OpenShift Container Platform 4.11

Release notes

Highlights of what is new and what has changed with this OpenShift Container Platform release
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Abstract

The release notes for OpenShift Container Platform summarize all new features and enhancements, notable technical changes, major corrections from the previous version, and any known bugs upon general availability.
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Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform provides developers and IT organizations with a hybrid cloud application platform for deploying both new and existing applications on secure, scalable resources with minimal configuration and management overhead. OpenShift Container Platform supports a wide selection of programming languages and frameworks, such as Java, JavaScript, Python, Ruby, and PHP.

Built on Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) and Kubernetes, OpenShift Container Platform provides a more secure and scalable multitenant operating system for today’s enterprise-class applications, while delivering integrated application runtimes and libraries. OpenShift Container Platform enables organizations to meet security, privacy, compliance, and governance requirements.

1.1. ABOUT THIS RELEASE

OpenShift Container Platform (RHSA-2022:5069) is now available. This release uses Kubernetes 1.24 with CRI-O runtime. New features, changes, and known issues that pertain to OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 are included in this topic.

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 clusters are available at https://console.redhat.com/openshift. With the Red Hat OpenShift Cluster Manager application for OpenShift Container Platform, you can deploy OpenShift clusters to either on-premises or cloud environments.

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 is supported on Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 8.4 and 8.5, as well as on Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) 4.11.

You must use RHCOS machines for the control plane, and you can use either RHCOS or RHEL for compute machines.

1.2. OPENShift CONTAINER PLATFORM LAYERED AND DEPENDENT COMPONENT SUPPORT AND COMPATIBILITY

The scope of support for layered and dependent components of OpenShift Container Platform changes independently of the OpenShift Container Platform version. To determine the current support status and compatibility for an add-on, refer to its release notes. For more information, see the Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform Life Cycle Policy.

1.3. NEW FEATURES AND ENHANCEMENTS

This release adds improvements related to the following components and concepts.

1.3.1. Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS)

1.3.1.1. Improved support for NVMe over Fabrics

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 introduces the nvme-cli package that provides an interface for managing NVMe devices.

1.3.1.2. Investigate kernel crashes on AMD64 machines with kdump

RHCOS now supports kdump for the x86_64 architecture in OpenShift Container Platform 4.11. Support for kdump on other architectures remains in Technology Preview.
1.3.1.3. Investigate kernel crashes on ARM64 machines with kdump (Technology Preview)

RHCOS now supports kdump for the arm64 architecture in OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 as a Technology Preview.

1.3.1.4. RHCOS now uses RHEL 8.6

RHCOS now uses Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 8.6 packages in OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 and above. This enables you to have the latest fixes, features, and enhancements, as well as the latest hardware support and driver updates.

1.3.1.5. Updated RHCOS registry URL

The redirector hostname for downloading RHCOS boot images is now rhcos.mirror.openshift.com. You must configure your firewall to grant access to the boot images. For more information, see Configuring your firewall for OpenShift Container Platform.

1.3.2. Installation and upgrade

1.3.2.1. RHEL 9 support for the OpenShift installer

Using Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 9 with the OpenShift installer (openshift-install) is now supported.

For more information, see the "Obtaining the installation program" section of the installation documentation for your platform.

1.3.2.2. New minimum system requirements for installing OpenShift Container Platform on a single node

This release updates the minimum system requirements for installing OpenShift Container Platform on a single node. When installing OpenShift Container Platform on a single node, you should configure a minimum of 16 GB of RAM. Specific workload requirements can require additional RAM. The complete list of supported platforms has been updated to include bare metal, vSphere, Red Hat OpenStack Platform (RHOSP), and Red Hat Virtualization platforms. In all cases, you must specify the platform.none: {} parameter in the install-config.yaml configuration file when the openshift-installer binary is being used to install single-node OpenShift.

1.3.2.3. OpenShift Container Platform on ARM

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 is now supported on ARM architecture based AWS user-provisioned infrastructure and bare-metal installer-provisioned infrastructure. For more information about instance availability and installation documentation, see Supported installation methods for different platforms.

The following features are supported for OpenShift Container Platform on ARM:

- Disconnected installation support
- Elastic file system (EFS) for AWS
- Local storage operator on bare metal
- Internet Small Computer Systems Interface (iSCSI) for bare metal

The following Operators are supported for OpenShift Container Platform on ARM:
1.3.2.4. Troubleshooting bootstrap failures during installation on AWS

The installation program now gathers serial console logs from the bootstrap and control plane hosts on AWS. This log data is added to the standard bootstrap log bundle.

For more information, see Troubleshooting installation issues.

1.3.2.5. Support for Microsoft Hyper-V generation version 2

By default, the installation program now deploys a Microsoft Azure cluster using Hyper-V generation version 2 virtual machines (VMs). If the installation program detects that the instance type selected for the VMs does not support version 2, it uses version 1 for the deployment.

1.3.2.6. Default AWS and VMware vSphere compute node resources

Beginning with OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, by default, the installation program now deploys AWS and VMware vSphere compute nodes with 4 vCPUs and 16 GB of virtual RAM.

1.3.2.7. Support for the AWS SC2S region

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 introduces support for the AWS Secret Commercial Cloud Services (SC2S) region. You can now install and update OpenShift Container Platform clusters in the **us-isob-east-1** SC2S region.

For more information, see Installing a cluster on AWS into a Secret or Top Secret Region.

1.3.2.8. Installing a cluster on Nutanix using installer-provisioned infrastructure

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 introduces support for installing a cluster on Nutanix using installer-provisioned infrastructure. This type of installation lets you use the installation program to deploy a cluster on infrastructure that the installation program provisions and the cluster maintains.

For more information, see Installing a cluster on Nutanix.

1.3.2.9. Installing OpenShift Container Platform using Azure Ultra SSD

You can now enable Ultra SSD storage when installing OpenShift Container Platform on Azure. This feature requires that both the Azure region and zone where you install OpenShift Container Platform offer Ultra storage.

For more information, see Additional Azure configuration parameters.

1.3.2.10. Added support for bootstrapExternalStaticIP and bootstrapExternalStaticGateway configuration settings

When deploying an installer-provisioned OpenShift Container Platform cluster on bare metal with static IP addresses and no DHCP server on the **baremetal** network, you must specify a static IP address for the bootstrap VM and the static IP address of the gateway for the bootstrap VM. OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 provides the **bootstrapExternalStaticIP** and the **bootstrapExternalStaticGateway** configuration settings, which you can set in the **install-config.yaml** file before deployment. The
introduction of these settings replaces the workaround procedure Assigning a bootstrap VM an IP address on the baremetal network without a DHCP server from the OpenShift Container Platform 4.10 release.

For more information, see Configuring the install-config.yaml file and Additional install-config parameters.

1.3.2.11. Configuring Fujitsu hardware

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 introduces support for configuring the BIOS and RAID arrays of control plane nodes when installing OpenShift Container Platform on bare metal with Fujitsu hardware. In OpenShift Container Platform 4.10, configuring the BIOS and RAID arrays on Fujitsu hardware was limited to worker nodes.

For more information, see Configuring the BIOS and Configuring the RAID.

1.3.2.12. Disconnected mirroring with the oc-mirror CLI plug-in is now generally available

You can use the oc-mirror OpenShift CLI (oc) plug-in to mirror images in a disconnected environment. This feature was previously introduced as a Technology Preview in OpenShift Container Platform 4.10 and is now generally available in OpenShift Container Platform 4.11.

This release of the oc-mirror plug-in includes the following new features:

- Pruning images from the target mirror registry
- Specifying version ranges for Operator packages and OpenShift Container Platform releases
- Generating supporting artifacts for OpenShift Update Service (OSUS) usage
- Obtaining a template for the initial image set configuration

**IMPORTANT**

If you used the Technology Preview version of the oc-mirror plug-in for OpenShift Container Platform 4.10, it is not possible to migrate your mirror registry to OpenShift Container Platform 4.11. You must download the new oc-mirror plug-in, use a new storage back end, and use a new top-level namespace on the target mirror registry.

For more information, see Mirroring images for a disconnected installation using the oc-mirror plug-in.

1.3.2.13. Installing a cluster on Azure using user-managed encryption keys

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 introduces support for installing a cluster on Azure with user-managed disk encryption.

For more information, see Enabling user-managed encryption for Azure.

1.3.2.14. Accelerated Networking for Azure enabled by default

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 on Azure provides accelerated networking for control plane and compute nodes. Accelerated networking is enabled by default for supported instance types in an installer-provisioned infrastructure installation.

For more information, see Openshift 4 on Azure - accelerated networking.
1.3.2.15. AWS VPC endpoints and restricted installations

You are no longer required to configure AWS VPC endpoints when installing a restricted OpenShift Container Platform cluster on AWS. While configuring VPC endpoints remains an option, you can also choose to configure a proxy without VPC endpoints or configure a proxy with VPC endpoints.

For more information, see Requirements for using your VPC.

1.3.2.16. Additional customization when installing OpenShift Container Platform

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 allows you to disable the installation of the baremetal and marketplace Operators, and the openshift-samples content that is stored in the openshift namespace. You can disable these features by adding the baselineCapabilitySet and additionalEnabledCapabilities parameters to the install-config.yaml configuration file prior to installation. If you disable any of these capabilities during the installation, you can enable them after the cluster is installed. After a capability has been enabled, it cannot be disabled again.

For more information, see the "Installation configuration parameters" section of the installation documentation for your platform.

1.3.2.17. Azure Marketplace offering

OpenShift Container Platform is now available on the Azure Marketplace. The Azure Marketplace offering is available to customers who procure OpenShift Container Platform in North America and EMEA.

For more information, see Installing OpenShift using Azure Marketplace.

1.3.2.18. AWS Marketplace offering

OpenShift Container Platform is now available on the AWS Marketplace. The AWS Marketplace offering is available to customers who procure OpenShift Container Platform in North America.

For more information, see Installing OpenShift using AWS Marketplace.

1.3.2.19. CSI driver installation on vSphere clusters

To install a CSI driver on a cluster running on vSphere, you must have the following components installed:

- Virtual hardware version 15 or later
- vSphere version 7.0 Update 2 or later
- VMware ESXi version 7.0 Update 2 or later

Components with versions earlier than those above are deprecated or removed. Deprecated versions are still fully supported, but Red Hat recommends that you use vSphere 7.0 Update 2 or later and ESXi 7.0 Update 2 or later.

For more information, see Deprecated and removed features.

1.3.3. Post-installation configuration

1.3.3.1. Cluster capabilities
As a cluster administrator, you can enable cluster capabilities to select or deselect one or more optional components before installation or post installation.

For more information, see Cluster capabilities.

1.3.3.2. OpenShift Container Platform on heterogeneous architectures (Technology Preview)

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 introduces heterogeneous architecture cluster support using Azure installer-provisioned infrastructure in Technology Preview. This feature offers, as a day-two operation, the ability to add arm64 worker nodes to an existing x86_64 Azure cluster that is installer provisioned with a heterogeneous installer binary. You can add arm64 workers to your heterogeneous cluster by creating a custom Azure machine set that uses a manually generated arm64 boot image. Control planes on arm64 architectures are not currently supported. For more information, see Configuring a heterogeneous cluster.

NOTE

You can manually upgrade your cluster to the latest heterogeneous release image by using the release image-pullsec. For more information, see Upgrading your heterogeneous cluster.

1.3.4. Web console

1.3.4.1. Developer Perspective

- With this update, in the developer perspective, you can add your GitHub repository containing pipelines to the OpenShift Container Platform cluster. You can now run pipelines and tasks from your GitHub repository on the cluster when relevant Git events, such as push or pull requests are triggered.
  - In the administrator perspective, you can configure your GitHub application with the OpenShift cluster to use a pipeline as code. With this configuration, you can execute a set of tasks required for build deployment.

- With this update, you can create a customized pipeline using your own set of curated tasks. You can search, install, and upgrade your tasks directly from the developer console.

- With this update, in the web terminal you can now have multiple tabs, view bash history, and the web terminal remains open until you close the browser window or tab.

- With this update, in the Add+ page of the developer perspective, a new menu added to share project and Helm Chart repositories that allows to add or remove users to the project.

1.3.4.2. Dynamic plug-in updates

With this update, you can use the new console.openshift.io/use-i18next annotation to determine if the ConsolePlugin contains localization resources. If the annotation is set to "true", the localization resources from the i18n namespace named after the dynamic plug-in, are loaded. If the annotation is set to any other value or is missing on the ConsolePlugin resource, localization resources are not loaded.

For more information, see Dynamic plug-ins.

1.3.4.3. Support for dark mode theme
The OpenShift Container Platform web console now supports the dark mode theme. On the User Preferences page, select your preferred theme to view the web console in.

1.3.4.4. Display operand instances for all managed namespaces on the Installed Operator page

With this update, the Operator → Installed Operator page will show all Operators across all namespaces. You are still able to view only the instances in the selected namespace within the project selector. When viewing the operand instances, a new switching control allows all operand instances from either all namespaces or only the current namespace to be seen.

1.3.4.5. Conditional updates

With this update, if conditional updates are available, you can enable Include supported but not recommended versions in the Select new version dropdown of the Update cluster modal to populate the dropdown list with conditional updates. If a Supported but not recommended version is selected, an alert will appear below the dropdown menu displaying potential issues with the version.

1.3.4.6. Pod disruption budgets (PDBs)

This update provides support for pod disruption budgets (PDBs) to the OpenShift Container Platform web console. From Workloads → PodDisruptionBudgets, you can create PDBs for pod resources. You can select maxUnavailable and minAvailable from the availability requirement list and set the value of pods running. Alternatively, pod disruption budgets can be created from pod controller resources list and Detail pages. For example, from Workloads → Deployments click Add PodDisruptionBudget.

For more information, see Pod preemption and other scheduler settings.

1.3.5. OpenShift CLI (oc)

1.3.5.1. RHEL 9 support for the OpenShift CLI (oc)

Using Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 9 with the OpenShift CLI (oc) is now supported.

NOTE

It is not supported to install the OpenShift CLI (oc) as an RPM for Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 9. You must install the OpenShift CLI for RHEL 9 by downloading the binary.

For more information, see Installing the OpenShift CLI.

