## **Post Sync API**

Two retrieval APIs are necessary to support Post syncing:

- Single object retrieval given the Post's foreign key unique identifier. The full Post object is defined below.
- A collection of identifiers (or full objects) of Posts last updated within a specified time/date range. Spot
  will periodically call this to request any changes since the previous api call. For large objects with
  frequent updates the lister would typically return an array of just id and updated\_at pairs. However,
  for simple and rarely updated objects like Posts it is usually more effecient to just return an array of full
  objects that have changed. Support for pagination is unnecessary since Posts are assumed to have low
  cardinality. The Spot server sync functions automatically recognize the type of collection returned.

Important note: for consistent syncing we strongly discourage deleting objects. Instead of removing a Post object persisted it with the enabled field set to false.

#### Example of a simple RESTful object retrieval api

To retrieve the Post whose id is 95bd92ae call...

```
https://hostname.com/.../posts/95bd92ae.json
```

...which returns the JSON object:

```
"id": "95bd92ae",
 "enabled": true,
 "category": {
   "en": "General".
   "es": "General"
 },
  "title": {
   "en": "Talking Trash: What To Do About Missed Collections",
   "es": "Qué Hacer si no Recogieron la Basura"
 },
  "body": {
   "en": "For more than 100 years, the City of San Diego has provided refuse and recycling colle
ction services to the public. In 2020, with the onset of a global pandemic that compelled communi
ty members to stay home, the City saw an 11% increase in tons of trash and recycling collected wh
en compared to the same period in 2019. The high volume of waste, coupled with the impacts of COV
ID-19 on City employees, led to an increase in missed collections. \n \nWith more than 105,000 co
llections scheduled every day, our drivers face a daunting task each morning when they begin thei
r routes. Our team does their absolute best to make every collection on time. If your collection
is missed, check out the Environmental Services Department's collection status webpage to see if
your collection is delayed. If your address has been identified as being delayed, we will return
the following day to provide your service. If your address was not identified as being delayed, p
lease use Get It Done to submit a report under the "Missed Collection" category, and our team wil
l do their absolute best to collect. \n\nLearn some helpful hints to ensure your container gets c
```

```
ollected as scheduled: https://www.sandiego.gov/get-it-done/talking-trash-what-do-about-missed-co
llections",
   "es": "Por más de 100 años, la ciudad de San Diego ha brindado servicios de recolección de ba
sura y reciclaje al público. En 2020, con el inicio de una pandemia global que obligó a los miemb
ros de la comunidad a quedarse en casa, la Ciudad vio un aumento de 11% en las toneladas de basur
a y reciclaje recolectadas en comparación con el mismo período en 2019. El alto volumen de desech
os, junto con el impacto de COVID-19 en los empleados de la Ciudad, llevaron a un aumento en la f
alla de recolecciones.\n\nCon más de 105,000 recolecciones programadas todos los días, nuestros c
onductores enfrentan una tarea enorme cada mañana cuando comienzan sus rutas. Nuestro equipo hace
todo lo posible para hacer cada colección a tiempo. Si no se hace su recolección, visite el sitio
Colección perdida\", y nuestro equipo hará todo lo posible para ir a recopilarla.\n\nPara aprende
r más: https://www.sandiego.gov/get-it-done/que-hacer-si-no-recogieron-la-basura"
 },
 "priority": 2,
 "link": "",
 "access": "external only",
 "published_at": "2021-05-01T00:00:00.000000Z",
 "updated_at": "2021-08-01T08:01:23Z",
  "media": [
   "https://spotreporters-res.cloudinary.com/image/upload/v1613597477/san-diego/shared/missed-co
   "https://spotreporters-res.cloudinary.com/image/upload/v1613597843/san-diego/shared/misssed-c
ollections2.jpg"
 ]
}
```

### Example of a RESTful "lister" api

Using ISO 8601 compatible dates for from and to parameters (treat as inclusive), call:

```
https://hostname.com/.../posts.json?from=2021-08-01T08:01:00Z&to=2021-08-01T08:02:00Z
```

...which returns either:

...or

```
{
   [
     <the full json object from the previous example>
   ]
}
```

...where the objects are returned in updated\_at order

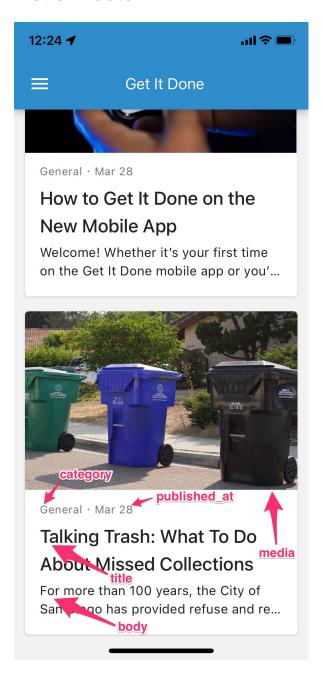
# Post object field definitions

Field names and types. Reasonable defaults are used if optional fields are omitted. Type "translated-strings" means a collection of name-value pairs where "name" is the language locale, for example "en-US":
"English Text"

- id . Required (string). Uniquie identifier (text string) for post
- enabled . Optional (boolean). Do not display the post if this value is false .
- category . Optional (translated-strings).
- title . Optional (translated-strings).
- body . Optional (translated-strings). Content of the post. Displayed in a seperate, scrollable view when the post is tapped by the user and (and no link is present). Currently, all html formatting is stripped and just plain text is displayed.
- media . Optional (array of photo urls).
- link. Optional (url). If present, the app will launch this url in the native default brower when the post is tapped by the user. Custom URL schemes supported, allowing support for launching another mobile application.
- priority . Required (integer). Used to determine the post's display order (descending, negative integers allowed).
- start\_at . Optional (ISO 8601 date/time format, default=now). Post will be hidden if not within start/stop range.
- stop\_at . Optional (ISO 8601 date/time format, default=never). Post will be hidden if not within start/stop range.
- updated\_at . Optional (ISO 8601 date/time format). When the post was last updated.
- published\_at . Optional (ISO 8601 date/time format). If present will be used to indicate when the post was initially authored.
- access. Optional (internal, external\_only, or default= external). Determines who will see
  this post:
  - internal Workers only
  - external\_only Reporters only
  - external Everyone
- kind . Unused ( default ). Future plans to provide pre-defined UI styles such as info, news, alert, etc.

## **Screenshots**

#### **List of Posts**



#### **Post Detail**



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