

RFC 3272bis Design Team Status and Progress

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What Are We Doing?

- RFC 3272 was published in 2002
 - “Overview and Principles of Internet Traffic Engineering”
 - Product of the TEWG in 2001
- Since then
 - TE technologies and concepts within the Internet have become commonplace
 - The mechanisms have developed and broadened
 - Many working groups use the term “TE” without a base reference
- So we are doing a complete revision of RFC 3272
 - Using a lot of the old text
 - Updating definitions
 - Adding text on new technologies
 - Streamlining historical material
 - Tidying references

Lessons Learned

- Don't pick two new development tools at the same time
 - Combination of markdown and github proved too much for many on the team
- Don't have high hopes and ambitions for a background task
 - 3272bis is not high priority for anyone
- Don't appoint a team leader who is not motivated
 - Plenty of other priorities including some that pay money
- When you have a large team you all wait for someone else to work
- Do manage through techniques other than public humiliation
 - Well, having to stand up at an IETF meeting *is* motivational
 - Might be worth the chairs nagging a bit more

Status

- draft-dt-teas-rfc3272bis
 - Posted and updated (current version is -01)
 - All of RFC 3272 brought into up-to-date format
 - A lot of work on obsolete references
 - Some tidying of text
 - Some new text
- Needs more work!
 - Lots of deletion needed
 - 30% too long
 - Lots of old history and some waffle
 - Lots of new sections needed
 - New technologies and techniques
 - Will mean even more of the old stuff should be deleted

Next Steps

- Team meeting this week to:
 - Do some active edits
 - Hand out assignments
- The draft is posted so anyone can join in
 - Send your suggestions to any of:
 - To TEAS list
 - To DT list (teas-3272bis-design-team@ietf.org)
 - To Adrian (adrian@olddog.co.uk)
- Suggest at least one more substantial revision before adoption