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Abstract

This document provides instructions for backing up your cluster's data and for recovering from various disaster scenarios.

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CHAPTER 1. BACKUP AND RESTORE

1.1. CONTROL PLANE BACKUP AND RESTORE OPERATIONS

As a cluster administrator, you might need to stop an OpenShift Container Platform cluster for a period and restart it later. Some reasons for restarting a cluster are that you need to perform maintenance on a cluster or want to reduce resource costs. In OpenShift Container Platform, you can perform a graceful shutdown of a cluster so that you can easily restart the cluster later.

You must back up etcd data before shutting down a cluster; etcd is the key-value store for OpenShift Container Platform, which persists the state of all resource objects. An etcd backup plays a crucial role in disaster recovery. In OpenShift Container Platform, you can also replace an unhealthy etcd member.

When you want to get your cluster running again, restart the cluster gracefully.



NOTE

A cluster's certificates expire one year after the installation date. You can shut down a cluster and expect it to restart gracefully while the certificates are still valid. Although the cluster automatically retrieves the expired control plane certificates, you must still approve the certificate signing requests (CSRs).

You might run into several situations where OpenShift Container Platform does not work as expected, such as:

- You have a cluster that is not functional after the restart because of unexpected conditions, such as node failure, or network connectivity issues.
- You have deleted something critical in the cluster by mistake.
- You have lost the majority of your control plane hosts, leading to etcd quorum loss.

You can always recover from a disaster situation by restoring your cluster to its previous state using the saved etcd snapshots.

Additional resources

Quorum protection with machine lifecycle hooks

1.2. APPLICATION BACKUP AND RESTORE OPERATIONS

As a cluster administrator, you can back up and restore applications running on OpenShift Container Platform by using the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP).

OADP backs up and restores Kubernetes resources and internal images, at the granularity of a namespace, by using the version of Velero that is appropriate for the version of OADP you install, according to the table in Downloading the Velero CLI tool. OADP backs up and restores persistent volumes (PVs) by using snapshots or Restic. For details, see OADP features.

1.2.1. OADP requirements

OADP has the following requirements:

• You must be logged in as a user with a **cluster-admin** role.

- You must have object storage for storing backups, such as one of the following storage types:
 - OpenShift Data Foundation
 - Amazon Web Services
 - Microsoft Azure
 - Google Cloud Platform
 - S3-compatible object storage



NOTE

If you want to use CSI backup on OCP 4.11 and later, install OADP 1.1.x.

OADP 1.0.x does not support CSI backup on OCP 4.11 and later. OADP 1.0. x includes Velero 1.7.x and expects the API group **snapshot.storage.k8s.io/v1beta1**, which is not present on OCP 4.11 and later.



IMPORTANT

The **CloudStorage** API for S3 storage is a Technology Preview feature only. Technology Preview features are not supported with Red Hat production service level agreements (SLAs) and might not be functionally complete. Red Hat does not recommend using them in production. These features provide early access to upcoming product features, enabling customers to test functionality and provide feedback during the development process.

For more information about the support scope of Red Hat Technology Preview features, see Technology Preview Features Support Scope .

- To back up PVs with snapshots, you must have cloud storage that has a native snapshot API or supports Container Storage Interface (CSI) snapshots, such as the following providers:
 - Amazon Web Services
 - Microsoft Azure
 - Google Cloud Platform
 - CSI snapshot-enabled cloud storage, such as Ceph RBD or Ceph FS



NOTE

If you do not want to back up PVs by using snapshots, you can use Restic, which is installed by the OADP Operator by default.

1.2.2. Backing up and restoring applications

You back up applications by creating a **Backup** custom resource (CR). See Creating a Backup CR. You can configure the following backup options:

• Creating backup hooks to run commands before or after the backup operation

- Scheduling backups
- Restic backups
- You restore application backups by creating a **Restore** (CR). See Creating a Restore CR.
- You can configure restore hooks to run commands in init containers or in the application container during the restore operation.

CHAPTER 2. SHUTTING DOWN THE CLUSTER GRACEFULLY

This document describes the process to gracefully shut down your cluster. You might need to temporarily shut down your cluster for maintenance reasons, or to save on resource costs.

2.1. PREREQUISITES

Take an etcd backup prior to shutting down the cluster.



IMPORTANT

It is important to take an etcd backup before performing this procedure so that your cluster can be restored if you encounter any issues when restarting the cluster.

For example, the following conditions can cause the restarted cluster to malfunction:

- etcd data corruption during shutdown
- Node failure due to hardware
- Network connectivity issues

If your cluster fails to recover, follow the steps to restore to a previous cluster state.

2.2. SHUTTING DOWN THE CLUSTER

You can shut down your cluster in a graceful manner so that it can be restarted at a later date.



NOTE

You can shut down a cluster until a year from the installation date and expect it to restart gracefully. After a year from the installation date, the cluster certificates expire.

Prerequisites

- You have access to the cluster as a user with the **cluster-admin** role.
- You have taken an etcd backup.

Procedure

1. If you plan to shut down the cluster for an extended period of time, determine the date that cluster certificates expire.

You must restart the cluster prior to the date that certificates expire. As the cluster restarts, the process might require you to manually approve the pending certificate signing requests (CSRs) to recover kubelet certificates.

a. Check the expiration date for the **kube-apiserver-to-kubelet-signer** CA certificate:

\$ oc -n openshift-kube-apiserver-operator get secret kube-apiserver-to-kubelet-signer -o jsonpath='{.metadata.annotations.auth\.openshift\.io/certificate-not-after}{"\n"}'

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Example output

2023-08-05T14:37:50Z

- b. Check the expiration date for the kubelet certificates:
 - i. Start a debug session for a control plane node by running the following command:
 - \$ oc debug node/<node_name>
 - ii. Change your root directory to /host by running the following command:
 - sh-4.4# chroot /host
 - iii. Check the kubelet client certificate expiration date by running the following command:

sh-5.1# openssl x509 -in /var/lib/kubelet/pki/kubelet-client-current.pem -noout -enddate

Example output

notAfter=Jun 6 10:50:07 2023 GMT

iv. Check the kubelet server certificate expiration date by running the following command:

sh-5.1# openssl x509 -in /var/lib/kubelet/pki/kubelet-server-current.pem -noout - enddate

Example output

notAfter=Jun 6 10:50:07 2023 GMT

- v. Exit the debug session.
- vi. Repeat these steps to check certificate expiration dates on all control plane nodes. To ensure that the cluster can restart gracefully, plan to restart it before the earliest certificate expiration date.
- 2. Shut down all of the nodes in the cluster. You can do this from your cloud provider's web console, or run the following loop:

\$ for node in \$(oc get nodes -o jsonpath='{.items[*].metadata.name}'); do oc debug node/\${node} -- chroot /host shutdown -h 1; done

-h 1 indicates how long, in minutes, this process lasts before the control-plane nodes are shut down. For large-scale clusters with 10 nodes or more, set to 10 minutes or longer to make sure all the compute nodes have time to shut down first.

Example output

Starting pod/ip-10-0-130-169us-east-2computeinternal-debug ...

To use host binaries, run `chroot /host`

Shutdown scheduled for Mon 2021-09-13 09:36:17 UTC, use 'shutdown -c' to cancel.

Removing debug pod ...

Starting pod/ip-10-0-150-116us-east-2computeinternal-debug ...

To use host binaries, run `chroot /host`

Shutdown scheduled for Mon 2021-09-13 09:36:29 UTC, use 'shutdown -c' to cancel.

Shutting down the nodes using one of these methods allows pods to terminate gracefully, which reduces the chance for data corruption.



NOTE

Adjust the shut down time to be longer for large-scale clusters:

\$ for node in \$(oc get nodes -o jsonpath='{.items[*].metadata.name}'); do oc debug node/\${node} -- chroot /host shutdown -h 10; done



NOTE

It is not necessary to drain control plane nodes of the standard pods that ship with OpenShift Container Platform prior to shutdown.

Cluster administrators are responsible for ensuring a clean restart of their own workloads after the cluster is restarted. If you drained control plane nodes prior to shutdown because of custom workloads, you must mark the control plane nodes as schedulable before the cluster will be functional again after restart.

3. Shut off any cluster dependencies that are no longer needed, such as external storage or an LDAP server. Be sure to consult your vendor's documentation before doing so.



IMPORTANT

If you deployed your cluster on a cloud-provider platform, do not shut down, suspend, or delete the associated cloud resources. If you delete the cloud resources of a suspended virtual machine, OpenShift Container Platform might not restore successfully.

2.3. ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Restarting the cluster gracefully

CHAPTER 3. RESTARTING THE CLUSTER GRACEFULLY

This document describes the process to restart your cluster after a graceful shutdown.

Even though the cluster is expected to be functional after the restart, the cluster might not recover due to unexpected conditions, for example:

- etcd data corruption during shutdown
- Node failure due to hardware
- Network connectivity issues

If your cluster fails to recover, follow the steps to restore to a previous cluster state.

3.1. PREREQUISITES

You have gracefully shut down your cluster.

3.2. RESTARTING THE CLUSTER

You can restart your cluster after it has been shut down gracefully.

Prerequisites

- You have access to the cluster as a user with the **cluster-admin** role.
- This procedure assumes that you gracefully shut down the cluster.

Procedure

- 1. Power on any cluster dependencies, such as external storage or an LDAP server.
- 2. Start all cluster machines.

Use the appropriate method for your cloud environment to start the machines, for example, from your cloud provider's web console.

Wait approximately 10 minutes before continuing to check the status of control plane nodes.

3. Verify that all control plane nodes are ready.

\$ oc get nodes -I node-role.kubernetes.io/master

The control plane nodes are ready if the status is **Ready**, as shown in the following output:

```
NAME STATUS ROLES AGE VERSION ip-10-0-168-251.ec2.internal Ready master 75m v1.26.0 ip-10-0-170-223.ec2.internal Ready master 75m v1.26.0 ip-10-0-211-16.ec2.internal Ready master 75m v1.26.0
```

- 4. If the control plane nodes are *not* ready, then check whether there are any pending certificate signing requests (CSRs) that must be approved.
 - a. Get the list of current CSRs:

\$ oc get csr

b. Review the details of a CSR to verify that it is valid:

\$ oc describe csr <csr_name> 1

- **csr_name>** is the name of a CSR from the list of current CSRs.
- c. Approve each valid CSR:

\$ oc adm certificate approve <csr_name>

5. After the control plane nodes are ready, verify that all worker nodes are ready.

\$ oc get nodes -l node-role.kubernetes.io/worker

The worker nodes are ready if the status is **Ready**, as shown in the following output:

NAME STATUS ROLES AGE VERSION ip-10-0-179-95.ec2.internal Ready worker 64m v1.26.0 ip-10-0-182-134.ec2.internal Ready worker 64m v1.26.0 ip-10-0-250-100.ec2.internal Ready worker 64m v1.26.0

- 6. If the worker nodes are *not* ready, then check whether there are any pending certificate signing requests (CSRs) that must be approved.
 - a. Get the list of current CSRs:

\$ oc get csr

b. Review the details of a CSR to verify that it is valid:

\$ oc describe csr <csr_name> 1

- **csr name>** is the name of a CSR from the list of current CSRs.
- c. Approve each valid CSR:

\$ oc adm certificate approve <csr_name>

- 7. Verify that the cluster started properly.
 - a. Check that there are no degraded cluster Operators.

\$ oc get clusteroperators

Check that there are no cluster Operators with the **DEGRADED** condition set to **True**.

NAME VERSION AVAILABLE PROGRESSING DEGRADED SINCE authentication 4.13.0 True False False 59m

```
cloud-credential
                           4.13.0 True
                                           False
                                                    False
                                                            85m
cluster-autoscaler
                                                     False
                           4.13.0 True
                                           False
                                                             73m
config-operator
                           4.13.0 True
                                           False
                                                    False
                                                            73m
console
                         4.13.0 True
                                         False
                                                  False
                                                          62m
csi-snapshot-controller
                             4.13.0 True
                                             False
                                                       False
                                                              66m
dns
                        4.13.0 True
                                        False
                                                 False
                                                         76m
                        4.13.0 True
                                        False
                                                 False
                                                         76m
etcd
```

b. Check that all nodes are in the **Ready** state:

\$ oc get nodes

Check that the status for all nodes is **Ready**.

```
NAME STATUS ROLES AGE VERSION ip-10-0-168-251.ec2.internal Ready master 82m v1.26.0 ip-10-0-170-223.ec2.internal Ready master 82m v1.26.0 ip-10-0-179-95.ec2.internal Ready worker 70m v1.26.0 ip-10-0-182-134.ec2.internal Ready worker 70m v1.26.0 ip-10-0-211-16.ec2.internal Ready master 82m v1.26.0 ip-10-0-250-100.ec2.internal Ready worker 69m v1.26.0
```

If the cluster did not start properly, you might need to restore your cluster using an etcd backup.

Additional resources

• See Restoring to a previous cluster state for how to use an etcd backup to restore if your cluster failed to recover after restarting.

CHAPTER 4. OADP APPLICATION BACKUP AND RESTORE

4.1. INTRODUCTION TO OPENSHIFT API FOR DATA PROTECTION

The OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) product safeguards customer applications on OpenShift Container Platform. It offers comprehensive disaster recovery protection, covering OpenShift Container Platform applications, application-related cluster resources, persistent volumes, and internal images. OADP is also capable of backing up both containerized applications and virtual machines (VMs).

However, OADP does not serve as a disaster recovery solution for etcd or OpenShift Operators.

4.1.1. OpenShift API for Data Protection APIs

OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) provides APIs that enable multiple approaches to customizing backups and preventing the inclusion of unnecessary or inappropriate resources.

OADP provides the following APIs:

- Backup
- Restore
- Schedule
- BackupStorageLocation
- VolumeSnapshotLocation

Additional resources

Backing up etcd

4.2. OADP RELEASE NOTES

The release notes for OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) describe new features and enhancements, deprecated features, product recommendations, known issues, and resolved issues.

4.2.1. OADP 1.2.1 release notes

4.2.1.1. New features

There are no new features in the release of OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) 1.2.1.

4.2.1.2. Resolved issues

For a complete list of all issues resolved in the release of OADP 1.2.1, see the list of OADP 1.2.1 resolved issues in Jira.

4.2.1.3. Known issues

The following issues have been highlighted as known issues in the release of OADP 1.2.1:

DataMover Restic retain and prune policies do not work as expected

The retention and prune features provided by VolSync and Restic are not working as expected. Because there is no working option to set the prune interval on VolSync replication, you have to manage and prune remotely stored backups on S3 storage outside of OADP. For more details, see:

- OADP-2052
- OADP-2048
- OADP-2175
- OADP-1690



IMPORTANT

OADP Data Mover is a Technology Preview feature only. Technology Preview features are not supported with Red Hat production service level agreements (SLAs) and might not be functionally complete. Red Hat does not recommend using them in production. These features provide early access to upcoming product features, enabling customers to test functionality and provide feedback during the development process.

For more information about the support scope of Red Hat Technology Preview features, see Technology Preview Features Support Scope.

For a complete list of all known issues in this release, see the list of OADP 1.2.1 known issues in Jira.

4.2.2. OADP 1.2.0 release notes

The OADP 1.2.0 release notes include information about new features, bug fixes, and known issues.

4.2.2.1. New features

Resource timeouts

The new **resourceTimeout** option specifies the timeout duration in minutes for waiting on various Velero resources. This option applies to resources such as Velero CRD availability, **volumeSnapshot** deletion, and backup repository availability. The default duration is ten minutes.

AWS S3 compatible backup storage providers

You can back up objects and snapshots on AWS S3 compatible providers.

4.2.2.1.1. Technical preview features

Data Mover

The OADP Data Mover enables you to back up Container Storage Interface (CSI) volume snapshots to a remote object store. When you enable Data Mover, you can restore stateful applications using CSI volume snapshots pulled from the object store in case of accidental cluster deletion, cluster failure, or data corruption.



IMPORTANT

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For more information about the support scope of Red Hat Technology Preview features, see Technology Preview Features Support Scope.

4.2.2.2. Resolved issues

For a complete list of all issues resolved in this release, see the list of OADP 1.2.0 resolved issues in Jira.

4.2.2.3. Known issues

This release does not have any known issues.

4.2.3. OADP 1.1.6 release notes

The OADP 1.1.6 release notes lists any new features, resolved issues and bugs, and known issues.

4.2.3.1. Resolved issues

Restic restore partially failing due to Pod Security standard

OCP 4.14 introduced pod security standards that meant the **privileged** profile is **enforced**. In previous releases of OADP, this profile caused the pod to receive **permission denied** errors. This issue was caused because of the restore order. The pod was created before the security context constraints (SCC) resource. As this pod violated the pod security standard, the pod was denied and subsequently failed. OADP-2420

Restore partially failing for job resource

In previous releases of OADP, the restore of job resource was partially failing in OCP 4.14. This issue was not seen in older OCP versions. The issue was caused by an additional label being to the job resource, which was not present in older OCP versions. OADP-2530

For a complete list of all issues resolved in this release, see the list of OADP 1.1.6 resolved issues in Jira.

4.2.3.2. Known issues

For a complete list of all known issues in this release, see the list of OADP 1.1.6 known issues in Jira.

4.2.4. OADP 1.1.5 release notes

The OADP 1.1.5 release notes lists any new features, resolved issues and bugs, and known issues.

4.2.4.1. New features

This version of OADP is a service release. No new features are added to this version.

4.2.4.2. Resolved issues

For a complete list of all issues resolved in this release, see the list of OADP 1.1.5 resolved issues in Jira.

4.2.4.3. Known issues

For a complete list of all known issues in this release, see the list of OADP 1.1.5 known issues in Jira.

4.2.5. OADP 1.1.4 release notes

The OADP 1.1.4 release notes lists any new features, resolved issues and bugs, and known issues.

4.2.5.1. New features

This version of OADP is a service release. No new features are added to this version.

4.2.5.2. Resolved issues

Add support for all the velero deployment server arguments

In previous releases of OADP, OADP did not facilitate the support of all the upstream Velero server arguments. This issue has been resolved in OADP 1.1.4 and all the upstream Velero server arguments are supported. OADP-1557

Data Mover can restore from an incorrect snapshot when there was more than one VSR for the restore name and pvc name

In previous releases of OADP, OADP Data Mover could restore from an incorrect snapshot if there was more than one Volume Snapshot Restore (VSR) resource in the cluster for the same Velero **restore** name and PersistentVolumeClaim (pvc) name. OADP-1822

Cloud Storage API BSLs need OwnerReference

In previous releases of OADP, ACM BackupSchedules failed validation because of a missing **OwnerReference** on Backup Storage Locations (BSLs) created with **dpa.spec.backupLocations.bucket**. OADP-1511

For a complete list of all issues resolved in this release, see the list of OADP 1.1.4 resolved issues in Jira.

