PIM Backup Designated Router Procedure

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Problem Statement



Backup DR election



Sticky DR - Why ?

- There are deployments which do not want accidental config to cause DR re-election and churn in network.
- As of now, if new PIM router comes up in network with higher priority, it would cause DR re-election and lead to churn in access network, new tree setup and possibly traffic loss

Sticky DR Procedures – Step1



DR election happens as per current standard.

Sticky DR Procedures – Step2



- Once DR is elected, it announcePIM_DR_MAX priority.
- Even if new router comes up with priority more than 100, it does not cause reelection

Sticky DR – DR Fails



- Existing DR fails
- New DR takes over the DR role
- New DR now starts sending priority as PIM_DR_MAX

Implementation

• Cisco has implementation of this procedures

IANA Consideration – Discussion needed with WG

- Reserve PIM_MAX_DR value
- Do we need to send option in Hello for PIM Sticky DR support (we may not this as long as priority is taken care of)

