

# Advisory Council Working Group Update

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# AC Working Group Update

- Policy Experience Report Working Group (PER WG) Update
- Policy Engagement Working Group (PE WG) Update



# Policy Experience Report Working Group Update

# Purpose and Scope



The Policy Experience Report Working Group is responsible for reviewing staff produced Policy Experience reports and recommending relevant updates in the form of Policy Proposals submitted through the ARIN Policy Development Process.

We receive Policy Experience reports after each Public Policy Meeting as well as in January during the ARIN AC face-to-face meeting.

# Statistics



Number of proposals

2023 – 1

2024 – 3

2025 – 2

2026 – can't wait!!!

# What's HOT



# What's Hot



- ❖ Elimination of NRPM 8.5.7 (Alternative Additional IPv4 Transfer Criteria)
- ❖ IPv6 Initial Allocation to LIRs – NRPM 6.5.2.1 Simplification
- ❖ Inter-RIR Transfer Discrepancies (NRPM 8.4) – Imbalance of policy?
- ❖ Multiple IPv4 Direct Allocation Policies (4.1.8, 4.4, 4.10)

# Elimination of NRPM 8.5.7



## Alternative Additional IPv4 Transfer Criteria

### **Background**

NRPM 8.5.7 allows organizations to qualify for IPv4 transfers using alternative criteria instead of traditional needs-based justification.

### **Current Observations**

- Limited use in recent years
- Overlaps with other transfer provisions
- May introduce unnecessary policy complexity

# Elimination of NRPM 8.5.7



## Working Group Considerations

- Whether the provision still serves a meaningful purpose
- Potential benefits of eliminating the section
- Impact on organizations currently relying on it

## Status

- Gathering operational feedback and usage data
- Evaluating whether removal would simplify the transfer framework

# IPv6 Initial Allocation Simplification



## NRPM 6.5.2.1

### Background

The current policy describes the criteria for an initial IPv6 allocation to Local Internet Registries (LIRs).

### Current Observations

- Language may be more complex than necessary
- Criteria could potentially be simplified while preserving intent
- Alignment with modern IPv6 deployment practices may be beneficial

# IPv6 Initial Allocation Simplification



## NRPM 6.5.2.1

### Working Group Considerations

- Simplifying qualification requirements
- Improving clarity for new LIRs
- Maintaining consistency with operational realities

### Status

- Reviewing community feedback on current policies in motion
- Identifying possible simplification approaches

# Inter-RIR Transfer Discrepancies

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## NRPM 8.4

- This policy governs IPv4 transfers between ARIN and other Regional Internet Registries:
  - RIPE NCC
  - APNIC
  - LACNIC
  - AFRINIC

## Current Observations

- Policy requirements differ across RIRs
- Needs-based requirements are inconsistent
- This can create asymmetry in transfer flows

# Inter-RIR Transfer Discrepancies



## Working Group Considerations

- Whether current ARIN policy contributes to transfer imbalance
- Operational challenges created by differing policies
- Possible approaches to improve alignment or clarity, leasing

## Status

- Reviewing transfer data and community input
- Assessing whether policy changes may be warranted



# Multiple IPv4 Direct Allocation Policies



## Relevant sections:

- **NRPM 4.1.8**
- **NRPM 4.4**
- **NRPM 4.10**

## Background

There are multiple sections governing direct IPv4 allocations under different circumstances.

## Current Observations

- Policy structure may be difficult to navigate
- Some provisions overlap or create confusion
- Consolidation may improve usability

# Multiple IPv4 Direct Allocation Policies



## Working Group Considerations

- Whether these policies should be merged or reorganized
- Opportunities to simplify the policy framework
- Maintaining fairness and consistency in allocations

## Status

- Reviewing how these policies are used operationally
- Identifying potential simplification opportunities



**Scan to subscribe to the Public Policy Mailing List** for discussions and requests for feedback from our Working Group members! We welcome all comments, questions, and ideas.





# Policy Engagement Working Group Update

# Policy Engagement WG Purpose and Scope



**Purpose:** The purpose of the Policy Engagement Working Group is to promote awareness, engagement, and informed participation by the ARIN community and the Advisory Council in the Policy Development Process.