4.2.5.3. Known issues

This release has the following known issues:

OADP backups might fail because a UID/GID range might have changed on the cluster

OADP backups might fail because a UID/GID range might have changed on the cluster where the application has been restored, with the result that OADP does not back up and restore OpenShift Container Platform UID/GID range metadata. To avoid the issue, if the backed application requires a specific UUID, ensure the range is available when restored. An additional workaround is to allow OADP to create the namespace in the restore operation.

A restoration might fail if ArgoCD is used during the process due to a label used by ArgoCD

A restoration might fail if ArgoCD is used during the process due to a label used by ArgoCD, **app.kubernetes.io/instance**. This label identifies which resources ArgoCD needs to manage, which can create a conflict with OADP's procedure for managing resources on restoration. To work around this issue, set **.spec.resourceTrackingMethod** on the ArgoCD YAML to **annotation+label** or **annotation**. If the issue continues to persist, then disable ArgoCD before beginning to restore, and enable it again when restoration is finished.

For a complete list of all known issues in this release, see the list of OADP 1.1.4 known issues in Jira.

4.2.6. OADP 1.1.3 release notes

The OADP 1.1.3 release notes lists any new features, resolved issues and bugs, and known issues.

4.2.6.1. New features

This version of OADP is a service release. No new features are added to this version.

4.2.6.2. Resolved issues

For a complete list of all issues resolved in this release, see the list of OADP 1.1.3 resolved issues in Jira.

4.2.6.3. Known issues

For a complete list of all known issues in this release, see the list of OADP 1.1.3 known issues in Jira.

4.2.7. OADP 1.1.2 release notes

The OADP 1.1.2 release notes include product recommendations, a list of fixed bugs and descriptions of known issues.

4.2.7.1. Product recommendations

VolSync

To prepare for the upgrade from VolSync 0.5.1 to the latest version available from the VolSync **stable** channel, you must add this annotation in the **openshift-adp** namespace by running the following command:

\$ oc annotate --overwrite namespace/openshift-adp volsync.backube/privileged-movers='true'

Velero

In this release, Velero has been upgraded from version 1.9.2 to version 1.9.5.

Restic

In this release, Restic has been upgraded from version 0.13.1 to version 0.14.0.

4.2.7.2. Resolved issues

The following issues have been resolved in this release:

- OADP-1150
- OADP-290
- OADP-1056

4.2.7.3. Known issues

This release has the following known issues:

- OADP currently does not support backup and restore of AWS EFS volumes using restic in Velero (OADP-778).
- CSI backups might fail due to a Ceph limitation of VolumeSnapshotContent snapshots per PVC.

You can create many snapshots of the same persistent volume claim (PVC) but cannot schedule periodic creation of snapshots:

- For CephFS, you can create up to 100 snapshots per PVC. (OADP-804)
- For RADOS Block Device (RBD), you can create up to 512 snapshots for each PVC. (OADP-975)

For more information, see Volume Snapshots.

4.2.8. OADP 1.1.1 release notes

The OADP 1.1.1 release notes include product recommendations and descriptions of known issues.

4.2.8.1. Product recommendations

Before you install OADP 1.1.1, it is recommended to either install VolSync 0.5.1 or to upgrade to it.

4.2.8.2. Known issues

This release has the following known issues:

- OADP currently does not support backup and restore of AWS EFS volumes using restic in Velero (OADP-778).
- CSI backups might fail due to a Ceph limitation of VolumeSnapshotContent snapshots per PVC.

You can create many snapshots of the same persistent volume claim (PVC) but cannot schedule periodic creation of snapshots:

- For CephFS, you can create up to 100 snapshots per PVC.
- For RADOS Block Device (RBD), you can create up to 512 snapshots for each PVC. (OADP-804) and (OADP-975)

For more information, see Volume Snapshots.

4.3. OADP FEATURES AND PLUGINS

OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) features provide options for backing up and restoring applications.

The default plugins enable Velero to integrate with certain cloud providers and to back up and restore OpenShift Container Platform resources.

4.3.1. OADP features

OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) supports the following features:

Backup

You can use OADP to back up all applications on the OpenShift Platform, or you can filter the resources by type, namespace, or label.

OADP backs up Kubernetes objects and internal images by saving them as an archive file on object storage. OADP backs up persistent volumes (PVs) by creating snapshots with the native cloud snapshot API or with the Container Storage Interface (CSI). For cloud providers that do not support snapshots, OADP backs up resources and PV data with Restic.



NOTE

You must exclude Operators from the backup of an application for backup and restore to succeed.

Restore

You can restore resources and PVs from a backup. You can restore all objects in a backup or filter the objects by namespace, PV, or label.



NOTE

You must exclude Operators from the backup of an application for backup and restore to succeed.

Schedule

You can schedule backups at specified intervals.

Hooks

You can use hooks to run commands in a container on a pod, for example, **fsfreeze** to freeze a file system. You can configure a hook to run before or after a backup or restore. Restore hooks can run in an init container or in the application container.

4.3.2. OADP plugins

The OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) provides default Velero plugins that are integrated with storage providers to support backup and snapshot operations. You can create custom plugins based on the Velero plugins.

OADP also provides plugins for OpenShift Container Platform resource backups, OpenShift Virtualization resource backups, and Container Storage Interface (CSI) snapshots.

Table 4.1. OADP plugins

OADP plugin	Function	Storage location
aws	Backs up and restores Kubernetes objects.	AWS S3
	Backs up and restores volumes with snapshots.	AWS EBS
azure	Backs up and restores Kubernetes objects.	Microsoft Azure Blob storage

OADP plugin	Function	Storage location
	Backs up and restores volumes with snapshots.	Microsoft Azure Managed Disks
gcp	Backs up and restores Kubernetes objects.	Google Cloud Storage
	Backs up and restores volumes with snapshots.	Google Compute Engine Disks
openshift	Backs up and restores OpenShift Container Platform resources. ^[1]	Object store
kubevirt	Backs up and restores OpenShift Virtualization resources. ^[2]	Object store
csi	Backs up and restores volumes with CSI snapshots. ^[3]	Cloud storage that supports CSI snapshots
vsm	VolumeSnapshotMover relocates snapshots from the cluster into an object store to be used during a restore process to recover stateful applications, in situations such as cluster deletion. [4]	Object store

- 1. Mandatory.
- 2. Virtual machine disks are backed up with CSI snapshots or Restic.
- 3. The **csi** plugin uses the Velero CSI beta snapshot API.
- 4. OADP 1.2 only.

4.3.3. About OADP Velero plugins

You can configure two types of plugins when you install Velero:

- Default cloud provider plugins
- Custom plugins

Both types of plugin are optional, but most users configure at least one cloud provider plugin.

4.3.3.1. Default Velero cloud provider plugins

You can install any of the following default Velero cloud provider plugins when you configure the **oadp_v1alpha1_dpa.yaml** file during deployment:

- aws (Amazon Web Services)
- **gcp** (Google Cloud Platform)
- azure (Microsoft Azure)
- **openshift** (OpenShift Velero plugin)
- **csi** (Container Storage Interface)
- **kubevirt** (KubeVirt)

You specify the desired default plugins in the oadp_v1alpha1_dpa.yaml file during deployment.

Example file

The following .yaml file installs the openshift, aws, azure, and gcp plugins:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1kind: DataProtectionApplication
metadata:
    name: dpa-sample
spec:
    configuration:
    velero:
    defaultPlugins:
    - openshift
    - aws
    - azure
    - gcp
```

4.3.3.2. Custom Velero plugins

You can install a custom Velero plugin by specifying the plugin **image** and **name** when you configure the **oadp_v1alpha1_dpa.yaml** file during deployment.

You specify the desired custom plugins in the oadp v1alpha1 dpa.yaml file during deployment.

Example file

The following **.yaml** file installs the default **openshift**, **azure**, and **gcp** plugins and a custom plugin that has the name **custom-plugin-example** and the image **quay.io/example-repo/custom-velero-plugin**:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1kind: DataProtectionApplication metadata:
name: dpa-sample spec:
configuration:
velero:
defaultPlugins:
- openshift
- azure
- gcp
```

customPlugins:

- name: custom-plugin-example

image: quay.io/example-repo/custom-velero-plugin

4.3.4. Supported architectures for OADP

OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) supports the following architectures:

- AMD64
- ARM64
- PPC64le
- s390x



NOTE

OADP 1.2.0 and later versions support the ARM64 architecture.

4.3.5. OADP support for IBM Power and IBM Z

OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) is platform neutral. The information that follows relates only to IBM Power and to IBM Z.

OADP 1.1.0 was tested successfully against OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 for both IBM Power and IBM Z. The sections that follow give testing and support information for OADP 1.1.0 in terms of backup locations for these systems.

4.3.5.1. OADP support for target backup locations using IBM Power

IBM Power running with OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 and 4.12, and OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) 1.1.2 was tested successfully against an AWS S3 backup location target. Although the test involved only an AWS S3 target, Red Hat supports running IBM Power with OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 and 4.12, and OADP 1.1.2 against all non-AWS S3 backup location targets as well.

4.3.5.2. OADP testing and support for target backup locations using IBM Z

IBM Z running with OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 and 4.12, and OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) 1.1.2 was tested successfully against an AWS S3 backup location target. Although the test involved only an AWS S3 target, Red Hat supports running IBM Z with OpenShift Container Platform 4.11 and 4.12, and OADP 1.1.2 against all non-AWS S3 backup location targets as well.

4.4. INSTALLING AND CONFIGURING OADP

4.4.1. About installing OADP

As a cluster administrator, you install the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) by installing the OADP Operator. The OADP Operator installs Velero 1.11.



NOTE

Starting from OADP 1.0.4, all OADP 1.0.z versions can only be used as a dependency of the MTC Operator and are not available as a standalone Operator.

To back up Kubernetes resources and internal images, you must have object storage as a backup location, such as one of the following storage types:

- Amazon Web Services
- Microsoft Azure
- Google Cloud Platform
- Multicloud Object Gateway
- AWS S3 compatible object storage, such as Noobaa or Minio



IMPORTANT

The **CloudStorage** API, which automates the creation of a bucket for object storage, is a Technology Preview feature only. Technology Preview features are not supported with Red Hat production service level agreements (SLAs) and might not be functionally complete. Red Hat does not recommend using them in production. These features provide early access to upcoming product features, enabling customers to test functionality and provide feedback during the development process.

For more information about the support scope of Red Hat Technology Preview features, see Technology Preview Features Support Scope.

You can back up persistent volumes (PVs) by using snapshots or Restic.

To back up PVs with snapshots, you must have a cloud provider that supports either a native snapshot API or Container Storage Interface (CSI) snapshots, such as one of the following cloud providers:

- Amazon Web Services
- Microsoft Azure
- Google Cloud Platform
- CSI snapshot-enabled cloud provider, such as OpenShift Data Foundation



NOTE

If you want to use CSI backup on OCP 4.11 and later, install OADP 1.1.x.

OADP 1.0.x does not support CSI backup on OCP 4.11 and later. OADP 1.0. x includes Velero 1.7.x and expects the API group **snapshot.storage.k8s.io/v1beta1**, which is not present on OCP 4.11 and later.

If your cloud provider does not support snapshots or if your storage is NFS, you can back up applications with Restic backups on object storage.

You create a default **Secret** and then you install the Data Protection Application.

4.4.1.1. AWS S3 compatible backup storage providers

OADP is compatible with many object storage providers for use with different backup and snapshot operations. Several object storage providers are fully supported, several are unsupported but known to work, and some have known limitations.

4.4.1.1.1. Supported backup storage providers

The following AWS S3 compatible object storage providers, are fully supported by OADP through the AWS plugin for use as backup storage locations:

- MinIO
- Multicloud Object Gateway (MCG) with NooBaa
- Amazon Web Services (AWS) S3



NOTE

The following compatible object storage providers are supported and have their own Velero object store plugins:

- Google Cloud Platform (GCP)
- Microsoft Azure

4.4.1.1.2. Unsupported backup storage providers

The following AWS S3 compatible object storage providers, are known to work with Velero through the AWS plugin, for use as backup storage locations, however, they are unsupported and have not been tested by Red Hat:

- IBM Cloud
- Oracle Cloud
- DigitalOcean
- NooBaa
- Tencent Cloud
- Ceph RADOS v12.2.7
- Quobyte
- Cloudian HyperStore

4.4.1.1.3. Backup storage providers with known limitations

The following AWS S3 compatible object storage providers are known to work with Velero through the AWS plugin with a limited feature set:

• Swift - It works for use as a backup storage location for backup storage, but is not compatible with Restic for filesystem-based volume backup and restore.

4.4.1.2. Configuring NooBaa for disaster recovery on OpenShift Data Foundation

If you use cluster storage for your NooBaa bucket **backupStorageLocation** on OpenShift Data Foundation, configure NooBaa as an external object store.



WARNING

Failure to configure NooBaa as an external object store might lead to backups not being available.

Procedure

 Configure NooBaa as an external object store as described in Adding storage resources for hybrid or Multicloud.

Additional resources

Overview of backup and snapshot locations in the Velero documentation

4.4.1.3. About OADP update channels

When you install an OADP Operator, you choose an *update channel*. This channel determines which upgrades to the OADP Operator and to Velero you receive. You can switch channels at any time.

The following update channels are available:

- The **stable** channel is now deprecated. The **stable** channel contains the patches (z-stream updates) of OADP **ClusterServiceVersion** for **oadp.v1.1.z** and older versions from **oadp.v1.0.z**.
- The stable-1.0 channel contains oadp.v1.0.z, the most recent OADP 1.0
 ClusterServiceVersion.
- The stable-1.1 channel contains oadp.v1.1.z, the most recent OADP 1.1 ClusterServiceVersion.
- The **stable-1.2** channel contains **oadp.v1.2.**z, the most recent OADP 1.2 **ClusterServiceVersion**.

Which update channel is right for you?

- The **stable** channel is now deprecated. If you are already using the stable channel, you will continue to get updates from **oadp.v1.1.z**.
- Choose the **stable-1.y** update channel to install OADP 1. y and to continue receiving patches for it. If you choose this channel, you will receive all z-stream patches for version 1.y.z.

When must you switch update channels?

• If you have OADP 1.y installed, and you want to receive patches only for that y-stream, you must switch from the **stable** update channel to the **stable-1.y** update channel. You will then receive all z-stream patches for version 1.y.z.

- If you have OADP 1.0 installed, want to upgrade to OADP 1.1, and then receive patches only for OADP 1.1, you must switch from the **stable-1.0** update channel to the **stable-1.1** update channel. You will then receive all z-stream patches for version 1.1.z.
- If you have OADP 1.*y* installed, with *y* greater than 0, and want to switch to OADP 1.0, you must *uninstall* your OADP Operator and then reinstall it using the **stable-1.0** update channel. You will then receive all z-stream patches for version 1.0.*z*.



NOTE

You cannot switch from OADP 1.y to OADP 1.0 by switching update channels. You must uninstall the Operator and then reinstall it.

4.4.1.4. Installation of OADP on multiple namespaces

You can install OADP into multiple namespaces on the same cluster so that multiple project owners can manage their own OADP instance. This use case has been validated with Restic and CSI.

You install each instance of OADP as specified by the per-platform procedures contained in this document with the following additional requirements:

- All deployments of OADP on the same cluster must be the same version, for example, 1.1.4. Installing different versions of OADP on the same cluster is **not** supported.
- Each individual deployment of OADP must have a unique set of credentials and a unique **BackupStorageLocation** configuration.
- By default, each OADP deployment has cluster-level access across namespaces. OpenShift
 Container Platform administrators need to review security and RBAC settings carefully and
 make any necessary changes to them to ensure that each OADP instance has the correct
 permissions.

Additional resources

Cluster service version

4.4.1.5. Velero CPU and memory requirements based on collected data

The following recommendations are based on observations of performance made in the scale and performance lab. The backup and restore resources can be impacted by the type of plugin, the amount of resources required by that backup or restore, and the respective data contained in the persistent volumes (PVs) related to those resources.

4.4.1.5.1. CPU and memory requirement for configurations

Configuration types	[1] Average usage	[2] Large usage	resourceTimeouts
CSI	Velero:	Velero:	N/A
	CPU- Request 200m, Limits 1000m	CPU- Request 200m, Limits 2000m	
	Memory - Request 256Mi, Limits 1024Mi	Memory- Request 256Mi, Limits 2048Mi	

Configuration types	[1] Average usage	[2] Large usage	resourceTimeouts
Restic	[3] Restic: CPU- Request 1000m,	^[4] Restic: CPU - Request 2000m,	900m
	Limits 2000m Memory - Request 16Gi, Limits 32Gi	Limits 8000m Memory - Request 16Gi, Limits 40Gi	
^[5] DataMover	N/A	N/A	10m - average usage 60m - large usage

- 1. Average usage use these settings for most usage situations.
- 2. Large usage use these settings for large usage situations, such as a large PV (500GB Usage), multiple namespaces (100+), or many pods within a single namespace (2000 pods+), and for optimal performance for backup and restore involving large datasets.
- 3. Restic resource usage corresponds to the amount of data, and type of data. For example, many small files or large amounts of data can cause Restic to utilize large amounts of resources. The Velero documentation references 500m as a supplied default, for most of our testing we found 200m request suitable with 1000m limit. As cited in the Velero documentation, exact CPU and memory usage is dependent on the scale of files and directories, in addition to environmental limitations.
- 4. Increasing the CPU has a significant impact on improving backup and restore times.
- 5. DataMover DataMover default resourceTimeout is 10m. Our tests show that for restoring a large PV (500GB usage), it is required to increase the resourceTimeout to 60m.



NOTE

The resource requirements listed throughout the guide are for average usage only. For large usage, adjust the settings as described in the table above.

4.4.2. Installing the OADP Operator

You can install the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) Operator on OpenShift Container Platform 4.13 by using Operator Lifecycle Manager (OLM).

The OADP Operator installs Velero 1.11.

Prerequisites

• You must be logged in as a user with **cluster-admin** privileges.

Procedure

- 1. In the OpenShift Container Platform web console, click **Operators** → **OperatorHub**.
- 2. Use the Filter by keyword field to find the OADP Operator.

- 3. Select the **OADP Operator** and click **Install**.
- 4. Click Install to install the Operator in the openshift-adp project.
- 5. Click **Operators** → **Installed Operators** to verify the installation.

4.4.2.1. OADP-Velero-OpenShift Container Platform version relationship

OADP version	Velero version	OpenShift Container Platform version
1.1.0	1.9	4.9 and later
1.1.1	1.9	4.9 and later
1.1.2	1.9	4.9 and later
1.1.3	1.9	4.9 and later
1.1.4	1.9	4.9 and later
1.1.5	1.9	4.9 and later
1.1.6	1.9.	4.11 and later
1.2.0	1.11	4.11 and later
1.2.1	1.11	4.11 and later
1.2.2	1.11	4.11 and later

4.4.3. Configuring the OpenShift API for Data Protection with Amazon Web Services

You install the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) with Amazon Web Services (AWS) by installing the OADP Operator. The Operator installs Velero 1.11.



