# Deploying Installer Provisioned Infrastructure (IPI) of OpenShift on Bare Metal - 4.6

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# Chapter 1. Overview

Installer-provisioned installation provides support for installing OpenShift Container Platform on bare metal nodes. This guide provides a methodology to achieving a successful installation.

During installer-provisioned installation on bare metal, the installer on the bare metal node labeled as provisioner creates a bootstrap virtual machine (VM). The role of the bootstrap VM is to assist in the process of deploying an OpenShift Container Platform cluster. The bootstrap VM connects to the baremetal network and to the provisioning network, if present, via the network bridges.



When the installation of OpenShift control plane nodes is complete and fully operational, the installer destroys the bootstrap VM automatically and moves the virtual IP addresses (VIPs) to the appropriate nodes. The API VIP moves to the control plane nodes and the Ingress VIP moves to the worker nodes.



Provisioning network (optional)

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# Chapter 2. Prerequisites

Installer-provisioned installation of OpenShift Container Platform requires:

- 1. One provisioner node with Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 8.x installed.
- 2. Three control plane nodes.
- 3. Baseboard Management Controller (BMC) access to each node.
- 4. At least one network:
  - a. One **required** routable network
  - b. One **optional** network for provisioning nodes; and,
  - c. One optional management network.

Before starting an installer-provisioned installation of OpenShift Container Platform, ensure the hardware environment meets the following requirements.

# 2.1. Node requirements

Installer-provisioned installation involves a number of hardware node requirements:

- CPU architecture: All nodes must use x86\_64 CPU architecture.
- **Similar nodes:** Red Hat recommends nodes have an identical configuration per role. That is, Red Hat recommends nodes be the same brand and model with the same CPU, memory and storage configuration.
- Baseboard Management Controller: The provisioner node must be able to access the baseboard management controller (BMC) of each OpenShift Container Platform cluster node. You may use IPMI, Redfish, or a proprietary protocol.
- Latest generation: Nodes must be of the most recent generation. Installer-provisioned installation relies on BMC protocols, which must be compatible across nodes. Additionally, RHEL 8 ships with the most recent drivers for RAID controllers. Ensure that the nodes are recent enough to support RHEL 8 for the provisioner node and RHCOS 8 for the control plane and worker nodes.
- **Registry node:** (Optional) If setting up a disconnected mirrored registry, it is recommended the registry reside in its own node.
- **Provisioner node:** Installer-provisioned installation requires one provisioner node.
- **Control plane:** Installer-provisioned installation requires three control plane nodes for high availability.
- Worker nodes: While not required, a typical production cluster has one or more worker nodes. Smaller clusters are more resource efficient for administrators and developers during development, production, and testing.
- **Network interfaces:** Each node must have at least one 10GB network interface for the routable baremetal network. Each node must have one 10GB network interface for a provisioning network when using the provisioning network for deployment. Using the provisioning

network is the default configuration. Network interface names must follow the same naming convention across all nodes. For example, the first NIC name on a node, such as eth0 or eno1, must be the same name on all of the other nodes. The same principle applies to the remaining NICs on each node.

• Unified Extensible Firmware Interface (UEFI): Installer-provisioned installation requires UEFI boot on all OpenShift Container Platform nodes when using IPv6 addressing on the provisioning network. In addition, UEFI Device PXE Settings must be set to use the IPv6 protocol on the provisioning network NIC, but omitting the provisioning network removes this requirement.

# 2.2. Firmware requirements for installing with virtual media

The installer for installer-provisioned OpenShift Container Platform clusters validates the hardware and firmware compatibility with Redfish virtual media. The following table lists supported firmware for installer-provisioned OpenShift Container Platform clusters deployed with Redfish virtual media.

Table 1. Firmware compatibility for Redfish virtual media

| Hardware | Model           | Management | Firmware Versions         |
|----------|-----------------|------------|---------------------------|
| HP       | 10th Generation | iLO5       | N/A                       |
|          | 9th Generation  | iLO4       | N/A                       |
| Dell     | 14th Generation | iDRAC 9    | v4.20.20.20 - 04.40.00.00 |
|          | 13th Generation | iDRAC 8    | v2.75.75.75+              |

Refer to the hardware documentation for the nodes or contact the hardware vendor for information on updating the firmware.

There are no known firmware limitations for HP servers.



For Dell servers, ensure the OpenShift Container Platform cluster nodes have AutoAttach Enabled through the iDRAC console. The menu path is: **Configuration** → **Virtual Media** → **Attach Mode** → **AutoAttach**. With iDRAC 9 firmware version 04.40.00.00, the Virtual Console plug-in defaults to eHTML5, which causes problems with the **InsertVirtualMedia** workflow. Set the plug-in to HTML5 to avoid this issue. The menu path is: **Configuration** → **Virtual console** → **Plug-in Type** → **HTML5**.



The installer will not initiate installation on a node if the node firmware is below the foregoing versions when installing with virtual media.

## 2.3. Network requirements

Installer-provisioned installation of OpenShift Container Platform involves several network requirements by default. First, installer-provisioned installation involves a non-routable

provisioning network for provisioning the operating system on each bare metal node and a routable baremetal network. Since installer-provisioned installation deploys ironic-dnsmasq, the networks should have no other DHCP servers running on the same broadcast domain. Network administrators must reserve IP addresses for each node in the OpenShift Container Platform cluster.

#### Network Time Protocol (NTP)

Each OpenShift Container Platform node in the cluster must have access to an NTP server. OpenShift Container Platform nodes use NTP to synchronize their clocks. For example, cluster nodes use SSL certificates that require validation, which might fail if the date and time between the nodes are not in sync.



Define a consistent clock date and time format in each cluster node's BIOS settings, or installation might fail.

## Configuring NICs

OpenShift Container Platform deploys with two networks:

- provisioning: The provisioning network is an **optional** non-routable network used for provisioning the underlying operating system on each node that is a part of the OpenShift Container Platform cluster. The network interface for the provisioning network on each cluster node must have the BIOS or UEFI configured to PXE boot. In OpenShift Container Platform 4.3, when deploying using the provisioning network, the first NIC on each node, such as eth0 or eno1, **must** interface with the provisioning network. In OpenShift Container Platform 4.4 and later releases, you can specify the provisioning network NIC with the provisioningNetworkInterface configuration setting.
- baremetal: The baremetal network is a routable network. In OpenShift Container Platform 4.3, when deploying using the provisioning network, the second NIC on each node, such as eth1 or eno2, must interface with the baremetal network. In OpenShift Container Platform 4.4 and later releases, you can use any NIC order to interface with the baremetal network, provided it is the same NIC order across worker and control plane nodes and not the NIC specified in the provisioningNetworkInterface configuration setting for the provisioning network.



Use a compatible approach such that cluster nodes use the same NIC ordering on all cluster nodes. NICs must have heterogeneous hardware with the same NIC naming convention such as eth0 or eno1.



When using a VLAN, each NIC must be on a separate VLAN corresponding to the appropriate network.

### Configuring the DNS server

Clients access the OpenShift Container Platform cluster nodes over the baremetal network. A network administrator must configure a subdomain or subzone where the canonical name extension is the cluster name.

<cluster-name>.<domain-name>

For example:

```
test-cluster.example.com
```

For assistance in configuring the DNS server, check Appendix section for:

- Creating DNS Records with Bind (Option 1)
- Creating DNS Records with dnsmasq (Option 2)

Reserving IP addresses for nodes with the DHCP server

For the baremetal network, a network administrator must reserve a number of IP addresses, including:

- 1. Two virtual IP addresses.
  - One IP address for the API endpoint
  - One IP address for the wildcard ingress endpoint
- 2. One IP address for the provisioner node.
- 3. One IP address for each control plane (master) node.
- 4. One IP address for each worker node, if applicable.

The following table provides an exemplary embodiment of fully qualified domain names. The API and Nameserver addresses begin with canonical name extensions. The host names of the control plane and worker nodes are exemplary, so you can use any host naming convention you prefer.

| Usage             | Host Name   | IP        |
|-------------------|---|-----------|
| API               | api. <cluster-name>.<domain></domain></cluster-name>                | <ip></ip> |
| Ingress LB (apps) | *apps. <cluster-name>.<domain></domain></cluster-name>              | <ip></ip> |
| Provisioner node  | provisioner. <cluster-name>.<domain></domain></cluster-name>        | <ip></ip> |
| Master-0          | openshift-master-0. <cluster-name>.<domain></domain></cluster-name> | <ip></ip> |
| laster-1          | openshift-master-1. <cluster-name><domain></domain></cluster-name>  | <ip></ip> |
| Iaster-2          | openshift-master-2. <cluster-name>.<domain></domain></cluster-name> | <ip></ip> |
| Vorker-0          | openshift-worker-0. <cluster-name>.<domain></domain></cluster-name> | <ip></ip> |
| Vorker-1          | openshift-worker-1. <cluster-name>.<domain></domain></cluster-name> | <ip></ip> |
| Vorker-n          | openshift-worker-n. <cluster-name>.<domain></domain></cluster-name> | <ip></ip> |

For assistance in configuring the DHCP server, check Appendix section for:

- Creating DHCP reservations with dhcpd (Option 1)
- Creating DHCP reservations with dnsmasq (Option 2)

Additional requirements with no provisioning network

All installer-provisioned installations require a baremetal network. The baremetal network is a

routable network used for external network access to the outside world. In addition to the IP address supplied to the OpenShift Container Platform cluster node, installations without a provisioning network require the following:

- Setting an available IP address from the baremetal network to the bootstrapProvisioningIP configuration setting within the install-config.yaml configuration file.
- Setting an available IP address from the baremetal network to the provisioningHostIP configuration setting within the install-config.yaml configuration file.
- Deploying the OpenShift Container Platform cluster using RedFish Virtual Media/iDRAC Virtual Media.



Configuring additional IP addresses for bootstrapProvisioningIP and provisioningHostIP is not required when using a provisioning network.

## **IPv6** considerations

SLAAC Addressing

If you do not plan to use SLAAC <sup>[1]</sup> addresses on your OpenShift Container Platform node, then it should be disabled for baremetal networks, that means that if your network equipment is configured to send SLAAC addresses when replying to Route Advertisements that behavior should be changed, so it only sends the route and not the SLAAC address.

Install ndptool on your system in order to check what your RAs look like:

```
# Turn down/up baremetal iface on a master Node
$ sudo nmcli con down "Wired connection 5" && sudo nmcli con up "Wired connection 5"
Connection 'Wired connection 5' successfully deactivated (D-Bus active path:
/org/freedesktop/NetworkManager/ActiveConnection/1983)
Connection successfully activated (D-Bus active path:
/org/freedesktop/NetworkManager/ActiveConnection/2044)
# ndptool monitor on Helper node
$ sudo ndptool monitor -t ra
NDP payload len 80, from addr: fe80::c0a4:6464:bcb3:d657, iface: baremetal.153
 Type: RA
 Hop limit: 64
 Managed address configuration: yes
 Other configuration: no
 Default router preference: medium
 Router lifetime: 0s
 Reachable time: unspecified
 Retransmit time: unspecified
 Source linkaddr: 1c:40:24:1b:0c:34
 Prefix: 2620:52:0:1303::/64, valid_time: 86400s, preferred_time: 14400s, on_link:
yes, autonomous_addr_conf: no, router_addr: no
 Route: ::/0, lifetime: 0s, preference: low
```

The ndptool monitor should report Managed address configuration: yes.

Network Ranges and Configurations

Different baremetal and provisioning networks are required for each environment; each environment will have a different IPv6 range for each one of those networks.

In our configuration we used subinterfaces attached to two different physical interfaces, VLAN tagging was done at O.S. level (this required switch ports configured with trunk mode).

Our different IPv6 networks were all routable but usually, the only routable networks are the baremetal ones.

Keep in mind that provisioning networks cannot be in the same broadcast domain, since services such as DHCP are running.



Route Advertisement

Route Advertisement must be enabled for both networks baremetal and provisioning.