1.3.6. IBM Z and LinuxONE

With this release, IBM Z and LinuxONE are now compatible with OpenShift Container Platform 4.11. The installation can be performed with z/VM or RHEL KVM. For installation instructions, see the following documentation:

- Installing a cluster with z/VM on IBM Z and LinuxONE
- Installing a cluster with z/VM on IBM Z and LinuxONE in a restricted network
- Installing a cluster with RHEL KVM on IBM Z and LinuxONE
Installing a cluster with RHEL KVM on IBM Z and LinuxONE in a restricted network

Notable enhancements
The following new features are supported on IBM Z and LinuxONE with OpenShift Container Platform 4.11:

- Alternate Authentication Provider
- Automatic Device Discovery with Local Storage Operator
- CSI Volumes
  - Cloning
  - Expansion
  - Snapshot
- File Integrity Operator
- Monitoring for user-defined projects
- Operator API
- OC CLI plug-in

Supported features
The following features are also supported on IBM Z and LinuxONE:

- Currently, the following Operators are supported:
  - Cluster Logging Operator
  - Compliance Operator
  - Local Storage Operator
  - NFD Operator
  - NMState Operator
  - OpenShift Elasticsearch Operator
  - Service Binding Operator
  - Vertical Pod Autoscaler Operator

- The following Multus CNI plug-ins are supported:
  - Bridge
  - Host-device
  - IPAM
  - IPVLAN

- Encrypting data stored in etcd
• Helm
• Horizontal pod autoscaling
• Multipathing
• Persistent storage using iSCSI
• Persistent storage using local volumes (Local Storage Operator)
• Persistent storage using hostPath
• Persistent storage using Fibre Channel
• Persistent storage using Raw Block
• OVN-Kubernetes, including IPsec encryption
• Support for multiple network interfaces
• Three-node cluster support
• z/VM Emulated FBA devices on SCSI disks
• 4K FCP block device

These features are available only for OpenShift Container Platform on IBM Z and LinuxONE for 4.11:

• HyperPAV enabled on IBM Z and LinuxONE for the virtual machines for FICON attached ECKD storage

Restrictions
The following restrictions impact OpenShift Container Platform on IBM Z and LinuxONE:

• The following OpenShift Container Platform Technology Preview features are unsupported:
  • Precision Time Protocol (PTP) hardware

• The following OpenShift Container Platform features are unsupported:
  • Automatic repair of damaged machines with machine health checking
  • CodeReady Containers (CRC)
  • Controlling overcommit and managing container density on nodes
  • FIPS cryptography
  • NVMe
  • OpenShift Metering
  • OpenShift Virtualization
  • Tang mode disk encryption during OpenShift Container Platform deployment
  • Compute nodes must run Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS)
● Persistent shared storage must be provisioned by using either Red Hat OpenShift Data Foundation or other supported storage protocols

● Persistent non-shared storage must be provisioned using local storage, like iSCSI, FC, or using LSO with DASD, FCP, or EDEV/FBA

1.3.7. IBM Power

With this release, IBM Power is now compatible with OpenShift Container Platform 4.11. For installation instructions, see the following documentation:

● Installing a cluster on IBM Power

● Installing a cluster on IBM Power in a restricted network

Notable enhancements

The following new features are supported on IBM Power with OpenShift Container Platform 4.11:

● Alternate Authentication Provider

● CSI Volumes
  ○ Cloning
  ○ Expansion
  ○ Snapshot

● File Integrity Operator

● IPv6

● Monitoring for user-defined projects

● Operator API

● OC CLI plug-in

Supported features

The following features are also supported on IBM Power:

● Currently, the following Operators are supported:
  ○ Cluster Logging Operator
  ○ Compliance Operator
  ○ Local Storage Operator
  ○ NFD Operator
  ○ NMState Operator
  ○ OpenShift Elasticsearch Operator
  ○ SR-IOV Network Operator
  ○ Service Binding Operator
- Vertical Pod Autoscaler Operator
- The following Multus CNI plug-ins are supported:
  - Bridge
  - Host-device
  - IPAM
  - IPVLAN
- Encrypting data stored in etcd
- Helm
- Horizontal pod autoscaling
- Multipathing
- Multus SR-IOV
- OVN-Kubernetes, including IPsec encryption
- Persistent storage using iSCSI
- Persistent storage using local volumes (Local Storage Operator)
- Persistent storage using hostPath
- Persistent storage using Fibre Channel
- Persistent storage using Raw Block
- Support for multiple network interfaces
- Support for Power10
- Three-node cluster support
- 4K Disk Support

**Restrictions**
The following restrictions impact OpenShift Container Platform on IBM Power:

- The following OpenShift Container Platform Technology Preview features are unsupported:
  - Precision Time Protocol (PTP) hardware

- The following OpenShift Container Platform features are unsupported:
  - Automatic repair of damaged machines with machine health checking
  - CodeReady Containers (CRC)
  - Controlling overcommit and managing container density on nodes
  - FIPS cryptography
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- OpenShift Metering
- OpenShift Virtualization
- Tang mode disk encryption during OpenShift Container Platform deployment
- Compute nodes must run Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS)
- Persistent storage must be of the Filesystem type that uses local volumes, Red Hat OpenShift Data Foundation, Network File System (NFS), or Container Storage Interface (CSI)

1.3.8. Security and compliance

1.3.8.1. Audit logs now include OAuth server audit events

OAuth server audit events, annotated with login events, are now logged at the metadata level in the audit logs. The login events include failed login attempts.

For more information, see About audit log policy profiles.

1.3.9. Networking

1.3.9.1. Pod-level bonding for secondary networks

Bonding at the pod level is vital to enable workloads inside pods that require high availability and more throughput. With pod-level bonding, you can create a bond interface from multiple single root I/O virtualization (SR-IOV) virtual function interfaces in kernel mode interface. The SR-IOV virtual functions are passed into the pod and attached to a kernel driver.

Scenarios where pod-level bonding is required include creating a bond interface from multiple SR-IOV virtual functions on different physical functions. Creating a bond interface from two different physical functions on the host can be used to achieve high availability at pod level.

For more information, see Configuring a bond interface from two SR-IOV interfaces

1.3.9.2. New option for Ingress Controllers with the hostnetwork endpoint

This update introduces a new option for Ingress Controllers with the hostnetwork endpoint strategy. You can now host multiple Ingress Controllers on the same worker node using httpPort, httpsPort, and statsPort binding ports.

1.3.9.3. Multi-node configuration for control plane and worker nodes

You can simultaneously apply a single configuration to multiple, bare-metal, installer-provisioned infrastructure nodes in a cluster. Applying a single configuration to multiple nodes reduces the risk of misconfiguration due to the single-provisioning process.

This mechanism is only available for initial deployments when the install-config file is used.

1.3.9.4. Support for configuring Classic Load Balancer Timeouts on AWS

You can now configure idle connection timeouts for AWS Classic Load Balancers (CLBs) in the Ingress Controller.
For more information, see Configuring Classic Load Balancer timeouts

1.3.9.5. Update to HAProxy 2.2.24
OpenShift Container Platform updated to HAProxy 2.2.24.

1.3.9.6. Support for configuring maximum number of connections for HAProxy processes
You can now set the maximum number of simultaneous connections that can be established per HAProxy process in the Ingress Controller to any value between 2000 and 2,000,000.

For more information, see Ingress Controller configuration parameters.

1.3.9.7. Setting the Ingress Controller health check interval
With this update, a cluster administrator can set the health check interval to define how long the router waits between two consecutive health checks. This value is applied globally as a default for all routes. The default value is 5 seconds.

For more information, see Ingress Controller configuration parameters.

1.3.9.8. Support for configuring interface-level safe network sysctls
Use the new tuning-cni meta plug-in to set an interface level safe network sysctls that only applies to a specific interface. For example, you can change the behavior of accept redirects on a particular network interface by configuring the tuning-cni plug-in. A complete list of the interface-specific safe sysctls that can be set is available in the documentation.

In addition to this enhancement the set of system-wide safe sysctls that can be set has increased to support net.ipv4.ping_group_range and net.ipv4.ip_unprivileged_port_start.

For more information about configuring the tuning-cni plugin, see Setting interface level network sysctls.

For more information about the newly supported interface level network safe sysctls and updates to the list of supported system-wide safe sysctls, see Using sysctls in containers.

1.3.9.9. Support for CoreDNS forwarding DNS requests over TLS
When working in a highly regulated environment, you might need the ability to secure domain name system (DNS) traffic when forwarding requests to upstream resolvers so that you can ensure additional DNS traffic and data privacy. Cluster administrators can now configure transport layer security (TLS) for forwarded DNS queries. This feature applies only to the DNS Operator and not the CoreDNS instance managed by the Machine Config Operator.

For more information, see Using DNS forwarding.

1.3.9.10. Internal traffic support for OVN-Kubernetes
As a cluster administrator, you can configure internalTrafficPolicy=Local on a Kubernetes service object when using the OVN-Kubernetes Container Network Interface (CNI) cluster network provider. This feature allows cluster administrators to route traffic to an endpoint on the same node that the traffic originated from. If there are no local node endpoints, traffic will be dropped.

For more information, see Service Internal Traffic Policy.
1.3.9.11. Support for AWS Load Balancer Operator (Technology Preview)

As a cluster administrator, you can install the AWS Load Balancer Operator from the OperatorHub by using the OpenShift Container Platform web console or CLI. The AWS Load Balancer Operator is in Technology Preview.

For more information, see Installing AWS Load Balancer Operator.

1.3.9.12. Enhancement to the Route API

Previously, you could not specify the subdomain of a route, and the `spec.host` field was required to set the host name. You can now specify the `spec.subdomain` field and omit the `spec.host` field of a route. The router deployment that exposes the route will use the `spec.subdomain` value to determine the host name.

You can use this enhancement to simplify sharding by enabling a route to have multiple, distinct host names determined by each router deployment that exposes the route.

1.3.9.13. External DNS Operator

In OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, the External DNS Operator is available for AWS Route53, Azure DNS, GCP DNS, and Infoblox in General Availability (GA) status. The External DNS Operator is still in Technology Preview (TP) status for BlueCat and AWS Route53 on GovCloud. With this update, the External DNS Operator provides the following enhancements:

- You can create DNS records on a DNS zone on Infoblox.
- By default, the External DNS Operator creates the operands in the namespace `external-dns-operator`. You do not have to manually create a namespace for the operands and Role-based access control (RBAC) prior to installation.
- You can use the status of the route to retrieve the DNS FQDN names.
- The proxy support for BlueCat DNS provider is now available.
- You can enable the automatic DNS configuration deployment while using the BlueCat DNS provider.

Ensure that you migrate from TP to GA. The upstream version of ExternalDNS for an OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 is v0.12.0 and for the TP is v0.10.2. For more information, see About the External DNS Operator.

1.3.9.14. PTP support for dual NIC boundary clocks

You can now configure dual network interfaces (NICs) as boundary clocks with PtpConfig profiles for each NIC channel.

For more information, see Using PTP with dual NIC hardware.

1.3.9.15. PTP events enhancements

A new PTP events API endpoint is available, `api/cloudNotifications/v1/publishers`. Using this endpoint, you can get PTP `os-clock-sync-state`, `ptp-clock-class-change`, and `lock-state` details for the cluster node.

For more information, see Subscribing DU applications to PTP events REST API reference.
1.3.9.16. SR-IOV Support for Pensando DSC cards

SR-IOV support is now available for Pensando DSC cards. OpenShift SR-IOV is supported, but you must set a static, Virtual Function (VF) media access control (MAC) address using the SR-IOV CNI config file when using SR-IOV.

1.3.9.17. OpenShift Container Platform CIDR Ranges for Networks

Be aware that CIDR ranges for networks are not adjustable after cluster installation. Red Hat does not provide direct guidance on determining the range because it requires careful consideration of the number of pods created.

1.3.9.18. OVN–Kubernetes network provider: Enable IPsec at runtime

If you are using the OVN–Kubernetes cluster network provider, you can now enable IPsec encryption after cluster installation. For more information about how to enable IPsec, see Configuring IPsec encryption.

1.3.9.19. Support for additional MetalLB CRDs and control over logging verbosity

Additional MetalLB custom resource definitions (CRDs) have been added to support more complex configurations.

The following CRDs have been added:

- IPAddressPools
- L2Advertisement
- BGPAdvertisement
- Community

With these enhancements, you can use the Operator for more complex configurations. For example, you can use the enhancements to isolate nodes or segment the network. In addition, the enhancements made to the FRRouting (FRR) logging component allow you to control the verbosity of the logs generated.

**NOTE**

The CRDs documented for OpenShift Container Platform 4.10 and the existing ways to configure MetalLB as described in About MetalLB and the MetalLB Operator are still supported but deprecated. The AddressPool configuration is deprecated.

In 4.10, layer 2 and BGP IP addresses using the AddressPool were assigned from different address pools. In OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, layer 2 and BGP IP addresses can be assigned from the same address pool.

For more information, see About MetalLB and the MetalLB Operator.

1.3.9.20. Ability to create a route using the destination CA certificate in the Ingress annotation

The route.openshift.io/destination-ca-certificate-secret annotation can now be used on an Ingress object to define a route with a custom certificate (CA).
See [Creating a route using the destination CA certificate in the Ingress annotation](#) for more information.

### 1.3.9.21. Hosted control planes (Technology Preview)

With hosted control planes for OpenShift Container Platform, you can host clusters at scale to reduce management costs, optimize cluster deployment time, and separate management and workload concerns. You can enable this deployment model as a Technology Preview feature when you install the multicluster engine for Kubernetes Operator version 2.0. For more information, see [Overview of hosted control planes (Technology Preview)](#).

Open Virtual Network (OVN) was redesigned to host its control plane and data store alongside the cluster’s control plane. With hosted control planes, OVN supports split control planes.

### 1.3.9.22. IPv6 single and dual-stack support on user-provisioned bare metal infrastructure with the OVN-Kubernetes cluster network provider

For clusters on user-provisioned [bare metal infrastructure](#), the OVN-Kubernetes cluster network provider supports both IPv4 and IPv6 address families.

### 1.3.9.23. OVS hardware offloading on RHOSP

For clusters that run on RHOSP, [Open vSwitch (OVS)](#) hardware offloading is now generally available.

For more information, see [Enabling OVS hardware offloading](#).

### 1.3.9.24. NFV user experience improvements on RHOSP

For clusters that run on RHOSP, the network functions virtualization deployment experience is improved. Changes for this release include:

- Network data fetching from metadata service URLs rather than a configuration drive
- Automatic VFIO loading with no-IOMMU for all discovered devices
- DPDK vHost user ports

These changes are reflected in simplified post-installation and network configuration documentation.

### 1.3.9.25. Installations on Red Hat OpenStack Platform, VMware vSphere, or oVirt now configure keepalived with unicast as the default

For OpenShift Container Platform installer-provisioned installations on Red Hat OpenStack Platform (RHOSP), VMware vSphere, or oVirt, keepalived is now configured with unicast as the default instead of multicast. You no longer need to allow multicast traffic. The unicast migration occurs a few minutes after the cluster finishes upgrading because all of the nodes must migrate at the same time. Having both multicast and unicast clusters at the same time should not result in any issues because keepalived treats unicast and multicast as completely separate.

### 1.3.10. Storage

#### 1.3.10.1. Persistent storage using Microsoft Azure File CSI Driver Operator is generally available

OpenShift Container Platform is capable of provisioning persistent volumes (PVs) using the Container
Storage Interface (CSI) driver for Azure File. This feature was previously introduced as a Technology Preview feature in OpenShift Container Platform 4.10 and is now generally available and enabled by default in OpenShift Container Platform 4.11.

For more information, see Azure File CSI Driver Operator.

1.3.10.2. Automatic CSI migration for OpenStack Cinder is generally available

Starting with OpenShift Container Platform 4.8, automatic migration for in-tree volume plug-ins to their equivalent Container Storage Interface (CSI) drivers became available as a Technology Preview feature. Support for Cinder was provided in this feature in OpenShift Container Platform 4.8, and OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 now supports automatic migration for Cinder as generally available. CSI migration for Cinder is now enabled by default and requires no action by an administrator.

This feature automatically translates in-tree objects to their counterpart CSI representations and should be completely transparent to users. Translated objects are not stored on disk, and user data is not migrated.

While storage class referencing to the in-tree storage plug-in will continue working, it is recommended that you switch the default storage class to the CSI storage class.

For more information, see CSI automatic migration.

1.3.10.3. Automatic CSI migration for Microsoft Azure Disk is generally available

Starting with OpenShift Container Platform 4.8, automatic migration for in-tree volume plug-ins to their equivalent Container Storage Interface (CSI) drivers became available as a Technology Preview feature. Support for Azure Disk was provided in this feature in OpenShift Container Platform 4.9, and OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 now supports automatic migration for Azure Disk as generally available. CSI migration for Azure Disk is now enabled by default and requires no action by an administrator.

This feature automatically translates in-tree objects to their counterpart CSI representations and should be completely transparent to users. Translated objects are not stored on disk, and user data is not migrated.

While storage class referencing to the in-tree storage plug-in will continue working, it is recommended that you switch the default storage class to the CSI storage class.

For more information, see CSI automatic migration.

1.3.10.4. Expanding CSI volumes is generally available

Starting with OpenShift Container Platform 4.3, expansion of Container Storage Interface (CSI) storage volumes after they have already been created became available as a Technology Preview feature, and is now generally available in OpenShift Container Platform 4.11.

For more information, see Expanding CSI volumes.

1.3.10.5. Support for CSI generic ephemeral volumes is generally available

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 supports Container Storage Interface (CSI) generic ephemeral volumes as generally available. Generic ephemeral volumes are a type of ephemeral volume that can be provided by all storage drivers that also support persistent volumes and dynamic provisioning.

For more information, see Generic ephemeral volumes.
1.3.10.6. VMware vSphere supports resize and snapshots

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 supports volume resize and snapshots for vSphere Container Storage Interface (CSI) Driver Operator with the following restrictions:

- **Snapshots:**
  - Requires vSphere version 7.0 Update 3 or later for both vCenter Server and ESXi.
  - Does not support fileshare volumes.

- **Resize:**
  - Offline volume expansion: minimum required vSphere version is 6.7 Update 3 P06
  - Online volume expansion: minimum required vSphere version is 7.0 Update 2.

For more information, see [CSI drivers supported by OpenShift Container Platform](#).

1.3.11. Registry

1.3.11.1. Image Registry Operator distribution across availability zones

The default configuration of the Image Registry Operator now spreads image registry pods across topology zones to prevent delayed recovery times in case of a complete zone failure where all pods are impacted.

For more information, see [Image Registry Operator distribution across availability zones](#).

1.3.11.2. Red Hat OpenShift Data Foundation registry storage

Red Hat OpenShift Data Foundation registry storage supported in OpenShift Container Platform 4.11.