NOTE

Starting from OADP 1.0.4, all OADP 1.0.z versions can only be used as a dependency of the MTC Operator and are not available as a standalone Operator.

You configure AWS for Velero, create a default **Secret**, and then install the Data Protection Application. For more details, see Installing the OADP Operator.

To install the OADP Operator in a restricted network environment, you must first disable the default OperatorHub sources and mirror the Operator catalog. See Using Operator Lifecycle Manager on restricted networks for details.

4.4.3.1. Configuring Amazon Web Services

You configure Amazon Web Services (AWS) for the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP).

Prerequisites

You must have the AWS CLI installed.

Procedure

1. Set the **BUCKET** variable:

```
$ BUCKET=<your_bucket>
```

2. Set the **REGION** variable:

```
$ REGION=<your_region>
```

3. Create an AWS S3 bucket:

```
$ aws s3api create-bucket \
   --bucket $BUCKET \
   --region $REGION \
   --create-bucket-configuration LocationConstraint=$REGION 1
```

- us-east-1 does not support a LocationConstraint. If your region is us-east-1, omit -- create-bucket-configuration LocationConstraint=\$REGION.
- 4. Create an IAM user:
 - \$ aws iam create-user --user-name velero 1
 - If you want to use Velero to back up multiple clusters with multiple S3 buckets, create a unique user name for each cluster.
- 5. Create a velero-policy.json file:

```
"Effect": "Allow",
       "Action": [
          "s3:GetObject",
          "s3:DeleteObject",
          "s3:PutObject",
          "s3:AbortMultipartUpload",
          "s3:ListMultipartUploadParts"
       "Resource": [
          "arn:aws:s3:::${BUCKET}/*"
     },
       "Effect": "Allow",
       "Action": [
          "s3:ListBucket",
          "s3:GetBucketLocation",
          "s3:ListBucketMultipartUploads"
       "Resource": [
          "arn:aws:s3:::${BUCKET}"
  ]
EOF
```

6. Attach the policies to give the **velero** user the minimum necessary permissions:

```
$ aws iam put-user-policy \
--user-name velero \
--policy-name velero \
--policy-document file://velero-policy.json
```

7. Create an access key for the **velero** user:

\$ aws iam create-access-key --user-name velero

Example output

```
{
    "AccessKey": {
        "UserName": "velero",
        "Status": "Active",
        "CreateDate": "2017-07-31T22:24:41.576Z",
        "SecretAccessKey": <AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY>,
        "AccessKeyId": <AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID>
    }
}
```

8. Create a credentials-velero file:

```
$ cat << EOF > ./credentials-velero [default]
```

```
aws_access_key_id=<AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID>
aws_secret_access_key=<AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY>
EOF
```

You use the **credentials-velero** file to create a **Secret** object for AWS before you install the Data Protection Application.

4.4.3.2. About backup and snapshot locations and their secrets

You specify backup and snapshot locations and their secrets in the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR).

Backup locations

You specify S3-compatible object storage, such as Multicloud Object Gateway, Noobaa, or Minio, as a backup location.

Velero backs up OpenShift Container Platform resources, Kubernetes objects, and internal images as an archive file on object storage.

Snapshot locations

If you use your cloud provider's native snapshot API to back up persistent volumes, you must specify the cloud provider as the snapshot location.

If you use Container Storage Interface (CSI) snapshots, you do not need to specify a snapshot location because you will create a **VolumeSnapshotClass** CR to register the CSI driver.

If you use Restic, you do not need to specify a snapshot location because Restic backs up the file system on object storage.

Secrets

If the backup and snapshot locations use the same credentials or if you do not require a snapshot location, you create a default **Secret**.

If the backup and snapshot locations use different credentials, you create two secret objects:

- Custom Secret for the backup location, which you specify in the DataProtectionApplication
- Default **Secret** for the snapshot location, which is not referenced in the **DataProtectionApplication** CR.



IMPORTANT

The Data Protection Application requires a default **Secret**. Otherwise, the installation will fail.

If you do not want to specify backup or snapshot locations during the installation, you can create a default **Secret** with an empty **credentials-velero** file.

4.4.3.2.1. Creating a default Secret

You create a default **Secret** if your backup and snapshot locations use the same credentials or if you do not require a snapshot location.

The default name of the **Secret** is **cloud-credentials**.



NOTE

The **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) requires a default **Secret**. Otherwise, the installation will fail. If the name of the backup location **Secret** is not specified, the default name is used.

If you do not want to use the backup location credentials during the installation, you can create a **Secret** with the default name by using an empty **credentials-velero** file.

Prerequisites

- Your object storage and cloud storage, if any, must use the same credentials.
- You must configure object storage for Velero.
- You must create a **credentials-velero** file for the object storage in the appropriate format.

Procedure

Create a Secret with the default name:

\$ oc create secret generic cloud-credentials -n openshift-adp --from-file cloud=credentials-velero

The **Secret** is referenced in the **spec.backupLocations.credential** block of the **DataProtectionApplication** CR when you install the Data Protection Application.

4.4.3.2.2. Creating profiles for different credentials

If your backup and snapshot locations use different credentials, you create separate profiles in the **credentials-velero** file.

Then, you create a **Secret** object and specify the profiles in the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR).

Procedure

1. Create a **credentials-velero** file with separate profiles for the backup and snapshot locations, as in the following example:

```
[backupStorage]
aws_access_key_id=<AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID>
aws_secret_access_key=<AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY>

[volumeSnapshot]
aws_access_key_id=<AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID>
aws_secret_access_key=<AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY>
```

2. Create a **Secret** object with the **credentials-velero** file:

\$ oc create secret generic cloud-credentials -n openshift-adp --from-file cloud=credentials-velero 1

3. Add the profiles to the **DataProtectionApplication** CR, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: DataProtectionApplication
metadata:
 name: <dpa_sample>
 namespace: openshift-adp
spec:
backupLocations:
  - name: default
   velero:
    provider: aws
    default: true
    objectStorage:
      bucket: <bucket name>
      prefix: <prefix>
    config:
      region: us-east-1
      profile: "backupStorage"
    credential:
      key: cloud
      name: cloud-credentials
 snapshotLocations:
  - name: default
   velero:
    provider: aws
    config:
      region: us-west-2
      profile: "volumeSnapshot"
```

4.4.3.3. Configuring the Data Protection Application

You can configure the Data Protection Application by setting Velero resource allocations or enabling self-signed CA certificates.

4.4.3.3.1. Setting Velero CPU and memory resource allocations

You set the CPU and memory resource allocations for the **Velero** pod by editing the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) manifest.

Prerequisites

• You must have the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) Operator installed.

Procedure

• Edit the values in the **spec.configuration.velero.podConfig.ResourceAllocations** block of the **DataProtectionApplication** CR manifest, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1 kind: DataProtectionApplication metadata:
name: <dpa_sample>
spec:
...
```

```
configuration:
velero:
podConfig:
nodeSelector: <node selector> 1
resourceAllocations: 2
limits:
cpu: "1"
memory: 1024Mi
requests:
cpu: 200m
memory: 256Mi
```

- Specify the node selector to be supplied to Velero podSpec.
- The **resourceAllocations** listed are for average usage.

4.4.3.3.2. Enabling self-signed CA certificates

You must enable a self-signed CA certificate for object storage by editing the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) manifest to prevent a **certificate signed by unknown authority** error.

Prerequisites

• You must have the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) Operator installed.

Procedure

 Edit the spec.backupLocations.velero.objectStorage.caCert parameter and spec.backupLocations.velero.config parameters of the DataProtectionApplication CR manifest:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: DataProtectionApplication
metadata:
    name: <dpa_sample>
spec:
...
    backupLocations:
    - name: default
    velero:
    provider: aws
    default: true
    objectStorage:
    bucket: <bucket>
    prefix: prefix: prefix: caCert: <base64_encoded_cert_string> 1
    config:
    insecureSkipTLSVerify: "false" 2
...
```

- Specify the Base64-encoded CA certificate string.
- The insecureSkipTLSVerify configuration can be set to either "true" or "false". If set to

"true", SSL/TLS security is disabled. If set to "false", SSL/TLS security is enabled.

4.4.3.4. Installing the Data Protection Application

You install the Data Protection Application (DPA) by creating an instance of the **DataProtectionApplication** API.

Prerequisites

- You must install the OADP Operator.
- You must configure object storage as a backup location.
- If you use snapshots to back up PVs, your cloud provider must support either a native snapshot API or Container Storage Interface (CSI) snapshots.
- If the backup and snapshot locations use the same credentials, you must create a **Secret** with the default name, **cloud-credentials**.
- If the backup and snapshot locations use different credentials, you must create a **Secret** with the default name, **cloud-credentials**, which contains separate profiles for the backup and snapshot location credentials.



NOTE

If you do not want to specify backup or snapshot locations during the installation, you can create a default **Secret** with an empty **credentials-velero** file. If there is no default **Secret**, the installation will fail.

Procedure

- 1. Click **Operators** → **Installed Operators** and select the OADP Operator.
- 2. Under Provided APIs, click Create instance in the DataProtectionApplication box.
- 3. Click YAML View and update the parameters of the **DataProtectionApplication** manifest:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: DataProtectionApplication
metadata:
 name: <dpa_sample>
 namespace: openshift-adp
spec:
 configuration:
  velero:
   defaultPlugins:
    - openshift 1
    - aws
   resourceTimeout: 10m (2)
  restic:
   enable: true 3
   podConfig:
    nodeSelector: <node_selector> 4
 backupLocations:
```

```
- name: default
  velero:
   provider: aws
   default: true
   objectStorage:
    bucket: <bucket_name> 5
    prefix: <prefix> 6
   config:
    region: <region>
    profile: "default"
   credential:
    key: cloud
    name: cloud-credentials 7
snapshotLocations: 8
 - name: default
  velero:
   provider: aws
   config:
    region: <region> 9
    profile: "default"
```

- The **openshift** plugin is mandatory.
- 2 Specify how many minutes to wait for several Velero resources before timeout occurs, such as Velero CRD availability, volumeSnapshot deletion, and backup repository availability. The default is 10m.
- Set to **false**, if you want to disable the Restic installation. Restic deploys a daemon set, which means that each worker node has **Restic** pods running. You can configure Restic for backups by adding **spec.defaultVolumesToRestic: true** to the **Backup** CR.
- Specify on which nodes Restic is available. By default, Restic runs on all nodes.
- Specify a bucket as the backup storage location. If the bucket is not a dedicated bucket for Velero backups, you must specify a prefix.
- 6 Specify a prefix for Velero backups, for example, **velero**, if the bucket is used for multiple purposes.
- Specify the name of the **Secret** object that you created. If you do not specify this value, the default name, **cloud-credentials**, is used. If you specify a custom name, the custom name is used for the backup location.
- 8 Specify a snapshot location, unless you use CSI snapshots or Restic to back up PVs.
- The snapshot location must be in the same region as the PVs.
- 4. Click Create.
- 5. Verify the installation by viewing the OADP resources:
 - \$ oc get all -n openshift-adp

Example output

NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE pod/oadp-operator-controller-manager-67d9494d47-6l8z8 2/2 Running 0 2m8s pod/restic-9cq4q 1/1 Running 0 94s pod/restic-m4lts 1/1 Running 0 94s pod/restic-pv4kr 1/1 95s Running 0 pod/velero-588db7f655-n842v Running 0 95s NAME TYPE CLUSTER-IP **EXTERNAL-IP** PORT(S) AGE service/oadp-operator-controller-manager-metrics-service ClusterIP 172.30.70.140 8443/TCP 2m8s <none> DESIRED CURRENT READY UP-TO-DATE AVAILABLE NODE NAME SELECTOR AGE daemonset.apps/restic 3 3 3 3 <none> 96s READY UP-TO-DATE AVAILABLE AGE deployment.apps/oadp-operator-controller-manager 1/1 1 1 2m9s deployment.apps/velero 1/1 1 1 96s NAME DESIRED CURRENT READY AGE replicaset.apps/oadp-operator-controller-manager-67d9494d47 1 1 1 2m9s replicaset.apps/velero-588db7f655 1 96s

4.4.3.4.1. Enabling CSI in the DataProtectionApplication CR

You enable the Container Storage Interface (CSI) in the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) in order to back up persistent volumes with CSI snapshots.

Prerequisites

• The cloud provider must support CSI snapshots.

Procedure

• Edit the **DataProtectionApplication** CR, as in the following example:

apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1kind: DataProtectionApplication...
spec:
configuration:
velero:
defaultPlugins:
- openshift
- csi

Add the **csi** default plugin.

4.4.4. Configuring the OpenShift API for Data Protection with Microsoft Azure

You install the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) with Microsoft Azure by installing the OADP Operator. The Operator installs Velero 1.11.



NOTE

Starting from OADP 1.0.4, all OADP 1.0.z versions can only be used as a dependency of the MTC Operator and are not available as a standalone Operator.

You configure Azure for Velero, create a default **Secret**, and then install the Data Protection Application. For more details, see Installing the OADP Operator.

To install the OADP Operator in a restricted network environment, you must first disable the default OperatorHub sources and mirror the Operator catalog. See Using Operator Lifecycle Manager on restricted networks for details.

4.4.4.1. Configuring Microsoft Azure

You configure a Microsoft Azure for the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP).

Prerequisites

You must have the Azure CLI installed.

Procedure

- 1. Log in to Azure:
 - \$ az login
- 2. Set the **AZURE_RESOURCE_GROUP** variable:
 - \$ AZURE_RESOURCE_GROUP=Velero_Backups
- 3. Create an Azure resource group:
 - \$ az group create -n \$AZURE_RESOURCE_GROUP --location CentralUS 1
 - Specify your location.
- 4. Set the **AZURE_STORAGE_ACCOUNT_ID** variable:
 - \$ AZURE_STORAGE_ACCOUNT_ID="velero\$(uuidgen | cut -d '-' -f5 | tr '[A-Z]' '[a-z]')"
- 5. Create an Azure storage account:
 - \$ az storage account create \
 - --name \$AZURE STORAGE ACCOUNT ID \
 - --resource-group \$AZURE RESOURCE GROUP \
 - --sku Standard_GRS \
 - --encryption-services blob \
 - --https-only true \
 - --kind BlobStorage \
 - --access-tier Hot
- 6. Set the **BLOB_CONTAINER** variable:

\$ BLOB CONTAINER=velero

7. Create an Azure Blob storage container:

```
$ az storage container create \
    -n $BLOB_CONTAINER \
    --public-access off \
    --account-name $AZURE_STORAGE_ACCOUNT_ID
```

8. Obtain the storage account access key:

```
$ AZURE_STORAGE_ACCOUNT_ACCESS_KEY=`az storage account keys list \
--account-name $AZURE_STORAGE_ACCOUNT_ID \
--query "[?keyName == 'key1'].value" -o tsv`
```

9. Create a custom role that has the minimum required permissions:

```
AZURE_ROLE=Velero
az role definition create --role-definition '{
    "Name": "$AZURE_ROLE",
    "Description": "Velero related permissions to perform backups, restores and deletions",
    "Actions": [
        "Microsoft.Compute/disks/read",
        "Microsoft.Compute/disks/write",
        "Microsoft.Compute/disks/endGetAccess/action",
        "Microsoft.Compute/disks/beginGetAccess/action",
        "Microsoft.Compute/snapshots/read",
        "Microsoft.Compute/snapshots/write",
        "Microsoft.Compute/snapshots/delete",
        "Microsoft.Storage/storageAccounts/listkeys/action",
        "Microsoft.Storage/storageAccounts/regeneratekey/action"
],
    "AssignableScopes": ["/subscriptions/'$AZURE_SUBSCRIPTION_ID"]
}'
```

10. Create a credentials-velero file:

```
$ cat << EOF > ./credentials-velero
AZURE_SUBSCRIPTION_ID=${AZURE_SUBSCRIPTION_ID}
AZURE_TENANT_ID=${AZURE_TENANT_ID}
AZURE_CLIENT_ID=${AZURE_CLIENT_ID}
AZURE_CLIENT_SECRET=${AZURE_CLIENT_SECRET}
AZURE_RESOURCE_GROUP=${AZURE_RESOURCE_GROUP}
AZURE_STORAGE_ACCOUNT_ACCESS_KEY=${AZURE_STORAGE_ACCOUNT_ACCESS_KEY}

AZURE_CLOUD_NAME=AzurePublicCloud
EOF
```

1 Mandatory. You cannot back up internal images if the **credentials-velero** file contains only the service principal credentials.

You use the **credentials-velero** file to create a **Secret** object for Azure before you install the Data Protection Application.

4.4.4.2. About backup and snapshot locations and their secrets

You specify backup and snapshot locations and their secrets in the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR).

Backup locations

You specify S3-compatible object storage, such as Multicloud Object Gateway, Noobaa, or Minio, as a backup location.

Velero backs up OpenShift Container Platform resources, Kubernetes objects, and internal images as an archive file on object storage.

Snapshot locations

If you use your cloud provider's native snapshot API to back up persistent volumes, you must specify the cloud provider as the snapshot location.

If you use Container Storage Interface (CSI) snapshots, you do not need to specify a snapshot location because you will create a **VolumeSnapshotClass** CR to register the CSI driver.

If you use Restic, you do not need to specify a snapshot location because Restic backs up the file system on object storage.

Secrets

If the backup and snapshot locations use the same credentials or if you do not require a snapshot location, you create a default **Secret**.

If the backup and snapshot locations use different credentials, you create two secret objects:

- Custom Secret for the backup location, which you specify in the DataProtectionApplication CR.
- Default **Secret** for the snapshot location, which is not referenced in the **DataProtectionApplication** CR.



IMPORTANT

The Data Protection Application requires a default **Secret**. Otherwise, the installation will fail.

If you do not want to specify backup or snapshot locations during the installation, you can create a default **Secret** with an empty **credentials-velero** file.

4.4.4.2.1. Creating a default Secret

You create a default **Secret** if your backup and snapshot locations use the same credentials or if you do not require a snapshot location.

The default name of the **Secret** is **cloud-credentials-azure**.



NOTE

The **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) requires a default **Secret**. Otherwise, the installation will fail. If the name of the backup location **Secret** is not specified, the default name is used.

If you do not want to use the backup location credentials during the installation, you can create a **Secret** with the default name by using an empty **credentials-velero** file.

Prerequisites

- Your object storage and cloud storage, if any, must use the same credentials.
- You must configure object storage for Velero.
- You must create a **credentials-velero** file for the object storage in the appropriate format.

Procedure

Create a Secret with the default name:

\$ oc create secret generic cloud-credentials-azure -n openshift-adp --from-file cloud=credentials-velero

The **Secret** is referenced in the **spec.backupLocations.credential** block of the **DataProtectionApplication** CR when you install the Data Protection Application.

