IESG Operations

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Background

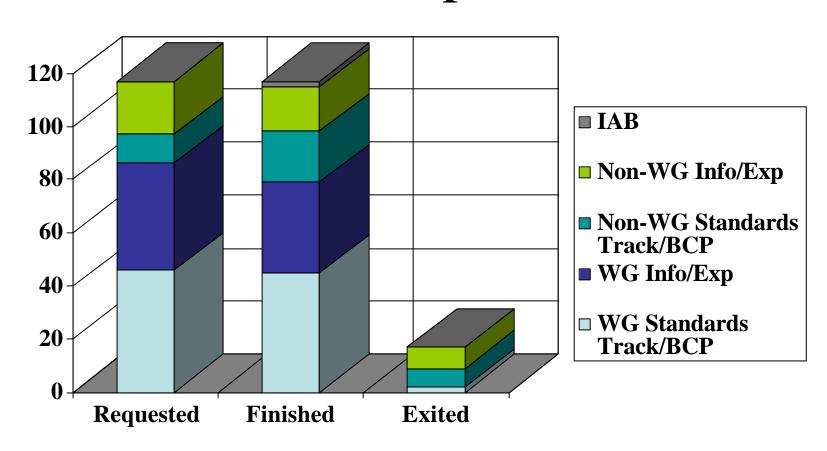
- Problem statement issues document has well noted the overload and throughput issues of the IESG.
- IESG has been grappling with them.
 - Since May 2002, the i-d tracker has been an critical tool for review management. Recently we are using it for statistics as well.
 - We propose some reporting (to follow) to support community and IESG solution efforts.

A Metric With Meaning

"It's documents all the way down".

- Initial metric simplest OR throughput question: comparison of input to output.
- Look at publications requested versus documents approved.
- This proves to be a very good start.

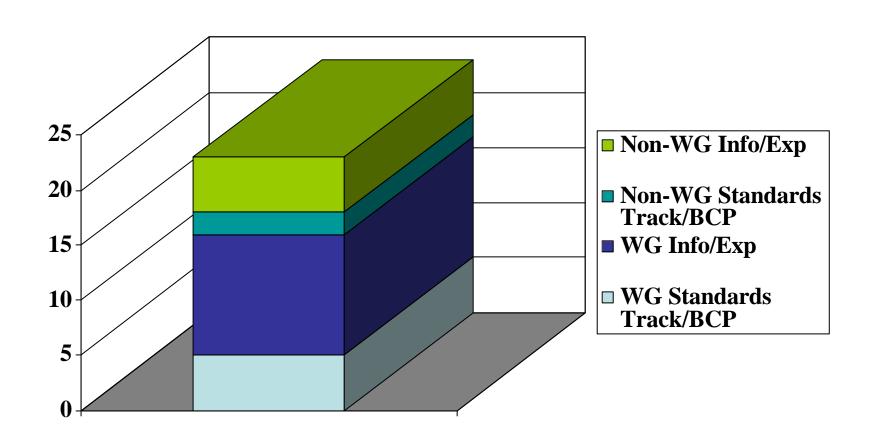
Documents Processed since Minneapolis



Raw Data

- 228 documents
- 117 requested
- 117 approved
- 17 exited
- 23 both requested and approved

Requested & Approved



Thoughts

- Queue did not grow but pipe is FULL.
- We can use this for quantitative goals:
 - Increase number of transitions within period.
 - Watch trends, fix issues if queue growth starts.
 - Use for measurement of success of efforts to relieve the overload and throughput problems!
 - ICAR and review trials: documents more ready.
 - PROTO trials: WG chairs adding cycles, tightening review process.

Finally

- We like to keep this kind of report short.
- We could report this only by email, and not using plenary time?
- We expect to develop a meaningful (in the same senses) latency metric.
- Discussions on solutions(-request)@ietf.org

Backup

- Documents entering the system came from requests to Area Directors from working groups or individuals; from the IAB or IRTF; and documents sent to the IESG by the RFC Editor.
- Documents exited the system by approval by the IESG or by being marked Dead in the tracker. There were no markings of DNP during this period.
- RFC Editor publications were not counted because this is not IESG processing.