**Scope:** The Working Group shall, in coordination with the AC Chair and relevant ARIN staff, propose ways for the AC to increase community awareness and participation in the Policy Development Process. The Working Group will explore new ways for the AC to engage the ARIN community and develop and deliver policy related content of interest and relevance to the ARIN community.

# Developing Engagement – Our Surveys



Today policy development takes place in two forums:

1. Public Policy Mailing List (PPML)
2. Public Policy Meetings (ARIN meetings)

We are curious to understand how can we complement these with modern tools and support for an approachable experience.

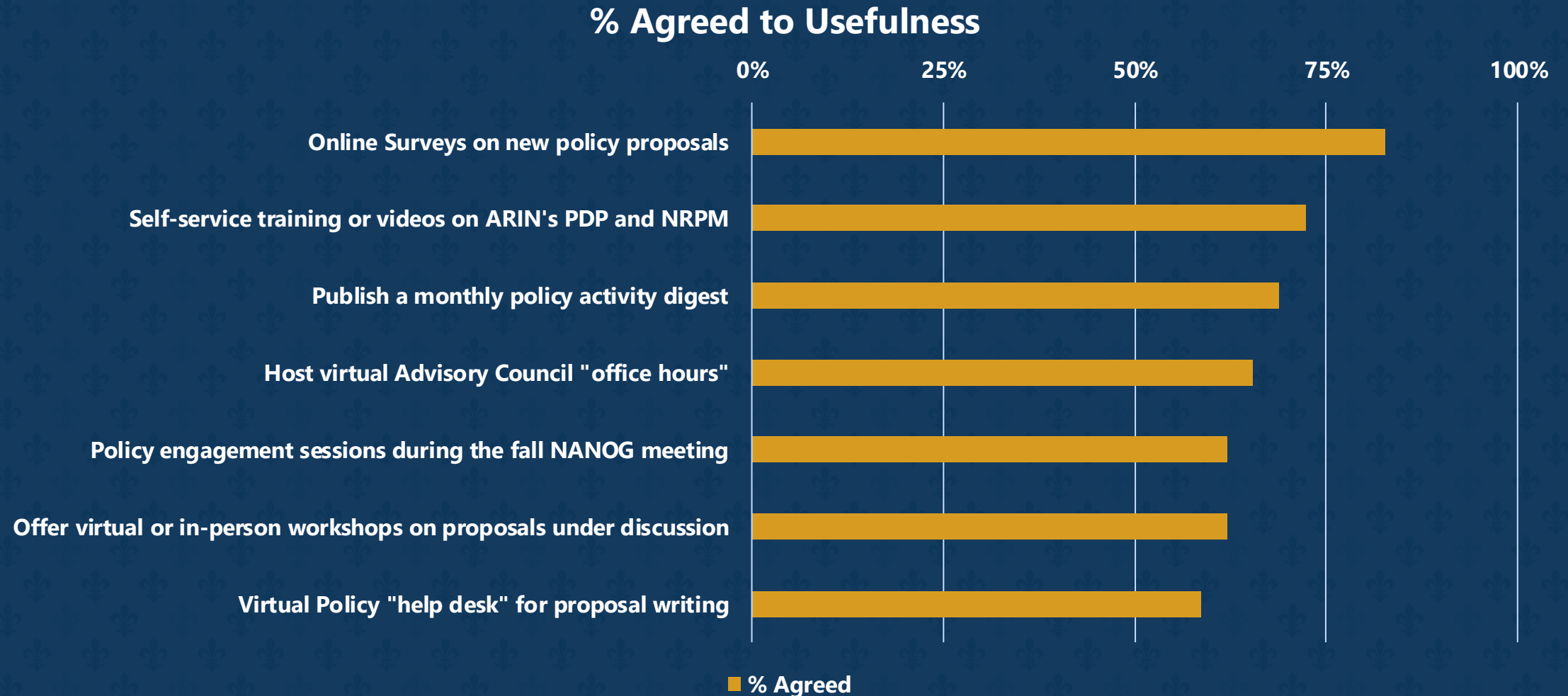
To do that, we are using surveys – with survey one already done!