## Route Advertisements

As mentioned previously, both the baremetal and the provisioning networks must have Route Advertisement enabled. For the baremetal network, the radvd daemon was used, while the provisioning network has RA enabled in the Metal<sup>3</sup> dnsmasg, so no configuration is needed.

# 2.4. Configuring nodes

Configuring nodes when using the provisioning network

Each node in the cluster requires the following configuration for proper installation.



A mismatch between nodes will cause an installation failure.

While the cluster nodes can contain more than two NICs, the installation process only focuses on the first two NICs:

| NIC  | Network      | VLAN   |
|------|--------------|--|
| NIC1 | provisioning | <pre><pre><pre><pre>orisioning-vlan&gt;</pre></pre></pre></pre>  |
| NIC2 | baremetal    | <br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br> |

NIC1 is a non-routable network (provisioning) that is only used for the installation of the OpenShift Container Platform cluster.

The Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 8.x installation process on the provisioner node might vary. To install Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 8.x using a local Satellite server or a PXE server, PXE-enable NIC2.

| PXE                                   | Boot order |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| NIC1 PXE-enabled provisioning network | 1          |

| NIC2 baremetal network. PXE-enabled is | 2 |
|--|---|
| optional.                              |   |



Ensure PXE is disabled on all other NICs.

Configure the control plane and worker nodes as follows:

| PXE                                     | Boot order |
|---|------------|
| NIC1 PXE-enabled (provisioning network) | 1          |

Configuring nodes without the provisioning network

The installation process requires one NIC:

| NIC  | Network   | VLAN                    |
|------|-----------|-------------------------|
| NICx | baremetal | <br><br>daremetal-vlan> |

NICx is a routable network (baremetal) that is used for the installation of the OpenShift Container Platform cluster, and routable to the internet.

## 2.5. Out-of-band management

Nodes will typically have an additional NIC used by the Baseboard Management Controllers (BMCs). These BMCs must be accessible from the provisioner node.

Each node must be accessible via out-of-band management. When using an out-of-band management network, the provisioner node requires access to the out-of-band management network for a successful OpenShift Container Platform 4 installation.

The out-of-band management setup is out of scope for this document. We recommend setting up a separate management network for out-of-band management. However, using the provisioning network or the baremetal network are valid options.

# 2.6. Required data for installation

Prior to the installation of the OpenShift Container Platform cluster, gather the following information from all cluster nodes:

- Out-of-band management IP
  - Examples
    - Dell (iDRAC) IP
    - HP (iLO) IP

When using the provisioning network

- NIC1 (provisioning) MAC address
- NIC2 (baremetal) MAC address

• NICx (baremetal) MAC address

[1] Stateless Address AutoConfiguration

# 2.7. Validation checklist for nodes

| When using the provisioning network  |
|--|
| □ NIC1 VLAN is configured for the provisioning network.  |
| □ NIC2 VLAN is configured for the baremetal network.   |
| $\hfill \square$ NIC1 is PXE-enabled on the provisioner, Control Plane (master), and worker nodes.   |
| □ PXE has been disabled on all other NICs.   |
| □ Control plane and worker nodes are configured.   |
| □ All nodes accessible via out-of-band management.   |
| ☐ A separate management network has been created. (optional)   |
| □ Required data for installation.  |
| When omitting the provisioning network   |
| □ NICx VLAN is configured for the baremetal network.   |
| □ Control plane and worker nodes are configured.   |
| □ All nodes accessible via out-of-band management.   |
| ☐ A separate management network has been created. (optional)   |
| □ Required data for installation.  |
| Summary  |
| After an environment has been prepared according to the documented prerequisites, the installation process is the same as other installer-provisioned platforms. |

# Chapter 3. Setting up the environment for an OpenShift installation

# 3.1. Installing RHEL on the provisioner node

With the networking configuration complete, the next step is to install RHEL 8.X on the provisioner node. The installer uses the provisioner node as the orchestrator while installing the OpenShift Container Platform cluster. For the purposes of this document, installing RHEL on the provisioner node is out of scope. However, options include but are not limited to using a RHEL Satellite server, PXE, or installation media.

# 3.2. Preparing the provisioner node for OpenShift Container Platform installation

Perform the following steps to prepare the environment.

#### Procedure

- 1. Log in to the provisioner node via ssh.
- 2. Create a non-root user (kni) and provide that user with sudo privileges.

```
[root@provisioner ~]# useradd kni
[root@provisioner ~]# passwd kni
[root@provisioner ~]# echo "kni ALL=(root) NOPASSWD:ALL" | tee -a
/etc/sudoers.d/kni
[root@provisioner ~]# chmod 0440 /etc/sudoers.d/kni
```

3. Create an ssh key for the new user.

```
[root@provisioner ~]# su - kni -c "ssh-keygen -t rsa -f /home/kni/.ssh/id_rsa -N
```

4. Log in as the new user on the provisioner node.

```
[root@provisioner ~]# su - kni
[kni@provisioner ~]$
```

5. Use Red Hat Subscription Manager to register the provisioner node.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo subscription-manager register --username=<user>
--password=<pass> --auto-attach
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo subscription-manager repos --enable=rhel-8-for-x86_64-appstream-rpms --enable=rhel-8-for-x86_64-baseos-rpms
```



For more information about Red Hat Subscription Manager, see Using and Configuring Red Hat Subscription Manager.

6. Install the following packages.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo dnf install -y libvirt qemu-kvm mkisofs python3-devel jq ipmitool
```

7. Modify the user to add the libvirt group to the newly created user.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo usermod --append --groups libvirt <user>
```

8. Restart firewalld and enable the http service.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo systemctl start firewalld
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo firewall-cmd --zone=public --add-service=http --permanent
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo firewall-cmd --add-port=5000/tcp --zone=libvirt
--permanent
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo firewall-cmd --add-port=5000/tcp --zone=public
--permanent
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo firewall-cmd --reload
```

9. Start and enable the libvirtd service.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo systemctl start libvirtd
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo systemctl enable libvirtd --now
```

10. Create the default storage pool and start it.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo virsh pool-define-as --name default --type dir --target /var/lib/libvirt/images
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo virsh pool-start default
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo virsh pool-autostart default
```

11. Configure networking.



This step can also be run from the web console.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo nohup bash -c """
    nmcli con down "$PROV_CONN"
    nmcli con delete "$PROV CONN"
    # RHEL 8.1 appends the word "System" in front of the connection, delete in case
it exists
    nmcli con down "System $PROV_CONN"
    nmcli con delete "System $PROV_CONN"
    nmcli connection add ifname provisioning type bridge con-name provisioning
    nmcli con add type bridge-slave ifname "$PROV_CONN" master provisioning
    nmcli connection modify provisioning ipv4.addresses 172.22.0.1/24 ipv4.method
    nmcli con down provisioning
    nmcli con up provisioning"""
```



The ssh connection might disconnect after executing this step.

The IPv4 address may be any address as long as it is not routable via the baremetal network.

### Provisioning Network (IPv6 address)

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo nohup bash -c """
    nmcli con down "$PROV CONN"
    nmcli con delete "$PROV_CONN"
    # RHEL 8.1 appends the word "System" in front of the connection, delete in case
it exists
    nmcli con down "System $PROV_CONN"
    nmcli con delete "System $PROV_CONN"
    nmcli connection add ifname provisioning type bridge con-name provisioning
    nmcli con add type bridge-slave ifname "$PROV_CONN" master provisioning
    nmcli connection modify provisioning ipv6.addresses fd00:1101::1/64 ipv6.method
manual
    nmcli con down provisioning
    nmcli con up provisioning"""
```



The ssh connection might disconnect after executing this step.



The IPv6 address may be any address as long as it is not routable via the baremetal network.



Ensure that UEFI is enabled and UEFI PXE settings are set to the IPv6 protocol when using IPv6 addressing.

12. ssh back into the provisioner node (if required).

```
# ssh kni@provisioner.<cluster-name>.<domain>
```

13. Verify the connection bridges have been properly created.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ nmcli con show
```

```
NAME
baremetal
provisioning
virbr0
bridge-slave-eno2
bridge-slave-eno2

UUID

4d5133a5-8351-4bb9-bfd4-3af264801530
43942805-017f-4d7d-a2c2-7cb3324482ed
bridge
baremetal
provisioning
virbr0
d9bca40f-eee1-410b-8879-a2d4bb0465e7
bridge-slave-eno1
f31c3353-54b7-48de-893a-02d2b34c4736

TYPE
bridge
baremetal
provisioning
virbr0
ethernet
eno1
ethernet
eno2
```

14. Create a pull-secret.txt file.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ vim pull-secret.txt
```

In a web browser, navigate to Install on Bare Metal with user-provisioned infrastructure, and scroll down to the **Downloads** section. Click **Copy pull secret**. Paste the contents into the pull-secret.txt file and save the contents in the kni user's home directory.

# 3.3. Retrieving the OpenShift Container Platform installer (GA Release)

Use the latest-4.x version of the installer to deploy the latest generally available version of OpenShift Container Platform:

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ export VERSION=latest-4.6
export RELEASE_IMAGE=$(curl -s https://mirror.openshift.com/pub/openshift-
v4/clients/ocp/$VERSION/release.txt | grep 'Pull From: quay.io' | awk -F ' ' '{print
$3}')
```

# 3.4. Extracting the OpenShift Container Platform installer (GA Release)

After retrieving the installer, the next step is to extract it.

### Procedure

1. Set the environment variables:

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ export cmd=openshift-baremetal-install
[kni@provisioner ~]$ export pullsecret_file=~/pull-secret.txt
[kni@provisioner ~]$ export extract_dir=$(pwd)
```

2. Get the oc binary:

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ curl -s https://mirror.openshift.com/pub/openshift-v4/clients/ocp/$VERSION/openshift-client-linux.tar.gz | tar zxvf - oc
```

3. Extract the installer:

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo cp oc /usr/local/bin
[kni@provisioner ~]$ oc adm release extract --registry-config "${pullsecret_file}"
--command=$cmd --to "${extract_dir}" ${RELEASE_IMAGE}
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo cp openshift-baremetal-install /usr/local/bin
```

# 3.5. Creating an RHCOS images cache (optional)

To employ image caching, you must download two images: the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) image used by the bootstrap VM and the RHCOS image used by the installer to provision the different nodes. Image caching is optional, but especially useful when running the installer on a network with limited bandwidth.

If you are running the installer on a network with limited bandwidth and the RHCOS images download takes more than 15 to 20 minutes, the installer will timeout. Caching images on a web server will help in such scenarios.

Use the following steps to install a container that contains the images.