OpenShift Data Foundation integrates multiple storage types that you can use with the internal image registry including:

- Ceph, which is a shared and distributed file system with on-premises object storage
- NooBaa, which provides a Multicloud Object Gateway

1.3.12. Operator lifecycle

1.3.12.1. File-based catalog format

The default Red Hat-provided Operator catalogs for OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 releases in the file-based catalog format. OpenShift Container Platform 4.6 through 4.10 released in the SQLite database format. File-based catalogs are the latest iteration of the catalog format in Operator Lifecycle Manager (OLM). It is a plain text-based file in JSON or YAML and is a declarative configuration evolution of the earlier SQLite database format. Cluster administrators and users will not see any change to their install workflows and Operator consumption with the new catalog format.

For more information, see [File-based catalogs](#).

1.3.13. Operator development
1.3.13.1. Java-based Operators (Technology Preview)

Starting in OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 as a Technology Preview feature, the Operator SDK includes the tools and libraries to develop a Java-based Operator. Operator developers can take advantage of Java programming language support in the Operator SDK to build a Java-based Operator and manage its lifecycle.

For more information, see Getting started with Operator SDK for Java-based Operators.

1.3.13.2. Operator SDK support for file-based catalogs

As of OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, the run bundle command supports the file-based catalog format for Operator catalogs by default. The deprecated SQLite database format for Operator catalogs continues to be supported; however, it will be removed in a future release.

For more information, see Working with bundle images.

1.3.13.3. Validating Operator bundles

As an Operator author, you can run the bundle validate command in the Operator SDK to validate the content and format of an Operator bundle. In addition to the default test, you can run optional validators to test for issues in your bundle, such as an empty CRD description or unsupported Operator Lifecycle Manager (OLM) resources.

For more information, see Validating Operator bundles. In earlier versions of OpenShift Container Platform, the Performance Addon Operator provided automatic, low latency performance tuning for applications. In OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, these functions are part of the Node Tuning Operator. The Node Tuning Operator is part of the standard installation for OpenShift Container Platform 4.11. If you upgrade to OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, the Node Tuning Operator removes the Performance Addon Operator and all related artifacts on startup.

For more information, see Node Tuning Operator.

1.3.14. Jenkins

- This enhancement adds a new Jenkins environment variable, JAVA_FIPS_OPTIONS, that controls how the JVM operates when running on a FIPS node. For more information, see OpenJDK support article (BZ#2066019)

1.3.15. Machine API

1.3.15.1. Configuration options for the Amazon EC2 Instance Metadata Service

You can now use machine sets to create compute machines that use a specific version of the Amazon EC2 Instance Metadata Service (IMDS). Machine sets can create compute machines that allow the use of both IMDSv1 and IMDSv2 or compute machines that require the use of IMDSv2.

For more information, see Machine set options for the Amazon EC2 Instance Metadata Service.

1.3.15.2. Machine API support for Azure ultra disks

You can now create a machine set running on Azure that deploys machines with ultra disks. You can either deploy machines with ultra disks as data disks, or by using persistent volume claims (PVCs) that use in-tree or Container Storage Interface (CSI) PVCs.
For more information, see the following topics:

- Machine sets that deploy machines with ultra disks as data disks
- Machine sets that deploy machines with ultra disks using CSI PVCs
- Machine sets that deploy machines with ultra disks using in-tree PVCs

1.3.15.3. Configuration options for Google Cloud Platform persistent disk types

The **pd-balanced** persistent disk type for the Google Cloud Platform (GCP) Compute Engine is now supported. For more information, see Configuring persistent disk types by using machine sets.

1.3.15.4. Machine API support for Nutanix clusters

The new platform support for Nutanix clusters includes the ability to manage machines using Machine API machine sets. For more information, see Creating a machine set on Nutanix.

1.3.15.5. Managing machines with the Cluster API (Technology Preview)

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 introduces the ability to manage machines by using the upstream Cluster API, integrated into OpenShift Container Platform, as a Technology Preview for AWS and GCP clusters. This capability is in addition or an alternative to managing machines with the Machine API. For more information, see Managing machines with the Cluster API.

1.3.16. Machine Config Operator

1.3.16.1. MCO now updates nodes by zone and age

The Machine Config Operator (MCO) now updates the affected nodes alphabetically by zone, based on the `topology.kubernetes.io/zone` label. If a zone has more than one node, the oldest nodes are updated first. For nodes that do not use zones, such as in bare metal deployments, the nodes are upgraded by age, with the oldest nodes updated first. Previously, the MCO did not consider zones or node age.

For more information, see Machine config overview.

1.3.16.2. Enhanced notification for paused Machine Config Pools upon certificate renewal

You will now receive alerts in the Alerting UI of the OpenShift Container Platform web console if the MCO attempts to renew an expired `kube-apiserver-to-kubelet-signer` CA certificate on a machine config pool (MCP) that is paused. If the MCPs are paused, the MCO cannot push the newly rotated certificates to those nodes, which can result in failures.

For more information, see Pausing the machine config pools.

1.3.17. Nodes

1.3.17.1. Self Node Remediation Operator replaces the Poison Pill Operator

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 introduces the Self Node Remediation Operator that replaces the Poison Pill Operator.

The Self Node Remediation Operator provides the following enhancements:
• Introduces separate remediation templates based on the remediation strategy.
• Captures last error message if remediation is unsuccessful.
• Improves metrics for Self Node Remediation Operator’s configuration parameters by providing minimum values for the parameters.

For more information, see Remediating nodes with the Self Node Remediation Operator.

1.3.17.2. Worker nodes for single-node OpenShift clusters

You can now add worker nodes to single-node OpenShift clusters. This is useful for deployments in resource-constrained environments or at the network edge when you need to add additional capacity to your cluster.

For more information, see Worker nodes for single-node OpenShift clusters.

1.3.17.3. Descheduler now defaults to simulating pod evictions

By default, the descheduler now runs in predictive mode, which means that it only simulates pod evictions. You can review the descheduler metrics to view details about pods that would be evicted.

To evict pods instead of simulating the evictions, change the descheduler mode to automatic.

For more information, see Evicting pods using the descheduler.

1.3.17.4. New descheduler customizations

This release introduces the following customizations for the descheduler:

• Priority threshold filtering: Set the priority threshold either by class name (thresholdPriorityClassName) or by numeric value (thresholdPriority) to not evict pods that have a priority that is equal to or greater than that value.

• Namespace filtering: Set a list of user-created namespaces to include or exclude from descheduler operations. Note that protected namespaces (openshift-*, kube-system, hypershift) are always excluded.

• Thresholds for the LowNodeUtilization strategy: Set experimental thresholds for underutilization and overutilization for the LowNodeUtilization strategy.

For more information, see Evicting pods using the descheduler.

1.3.17.5. Node Maintenance Operator enhancements

The Node Maintenance Operator provides the following enhancements:

• Additional feedback, drainProgress and lastUpdate, is now provided regarding the status of NodeMaintenance CR tasks.

• For clusters with bare-metal nodes, an easier method is now available on the web console where you can place a node into maintenance mode, and resume a node from maintenance mode.

For more information, see Using the Node Maintenance Operator to place nodes in maintenance mode.
1.3.18. Logging

1.3.18.1. Red Hat OpenShift on RHV Logging (Technology Preview)

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 introduces a new connector for the RHV API that adds automated log messages for all installations and oVirt components in a cluster.

1.3.19. Monitoring

The monitoring stack for this release includes the following new and modified features.

1.3.19.1. Updates to monitoring stack components and dependencies

Updates to versions of monitoring stack components and dependencies include the following:

- Alertmanager to 0.24.0
- kube-state-metrics to 2.5.0
- Prometheus to 2.36.2
- Prometheus operator to 0.57.0
- Thanos to 0.26.0

1.3.19.2. Changes to alerting rules

NOTE

Red Hat does not guarantee backward compatibility for recording rules or alerting rules.

- New
  - Added the `KubePersistentVolumeInodesFillingUp` alert, which functions similarly to the existing `KubePersistentVolumeFillingUp` alert but is applied to inodes rather than volume space.
  - Added the `PrometheusScrapeBodySizeLimitHit` alert to detect targets hitting the body size limit.
  - Added the `PrometheusScrapeSampleLimitHit` alert to detect targets hitting the sample limit.

- Changed
  - Fixed the `KubeDaemonSetRolloutStuck` alert to use the updated metric `kube_daemonset_status_updated_number_scheduled` from `kube-state-metrics`.
  - Replaced the `KubeJobCompletion` alert with `KubeJobNotCompleted`. The new `KubeJobNotCompleted` alert avoids false positives when an earlier job failed but the most recent job succeeded.
  - Updated the `NodeNetworkInterfaceFlapping` alert to exclude `tunbr` interfaces from the alert expression.
1.3.19.3. Enable alert routing for user workload monitoring

A cluster administrator can now enable alert routing for user workload monitoring so that developers and other users can configure custom alerts and alert routing for their user-defined projects.

1.3.19.4. Enable a dedicated Alertmanager instance for user-defined alerts

You now have the option to enable a separate instance of Alertmanager dedicated to sending alerts only for user-defined projects. This feature can help reduce the load on the default platform Alertmanager instance and can better separate user-defined alerts from default platform alerts.

1.3.19.5. Use additional authentication settings for remote write configuration

You can now use the following authentication methods to access a remote write endpoint: AWS Signature Version 4, custom Authorization header, and OAuth 2.0. Before this release, you could only use TLS client and basic authentication.

1.3.19.6. Create, browse, and manage PromQL queries more easily in the web console

The Query Browser on the Observe → Metrics page of the OpenShift Container Platform web console adds various enhancements to improve your ability to create, browse, and manage PromQL queries. For example, administrators can now duplicate existing queries and use autocomplete suggestions when building and editing queries.

1.3.19.7. Scrape interval doubled for ServiceMonitors in single node deployments

The scrape interval has been doubled for all Cluster Monitoring Operator (CMO) controlled ServiceMonitors on single-node OpenShift Container Platform deployments. The maximum interval is now two minutes.

1.3.19.8. Create alerting rules based on platform monitoring metrics (Technology Preview)

This release introduces a Technology Preview feature in which administrators can create alerting rules based on existing platform monitoring metrics. This feature helps administrators to more quickly and easily create new alerting rules specific to their environments.

1.3.19.9. Add cluster ID labels to remote write storage

You can now add cluster ID labels to metrics being sent to remote write storage. You can then query these labels to identify the source cluster for a metric and distinguish that metric data from similar metric data sent by other clusters.

1.3.19.10. Query metrics using the federation endpoint for user workload monitoring

You can now use the Prometheus /federate endpoint to scrape user-defined metrics from a network location outside the cluster. Before this release, you could only access the federation endpoint to scrape metrics in default platform monitoring.

1.3.19.11. Enable body size limit for metrics scraping for default platform monitoring

You can now set the enforcedBodySizeLimit config map option for default platform monitoring to enable a body size limit on metrics scraping. This setting triggers the new PrometheusScrapeBodySizeLimitHit alert when at least one Prometheus scrape target replies with a
response body larger than the configured enforcedBodySizeLimit. The setting can limit the impact that a malicious target can have on both the Prometheus component and on the cluster as a whole.

1.3.19.12. Configure retention size settings for metrics storage

You can now configure the maximum amount of disk space reserved for retained metrics storage for both default platform monitoring and user-workload monitoring. Before this release, you could not configure this setting.

1.3.19.13. Configure the retention time period for Thanos Ruler in user-defined projects

You can now configure the retention time period for Thanos Ruler data in user-defined projects. Before this release, you could not change the default value of 24h.

1.3.20. Scalability and performance

1.3.20.1. Workload hints for the Node Tuning Operator

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 supports a hinting mechanism for the Node Tuning Operator that can tune PerformanceProfile to meet the demands of different industry environments. In this release, workload hints are available for highPowerConsumption (very low latency at the cost of increased power consumption) and realtime (priority given to optimum latency). A combination of true/false settings for these hints can be used to deal with application-specific workload profiles and requirements.

1.3.20.2. Enhancement to scale-up operations for etcd clusters

The Raft algorithm allows for scaling of etcd members using a new learner state. As a result, maintaining cluster quorum, adding and removing new members, and promoting learners occur without disrupting the cluster operation.

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 introduces the imageStorage option as part of the AgentServiceConfig custom resource. This option improves application performance by allowing the user to specify persistent storage claim details for use with the image service.

The releaselmage parameter of the ClusterImageSet custom resource now supports operating system image version identification. The discovery ISO is based on an operating system image version as the releaselmage, or the latest version if the specified version is unavailable.

The openshiftVersion parameter of the AgentServiceConfig custom resource (CR) now supports either "x.y" (major.minor) or "x.y.z" (major.minor.patch) formats.

1.3.20.3. Configuring Ingress Controller (router) Liveness, Readiness, and Startup probes

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 introduces the ability to configure the timeout values for the kubelet’s liveness, readiness, and startup probes for router deployments that are managed by the OpenShift Container Platform ingress operator. The ability to set larger timeout values can reduce the risk of unnecessary and unwanted restarts that are caused by short default timeout of 1 second.

For more information see, Configuring Ingress Controller (router) Liveness, Readiness, and Startup probes

1.3.20.4. New power reduction CPU capability
You can decrease power consumption through the Node Tuning Operator by specifying CPUs in the `offlined` field in the performance profile. For more information, see Reducing power consumption by taking CPUs offline.

1.3.20.5. Node Observability Operator (Technology Preview)

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 introduces the Node Observability Operator in Technology Preview.

The Node Observability Operator provides the ability to:

- Deploy Node Observability Agents on the worker nodes.
- Trigger a CRI-O and Kubelet profiling.
- Make the profiling data files available for further analysis.

For more information, see Requesting CRI-O and Kubelet profiling data using the Node Observability Operator.

1.3.20.6. Performance Addon Operator functions moved to the Node Tuning Operator

In earlier versions of OpenShift Container Platform, the Performance Addon Operator provided automatic, low latency performance tuning for applications. In OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, these functions are part of the Node Tuning Operator. The Node Tuning Operator is part of the standard installation for OpenShift Container Platform 4.11. If you upgrade to OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, the Node Tuning Operator removes the Performance Addon Operator and all related artifacts on startup.

For more information, see Node Tuning Operator.

NOTE

You must still use the `performance-addon-operator-must-gather` image when running the `must-gather` command with the Performance Profile Creator. For more information, see Gathering data about your cluster using must-gather.

1.3.20.7. Low latency tuning documentation updates

In earlier version of OpenShift Container Platform, documentation for low latency tuning included references to the Performance Addon Operator. Since the Node Tuning Operator now provides low latency tuning, the documentation title changed from “Performance Addon Operator for low latency nodes” to “Low latency tuning”, and multiple cross-references to this document were updated accordingly. For more information, see Low latency tuning.

1.3.20.8. Hub and spoke cluster support

For hub and spoke deployments in which spoke clusters require out-of-tree driver support, you can use the Special Resource Operator (SRO) deployed in the hub cluster to manage the deployment of the required kernel module(s) to one or more managed clusters. This uses Red Hat Advanced Cluster Management (RHACM) and no longer requires the use of Node Feature Discovery (NFD). For more information, see Building and running the simple-kmod SpecialResource for a hub-and-spoke topology.

1.3.20.9. Enhanced SRO cluster upgrade support

When upgrading a cluster in which special resources are being managed, you can run the pre-upgrade
custom resource to verify that a new driver container exists to support a kernel update. This helps avoid possible disruption of managed special resources. The documentation for this feature is currently unavailable and is targeted for release at a later date.

1.3.20.10. Enhanced debugging and logging for SRO

The Special Resource Operator (SRO) includes a consistent log output format with greater message detail for troubleshooting.

1.3.20.11. Support for external registries

Before this update, SRO did not support connecting to registries in disconnected environments. This release provides support for disconnected environments for which the driver container is hosted in a registry outside of the OpenShift Container Platform cluster.

1.3.21. Insights Operator

1.3.21.1. Insights Operator data collection enhancements

In OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, the Insights Operator collects the following additional information:

- The `images.config.openshift.io` resource definition
- `kube-controller-manager` container logs when the "Internal error occurred: error resolving resource" or "syncing garbage collector with updated resources from discovery" error messages are present
- `storageclusters.ocs.openshift.io/v1` resources

With this additional information, Red Hat improves OpenShift Container Platform functionality and enhances Insights Advisor recommendations.

1.3.22. Authentication and authorization

1.3.22.1. Additional supported OIDC providers

The following OpenID Connect (OIDC) providers are now tested and supported with OpenShift Container Platform:

- Active Directory Federation Services for Windows Server

  **NOTE**

  Currently, it is not supported to use Active Directory Federation Services for Windows Server with OpenShift Container Platform when custom claims are used.

