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This memo documents an optional type of Open Shortest Path First (OSPF) area that is somewhat humorously referred to as a "not-so-stubby" area (or NSSA). NSSAs are similar to the existing OSPF stub area configuration option but have the additional capability of importing AS external routes in a limited fashion.

The OSPF NSSA Option was originally defined in [RFC 1587](#). The functional differences between this memo and [RFC 1587](#) are explained in [Appendix F](#). All differences, while expanding capability, are backward-compatible in nature. Implementations of this memo and of [RFC 1587](#) will interoperate.

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This is now a Proposed Standard Protocol.

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