1. Install podman.

```
$ sudo dnf install -y podman
```

2. Open firewall port 8080 to be used for RHCOS image caching.

```
$ sudo firewall-cmd --add-port=8080/tcp --zone=public --permanent
$ sudo firewall-cmd --reload
```

3. Create a directory to store the bootstraposimage and clusterosimage.

```
$ mkdir /home/kni/rhcos_image_cache
```

4. Set the appropriate SELinux context for the newly created directory.

```
$ sudo semanage fcontext -a -t httpd_sys_content_t
"/home/kni/rhcos_image_cache(/.*)?"
$ sudo restorecon -Rv rhcos_image_cache/
```

5. Get the commit ID from the installer. The ID determines which images the installer needs to download.

```
$ export COMMIT_ID=$(/usr/local/bin/openshift-baremetal-install version | grep
'^built from commit' | awk '{print $4}')
```

6. Get the URI for the RHCOS image that the installer will deploy on the nodes.

```
$ export RHCOS_OPENSTACK_URI=$(curl -s -S
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/openshift/installer/$COMMIT_ID/data/data/rhcos.js
on | jq .images.openstack.path | sed 's/"//g')
```

7. Get the URI for the RHCOS image that the installer will deploy on the bootstrap VM.

```
$ export RHCOS_QEMU_URI=$(curl -s -S
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/openshift/installer/$COMMIT_ID/data/data/rhcos.js
on | jq .images.qemu.path | sed 's/"//g')
```

8. Get the path where the images are published.

```
$ export RHCOS_PATH=$(curl -s -S
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/openshift/installer/$COMMIT_ID/data/data/rhcos.js
on | jq .baseURI | sed 's/"//g')
```

9. Get the SHA hash for the RHCOS image that will be deployed on the bootstrap VM.

```
$ export RHCOS_QEMU_SHA_UNCOMPRESSED=$(curl -s -S
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/openshift/installer/$COMMIT_ID/data/data/rhcos.js
on | jq -r '.images.qemu["uncompressed-sha256"]')
```

10. Get the SHA hash for the RHCOS image that will be deployed on the nodes.

```
$ export RHCOS_OPENSTACK_SHA_COMPRESSED=$(curl -s -S
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/openshift/installer/$COMMIT_ID/data/data/rhcos.js
on | jq -r '.images.openstack.sha256')
```

11. Download the images and place them in the /home/kni/rhcos\_image\_cache directory.

```
$ curl -L ${RHCOS_PATH}${RHCOS_QEMU_URI} -o /home/kni/rhcos_image_cache/
${RHCOS_QEMU_URI}
$ curl -L ${RHCOS_PATH}${RHCOS_OPENSTACK_URI} -o /home/kni/rhcos_image_cache/
${RHCOS_OPENSTACK_URI}
```

12. Confirm SELinux type is of httpd\_sys\_content\_t for the newly created files.

```
$ ls -Z /home/kni/rhcos_image_cache
```

13. Create the pod.

```
$ podman run -d --name rhcos_image_cache \
-v /home/kni/rhcos_image_cache:/var/www/html \
-p 8080:8080/tcp \
registry.centos.org/centos/httpd-24-centos7:latest
```

14. Generate the bootstrapOSImage and clusterOSImage configuration.

```
$ export BAREMETAL_IP=$(ip addr show dev baremetal | awk '/inet /{print $2}' | cut
-d"/" -f1)
$ export RHCOS_OPENSTACK_SHA256=$(zcat /home/kni/rhcos_image_cache/
${RHCOS_OPENSTACK_URI} | sha256sum | awk '{print $1}')
$ export RHCOS_QEMU_SHA256=$(zcat /home/kni/rhcos_image_cache/${RHCOS_QEMU_URI} |
sha256sum | awk '{print $1}')
$ export CLUSTER_OS_IMAGE="http://${BAREMETAL_IP}:8080/${RHCOS_OPENSTACK_URI}
}?sha256=${RHCOS_OPENSTACK_SHA256}"
$ export BOOTSTRAP_OS_IMAGE="http://${BAREMETAL_IP}:8080/${RHCOS_QEMU_URI}
}?sha256=${RHCOS_QEMU_SHA256}"
$ echo "${RHCOS_OPENSTACK_SHA256} ${RHCOS_OPENSTACK_URI}" >
/home/kni/rhcos_image_cache/rhcos-ootpa-latest.qcow2.md5sum
$ echo " bootstrapOSImage=${BOOTSTRAP_OS_IMAGE}"
$ echo " clusterOSImage=${CLUSTER_OS_IMAGE}"
```

15. Add the required configuration to the install-config.yaml file under platform.baremetal.

```
platform:
  baremetal:
  bootstrapOSImage: http://<BAREMETAL_IP>:8080/<RHCOS_QEMU_URI>?sha256
=<RHCOS_QEMU_SHA256>
  clusterOSImage: http://<BAREMETAL_IP>:8080/<RHCOS_OPENSTACK_URI>?sha256
=<RHCOS_OPENSTACK_SHA256>
```

See the **Configuring the install-config.yaml file** section for additional details.

## 3.6. Configuration files

## 3.6.1. Configuring the install-config.yaml file

The install-config.yaml file requires some additional details. Most of the information is teaching the installer and the resulting cluster enough about the available hardware so that it is able to fully manage it.

1. Configure install-config.yaml. Change the appropriate variables to match the environment, including pullSecret and sshKey.

```
apiVersion: v1
basedomain: <domain>
metadata:
  name: <cluster-name>
networking:
  machineCIDR: <public-cidr>
  networkType: OVNKubernetes
compute:
- name: worker
  replicas: 2 ①
controlPlane:
  name: master
  replicas: 3
  platform:
    baremetal: {}
platform:
  baremetal:
    apiVIP: <api-ip>
    ingressVIP: <wildcard-ip>
    provisioningNetworkInterface: <NIC1>
    provisioningNetworkCIDR: <CIDR>
      - name: openshift-master-0
        role: master
          address: ipmi://<out-of-band-ip> ②
          username: <user>
          password: <password>
        bootMACAddress: <NIC1-mac-address>
        hardwareProfile: default
      - name: openshift-master-1
        role: master
        bmc:
          address: ipmi://<out-of-band-ip>
          username: <user>
          password: <password>
        bootMACAddress: <NIC1-mac-address>
        hardwareProfile: default
       name: openshift-master-2
```

```
role: master
        bmc:
          address: ipmi://<out-of-band-ip>
          username: <user>
          password: <password>
        bootMACAddress: <NIC1-mac-address>
        hardwareProfile: default
      - name: openshift-worker-0
        role: worker
        bmc:
          address: ipmi://<out-of-band-ip>
          username: <user>
          password: <password>
        bootMACAddress: <NIC1-mac-address>
        hardwareProfile: unknown
      - name: openshift-worker-1
        role: worker
        bmc:
          address: ipmi://<out-of-band-ip>
          username: <user>
          password: <password>
        bootMACAddress: <NIC1-mac-address>
        hardwareProfile: unknown
pullSecret: '<pull secret>'
sshKey: '<ssh_pub_key>'
```

- ① Scale the worker machines based on the number of worker nodes that are part of the OpenShift Container Platform cluster.
- 2 Refer to the BMC addressing for more options
- 2. Create a directory to store cluster configs.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ mkdir ~/clusterconfigs
[kni@provisioner ~]$ cp install-config.yaml ~/clusterconfigs
```

3. Ensure all bare metal nodes are powered off prior to installing the OpenShift Container Platform cluster.

```
[kni@provisioner \sim]$ ipmitool -I lanplus -U <user> -P <password> -H <management-server-ip> power off
```

4. Remove old bootstrap resources if any are left over from a previous deployment attempt.

```
for i in $(sudo virsh list | tail -n +3 | grep bootstrap | awk {'print $2'});
do
    sudo virsh destroy $i;
    sudo virsh undefine $i;
    sudo virsh vol-delete $i --pool $i;
    sudo virsh vol-delete $i.ign --pool $i;
    sudo virsh pool-destroy $i;
    sudo virsh pool-undefine $i;
done
```

## 3.6.2. Setting proxy settings within the install-config.yaml file (optional)

To deploy an OpenShift Container Platform cluster using a proxy, make the following changes to the install-config.yaml file.

```
apiVersion: v1
baseDomain: <domain>
proxy:
  httpProxy: http://USERNAME:PASSWORD@proxy.example.com:PORT
  httpsProxy: https://USERNAME:PASSWORD@proxy.example.com:PORT
  noProxy: <WILDCARD_OF_DOMAIN>,<PROVISIONING_NETWORK/CIDR>,<BMC_ADDRESS_RANGE/CIDR>
```

See below for an example of noProxy with values.

```
noProxy: .example.com,172.22.0.0/24,10.10.0.0/24
```

With a proxy enabled, set the appropriate values of the proxy in the corresponding key/value pair.

Key considerations:

- If the proxy does not have an HTTPS proxy, change the value of httpsProxy from https:// to http://.
- If using a provisioning network, include it in the noProxy setting, otherwise the installer will fail.
- Set all of the proxy settings as environment variables within the provisioner node. For example, HTTP\_PROXY, HTTPS\_PROXY, and NO\_PROXY.

# 3.6.3. Modifying the install-config.yaml file for no provisioning network (optional)

To deploy an OpenShift Container Platform cluster without a provisioning network, make the following changes to the install-config.yaml file.

```
platform:
  baremetal:
    apiVIP: <apiVIP>
    ingressVIP: <ingress/wildcard VIP>
    provisioningNetwork: "Disabled"
    provisioningHostIP: <baremetal_network_IP1>
    bootstrapProvisioningIP: <baremetal_network_IP2>
```



Requires providing two IP addresses from the baremetal network for the provisioningHostIP and bootstrapProvisioningIP configuration settings, and removing the provisioningBridge and provisioningNetworkCIDR configuration settings.

## 3.6.4. Additional install-config parameters

See the following tables for the required parameters, the hosts parameter, and the bmc parameter for the install-config.yaml file.

Table 2. Required parameters

| Parameters         | Default | Description   |
|--------------------|---------|---|
| baseDomain         |         | The domain name for the cluster. For example, example.com.  |
| bootMode           | legacy  | The boot mode for a node.  Options are legacy, UEFI and UEFISecureBoot.   |
| sshKey             |         | The sshKey configuration setting contains the key in the <pre>~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub file required to access the control plane nodes and worker nodes. Typically, this key is from the provisioner node.</pre> |
| pullSecret         |         | The pullSecret configuration setting contains a copy of the pull secret downloaded from the Install OpenShift on Bare Metal page when preparing the provisioner node.                                     |
| metadata:<br>name: |         | The name to be given to the OpenShift Container Platform cluster. For example, openshift.   |

| Parameters                     | Default  | Description   |
|--------------------------------|--|---|
| networking:<br>machineCIDR:    |  | The public CIDR (Classless Inter-<br>Domain Routing) of the external<br>network. For example,<br>10.0.0.0/24 or<br>2620:52:0:1302::/64.                         |
| compute:<br>- name: worker     |  | The OpenShift Container Platform cluster requires a name be provided for worker (or compute) nodes even if there are zero nodes.                                |
| compute:<br>replicas: 2        |  | Replicas sets the number of worker (or compute) nodes in the OpenShift Container Platform cluster.  |
| controlPlane: name: master     |  | The OpenShift Container Platform cluster requires a name for control plane (master) nodes.  |
| controlPlane: replicas: 3      |  | Replicas sets the number of control plane (master) nodes included as part of the OpenShift Container Platform cluster.  |
| provisioningNetworkInterface   |  | The name of the network interface on control plane nodes connected to the provisioning network.   |
| defaultMachinePlatform         |  | The default configuration used for machine pools without a platform configuration.  |
| apiVIP                         | <pre>api.<clustername.clusterdomain></clustername.clusterdomain></pre> | The VIP to use for internal API communication.  This setting must either be provided or pre-configured in the DNS so that the default name resolves correctly.  |
| disableCertificateVerification | False  | redfish and redfish- virtualmedia need this parameter to manage BMC addresses. The value should be True when using a self-signed certificate for BMC addresses. |

| Parameters | Default  | Description                         |
|------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| ingressVIP | <pre>test.apps.<clustername.cluster domain=""></clustername.cluster></pre> | The VIP to use for ingress traffic. |

Table 3. Optional Parameters

| Parameters                  | Default   | Description  |
|-----------------------------|---|--|
| provisioningDHCPRa<br>nge   | 172.22.0.10,172.22<br>.0.100                          | Defines the IP range for nodes on the provisioning network.  |
| provisioningNetwo<br>rkCIDR | 172.22.0.0/24   | The CIDR for the network to use for provisioning. This option is required when not using the default address range on the provisioning network.  |
| clusterProvisionin<br>gIP   | The third IP address of the provisioningNetworkCIDR.  | The IP address within the cluster where the provisioning services run. Defaults to the third IP address of the provisioning subnet. For example, 172.22.0.3.   |
| bootstrapProvision<br>ingIP | The second IP address of the provisioningNetworkCIDR. | The IP address on the bootstrap VM where the provisioning services run while the installer is deploying the control plane (master) nodes. Defaults to the second IP address of the provisioning subnet. For example, 172.22.0.2 or 2620:52:0:1307::2.  Set this parameter to an available IP address on the baremetal network when the provisioningNetwork configuration setting is set to Disabled.   |
| externalBridge              | baremetal   | The name of the baremetal bridge of the hypervisor attached to the baremetal network.  |
| provisioningBridge          | provisioning  | The name of the provisioning bridge on the provisioner host attached to the provisioning network.  |
| defaultMachinePlat<br>form  |   | The default configuration used for machine pools without a platform configuration.   |
| bootstrapOSImage            |   | A URL to override the default operating system image for the bootstrap node. The URL must contain a SHA-256 hash of the image. For example: <code><a class="bare" href="https://mirror.openshift.com/rhcos-&lt;version&gt;-qemu.qcow2.gz?sha256=&lt;uncompressed_sha256&gt;">https://mirror.openshift.com/rhcos-&lt;version&gt;-qemu.qcow2.gz? sha256=&lt;uncompressed_sha256&gt;</a>;</code> or <code>http://[2620:52:0:1307::1]/rhcos-&lt;version&gt;-qemu.x86_64.qcow2.gz?sha256=&lt;uncompressed_sha256&gt;</code> . |

| Parameters          | Default | Description  |
|---------------------|---------|--|
| clusterOSImage      |         | A URL to override the default operating system for cluster nodes. The URL must include a SHA-256 hash of the image. For example, <code><a class="bare" href="https://mirror.openshift.com/images/rhcos-&lt;version&gt;-openstack.qcow2.gz?sha256=&lt;compressed_sha256&gt;">https://mirror.openshift.com/images/rhcos-&lt;version&gt;-openstack.qcow2.gz? sha256=&lt;compressed_sha256&gt;</a>;</code> .   |
| provisioningNetwork |         | Set this parameter to <code>Disabled</code> to disable the requirement for a <code>provisioning</code> network. User may only do virtual media based provisioning, or bring up the cluster using assisted installation. If using power management, BMC's must be accessible from the machine networks. User must provide two IP addresses on the external network that are used for the provisioning services. Set this parameter to <code>Managed</code> , which is the default, to fully manage the provisioning network, including DHCP, TFTP, and so on.  Set this parameter to <code>Unmanaged</code> to still enable the provisioning network but take care of manual configuration of DHCP. Virtual media provisioning is recommended but PXE is still available if required. |
| provisioningHostIP  |         | Set this parameter to an available IP address on the baremetal network when the provisioningNetwork configuration setting is set to Disabled.  |
| httpProxy           |         | Set this parameter to the appropriate HTTP proxy used within your environment.   |
| httpsProxy          |         | Set this parameter to the appropriate HTTPS proxy used within your environment.  |
| noProxy             |         | Set this parameter to the appropriate list of exclusions for proxy usage within your environment.  |

## Hosts

The hosts parameter is a list of separate bare metal assets used to build the cluster.

| Name | Default | Description  |
|------|---------|--|
| name |         | The name of the BareMetalHost resource to associate with the details. For example, openshift-master-0. |
| role |         | The role of the bare metal node.<br>Either master or worker.   |

| bmc            | Connection details for the baseboard management controller. See the BMC addressing section for additional details. |
|----------------|--|
| bootMACAddress | The MAC address of the NIC the host will use to boot on the provisioning network.                                  |

## 3.6.5. BMC addressing

Most vendors support BMC addressing with the Intelligent Platform Management Interface or IPMI. IPMI does not encrypt communications. It is suitable for use within a data center over a secured or dedicated management network. Check with your vendor to see if they support Redfish network boot. Redfish delivers simple and secure management for converged, hybrid IT and the Software Defined Data Center or SDDC. Redfish is human readable and machine capable, and leverages common Internet and web services standards to expose information directly to the modern tool chain. If your hardware does not support Redfish network boot, use IPMI.

#### IPMI

Hosts using IPMI use the ipmi://<out-of-band-ip>:<port> address format, which defaults to port 623 if not specified. The following example demonstrates an IPMI configuration within the install-config.yaml file.