4.4.4.2.2. Creating secrets for different credentials

If your backup and snapshot locations use different credentials, you must create two **Secret** objects:

- Backup location Secret with a custom name. The custom name is specified in the spec.backupLocations block of the DataProtectionApplication custom resource (CR).
- Snapshot location **Secret** with the default name, **cloud-credentials-azure**. This **Secret** is not specified in the **DataProtectionApplication** CR.

Procedure

- 1. Create a **credentials-velero** file for the snapshot location in the appropriate format for your cloud provider.
- 2. Create a **Secret** for the snapshot location with the default name:
 - \$ oc create secret generic cloud-credentials-azure -n openshift-adp --from-file cloud=credentials-velero
- 3. Create a **credentials-velero** file for the backup location in the appropriate format for your object storage.
- 4. Create a **Secret** for the backup location with a custom name:

\$ oc create secret generic <custom_secret> -n openshift-adp --from-file cloud=credentials-velero

5. Add the **Secret** with the custom name to the **DataProtectionApplication** CR, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: DataProtectionApplication
metadata:
 name: <dpa sample>
 namespace: openshift-adp
spec:
backupLocations:
  - velero:
    config:
     resourceGroup: <azure_resource_group>
     storageAccount: <azure storage account id>
     subscriptionId: <azure subscription id>
     storageAccountKeyEnvVar: AZURE STORAGE ACCOUNT ACCESS KEY
    credential:
     key: cloud
     name: <custom secret> 11
    provider: azure
    default: true
    objectStorage:
     bucket: <bucket name>
     snapshotLocations:
  - velero:
    confia:
     resourceGroup: <azure_resource_group>
     subscriptionId: <azure_subscription_id>
     incremental: "true"
    name: default
    provider: azure
```

Backup location **Secret** with custom name.

4.4.4.3. Configuring the Data Protection Application

You can configure the Data Protection Application by setting Velero resource allocations or enabling self-signed CA certificates.

4.4.4.3.1. Setting Velero CPU and memory resource allocations

You set the CPU and memory resource allocations for the **Velero** pod by editing the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) manifest.

Prerequisites

• You must have the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) Operator installed.

Procedure

• Edit the values in the **spec.configuration.velero.podConfig.ResourceAllocations** block of the **DataProtectionApplication** CR manifest, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: DataProtectionApplication
metadata:
 name: <dpa_sample>
spec:
 configuration:
  velero:
   podConfig:
    nodeSelector: <node selector> 1
    resourceAllocations: 2
     limits:
       cpu: "1"
       memory: 1024Mi
     requests:
       cpu: 200m
       memory: 256Mi
```

- Specify the node selector to be supplied to Velero podSpec.
- The **resourceAllocations** listed are for average usage.

4.4.4.3.2. Enabling self-signed CA certificates

You must enable a self-signed CA certificate for object storage by editing the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) manifest to prevent a **certificate signed by unknown authority** error.

Prerequisites

• You must have the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) Operator installed.

Procedure

 Edit the spec.backupLocations.velero.objectStorage.caCert parameter and spec.backupLocations.velero.config parameters of the DataProtectionApplication CR manifest:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: DataProtectionApplication
metadata:
    name: <dpa_sample>
spec:
...
    backupLocations:
    - name: default
    velero:
    provider: aws
    default: true
    objectStorage:
    bucket: <bucket>
    prefix: prefix>
    caCert: <base64_encoded_cert_string> 1
```

config: insecureSkipTLSVerify: "false" 2 ...

- Specify the Base64-encoded CA certificate string.
- The insecureSkipTLSVerify configuration can be set to either "true" or "false". If set to "true", SSL/TLS security is disabled. If set to "false", SSL/TLS security is enabled.

4.4.4.4. Installing the Data Protection Application

You install the Data Protection Application (DPA) by creating an instance of the **DataProtectionApplication** API.

Prerequisites

- You must install the OADP Operator.
- You must configure object storage as a backup location.
- If you use snapshots to back up PVs, your cloud provider must support either a native snapshot API or Container Storage Interface (CSI) snapshots.
- If the backup and snapshot locations use the same credentials, you must create a **Secret** with the default name, **cloud-credentials-azure**.
- If the backup and snapshot locations use different credentials, you must create two **Secrets**:
 - Secret with a custom name for the backup location. You add this Secret to the DataProtectionApplication CR.
 - **Secret** with the default name, **cloud-credentials-azure**, for the snapshot location. This **Secret** is not referenced in the **DataProtectionApplication** CR.



NOTE

If you do not want to specify backup or snapshot locations during the installation, you can create a default **Secret** with an empty **credentialsvelero** file. If there is no default **Secret**, the installation will fail.

Procedure

- 1. Click **Operators** → **Installed Operators** and select the OADP Operator.
- 2. Under Provided APIs, click Create instance in the DataProtectionApplication box.
- 3. Click YAML View and update the parameters of the **DataProtectionApplication** manifest:

apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1 kind: DataProtectionApplication metadata:
name: <dpa_sample>
namespace: openshift-adp
spec:

configuration:

```
velero:
  defaultPlugins:
   - azure
   - openshift 1
  resourceTimeout: 10m (2)
 restic:
  enable: true 3
  podConfig:
   nodeSelector: <node selector> 4
backupLocations:
 - velero:
   config:
    resourceGroup: <azure resource group> 5
    storageAccount: <azure_storage_account_id> 6
    subscriptionId: <azure subscription id> 7
    storageAccountKeyEnvVar: AZURE_STORAGE_ACCOUNT_ACCESS_KEY
   credential:
    key: cloud
    name: cloud-credentials-azure 8
   provider: azure
   default: true
   objectStorage:
    bucket: <bucket_name> 9
    prefix: prefix>
snapshotLocations: 111
 - velero:
   config:
    resourceGroup: <azure_resource_group>
    subscriptionId: <azure_subscription_id>
    incremental: "true"
   name: default
   provider: azure
```

- The **openshift** plugin is mandatory.
- 2 Specify how many minutes to wait for several Velero resources before timeout occurs, such as Velero CRD availability, volumeSnapshot deletion, and backup repository availability. The default is 10m.
- 3 Set to **false**, if you want to disable the Restic installation. Restic deploys a daemon set, which means that each worker node has **Restic** pods running. You can configure Restic for backups by adding **spec.defaultVolumesToRestic: true** to the **Backup** CR.
- Specify on which nodes Restic is available. By default, Restic runs on all nodes.
- 5 Specify the Azure resource group.
- 6 Specify the Azure storage account ID.
- Specify the Azure subscription ID.
- If you do not specify this value, the default name, **cloud-credentials-azure**, is used. If you specify a custom name, the custom name is used for the backup location.
- 9 Specify a bucket as the backup storage location. If the bucket is not a dedicated bucket for

- Specify a prefix for Velero backups, for example, **velero**, if the bucket is used for multiple purposes.
- You do not need to specify a snapshot location if you use CSI snapshots or Restic to back up PVs.
- 4. Click Create.
- 5. Verify the installation by viewing the OADP resources:

\$ oc get all -n openshift-adp

Example output

NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE pod/oadp-operator-controller-manager-67d9494d47-6l8z8 2/2 Running 0 2m8s pod/restic-9cq4q 1/1 Running 0 94s pod/restic-m4lts 1/1 Running 0 94s pod/restic-pv4kr 1/1 Running 0 95s pod/velero-588db7f655-n842v 1/1 Running 0 95s
NAME TYPE CLUSTER-IP EXTERNAL-IP PORT(S) AGE service/oadp-operator-controller-manager-metrics-service ClusterIP 172.30.70.140 <none> 8443/TCP 2m8s</none>
NAME DESIRED CURRENT READY UP-TO-DATE AVAILABLE NODE SELECTOR AGE daemonset.apps/restic 3 3 3 3 <none> 96s</none>
NAME READY UP-TO-DATE AVAILABLE AGE deployment.apps/oadp-operator-controller-manager 1/1 1 1 2m9s deployment.apps/velero 1/1 1 96s
NAME DESIRED CURRENT READY AGE replicaset.apps/oadp-operator-controller-manager-67d9494d47 1 1 1 2m9s replicaset.apps/velero-588db7f655 1 1 1 96s

4.4.4.4.1. Enabling CSI in the DataProtectionApplication CR

You enable the Container Storage Interface (CSI) in the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) in order to back up persistent volumes with CSI snapshots.

Prerequisites

• The cloud provider must support CSI snapshots.

Procedure

• Edit the **DataProtectionApplication** CR, as in the following example:

apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1 kind: DataProtectionApplication

spec:
configuration:
velero:
defaultPlugins:
- openshift
- csi

Add the **csi** default plugin.

4.4.5. Configuring the OpenShift API for Data Protection with Google Cloud Platform

You install the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) with Google Cloud Platform (GCP) by installing the OADP Operator. The Operator installs Velero 1.11.



NOTE

Starting from OADP 1.0.4, all OADP 1.0.z versions can only be used as a dependency of the MTC Operator and are not available as a standalone Operator.

You configure GCP for Velero, create a default **Secret**, and then install the Data Protection Application. For more details, see Installing the OADP Operator.

To install the OADP Operator in a restricted network environment, you must first disable the default OperatorHub sources and mirror the Operator catalog. See Using Operator Lifecycle Manager on restricted networks for details.

4.4.5.1. Configuring Google Cloud Platform

You configure Google Cloud Platform (GCP) for the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP).

Prerequisites

• You must have the **gcloud** and **gsutil** CLI tools installed. See the Google cloud documentation for details.

Procedure

- 1. Log in to GCP:
 - \$ gcloud auth login
- 2. Set the **BUCKET** variable:
 - \$ BUCKET=<bucket> 1
 - 1 Specify your bucket name.
- 3. Create the storage bucket:

\$ gsutil mb gs://\$BUCKET/

4. Set the **PROJECT_ID** variable to your active project:

\$ PROJECT_ID=\$(gcloud config get-value project)

5. Create a service account:

\$ gcloud iam service-accounts create velero \
--display-name "Velero service account"

6. List your service accounts:

\$ gcloud iam service-accounts list

7. Set the **SERVICE_ACCOUNT_EMAIL** variable to match its **email** value:

```
$ SERVICE_ACCOUNT_EMAIL=$(gcloud iam service-accounts list \
--filter="displayName:Velero service account" \
--format 'value(email)')
```

8. Attach the policies to give the **velero** user the minimum necessary permissions:

```
$ ROLE_PERMISSIONS=(
    compute.disks.get
    compute.disks.create
    compute.disks.createSnapshot
    compute.snapshots.get
    compute.snapshots.create
    compute.snapshots.useReadOnly
    compute.snapshots.delete
    compute.zones.get
    storage.objects.create
    storage.objects.delete
    storage.objects.list
    iam.serviceAccounts.signBlob
)
```

9. Create the **velero.server** custom role:

```
$ gcloud iam roles create velero.server \
--project $PROJECT_ID \
--title "Velero Server" \
--permissions "$(IFS=","; echo "${ROLE_PERMISSIONS[*]}")"
```

10. Add IAM policy binding to the project:

```
$ gcloud projects add-iam-policy-binding $PROJECT_ID \
--member serviceAccount:$SERVICE_ACCOUNT_EMAIL \
--role projects/$PROJECT_ID/roles/velero.server
```

11. Update the IAM service account:

\$ gsutil iam ch serviceAccount:\$SERVICE_ACCOUNT_EMAIL:objectAdmin gs://\${BUCKET}

12. Save the IAM service account keys to the **credentials-velero** file in the current directory:

\$ gcloud iam service-accounts keys create credentials-velero \
--iam-account \$SERVICE_ACCOUNT_EMAIL

You use the **credentials-velero** file to create a **Secret** object for GCP before you install the Data Protection Application.

4.4.5.2. About backup and snapshot locations and their secrets

You specify backup and snapshot locations and their secrets in the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR).

Backup locations

You specify S3-compatible object storage, such as Multicloud Object Gateway, Noobaa, or Minio, as a backup location.

Velero backs up OpenShift Container Platform resources, Kubernetes objects, and internal images as an archive file on object storage.

Snapshot locations

If you use your cloud provider's native snapshot API to back up persistent volumes, you must specify the cloud provider as the snapshot location.

If you use Container Storage Interface (CSI) snapshots, you do not need to specify a snapshot location because you will create a **VolumeSnapshotClass** CR to register the CSI driver.

If you use Restic, you do not need to specify a snapshot location because Restic backs up the file system on object storage.

Secrets

If the backup and snapshot locations use the same credentials or if you do not require a snapshot location, you create a default **Secret**.

If the backup and snapshot locations use different credentials, you create two secret objects:

- Custom Secret for the backup location, which you specify in the DataProtectionApplication CR.
- Default Secret for the snapshot location, which is not referenced in the DataProtectionApplication CR.



IMPORTANT

The Data Protection Application requires a default **Secret**. Otherwise, the installation will fail.

If you do not want to specify backup or snapshot locations during the installation, you can create a default **Secret** with an empty **credentials-velero** file.

4.4.5.2.1. Creating a default Secret

You create a default **Secret** if your backup and snapshot locations use the same credentials or if you do not require a snapshot location.

The default name of the **Secret** is **cloud-credentials-gcp**.



NOTE

The **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) requires a default **Secret**. Otherwise, the installation will fail. If the name of the backup location **Secret** is not specified, the default name is used.

If you do not want to use the backup location credentials during the installation, you can create a **Secret** with the default name by using an empty **credentials-velero** file.

Prerequisites

- Your object storage and cloud storage, if any, must use the same credentials.
- You must configure object storage for Velero.
- You must create a **credentials-velero** file for the object storage in the appropriate format.

Procedure

• Create a **Secret** with the default name:

\$ oc create secret generic cloud-credentials-gcp -n openshift-adp --from-file cloud=credentials-velero

The **Secret** is referenced in the **spec.backupLocations.credential** block of the **DataProtectionApplication** CR when you install the Data Protection Application.

4.4.5.2.2. Creating secrets for different credentials

If your backup and snapshot locations use different credentials, you must create two **Secret** objects:

- Backup location Secret with a custom name. The custom name is specified in the spec.backupLocations block of the DataProtectionApplication custom resource (CR).
- Snapshot location Secret with the default name, cloud-credentials-gcp. This Secret is not specified in the DataProtectionApplication CR.

Procedure

- 1. Create a **credentials-velero** file for the snapshot location in the appropriate format for your cloud provider.
- 2. Create a **Secret** for the snapshot location with the default name:
 - \$ oc create secret generic cloud-credentials-gcp -n openshift-adp --from-file cloud=credentials-velero
- 3. Create a **credentials-velero** file for the backup location in the appropriate format for your object storage.

4. Create a **Secret** for the backup location with a custom name:

\$ oc create secret generic <custom_secret> -n openshift-adp --from-file cloud=credentials-velero

5. Add the **Secret** with the custom name to the **DataProtectionApplication** CR, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: DataProtectionApplication
metadata:
 name: <dpa sample>
 namespace: openshift-adp
spec:
 backupLocations:
  - velero:
    provider: gcp
    default: true
     credential:
      key: cloud
      name: <custom_secret> 1
     objectStorage:
      bucket: <bucket name>
      prefix: <prefix>
 snapshotLocations:
  velero:
    provider: gcp
    default: true
     config:
      project: <project>
      snapshotLocation: us-west1
```

Backup location **Secret** with custom name.

4.4.5.3. Configuring the Data Protection Application

You can configure the Data Protection Application by setting Velero resource allocations or enabling self-signed CA certificates.

4.4.5.3.1. Setting Velero CPU and memory resource allocations

You set the CPU and memory resource allocations for the **Velero** pod by editing the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) manifest.

Prerequisites

You must have the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) Operator installed.

Procedure

• Edit the values in the **spec.configuration.velero.podConfig.ResourceAllocations** block of the **DataProtectionApplication** CR manifest, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: DataProtectionApplication
metadata:
 name: <dpa_sample>
spec:
 configuration:
  velero:
   podConfig:
    nodeSelector: <node selector> 1
    resourceAllocations: 2
     limits:
       cpu: "1"
       memory: 1024Mi
     requests:
       cpu: 200m
       memory: 256Mi
```

- Specify the node selector to be supplied to Velero podSpec.
- The **resourceAllocations** listed are for average usage.

4.4.5.3.2. Enabling self-signed CA certificates

You must enable a self-signed CA certificate for object storage by editing the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) manifest to prevent a **certificate signed by unknown authority** error.

Prerequisites

• You must have the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) Operator installed.

Procedure

 Edit the spec.backupLocations.velero.objectStorage.caCert parameter and spec.backupLocations.velero.config parameters of the DataProtectionApplication CR manifest:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: DataProtectionApplication
metadata:
    name: <dpa_sample>
spec:
...
    backupLocations:
    - name: default
    velero:
    provider: aws
    default: true
    objectStorage:
    bucket: <bucket>
    prefix: 
    prefix: 
    caCert: <base64_encoded_cert_string> 1
```

config: insecureSkipTLSVerify: "false" 2

- Specify the Base64-encoded CA certificate string.
- The insecureSkipTLSVerify configuration can be set to either "true" or "false". If set to "true", SSL/TLS security is disabled. If set to "false", SSL/TLS security is enabled.

4.4.5.4. Installing the Data Protection Application

You install the Data Protection Application (DPA) by creating an instance of the **DataProtectionApplication** API.

Prerequisites

- You must install the OADP Operator.
- You must configure object storage as a backup location.
- If you use snapshots to back up PVs, your cloud provider must support either a native snapshot API or Container Storage Interface (CSI) snapshots.
- If the backup and snapshot locations use the same credentials, you must create a **Secret** with the default name, **cloud-credentials-gcp**.
- If the backup and snapshot locations use different credentials, you must create two **Secrets**:
 - Secret with a custom name for the backup location. You add this Secret to the DataProtectionApplication CR.
 - **Secret** with the default name, **cloud-credentials-gcp**, for the snapshot location. This **Secret** is not referenced in the **DataProtectionApplication** CR.



NOTE

If you do not want to specify backup or snapshot locations during the installation, you can create a default **Secret** with an empty **credentialsvelero** file. If there is no default **Secret**, the installation will fail.

