-bar-19 -> draft-ietf-grow-bar-00
- draft-ietf-grow-bar-12 -> GROW-5 version 1
- draft-ietf-grow-bar-22 -> GROW-5 version 2
- GROW-5 always redirect to latest (GROW-5 version 3)
- If draft-ietf-grow-bar becomes RFC, GROW-5 redirects to that RFC

Questions...

- Worth further discussion?
- What does "marking" a document mean?
 - How do we mark a document?
- What about only for Ops Area?