- Microsoft identity platform (Azure Active Directory v2.0)

  **NOTE**

  Currently, it is not supported to use Microsoft identity platform when group names are required to be synced.
For the full list of OIDC providers, see Supported OIDC providers.

1.3.22.2. Pod security admission

Pod security admission is now enabled on OpenShift Container Platform.

Pod admission is enforced by both pod security and security context constraints (SCC) admissions. Pod security admission runs globally with privileged enforcement and restricted audit logging and API warnings.

A controller monitors the SCC-related permissions of service accounts in user-created namespaces and automatically labels these namespaces with pod security admission warn and audit labels.

To improve workload security in accordance with the restricted pod security profile, this release introduces SCCs that enforce pod security in accordance with new pod security admission controls. These SCCs are:

- restricted-v2
- hostnetwork-v2
- nonroot-v2

They correspond to older, similarly named SCCs, but with the following enhancements:

- ALL capabilities are dropped from containers. Previously, only the KILL, MKNOD, SETUID, and SETGID capabilities were dropped.
- The NET_BIND_SERVICE capability can now be added explicitly.
- seccompProfile is defaulted to runtime/default if unset. In previous releases, this field had to be empty.
- allowPrivilegeEscalation must be unset or set to false in security contexts. Previously, a true value was allowed.

New clusters allow use of the restricted-v2 SCC for any authenticated user in place of the restricted SCC; the restricted SCC is no longer available to users of new clusters, unless the access is explicitly granted. Clusters that are upgraded to OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 from previous versions allow both restricted-v2 and restricted SCCs.

You can enable synchronization for most namespaces and disable synchronization for all namespaces.

For this release, namespaces that are prefixed with openshift- do not have restricted enforcement. Restricted enforcement for such namespaces is planned for inclusion in a future release.

For more information, see Understanding and managing pod security admission.

1.4. NOTABLE TECHNICAL CHANGES

OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 introduces the following notable technical changes.

Update in default value for setting the router load-balancing algorithm
The haproxy.router.openshift.io/balance variable, which sets the router load-balancing algorithm, now defaults to the value random instead of leastconn. See Route-specific annotations for more information.
LegacyServiceAccountTokenNoAutoGeneration is on by default
To align with upstream Kubernetes having moved the LegacyServiceAccountTokenNoAutoGeneration feature gate to beta and enabling it by default, OpenShift Container Platform now also follows this security feature and releases with the feature enabled. As a result, when creating new service accounts (SA), a service account token secret is no longer automatically generated. Previously, OpenShift Container Platform automatically added a service account token to a secret for each new SA.

If you need a service account token secret, you must manually use the TokenRequest API to request bound service account tokens or create a service account token secret.

After updating to 4.11, existing service account token secrets are not deleted and continue to function as expected.

Service Account token secrets still appear as auto-generated in OpenShift Container Platform 4.11. However, instead of two secrets per Service Account, there will now be only one, which will be further reduced to zero in a future release. These tokens do not work. For now, dockercfg secrets are still being generated as secrets and no secrets will be deleted during upgrades.

- For information about using the TokenRequest API, see Using bound service account tokens
- For information about creating a service account token secret, see Creating a service account token secret.

Operator SDK 1.22.0
OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 supports Operator SDK 1.22.0. See Installing the Operator SDK CLI to install or update to this latest version.

NOTE
Operator SDK 1.22.0 supports Kubernetes 1.24.

If you have Operator projects that were previously created or maintained with Operator SDK 1.16.0, update your projects to keep compatibility with Operator SDK 1.22.0.

- Updating Go-based Operator projects
- Updating Ansible-based Operator projects
- Updating Helm-based Operator projects
- Updating Hybrid Helm-based Operator projects

Cluster Operators no longer referred to as platform Operators
OpenShift Container Platform documentation previously referred to cluster Operators interchangeably with the alternative naming "platform Operators". Because this double naming could cause confusion about the type of Operators being discussed, the term "platform Operator" is no longer used when referring to cluster Operators, which are represented by ClusterOperator API objects. The documentation sets for OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 and earlier have been updated to now solely use the term "cluster Operator".

For example, see Cluster Operators reference.

1.5. DEPRECATED AND REMOVED FEATURES

Some features available in previous releases have been deprecated or removed.
Deprecation functionality is still included in OpenShift Container Platform and continues to be supported; however, it will be removed in a future release of this product and is not recommended for new deployments. For the most recent list of major functionality deprecated and removed within OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, refer to the table below. Additional details for more functionality that has been deprecated and removed are listed after the table.

In the table, features are marked with the following statuses:

- **GA**: General Availability
- **DEP**: Deprecated
- **REM**: Removed

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1.5.1. Deprecated features

1.5.1.1. OpenShift CLI (oc) commands and flags for requesting tokens are deprecated

The following `oc` commands and flags for requesting tokens are now deprecated:

- The `oc serviceaccounts create-kubeconfig` command
- The `oc serviceaccounts get-token` command
- The `oc serviceaccounts new-token` command
- The `--service-account/-z` flag for the `oc registry login` command

Use the `oc create token` command instead to request tokens.

1.5.1.2. Red Hat Virtualization (RHV) as a host platform for OpenShift Container Platform will be deprecated

Red Hat Virtualization (RHV) will be deprecated in an upcoming release of OpenShift Container Platform. Support for OpenShift Container Platform on RHV will be removed from a future OpenShift Container Platform release, currently planned as OpenShift Container Platform 4.14.

1.5.1.3. Support for vSphere 7.0 Update 1 or earlier is deprecated

In OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, support for VMware vSphere 7.0 Update 1 or earlier is deprecated. While vSphere 7.0 Update 1 or earlier remains fully supported, Red Hat recommends that you use vSphere 7.0 Update 2 or later.

1.5.1.4. Support for ESXi 7.0 Update 1 or earlier is deprecated

In OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, support for VMware ESXi 7.0 Update 1 or earlier is deprecated. While ESXi 7.0 Update 1 or earlier remains fully supported, Red Hat recommends that you use ESXi 7.0 Update 2 or later.

1.5.2. Removed features

1.5.2.1. RHEL 7 support for the OpenShift CLI (oc) has been removed

Support for using Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 7 with the OpenShift CLI (oc) has been removed. If you use the OpenShift CLI (oc) with RHEL, you must use RHEL 8 or later.

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1.5.2.2. OpenShift CLI (oc) commands have been removed

The following OpenShift CLI (oc) commands were removed with this release:

- `oc adm migrate etcd-ttl`
- `oc adm migrate image-references`
- `oc adm migrate legacy-hpa`
- `oc adm migrate storage`

1.5.2.3. Grafana component removed from monitoring stack

The Grafana component is no longer a part of the OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 monitoring stack. As an alternative, go to **Observe → Dashboards** in the OpenShift Container Platform web console to view monitoring dashboards.

1.5.2.4. Prometheus and Grafana user interface access removed from monitoring stack

Access to the third-party Prometheus and Grafana user interfaces have been removed from the OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 monitoring stack. As an alternative, click **Observe** in the OpenShift Container Platform web console to view alerting, metrics, dashboards, and metrics targets for monitoring components.

1.5.2.5. Support for virtual hardware version 13 is removed

In OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, support for virtual hardware version 13 is removed. Support for virtual hardware version 13 was deprecated in OpenShift Container Platform 4.9. Red Hat recommends that you use virtual hardware version 15 or later.

1.5.2.6. Support for vSphere 6.7 Update 2 or earlier is removed

In OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, support for VMware vSphere 6.7 Update 2 or earlier is removed. Support for vSphere 6.7 Update 2 or earlier was deprecated in OpenShift Container Platform 4.9. Red Hat recommends that you use vSphere 7.0 Update 2 or later.

1.5.2.7. Support for ESXi 6.7 Update 2 or earlier is removed

In OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, support for VMware ESXi 6.7 Update 2 or earlier is removed. Support for ESXi 6.7 Update 2 or earlier was deprecated in OpenShift Container Platform 4.10. Red Hat recommends that you use ESXi 7.0 Update 2 or later.

1.5.2.8. Support for snapshot v1beta1 API endpoint is removed

In OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, support for `snapshot.storage.k8s.io/v1beta1` API endpoint is removed. Support for `snapshot.storage.k8s.io/v1beta1` API endpoint was deprecated in OpenShift Container Platform 4.7. Red Hat recommends that you use `snapshot.storage.k8s.io/v1`. All objects created as `v1beta1` are available through the v1 endpoint.

1.5.2.9. Support for manually deploying a custom scheduler has been removed

Support for deploying custom schedulers manually has been removed with this release. Use the **Secondary Scheduler Operator for Red Hat OpenShift** instead to deploy a custom secondary scheduler in OpenShift Container Platform.
1.5.2.10. Support for deploying single-node OpenShift with OpenShiftSDN has been removed

Support for deploying single-node OpenShift clusters with OpenShiftSDN has been removed with this release. OVN-Kubernetes is the default networking solution for single-node OpenShift deployments.

1.5.2.11. Removal of Jenkins images from install payload

- OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 moves the "OpenShift Jenkins" and "OpenShift Agent Base" images to the ocp-tools-4 repository at registry.redhat.io so that Red Hat can produce and update the images outside the OpenShift Container Platform lifecycle. Previously, these images were in the OpenShift Container Platform install payload and the openshift4 repository at registry.redhat.io. For more information, see OpenShift Jenkins.

- OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 removes "OpenShift Jenkins Maven" and "NodeJS Agent" images from its payload. Previously, OpenShift Container Platform 4.10 deprecated these images. Red Hat no longer produces these images, and they are not available from the ocp-tools-4 repository at registry.redhat.io. However, upgrading to OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 does not remove "OpenShift Jenkins Maven" and "NodeJS Agent" images from 4.10 and earlier releases. And Red Hat provides bug fixes and support for these images through the end of the 4.10 release lifecycle, in accordance with the OpenShift Container Platform lifecycle policy.

For more information, see OpenShift Jenkins.

1.5.3. Future Kubernetes API removals

The next minor release of OpenShift Container Platform is expected to use Kubernetes 1.25. Currently, Kubernetes 1.25 is scheduled to remove several deprecated v1beta1 and v2beta1 APIs.

See the Deprecated API Migration Guide in the upstream Kubernetes documentation for the list of planned Kubernetes API removals.

See Navigating Kubernetes API deprecations and removals for information about how to check your cluster for Kubernetes APIs that are planned for removal.

1.6. BUG FIXES

Bare Metal Hardware Provisioning

- Previously, when writing the RHCOS image onto some disks, the qemu-img was allocating space onto the entire disk, including sparse areas. This extended the time of the writing process on some hardware. This update disables the qemu-img sparse in image creation. As a result, the image writing would no longer take a long time on affected hardware. (BZ#2002009)

- Previously, if the rotational field was set for RootDeviceHints, the host could fail the provision. With this update, the rotational field in RootDeviceHints is properly copied and checked. As a result, the provisioning will succeed when using the rotational field. (BZ#2053721)

- Previously, Ironic was unable to use virtual media to provision Nokia OE 20 servers because the BMC required the TransferProtocolType attribute to be explicitly set in the request despite this being an optional attribute. Additionally, the BMC also required the use of a dedicated RedFish settings resource to override boot orders, whereas most BMCS just use the system resource. This error occurred because Nokia OE 20 strictly requires an optional
TransferProtocolType attribute for vMedia attachments and requires the use of the RedFish settings resource for overriding boot sequences. Consequently, virtual media based provisioning would fail on Nokia OE 20. There are two workarounds for this issue:

1. When the vMedia attachment request fails with an error indicating that the TransferProtocolType attribute is missing, retry the request and explicitly specify this attribute.

2. Check for the presence of the RedFish settings resource in the system. If it is present, use it for the boot sequence override.

As a result to these workarounds, virtual media based provisioning will succeed on Nokia OE 20 machines. (BZ#2059567)

- Previously, the Ironic API inspector image failed to clean disks that were part of passive multipath setups when using OpenShift Container Platform bare-metal IPI deployments. This update fixes the failures when active or passive storage arrays are in use. As a result, it is now possible to use OpenShift Container Platform bare metal IPI when customers want to use multipath setups that are active or passive. (BZ#2089309)

- Previously, Ironic failed to match wwn serial numbers to multi-path devices. Consequently, wwn serial numbers for device mapper devices could not be used in the rootDeviceHint parameter in the install-config.yaml configuration file. With this update, Ironic now recognizes wwn serial numbers as unique identifiers for multi-path devices. As a result, it is now possible to use wwn serial numbers for device mapper devices for the install-config.yaml file. (BZ#2098392)

Builds

- Previously, using a forward slash (/) in the ImageLabel name of a BuildConfig instance resulted in an error. This fix resolves the issue by changing the utility used for validation. As a result, you can use a forward slash in the ImageLabel name of a BuildConfig instance. (BZ#2105167)

- Previously, when using the $ oc new-app --search <image_stream_name> command, you could receive an incorrect message related to docker.io images. This resulted in confusion for the user because OpenShift Container Platform does not use image streams that point to docker.io. This fix adds code checks to prevent the reference to docker.io. As a result, the output from that command does not include the message. (BZ#2049889)

- Previously, Shared Resource CSI Driver metrics were not exported to the Telemetry service. As a result, usage metrics for the Shared Resource CSI Driver could not be analyzed. With this fix, Shared Resource CSI Driver metrics are exposed to the Telemetry service. As a result, usage metrics for the Shared Resource CSI Driver can be collected and analyzed. (BZ#2058225)

- By default, Buildah prints steps to the log file, including the contents of environment variables, which might include build input secrets. Although you can use the --quiet build argument to suppress printing of those environment variables, this argument isn’t available if you use the source-to-image (S2I) build strategy. The current release fixes this issue. To suppress printing of environment variables, set the BUILDAH_QUIET environment variable in your build configuration:

```yaml
sourceStrategy:
  ...
  env:
    - name: "BUILDAH_QUIET"
      value: "true"
```

- Before this update, using the $ oc new-app --search <image_stream_name> command
provided a warning that you may not have access to the container image 
"docker.io/library/<image_name>:<tag>". This caused confusion about OpenShift Container 
Platform having image streams that pointed to docker.io. This update fixes the issue by adding 
code checks to prevent that confusing reference to 'docker.io'. Now, the output from that 
command does not include messages about docker.io (BZ#2049889)

Cloud Compute

- **CertificateSigningRequest** (CSR) resource renewal is handled by the Kubernetes controller 
manager and correctly left pending by the Cluster Machine Approver Operator, which increases 
the value of the mapi_current_pending_csr metric to 1. Previously, when the Kubernetes 
controller manager approved the CSR, the Operator ignored it and left the metric unchanged. 
As a result, the mapi_current_pending_csr metric was stuck at 1 until the Operator next 
reconciled. With this release, CSR approvals from other controllers are always reconciled to 
update metrics and the value of the mapi_current_pending_csr metric is updated after every 
reconcile. (BZ#2047702)

- Previously, only regions contained in a list of known regions within the AWS SDK were validated, 
and specifying any other region caused an error. This meant that, as new regions were added, 
they could not be used until the SDK was updated to contain the new region information. With 
this release, regions are validated with a less strict setting that warns the user when a region is 
not recognized. As a result, new regions might cause warning messages but can be used 
immediately. (BZ#2065510)

- Previously, the Cluster Machine Approver Operator appended the "Approved" status condition 
to its condition list. As a result, the Kubernetes API server logged errors containing the message 
[SHOULD NOT HAPPEN] failed to update managedFields. With this release, the Operator is 
updated to check its conditions before appending to the list, and only update the condition 
when necessary. As a result, the conditions are no longer duplicated in the 
CertificateSigningRequest resource and the Kubernetes API server no longer logs errors 
about the duplicate. (BZ#1978303)

- Previously, a defect in the Cisco ACI neutron implementation that was present in Red Hat 
OpenStack Platform (RHOSP) version 16, caused the query for subnets belonging to a given 
network to return unexpected results. As a result, the RHOSP Cluster API provider might try to 
provision instances with duplicated ports on the same subnet, leading to a failed provisioning. 
With this release, additional filtering in the RHOSP Cluster API provider ensures there is no 
more than one port per subnet, and it is now possible to deploy OpenShift Container Platform 
on RHOSP version 16 with Cisco ACI. (BZ#2033862)

- Previously, the Red Hat OpenStack Platform (RHOSP) Machine API provider did not use the 
proxy environment variable directives, causing installation behind an HTTP or HTTPS proxy to 
fail. With this release, the provider obeys proxy directives and functions correctly in a restricted 
environment in which egress traffic is only allowed through a proxy. (BZ#2046133)