Procedure

- 1. Click **Operators** → **Installed Operators** and select the OADP Operator.
- 2. Under Provided APIs, click Create instance in the DataProtectionApplication box.
- 3. Click YAML View and update the parameters of the **DataProtectionApplication** manifest:

apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1 kind: DataProtectionApplication metadata:
name: <dpa_sample>
namespace: openshift-adp
spec:
configuration:

```
velero:
  defaultPlugins:
   - gcp
   - openshift 1
  resourceTimeout: 10m 2
 restic:
  enable: true 3
  podConfig:
   nodeSelector: <node selector> 4
backupLocations:
 - velero:
   provider: gcp
   default: true
   credential:
    key: cloud
    name: cloud-credentials-gcp 5
   objectStorage:
    bucket: <bucket_name> 6
    prefix: 
snapshotLocations: 8
 velero:
   provider: gcp
   default: true
   config:
    project: <project>
    snapshotLocation: us-west1 9
```

- The **openshift** plugin is mandatory.
- Specify how many minutes to wait for several Velero resources before timeout occurs, such as Velero CRD availability, volumeSnapshot deletion, and backup repository availability. The default is 10m.
- Set to **false**, if you want to disable the Restic installation. Restic deploys a daemon set, which means that each worker node has **Restic** pods running. You can configure Restic for backups by adding **spec.defaultVolumesToRestic**: **true** to the **Backup** CR.
- Specify on which nodes Restic is available. By default, Restic runs on all nodes.
- If you do not specify this value, the default name, **cloud-credentials-gcp**, is used. If you specify a custom name, the custom name is used for the backup location.
- 6 Specify a bucket as the backup storage location. If the bucket is not a dedicated bucket for Velero backups, you must specify a prefix.
- Specify a prefix for Velero backups, for example, **velero**, if the bucket is used for multiple purposes.
- 8 Specify a snapshot location, unless you use CSI snapshots or Restic to back up PVs.
- The snapshot location must be in the same region as the PVs.
- 4. Click Create.
- 5. Verify the installation by viewing the OADP resources:

\$ oc get all -n openshift-adp

Example output

```
READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE
NAME
pod/oadp-operator-controller-manager-67d9494d47-6l8z8 2/2
                                                       Running 0
                                                                     2m8s
pod/restic-9cq4q
                                        Running 0
                                                       94s
                                   1/1
pod/restic-m4lts
                                  1/1
                                       Running 0
                                                      94s
pod/restic-pv4kr
                                  1/1
                                       Running 0
                                                      95s
pod/velero-588db7f655-n842v
                                             Running 0
                                                            95s
                                        1/1
                                  TYPE
NAME
                                           CLUSTER-IP
                                                         EXTERNAL-IP
PORT(S) AGE
service/oadp-operator-controller-manager-metrics-service ClusterIP 172.30.70.140
          8443/TCP 2m8s
<none>
NAME
               DESIRED CURRENT READY UP-TO-DATE AVAILABLE NODE
SELECTOR AGE
daemonset.apps/restic 3
                               3
                                           3
                                                              96s
                          3
                                                  <none>
NAME
                              READY UP-TO-DATE AVAILABLE AGE
deployment.apps/oadp-operator-controller-manager 1/1
                                                                2m9s
                                                         1
deployment.apps/velero
                                   1/1
                                       1
                                                      96s
NAME
                                    DESIRED CURRENT READY AGE
replicaset.apps/oadp-operator-controller-manager-67d9494d47 1
                                                                      2m9s
replicaset.apps/velero-588db7f655
                                                       1
                                                            96s
```

4.4.5.4.1. Enabling CSI in the DataProtectionApplication CR

You enable the Container Storage Interface (CSI) in the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) in order to back up persistent volumes with CSI snapshots.

Prerequisites

• The cloud provider must support CSI snapshots.

Procedure

Edit the DataProtectionApplication CR, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1 kind: DataProtectionApplication ... spec: configuration: velero: defaultPlugins: - openshift - csi 1
```

1 Add the **csi** default plugin.

4.4.6. Configuring the OpenShift API for Data Protection with Multicloud Object Gateway

You install the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) with Multicloud Object Gateway (MCG) by installing the OADP Operator. The Operator installs Velero 1.11.



NOTE

Starting from OADP 1.0.4, all OADP 1.0.z versions can only be used as a dependency of the MTC Operator and are not available as a standalone Operator.

You configure Multicloud Object Gateway as a backup location. MCG is a component of OpenShift Data Foundation. You configure MCG as a backup location in the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR).



IMPORTANT

The **CloudStorage** API, which automates the creation of a bucket for object storage, is a Technology Preview feature only. Technology Preview features are not supported with Red Hat production service level agreements (SLAs) and might not be functionally complete. Red Hat does not recommend using them in production. These features provide early access to upcoming product features, enabling customers to test functionality and provide feedback during the development process.

For more information about the support scope of Red Hat Technology Preview features, see Technology Preview Features Support Scope.

You create a **Secret** for the backup location and then you install the Data Protection Application. For more details, see Installing the OADP Operator.

To install the OADP Operator in a restricted network environment, you must first disable the default OperatorHub sources and mirror the Operator catalog. For details, see Using Operator Lifecycle Manager on restricted networks.

4.4.6.1. Retrieving Multicloud Object Gateway credentials

You must retrieve the Multicloud Object Gateway (MCG) credentials in order to create a **Secret** custom resource (CR) for the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP).

MCG is a component of OpenShift Data Foundation.

Prerequisites

• You must deploy OpenShift Data Foundation by using the appropriate OpenShift Data Foundation deployment quide.

Procedure

- 1. Obtain the S3 endpoint, **AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID**, and **AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY** by running the **describe** command on the **NooBaa** custom resource.
- 2. Create a credentials-velero file:

\$ cat << EOF > ./credentials-velero

```
[default]
aws_access_key_id=<AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID>
aws_secret_access_key=<AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY>
EOF
```

You use the **credentials-velero** file to create a **Secret** object when you install the Data Protection Application.

4.4.6.2. About backup and snapshot locations and their secrets

You specify backup and snapshot locations and their secrets in the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR).

Backup locations

You specify S3-compatible object storage, such as Multicloud Object Gateway, Noobaa, or Minio, as a backup location.

Velero backs up OpenShift Container Platform resources, Kubernetes objects, and internal images as an archive file on object storage.

Snapshot locations

If you use your cloud provider's native snapshot API to back up persistent volumes, you must specify the cloud provider as the snapshot location.

If you use Container Storage Interface (CSI) snapshots, you do not need to specify a snapshot location because you will create a **VolumeSnapshotClass** CR to register the CSI driver.

If you use Restic, you do not need to specify a snapshot location because Restic backs up the file system on object storage.

Secrets

If the backup and snapshot locations use the same credentials or if you do not require a snapshot location, you create a default **Secret**.

If the backup and snapshot locations use different credentials, you create two secret objects:

- Custom **Secret** for the backup location, which you specify in the **DataProtectionApplication** CR.
- Default Secret for the snapshot location, which is not referenced in the DataProtectionApplication CR.



IMPORTANT

The Data Protection Application requires a default **Secret**. Otherwise, the installation will fail.

If you do not want to specify backup or snapshot locations during the installation, you can create a default **Secret** with an empty **credentials-velero** file.

4.4.6.2.1. Creating a default Secret

You create a default **Secret** if your backup and snapshot locations use the same credentials or if you do not require a snapshot location.

The default name of the **Secret** is **cloud-credentials**.



NOTE

The **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) requires a default **Secret**. Otherwise, the installation will fail. If the name of the backup location **Secret** is not specified, the default name is used.

If you do not want to use the backup location credentials during the installation, you can create a **Secret** with the default name by using an empty **credentials-velero** file.

Prerequisites

- Your object storage and cloud storage, if any, must use the same credentials.
- You must configure object storage for Velero.
- You must create a **credentials-velero** file for the object storage in the appropriate format.

Procedure

• Create a **Secret** with the default name:

\$ oc create secret generic cloud-credentials -n openshift-adp --from-file cloud=credentials-velero

The **Secret** is referenced in the **spec.backupLocations.credential** block of the **DataProtectionApplication** CR when you install the Data Protection Application.

4.4.6.2.2. Creating secrets for different credentials

If your backup and snapshot locations use different credentials, you must create two **Secret** objects:

- Backup location Secret with a custom name. The custom name is specified in the spec.backupLocations block of the DataProtectionApplication custom resource (CR).
- Snapshot location **Secret** with the default name, **cloud-credentials**. This **Secret** is not specified in the **DataProtectionApplication** CR.

Procedure

- 1. Create a **credentials-velero** file for the snapshot location in the appropriate format for your cloud provider.
- 2. Create a **Secret** for the snapshot location with the default name:
 - \$ oc create secret generic cloud-credentials -n openshift-adp --from-file cloud=credentials-velero
- 3. Create a **credentials-velero** file for the backup location in the appropriate format for your object storage.
- 4. Create a **Secret** for the backup location with a custom name:

\$ oc create secret generic <custom_secret> -n openshift-adp --from-file cloud=credentials-velero

5. Add the **Secret** with the custom name to the **DataProtectionApplication** CR, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: DataProtectionApplication
metadata:
 name: <dpa sample>
 namespace: openshift-adp
spec:
 backupLocations:
  - velero:
    config:
      profile: "default"
      region: minio
      s3Url: <url>
      insecureSkipTLSVerify: "true"
      s3ForcePathStyle: "true"
     provider: aws
     default: true
     credential:
      key: cloud
      name: <custom_secret> 1
     objectStorage:
      bucket: <bucket name>
      prefix: <prefix>
```

Backup location **Secret** with custom name.

4.4.6.3. Configuring the Data Protection Application

You can configure the Data Protection Application by setting Velero resource allocations or enabling self-signed CA certificates.

4.4.6.3.1. Setting Velero CPU and memory resource allocations

You set the CPU and memory resource allocations for the **Velero** pod by editing the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) manifest.

Prerequisites

You must have the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) Operator installed.

Procedure

• Edit the values in the **spec.configuration.velero.podConfig.ResourceAllocations** block of the **DataProtectionApplication** CR manifest, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1 kind: DataProtectionApplication metadata: name: <dpa_sample> spec: ...
```

```
configuration:
velero:
podConfig:
nodeSelector: <node selector> 1
resourceAllocations: 2
limits:
cpu: "1"
memory: 1024Mi
requests:
cpu: 200m
memory: 256Mi
```

- Specify the node selector to be supplied to Velero podSpec.
- The **resourceAllocations** listed are for average usage.

4.4.6.3.2. Enabling self-signed CA certificates

You must enable a self-signed CA certificate for object storage by editing the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) manifest to prevent a **certificate signed by unknown authority** error.

Prerequisites

• You must have the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) Operator installed.

Procedure

 Edit the spec.backupLocations.velero.objectStorage.caCert parameter and spec.backupLocations.velero.config parameters of the DataProtectionApplication CR manifest:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: DataProtectionApplication
metadata:
    name: <dpa_sample>
spec:
...
    backupLocations:
    - name: default
    velero:
    provider: aws
    default: true
    objectStorage:
    bucket: <bucket>
    prefix: prefix: prefix: caCert: <base64_encoded_cert_string> 1
    config:
    insecureSkipTLSVerify: "false" 2
...
```

Specify the Base64-encoded CA certificate string.

2

The **insecureSkipTLSVerify** configuration can be set to either **"true"** or **"false"**. If set to **"true"**, SSL/TLS security is disabled. If set to **"false"**, SSL/TLS security is enabled.

4.4.6.4. Installing the Data Protection Application

You install the Data Protection Application (DPA) by creating an instance of the **DataProtectionApplication** API.

Prerequisites

- You must install the OADP Operator.
- You must configure object storage as a backup location.
- If you use snapshots to back up PVs, your cloud provider must support either a native snapshot API or Container Storage Interface (CSI) snapshots.
- If the backup and snapshot locations use the same credentials, you must create a **Secret** with the default name, **cloud-credentials**.
- If the backup and snapshot locations use different credentials, you must create two **Secrets**:
 - **Secret** with a custom name for the backup location. You add this **Secret** to the **DataProtectionApplication** CR.
 - **Secret** with the default name, **cloud-credentials**, for the snapshot location. This **Secret** is not referenced in the **DataProtectionApplication** CR.



NOTE

If you do not want to specify backup or snapshot locations during the installation, you can create a default **Secret** with an empty **credentials-velero** file. If there is no default **Secret**, the installation will fail.

Procedure

- 1. Click **Operators** → **Installed Operators** and select the OADP Operator.
- 2. Under Provided APIs, click Create instance in the DataProtectionApplication box.
- 3. Click YAML View and update the parameters of the DataProtectionApplication manifest:

apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1kind: DataProtectionApplication
metadata:
 name: <dpa_sample>
 namespace: openshift-adp
spec:
 configuration:
 velero:
 defaultPlugins:
 - aws
 - openshift 1
 resourceTimeout: 10m 2

restic: enable: true 3 podConfig: nodeSelector: <node_selector> 4 backupLocations: - velero: config: profile: "default" region: minio s3Url: <url> 5 insecureSkipTLSVerify: "true" s3ForcePathStyle: "true" provider: aws default: true credential: key: cloud name: cloud-credentials 6 objectStorage: bucket: <bucket_name> 7 prefix:

- The **openshift** plugin is mandatory.
- 2 Specify how many minutes to wait for several Velero resources before timeout occurs, such as Velero CRD availability, volumeSnapshot deletion, and backup repository availability. The default is 10m.
- 3 Set to **false**, if you want to disable the Restic installation. Restic deploys a daemon set, which means that each worker node has **Restic** pods running. You can configure Restic for backups by adding **spec.defaultVolumesToRestic: true** to the **Backup** CR.
- A Specify on which nodes Restic is available. By default, Restic runs on all nodes.
- 5 Specify the URL of the S3 endpoint.
- If you do not specify this value, the default name, **cloud-credentials**, is used. If you specify a custom name, the custom name is used for the backup location.
- Specify a bucket as the backup storage location. If the bucket is not a dedicated bucket for Velero backups, you must specify a prefix.
- 8 Specify a prefix for Velero backups, for example, **velero**, if the bucket is used for multiple purposes.
- 4. Click Create.
- 5. Verify the installation by viewing the OADP resources:
 - \$ oc get all -n openshift-adp

Example output

NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE pod/oadp-operator-controller-manager-67d9494d47-6l8z8 2/2 Running 0 2m8s

```
pod/restic-9cq4q
                                        Running 0
                                   1/1
                                                       94s
pod/restic-m4lts
                                  1/1
                                        Running 0
                                                      94s
pod/restic-pv4kr
                                  1/1
                                        Running 0
                                                       95s
pod/velero-588db7f655-n842v
                                             Running 0
                                                            95s
                                        1/1
NAME
                                  TYPE
                                           CLUSTER-IP
                                                          EXTERNAL-IP
PORT(S) AGE
service/oadp-operator-controller-manager-metrics-service ClusterIP 172.30.70.140
<none>
          8443/TCP 2m8s
NAME
               DESIRED CURRENT READY UP-TO-DATE AVAILABLE NODE
SELECTOR AGE
daemonset.apps/restic 3
                          3
                                                   <none>
                                                              96s
NAME
                              READY UP-TO-DATE AVAILABLE AGE
deployment.apps/oadp-operator-controller-manager 1/1
                                                                2m9s
deployment.apps/velero
                                   1/1
                                                       96s
NAME
                                    DESIRED CURRENT READY AGE
replicaset.apps/oadp-operator-controller-manager-67d9494d47 1
                                                                  1
                                                                      2m9s
                                                            1
replicaset.apps/velero-588db7f655
                                            1
                                                  1
                                                            96s
```

4.4.6.4.1. Enabling CSI in the DataProtectionApplication CR

You enable the Container Storage Interface (CSI) in the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) in order to back up persistent volumes with CSI snapshots.

Prerequisites

• The cloud provider must support CSI snapshots.

Procedure

• Edit the **DataProtectionApplication** CR, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1kind: DataProtectionApplication...
spec:
configuration:
velero:
defaultPlugins:
- openshift
- csi
```

Add the **csi** default plugin.

4.4.7. Configuring the OpenShift API for Data Protection with OpenShift Data Foundation

You install the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) with OpenShift Data Foundation by installing the OADP Operator and configuring a backup location and a snapshot location. Then, you install the Data Protection Application.



NOTE

Starting from OADP 1.0.4, all OADP 1.0.z versions can only be used as a dependency of the MTC Operator and are not available as a standalone Operator.

You can configure Multicloud Object Gateway or any S3-compatible object storage as a backup location.



IMPORTANT

The **CloudStorage** API, which automates the creation of a bucket for object storage, is a Technology Preview feature only. Technology Preview features are not supported with Red Hat production service level agreements (SLAs) and might not be functionally complete. Red Hat does not recommend using them in production. These features provide early access to upcoming product features, enabling customers to test functionality and provide feedback during the development process.

For more information about the support scope of Red Hat Technology Preview features, see Technology Preview Features Support Scope.

You create a **Secret** for the backup location and then you install the Data Protection Application. For more details, see Installing the OADP Operator.

To install the OADP Operator in a restricted network environment, you must first disable the default OperatorHub sources and mirror the Operator catalog. For details, see Using Operator Lifecycle Manager on restricted networks.

4.4.7.1. About backup and snapshot locations and their secrets

You specify backup and snapshot locations and their secrets in the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR).

Backup locations

You specify S3-compatible object storage, such as Multicloud Object Gateway, Noobaa, or Minio, as a backup location.

Velero backs up OpenShift Container Platform resources, Kubernetes objects, and internal images as an archive file on object storage.

Snapshot locations

If you use your cloud provider's native snapshot API to back up persistent volumes, you must specify the cloud provider as the snapshot location.

If you use Container Storage Interface (CSI) snapshots, you do not need to specify a snapshot location because you will create a **VolumeSnapshotClass** CR to register the CSI driver.

If you use Restic, you do not need to specify a snapshot location because Restic backs up the file system on object storage.

Secrets

If the backup and snapshot locations use the same credentials or if you do not require a snapshot location, you create a default **Secret**.

If the backup and snapshot locations use different credentials, you create two secret objects:

- Custom Secret for the backup location, which you specify in the DataProtectionApplication
 CR
- Default Secret for the snapshot location, which is not referenced in the DataProtectionApplication CR.



IMPORTANT

The Data Protection Application requires a default **Secret**. Otherwise, the installation will fail

If you do not want to specify backup or snapshot locations during the installation, you can create a default **Secret** with an empty **credentials-velero** file.

Additional resources

• Creating an Object Bucket Claim using the OpenShift Web Console .

4.4.7.1.1. Creating a default Secret

You create a default **Secret** if your backup and snapshot locations use the same credentials or if you do not require a snapshot location.



NOTE

The **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) requires a default **Secret**. Otherwise, the installation will fail. If the name of the backup location **Secret** is not specified, the default name is used.

If you do not want to use the backup location credentials during the installation, you can create a **Secret** with the default name by using an empty **credentials-velero** file.

Prerequisites

- Your object storage and cloud storage, if any, must use the same credentials.
- You must configure object storage for Velero.
- You must create a **credentials-velero** file for the object storage in the appropriate format.

Procedure

• Create a **Secret** with the default name:

\$ oc create secret generic cloud-credentials -n openshift-adp --from-file cloud=credentials-velero

The **Secret** is referenced in the **spec.backupLocations.credential** block of the **DataProtectionApplication** CR when you install the Data Protection Application.

4.4.7.2. Configuring the Data Protection Application

You can configure the Data Protection Application by setting Velero resource allocations or enabling self-signed CA certificates.

4.4.7.2.1. Setting Velero CPU and memory resource allocations

You set the CPU and memory resource allocations for the **Velero** pod by editing the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) manifest.

Prerequisites

• You must have the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) Operator installed.

Procedure

 Edit the values in the spec.configuration.velero.podConfig.ResourceAllocations block of the DataProtectionApplication CR manifest, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: DataProtectionApplication
metadata:
 name: <dpa sample>
spec:
 configuration:
  velero:
   podConfig:
    nodeSelector: <node selector> 1
    resourceAllocations: 2
     limits:
       cpu: "1"
       memory: 1024Mi
     requests:
       cpu: 200m
       memory: 256Mi
```

- 1 Specify the node selector to be supplied to Velero podSpec.
- The **resourceAllocations** listed are for average usage.