```
platform:
  baremetal:
  hosts:
    - name: openshift-master-0
    role: master
    bmc:
     address: ipmi://<out-of-band-ip>
     username: <user>
     password: <password>
```

#### Redfish network boot

To enable Redfish, use redfish:// or redfish+http:// to disable TLS. The installer requires both the host name or the IP address and the path to the system ID. The following example demonstrates a Redfish configuration within the install-config.yaml file.

```
platform:
  baremetal:
  hosts:
    - name: openshift-master-0
    role: master
    bmc:
     address: redfish://<out-of-band-ip>/redfish/v1/Systems/1
     username: <user>
     password: <password>
```

While it is recommended to have a certificate of authority for the out-of-band management addresses, you must include disableCertificateVerification: True in the bmc configuration if using self-signed certificates. The following example demonstrates a Redfish configuration using the disableCertificateVerification: True configuration parameter within the install-config.yaml file.

```
platform:
  baremetal:
  hosts:
    - name: openshift-master-0
    role: master
    bmc:
      address: redfish://<out-of-band-ip>/redfish/v1/Systems/1
      username: <user>
      password: <password>
      disableCertificateVerification: True
```

### BMC addressing for Dell iDRAC

The address field for each bmc entry is a URL for connecting to the OpenShift Container Platform cluster nodes, including the type of controller in the URL scheme and its location on the network.

```
platform:
  baremetal:
  hosts:
    - name: <host name>
     role: <master | worker>
     bmc:
     address: <address> ①
     username: <user>
     password: <password>
```

1 The address configuration setting specifies the protocol.

For Dell hardware, Red Hat supports integrated Dell Remote Access Controller (iDRAC) virtual media, Redfish network boot, and IPMI.

Table 4. BMC address formats for Dell iDRAC

| Protocol             | Address Format   |
|----------------------|--|
| iDRAC virtual media  | <pre>idrac-virtualmedia://<out-of-band-<br>ip&gt;/redfish/v1/Systems/System.Embedded.1</out-of-band-<br></pre> |
| Redfish network boot | <pre>redfish://<out-of-band- ip="">/redfish/v1/Systems/System.Embedded.1</out-of-band-></pre>                  |
| IPMI                 | ipmi:// <out-of-band-ip></out-of-band-ip>  |



Use idrac-virtualmedia as the protocol for Redfish virtual media. redfish-virtualmedia will not work on Dell hardware. Dell's idrac-virtualmedia uses the Redfish standard with Dell's OEM extensions.

See the following sections for additional details.

Redfish virtual media for Dell iDRAC

For Redfish virtual media on Dell servers, use idrac-virtualmedia:// in the address setting. Using redfish-virtualmedia:// will not work.



Redfish virtual media on Dell servers has a known issue in OpenShift Container Platform 4.6, which will be resolved in a future release.

The following example demonstrates using iDRAC virtual media within the install-config.yaml file.

```
platform:
  baremetal:
  hosts:
    - name: openshift-master-0
    role: master
    bmc:
       address: idrac-virtualmedia://<out-of-band-
ip>/redfish/v1/Systems/System.Embedded.1
       username: <user>
       password: <password>
```

While it is recommended to have a certificate of authority for the out-of-band management addresses, you must include disableCertificateVerification: True in the bmc configuration if using self-signed certificates. The following example demonstrates a Redfish configuration using the disableCertificateVerification: True configuration parameter within the install-config.yaml file.

```
platform:
  baremetal:
  hosts:
    - name: openshift-master-0
    role: master
    bmc:
       address: idrac-virtualmedia://<out-of-band-
ip>/redfish/v1/Systems/System.Embedded.1
    username: <user>
    password: <password>
    disableCertificateVerification: True
```

Currently, Redfish is only supported on Dell with iDRAC firmware versions 4.20.20.20 through 04.40.00.00 for installer-provisioned installations on bare metal deployments. There is a known issue with version 04.40.00.00. With iDRAC 9 firmware version 04.40.00.00, the Virtual Console plug-in defaults to eHTML5, which causes problems with the **InsertVirtualMedia** workflow. Set the plug-in to HTML5 to avoid this issue. The menu path is: **Configuration**  $\rightarrow$  **Virtual console**  $\rightarrow$  **Plug-in Type**  $\rightarrow$  **HTML5**.



Ensure the OpenShift Container Platform cluster nodes have AutoAttach Enabled through the iDRAC console. The menu path is: **Configuration**  $\rightarrow$  **Virtual Media**  $\rightarrow$  **Attach Mode**  $\rightarrow$  **AutoAttach**.

Use idrac-virtualmedia:// as the protocol for Redfish virtual media. Using redfish-virtualmedia:// will not work on Dell hardware, because the idrac-virtualmedia:// protocol corresponds to the idrac hardware type and the Redfish protocol in Ironic. Dell's idrac-virtualmedia:// protocol uses the Redfish standard with Dell's OEM extensions. Ironic also supports the idrac type with the WSMAN protocol. Therefore, you must specify idrac-virtualmedia:// to avoid unexpected behavior when electing to use Redfish with virtual media on Dell hardware.

#### Redfish network boot for iDRAC

To enable Redfish, use redfish:// or redfish+http:// to disable transport layer security (TLS). The installer requires both the host name or the IP address and the path to the system ID. The following example demonstrates a Redfish configuration within the install-config.yaml file.

```
platform:
  baremetal:
  hosts:
    - name: openshift-master-0
    role: master
    bmc:
     address: redfish://<out-of-band-ip>/redfish/v1/Systems/System.Embedded.1
     username: <user>
     password: <password>
```

While it is recommended to have a certificate of authority for the out-of-band management addresses, you must include disableCertificateVerification: True in the bmc configuration if using self-signed certificates. The following example demonstrates a Redfish configuration using the disableCertificateVerification: True configuration parameter within the install-config.yaml file.

```
platform:
  baremetal:
  hosts:
    - name: openshift-master-0
    role: master
    bmc:
     address: redfish://<out-of-band-ip>/redfish/v1/Systems/System.Embedded.1
     username: <user>
     password: <password>
     disableCertificateVerification: True
```

Currently, Redfish is only supported on Dell hardware with iDRAC firmware versions 4.20.20.20 through 04.40.00.00 for installer-provisioned installations on bare metal deployments. There is a known issue with version 04.40.00.00. With iDRAC 9 firmware version 04.40.00.00, the Virtual Console plug-in defaults to eHTML5, which causes problems with the **InsertVirtualMedia** workflow. Set the plug-in to HTML5 to avoid this issue. The menu path is: **Configuration**  $\rightarrow$  **Virtual console**  $\rightarrow$  **Plug-in Type**  $\rightarrow$  **HTML5**.



Ensure the OpenShift Container Platform cluster nodes have AutoAttach Enabled through the iDRAC console. The menu path is: **Configuration**  $\rightarrow$  **Virtual Media**  $\rightarrow$  **Attach Mode**  $\rightarrow$  **AutoAttach**.

The redfish:// URL protocol corresponds to the redfish hardware type in Ironic.

### BMC addressing for HPE iLO

The address field for each bmc entry is a URL for connecting to the OpenShift Container Platform cluster nodes, including the type of controller in the URL scheme and its location on the network.

```
platform:
  baremetal:
  hosts:
    - name: <host name>
     role: <master | worker>
     bmc:
     address: <address> ①
     username: <user>
     password: <password>
```

1 The address configuration setting specifies the protocol.

For HPE integrated Lights Out (iLO), Red Hat supports Redfish virtual media, Redfish network boot,

and IPMI.

Table 5. BMC address formats for HPE iLO

| Protocol              | Address Format   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Redfish virtual media | <pre>redfish-virtualmedia://<out-of-band- ip="">/redfish/v1/Systems/1</out-of-band-></pre> |
| Redfish network boot  | <pre>redfish://<out-of-band- ip="">/redfish/v1/Systems/1</out-of-band-></pre>              |
| IPMI                  | ipmi:// <out-of-band-ip></out-of-band-ip>  |

See the following sections for additional details.

### Redfish virtual media for HPE iLO

To enable Redfish virtual media for HPE servers, use redfish-virtualmedia:// in the address setting. The following example demonstrates using Redfish virtual media within the install-config.yaml file.

```
platform:
  baremetal:
  hosts:
    - name: openshift-master-0
    role: master
    bmc:
      address: redfish-virtualmedia://<out-of-band-ip>/redfish/v1/Systems/1
      username: <user>
      password: <password>
```

While it is recommended to have a certificate of authority for the out-of-band management addresses, you must include disableCertificateVerification: True in the bmc configuration if using self-signed certificates. The following example demonstrates a Redfish configuration using the disableCertificateVerification: True configuration parameter within the install-config.yaml file.