- Previously, when upgrading from OpenShift Container Platform 4.9 to 4.10, inconsistencies 
between multiple controllers resulted in incorrect version numbers. As a result, the version 
number was not consistent. With this release, consistent reading of version numbers has been 
enacted and the release version is now stable in the cluster operator status. (BZ#2059716)

- Previously, leaks of load balancer targets on AWS Machine API providers may occur. This is 
because IP-based load balancer attachments may remain within the load balancer registration 
when replacing control plane machines. With this release, IP-based load balancer attachments 
are removed from the load balancer before the Amazon EC2 instance is removed from AWS. As 
a result, the leaks are avoided. (BZ#2065160)

- Previously, during an upgrade, a new machine created through the Machine API defaulted to
HW-13 which caused the cluster to degrade. With this release, the machine controller checks the virtual machine’s hardware version during machine creation from the template clone. The machine goes into a **failed** state if the template’s hardware version is less than 15, which is the minimal supported hardware version for OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 and above versions. (**BZ#2059338**)

- Previously, the procedural name generator for Azure availability sets exceeded the 80 character maximum limit. This might cause the Machine API to reuse the same sets during the name truncation, rather than creating multiple availability sets. With this release, the procedural name generator is updated to ensure that the name is no longer than 80 characters and the cluster name is not duplicated in the set name. As a result, Azure availability sets are no longer truncated in unexpected ways by the procedural name generator. (**BZ#2093044**)

- Because the Cluster Autoscaler Operator was deploying the cluster autoscaler without setting any leader election parameters, the cluster autoscaler could unexpectedly fail and restart after a cluster restart. With this fix, the Cluster Autoscaler Operator now deploys the cluster autoscaler with well-defined leader election flags. As a result, the cluster autoscaler operates as expected after restarts. (**BZ#2063194**)

- Previously, certificate signing request (CSR) renewal was handled by **kube-controller-manager** and correctly left pending by the machine approver, which increased `mapi_current_pending_csr` to 1. Afterwards, the **kube-controller-manager** approved the CSR, but the machine approver would ignore it, which left the metric unchanged. Consequently, the `mapi_current_pending_csr` was stuck at 1 until another machine approver reconciled it. With this update, CSR approvals are reconciled from other controllers to update metrics properly. As a result, `mapi_current_pending_csr` is always up-to-date after every reconcile. (**BZ#2072195**)

- Previously, the Machine API Operator did not report as degraded if an insufficient number of worker nodes started upon cluster installation, even though other Operators were reported as degraded. With this release, the Machine API Operator is now reported as degraded and errors are posted in the installation log in this scenario. As a result, with the Machine API Operator appears in the list of failed Operators, and users now know to examine the state of the machines as the reason why there are insufficient worker nodes. (**BZ#1994820**)

- Because the Machine API Operator did not honor the proxy environment variable directives, installation behind an HTTP or HTTPS proxy failed. With this fix, the HTTP transport logic of Machine API Operator now obeys proxy directives. As a result, the Machine API Operator now works in a restricted environment where egress traffic is only allowed through a proxy. (**BZ#2082667**)

- Previously, installations on vSphere for clusters with thousands of tags and heavy API loads were failing. Now, the machine controllers only query tags that are related to a particular OpenShift Container Platform installation. As a result, OpenShift Container Platform installs correctly on vSphere for these clusters. (**BZ#2097153**)

- Because the kubelet needs to contact the vCenter to obtain node zone labels, if the vCenter credentials are stored in a secret, the kubelet could not start because the kube client was not created on time. As a result, if you rebooted the nodes, as happens when you edit the `cloud-provider-config` config map, the nodes did not come up. With this fix, the kubelet now obtains zone labels after node registration if the credentials are stored in the secret. As a result, the nodes reboot as expected. (**BZ#1902307**)

- Previously, the lack of a `timeout` option might have led to controller blockage, which could cause vCenter to never, or very slowly, respond. This release adds a `timeout` option for vCenter clients within the vSphere machine controller. (**BZ#2083237**).
Cluster Version Operator

- Previously, the Cluster Version Operator (CVO) when it encountered an error during an upgrade would stop reconciling current release manifests. With this update, release loading is separated from reconciling so the latter does not block the former and a new condition `ReleaseAccepted` has been added to clarify the status of the release load. (BZ#1822752)

Console Metal3 Plug-in

- Previously, there was a missing option in the UI to set the `bootMode` strategy. Consequently, the UI would always use the default (UEFI) boot strategy, which caused problems booting up some types of bare metals deployments. This update exposes a new field in the `Add Bare Metal` host form to choose the appropriate boot mode strategy. As a result, the bare metal machine properly starts. (BZ#2091030)

- Previously, the node maintenance feature was moved to a new project which resulted in API changes. Consequently, node maintenance stopped working. This update fixes the code to work properly with new APIs. As a result, node maintenance works again. (BZ#2090621)

- Previously, in some cases, day 2 workers on clusters created by the assisted installer are missing underlying bare metal hosts and machine resources. Consequently, the UI failed when trying to show details of the worker node. With this update, the bare metal hosts and machine resources are handled more gracefully, and the UI shows all available details. (BZ#2090993)

Domain Name System (DNS)

- Topology aware hints is a new feature in OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 that allows the `EndpointSlice` controller to specify hints to the container network interface (CNI) for how it should route traffic to a service’s endpoints. The DNS operator was not enabling topology aware hints for the cluster DNS service. Consequently, the CNI network providers did not keep DNS traffic local to the zone or node. With this fix, the DNS operator was updated to specify topology aware hints on the cluster DNS service. (BZ#2095941)

- Previously, the kublet created a default `/etc/resolv.conf` for pods based on the `/etc/resolv.conf` from the node host. Consequently, the malformed `resolv.conf` file could cause resolvers to fail to parse `resolv.conf`, therefore breaking DNS resolution in pods. With this update, the kublet accepts a `resolv.conf` file and pods get a valid `resolv.conf` file. (BZ#2063414)

- Previously, the DNS Operator did not set the `cluster-autoscaler.kubernetes.io/enable-ds-eviction` annotation on DNS pods. Consequently, the cluster autoscaler did not remove the DNS pod from a node before removing the node. With this update, the DNS operator was changed to add the `cluster-autoscaler.kubernetes.io/enable-ds-eviction` annotation to DNS pods. The DNS pod can now be removed from a node before removing the node by the cluster autoscaler. (BZ#2061244)

Image Registry

- Previously, the image registry used an `ImageContentSourcePolicy` (ICSP) as a source only when it was an exact match. The same source file was expected to be pulled through for any subrepositories. The ICSP name and path did not match for subrepositories. As a result, the image was not used. Now, the ICSP is applied successfully to the subrepositories, which can use the mirrored images. (BZ#2014240)

- Previously, if the pruner failed, the image registry Operator is reported as degraded until the pruner successfully runs. With this update, the Operator is more resilient to the pruner failures. (BZ#1990125)
• Previously, the registry used exact match when applying ImageContentSourcePolicy (ICSP). With this update, ICSP is applied for subrepositories and mirrors now work as expected. (BZ#2014240)

• Previously, the Image Registry Operator did not work with AWS S3 on RHOSP. With this update, the Image Registry Operator trusts AWS S3 on all platforms. (BZ#2007611)

• Previously, OpenShift Container Platform image registry did not work with Ceph Radosgw. With this update, the image registry works with Ceph Radosgw. (BZ#1976782)

• Previously, the Image Registry Operator interpreted 429 error messages from upstream registries as if the data was not available. The Operator returned a 404 Not Found message instead of 429 Too Many Requests. With this update, the proper 429 Too Many Requests message is returned so that administrators know to retry the request. (BZ#1923536)

• Previously, the Image Registry Operator could not be used to configure CloudFront. With this update, the Image Registry Operator can configure CloudFront. (BZ#2065224)

• Previously, the Image Registry Operator pushed images when KMS encryption was enabled, but not pulled. With this update, images can be pushed and pulled with KMS encryption enabled. (BZ#2048214)

• Previously, the Image Registry Operator could not pull public images anonymously due to credentials not being provided. With this update, clients can pull public images anonymously. (BZ#2060605)

• Previously, the Image Registry Operator could not use the ap-southeast-3 AWS region. With this update, the registry can be configured to ap-southeast-3. (BZ#2065552)

Installer

• Previously, if users specified an OpenShift Container Platform cluster name with a period, the installation failed. This update adds a validation check to the installation program, which returns an error if a period is present in the cluster name. (BZ#2084580)

• Previously, users could select the AWS us-gov-east-1 region when using the installation program to create the install-config.yaml file. This caused the deployment to fail because the installation program could only be used to create the install-config.yaml file for a public AWS region. This update removes all of the AWS regions from the installation program that are not supported by the public AWS cloud. (BZ#2048222)

• Previously, users could not select the ap-north-east-3 region when using the installation program to create the install-config.yaml file. The AWS SDK that caused this problem has been updated, and users can now select the ap-north-east-3 region. (BZ#1996544)

• Previously, installing a private (internal) OpenShift Container Platform cluster on Azure Stack Hub failed because the installation program did not create the DNS record for the API virtual IP address. This update removes the invalid check that caused this problem. The installation program now correctly creates DNS records for private cluster. (BZ#2061549)

• Previously, uninstalling an IBM Cloud VPC cluster might have caused unexpected results. When a user uninstalled a cluster (cluster 1), the DNS records of another cluster (cluster 2) were removed when either the name of cluster 1 (example) was a subset of the name of cluster 2 (myexample) or both clusters shared a base domain. This update corrects this behavior. Only those resources specific to the cluster that is being uninstalled are now removed. (BZ#2060617)
Previously, Azure Stack Hub did not support any disk types other than Standard_LRS. This update adds the ability to customize disk types, which allows clusters to have a default disk type with no manual customizations. This resulted in making the switch from hard coding the disk type to accepting the inputs from the user and validating it against the Stack Hub APIs. (BZ#2061544)

Previously, when destroying a cluster, the ID of the private route5 hosted zone for the cluster was incorrectly reported when the DNS records were deleted from the hosted zone. This caused incorrect host zone IDs to be reported in the log of the destroyer. This update uses the correct host zone ID in the log. As a result, the log shows the correct hosted zone ID when destroying the DNS record in the base domain’s hosted zone. (BZ#1965969)

Previously, system proxy settings were not considered when requesting an AWS custom service endpoint. This update configures AWS custom service endpoint validation to consider the system proxy settings along with a `HEAD` request to the AWS custom service endpoint. As a result, the AWS custom service endpoint can be accessed from the user’s machine. (BZ#2048451)

Previously, the installation program used any Terraform provider in the `$PATH` on the installer host. Therefore, the installation would fail if there were Terraform providers in the `$PATH` that used an incorrect version or provider rather than the providers embedded in the installation program. With this update, the installation program embeds providers to a known directory and sets Terraform to use the known directory. As a result, installation will be successful because the installation program will always use the providers in the known directory. (BZ#1932812)

Previously, there was an eventual consistency issue in the AWS Terraform provider when updating new load balancers. Therefore, the installation would fail when trying to access the new load balancers. With this fix, the installation program is now updated to an upstream Terraform provider, which ensures eventual consistency. As a result, the installation does not fail. (BZ#1898265)

Previously, the installation program had a list of required APIs that check for quota and permissions, and the list contained some unnecessary APIs that failed if the user did not provide the permissions. With this update, The list of APIs is split into `required` and `optional` where the `optional` APIs are not accessible. A warning message is displayed for the `optional` APIs. (BZ#2084280)

Previously, the `.apps` entry did not have the tag `kubernetes.io_cluster<infraID>` that was used by the installation program to delete code from the database that would isolate all the resources created for a given cluster and delete them. With this update, a tag was added to the cluster Ingress Operator during creation time which makes the entry visible to delete. (BZ#2055601)

Previously, the `openshift-install` command would fail when using the internal publishing strategy. With this update, the `openshift-install` command no longer fails. (BZ#2047670)

Previously, there was an eventual consistency issue in the AWS Terraform provider when updating to newly created Virtual Private Clouds (VPCs). Consequently, the installation program would fail when attempting to access VPCs. With this update, the installation program is updated to the upstream Terraform provider and the install does not fail. (BZ#2043080)

Previously, there was an eventual consistency issue in the AWS Terraform provider when updating to newly created network interfaces. Consequently, installs would fail to access the network interfaces. With this update, the Terraform provider is updated to accept eventual consistency and installation does not fail. (BZ#2047741)

Previously, the `corespersocket` value could be higher than the `numCores` value when installing
a VMware cluster using installer-provisioned infrastructure. This could cause unexpected results during installation. With this update, users receive a warning to correct these values before the cluster is created. \( \text{BZ#2034147} \)

- Previously, a rare bug caused inconsistency during AWS cluster installations. The installation program has been updated to avoid this scenario. \( \text{BZ#2046277} \)

- Previously, the bootstrap machine used a default size and instance type when installing on Azure using installer-provisioned infrastructure. With this update, the bootstrap machine uses the size and instance type of the control plane machines. You can now control the size and instance type of the bootstrap machine by modifying the control plane settings in your installation configuration. \( \text{BZ#2026356} \)

- Previously, the installation program provided Terraform with an ambiguous network name. This could lead to Terraform being unable to determine the correct network to use. With this update, the installation program provides Terraform with a unique network ID so that the installation succeeds. \( \text{BZ#1918005} \)

- Previously, control plane machines could be created before the dependent NAT gateway was created when installing a cluster on AWS, causing the installation to fail. With this update, Terraform ensures that the NAT gateway has been created before the control plane machines are created. This ensures that the installation will succeed. \( \text{BZ#2049108} \)

- Previously, if you used an OVN network rather than the default OSN network, the scale-up task failed because it took longer than the maximum amount of time required. This update doubles the amount of retries during the scale-up task so that the task can be completed. \( \text{BZ#2090151} \)

- Previously, when you tried to delete multiple clusters from the database in parallel, the deletion process failed because of a bug in the \text{vmware} and \text{govmomi} libraries. The bug caused one of the cluster’s tags to be deleted, which resulted in a 404 error when the deletion process could not find the tag. This update ignores tags that aren’t found and continues the deletion process so that it finishes without error. \( \text{BZ#2021041} \)

- With this update, OpenShift Container Platform on Red Hat Virtualization (RHV) supports preallocated disks for control plane and worker nodes for installer-provisioned infrastructure. In high-load environments, preallocated disks benefit performance for etcd and other components. \( \text{BZ#2035334} \)

- Previously, when you tried to delete multiple clusters in parallel, the process failed because of a bug in the \text{vmware/govmomi} library. The bug caused a cluster tag to be deleted, which resulted in a 404 error when the deletion process could not find the tag. This update ignores tags that are not found and continues to delete so that it finishes without error. \( \text{BZ#2021041} \)

- Previously, installation methods for VMware vSphere included validation that checked for network existence during the creation of configuration files. This caused an error for user-provisioned infrastructure and other installation methods where the network can be created as part of provisioning the infrastructure, in which case the network might not exist when the config files are generated. This fix updates the installation program to only perform network validation on installer-provisioned infrastructure installs. As a result, user-provisioned infrastructure and other installation methods can generate configuration files regardless of network existence. \( \text{BZ#2050767} \)

- Previously, \text{runc} had an inversioned dependency on \text{libseccomp} 2.5 or later, which causes issues when the operating system was installed using version 8.3 or later and not fully updated to 8.4 or later. With this update, the RHEL host installs successfully, avoiding issues with early versions of the package. \( \text{BZ#2060147} \)
Previously, the installation program specified network resources to terraform by the relative path. When a network resource was nested in a folder, the terraform provider could not find the resource. With this update, network resources are now specified by ID, and the installation succeeds. (BZ#2063829)

Previously, vSphere RHCOS images had no /etc/resolv.conf file. This caused the default networkmanager settings to display an error for /etc/resolv.conf. With this update, the rc-manager-unmanaged value is set, and the networkmanager settings do not direct to /etc/resolv.conf. (BZ#2029438)

Previously, the installation program did not create a cloud provider configuration because it is not required by Amazon Web Services (AWS). This caused the Kubernetes API server to provide an error without a cloud provider configuration. With this update, an empty cloud provider configuration for AWS is created, and the Kubernetes API server can run successfully. (BZ#1926975)

Kubernetes API server

Previously, long running requests used for streaming were taken into account for the KubeAPIServiceBudget calculation. Consequently, the alert from KubeAPIServiceBudget would be triggered and cause false positives. This update excludes long running requests from the KubeAPIServiceBudget calculation. As a result, false positives are reduced on the KubeAPIServiceBudget metric. (BZ#1982704)

Kubernetes Scheduler

With OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, the hosted control plane namespace is excluded from eviction when the descheduler is installed on a cluster that has hosted control planes enabled. As a result, pods are no longer evicted from the hosted control plane namespace when the descheduler is installed. (BZ#2000653)