4.4.7.2.2. Enabling self-signed CA certificates

You must enable a self-signed CA certificate for object storage by editing the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) manifest to prevent a **certificate signed by unknown authority** error.

Prerequisites

• You must have the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) Operator installed.

Procedure

 Edit the spec.backupLocations.velero.objectStorage.caCert parameter and spec.backupLocations.velero.config parameters of the DataProtectionApplication CR manifest:

apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1 kind: DataProtectionApplication

```
metadata:
    name: <dpa_sample>
spec:
...

backupLocations:
    - name: default
    velero:
    provider: aws
    default: true
    objectStorage:
    bucket: <bucket>
    prefix: prefix>
    caCert: <base64_encoded_cert_string> 1
    config:
    insecureSkipTLSVerify: "false" 2
...
```

- Specify the Base64-encoded CA certificate string.
- The insecureSkipTLSVerify configuration can be set to either "true" or "false". If set to "true", SSL/TLS security is disabled. If set to "false", SSL/TLS security is enabled.

4.4.7.3. Installing the Data Protection Application

You install the Data Protection Application (DPA) by creating an instance of the **DataProtectionApplication** API.

Prerequisites

- You must install the OADP Operator.
- You must configure object storage as a backup location.
- If you use snapshots to back up PVs, your cloud provider must support either a native snapshot API or Container Storage Interface (CSI) snapshots.
- If the backup and snapshot locations use the same credentials, you must create a **Secret** with the default name, **cloud-credentials**.



NOTE

If you do not want to specify backup or snapshot locations during the installation, you can create a default **Secret** with an empty **credentials-velero** file. If there is no default **Secret**, the installation will fail.

Procedure

- 1. Click **Operators** → **Installed Operators** and select the OADP Operator.
- 2. Under Provided APIs, click Create instance in the DataProtectionApplication box.
- 3. Click YAML View and update the parameters of the DataProtectionApplication manifest:
- 4. Click Create.

5. Verify the installation by viewing the OADP resources:

\$ oc get all -n openshift-adp

Example output

NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE pod/oadp-operator-controller-manager-67d9494d47-6l8z8 2/2 Running 0 2m8s pod/restic-9cq4q 1/1 Running 0 94s pod/restic-m4lts 1/1 Running 0 94s pod/restic-pv4kr 1/1 Running 0 95s pod/velero-588db7f655-n842v 1/1 Running 0 95s			
NAME TYPE CLUSTER-IP EXTERNAL-IP PORT(S) AGE service/oadp-operator-controller-manager-metrics-service ClusterIP 172.30.70.140 <none> 8443/TCP 2m8s</none>			
NAME DESIRED CURRENT READY UP-TO-DATE AVAILABLE NODE SELECTOR AGE daemonset.apps/restic 3 3 3 3 <none> 96s</none>			
NAME READY UP-TO-DATE AVAILABLE AGE deployment.apps/oadp-operator-controller-manager 1/1 1 1 2m9s deployment.apps/velero 1/1 1 1 96s			
NAME DESIRED CURRENT READY AGE replicaset.apps/oadp-operator-controller-manager-67d9494d47 1 1 1 2m9s replicaset.apps/velero-588db7f655 1 1 96s			

4.4.7.3.1. Creating an Object Bucket Claim for disaster recovery on OpenShift Data Foundation

If you use cluster storage for your NooBaa bucket **backupStorageLocation** on OpenShift Data Foundation, create an Object Bucket Claim (OBC) using the OpenShift Web Console.



WARNING

Failure to configure an Object Bucket Claim (OBC) might lead to backups not being available.

Procedure

• Create an Object Bucket Claim (OBC) using the OpenShift Web Console as described in Creating an Object Bucket Claim using the OpenShift Web Console.

4.4.7.3.2. Enabling CSI in the DataProtectionApplication CR

You enable the Container Storage Interface (CSI) in the **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource (CR) in order to back up persistent volumes with CSI snapshots.

Prerequisites

• The cloud provider must support CSI snapshots.

Procedure

• Edit the **DataProtectionApplication** CR, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1kind: DataProtectionApplication...
spec:
configuration:
velero:
defaultPlugins:
- openshift
- csi
```

Add the **csi** default plugin.

4.5. UNINSTALLING OADP

4.5.1. Uninstalling the OpenShift API for Data Protection

You uninstall the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) by deleting the OADP Operator. See Deleting Operators from a cluster for details.

4.6. OADP BACKING UP

4.6.1. Backing up applications

You back up applications by creating a **Backup** custom resource (CR). See Creating a Backup CR.

The **Backup** CR creates backup files for Kubernetes resources and internal images, on S3 object storage, and snapshots for persistent volumes (PVs), if the cloud provider uses a native snapshot API or the Container Storage Interface (CSI) to create snapshots, such as OpenShift Data Foundation 4.

For more information about CSI volume snapshots, see CSI volume snapshots.



IMPORTANT

The **CloudStorage** API for S3 storage is a Technology Preview feature only. Technology Preview features are not supported with Red Hat production service level agreements (SLAs) and might not be functionally complete. Red Hat does not recommend using them in production. These features provide early access to upcoming product features, enabling customers to test functionality and provide feedback during the development process.

For more information about the support scope of Red Hat Technology Preview features, see Technology Preview Features Support Scope.

- If your cloud provider has a native snapshot API or supports CSI snapshots, the **Backup** CR backs up persistent volumes (PVs) by creating snapshots. For more information about working with CSI snapshots, see Backing up persistent volumes with CSI snapshots.
- If your cloud provider does not support snapshots or if your applications are on NFS data volumes, you can create backups by using Restic. See Backing up applications with Restic.



IMPORTANT

The OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) does not support backing up volume snapshots that were created by other software.

You can create backup hooks to run commands before or after the backup operation. See Creating backup hooks.

You can schedule backups by creating a **Schedule** CR instead of a **Backup** CR. See Scheduling backups.

4.6.1.1. Known issues

OpenShift Container Platform 4.14 enforces a pod security admission (PSA) policy that can hinder the readiness of pods during a Restic restore process.

This issue has been resolved in the OADP 1.1.6 and OADP 1.2.2 releases, therefore it is recommended that users upgrade to these releases.

Additional resources

- Installing Operators on clusters for administrators
- Installing Operators in namespaces for non-administrators

4.6.2. Creating a Backup CR

You back up Kubernetes images, internal images, and persistent volumes (PVs) by creating a **Backup** custom resource (CR).

Prerequisites

- You must install the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) Operator.
- The **DataProtectionApplication** CR must be in a **Ready** state.
- Backup location prerequisites:
 - You must have S3 object storage configured for Velero.
 - You must have a backup location configured in the **DataProtectionApplication** CR.
- Snapshot location prerequisites:
 - Your cloud provider must have a native snapshot API or support Container Storage Interface (CSI) snapshots.
 - For CSI snapshots, you must create a **VolumeSnapshotClass** CR to register the CSI driver.

• You must have a volume location configured in the **DataProtectionApplication** CR.

Procedure

1. Retrieve the **backupStorageLocations** CRs by entering the following command:

\$ oc get backupStorageLocations -n openshift-adp

Example output

```
NAMESPACE NAME PHASE LAST VALIDATED AGE DEFAULT openshift-adp velero-sample-1 Available 11s 31m
```

2. Create a **Backup** CR, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: velero.io/v1
kind: Backup
metadata:
 name: <backup>
 labels:
  velero.io/storage-location: default
 namespace: openshift-adp
spec:
 hooks: {}
 includedNamespaces:
 - <namespace> 1
 includedResources: [] 2
 excludedResources: [] 3
 storageLocation: <velero-sample-1> 4
 ttl: 720h0m0s
 labelSelector: 5
  matchLabels:
   app=<label 1>
   app=<label_2>
   app=<label_3>
 orLabelSelectors: 6
 - matchLabels:
   app=<label 1>
   app=<label 2>
   app=<label 3>
```

- Specify an array of namespaces to back up.
- Optional: Specify an array of resources to include in the backup. Resources might be shortcuts (for example, 'po' for 'pods') or fully-qualified. If unspecified, all resources are included.
- Optional: Specify an array of resources to exclude from the backup. Resources might be shortcuts (for example, 'po' for 'pods') or fully-qualified.
- 4 Specify the name of the **backupStorageLocations** CR.
- Map of {key,value} pairs of backup resources that have **all** of the specified labels.



Map of {key,value} pairs of backup resources that have **one or more** of the specified labels.

3. Verify that the status of the **Backup** CR is **Completed**:

\$ oc get backup -n openshift-adp <backup> -o jsonpath='{.status.phase}'

4.6.3. Backing up persistent volumes with CSI snapshots

You back up persistent volumes with Container Storage Interface (CSI) snapshots by editing the **VolumeSnapshotClass** custom resource (CR) of the cloud storage before you create the **Backup** CR, see CSI volume snapshots.

For more information see Creating a Backup CR.

Prerequisites

- The cloud provider must support CSI snapshots.
- You must enable CSI in the **DataProtectionApplication** CR.

Procedure

• Add the **metadata.labels.velero.io/csi-volumesnapshot-class: "true"** key-value pair to the **VolumeSnapshotClass** CR:

apiVersion: snapshot.storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: VolumeSnapshotClass
metadata:
name: <volume_snapshot_class_name>
labels:
 velero.io/csi-volumesnapshot-class: "true"
driver: <csi_driver>
deletionPolicy: Retain

You can now create a **Backup** CR.

4.6.4. Backing up applications with Restic

If your cloud provider does not support snapshots or if your applications are on NFS data volumes, you can create backups by using Restic.



NOTE

Restic is installed by the OADP Operator by default.

Restic integration with OADP provides a solution for backing up and restoring almost any type of Kubernetes volume. This integration is an addition to OADP's capabilities, not a replacement for existing functionality.

You back up Kubernetes resources, internal images, and persistent volumes with Restic by editing the **Backup** custom resource (CR).

You do not need to specify a snapshot location in the **DataProtectionApplication** CR.



IMPORTANT

Restic does not support backing up **hostPath** volumes. For more information, see additional Restic limitations.

Prerequisites

- You must install the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) Operator.
- You must not disable the default Restic installation by setting spec.configuration.restic.enable to false in the DataProtectionApplication CR.
- The **DataProtectionApplication** CR must be in a **Ready** state.

Procedure

Create the **Backup** CR, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: velero.io/v1
kind: Backup
metadata:
name: <backup>
labels:
velero.io/storage-location: default
namespace: openshift-adp
spec:
defaultVolumesToRestic: true 1
...
```

1 Add defaultVolumesToRestic: true to the spec block.

4.6.5. Creating backup hooks

When performing a backup, it is possible to specify one or more commands to execute in a container within a pod, based on the pod being backed up.

The commands can be configured to performed before any custom action processing (*Pre* hooks), or after all custom actions have been completed and any additional items specified by the custom action have been backed up.

Post hooks run after the backup.

You create backup hooks to run commands in a container in a pod by editing the **Backup** custom resource (CR).

Procedure

• Add a hook to the **spec.hooks** block of the **Backup** CR, as in the following example:

apiVersion: velero.io/v1 kind: Backup metadata:

```
name: <backup>
 namespace: openshift-adp
spec:
 hooks:
  resources:
   - name: <hook_name>
    includedNamespaces:
    - <namespace> 1
    excludedNamespaces: 2
    - <namespace>
    includedResources: []
    - pods 3
    excludedResources: [] 4
    labelSelector: 5
     matchLabels:
      app: velero
      component: server
    pre: 6
     - exec:
       container: <container> 7
       command:
       - /bin/uname 8
       - -a
       onError: Fail 9
       timeout: 30s 10
    post: 11
```

- Optional: You can specify namespaces to which the hook applies. If this value is not specified, the hook applies to all namespaces.
- Optional: You can specify namespaces to which the hook does not apply.
- Currently, pods are the only supported resource that hooks can apply to.
- Optional: You can specify resources to which the hook does not apply.
- Optional: This hook only applies to objects matching the label. If this value is not specified, the hook applies to all namespaces.
- 6 Array of hooks to run before the backup.
- Optional: If the container is not specified, the command runs in the first container in the pod.
- 8 This is the entry point for the **init** container being added.
- Allowed values for error handling are Fail and Continue. The default is Fail.
- Optional: How long to wait for the commands to run. The default is **30s**.
- This block defines an array of hooks to run after the backup, with the same parameters as the pre-backup hooks.

4.6.6. Scheduling backups using Schedule CR

The schedule operation allows you to create a backup of your data at a specified time, defined by a Cron expression.

You schedule backups by creating a **Schedule** custom resource (CR) instead of a **Backup** CR.



WARNING

Leave enough time in your backup schedule for a backup to finish before another backup is created.

For example, if a backup of a namespace typically takes 10 minutes, do not schedule backups more frequently than every 15 minutes.

Prerequisites

- You must install the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) Operator.
- The **DataProtectionApplication** CR must be in a **Ready** state.

Procedure

1. Retrieve the **backupStorageLocations** CRs:

\$ oc get backupStorageLocations -n openshift-adp

Example output

NAMESPACE NAME PHASE LAST VALIDATED AGE DEFAULT openshift-adp velero-sample-1 Available 11s 31m

2. Create a **Schedule** CR, as in the following example:

```
$ cat << EOF | oc apply -f -
apiVersion: velero.io/v1
kind: Schedule
metadata:
name: <schedule>
namespace: openshift-adp
spec:
schedule: 0 7 * * * 1
template:
hooks: {}
includedNamespaces:
- <namespace> 2
storageLocation: <velero-sample-1> 3
```

defaultVolumesToRestic: true 4
ttl: 720h0m0s
EOF

- **cron** expression to schedule the backup, for example, **0 7** * * * to perform a backup every day at 7:00.
- Array of namespaces to back up.
- 3 Name of the backupStorageLocations CR.
- Optional: Add the **defaultVolumesToRestic: true** key-value pair if you are backing up volumes with Restic.
- 3. Verify that the status of the **Schedule** CR is **Completed** after the scheduled backup runs:

\$ oc get schedule -n openshift-adp <schedule> -o jsonpath='{.status.phase}'

4.6.7. Deleting backups

You can remove backup files by deleting the **Backup** custom resource (CR).



WARNING

After you delete the **Backup** CR and the associated object storage data, you cannot recover the deleted data.

Prerequisites

- You created a **Backup** CR.
- You know the name of the **Backup** CR and the namespace that contains it.
- You downloaded the Velero CLI tool.
- You can access the Velero binary in your cluster.

Procedure

- Choose one of the following actions to delete the **Backup** CR:
 - To delete the **Backup** CR and keep the associated object storage data, issue the following command:
 - \$ oc delete backup <backup_CR_name> -n <velero_namespace>
 - To delete the **Backup** CR and delete the associated object storage data, issue the following command:

\$ velero backup delete <backup_CR_name> -n <velero_namespace>

Where:

<backup_CR_name>

Specifies the name of the **Backup** custom resource.

<velero_namespace>

Specifies the namespace that contains the **Backup** custom resource.

4.7. OADP RESTORING

4.7.1. Restoring applications

You restore application backups by creating a **Restore** custom resource (CR). See Creating a Restore CR.

You can create restore hooks to run commands in a container in a pod while restoring your application by editing the **Restore** (CR). See Creating restore hooks

4.7.1.1. Creating a Restore CR

You restore a **Backup** custom resource (CR) by creating a **Restore** CR.

Prerequisites

- You must install the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) Operator.
- The **DataProtectionApplication** CR must be in a **Ready** state.
- You must have a Velero **Backup** CR.
- Adjust the requested size so the persistent volume (PV) capacity matches the requested size at backup time.

Procedure

1. Create a **Restore** CR, as in the following example:

apiVersion: velero.io/v1 kind: Restore

metadata:

name: <restore>

namespace: openshift-adp

spec:

backupName: <backup> 1 includedResources: [] 2 excludedResources:

- nodes

- events
- events.events.k8s.io
- backups.velero.io

- restores.velero.io
- resticrepositories.velero.io

restorePVs: true 3

- Name of the **Backup** CR.
- Optional: Specify an array of resources to include in the restore process. Resources might be shortcuts (for example, **po** for **pods**) or fully-qualified. If unspecified, all resources are included.
- Optional: The **restorePVs** parameter can be set to **false** in order to turn off restore of **PersistentVolumes** from **VolumeSnapshot** of Container Storage Interface (CSI) snapshots, or from native snapshots when **VolumeSnapshotLocation** is configured.
- 2. Verify that the status of the **Restore** CR is **Completed** by entering the following command:
 - \$ oc get restore -n openshift-adp <restore> -o jsonpath='{.status.phase}'
- 3. Verify that the backup resources have been restored by entering the following command:
 - \$ oc get all -n <namespace> 1
 - Namespace that you backed up.
- 4. If you use Restic to restore **DeploymentConfig** objects or if you use post-restore hooks, run the **dc-restic-post-restore.sh** cleanup script by entering the following command:
 - \$ bash dc-restic-post-restore.sh <restore-name>



NOTE

In the course of the restore process, the OADP Velero plug-ins scale down the **DeploymentConfig** objects and restore the pods as standalone pods to prevent the cluster from deleting the restored **DeploymentConfig** pods immediately on restore and to allow Restic and post-restore hooks to complete their actions on the restored pods. The cleanup script removes these disconnected pods and scale any **DeploymentConfig** objects back up to the appropriate number of replicas.

Example 4.1. dc-restic-post-restore.sh cleanup script

```
#!/bin/bash
set -e

# if sha256sum exists, use it to check the integrity of the file
if command -v sha256sum >/dev/null 2>&1; then
CHECKSUM_CMD="sha256sum"
else
CHECKSUM_CMD="shasum -a 256"
fi

label_name () {
```

```
if [ "${#1}" -le "63" ]; then
echo $1
return
  fi
  sha=$(echo -n $1|$CHECKSUM CMD)
  echo "${1:0:57}${sha:0:6}"
OADP_NAMESPACE=${OADP_NAMESPACE:=openshift-adp}
if [[ $# -ne 1 ]]; then
  echo "usage: ${BASH_SOURCE} restore-name"
  exit 1
fi
echo using OADP Namespace $OADP NAMESPACE
echo restore: $1
label=$(label_name $1)
echo label: $label
echo Deleting disconnected restore pods
oc delete pods -l oadp.openshift.io/disconnected-from-dc=$label
for dc in $(oc get dc --all-namespaces -l oadp.openshift.io/replicas-modified=$label -o
jsonpath='{range .items[*]}{.metadata.namespace}{","}{.metadata.name}{","}
{.metadata.annotations.oadp\.openshift\.io/original-replicas}{","}
{.metadata.annotations.oadp\.openshift\.io/original-paused}{"\n"}')
do
  IFS=',' read -ra dc arr <<< "$dc"
  if [ ${#dc_arr[0]} -gt 0 ]; then
echo Found deployment $\{dc_arr[0]\/$\{dc_arr[1]\}, setting replicas: $\{dc_arr[2]\}, paused:
${dc arr[3]}
cat <<EOF | oc patch dc -n ${dc arr[0]} ${dc arr[1]} --patch-file /dev/stdin
spec:
 replicas: ${dc_arr[2]}
 paused: ${dc arr[3]}
EOF
  fi
done
```

4.7.1.2. Creating restore hooks

You create restore hooks to run commands in a container in a pod while restoring your application by editing the **Restore** custom resource (CR).

You can create two types of restore hooks:

- An **init** hook adds an init container to a pod to perform setup tasks before the application container starts.
 - If you restore a Restic backup, the **restic-wait** init container is added before the restore hook init container.
- An **exec** hook runs commands or scripts in a container of a restored pod.

Procedure

• Add a hook to the **spec.hooks** block of the **Restore** CR, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: velero.io/v1
kind: Restore
metadata:
 name: <restore>
 namespace: openshift-adp
 hooks:
  resources:
   - name: <hook_name>
    includedNamespaces:
    - <namespace> 1
    excludedNamespaces:
    - <namespace>
    includedResources:
    - pods 2
    excludedResources: []
    labelSelector: 3
     matchLabels:
       app: velero
       component: server
    postHooks:
    - init:
       initContainers:
       - name: restore-hook-init
        image: alpine:latest
        volumeMounts:
        - mountPath: /restores/pvc1-vm
         name: pvc1-vm
        command:
        - /bin/ash
        - -C
       timeout: 4
    - exec:
       container: <container> 5
       command:
       - /bin/bash 6
       - "psql < /backup/backup.sql"
       waitTimeout: 5m 7
       execTimeout: 1m 8
       onError: Continue 9
```

- 1 Optional: Array of namespaces to which the hook applies. If this value is not specified, the hook applies to all namespaces.
- Currently, pods are the only supported resource that hooks can apply to.
- 3 Optional: This hook only applies to objects matching the label selector.
- Optional: Timeout specifies the maximum amount of time Velero waits for **initContainers** to complete.

