SNS and Lambda Setup



We created a new SNS topic to publish alerts:

aws sns create-topic --name cicd-alerts-topic

Get the ARN:

SNS_TOPIC_ARN="arn:aws:sns:us-east-1:ACCOUNT_ID:cicd-alerts-topic"

2. Subscribe Email to SNS Topic

We added an email subscription to receive alerts:

aws sns subscribe \

- --topic-arn \$SNS_TOPIC_ARN \
- --protocol email \
- --notification-endpoint your_email@example.com

Note: You must confirm the subscription from your email.

3. Create the Lambda Function

We created a Lambda function named (for example) cicd-status-notifier that parses the event and publishes a cleaned alert to SNS.

Lambda Code (Python 3.9):

import json import boto3

```
import os
sns = boto3.client('sns')
SNS_TOPIC_ARN = os.environ.get("SNS_TOPIC_ARN")
def lambda_handler(event, context):
  print("Received event:", json.dumps(event))
  print("SNS_TOPIC_ARN:", SNS_TOPIC_ARN)
  source = event.get("source")
  detail = event.get("detail", {})
  detail_type = event.get("detail-type", "Unknown Event")
  message = ""
  subject = "CI/CD Alert"
  if source == "aws.codebuild":
    project = detail.get("project-name", "Unknown Project")
    status = detail.get("build-status", "UNKNOWN")
    phase = detail.get("additional-information", {}).get("phases", [])
    failed_phase = "N/A"
    for p in phase:
       if p.get("phase-status") == "FAILED":
         failed_phase = p.get("phase-type", "Unknown")
         break
    message = f" Build Alert\nProject: {project}\nStatus: {status}\nFailed P
hase: {failed_phase}"
    subject = f"[Build {status}] {project}"
  elif source == "aws.codedeploy":
    deployment_id = detail.get("deploymentId", "Unknown Deployment")
    status = detail.get("status", "UNKNOWN")
    app = detail.get("application", "Unknown App")
    deployment_group = detail.get("deploymentGroupName", "Unknown Gro
```

In lambda → Permissions → Execution Role add:

```
"codedeploy:ListDeployments"
],
    "Resource": "*"
},
{
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
        "logs:CreateLogGroup",
        "logs:CreateLogStream",
        "logs:PutLogEvents"
    ],
    "Resource": "*"
}
]
```

4. Attach SNS_TOPIC_ARN as Environment Variable

In Lambda configuration:

```
Key: SNS_TOPIC_ARN
Value: arn:aws:sns:us-east-1:ACCOUNT_ID:cicd-alerts-topic
```

5. EventBridge Rule for CodeBuild

We created a rule to catch **build state changes**:

```
aws events put-rule \
--name CodeBuildStatusRule \
--event-pattern '{
  "source": ["aws.codebuild"],
  "detail-type": ["CodeBuild Build State Change"]
}'
```

Then connected Lambda:

```
aws events put-targets \
--rule CodeBuildStatusRule \
--targets "Id"="cb-target","Arn"="arn:aws:lambda:us-east-1:ACCOUNT_ID:fu
nction:cicd-status-notifier"
```

Granted permission:

```
aws lambda add-permission \
--function-name cicd-status-notifier \
--statement-id AllowCodeBuildInvoke \
--action lambda:InvokeFunction \
--principal events.amazonaws.com \
--source-arn arn:aws:events:us-east-1:ACCOUNT_ID:rule/CodeBuildStatusR
ule
```

6. EventBridge Rule for CodeDeploy

```
aws events put-rule \
--name CodeDeployStatusRule \
--event-pattern '{
    "source": ["aws.codedeploy"],
    "detail-type": ["CodeDeploy Deployment State-change Notification"]
}'
```

Connect the Lambda:

```
aws events put-targets \
--rule CodeDeployStatusRule \
--targets "Id"="cd-target","Arn"="arn:aws:lambda:us-east-1:ACCOUNT_ID:fu
nction:cicd-status-notifier"
```

Permission:

aws lambda add-permission \

- --function-name cicd-status-notifier \
- --statement-id AllowCodeDeployInvoke \
- --action lambda:InvokeFunction \
- --principal events.amazonaws.com \
- --source-arn arn:aws:events:us-east-1:ACCOUNT_ID:rule/CodeDeployStatus Rule

Give sample test cases in Lambda's Test tab

Final Result

- Whenever CodeBuild or CodeDeploy runs, this Lambda gets invoked.
- Market Lambda formats the message and pushes it to SNS.
- SNS sends an email alert to the devs/team instantly.