Previously, resources incorrectly specified the API version in the owner reference of the kubedescheduler custom resource (CR). Consequently, the owner reference was invalid, and the affected resources would not be deleted when the kubedescheduler CR ran. This update specifies the correct API version in all owner references. As a result, all resources with an owner reference to the kubedescheduler CR are deleted after the CR is deleted. (BZ#1957012)

Machine Config Operator

Because keyFile is not configured as the default plug-in for NetworkManager on RHEL nodes, RHEL nodes might not reach the ready state after a reboot. With this fix, keyFile is set as the default NetworkManager plug-in on all cluster nodes. As a result, nodes correctly reach the ready state after a reboot. (BZ#2060133)

Because vSphere UPI clusters do not set the PlatformStatus.VSphere parameter at installation, the parameter was set to nil. This caused the MCO logs to be filled with unnecessary and repetitive messages that this parameter cannot have the value nil. This fix removes the warning, which was added to resolve a separate issue. As a result, the logs no longer list this message for vSphere UPI installations. (BZ#2080267)

Previously, when you attempted to create a cluster with both FIPS and realTimeKernel the Machine Config Operator (MCO) degraded due to a merge logic issue within the code. With this update, the MCO no longer degrades when creating a cluster with both FIPS and realTimeKernel. (BZ#2096496)

Compliance Operator

Previously, the Compliance Operator held references to machine configuration data, which
significantly increased memory usage. Consequently, the Compliance Operator would fail with CrashLoopBackoffs because of out-of-memory exceptions. As a workaround, you should use an updated version of the Compliance Operator, for example, 0.1.53, which includes better handling of large machine configuration data sets in memory. As a result, the Compliance Operator continues to run when dealing with large machine configuration data sets. (BZ#2094854)

Management Console

- Previously, the web console was not properly authenticating permissions when approving InstallPlans. This resulted in a possible unhandled error. With this update, permissions were altered for consistency and error messages are now displayed correctly in the web console. (BZ#2006067)

Monitoring

- Before this update, dashboards in the OpenShift Container Platform web console that contained queries using a container label for container_fs* metrics returned no data points because the container labels had been dropped due to high cardinality. This update resolves the issue, and these dashboards now display data as expected. (BZ#2037513)

- Before this update, the prometheus-operator component allowed any time value for ScrapeTimeout in the config map. If you set ScrapeTimeout to a value greater than the ScrapeInterval value, Prometheus would stop loading the config map settings and fail to apply all subsequent configuration changes. With this update, if the ScrapeTimeout value specified is greater than the ScrapeInterval value, the system logs the settings as invalid, but continues loading the other config map settings. (BZ#2037762)

- Before this update, in the CPU Utilisation panel on the Kubernetes / Compute Resources / Cluster dashboard in the OpenShift Container Platform web console, the formula used to calculate the CPU utilization of a node could incorrectly display invalid negative values. With this update, the formula has been updated, and the CPU Utilisation panel now shows correct values. (BZ#2040635)

- Before this update, data from the prometheus-adapter component could not be accessed during the automatic update that occurs every 15 days because the update process removed old pods before the new pods became available. With this release, the automatic update process now only removes old pods after the new pods are able to serve requests so that data from the old pods continues to be available during the update process. (BZ#2048333)

- Before this update, the following metrics were incorrectly missing from kube-state-metrics: kube_pod_container_status_terminated_reason, kube_pod_init_container_status_terminated_reason, and kube_pod_status_scheduled_time. With this release, kube-state-metrics correctly displays these metrics so that they are available. (BZ#2050120)

- Before this update, if invalid write relabel config map settings existed for the prometheus-operator component, the configuration would still load all subsequent settings. With this release, the component checks for valid write relabel settings when loading the configuration. If invalid settings exist, an error is logged, and the configuration loading process stops. (BZ#2051470)

- Before this update, the init-config-reloader container for the Prometheus pods requested 100m of CPU and 50Mi of memory, even though in practice the container needed fewer resources. With this update, the container requests 1m of CPU and 10Mi of memory. These settings are consistent with the settings of the config-reloader container. (BZ#2057025)
Before this update, when an administrator enabled user workload monitoring, the `user-workload-monitoring-config` config map was not automatically created. Because non-administrator users with the `user-workload-monitoring-config-edit` role did not have permission to create the config map manually, they required an administrator to create it. With this update, the `user-workload-monitoring-config` config map is now automatically created when an administrator enables user workload monitoring and is available to edit by users with the appropriate role. (BZ#2065577)

Before this update, after you deleted a deployment, the Cluster Monitoring Operator (CMO) did not wait for the deletion to be completed, which caused reconciliation errors. With this update, the CMO now waits until deployments are deleted before recreating them, which resolves this issue. (BZ#2069068)

Before this update, for user workload monitoring, if you configured external labels for metrics in Prometheus, the CMO did not correctly propagate these labels to Thanos Ruler. If you queried external metrics for user-defined projects, not provided by the user workload monitoring instance of Prometheus, you would sometimes not see external labels for these metrics even though you had configured Prometheus to add them. With this update, the CMO now properly propagates the external labels that you configured in Prometheus to Thanos Ruler, and you can see the labels when you query external metrics. Thus, for user-defined projects, if you queried external metrics not provided by the user workload monitoring instance of Prometheus, you would sometimes not see external labels for these metrics even though you had configured Prometheus to add them. With this update, the CMO now properly propagates the external labels that you configured in Prometheus to Thanos Ruler, and you can see the labels when you query external metrics. (BZ#2073112)

Before this update, the `tunbr` interface incorrectly triggered the `NodeNetworkInterfaceFlapping` alert. With this update, the `tunbr` interface is now included in the list of interfaces that the alert ignores and no longer causes the alert to trigger incorrectly. (BZ#2090838)

Previously, the Prometheus Operator allowed invalid re-label configurations. With this update, the Prometheus Operator validates re-labeled configurations. (BZ#2051407)

Networking

Previously, when using the bond CNI plug-in for an additional network attachment, it was not compatible with Multus. When the bond CNI plug-in was used in conjunction with the Whereabouts IPAM plug-in for a network attachment definition, assigned IP addresses were incorrectly reconciled. Now a network attachment definition that uses the bond CNI plug-in works correctly with the Whereabouts IPAM plug-in for IP address assignment. (BZ#2082360)

Previously, when using the OVN-Kubernetes cluster network provider with multiple default gateways, the wrong gateway was selected, causing the OVN-Kubernetes pods to stop
unexpectedly. Now the correct default gateway is selected such that these pods no longer fails. (BZ#2040933)

- For clusters using the OVN-Kubernetes cluster network provider, previously if the NetworkManager service restarted on a node, that node lost network connectivity. Now network connectivity survives a restart of the NetworkManager service. (BZ#2048352)

- Previously a goroutine handling cache updates could stall writing to an unbuffered channel while holding a mutex. With this update, these race conditions were solved. (BZ#2052398)

- Previously, for ovn-kubernetes, setting up br-ex on boot with a bond or team interface caused a mismatch on media access control (MAC) addresses between the br-ex and the bond interface. Consequently, on bare metal or some virtual platforms all of the traffic was dropped due to network interface controller (NIC) driver dropping traffic due to an unexpected br-ex MAC address. With this update, br-ex and the bond interface use the same MAC address resulting in no dropped traffic. (BZ#2103080)

- Previously, users with cluster-reader role could not read custom resources from kubernetes-nmstate, such as NodeNetworkConfigurationPolicy. With this update, users with cluster-reader role can read kubernetes-nmstate custom resources. (BZ#2022745)

- Previously, contrack entries for LoadBalancer IPs were not removed when the service endpoints were removed causing connections to fail. With this update, contrack entries do not cause connections to fail. (BZ#2061002)

- Previously, a missing jq package caused the scale up of a cluster with RHEL nodes to fail on node deployment. With this update, `jq package` is installed on deployment and the scale up of a cluster with RHEL nodes succeeds. (BZ#2052393)

- Previously, OVN-Kubernetes spent excessive time when a service configuration change was made. This caused a noticeable latency in service configuration changes. With this update, OVN-Kubernetes is optimized to reduce the latency of service configuration changes. (BZ#2070674)

- Previously, the IP reconciliation CronJob for Whereabouts IPAM CNI would fail due to API connectivity issues, which caused CronJob to intermittently fail. With this update, CronJob launched on Whereabouts IPAM CNI use the api-internal server address and an extended api timeout to prevent these connectivity issues. (BZ#2048575)

- With this update, OpenShift Container Platform clusters with Kubernetes-NMState installed now include in the `must-gathers` Kubernetes-NMState resources. This improves issue handling by including resources from Kubernetes-NMState in must-gathers. (BZ#2062355)

- There is currently a known issue with host routes being ignored when load-balancer services are configured with cluster traffic policy. Consequently, egress traffic of load balancer services is steered to the default gateway and not towards the best matching route that is present on the host routing table. As a workaround, set the load balancer type Services to Local traffic policy. (BZ#2060159)

- Previously, PodDisruptionBudget specifications did not fit for single-node OpenShift clusters, which limited upgrade capabilities due to not all pods being able to be evicted. With this update, PodDisruptionBudget specification is adjusted based on cluster topology making Kubernetes-NMState operator capable of upgrading on single-node OpenShift clusters. (BZ#2075491)

- Previously, when setting up br-ex bridge on boot, the DHCP client id and IPv6 address generation mode configuration did not work properly causing an unexpected IP address on br-ex. With this update, DHCP client id and IPv6 generation mode configuration are now properly
set on br-ex. (BZ#2058030)

- Previously, egress-router-cni pods lacked some cluster internal routes due to the reliance on the gateway field of the CNI definition to delete the default route and inject its own. With this update, egress-router-cni pods inject the correct routing information so that pods reach external and internal cluster destinations. (BZ#2075475)

- Previously, a pod disruption budget was used to create an OVN raft quorum on single-node OpenShift. This raised an unhelpful PodDisruptionBudgetAtLimit alert on single-node OpenShift clusters. With this update, the PodDisruptionBudgetAtLimit alert is no longer raised on these clusters. (BZ#2037721)

- Previously, a race condition in the NetworkManager restart sometimes prevented DHCP resolution to successfully complete setting up the br-ex bridge on node boot when using OVN-Kubernetes. With this update, NetworkManager is no longer restarted when setting up br-ex, eliminating the race condition. (BZ#2055433)

- Previously, the PtpConfigSlave source custom resource (CR) was set to the unsupported network transport UDPv4, causing errors on Distributed Unit (DU) nodes. This fix updates the PtpConfigSlave source CR to use network transport L2 rather than UDPv4. As a result, errors are no longer found on the DU nodes. (BZ#2060492)

- Previously, all OpenShift Container Platform policies logging configurations were updated when a network policy was updated. This caused a noticeable latency on some concurrent or later network policies. With this update, all network policies are no longer updated when adding a new policy, eliminating latency. (BZ#2089392)

Networking performance improvements

- Previously, a systemd service set a default Recieve Packet Steering (RPS) mask according to the reserved CPUs list in the performance profile for all network devices visible from udev excluding virtual devices. A crio hook script set the RPS mask of all network devices visible from /sys/devices for guaranteed pods. This resulted in multiple impacts to network performance. In this update, the systemd service only sets the default RPS mask for virtual interfaces under /sys/devices/virtual. The crio hook script now also excludes physical devices. This configuration mitigates issues such as overloading of processes, lengthy polling intervals, and spikes in latency. (BZ#2081852)

Node

- Previously, the pod manager handled the registration and de-registration of pod secrets and config maps. Because of this, pod secrets would sometimes fail to be mounted within a pod. With this fix, the pod ID is included in the key that the kubelet uses to manage registered pods. As a result, secrets are properly mounted as expected. (BZ#1999325)

- Because of a memory leak in the garbage collection process, pods might not be able to start on a node due to lack of memory. With this fix memory is no longer leaking in the garbage collection process and nodes should start as expected. (BZ#2065749)

- Because of a change in the upstream Kubernetes, the kubelet was not running readiness probes on terminated pods. As a result, a load balancer or controller could react more slowly to a terminating pod, which might have resulted in errors. With this fix, readiness probes are again being performed on pod termination. (BZ#2089933)

- Because of a bug, the kubelet could incorrectly reject pods that have OutOfCpu errors, if the pods were rapidly scheduled after other pods were reported as complete in the API. With this fix, the kubelet now waits to report the phase of a pod as terminal in the API until all running
containers have stopped and no new containers have been started. Short-lived pods may take slightly longer, approximately 1s, to report either success or failure after this change. ([BZ#2022507](#))

- Because recent versions of the `prometheus-adapter` are sending additional pod metrics, the Vertical Pod Autoscaler (VPA) recommender is producing a large number of unnecessary and repetitive messages. With this fix, the VPA recognizes and ignores the extra metrics. As a result, these messages are no longer being produced. ([BZ#2102947](#))

OpenShift CLI (oc)

- Previously, `oc` catalog mirroring failed if an older, deprecated image version was used as the source. Now, the image manifest version is detected automatically and mirroring works successfully. ([BZ#2049133](#))

- Previously, it was hard to understand from the logs when fallback inspect occurred. The logs are now improved to make this more explicit. As a result, the output of `must-gather run` is much more clear. ([BZ#2035717](#))

- Previously, if you ran `must-gather` with invalid arguments, it did not consistently report the error and instead might attempt to collect data even when that is not possible. Now if `must-gather` is called with invalid options, it provides useful error output. ([BZ#1999891](#))

- Previously, if the `oc adm catalog mirror` command resulted in errors, it still continued and returned a 0 exit code. A `--continue-on-error` flag is now available that allows users to determine whether the command should continue if there are errors, or exit with a non-zero exit code. ([BZ#2088483](#))

- With this update, a `--subresource` flag was added to the `oc adm policy who-can` command to check who can perform a specified action on a subresource. ([BZ#1905850](#))

- Previously, users were unable to use tab completion for the `oc project` command. Now, hitting tab after `oc project` properly lists projects. ([BZ#2080416](#))

- Previously, startup probes were not removed from debug pods, which could cause issues with the debug pods if the startup probe failed. The `--keep-startup` flag has been added, which is `false` by default, meaning that startup probes are removed by default from debug pods. ([BZ#2056122](#))

- Previously, there was no timeout specified after invoking `oc debug node`, so users were never logged out of the cluster. A `TMOUT` environment variable has been added, so that after the specified time of inactivity, the session is automatically terminated. ([BZ#2043314](#))

- With this update, `oc login` now shows the URL for the web console even when users are logged out. ([BZ#1957668](#))

- Previously, the `oc rsync` command displayed a wrong error output when the container was not found. With this release, the `oc rsync` command displays the correct error message when the specific container is not running. ([BZ#2057633](#))

- Previously, large images could not be pruned if they were new to the cluster. This caused recent images to be omitted when filtering the over sized images. With this release, you can now prune images that exceed the given size. ([BZ#2083999](#))

- Previously, there was a typo in the `gather` script. As a result, insights data was not collected properly. With this release, the typo is corrected and Insights data is now properly collected through the `must-gather`. ([BZ#2106543](#))
- Previously, you could not apply the **EgressNetworkPolicy** resource type in your cluster through the **oc CLI**. With this release, you can now create, update, and delete an **EgressNetworkPolicy** resource. *(BZ#2071614)*

**Kubernetes Controller Manager**

- Previously, the beta feature for tracking jobs using pod finalizers was enabled by default. In some cases, pods were not always removed because the finalizers on them were not removed. With this update, the feature gate **JobTrackingWithFinalizers** is disabled by default. As a result, no pods should be left behind during removal. *(BZ#2075621)*

- Previously, a **PodDisruptionBudgetAtLimit** alert would occur whenever the CR replica count was zero. With this update, the alert will no longer fire if there is no application to disrupt or when the replica count is zero. *(BZ#2053622)*

**Operator Lifecycle Manager (OLM)**

- Before this update, invalid subscription labels were created when a resource name exceeded 63 characters. Truncating labels that exceed the 63-character limit resolves the issue, and the subscription resource no longer rejects the Kubernetes API. *(BZ#2016425)*

- Before this update, catalog source pods for the Marketplace Operator prevented nodes from draining. As a result, the Cluster Autoscaler could not scale down effectively. With this update, adding the **cluster-autoscaler.kubernetes.io/safe-to-evict** annotation to the catalog source pods fixes the issue, and the Cluster Autoscaler can scale down effectively. *(BZ#2053343)*