```
platform:
  baremetal:
  hosts:
    - name: openshift-master-0
    role: master
    bmc:
      address: redfish-virtualmedia://<out-of-band-ip>/redfish/v1/Systems/1
      username: <user>
      password: <password>
      disableCertificateVerification: True
```



Redfish virtual media is not supported on 9th generation systems running iLO4, because Ironic does not support iLO4 with virtual media.

To enable Redfish, use redfish:// or redfish+http:// to disable TLS. The installer requires both the host name or the IP address and the path to the system ID. The following example demonstrates a Redfish configuration within the install-config.yaml file.

```
platform:
  baremetal:
  hosts:
    - name: openshift-master-0
    role: master
    bmc:
     address: redfish://<out-of-band-ip>/redfish/v1/Systems/1
     username: <user>
     password: <password>
```

While it is recommended to have a certificate of authority for the out-of-band management addresses, you must include disableCertificateVerification: True in the bmc configuration if using self-signed certificates. The following example demonstrates a Redfish configuration using the disableCertificateVerification: True configuration parameter within the install-config.yaml file.

```
platform:
  baremetal:
  hosts:
    - name: openshift-master-0
    role: master
    bmc:
     address: redfish://<out-of-band-ip>/redfish/v1/Systems/1
     username: <user>
     password: <password>
     disableCertificateVerification: True
```

## 3.6.6. Root device hints

The rootDeviceHints parameter enables the installer to provision the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) image to a particular device. The installer examines the devices in the order it discovers them, and compares the discovered values with the hint values. The installer uses the first discovered device that matches the hint value. The configuration can combine multiple hints, but a device must match all hints for the installer to select it.

Table 6. Subfields

| Subfield   | Description  |
|------------|--|
| deviceName | A string containing a Linux device name like /dev/vda. The hint must match the actual value exactly. |

| Subfield           | Description   |
|--------------------|---|
| hctl               | A string containing a SCSI bus address like 0:0:0:0. The hint must match the actual value exactly.                                  |
| model              | A string containing a vendor-specific device identifier. The hint can be a substring of the actual value.                           |
| vendor             | A string containing the name of the vendor or<br>manufacturer of the device. The hint can be a<br>sub-string of the actual value.   |
| serialNumber       | A string containing the device serial number.<br>The hint must match the actual value exactly.                                      |
| minSizeGigabytes   | An integer representing the minimum size of the device in gigabytes.  |
| wwn                | A string containing the unique storage identifier. The hint must match the actual value exactly.                                    |
| wwnWithExtension   | A string containing the unique storage identifier with the vendor extension appended. The hint must match the actual value exactly. |
| wwnVendorExtension | A string containing the unique vendor storage identifier. The hint must match the actual value exactly.                             |
| rotational         | A Boolean indicating whether the device should be a rotating disk (true) or not (false).  |

## Example usage

```
- name: master-0
role: master
bmc:
   address: ipmi://10.10.0.3:6203
   username: admin
   password: redhat
bootMACAddress: de:ad:be:ef:00:40
rootDeviceHints:
   deviceName: "/dev/sda"
```

## 3.6.7. Creating the OpenShift Container Platform manifests

1. Create the OpenShift Container Platform manifests.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ ./openshift-baremetal-install --dir ~/clusterconfigs create manifests
```

```
INFO Consuming Install Config from target directory
WARNING Making control-plane schedulable by setting MastersSchedulable to true for
Scheduler cluster settings
WARNING Discarding the Openshift Manifest that was provided in the target directory
because its dependencies are dirty and it needs to be regenerated
```

# 3.7. Creating a disconnected registry (optional)

In some cases, you might want to install an OpenShift Container Platform cluster using a local copy of the installation registry. This could be for enhancing network efficiency because the cluster nodes are on a network that does not have access to the internet.

A local, or mirrored, copy of the registry requires the following:

- A certificate for the registry node. This can be a self-signed certificate.
- A web server that a container on a system will serve.
- An updated pull secret that contains the certificate and local repository information.



Creating a disconnected registry on a registry node is optional. The subsequent sections indicate that they are optional since they are steps you need to execute only when creating a disconnected registry on a registry node. You should execute all of the subsequent sub-sections labeled "(optional)" when creating a disconnected registry on a registry node.

## 3.7.1. Preparing the registry node to host the mirrored registry (optional)

Make the following changes to the registry node.

#### **Procedure**

1. Open the firewall port on the registry node.

```
[user@registry ~]$ sudo firewall-cmd --add-port=5000/tcp --zone=libvirt
--permanent
[user@registry ~]$ sudo firewall-cmd --add-port=5000/tcp --zone=public
--permanent
[user@registry ~]$ sudo firewall-cmd --reload
```

2. Install the required packages for the registry node.

```
[user@registry ~]$ sudo yum -y install python3 podman httpd httpd-tools jq
```

3. Create the directory structure where the repository information will be held.

```
[user@registry ~]$ sudo mkdir -p /opt/registry/{auth,certs,data}
```

### 3.7.2. Generating the self-signed certificate (optional)

Generate a self-signed certificate for the registry node and put it in the /opt/registry/certs directory.

#### Procedure

1. Adjust the certificate information as appropriate.

```
[user@registry ~]$ host_fqdn=$( hostname --long )
[user@registry ~]$ cert_c="<Country Name>"
                                            # Country Name (C, 2 letter code)
[user@registry ~]$ cert_s="<State>"
                                            # Certificate State (S)
[user@registry ~]$ cert_l="<Locality>"
                                           # Certificate Locality (L)
[user@registry ~]$ cert_o="<Organization>" # Certificate Organization (0)
[user@registry ~]$ cert_ou="<Org Unit>" # Certificate Organizational Unit (OU)
[user@registry ~]$ cert_cn="${host_fqdn}"
                                           # Certificate Common Name (CN)
[user@registry ~]$ openssl req \
    -newkey rsa:4096 \
    -nodes \
    -sha256 \
    -keyout /opt/registry/certs/domain.key \
    -x509 \
    -days 365 \
    -out /opt/registry/certs/domain.crt \
    -addext "subjectAltName = DNS:${host_fqdn}" \
    -subj "/C=${cert_c}/ST=${cert_s}/L=${cert_l}/0=${cert_o}/OU=${cert_ou}/CN=
${cert cn}"
```



When replacing <Country Name>, ensure that it only contains two letters. For example, US.

2. Update the registry node's ca-trust with the new certificate.

```
[user@registry ~]$ sudo cp /opt/registry/certs/domain.crt /etc/pki/ca-
trust/source/anchors/
[user@registry ~]$ sudo update-ca-trust extract
```

## 3.7.3. Creating the registry podman container (optional)

The registry container uses the <code>/opt/registry</code> directory for certificates, authentication files, and to store its data files.

The registry container uses httpd and needs an htpasswd file for authentication.

1. Create an htpasswd file in /opt/registry/auth for the container to use.

```
[user@registry ~]$ htpasswd -bBc /opt/registry/auth/htpasswd <user> <passwd>
```

Replace <user> with the user name and <passwd> with the password.

2. Create and start the registry container.

```
[user@registry ~]$ podman create \
    --name ocpdiscon-registry \
    -p 5000:5000 \
    -e "REGISTRY_AUTH=htpasswd" \
    -e "REGISTRY_AUTH_HTPASSWD_REALM=Registry" \
    -e "REGISTRY_AUTH_HTPASSWD_PATH=/auth/htpasswd" \
    -e "REGISTRY_AUTH_HTPASSWD_PATH=/auth/htpasswd" \
    -e "REGISTRY_HTTP_TLS_CERTIFICATE=/certs/domain.crt" \
    -e "REGISTRY_HTTP_TLS_KEY=/certs/domain.key" \
    -e "REGISTRY_COMPATIBILITY_SCHEMA1_ENABLED=true" \
    -v /opt/registry/data:/var/lib/registry:z \
    -v /opt/registry/certs:/certs:z \
    docker.io/library/registry:2
```

```
[user@registry ~]$ podman start ocpdiscon-registry
```

## 3.7.4. Copy and update the pull-secret (optional)

Copy the pull secret file from the provisioner node to the registry node and modify it to include the authentication information for the new registry node.

#### Procedure

1. Copy the pull-secret.txt file.

```
[user@registry ~]$ scp kni@provisioner:/home/kni/pull-secret.txt pull-secret.txt
```

2. Update the <a href="host\_fqdn">host\_fqdn</a> environment variable with the fully qualified domain name of the registry node.

```
[user@registry ~]$ host_fqdn=$( hostname --long )
```

3. Update the b64auth environment variable with the base64 encoding of the http credentials used to create the htpasswd file.

```
[user@registry ~]$ b64auth=$( echo -n '<username>:<passwd>' | openssl base64 )
```

Replace <username> with the user name and <passwd> with the password.

4. Set the AUTHSTRING environment variable to use the base64 authorization string. The \$USER variable is an environment variable containing the name of the current user.

```
[user@registry ~]$ AUTHSTRING="{\"$host_fqdn:5000\": {\"auth\": \"$b64auth\",
\"email\": \"$USER@redhat.com\"}}"
```

5. Update the pull-secret.txt file.

```
[user@registry ~]$ jq ".auths += $AUTHSTRING" < pull-secret.txt > pull-secret-
update.txt
```

### 3.7.5. Mirroring the repository (optional)

#### Procedure

1. Copy the oc binary from the provisioner node to the registry node.

```
[user@registry ~]$ sudo scp kni@provisioner:/usr/local/bin/oc /usr/local/bin
```

2. Get the release image and mirror the remote install images to the local repository.

```
[user@registry ~]$ export VERSION=latest-4.6
[user@registry ~]$ UPSTREAM_REPO=$(curl -s
https://mirror.openshift.com/pub/openshift-v4/x86_64/clients/ocp/
$VERSION/release.txt | awk '/Pull From/ {print $3}')
[user@registry ~]$ /usr/local/bin/oc adm release mirror \
    -a pull-secret-update.txt
    --from=$UPSTREAM_REPO \
    --to-release-image=$LOCAL_REG/$LOCAL_REPO:${VERSION} \
    --to=$LOCAL_REG/$LOCAL_REPO
```

# 3.7.6. Modify the install-config.yaml file to use the disconnected registry (optional)

On the provisioner node, the <code>install-config.yaml</code> file should use the newly created pull-secret from the <code>pull-secret-update.txt</code> file. The <code>install-config.yaml</code> file must also contain the disconnected registry node's certificate and registry information.

#### Procedure

1. Add the disconnected registry node's certificate to the install-config.yaml file. The certificate

should follow the "additionalTrustBundle: |" line and be properly indented, usually by two spaces.

```
$ echo "additionalTrustBundle: |" >> install-config.yaml
$ sed -e 's/^/ /' /opt/registry/certs/domain.crt >> install-config.yaml
```

2. Add the mirror information for the registry to the install-config.yaml file.

```
$ cat <<EOF >> install-config.yaml
imageContentSources:
- mirrors:
- registry.example.com:5000/ocp4/openshift4
source: quay.io/openshift-release-dev/ocp-v4.0-art-dev
- mirrors:
- registry.example.com:5000/ocp4/openshift4
source: registry.svc.ci.openshift.org/ocp/release
- mirrors:
- registry.example.com:5000/ocp4/openshift4
source: quay.io/openshift-release-dev/ocp-release
EOF
```



Replace registry.example.com with the registry's fully qualified domain name.

# 3.8. Deploying routers on worker nodes

During installation, the installer deploys router pods on worker nodes. By default, the installer installs two router pods. If the initial cluster has only one worker node, or if a deployed cluster requires additional routers to handle external traffic loads destined for services within the OpenShift Container Platform cluster, you can create a yaml file to set an appropriate number of router replicas.



By default, the installer deploys two routers. If the cluster has at least two worker nodes, you can skip this section. For more information on the Ingress Operator see: Ingress Operator in OpenShift Container Platform.



If the cluster has no worker nodes, the installer deploys the two routers on the control plane nodes by default. If the cluster has no worker nodes, you can skip this section.

