Phase 2A Dependency Mapping & Execution Plan

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Ansible Hierarchy Dependencies

Based on Ansible best practices, the consolidation must follow this dependency order:

- 1. Infrastructure First (inventory, vars, configs)
- 2. Roles Second (role definitions and dependencies)
- 3. Playbooks Third (orchestration that uses roles)
- 4. **Security Last** (security patches and configurations)

Target Branch Consolidation Order

1. infrastructure-consolidated (Priority: HIGHEST)

Branches to merge: 1

- env-inventories-phase2 (779 files, 31 inventory changes)

Dependencies: None - this is the foundation **Merge Strategy**: Direct merge after validation

Risk Level: LOW

2. phase-2-consolidated (Priority: HIGH)

Branches to merge: 13

- doc-refactor/feedback-consolidation (746 files)
- feature-consolidated-production (O files empty target)
- feature/phase-3-4-production-ops (438 files)
- feature/sprint2-advanced (107 files)
- feature/sprint3-operational-excellence (151 files)
- feature/sprint4-final-production (186 files)
- fix-ci-pipeline (186 files)
- infrastructure-consolidated (0 files empty target)
- phase-2-ansible-standards (776 files)
- phase-2-consolidated (0 files empty target)
- phase-3.3-backup-automation (502 files)
- phase2-role-standardization (742 files)
- phase4/quality-standards-complete (56 files)

Dependencies: Must wait for infrastructure-consolidated **Merge Strategy**: Squash merge with archive-before-merge

Risk Level: MEDIUM (large number of branches)

3. feature-consolidated-production (Priority: MEDIUM)

Branches to merge: 5

- feat/var-templates-phase3 (765 files)

- feature/phase2-security (50 files)
- feature/pin-critical-directive (66 files)
- feature/repo-recovery-phase1 (649 files)
- feature/repo-recovery-phase2 (644 files)

Dependencies: Must wait for phase-2-consolidated

Merge Strategy: Squash merge with archive-before-merge

Risk Level: MEDIUM (overlapping recovery phases)

4. security-remediation-consolidated (Priority: LOWEST)

Branches to merge: 0 (no branches currently mapped to this target)

Note: Security branches are currently in KEEP category for safety

Detailed Merge Execution Plan

Phase 2B Day 1: Infrastructure Foundation

```
# 1. Merge infrastructure branch
git checkout infrastructure-consolidated
git merge --squash origin/env-inventories-phase2
git commit -m "Consolidate: env-inventories-phase2 infrastructure changes"
git push origin infrastructure-consolidated

# 2. Create PR for infrastructure-consolidated -> main
# 3. Run full test suite
# 4. Get approval and merge
```

Phase 2B Day 2: Phase/Sprint Consolidation

```
# Merge phase branches in dependency order
git checkout phase-2-consolidated

# Large branches first (most complex)
git merge --squash origin/phase-2-ansible-standards
git commit -m "Consolidate: phase-2-ansible-standards"

git merge --squash origin/phase2-role-standardization
git commit -m "Consolidate: phase2-role-standardization"

git merge --squash origin/doc-refactor/feedback-consolidation
git commit -m "Consolidate: doc-refactor/feedback-consolidation"

# Continue with remaining branches...
```

Phase 2B Day 3: Feature Consolidation

```
# Merge feature branches
git checkout feature-consolidated-production

# Recovery phases first (potential conflicts)
git merge --squash origin/feature/repo-recovery-phase1
git commit -m "Consolidate: feature/repo-recovery-phase1"

git merge --squash origin/feature/repo-recovery-phase2
git commit -m "Consolidate: feature/repo-recovery-phase2"

# Continue with remaining features...
```

Conflict Assessment Summary

- All branches show LOW conflict level excellent for consolidation
- No HIGH or MEDIUM conflicts detected in initial analysis
- Most conflicts expected: Between recovery phases (repo-recovery-phase1 vs phase2)
- Least conflicts expected: Sprint branches (clean separation)

Risk Mitigation Strategies

1. Archive-Before-Merge Approach

- Create archive tags for all source branches before consolidation
- Format: archive/[branch-name]-pre-consolidation-[date]
- Enables 100% rollback capability

2. Incremental Validation

- Run ansible-lint after each merge
- Run yamllint after each merge
- Run syntax-check after each merge
- Deploy to staging environment for validation

3. Dependency Validation

- Verify inventory changes don't break role dependencies
- Validate role changes don't break playbook execution
- Test playbook changes in isolated environment

Success Criteria

Technical Gates

- [] All ansible-lint checks pass
- [] All yamllint checks pass
- [] All syntax-check validations pass
- [] Staging deployment successful
- [] No regression in existing functionality

Process Gates

- [] All source branches archived with tags
- [] All consolidation PRs reviewed and approved
- [] All merge commits include proper consolidation messages
- [] Documentation updated with consolidation history

Rollback Plan

If consolidation fails at any stage:

1. Immediate: Revert target branch to pre-merge state

2. **Recovery**: Restore from archive tags

3. Validation: Re-run full test suite

4. Communication: Update stakeholders on rollback status

Next Steps for Phase 2B

- 1. **Setup Test Gates** (ansible-lint, yamllint, syntax-check)
- 2. Create GitHub Actions workflow for automated validation
- 3. Begin infrastructure consolidation (lowest risk)
- 4. Proceed with phase consolidation (medium risk)
- 5. Complete feature consolidation (highest complexity)

Phase 2A Status: ✓ COMPLETE Ready for Phase 2B: ✓ YES

Rollback Capability: 100% MAINTAINED