- Optional: If the container is not specified, the command runs in the first container in the pod.
- 6 This is the entrypoint for the init container being added.
- Optional: How long to wait for a container to become ready. This should be long enough for the container to start and for any preceding hooks in the same container to complete. If not set, the restore process waits indefinitely.
- Optional: How long to wait for the commands to run. The default is **30s**.
- Allowed values for error handling are **Fail** and **Continue**:
 - **Continue**: Only command failures are logged.
 - Fail: No more restore hooks run in any container in any pod. The status of the Restore CR will be PartiallyFailed.

4.8. OADP DATA MOVER

4.8.1. OADP Data Mover Introduction

OADP Data Mover allows you to restore stateful applications from the store if a failure, accidental deletion, or corruption of the cluster occurs.



NOTE

The OADP 1.1 Data Mover is a Technology Preview feature.

The OADP 1.2 Data Mover has significantly improved features and performances, but is still a Technology Preview feature.



IMPORTANT

The OADP Data Mover is a Technology Preview feature only. Technology Preview features are not supported with Red Hat production service level agreements (SLAs) and might not be functionally complete. Red Hat does not recommend using them in production. These features provide early access to upcoming product features, enabling customers to test functionality and provide feedback during the development process.

For more information about the support scope of Red Hat Technology Preview features, see Technology Preview Features Support Scope.

- You can use OADP Data Mover to back up Container Storage Interface (CSI) volume snapshots to a remote object store. See Using Data Mover for CSI snapshots.
- You can use OADP 1.2 Data Mover to backup and restore application data for clusters that use CephFS, CephRBD, or both. See Using OADP 1.2 Data Mover with Ceph storage.
- You must perform a data cleanup after you perform a backup, if you are using OADP 1.1 Data Mover. See Cleaning up after a backup using OADP 1.1 Data Mover.

4.8.1.1. OADP Data Mover prerequisites

- You have a stateful application running in a separate namespace.
- You have installed the OADP Operator by using Operator Lifecycle Manager (OLM).
- You have created an appropriate VolumeSnapshotClass and StorageClass.
- You have installed the VolSync operator using OLM.

4.8.2. Using Data Mover for CSI snapshots

The OADP Data Mover enables customers to back up Container Storage Interface (CSI) volume snapshots to a remote object store. When Data Mover is enabled, you can restore stateful applications, using CSI volume snapshots pulled from the object store if a failure, accidental deletion, or corruption of the cluster occurs.

The Data Mover solution uses the Restic option of VolSync.

Data Mover supports backup and restore of CSI volume snapshots only.

In OADP 1.2 Data Mover **VolumeSnapshotBackups** (VSBs) and **VolumeSnapshotRestores** (VSRs) are queued using the VolumeSnapshotMover (VSM). The VSM's performance is improved by specifying a concurrent number of VSBs and VSRs simultaneously **InProgress**. After all async plugin operations are complete, the backup is marked as complete.



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NOTE

Red Hat recommends that customers who use OADP 1.2 Data Mover in order to back up and restore ODF CephFS volumes, upgrade or install OpenShift Container Platform version 4.12 or later for improved performance. OADP Data Mover can leverage CephFS shallow volumes in OpenShift Container Platform version 4.12 or later, which based on our testing, can improve the performance of backup times.

CephFS ROX details

Prerequisites

- You have verified that the **StorageClass** and **VolumeSnapshotClass** custom resources (CRs) support CSI.
- You have verified that only one **VolumeSnapshotClass** CR has the annotation **snapshot.storage.kubernetes.io/is-default-class: "true"**.



NOTE

In OpenShift Container Platform version 4.12 or later, verify that this is the only default **VolumeSnapshotClass**.

- You have verified that deletionPolicy of the VolumeSnapshotClass CR is set to Retain.
- You have verified that only one **StorageClass** CR has the annotation **storageclass.kubernetes.io/is-default-class: "true"**.
- You have included the label **velero.io/csi-volumesnapshot-class: "true"** in your **VolumeSnapshotClass** CR.
- You have verified that the OADP namespace has the annotation oc annotate --overwrite namespace/openshift-adp volsync.backube/privileged-movers="true".



NOTE

In OADP 1.1 the above setting is mandatory.

In OADP 1.2 the **privileged-movers** setting is not required in most scenarios. The restoring container permissions should be adequate for the Volsync copy. In some user scenarios, there may be permission errors that the **privileged-mover**= **true** setting should resolve.

• You have installed the VolSync Operator by using the Operator Lifecycle Manager (OLM).



NOTE

The VolSync Operator is required for using OADP Data Mover.

You have installed the OADP operator by using OLM.

Procedure

1. Configure a Restic secret by creating a .yaml file as following:

apiVersion: v1 kind: Secret metadata:

name: <secret_name>
namespace: openshift-adp

type: Opaque stringData:

RESTIC_PASSWORD: <secure_restic_password>



NOTE

By default, the Operator looks for a secret named **dm-credential**. If you are using a different name, you need to specify the name through a Data Protection Application (DPA) CR using **dpa.spec.features.dataMover.credentialName**.

2. Create a DPA CR similar to the following example. The default plugins include CSI.

Example Data Protection Application (DPA) CR

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: DataProtectionApplication
metadata:
 name: velero-sample
 namespace: openshift-adp
 backupLocations:
  - velero:
    config:
     profile: default
     region: us-east-1
    credential:
     key: cloud
     name: cloud-credentials
    default: true
    objectStorage:
     bucket: <bucket_name>
     prefix: <bucket-prefix>
    provider: aws
 configuration:
  restic:
   enable: <true_or_false>
    itemOperationSyncFrequency: "10s"
    defaultPlugins:
    - openshift
    - aws
    - csi
    - vsm
 features:
  dataMover:
   credentialName: restic-secret
   enable: true
   maxConcurrentBackupVolumes: "3" 2
   maxConcurrentRestoreVolumes: "3" 3
   pruneInterval: "14" 4
   volumeOptions: 5
   sourceVolumeOptions:
     accessMode: ReadOnlyMany
     cacheAccessMode: ReadWriteOnce
     cacheCapacity: 2Gi
   destinationVolumeOptions:
     storageClass: other-storageclass-name
     cacheAccessMode: ReadWriteMany
 snapshotLocations:
```

velero: config:

> profile: default region: us-west-2 provider: aws

- OADP 1.2 only.
- OADP 1.2 only. Optional: Specify the upper limit of the number of snapshots allowed to be queued for backup. The default value is 10.
- OADP 1.2 only. Optional: Specify the upper limit of the number of snapshots allowed to be queued for restore. The default value is 10.
- OADP 1.2 only. Optional: Specify the number of days, between running Restic pruning on the repository. The prune operation repacks the data to free space, but it can also generate significant I/O traffic as a part of the process. Setting this option allows a tradeoff between storage consumption, from no longer referenced data, and access costs.
- 6 OADP 1.2 only. Optional: Specify VolumeSync volume options for backup and restore.

The OADP Operator installs two custom resource definitions (CRDs), **VolumeSnapshotBackup** and **VolumeSnapshotRestore**.

Example VolumeSnapshotBackup CRD

apiVersion: datamover.oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1kind: VolumeSnapshotBackup metadata:
 name: <vsb_name>
 namespace: <namespace_name> 1
 spec:
 volumeSnapshotContent:
 name: <snapcontent_name>
 protectedNamespace: <adp_namespace> 2
 resticSecretRef:
 name: <restic_secret_name>

- 1 Specify the namespace where the volume snapshot exists.
- 2 Specify the namespace where the OADP Operator is installed. The default is **openshift-adp**.

Example VolumeSnapshotRestore CRD

name: <restic_secret_name>
volumeSnapshotMoverBackupRef:
sourcePVCData:
name: <source_pvc_name>
size: <source_pvc_size>
resticrepository: <your_restic_repo>
volumeSnapshotClassName: <vsclass_name>

- 1 Specify the namespace where the volume snapshot exists.
- Specify the namespace where the OADP Operator is installed. The default is **openshift-adp**.
- 3. You can back up a volume snapshot by performing the following steps:
 - a. Create a backup CR:

apiVersion: velero.io/v1
kind: Backup
metadata:
name: <backup_name>
namespace: <protected_ns> 1
spec:
includedNamespaces:
- <app_ns> 2
storageLocation: velero-sample-1

- Specify the namespace where the Operator is installed. The default namespace is **openshift-adp**.
- 2 Specify the application namespace or namespaces to be backed up.
- b. Wait up to 10 minutes and check whether the **VolumeSnapshotBackup** CR status is **Completed** by entering the following commands:

\$ oc get vsb -n <app_ns>

\$ oc get vsb <vsb_name> -n <app_ns> -o jsonpath="{.status.phase}"

A snapshot is created in the object store was configured in the DPA.



NOTE

If the status of the **VolumeSnapshotBackup** CR becomes **Failed**, refer to the Velero logs for troubleshooting.

- 4. You can restore a volume snapshot by performing the following steps:
 - a. Delete the application namespace and the VolumeSnapshotContent that was created by the Velero CSI plugin.
 - b. Create a **Restore** CR and set **restorePVs** to **true**.

- . - --

Example Restore CR

apiVersion: velero.io/v1

kind: Restore metadata:

name: <restore_name>
namespace: open

spec:

backupName: orevious_backup_name>

restorePVs: true

c. Wait up to 10 minutes and check whether the **VolumeSnapshotRestore** CR status is **Completed** by entering the following command:

\$ oc get vsr -n <app_ns>

\$ oc get vsr <vsr_name> -n <app_ns> -o jsonpath="{.status.phase}"

d. Check whether your application data and resources have been restored.



NOTE

If the status of the **VolumeSnapshotRestore** CR becomes 'Failed', refer to the Velero logs for troubleshooting.

4.8.3. Using OADP 1.2 Data Mover with Ceph storage

You can use OADP 1.2 Data Mover to backup and restore application data for clusters that use CephFS, CephRBD, or both.

OADP 1.2 Data Mover leverages Ceph features that support large-scale environments. One of these is the shallow copy method, which is available for OpenShift Container Platform 4.12 and later. This feature supports backing up and restoring **StorageClass** and **AccessMode** resources other than what is found on the source persistent volume claim (PVC).



IMPORTANT

The CephFS shallow copy feature is a back up feature. It is not part of restore operations.

4.8.3.1. Prerequisites for using OADP 1.2 Data Mover with Ceph storage

The following prerequisites apply to all back up and restore operations of data using OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) 1.2 Data Mover in a cluster that uses Ceph storage:

- You have installed OpenShift Container Platform 4.12 or later.
- You have installed the OADP Operator.
- You have created a secret **cloud-credentials** in the namespace **openshift-adp.**
- You have installed Red Hat OpenShift Data Foundation.
- You have installed the latest VolSync Operator using the Operator Lifecycle Manager.

4.8.3.2. Defining custom resources for use with OADP 1.2 Data Mover

When you install Red Hat OpenShift Data Foundation, it automatically creates default CephFS and a CephRBD **StorageClass** and **VolumeSnapshotClass** custom resources (CRs). You must define these CRs for use with OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) 1.2 Data Mover.

After you define the CRs, you must make several other changes to your environment before you can perform your back up and restore operations.

4.8.3.2.1. Defining CephFS custom resources for use with OADP 1.2 Data Mover

When you install Red Hat OpenShift Data Foundation, it automatically creates a default CephFS **StorageClass** custom resource (CR) and a default CephFS **VolumeSnapshotClass** CR. You can define these CRs for use with OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) 1.2 Data Mover.

Procedure

1. Define the VolumeSnapshotClass CR as in the following example:

Example VolumeSnapshotClass CR

apiVersion: snapshot.storage.k8s.io/v1

deletionPolicy: Retain 1

driver: openshift-storage.cephfs.csi.ceph.com

kind: VolumeSnapshotClass

metadata: annotations:

snapshot.storage.kubernetes.io/is-default-class: true 2

labels:

velero.io/csi-volumesnapshot-class: true 3

name: ocs-storagecluster-cephfsplugin-snapclass

parameters:

clusterID: openshift-storage

csi.storage.k8s.io/snapshotter-secret-name: rook-csi-cephfs-provisioner csi.storage.k8s.io/snapshotter-secret-namespace: openshift-storage

- 1 Must be set to **Retain**.
- Must be set to **true**.
- Must be set to **true**.
- 2. Define the **StorageClass** CR as in the following example:

Example StorageClass CR

kind: StorageClass

apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1

metadata:

name: ocs-storagecluster-cephfs

annotations:

description: Provides RWO and RWX Filesystem volumes

storageclass.kubernetes.io/is-default-class: true 1 provisioner: openshift-storage.cephfs.csi.ceph.com

parameters:

clusterID: openshift-storage

csi.storage.k8s.io/controller-expand-secret-name: rook-csi-cephfs-provisioner

csi.storage.k8s.io/controller-expand-secret-namespace: openshift-storage

csi.storage.k8s.io/node-stage-secret-name: rook-csi-cephfs-node csi.storage.k8s.io/node-stage-secret-namespace: openshift-storage csi.storage.k8s.io/provisioner-secret-name: rook-csi-cephfs-provisioner csi.storage.k8s.io/provisioner-secret-namespace: openshift-storage

fsName: ocs-storagecluster-cephfilesystem

reclaimPolicy: Delete

allowVolumeExpansion: true volumeBindingMode: Immediate

Must be set to **true**.

4.8.3.2.2. Defining CephRBD custom resources for use with OADP 1.2 Data Mover

When you install Red Hat OpenShift Data Foundation, it automatically creates a default CephRBD **StorageClass** custom resource (CR) and a default CephRBD **VolumeSnapshotClass** CR. You can define these CRs for use with OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) 1.2 Data Mover.

Procedure

1. Define the VolumeSnapshotClass CR as in the following example:

Example VolumeSnapshotClass CR

apiVersion: snapshot.storage.k8s.io/v1

deletionPolicy: Retain 1

driver: openshift-storage.rbd.csi.ceph.com

kind: VolumeSnapshotClass

metadata: labels:

velero.io/csi-volumesnapshot-class: true 2 name: ocs-storagecluster-rbdplugin-snapclass

parameters:

clusterID: openshift-storage

csi.storage.k8s.io/snapshotter-secret-name: rook-csi-rbd-provisioner csi.storage.k8s.io/snapshotter-secret-namespace: openshift-storage

- 1 Must be set to **Retain**.
- 2 Must be set to **true**.
- 2. Define the **StorageClass** CR as in the following example:

Example StorageClass CR

kind: StorageClass

apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1

metadata:

name: ocs-storagecluster-ceph-rbd

annotations:

description: 'Provides RWO Filesystem volumes, and RWO and RWX Block volumes'

provisioner: openshift-storage.rbd.csi.ceph.com

parameters:

csi.storage.k8s.io/fstype: ext4

 $csi.storage.k8s.io/provisioner-secret-name space: open shift-storage \\ csi.storage.k8s.io/provisioner-secret-name: rook-csi-rbd-provisioner$

csi.storage.k8s.io/node-stage-secret-name: rook-csi-rbd-node

csi.storage.k8s.io/controller-expand-secret-name: rook-csi-rbd-provisioner

imageFormat: '2'

clusterID: openshift-storage imageFeatures: layering

csi.storage.k8s.io/controller-expand-secret-namespace: openshift-storage

pool: ocs-storagecluster-cephblockpool

csi.storage.k8s.io/node-stage-secret-namespace: openshift-storage

reclaimPolicy: Delete allowVolumeExpansion: true volumeBindingMode: Immediate

4.8.3.2.3. Defining additional custom resources for use with OADP 1.2 Data Mover

After you redefine the default **StorageClass** and CephRBD **VolumeSnapshotClass** custom resources (CRs), you must create the following CRs:

- A CephFS **StorageClass** CR defined to use the shallow copy feature
- A Rustic Secret CR

Procedure

1. Create a CephFS **StorageClass** CR and set the **backingSnapshot** parameter set to **true** as in the following example:

Example CephFS StorageClass CR with backingSnapshot set to true

kind: StorageClass

apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1

metadata:

name: ocs-storagecluster-cephfs-shallow

annotations:

description: Provides RWO and RWX Filesystem volumes

storageclass.kubernetes.io/is-default-class: false provisioner: openshift-storage.cephfs.csi.ceph.com

parameters:

csi.storage.k8s.io/provisioner-secret-namespace: openshift-storage csi.storage.k8s.io/provisioner-secret-name: rook-csi-cephfs-provisioner

csi.storage.k8s.io/node-stage-secret-name: rook-csi-cephfs-node

csi.storage.k8s.io/controller-expand-secret-name: rook-csi-cephfs-provisioner

clusterID: openshift-storage

fsName: ocs-storagecluster-cephfilesystem

csi.storage.k8s.io/controller-expand-secret-namespace: openshift-storage

backingSnapshot: true 1

csi.storage.k8s.io/node-stage-secret-namespace: openshift-storage

reclaimPolicy: Delete

allowVolumeExpansion: true volumeBindingMode: Immediate



Must be set to **true**.



IMPORTANT

Ensure that the CephFS **VolumeSnapshotClass** and **StorageClass** CRs have the same value for **provisioner**.

2. Configure a Restic **Secret** CR as in the following example:

Example Restic Secret CR

apiVersion: v1 kind: Secret metadata:

name: <secret_name>
namespace: <namespace>

type: Opaque stringData:

RESTIC_PASSWORD: <restic_password>

4.8.3.3. Backing up and restoring data using OADP 1.2 Data Mover and CephFS storage

You can use OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) 1.2 Data Mover to back up and restore data using CephFS storage by enabling the shallow copy feature of CephFS.

Prerequisites

- A stateful application is running in a separate namespace with persistent volume claims (PVCs) using CephFS as the provisioner.
- The **StorageClass** and **VolumeSnapshotClass** custom resources (CRs) are defined for CephFS and OADP 1.2 Data Mover.
- There is a secret **cloud-credentials** in the **openshift-adp** namespace.

4.8.3.3.1. Creating a DPA for use with CephFS storage

You must create a Data Protection Application (DPA) CR before you use the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) 1.2 Data Mover to back up and restore data using CephFS storage.

Procedure

1. Verify that the **deletionPolicy** field of the **VolumeSnapshotClass** CR is set to **Retain** by running the following command:

 $\$ oc get volumes napshotclass -A $\,$ -o jsonpath='{range .items[*]}{"Name: "}{.metadata.name} {" } {"Retention Policy: "}{.deletionPolicy}{"\n"}{end}' 2. Verify that the labels of the **VolumeSnapshotClass** CR are set to **true** by running the following command:

3. Verify that the **storageclass.kubernetes.io/is-default-class** annotation of the **StorageClass** CR is set to **true** by running the following command:

4. Create a Data Protection Application (DPA) CR similar to the following example:

Example DPA CR

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: DataProtectionApplication
metadata:
 name: velero-sample
 namespace: openshift-adp
spec:
 backupLocations:
  - velero:
    config:
      profile: default
      region: us-east-1
    credential:
      key: cloud
      name: cloud-credentials
    default: true
    objectStorage:
      bucket: <my_bucket>
      prefix: velero
    provider: aws
  configuration:
   restic:
    enable: false
   velero:
    defaultPlugins:
      - openshift
      - aws
      - csi
      - vsm
  features:
   dataMover:
    credentialName: <restic_secret_name> 2
    enable: true 3
    volumeOptionsForStorageClasses:
      ocs-storagecluster-cephfs:
       sourceVolumeOptions:
        accessMode: ReadOnlyMany
        cacheAccessMode: ReadWriteMany
        cacheStorageClassName: ocs-storagecluster-cephfs
        storageClassName: ocs-storagecluster-cephfs-shallow
```