#### Procedure

1. Create a router-replicas.yaml file.

```
apiVersion: operator.openshift.io/v1
kind: IngressController
metadata:
    name: default
    namespace: openshift-ingress-operator
spec:
    replicas: <num-of-router-pods>
    endpointPublishingStrategy:
        type: HostNetwork
    nodePlacement:
        nodeSelector:
        matchLabels:
        node-role.kubernetes.io/worker: ""
```



Replace <num-of-router-pods> with an appropriate value. If working with just one worker node, set replicas: to 1. If working with more than 3 worker nodes, you can increase replicas: from the default value 2 as appropriate.

2. Save and copy the router-replicas.yaml file to the clusterconfigs/openshift directory.

```
cp ~/router-replicas.yaml clusterconfigs/openshift/99_router-replicas.yaml
```

### 3.9. Validation checklist for installation

- □ OpenShift Container Platform installer has been retrieved.
- □ OpenShift Container Platform installer has been extracted.
- ☐ Required parameters for the install-config.yaml have been configured.
- ☐ The hosts parameter for the install-config.yaml has been configured.
- ☐ The bmc parameter for the install-config.yaml has been configured.
- ☐ Conventions for the values configured in the bmc address field have been applied.
- ☐ Created a disconnected registry (optional).
- □ Validate disconnected registry settings if in use. (optional)
- ☐ Deployed routers on worker nodes. (optional)

# 3.10. Deploying the cluster via the OpenShift Container Platform installer

Run the OpenShift Container Platform installer:

[kni@provisioner  $\sim$ ]\$ ./openshift-baremetal-install --dir  $\sim$ /clusterconfigs --log-level debug create cluster

# 3.11. Following the installation

During the deployment process, you can check the installation's overall status by issuing the tail command to the .openshift\_install.log log file in the install directory folder.

[kni@provisioner ~]\$ tail -f /path/to/install-dir/.openshift\_install.log

# Chapter 4. Day 2 operations

The following sections are optional, but may be of interest after the initial deployment has been completed.

# 4.1. Accessing the web console

The web console runs as a pod on the master. The static assets required to run the web console are served by the pod. Once OpenShift Container Platform is successfully installed, find the URL for the web console and login credentials for your installed cluster in the CLI output of the installation program. For example:

#### Example output

```
INFO Install complete!
INFO Run 'export KUBECONFIG=<your working directory>/auth/kubeconfig' to manage the cluster with 'oc', the OpenShift CLI.
INFO The cluster is ready when 'oc login -u kubeadmin -p provided>' succeeds (wait a few minutes).
INFO Access the OpenShift web-console here: https://console-openshift-console.apps.demo1.openshift4-beta-abcorp.com
INFO Login to the console with user: kubeadmin, password: provided>
```

Use those details to log in and access the web console.

Additionally, you can execute:

```
oc whoami --show-console
```

To obtain the url for the console.

# 4.2. Backing up the cluster configuration

At this point you have a working OpenShift 4 cluster on baremetal. In order to take advantage of the baremetal hardware that was the provision node, you can repurpose the provisioning node as a worker. Prior to reprovisioning the node, it is recommended to backup some existing files.

#### Procedure

1. Tar the clusterconfig folder and download it to your local machine.

```
tar cvfz clusterconfig.tar.gz ~/clusterconfig
```

2. Copy the Private part for the SSH Key configured on the install-config.yaml file to your local machine.

```
tar cvfz clusterconfigsh.tar.gz ~/.ssh/id_rsa*
```

3. Copy the install-config.yaml and metal3-config.yaml files.

```
tar cvfz yamlconfigs.tar.gz install-config.yaml metal3-config.yaml
```

# 4.3. Expanding the cluster

After deploying an installer-provisioned OpenShift Container Platform cluster, you can use the following procedures to expand the number of worker nodes. Ensure that each prospective worker node meets the prerequisites.



Expanding the cluster using RedFish Virtual Media involves meeting minimum firmware requirements. See **Firmware requirements for installing with virtual media** in the **Prerequisites** section for additional details when expanding the cluster using RedFish Virtual Media.

### 4.3.1. Preparing the bare metal node

Expanding the cluster requires a DHCP server. Each node must have a DHCP reservation.

Preparing the bare metal node requires executing the following procedure from the provisioner node.

#### Procedure

1. Get the oc binary, if needed. It should already exist on the provisioner node.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ export VERSION=latest-4.6
[kni@provisioner ~]$ curl -s https://mirror.openshift.com/pub/openshift-v4/clients/ocp/$VERSION/openshift-client-linux-$VERSION.tar.gz | tar zxvf - oc
```

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ sudo cp oc /usr/local/bin
```

- 2. Power off the bare metal node via the baseboard management controller and ensure it is off.
- 3. Retrieve the user name and password of the bare metal node's baseboard management controller. Then, create base64 strings from the user name and password. In the following example, the user name is root and the password is calvin.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ echo -ne "root" | base64
```

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ echo -ne "calvin" | base64
```

4. Create a configuration file for the bare metal node.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ vim bmh.yaml
```

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
metadata:
  name: openshift-worker-<num>-bmc-secret
type: Opaque
data:
  username: <base64-of-uid>
  password: <base64-of-pwd>
apiVersion: metal3.io/v1alpha1
kind: BareMetalHost
metadata:
  name: openshift-worker-<num>
spec:
  online: true
  bootMACAddress: <NTC1-mac-address>
  bmc:
    address: <protocol>://<bmc-ip>
    credentialsName: openshift-worker-<num>-bmc-secret
```

Replace <num> for the worker number of the bare metal node in the two name fields and the credentialsName field. Replace <base64-of-uid> with the base64 string of the user name. Replace <base64-of-pwd> with the base64 string of the password. Replace <NIC1-mac-address> with the MAC address of the bare metal node's first NIC.

Refer to the BMC addressing section for additional BMC configuration options. Replace cprotocol> with the BMC protocol, such as IPMI, RedFish, or others. Replace <bmc-ip> with the IP address of the bare metal node's baseboard management controller.



If the MAC address of an existing bare metal node matches the MAC address of a bare metal host that you are attempting to provision, then the Ironic installation will fail. If the host enrollment, inspection, cleaning, or other Ironic steps fail, the metal3-baremetal-operator will continuously retry. See Diagnosing a host duplicate MAC address for more information.

5. Create the bare metal node.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ oc -n openshift-machine-api create -f bmh.yaml
```

```
secret/openshift-worker-<num>-bmc-secret created
baremetalhost.metal3.io/openshift-worker-<num> created
```

Where <num> will be the worker number.

6. Power up and inspect the bare metal node.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ oc -n openshift-machine-api get bmh openshift-worker-<num>
```

Where <num> is the worker node number.

```
NAME STATUS PROVISIONING STATUS CONSUMER BMC
HARDWARE PROFILE ONLINE ERROR
openshift-worker-<num> OK ready ipmi://<out-of-band-ip> unknown true
```

#### Diagnosing a duplicate MAC address when provisioning a new host in the cluster

If the MAC address of an existing bare-metal node in the cluster matches the MAC address of a bare-metal host you are attempting to add to the cluster, the Bare Metal Operator associates the host with the existing node. If the host enrollment, inspection, cleaning, or other Ironic steps fail, the Bare Metal Operator retries the installation continuously. A registration error is displayed for the failed bare-metal host.

You can diagnose a duplicate MAC address by examining the bare-metal hosts that are running in the openshift-machine-api namespace.

#### **Prerequisites**

- Install an OpenShift Container Platform cluster on bare metal.
- Install the OpenShift Container Platform CLI oc.
- Log in as a user with cluster-admin privileges.

#### Procedure

To determine whether a bare-metal host that fails provisioning has the same MAC address as an existing node, do the following:

1. Get the bare-metal hosts running in the openshift-machine-api namespace:

```
$ oc get bmh -n openshift-machine-api
```

#### Example output

```
NAME
                              PROVISIONING STATUS
                                                        CONSUMER
                     STATUS
openshift-master-0
                     0K
                              externally provisioned
                                                        openshift-zpwpq-master-0
openshift-master-1
                              externally provisioned
                                                        openshift-zpwpq-master-1
                     0K
openshift-master-2
                     0K
                              externally provisioned
                                                        openshift-zpwpq-master-2
openshift-worker-0
                     0K
                              provisioned
                                                        openshift-zpwpq-worker-0-
lv84n
openshift-worker-1
                                                        openshift-zpwpg-worker-0-
                     0K
                              provisioned
zd81m
openshift-worker-2
                              registering
                     error
```

2. To see more detailed information about the status of the failing host, run the following command replacing <bare\_metal\_host\_name> with the name of the host:

```
$ oc get -n openshift-machine-api bmh <bare_metal_host_name> -o yaml
```

#### Example output

```
status:
    errorCount: 12
    errorMessage: MAC address b4:96:91:1d:7c:20 conflicts with existing node
    openshift-worker-1
    errorType: registration error
...
```

## 4.3.2. Provisioning the bare metal node

Provisioning the bare metal node requires executing the following procedure from the provisioner node.

#### Procedure

1. Ensure the PROVISIONING STATUS is ready before provisioning the bare metal node.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ oc -n openshift-machine-api get bmh openshift-worker-<num>
```

Where <num> is the worker node number.

```
NAME STATUS PROVISIONING STATUS CONSUMER BMC
HARDWARE PROFILE ONLINE ERROR
openshift-worker-<num> OK ready ipmi://<out-of-band-ip> unknown true
```

2. Get a count of the number of worker nodes.

#### [kni@provisioner ~]\$ oc get nodes

| NAME<br>VERSION                                     |       | STATUS | ROLES  |     | AGE |
|---|-------|--------|--------|-----|-----|
| provisioner.openshift.example.com<br>v1.16.2        | Ready | master | -      | 30h |     |
| openshift-master-1.openshift.example.com v1.16.2    |       | Ready  | master |     | 30h |
| openshift-master-2.openshift.example.com v1.16.2    |       | Ready  | master |     | 30h |
| openshift-master-3.openshift.example.com<br>v1.16.2 |       | Ready  | master |     | 30h |
| openshift-worker-0.openshift.example.com<br>v1.16.2 |       | Ready  | master |     | 30h |
| openshift-worker-1.openshift.example.com<br>v1.16.2 |       | Ready  | master |     | 30h |

#### 3. Get the machine set.

[kni@provisioner ~]\$ oc get machinesets -n openshift-machine-api

| NAME  | DESIRED | CURRENT | READY  | AVAILABLE | AGE        |
|---|---------|---------|--------|-----------|------------|
| openshift-worker-0.example.com openshift-worker-1.example.com | 1<br>1  | 1       | 1<br>1 | 1<br>1    | 55m<br>55m |

4. Increase the number of worker nodes by one.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ oc scale --replicas=<num> machineset <machineset> -n openshift-machine-api
```

Replace <num> with the new number of worker nodes. Replace <machineset> with the name of the machine set from the previous step.

5. Check the status of the bare metal node.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ oc -n openshift-machine-api get bmh openshift-worker-<num>
```

Where <num> is the worker node number. The status changes from ready to provisioning.

```
NAME
                     STATUS
                              PROVISIONING STATUS
                                                     CONSUMER
                                                                               BMC
HARDWARE PROFILE
                   ONLINE
                            ERROR
openshift-worker-<num>
                         0K
                                  provisioning
                                                         openshift-worker-<num>-
        ipmi://<out-of-band-ip>
                                  unknown
65tjz
                                                      true
```

The provisioning status remains until the OpenShift Container Platform cluster provisions the node. This can take 30 minutes or more. Once complete, the status will change to provisioned.

