Advertising Encapsulation Capability Using IS-IS draft-xu-isis-encapsulation-cap-05

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Motivation

- Use Cases for IP-based tunnels:
 - Partial deployment of MPLS-SPRING as described in [I-D.xu-springislands-connection-over-ip], where IP tunnels are used between MPLS-SPRING-enabled routers so as to traverse non-MPLS routers.
 - Partial deployment of MPLS-BIER as described in Section 6.9 of [I-D.ietf-bier-architecture], where IP tunnels are used between MPLS-BIER-capable routers so as to traverse non MPLS-BIER[I-D.ietf-biermpls-encapsulation] routers.
 - Remote Loop Free Alternate repair tunnels as described in [RFC7490], where tunnels are used between the Point of Local Repair and the selected PQ node.
- The ingress needs to select a type of tunnel which is supported by the egress. This document describes how to use IS-IS Router Capability TLV to advertise the tunneling capabilities of egress nodes.

Proposed Solution

- Routers advertises their supported encapsulation type(s) by advertising a new sub-TLV of the IS-IS Router CAPABILITY TLV [RFC4971], referred to as Encapsulation Capability sub-TLV.
 - The Value field contains one or more Encapsulation Type sub-TLVs with each indicating a particular encapsulation format (e.g., GRE).



Proposed Solution (con't)

- The Value field of the Encapsulation Types sub-TLV contains zero or more Tunnel Encapsulation Attribute sub-TLVs which further describe associated attributes of a given tunnel type.
- It currently defines the following Tunnel Encapsulation Attribute sub-TLVs:
 - Encapsulation Parameters: sub-TLV type code=1
 - has its format defined in [RFC5512] under the name Encapsulation sub-TLV. One example is the GRE key field.
 - Encapsulated Protocol: sub-TLV type code=2
 - has its format defined in [RFC5512] under the name Protocol Type indicating the allowed tunnel payload types.
 - End Point: sub-TLV type code=3
 - The value field carries the Network Address to be used as tunnel destination address.
 - Color : sub-TLV type code=4
 - The color value is user defined and configured locally on the routers. It may be used by the service providers to define policies.



• WG adoption?