- Before this update, the **collect-profiles** job could take a long time to complete in certain circumstances, such as when a pod could not be scheduled. As a result, if enough jobs were scheduled but unable to run, the number of scheduled jobs exceeded pod quota limits. With this update, only one **collect-profiles** pod exists at a time, and the **collect-profiles** job does not exceed pod quota limits. *(BZ#2055861)*

- Before this update, the package server was not aware of pod topology when defining its leader election duration, renewal deadline, and retry periods. As a result, the package server strained topologies with limited resources, such as single-node environments. This update introduces a **leaderElection** package that sets reasonable lease duration, renewal deadlines, and retry periods. This fix reduces strain on clusters with limited resources. *(BZ#2048563)*

- Previously, there was a bad catalog source in the **openshift-marketplace** namespace. Because of this, all subscriptions were blocked. With this update, if there is a bad catalog source in the **openshift-marketplace** namespace, users can subscribe to an operator from a quality catalog source of their own namespace with the original annotation. As a result, if there is a bad catalog source in the local namespace, the user cannot subscribe to any operator in the namespace. *(BZ#2076323)*

- Previously, info-level logs were generated during **operator-marketplace** project polling, which caused log spam. This update uses the command line flag to reduce the log line to the debug level, and adds more control of the log levels for the user. As a result, this reduces log spam. *(BZ#2057558)*

- Previously, each component managed by the Cluster Version Operator (CVO) consisted of YAML files defined in the **/manifest** directory in the root of a repository for a project. When removing a YAML file from the **/manifest** directory, you needed to add the **release.openshift.io/delete: “true”** annotation, otherwise the CVO would not delete the resources from the cluster. This update reintroduces any resources that were removed from the
directory and adds the `release.openshift.io/delete: "true"` annotation so that the CVO cleans up the resources. As a result, resources that are no longer required for the OLM component are removed from the cluster. (BZ#1975543)

- Previously, the `CheckRegistryServer` function used by gRPC catalog sources did not confirm the existence of the service account associated with the catalog source. This caused the existence of an unhealthy catalog source with no service account. With this update, the gRPC `CheckRegistryServer` function checks if the service account exists and recreates the service if it is not found. As a result, the OLM recreates service accounts owned by gRPC catalog sources if they do not exist. (BZ#2074612)

- Previously, in an error message that occurred when users ran `opm index prune` against a file-based catalog image, imprecise language made it unclear that this command does not support that catalog format. This update clarifies the error message so users understand that the command `opm index prune` only supports SQLite-based images. (BZ#2039135)

- Previously, there was a broken thread safety around the Operator API. Consequently, Operator resources were not properly deleted. With this update, Operator resources are correctly deleted. (BZ#2015023)

- Previously, pod failures were artificially extending the validity period of certificates causing them to incorrectly rotate. With this update, the certificate validity period is correctly determined and the certificates are correctly rotated. (BZ#2020484)

- In OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 the default cluster-wide pod security admission policy is set to baseline for all namespaces and the default warning level is set to restricted. Before this update, Operator Lifecycle Manager displayed pod security admission warnings in the `operator-marketplace` namespace. With this fix, reducing the warning level to baseline resolves the issue. (BZ#2088541)

**Operator SDK**

- Before this update, the Operator SDK used upstream images rather than downstream supported images to scaffold Hybrid Helm-based Operators. With this update, the Operator SDK uses supported downstream images to scaffold Hybrid Helm-based Operators. (BZ#2039135)

- With OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, Operator SDK allows for arm64 Operator images to be built. As a result, Operator SDK now supports building Operator images that target arm64. (BZ#2035899)

- Previously, {product-tile} running Hybrid Helm Operators scaffolded with Operator SDK would use upstream images rather than supported downstream images. With this update, scaffolding a Hybrid Helm Operator uses downstream images. (BZ#2066615)

**OpenShift API server**

- Because multiple Authentication Operator controllers were synchronizing at the same time, the Authentication Operator was taking too long to react to changes to its configuration. This feature adds jitter to the regular synchronization periods so that the Authentication Operator controllers do not compete for resources. As a result, it now takes less time for the Authentication Operator to react to configuration changes. (BZ#1958198)

- With OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, authentication attempts from external identity providers are now logged to the audit logs. As a result, you can view successful, failed, and errored login attempts from external identity providers in the audit logs. (BZ#2086465)
Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS)

- Before this update, if a machine was booted through PXE and the **BOOTIF** argument was on the kernel command line, the machine would boot with DHCP enabled on only a single interface. With this update, the machine boots with DHCP enabled on all interfaces even if the **BOOTIF** argument is provided. (**BZ#2032717**)  

- Previously, nodes that were provisioned from VMware OVA images did not delete the Ignition config after initial provisioning. Consequently, this created security issues when secrets are stored within the Ignition config. With this update, the Ignition config is now deleted from the VMware hypervisor after initial provisioning on new nodes and when upgrading from a previous OpenShift Container Platform release on existing nodes. (**BZ#2082274**)  

- Previously, any arguments provided to the **toolbox** command were ignored when the command was first invoked. This fix updates the toolbox script to initiate the **podman container create** command followed by the **podman start** and **podman exec** commands. It also modifies the script to handle multiple arguments and whitespaces as an array. As a result, the arguments passed to the **toolbox** command are executed every time as expected. (**BZ#2039589**)  

Performance Addon Operator

- Previously, the CNF cyclictest runner should have provided the **--mainaffinity** argument, which told the binary which thread it should run on, however the cyclictest runner was missing the **--mainaffinity** argument. This update adds the **--mainaffinity** argument to the cyclictest runner, so that it is properly passed to the **cyclictest** command. (**BZ#2051540**)  

- Previously, the **oslat** container specs lacked the **cpu-quota.crio.io: "disable"** annotation, which resulted in high latency. Consequently, the **cpu-quay.crio.io:"disable"** annotation was missing from the pod definition during creation. With this update, the **cpu-quota.crio.io:"disable"** annotation is appended during pod creation and, as a result, appears in the **oslat** pod’s **specification** field. (**BZ#2061676**)  

Routing

- Previously, the Ingress Operator did not validate whether a Kubernetes service object in the OpenShift Ingress namespace was created or owned by the Ingress Controller it was trying to reconcile with. Therefore, the Ingress Operator would modify or remove Kubernetes services that had the same name and namespace, regardless of ownership, causing unexpected behavior. With this update, the Ingress Operator can now check the ownership of existing Kubernetes services before attempting to modify or remove services. If ownership does not match, the Ingress Operator shows an error and does not take any action. As a result, the Ingress Operator cannot cannot modify or delete a custom Kubernetes service with the same name as the OpenShift Ingress namespace that it wants to modify or remove. (**BZ#2054200**)  

- Previously, OpenShift Container Platform 4.8 added an API for customizing platform routes. This API includes status and spec fields in the cluster ingress configuration for reporting the current host names of customizable routes and the user’s desired host names for these routes, respectively. The API also defined constraints for these values. These constraints were restrictive and excluded some valid potential host names. Consequently, the restrictive validation for the API prevented users from specifying custom host names that should have been permitted and prevented users from being able to install clusters with domains that should have been permitted. With this update, the constraints on host names were relaxed to allow all host names that are valid for routes and OpenShift Container Platform allows users to use cluster domains with TLDs that contain decimal digits. (**BZ#2039256**)  

- Previously, the Ingress Operator did not check whether Ingress Controllers configured with cluster **spec.domain** parameter matched the **spec.baseDomain** parameter. This caused the
Operator to create DNS records and set DNSManaged conditions to false. With this fix, the Ingress Operator now checks whether the spec.domain parameter matches with the cluster spec.baseDomain. As a result, for custom Ingress Controllers, the Ingress Operator does not create DNS records and sets DNSManaged conditions to false. (BZ#2041616)

- Previously, in OpenShift Container Platform 4.10, the HAProxy must-gather function could take up to an hour to run. This can happen when routers in the terminating state delay the oc cp command. The delay lasts until the pod is terminated. With the new release, a 10 minute limit on the oc op command prevents longer delays. (BZ#2104701)

- Previously, the Ingress Operator did not clear the route status when Ingress Controllers were deleted, showing that the route was still in the operator after its deletion. This fix clears the route status when an Ingress Controller is deleted, resulting in the route being cleared in the operator after its deletion. (BZ#1944851)

- Previously, the output for the oc explain router.status.ingress.conditions command explain route status showed Currently only Ready rather than Admitted due to incorrect wording in the Application Programming Interface (API). This fix corrects the wording in the API. As a result, the command output is correct. (BZ#2041133)

- Previously, the Ingress Operator detected that the user modified an annotation that the Operator manages on the LoadBalancer-type service. Consequently, the Operator set the Ingress Cluster Operator’s Upgradeable status condition to False to block upgrades, and the Ingress Operator erroneously set the Upgradeable status condition to False, blocking upgrades, if the service had no annotations. Now, the logic that checks the service’s annotations correctly handles empty annotations, and the Ingress Operator no longer erroneously blocks upgrades. (BZ#2097555)

- Previously, the Ingress Operator removed a finalizer that the Operator added to LoadBalancer-type services from previous versions of OpenShift Container Platform. With this update, the Ingress Operator no longer removes finalizers. (BZ#2069457)

- The Ingress Operator performs health checks against the ingress canary route. Before this update, keepalive daemons are enabled on the connection, which caused the Ingress Operator not to close the TCP Connection to the load balancer (LB) after the health check was completed. A new connection was created for the next health check instead of using the existing connection. Consequently, the connection built on the load balancer and creating too many connections on the load balancer. With this update, keepalive daemons are disabled when connecting to the canary route, and a new connection is made and closed each time the canary probe is run. (BZ#2037447)

- Previously, the Ingress Controller did not set the allowPrivilegeEscalation value to false in the router deployment, which caused the router pods to be selected into the incorrect Security Context Constraint (SCC) and created conflicts with custom SCCs. This fix sets the allowPrivilegeEscalation value to true, ensuring that router pods are selected into the correct SCC and avoid conflicts with custom SCCs. (BZ#2007246)

- Previously, when the canary route was not admitted to an Ingress Controller, the Ingress Operator status condition did not show as degraded. Consequently, the canary route could have shown as valid when its status condition should show as not admitted. With this update, the Ingress Operator status more accurately reflects the status of the canary controller. (BZ#2021446)

- Previously, the openshift-router process briefly ignored the SIGTERM shutdown signal. This caused containers to ignore a Kubernetes shutdown request, resulting in one hour shutdown times. With this update, the router now responds to SIGTERM signals. (BZ#2076297)
- Previously, when an Ingress Controller for an admitted route was deleted or a sharding configuration was added, a false status of `admitted` was given. With this update, the Ingress Controller clears the status of an `unadmitted` route, avoiding the false status scenario. (BZ#1944851)

- Previously, OpenShift Container Platform clusters installed using version 4.7 or earlier maintained a `service.beta.kubernetes.io/aws-load-balancer-internal` annotation value of `0.0.0.0/0`. Clusters that were installed using 4.8 or later have the annotation value `true`. AWS cloud-provider implementations that check for the annotation value `true` would return the wrong result if the value was `0.0.0.0/0`. As a result, cluster upgrades to 4.10 would not complete. With this update, the annotation value is normalized to `true` so that the cluster upgrades can complete. (BZ#2055470)

**Scalability and performance**

- Before this update, SRO installed Node Feature Discovery (NFD) by default, regardless of whether NFD had already been installed. If NFD had been installed, this would cause the SRO deployment to fail. SRO no longer deploys NFD by default.

**Storage**

- Previously, the Alibaba Container Storage Interface (CS) driver that shipped with OpenShift Container Platform returned errors when a user created a persistent volume claim (PVC) smaller than 20 GiB. This was due to Alibaba Cloud only supporting volumes larger than 20 GiB. With this update, Alibaba CSI driver automatically increases all volume sizes to at least 20 GiB and smaller PVCs are now dynamically provisioned. This can result in increased costs. Administrators can use quota on PVC count for each namespace in restricted environments to limit costs. (BZ#2057495)

- In earlier versions, the Local Storage Operator (LSO) added an owner reference to the persistent volumes (PVs) it created, such that deletion of the node would also issue a delete request for the PV. This could result in the PV remaining in the `Terminating` state while still attached to a pod. LSO no longer creates that OwnerReference, which means cluster administrators must delete any unused PVs after a node is removed from the cluster. (BZ#2061447) For more information, see Persistent storage using local volumes.

- This fix ensures that read-only-many volumes are provisioned appropriately by GCP CSI Driver as read-only. (BZ#1968253)

- OpenShift Container Platform allows installation of vSphere CSI drivers shipped by either the upstream community or VMware. Although Red Hat does not support this driver, cluster administrators can still install and use it because it has more features than the vSphere CSI driver shipped by Red Hat. OpenShift Container Platform can be upgraded to 4.11 with the upstream and VMware vSphere CSI driver, however, you will be warned about the presence of a third party CSI driver. For more information, see (BZ#2089419) and (BZ#2052071).

- With this update, the default credentials request for Amazon Web Services (AWS) is modified to allow mounting of encrypted volumes using customer managed keys from Key Managment Service (KMS). Administrators who created credentials requests in manual mode with the Cloud Creditial Operator (CCO) will need to apply those changes manually if they intend to mount encrypted volumes using customer managed keys on AWS. Other administrators should not be impacted by this change. (BZ#2049872)

- Previously, after deleting an OpenShift Container Platform cluster deployed on IBM Cloud, the back-end storage volumes were not deleted. This prevented the cluster resources from being completely removed. This fix adds support in the installation program and the Container
Web console (Developer perspective)

- Before this update, the Git Import form displayed an error message when an invalid devfile repository (older than devfile v2.2) is entered. With this update, the error message states that devfiles older than v2.2 are not supported. (BZ#2046435)

- Before this update, if the ConsoleLink CR (openshift-blog) was not available in the cluster, the blog link was undefined. Clicking on the blog link did not redirect to the OpenShift blog. With this update, a fall back link to https://developers.redhat.com/products/openshift/whats-new is added even if the ConsoleLink CR (openshift-blog) is not present in the cluster. (BZ#2050637)

- Before this update, the API version for the kafka CR was updated. This version did not support the old version, so an empty Bootstrap server was displayed on Create Event Source - KafkaSource even if it was created. With this update, the updated APIs for the Kafka CR support the old versions and renders the Bootstrap server list in Create Event Source - KafkaSource form. (BZ#2058623)

- Before this update, when you used the Import from Git form to import a private Git repository, the correct import type and a builder image were not identified because the secret to fetch the private repository details was not decoded. With this update, the Import from Git form decodes the secret to fetch the private repository details. (BZ#2053501)

- Before this update, from the developer perspective, the Observe dashboard opened for the most recently viewed workload rather than the one you selected in the Topology view. This issue happens because the session prefers the redux store instead of the query parameters in the URL. With this update, the Observe dashboard renders components based on the query parameters in the URL. (BZ#2052953)

- Before this update, the Pipeline used to start with the hardcoded value gp2 as the default storage class even if it did not exist on the cluster. With this update, you can use the default specified storage class name instead of a hardcoded value. (BZ#2084635)

- Before this update, while running high-volume pipeline logs, the auto-scroll functionality does not work and logs display older messages. Running high-volume pipeline logs generates a large number of calls to the scrollIntoView method. With this update, high-volume pipeline logs do not generate any calls to the scrollIntoView method and gives a smooth auto-scroll functionality. (BZ#2014161)

- Before this update, when creating a RoleBinding using the Create RoleBinding form, the subject name was mandatory. A missing subject name fails to load the Project Access tab. With this update, the RoleBinding without the Subject Name property is not listed in the Project Access tab. (BZ#2051558)

- Before this update, the sink and trigger for event sources showed all the resources, even though those are standalone or part of backing the k-native service, Broker, or KameletBinding. The addressed resources used to show in the sink dropdown list. With this update, a filter has been added to show only standalone resources as sink. (BZ#2054285)

- Before this update, the empty tabs in the sidebar of the topology view were not filtered out before rendering. This displayed invalid tabs for Workloads in the topology view. With this update, the empty tabs are filtered properly before rendering. (BZ#2049483)

- Before this update, when a pipeline is started using the Start Last Run button, the started-by
annotation of the created PipelineRun was not updated to the correct username so the triggered by section did not show the correct username. With this update, the started-by annotation value is updated to the correct username and the triggered by section shows the username of the correct user that started the pipeline. (BZ#2046618)

- Before this update, the ProjectHelmChartRepository CR does not show up in the cluster. Consequently, the API schema for this CR has not been initialized in the cluster yet. With this update the ProjectHelmChartRepository shows up in the cluster. (BZ#2054197)