```
NAME STATUS PROVISIONING STATUS CONSUMER BMC
HARDWARE PROFILE ONLINE ERROR
openshift-worker-<num> OK provisioned openshift-worker-<num>-
65tjz ipmi://<out-of-band-ip> unknown true
```

6. Once provisioned, ensure the bare metal node is ready.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ oc get nodes
```

```
NAME
                                              STATUS
                                                       ROLES
                                                               AGE
                                                                       VERSION
                                                       master 30h
                                                                       v1.16.2
provisioner.openshift.example.com
                                              Ready
openshift-master-1.openshift.example.com
                                              Ready
                                                       master 30h
                                                                       v1.16.2
openshift-master-2.openshift.example.com
                                              Ready
                                                       master 30h
                                                                       v1.16.2
openshift-master-3.openshift.example.com
                                              Ready
                                                       master 30h
                                                                       v1.16.2
openshift-worker-0.openshift.example.com
                                              Ready
                                                       master 30h
                                                                       v1.16.2
openshift-worker-1.openshift.example.com
                                              Ready
                                                       master 30h
                                                                       v1.16.2
openshift-worker-<num>.openshift.example.com
                                                       worker 3m27s
                                                                       v1.16.2
                                              Ready
```

You can also check the kubelet.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ ssh openshift-worker-<num>
```

```
[kni@openshift-worker-<num>]$ journalctl -fu kubelet
```

# 4.3.3. Preparing the provisioner node to be deployed as a worker node

Procedure

Perform the following steps prior to converting the provisioner node to a worker node.

- 1. ssh to a system (for example, a laptop) that can access the out of band management network of the current provisioner node.
- 2. Copy the backups clusterconfig.tar.gz, clusterconfigsh.tar.gz, and amlconfigs.tar.gz to the new system.

- 3. Copy the oc binary from the existing provisioning node to the new system.
- 4. Make a note of the mac addresses, the baremetal network IP used for the provisioner node, and the IP address of the Out of band Management Network.
- 5. Reboot the system and ensure that PXE is enabled on the provisioning network and PXE is disabled for all other NICs.
- 6. If installation was performed using a Satellite server, remove the Host entry for the existing provisioning node.
- 7. Install the ipmitool on the new system in order to power off the provisioner node.

### 4.3.4. Adding a worker node to an existing cluster

#### Procedure

1. Retrieve the username and password of the bare metal node's baseboard management controller. Then, create base64 strings from the username and password. In the following example, the username is root and the password is calvin.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ echo -ne "root" | base64
[kni@provisioner ~]$ echo -ne "calvin" | base64
```

2. Create a configuration file for the bare metal node.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ vim bmh.yaml
```

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
metadata:
  name: openshift-worker-<num>-bmc-secret
type: Opaque
data:
  username: <base64-of-uid>
  password: <base64-of-pwd>
apiVersion: metal3.io/v1alpha1
kind: BareMetalHost
metadata:
  name: openshift-worker-<num>
spec:
  online: true
  bootMACAddress: <NIC1-mac-address>
    address: ipmi://<bmc-ip>
    credentialsName: openshift-worker-<num>-bmc-secret
```

Replace <num> for the worker number of bare metal node in two name fields and credentialsName field. Replace <base64-of-uid> with the base64 string of the username. Replace <base64-of-pwd> with the base64 string of the password. Replace <NIC1-mac-address> with the MAC address of the bare metal node's first NIC. Replace <br/>baseboard management controller.



When using redfish or redfish-virtualmedia, add the appropriate addressing as described in the BMC addressing section. See BMC addressing for details.

1. Create the bare metal node.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ oc -n openshift-machine-api create -f bmh.yaml
```

```
secret/openshift-worker-<num>-bmc-secret created
baremetalhost.metal3.io/openshift-worker-<num> created
```

Where <num> will be the worker number.

2. Power up and inspect the bare metal node.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ oc -n openshift-machine-api get bmh openshift-worker-<num>
```

Where <num> is the worker node number.

```
NAME STATUS PROVISIONING STATUS CONSUMER BMC
HARDWARE PROFILE ONLINE ERROR
openshift-worker-<num> OK ready ipmi://<out-of-band-ip> unknown true
```

3. Ensure the PROVISIONING STATUS is ready before provisioning the bare metal node.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ oc -n openshift-machine-api get bmh openshift-worker-<num>
```

Where <num> is the worker node number.

```
NAME STATUS PROVISIONING STATUS CONSUMER BMC
HARDWARE PROFILE ONLINE ERROR
openshift-worker-<num> OK ready ipmi://<out-of-band-ip> unknown true
```

4. Get a count of the number of worker nodes.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ oc get nodes
```

5. Get the machine set.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ oc get machinesets -n openshift-machine-api
```

| NAME                           | DESIRED | CURRENT | READY | AVAILABLE | AGE |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|-------|-----------|-----|
| openshift-worker-0.example.com | 1       | 1       | 1     | 1         | 55m |
| openshift-worker-1.example.com | 1       | 1       | 1     | 1         | 55m |
| openshift-worker-2.example.com | 1       | 1       | 1     | 1         | 55m |
|                                |         |         |       |           |     |

6. Increase the number of worker nodes by 1.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ oc scale --replicas=<num> machineset <machineset> -n openshift-machine-api
```

Replace <num> with the new number of worker nodes. Replace <machineset> with the name of the machine set from the previous step.

7. Check the status of the bare metal node.

```
[kni@provisioner ~]$ oc -n openshift-machine-api get bmh openshift-worker-<num>
```

Where <num> is the worker node number. The status changes from ready to provisioning.

NAME STATUS PROVISIONING STATUS CONSUMER BMC
HARDWARE PROFILE ONLINE ERROR
openshift-worker-<num> OK provisioning openshift-worker-<num>65tjz ipmi://<out-of-band-ip> unknown true

The provisioning status remains until the OpenShift Container Platform cluster provisions the node. This may take 30 minutes or more. Once complete, the status will change to provisioned.

NAME PROVISIONING STATUS CONSUMER BMC STATUS HARDWARE PROFILE ONLINE ERROR openshift-worker-<num> 0K provisioned openshift-worker-<num>ipmi://<out-of-band-ip> 65tjz unknown true

8. Once provisioned, ensure the bare metal node is ready.

[kni@provisioner ~]\$ oc get nodes

| NAME<br>VERSION   |       | STATUS | ROLES  |     | AGE   |
|---|-------|--------|--------|-----|-------|
| provisioner.openshift.example.com v1.16.2                             | Ready | master |        | 30h |       |
| openshift-master-1.openshift.example.com v1.16.2                      |       | Ready  | master |     | 30h   |
| <pre>openshift-master-2.openshift.example.com v1.16.2</pre>           |       | Ready  | master |     | 30h   |
| <pre>openshift-worker-<num>.openshift.example.com v1.16.2</num></pre> |       | Ready  | worker |     | 3m27s |

You can also check the kubelet.

[kni@provisioner ~]\$ ssh openshift-worker-<num>

[kni@openshift-worker-<num>]\$ journalctl **-fu** kubelet

#### **Appending DNS records**

#### **Configuring Bind (Option 1)**

#### Procedure

1. Login to the DNS server using ssh.

- 2. Suspend updates to all dynamic zones: rndc freeze.
- 3. Edit /var/named/dynamic/example.com.

```
$ORIGIN openshift.example.com.
<OUTPUT_OMITTED>
openshift-worker-1 A <ip-of-worker-1>
openshift-worker-2 A <ip-of-worker-2>
```



Remove the provisioner as it is replaced by openshift-worker-2.

- 4. Increase the SERIAL value by 1.
- 5. Edit /var/named/dynamic/1.0.10.in-addr.arpa.
  - 0

The filename 1.0.10.in-addr.arpa is the reverse of the public CIDR example 10.0.1.0/24.

- 6. Increase the SERIAL value by 1.
- 7. Enable updates to all dynamic zones and reload them: rndc thaw.

#### **Configuring dnsmasq (Option 2)**

Procedure

Append the following DNS record to the /etc/hosts file on the server hosting the dnsmasq service.

```
<OUTPUT_OMITTED>
<NIC2-IP> openshift-worker-1.openshift.example.com openshift-worker-1
<NIC2-IP> openshift-worker-2.openshift.example.com openshift-worker-2
```



Remove the provisioner.openshift.example.com entry as it is replaced by worker-2

#### **Appending DHCP reservations**

#### **Configuring dhcpd (Option 1)**

Procedure

- 1. Login to the DHCP server using ssh.
- 2. Edit /etc/dhcp/dhcpd.hosts.

```
host openshift-worker-2 {
    option host-name "worker-2";
    hardware ethernet <NIC2-mac-address>;
    option domain-search "openshift.example.com";
    fixed-address <ip-address-of-NIC2>;
}
```



Remove the provisioner as it is replaced by openshift-worker-2.

3. Restart the dhcpd service.

```
systemctl restart dhcpd
```

#### **Configuring dnsmasq (Option 2)**

#### Procedure

1. Append the following DHCP reservation to the /etc/dnsmasq.d/example.dns file on the server hosting the dnsmasq service.

```
<OUTPUT_OMITTED>
dhcp-host=<NIC2-mac-address>,openshift-worker-1.openshift.example.com,<ip-of-
worker-1>
dhcp-host=<NIC2-mac-address>,openshift-worker-2.openshift.example.com,<ip-of-
worker-2>
```



Remove the provisioner.openshift.example.com entry as it is replaced by worker-2

2. Restart the dnsmasq service.

```
systemctl restart dnsmasq
```

#### Deploying the provisioner node as a worker node using Metal3

After you have completed the prerequisites, perform the deployment process.

#### Procedure

1. Power off the node using ipmitool and confirm the provisioning node is powered off.

```
ssh <server-with-access-to-management-net>
# Use the user, password and Management net IP adddress to shutdown the system
ipmitool -I lanplus -U <user> -P <password> -H <management-server-ip> power off
# Confirm the server is powered down
ipmitool -I lanplus -U <user> -P <password> -H <management-server-ip> power status
Chassis Power is off
```

2. Get base64 strings for the Out of band Management credentials. In this example, the user is root and the password is calvin.

```
# Use echo -ne, otherwise you will get your secrets with \n which will cause issues
# Get root username in base64
echo -ne "root" | base64
# Get root password in base64
echo -ne "calvin" | base64
```

3. Configure the BaremetalHost bmh.yaml file.

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
metadata:
  name: openshift-worker-2-bmc-secret
type: Opaque
data:
  username: ca2vdAo=
  password: MWAwTWdtdC0K
apiVersion: metal3.io/v1alpha1
kind: BareMetalHost
metadata:
  name: openshift-worker-2
spec:
  online: true
  bootMACAddress: <NIC1-mac-address>
    address: ipmi://<out-of-band-ip>
    credentialsName: openshift-worker-2-bmc-secret
```

4. Create the BaremetalHost.

```
./oc -n openshift-machine-api create -f bmh.yaml
secret/openshift-worker-2-bmc-secret created
baremetalhost.metal3.io/openshift-worker-2 created
```

5. Power up and inspect the node.

```
./oc -n openshift-machine-api get bmh openshift-worker-2

NAME STATUS PROVISIONING STATUS CONSUMER BMC
HARDWARE PROFILE ONLINE ERROR
openshift-worker-2 OK inspecting ipmi://<out-of-band-ip> true
```

6. After finishing the inspection, the node is ready to be provisioned.

```
./oc -n openshift-machine-api get bmh openshift-worker-2

NAME STATUS PROVISIONING STATUS CONSUMER BMC

HARDWARE PROFILE ONLINE ERROR

openshift-worker-2 OK ready ipmi://<out-of-band-
ip> unknown true
```

7. Scale the workers machineset. Previously, there were two replicas during original installation.

```
./oc get machineset -n openshift-machine-api
NAME         DESIRED CURRENT READY AVAILABLE AGE
openshift-worker-2 0 0 21h

./oc -n openshift-machine-api scale machineset openshift-worker-2 --replicas=3
```

8. The baremetal host moves to provisioning status. This can take as long as 30 minutes. You can follow the status from the node console.

```
oc -n openshift-machine-api get bmh openshift-worker-2
                              PROVISIONING STATUS
NAME
                     STATUS
                                                    CONSUMER
                                                                               BMC
HARDWARE PROFILE
                   ONLINE
                            ERROR
openshift-worker-2
                     0K
                                                    openshift-worker-0-65tjz
                              provisioning
ipmi://<out-of-band-ip>
                          unknown
                                             true
```

9. When the node is provisioned it moves to provisioned status.

