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# PCEP Operational Clarification

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# Summary of the draft

1. Introduce **stateful LSP bringup** mechanism
  - Simplify LSP bringup, do not require PCReq/PCRep messages for bringup
  - Update to RFC 8231
2. Clearly separate PCEP Tunnel vs PCEP LSP
  - Tunnel is identified by PLSP-ID/Symbolic-name
  - LSP is identified by LSP-IDENTIFIERS TLV
  - LSPs are “instances” of the Tunnel used for make-before-break
3. Clarify that ASSOCIATION contains LSPs, not Tunnels
  - Tunnel can still be in an ASSOCIATION when all of its LSPs are
4. Walk-through of various LSP and ASSOCIATION operations
  - Give examples of basic operations and internal database state
5. Clarify constraint removal for objects **without** an explicit “removal” flag
  - For such objects, absence of object indicates removal of the constraint
  - Examples: LSPA, METRIC, BANDWIDTH, etc.
6. Discourage the use of SR-RRO/SRv6-RRO
  - RRO is an RSVP-TE concept that currently does not have a parallel in SR-TE

# History

Version 00 (July 2019)

- Stateful bringup, Tunnel vs LSP, etc.

Version 01 (February 2020)

- Constraint removal clarification

Version 03 (February 2021)

- Discourage the use of SR-RRO/SRv6-RRO

Version 06 (June 2022)

- Address the good comments from Adrian Farrel

# Next steps

This draft has both Informational and Standards content. We have 3 options:

1. Keep single draft, but clearly separate the two types of content
2. Break it up into 2 drafts
3. Keep as-is

## **Next Steps:**

- **Decide on the above question**
- **We believe the draft is ready for WG adoption**