Cruft Update

IETF 62

Thesis

There's cruft out there

Procedure

- Create a list of all RFCs below 2000 that were Proposed Standards as of November
- © Create a mailing list to discuss and remove documents from the list
- Remove RFCs from list when someone sends an email with RFC number and a reason
- Do outreach to find people to send that email
- Review status at MSP, and move forward from there

What We Did

- © Create a list... started with 119 RFCs
 - http://www.ofcourseimright.com/old-standards.html
- Create a mailing list...
 - old-standards@alvestrand.no
- Remove RFCs...
 - 57 docs remain
- Do outreach to find people to send that email

Classes of Docs...

- PEM Privacy enhanced mail
- Whois++
- Token Ring
- Novell/Appletalk/X.400/X.25 docs
- MIBS for old or unused stuff
- Removed Telnet docs...

Other stuff

- A few docs probably should be revised and advanced to draft (CIDR)
- A few docs require separate RFCs because there are substantial security concerns in their use (DES-CBC, for instance)
- A few docs are under revision as we speak (GSS-API)

Next Steps

- Still a lot of cruft 57 docs
- Still need to do some additional outreach (suggestions?)
- I'll write a draft detailing all of this.
- Will it be informational or a request to the IESG to remove these docs or words for ISDs? (Discussion here)