```
oc -n openshift-machine-api get bmh openshift-worker-2
                              PROVISIONING STATUS
NAME
                     STATUS
                                                     CONSUMER
                                                                               BMC
HARDWARE PROFILE
                   ONLINE
                            ERROR
openshift-worker-2
                     0K
                              provisioned
                                                     openshift-worker-2-65tjz
ipmi://<out-of-band-ip>
                          unknown
                                              true
```

10. When the kubelet finishes initialization the node is ready for use. You can connect to the node and run journalctl -fu kubelet to check the process.

| oc get node                                      |        |         |                |
|--|--------|---------|----------------|
| NAME   | STATUS | ROLES   | AGE            |
| VERSION  |        |         | 201            |
| openshift-master-0.openshift.example.com v1.16.2 | Ready  | master  | 30h            |
| openshift-master-1.openshift.example.com         | Ready  | master  | 30h            |
| v1.16.2  | ,      |         |                |
| openshift-master-2.openshift.example.com         | Ready  | master  | 30h            |
| v1.16.2 openshift.example.com                    | Ready  | worker  | 3m27s          |
| v1.16.2  | eddy   | wor ker | 3 <b>2</b> ,73 |
| openshift-worker-1.openshift.example.com         | Ready  | worker  | 3m27s          |
| v1.16.2 openshift.example.com                    | Ready  | worker  | 3m27s          |
| v1.16.2  | neauy  | WOLKEL  | JIIIZ / 3      |
|  |        |         |                |

# Chapter 5. Appendix

In this section of the document, extra information is provided that is outside of the regular workflow.

# 5.1. Troubleshooting

Troubleshooting the installation is out of scope of the Deployment Guide. For more details on troubleshooting deployment, refer to our Troubleshooting guide.

# 5.2. Creating DNS Records

Two options are documented for configuring DNS records:

- On a DNS Server (Bind)
- Using dnsmasq

### 5.2.1. Configuring Bind (Option 1)

Use Option 1 if access to the appropriate DNS server for the baremetal network is accessible or a request to your network admin to create the DNS records is an option. If this is not an option, skip this section and go to section Create DNS records using dnsmasq (Option 2).

Create a subzone with the name of the cluster that is going to be used on your domain. In our example, the domain used is example.com and the cluster name used is openshift. Make sure to change these according to your environment specifics.

#### Procedure

- 1. Login to the DNS server using ssh.
- 2. Suspend updates to all dynamic zones: rndc freeze.
- 3. Edit /var/named/dynamic/example.com.

```
$ORIGIN openshift.example.com.
                ; 5 minutes
$TTL 300
@ IN SOA dns1.example.com. hostmaster.example.com. (
       2001062501 ; serial
       21600
                   ; refresh after 6 hours
       3600
                   ; retry after 1 hour
                  ; expire after 1 week
       604800
       86400 )
                  ; minimum TTL of 1 day
                        Α
                                <api-ip>
api
                                <dns-vip-ip>
ns1
                        Α
$ORIGIN apps.openshift.example.com.
                                <wildcard-ingress-lb-ip>
$ORIGIN openshift.example.com.
provisioner
                        Α
                                <NIC2-ip-of-provision>
                                <NIC2-ip-of-openshift-master-0>
openshift-master-0
                        Α
                                <NIC2-ip-of-openshift-master-1>
openshift-master-1
                        Α
                                <NIC2-ip-of-openshift-master-2>
openshift-master-2
                        Α
                                <NIC2-ip-of-openshift-worker-0>
openshift-worker-0
                        Α
                                <NIC2-ip-of-openshift-worker-1>
openshift-worker-1
                        Α
```

- 4. Increase the serial value by 1.
- 5. Edit /var/named/dynamic/1.0.10.in-addr.arpa.

```
$ORIGIN 1.0.10.in-addr.arpa.
$TTL 300
@ IN SOA dns1.example.com. hostmaster.example.com. (
       2001062501 ; serial
       21600
                  ; refresh after 6 hours
       3600
                   ; retry after 1 hour
                  ; expire after 1 week
       604800
       86400 )
                  ; minimum TTL of 1 day
126 IN
            PTR
                     provisioner.openshift.example.com.
127 IN
                PTR
                        openshift-master-0.openshift.example.com.
128 IN
                PTR
                        openshift-master-1.openshift.example.com.
129 IN
                PTR
                        openshift-master-2.openshift.example.com.
130 IN
                        openshift-worker-0.openshift.example.com.
                PTR
                PTR
                        openshift-worker-1.openshift.example.com.
131 IN
132 IN
            PTR
                    api.openshift.example.com.
133 IN
            PTR
                    ns1.openshift.example.com.
```

- 1
- In this example, the IP addresses 10.0.1.126-133 are pointed to the corresponding fully qualified domain name.
- The filename 1.0.10.in-addr.arpa is the reverse of the public CIDR example 10.0.1.0/24.

- 6. Increase the serial value by 1.
- 7. Enable updates to all dynamic zones and reload them: rndc thaw.

### 5.2.2. Configuring dnsmasq (Option 2)

To create DNS records, open the /etc/hosts file and add the NIC2 (baremetal net) IP followed by the hostname. In our example, the domain used is example.com and the cluster name used is openshift. Make sure to change these according to your environment specifics.

#### Procedure

1. Edit /etc/hosts and add the NIC2 (baremetal net) IP followed by the hostname.

```
cat /etc/hosts

127.0.0.1 localhost localhost.localdomain localhost4 localhost4.localdomain4
::1 localhost localhost.localdomain localhost6 localhost6.localdomain6

<NIC2-IP> provisioner.openshift.example.com provisioner

<NIC2-IP> openshift-master-0.openshift.example.com openshift-master-0

<NIC2-IP> openshift-master-1.openshift.example.com openshift-master-1

<NIC2-IP> openshift-master-2.openshift.example.com openshift-master-2

<NIC2-IP> openshift-worker-0.openshift.example.com openshift-worker-0

<NIC2-IP> openshift-worker-1.openshift.example.com openshift-worker-1

<API-IP> api.openshift.example.com api

<DNS-VIP-IP> ns1.openshift.example.com ns1
```

2. Open the appropriate firewalld DNS service and reload the rules.

```
systemctl restart firewalld
firewall-cmd --add-service=dns --permanent
firewall-cmd --reload
```

# 5.3. Creating DHCP reservations

Two options are documented for configuring DHCP:

- On dhcpd (Option 1)
- Using dnsmasq (Option 2)

### 5.3.1. Configuring dhcpd (Option 1)

Use Option 1 if access to the appropriate DHCP server for the baremetal network is accessible or a request to your network admin to create the DHCP reservations is an option. If this is not an option, skip this section and go to section Create DHCP records using dnsmasq (Option 2).

- 1. Login to the DHCP server using ssh.
- 2. Edit /etc/dhcp/dhcpd.hosts.

```
host provisioner {
     option host-name "provisioner";
    hardware ethernet <mac-address-of-NIC2>;
    option domain-search "openshift.example.com";
     fixed-address <ip-address-of-NIC2>;
host openshift-master-0 {
     option host-name "openshift-master-0";
    hardware ethernet <mac-address-of-NIC2>;
    option domain-search "openshift.example.com";
     fixed-address <ip-address-of-NIC2>;
 }
host openshift-master-1 {
    option host-name "openshift-master-1";
    hardware ethernet <mac-address-of-NIC2>;
    option domain-search "openshift.example.com";
     fixed-address <ip-address-of-NIC2>;
 }
host openshift-master-2 {
     option host-name "openshift-master-2";
    hardware ethernet <mac-address-of-NIC2>;
    option domain-search "openshift.example.com";
     fixed-address <ip-address-of-NIC2>;
host openshift-worker-0 {
    option host-name "openshift-worker-0";
    hardware ethernet <mac-address-of-NIC2>;
    option domain-search "openshift.example.com";
     fixed-address <ip-address-of-NIC2>;
host openshift-worker-1 {
     option host-name "openshift-worker-1";
    hardware ethernet <mac-address-of-NIC2>;
    option domain-search "openshift.example.com";
    fixed-address <ip-address-of-NIC2>;
 }
```

3. Restart the dhcpd service.

```
systemctl restart dhcpd
```

## 5.3.2. Configuring dnsmasq (Option 2)

Set up dnsmasq on a server that can access the baremetal network.

Procedure

1. Install dnsmasq.

```
dnf install -y dnsmasq
```

2. Change to the /etc/dnsmasq.d directory.

```
cd /etc/dnsmasq.d
```

3. Create a file that reflects your OpenShift cluster appended by .dns.

```
touch <filename>.dns
```

4. Open the appropriate firewalld DHCP service.

```
systemctl restart firewalld
firewall-cmd --add-service=dhcp --permanent
firewall-cmd --reload
```

5. Define DNS configuration file

IPv4

Here is an example of the .dns file for IPv4.

```
domain-needed
bind-dynamic
bogus-priv
domain=openshift.example.com
dhcp-range=<baremetal-net-starting-ip,baremetal-net-ending-ip>
#dhcp-range=10.0.1.4,10.0.14
dhcp-option=3,<baremetal-net-gateway-ip>
#dhcp-option=3,10.0.1.254
resolv-file=/etc/resolv.conf.upstream
interface=<nic-with-access-to-baremetal-net>
#interface=em2
server=<ip-of-existing-server-on-baremetal-net>
#Wildcard for apps -- make changes to cluster-name (openshift) and domain
(example.com)
address=/.apps.openshift.example.com/<wildcard-ingress-lb-ip>
#Static IPs for Masters
dhcp-host=<NIC2-mac-address>,provisioner.openshift.example.com,<ip-of-provisioner>
dhcp-host=<NIC2-mac-address>,openshift-master-0.openshift.example.com,<ip-of-
openshift-master-0>
dhcp-host=<NIC2-mac-address>,openshift-master-1.openshift.example.com,<ip-of-
openshift-master-1>
dhcp-host=<NIC2-mac-address>,openshift-master-2.openshift.example.com,<ip-of-
openshift-master-2>
dhcp-host=<NIC2-mac-address>,openshift-worker-0.openshift.example.com,<ip-of-
openshift-worker-0>
dhcp-host=<NIC2-mac-address>,openshift-worker-1.openshift.example.com,<ip-of-</pre>
openshift-worker-1>
```

#### IPv6

Here is an example of the .dns file for IPv6.

```
strict-order
bind-dynamic
bogus-priv
dhcp-authoritative
dhcp-range=baremetal,<baremetal-IPv6-dhcp-range-start>,<baremetal-IPv6-dhcp-range-
end>,<range-prefix>
dhcp-option=baremetal,option6:dns-server,[<IPv6-DNS-Server>]
resolv-file=/etc/resolv.conf.upstream
except-interface=lo
dhcp-lease-max=81
log-dhcp
domain=openshift.example.com,<baremetal-IPv6-cidr>,local
# static host-records
address=/.apps.openshift.example.com/<wildcard-ingress-lb-ip>
host-record=api.openshift.example.com,<api-ip>
host-record=ns1.openshift.example.com,<dns-ip>
host-record=openshift-master-0.openshift.example.com,<ip-of-openshift-master-0>
host-record=openshift-master-1.openshift.example.com,<ip-of-openshift-master-1>
host-record=openshift-master-2.openshift.example.com,<ip-of-openshift-master-1>
# Registry
host-record=registry.openshift.example.com,<ip-of-registry-server>
#Static IPs for Masters
dhcp-host=<baremetal-nic-duid>,openshift-master-0.openshift.example.com,<ip-of-
openshift-master-0>
dhcp-host=<baremetal-nic-duid>,openshift-master-1.openshift.example.com,<ip-of-
openshift-master-1>
dhcp-host=<baremetal-nic-duid>,openshift-master-2.openshift.example.com,<ip-of-
openshift-master-2>
```

6. Create the resolv.conf.upstream file to provide DNS fowarding to an existing DNS server for resolution to the outside world.

```
search <domain.com>
nameserver <ip-of-my-existing-dns-nameserver>
```

7. Restart the dnsmasq service.

```
systemctl restart dnsmasq
```

8. Verify the dnsmasq service is running.

```
systemctl status dnsmasq
```