- Before this update, when you navigate using a keyboard in the topology, the selected items were not highlighted. With this update, navigation using a keyboard highlights and updates styles to the selected items. (BZ#2039277)

- Before this update, the layout of the web terminal opened outside of the default view and could not be resized. With this update, the web terminal opens inside the default view and resizes properly. (BZ#2022253)

- Before this update, some of the sidebar items did not contain namespace context. Consequently, when links were opened from another browser, or opening links from a different active namespace, the web console does not switch to the correct namespace. With this update, the correct namespace is selected when opening the URL. (BZ#2039647)

- Previously, when using the console to instantiate a template, its parameters were stored as a secret resource. When the template was removed, the secret remained. This consequently created an unnecessary build up of secrets in a cluster. With this update, an ownership reference is added to the secret that maps to the template instance. Now, when the template instance is removed, the secret is also removed. (BZ#2015042)

- With this update, the jsonData property has been deprecated and replaced with data in the ping source. (BZ#2084438)

- Previously, the topology view in the OpenShift Container Platform web console would fail or lag for clusters with more than 100 nodes. With this update, the topology view shows a LimitExceeded state for clusters with more than 100 nodes. An option is provided to view the resources by using the Search page instead. Alternatively, you can click Show topology anyway to continue to load the topology view. (BZ#2060329)

- Previously, if a service exposed multiple service ports and the route target port was 8080, attempts to change the target port would result in another service port being updated instead of the port 8080 service port. With this update, the service port corresponding to the active target port is replaced when a new target port is set. (BZ#2077943)

- Previously, the git detection used to manage instance APIs to get repository information did not work for repositories from self hosted GitHub and Bitbucket. With this update, detection for self hosted GitHub and Bitbucket instance repositories works. (BZ#2038244)

- Previously, apiVersion was not passed in the correct format to the Resource drop-down menu in the EventSource creation form. This caused InContext to not be selected under EventSource creation, which excluded it from the Resource drop-down menu. With this update, the Resource drop-down menu includes Resource from InContext. (BZ#2070020)

- Previously, the Pipeline metrics page displayed all API calls for the metrics query and failed with a 404 error. With this update, the prometheus-tenancy API is used to get the metrics data for the pipeline. Now, the pipeline metrics page displays all data and graphs to the non-admin user with at least view access to the namespace. (BZ#2041769)

- Previously, you could access a quick search and add modal with the Ctrl+space keyboard...
shortcut, but you could not close them by using the same keyboard shortcut. With this update, you can close the quick search and add modal using the Ctrl+space keyboard shortcut. (BZ#2093586)

- Previously, the resources created for user settings were not removed if the user was deleted. Consequently, the created resources in the openshift-console-user-settings namespace was never removed. With this update, an ownerReference is added to your metadata at creation. This allows automatic removal of the resources when the user no longer exists. (BZ#2019564)

1.7. TECHNOLOGY PREVIEW FEATURES

Some features in this release are currently in Technology Preview. These experimental features are not intended for production use. Note the following scope of support on the Red Hat Customer Portal for these features:

Technology Preview Features Support Scope

In the table below, features are marked with the following statuses:

- TP: Technology Preview
- GA: General Availability
- -: Not Available
- DEP: Deprecated

Table 1.2. Technology Preview tracker

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### 1.8. KNOWN ISSUES

- In OpenShift Container Platform 4.1, anonymous users could access discovery endpoints. Later releases revoked this access to reduce the possible attack surface for security exploits because some discovery endpoints are forwarded to aggregated API servers. However, unauthenticated access is preserved in upgraded clusters so that existing use cases are not broken.

If you are a cluster administrator for a cluster that has been upgraded from OpenShift Container Platform 4.1 to 4.8, you can either revoke or continue to allow unauthenticated access. Unless there is a specific need for unauthenticated access, you should revoke it. If you do continue to allow unauthenticated access, be aware of the increased risks.
WARNING

If you have applications that rely on unauthenticated access, they might receive HTTP 403 errors if you revoke unauthenticated access.

Use the following script to revoke unauthenticated access to discovery endpoints:

```bash
## Snippet to remove unauthenticated group from all the cluster role bindings
$ for clusterrolebinding in cluster-status-binding discovery system:basic-user system:discovery system:openshift:discovery ;
do
  ### Find the index of unauthenticated group in list of subjects
  index=$(oc get clusterrolebinding $clusterrolebinding -o json | jq 'select(.subjects!=null) | .subjects | map(.name=="system:unauthenticated") | index(true)');
  ### Remove the element at index from subjects array
  oc patch clusterrolebinding $clusterrolebinding --type=json --patch "[{'op': 'remove','path': '/subjects/$index'}]";
done
```

This script removes unauthenticated subjects from the following cluster role bindings:

- `cluster-status-binding`
- `discovery`
- `system:basic-user`
- `system:discovery`
- `system:openshift:discovery`

(BZ#1821771)

- The `oc annotate` command does not work for LDAP group names that contain an equal sign (=), because the command uses the equal sign as a delimiter between the annotation name and value. As a workaround, use `oc patch` or `oc edit` to add the annotation. (BZ#1917280)

- In the monitoring stack, if you have enabled and deployed a dedicated Alertmanager instance for user-defined alerts, you cannot silence alerts in the Developer perspective in the OpenShift Container Platform web console. No workaround exists for this issue. (BZ#2100860)

- On a newly installed OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 cluster, platform monitoring alerts do not have the `openshift_io_alert_source="platform"` label. This issue does not affect clusters upgraded from a previous minor version. There is currently no workaround exists for this issue. (BZ#2103127)

- In the Red Hat OpenStack Platform (RHOSP), a potential issue can affect Kuryr when the ports pools are populated with a variety of bulk port creation requests made at the same time. During these bulk requests, if the IP allocation for one of the IP addresses fails, the Neutron retries the operation for all ports. This issue was resolved in a previous errata; however, you can set a small value for the ports pools batch to avoid large bulk port creation requests. (BZ#2024690)
The oc-mirror CLI plug-in cannot mirror OpenShift Container Platform catalogs earlier than version 4.9. (BZ#2097210)

The oc-mirror CLI plug-in can fail to upload an image set to the target mirror registry if the archiveSize value in the image set configuration is smaller than the container image size, causing the catalog directory to span multiple archives. (BZ#2106461)

In OpenShift Container Platform 4.11, the MetalLB Operator scope has changed from namespace to cluster and this results in upgrading from a prior version failing. As a workaround, remove the previous version of the MetalLB Operator. Do not delete the namespace or the instance of the MetalLB custom resource, and deploy the new Operator version. This keeps MetalLB running and configured.

For more information, see Upgrading the MetalLB Operator. (BZ#2100180)

The OpenShift CLI (oc) for OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 does not work properly on macOS due to a change in error handling of untrusted certificates in Go 1.18 libraries. Due to this change, oc login and other oc commands can fail with a certificate is not trusted error without proceeding further when running on macOS. Until the error handling is properly fixed in Go 1.18 (tracked by Go issue #52010), the workaround is to use the OpenShift Container Platform 4.10 oc CLI instead. Note that when using the OpenShift Container Platform 4.10 oc CLI with an OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 cluster, it is no longer possible to get a token by using the oc serviceaccounts get-token <service_account> command. (BZ#2097830) (BZ#2109799)

There is currently a known issue in the Add Helm Chart Repositories form to extend the Developer Catalog of a project. The Quick Start guides shows that you can add the ProjectHelmChartRepository CR in the desired namespace whereas it does not mention that to perform this you need permission from the kubeadmin. (BZ#2054197)

There is currently a known issue. If you create an instance of ProjectHelmChartRepository custom resource (CR) that uses TLS verification, you cannot list the repositories and perform Helm-related operations. There is currently no workaround for this issue. (HELM-343)

If the pruner fails, the Image Registry Operator is degraded until the pruner successfully runs. By default, the pruner runs once a day. As a workaround, you can give it more opportunities to run successfully by configuring it to run more often. (BZ#1990125)

When running OpenShift Container Platform on bare-metal IBM Power, there is a known issue that the Petitboot bootloader is unable to populate boot configurations for some RHCOS live images. In such cases, after booting nodes with PXE to install RHCOS, the expected live image disk configuration might not be visible.

As a workaround, you can boot manually with kexec from the Petitboot shell.

Identify the disk that holds the live image, in this example nvme0n1p3, and run the following commands:

```
# cd /var/petitboot/mnt/dev/nvme0n1p3/ostree/rhcos-*/
# kexec -l vmlinuz-*.ppc64le -i initramfs-*.img -c "ignition.firstboot rd.neednet=1 ip=dhcp $(grep options /var/petitboot/mnt/dev/nvme0n1p3/loader/entries/ostree-1-rhcos.conf | sed 's,\"options \,"',")" && kexec -e
```

(BZ#2107674)

In a disconnected environment, SRO does not try to fetch DTK from the main registry. It fetches from the mirror registry instead. (BZ#2102724)
The process counter displays incorrect information for the `phc2sys` process on the interface where `phc2sys` is not running. There is currently no workaround for this issue. (OCPBUGSM-46005)

When a network interface controller (NIC) in a node with a dual NIC PTP configuration is shut down, a faulty event is generated for both PTP interfaces. There is currently no workaround for this issue. (OCPBUGSM-46004)

In low-band systems, the system clock does not synchronize with the PTP ordinary clock after the grandmaster clock is disconnected for a few hours and recovered. There is currently no workaround for this issue. (OCPBUGSM-45173)

Previously, if you were using the OVN-Kubernetes cluster network provider, if a service with `type=LoadBalancer` was configured with `internalTrafficPolicy=cluster` set, then all traffic was routed to the default gateway, even if the host routing table included better routes to use. Now the best route is used rather than always using the default gateway. (BZ#2060159)

When an OVN cluster has more than 75 worker nodes, simultaneously creating 2000 or more services and route objects can cause pods created at the same time to hang in the `ContainerCreating` status. If this problem occurs, entering the `oc describe pod <podname>` command will show events with the following warning: 'FailedCreatePodSandBox...failed to configure pod interface: timed out waiting for OVS port binding (ovn-installed)'. There is currently no workaround for this issue. (BZ#2084062)

There is currently a known issue with OVN-Kubernetes that whenever the NetworkManager service restarts the node will lose network connectivity and must be recovered. (BZ#2074009)

The default security context constraint (SCC) might cause a pod using generic ephemeral volumes to remain in the Pending state. To work around this issue, you can create a custom SCC. For more information, see Pods with Generic Ephemeral Volumes fail with SCC errors. For the workaround, see Allowing the use of generic ephemeral volumes. (BZ#2100429)

If you have OpenShift sandboxed containers, when upgrading a cluster, you might encounter an issue where the Machine Config Operator (MCO) pod changes to a CrashLoopBackOff state and the openshift.io/scc annotation of the pod displays `sandboxed-containers-operator-scc` instead of the default `hostmount-anyuid` value. If this happens, temporarily change the `seLinuxOptions` strategy in the `sandboxed-containers-operator-scc` SCC to the less restrictive RunAsAny, so that the admission process does not prefer it over the `hostmount-anyuid` SCC.

1. Change the `seLinuxOptions` strategy by running the following command:

   ```bash
   $ oc patch scc sandboxed-containers-operator-scc --type=merge --patch '{"seLinuxContext":{"type": "RunAsAny"}}'
   ```

2. Restart the MCO pod by running the following commands:

   ```bash
   $ oc scale deployments/machine-config-operator -n openshift-machine-config-operator --replicas=0
   $ oc scale deployments/machine-config-operator -n openshift-machine-config-operator --replicas=1
   ```

3. Revert the `seLinuxOptions` strategy of the `sandboxed-containers-operator-scc` to its original value of MustRunAs by running the following command:
Verify that the `hostmount-anyuid` SCC is applied to the MCO pod by running the following command:

```
$ oc get pods -n openshift-machine-config-operator -l k8s-app=machine-config-operator -o yaml | grep scc
openshift.io/scc: hostmount-anyuid
```

(KATA-1373)

- The pipeline metrics API does not support the required `pipelinerun/taskrun` histogram values from RHOSP 1.6 and beyond. Consequently, the Metrics tab in the Pipeline → Details page is removed instead of displaying incorrect values. There is currently no workaround for this issue. (link: BZ#2074767)

- Some Alibabacloud services are not placing all resources of a cluster into a specified resource group. Consequently, some resources created by the OpenShift Container Platform installation program are placed in the default resource group. There is currently no workaround for this issue. (BZ#2096692)

- After rebooting each cluster node, cluster Operators network and kube-apiserver turns to degraded after rebooting each node of the cluster and the cluster turns unhealthy. There is currently no workaround for this issue. (BZ#2102011)

- When `resourceGroupId` is specified in `install-config.yaml`, an error is displayed when deleting bootstrap resources and OpenShift Container Platform installation fails. As a workaround for this issue, do not specify `resourceGroupId` in `install-config.yaml`. (BZ#2100746)

- There is a known issue on Nutanix where persistent volumes (PVs) created by a cluster are not cleaned up by the `destroy cluster` command. As a workaround for this issue, you need to clean up the PVs manually. (BZ#2108700)

- There is currently a known issue when creating and editing `egressqos` with incorrect syntax or values success. The incorrect values in `egressqos` should not be able to be created successfully. As a workaround, use

```
diff --git a/go-controller/pkg/crd/egressqos/v1/types.go b/go-controller/pkg/crd/egressqos/v1/types.go
index a90ab14ff..f7f6f1a71 100644
--- a/go-controller/pkg/crd/egressqos/v1/types.go
+++ b/go-controller/pkg/crd/egressqos/v1/types.go
@@ -59,6 +59,7 @@ type EgressQoSRule struct {
+     // +kubebuilder:validation:Format="cidr"
```
1.9. ASYNCHRONOUS ERRATA UPDATES

Security, bug fix, and enhancement updates for OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 are released as asynchronous errata through the Red Hat Network. All OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 errata is available on the Red Hat Customer Portal. See the OpenShift Container Platform Life Cycle for more information about asynchronous errata.

Red Hat Customer Portal users can enable errata notifications in the account settings for Red Hat Subscription Management (RHSM). When errata notifications are enabled, users are notified through email whenever new errata relevant to their registered systems are released.

**NOTE**

Red Hat Customer Portal user accounts must have systems registered and consuming OpenShift Container Platform entitlements for OpenShift Container Platform errata notification emails to generate.

This section will continue to be updated over time to provide notes on enhancements and bug fixes for future asynchronous errata releases of OpenShift Container Platform 4.11. Versioned asynchronous releases, for example with the form OpenShift Container Platform 4.11.z, will be detailed in subsections. In addition, releases in which the errata text cannot fit in the space provided by the advisory will be detailed in subsections that follow.

**IMPORTANT**

For any OpenShift Container Platform release, always review the instructions on updating your cluster properly.

1.9.1. RHSA-2022:5069 - OpenShift Container Platform 4.11.0 image release, bug fix, and security update advisory

Issued: 2022-08-10

OpenShift Container Platform release 4.11.0, which includes security updates, is now available. The list of bug fixes that are included in the update is documented in the RHSA-2022:5069 advisory. The RPM packages that are included in the update are provided by the RHSA-2022:5068 advisory.

You can view the container images in this release by running the following command:

$ oc adm release info 4.11.0 --pullspecs

1.9.2. RHSA-2022:6103 - OpenShift Container Platform 4.11.1 bug fix and security update

Issued: 2022-08-23
OpenShift Container Platform release 4.11.1, which includes security updates, is now available. The list of bug fixes that are included in the update is documented in the RHSA-2022:6103 advisory. The RPM packages that are included in the update are provided by the RHSA-2022:6102 advisory.

You can view the container images in this release by running the following command:

```
$ oc adm release info 4.11.1 --pullspecs
```

1.9.2.1. Bug fixes

- Previously, the functionality of Bond-CNI was limited to only active-backup mode. With this update, the bonding modes supported are:
  
  - `balance-rr` - 0
  - `active-backup` - 1
  - `balance-xor` - 2

(BZ#2102047)

1.9.2.2. Updating

To update an existing OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 cluster to this latest release, see Updating a cluster using the CLI for instructions.

1.9.3. RHSA-2022:6143 - OpenShift Container Platform 4.11.2 bug fix update

Issued: 2022-08-29

OpenShift Container Platform release 4.11.2 is now available. The list of bug fixes that are included in the update is documented in the RHSA-2022:6143 advisory. The RPM packages that are included in the update are provided by the RHSA-2022:6142 advisory.

You can view the container images in this release by running the following command:

```
$ oc adm release info 4.11.2 --pullspecs
```

1.9.3.1. Updating

To update an existing OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 cluster to this latest release, see Updating a cluster using the CLI for instructions.