**Scan to read our  
post on the ARIN  
Blog that breaks  
down the survey  
results**



# Results of First Policy Experience Survey



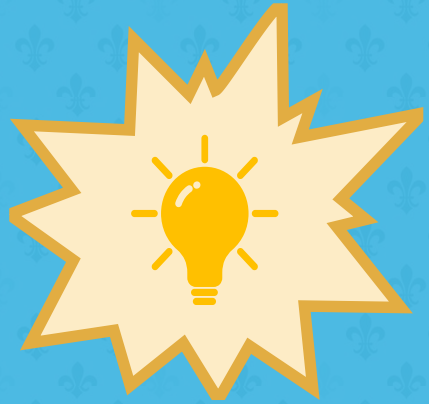
# Developing Engagement – Future Surveys



Expect future surveys to gather feedback about the required capabilities of new tools

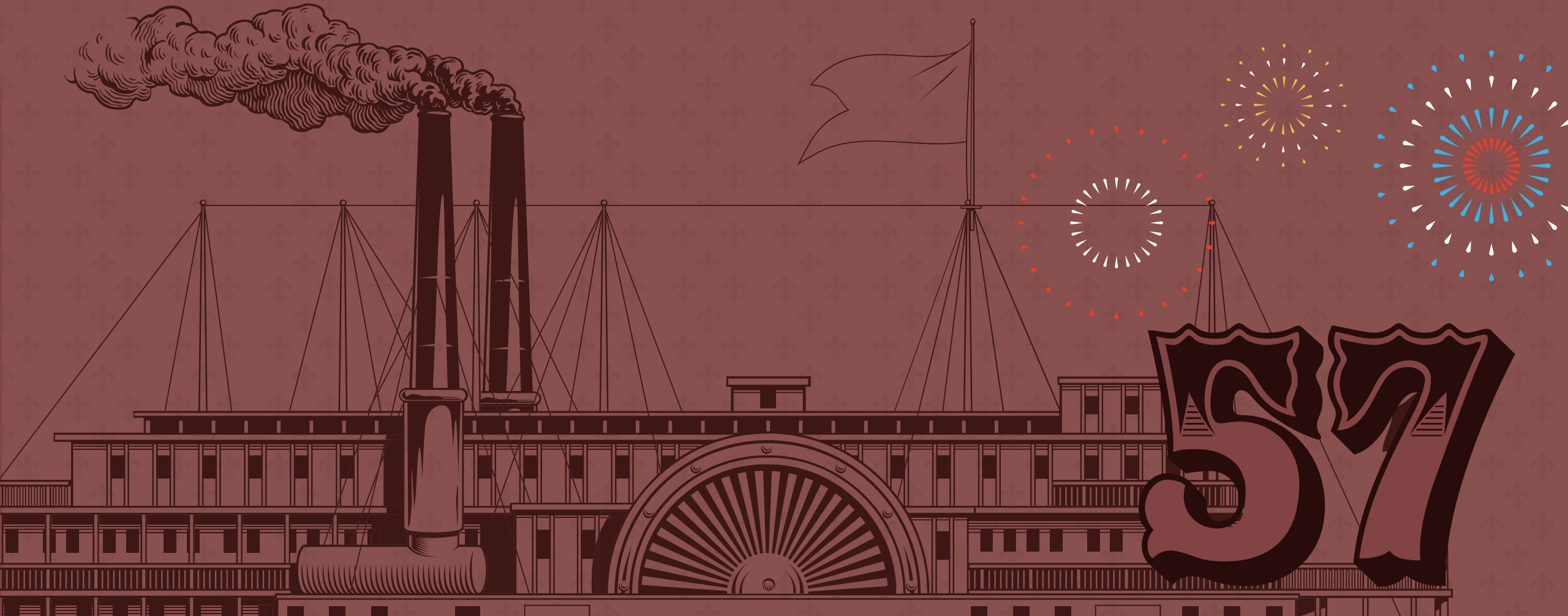
Goals to invite participation through:

- Minimized friction
- Maximized ease of engagement
- Fostering sense of community



**Watch for future surveys as  
we continue this exploration**

# Questions and Comments?



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