Branch Protection Configuration

This document outlines the recommended branch protection rules for the UtilityFog-Fractal-TreeOpen repository.

Main Branch Protection

The main branch should have the following protection rules:

Required Status Checks

- Require status checks to pass before merging
- Require branches to be up to date before merging
- Required checks:
- CI / verify
- CodeQL Security Analysis / analyze (python)
- Release Smoke Test / smoke-test

Pull Request Requirements

- Require pull request reviews before merging
- Number of required reviewers: 1
- V Dismiss stale reviews when new commits are pushed
- Require review from code owners (if CODEOWNERS file exists)

Additional Restrictions

- Restrict pushes that create files larger than 100 MB
- Require signed commits
- <a> Require linear history
- V Include administrators in restrictions

Branch Deletion

- X Allow force pushes
- X Allow deletions

Release Branch Protection (release/*)

Release branches should have similar but slightly relaxed rules:

Required Status Checks

- Require status checks to pass before merging
- Required checks:
- CI / verify
- Release Smoke Test / smoke-test

Pull Request Requirements

- Require pull request reviews before merging
- Number of required reviewers: 1

• V Dismiss stale reviews when new commits are pushed

Additional Restrictions

- Restrict pushes that create files larger than 100 MB
- Require linear history

Implementation

To apply these rules, repository administrators can:

- 1. Go to Settings → Branches
- 2. Add branch protection rule for main
- 3. Add branch protection rule for release/*
- 4. Configure the settings as outlined above

Alternatively, use the GitHub API or terraform for automated configuration.

Notes

- These rules ensure code quality and security
- They prevent accidental force pushes and deletions
- They require peer review for all changes
- They ensure CI passes before merging
- They maintain a clean, linear git history