

Getting a v4.1 spec sooner

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Progress over last four months

- We've made considerable progress
 - Many issues resolved
 - Many resolutions incorporated in spec text
 - Identified other issues
 - No endless ideological debates
- But, at the last IETF
 - The goal was group last call by now
 - People nodded their heads
 - Nobody said “You’re Crazy”

Let's look at where we are

- Many chapters need integration into spec
- Features need to be integrated with one another
- Greater specificity will result in new issues
- Other things that have not been started:
 - Introductory chapter
 - Integrated security considerations chapter
 - An nfsv41.x file
- We're not at working-group last call
 - Or even close to it

Let's be realistic

- Realistic about where we are
 - Create issues for all we know has to be done
 - Schedule adequate cycles for draft review
- Realistic about rate of progress
- If the current rate of progress, how many IETF's will it take?
 - Too many

Making faster progress

- Problems:
 - One editor into 500 pages won't go
 - At least at a reasonable pace
 - Integration of proposals into spec
 - It has been unclear whose job this is
 - Exacerbated by lack of issues in tracker
 - Even with multiple editors, help is needed
- We have made progress!
 - But the pace is less than we'd like

A plan for multiple editors

- Spencer as Senior Editor
 - Over-all policies, structure, editorial voice
- Additional editors required
 - Need broad knowledge of v4 & v4.1 features
 - Have to be willing to do it
- Current plan:
 - Dave Noveck
 - Mike Eisler

Contributor work

- Section authors do more spec integration
 - Editors provide spec structure guidance
 - Authors need to produce XML changes
- Need an easier way to integrate changes
 - Avoid editor bottlenecks
 - e.g. cvs repository for XML
 - Sourceforge?