

Let's Talk Old and Crufty

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Have you tried using any of these, lately?

- STD 25, 26: Daytime, Time (1983)
- STD 40: Host Access Protocol (1984)
- STD 44: Hello (1983)
- STD 47: SLIP (1988)
- STD 52: IP over SMDS (1991)

These are all full standards.

How about these?

- RFCs 951, 1542: BOOTP (1985) - DS
- RFC 927: TACACS user identification Telnet Option (1984) - PS
- RFC 1256: ICMP Router Discovery (1991) - PS
- RFC 1274: The COSINE & Internet X.500 Schema (1991) - PS

How about this one?

- RFC 2748 - COPS

Criteria for "Old & Crufty"

- Is the standard still used?
 - No? Old & Crufty
- Is it safe to use?
 - No? Old & Crufty - RFC required to describe dangers
 - Yes? Old & Crufty - No RFC required

Who Determines What is Old & Crufty?

- The Old and Crufty Committee?
- CRUFT WG?
- w/ Approval by the IESG

What's out there?

- draft-alvestrand-newtrk-historical-00.txt
 - Committee considers a standard
 - looks for usage
 - considers safety
 - makes recommendation to IESG
 - IESG ratifies all decisions about standards

Why Do This At All?!

- The community is concerned that once something passes to PS / DS / STD, it's there for a long time.
- Let DEPLOYMENT experience dictate lifetime of standard.

Discussion