- There is no default value for the **enable** field. Valid values are **true** or **false**.
- Use the Restic **Secret** that you created when you prepared your environment for working with OADP 1.2 Data Mover and Ceph. If you do not use your Restic **Secret**, the CR uses the default value **dm-credential** for this parameter.
- There is no default value for the **enable** field. Valid values are **true** or **false**.

4.8.3.3.2. Backing up data using OADP 1.2 Data Mover and CephFS storage

You can use OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) 1.2 Data Mover to back up data using CephFS storage by enabling the shallow copy feature of CephFS storage.

Procedure

1. Create a **Backup** CR as in the following example:

Example Backup CR

apiVersion: velero.io/v1 kind: Backup metadata: name: <backup_name> namespace: <protected_ns> spec: includedNamespaces: - <app_ns> storageLocation: velero-sample-1

- 2. Monitor the progress of the **VolumeSnapshotBackup** CRs by completing the following steps:
 - a. To check the progress of all the **VolumeSnapshotBackup** CRs, run the following command:

\$ oc get vsb -n <app_ns>

- b. To check the progress of a specific **VolumeSnapshotBackup** CR, run the following command:
 - \$ oc get vsb <vsb_name> -n <app_ns> -ojsonpath="{.status.phase}`
- 3. Wait several minutes until the **VolumeSnapshotBackup** CR has the status **Completed**.
- 4. Verify that there is at least one snapshot in the object store that is given in the Restic **Secret**. You can check for this snapshot in your targeted **BackupStorageLocation** storage provider that has a prefix of /<OADP_namespace>.

4.8.3.3.3. Restoring data using OADP 1.2 Data Mover and CephFS storage

You can use OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) 1.2 Data Mover to restore data using CephFS storage if the shallow copy feature of CephFS storage was enabled for the back up procedure. The shallow copy feature is not used in the restore procedure.

Procedure

1. Delete the application namespace by running the following command:

\$ oc delete vsb -n <app_namespace> --all

2. Delete any **VolumeSnapshotContent** CRs that were created during backup by running the following command:

\$ oc delete volumesnapshotcontent --all

3. Create a **Restore** CR as in the following example:

Example Restore CR

apiVersion: velero.io/v1
kind: Restore
metadata:
name: <restore_name>
namespace: <protected_ns>
spec:
backupName: crevious_backup_name>

- 4. Monitor the progress of the **VolumeSnapshotRestore** CRs by doing the following:
 - a. To check the progress of all the **VolumeSnapshotRestore** CRs, run the following command:

\$ oc get vsr -n <app_ns>

b. To check the progress of a specific **VolumeSnapshotRestore** CR, run the following command:

\$ oc get vsr <vsr_name> -n <app_ns> -ojsonpath="{.status.phase}

5. Verify that your application data has been restored by running the following command:

\$ oc get route <route_name> -n <app_ns> -ojsonpath="{.spec.host}"

4.8.3.4. Backing up and restoring data using OADP 1.2 Data Mover and split volumes (CephFS and Ceph RBD)

You can use OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) 1.2 Data Mover to back up and restore data in an environment that has *split volumes*, that is, an environment that uses both CephFS and CephRBD.

Prerequisites

- A stateful application is running in a separate namespace with persistent volume claims (PVCs) using CephFS as the provisioner.
- The **StorageClass** and **VolumeSnapshotClass** custom resources (CRs) are defined for CephFS and OADP 1.2 Data Mover.

• There is a secret **cloud-credentials** in the **openshift-adp** namespace.

4.8.3.4.1. Creating a DPA for use with split volumes

You must create a Data Protection Application (DPA) CR before you use the OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) 1.2 Data Mover to back up and restore data using split volumes.

Procedure

• Create a Data Protection Application (DPA) CR as in the following example:

Example DPA CR for environment with split volumes

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: DataProtectionApplication
metadata:
 name: velero-sample
 namespace: openshift-adp
spec:
 backupLocations:
  - velero:
    config:
      profile: default
      region: us-east-1
    credential:
      key: cloud
      name: cloud-credentials
    default: true
    objectStorage:
      bucket: <my-bucket>
      prefix: velero
    provider: aws
 configuration:
  restic:
   enable: false
  velero:
   defaultPlugins:
    - openshift
    - aws
    - csi
    - vsm
 features:
  dataMover:
   credentialName: <restic_secret_name> 1
   enable: true
   volumeOptionsForStorageClasses: 2
    ocs-storagecluster-cephfs:
      sourceVolumeOptions:
       accessMode: ReadOnlyMany
       cacheAccessMode: ReadWriteMany
       cacheStorageClassName: ocs-storagecluster-cephfs
       storageClassName: ocs-storagecluster-cephfs-shallow
    ocs-storagecluster-ceph-rbd:
      sourceVolumeOptions:
       storageClassName: ocs-storagecluster-ceph-rbd
```

cacheStorageClassName: ocs-storagecluster-ceph-rbd destinationVolumeOptions: storageClassName: ocs-storagecluster-ceph-rbd cacheStorageClassName: ocs-storagecluster-ceph-rbd

- Use the Restic **Secret** that you created when you prepared your environment for working with OADP 1.2 Data Mover and Ceph. If you do not, then the CR will use the default value dm-credential for this parameter.
- A different set of VolumeOptionsForStorageClass labels can be defined for each **storageClass** volume, thus allowing a backup to volumes with different providers.

4.8.3.4.2. Backing up data using OADP 1.2 Data Mover and split volumes

You can use OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) 1.2 Data Mover to back up data in an environment that has split volumes.

Procedure

1. Create a **Backup** CR as in the following example:

Example Backup CR

apiVersion: velero.io/v1 kind: Backup metadata: name: <backup name> namespace: cted_ns> spec: includedNamespaces: - <app ns> storageLocation: velero-sample-1

- 2. Monitor the progress of the **VolumeSnapshotBackup** CRs by completing the following steps:
 - a. To check the progress of all the VolumeSnapshotBackup CRs, run the following command:

\$ oc get vsb -n <app ns>

b. To check the progress of a specific VolumeSnapshotBackup CR, run the following command:

\$ oc get vsb <vsb_name> -n <app_ns> -ojsonpath="{.status.phase}`

- 3. Wait several minutes until the VolumeSnapshotBackup CR has the status Completed.
- 4. Verify that there is at least one snapshot in the object store that is given in the Restic **Secret**. You can check for this snapshot in your targeted **BackupStorageLocation** storage provider that has a prefix of /**<OADP_namespace>**.

4.8.3.4.3. Restoring data using OADP 1.2 Data Mover and split volumes

You can use OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) 1.2 Data Mover to restore data in an environment that has split volumes, if the shallow copy feature of CephFS storage was enabled for the back up procedure. The shallow copy feature is not used in the restore procedure.

Procedure

- 1. Delete the application namespace by running the following command:
 - \$ oc delete vsb -n <app_namespace> --all
- 2. Delete any **VolumeSnapshotContent** CRs that were created during backup by running the following command:
 - \$ oc delete volumesnapshotcontent --all
- 3. Create a **Restore** CR as in the following example:

Example Restore CR

```
apiVersion: velero.io/v1
kind: Restore
metadata:
name: <restore_name>
namespace: <protected_ns>
spec:
backupName: previous backup name>
```

- 4. Monitor the progress of the VolumeSnapshotRestore CRs by doing the following:
 - a. To check the progress of all the **VolumeSnapshotRestore** CRs, run the following command:
 - \$ oc get vsr -n <app_ns>
 - b. To check the progress of a specific **VolumeSnapshotRestore** CR, run the following command:

```
$ oc get vsr <vsr_name> -n <app_ns> -ojsonpath="{.status.phase}
```

- 5. Verify that your application data has been restored by running the following command:
 - \$ oc get route <route_name> -n <app_ns> -ojsonpath="{.spec.host}"

4.8.4. Cleaning up after a backup using OADP 1.1 Data Mover

For OADP 1.1 Data Mover, you must perform a data cleanup after you perform a backup.

The cleanup consists of deleting the following resources:

- Snapshots in a bucket
- Cluster resources

• Volume snapshot backups (VSBs) after a backup procedure that is either run by a schedule or is run repetitively

4.8.4.1. Deleting snapshots in a bucket

OADP 1.1 Data Mover might leave one or more snapshots in a bucket after a backup. You can either delete all the snapshots or delete individual snapshots.

Procedure

- To delete all snapshots in your bucket, delete the /
 /
 /
 // Protected_namespace folder that is specified in the Data Protection Application (DPA)
 .spec.backupLocation.objectStorage.bucket resource.
- To delete an individual snapshot:
 - Browse to the /protected_namespace> folder that is specified in the DPA
 .spec.backupLocation.objectStorage.bucket resource.
 - Delete the appropriate folders that are prefixed with /<volumeSnapshotContent name>pvc where <VolumeSnapshotContent_name> is the VolumeSnapshotContent created
 by Data Mover per PVC.

4.8.4.2. Deleting cluster resources

OADP 1.1 Data Mover might leave cluster resources whether or not it successfully backs up your container storage interface (CSI) volume snapshots to a remote object store.

4.8.4.2.1. Deleting cluster resources following a successful backup and restore that used Data Mover

You can delete any **VolumeSnapshotBackup** or **VolumeSnapshotRestore** CRs that remain in your application namespace after a successful backup and restore where you used Data Mover.

Procedure

- 1. Delete cluster resources that remain on the application namespace, the namespace with the application PVCs to backup and restore, after a backup where you use Data Mover:
 - \$ oc delete vsb -n <app_namespace> --all
- 2. Delete cluster resources that remain after a restore where you use Data Mover:
 - \$ oc delete vsr -n <app_namespace> --all
- 3. If needed, delete any **VolumeSnapshotContent** resources that remain after a backup and restore where you use Data Mover:
 - \$ oc delete volumesnapshotcontent --all

4.8.4.2.2. Deleting cluster resources following a partially successful or a failed backup and restore that used Data Mover

If your backup and restore operation that uses Data Mover either fails or only partially succeeds, you

must clean up any **VolumeSnapshotBackup** (VSB) or **VolumeSnapshotRestore** custom resource definitions (CRDs) that exist in the application namespace, and clean up any extra resources created by these controllers.

Procedure

- 1. Clean up cluster resources that remain after a backup operation where you used Data Mover by entering the following commands:
 - a. Delete VSB CRDs on the application namespace, the namespace with the application PVCs to backup and restore:
 - \$ oc delete vsb -n <app_namespace> --all
 - b. Delete VolumeSnapshot CRs:
 - \$ oc delete volumesnapshot -A --all
 - c. Delete VolumeSnapshotContent CRs:
 - \$ oc delete volumesnapshotcontent --all
 - d. Delete any PVCs on the protected namespace, the namespace the Operator is installed on.
 - \$ oc delete pvc -n <protected_namespace> --all
 - e. Delete any **ReplicationSource** resources on the namespace.
- 2. Clean up cluster resources that remain after a restore operation using Data Mover by entering the following commands:
 - a. Delete VSR CRDs:
 - \$ oc delete vsr -n <app-ns> --all
 - b. Delete VolumeSnapshot CRs:
 - \$ oc delete volumesnapshot -A --all
 - c. Delete VolumeSnapshotContent CRs:
 - \$ oc delete volumesnapshotcontent --all
 - d. Delete any **ReplicationDestination** resources on the namespace.
 - \$ oc delete replicationdestination -n --all

4.9. TROUBLESHOOTING

You can debug Velero custom resources (CRs) by using the OpenShift CLI tool or the Velero CLI tool. The Velero CLI tool provides more detailed logs and information.

You can check installation issues, backup and restore CR issues, and Restic issues.

You can collect logs and CR information by using the **must-gather** tool.

You can obtain the Velero CLI tool by:

- Downloading the Velero CLI tool
- Accessing the Velero binary in the Velero deployment in the cluster

4.9.1. Downloading the Velero CLI tool

You can download and install the Velero CLI tool by following the instructions on the Velero documentation page.

The page includes instructions for:

- macOS by using Homebrew
- GitHub
- Windows by using Chocolatey

Prerequisites

- You have access to a Kubernetes cluster, v1.16 or later, with DNS and container networking enabled.
- You have installed **kubectl** locally.

Procedure

- 1. Open a browser and navigate to "Install the CLI" on the Velero website.
- 2. Follow the appropriate procedure for macOS, GitHub, or Windows.
- 3. Download the Velero version appropriate for your version of OADP and OpenShift Container Platform.

4.9.1.1. OADP-Velero-OpenShift Container Platform version relationship

OADP version	Velero version	OpenShift Container Platform version
1.1.0	1.9	4.9 and later
1.1.1	1.9	4.9 and later
1.1.2	1.9	4.9 and later

OADP version	Velero version	OpenShift Container Platform version
1.1.3	1.9	4.9 and later
1.1.4	1.9	4.9 and later
1.1.5	1.9	4.9 and later
1.1.6	1.9.	4.11 and later
1.2.0	1.11	4.11 and later
1.2.1	1.11	4.11 and later
1.2.2	1.11	4.11 and later

4.9.2. Accessing the Velero binary in the Velero deployment in the cluster

You can use a shell command to access the Velero binary in the Velero deployment in the cluster.

Prerequisites

• Your **DataProtectionApplication** custom resource has a status of **Reconcile complete**.

Procedure

- Enter the following command to set the needed alias:
 - \$ alias velero='oc -n openshift-adp exec deployment/velero -c velero -it -- ./velero'

4.9.3. Debugging Velero resources with the OpenShift CLI tool

You can debug a failed backup or restore by checking Velero custom resources (CRs) and the **Velero** pod log with the OpenShift CLI tool.

Velero CRs

Use the **oc describe** command to retrieve a summary of warnings and errors associated with a **Backup** or **Restore** CR:

\$ oc describe <velero_cr> <cr_name>

Velero pod logs

Use the **oc logs** command to retrieve the **Velero** pod logs:

\$ oc logs pod/<velero>

Velero pod debug logs

You can specify the Velero log level in the **DataProtectionApplication** resource as shown in the following example.



NOTE

This option is available starting from OADP 1.0.3.

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1kind: DataProtectionApplicationmetadata:
name: velero-sample
spec:
configuration:
velero:
logLevel: warning
```

The following **logLevel** values are available:

- trace
- debug
- info
- warning
- error
- fatal
- panic

It is recommended to use **debug** for most logs.

4.9.4. Debugging Velero resources with the Velero CLI tool

You can debug **Backup** and **Restore** custom resources (CRs) and retrieve logs with the Velero CLI tool.

The Velero CLI tool provides more detailed information than the OpenShift CLI tool.

Syntax

Use the **oc exec** command to run a Velero CLI command:

Example

\$ oc -n openshift-adp exec deployment/velero -c velero -- ./velero \ backup describe 0e44ae00-5dc3-11eb-9ca8-df7e5254778b-2d8ql

Help option

Use the **velero --help** option to list all Velero CLI commands:

```
$ oc -n openshift-adp exec deployment/velero -c velero -- ./velero \
--help
```

Describe command

Use the **velero describe** command to retrieve a summary of warnings and errors associated with a **Backup** or **Restore** CR:

\$ oc -n openshift-adp exec deployment/velero -c velero -- ./velero \
 <backup_restore_cr> describe <cr_name>

Example

\$ oc -n openshift-adp exec deployment/velero -c velero -- ./velero \ backup describe 0e44ae00-5dc3-11eb-9ca8-df7e5254778b-2d8ql

Logs command

Use the **velero logs** command to retrieve the logs of a **Backup** or **Restore** CR:

Example

\$ oc -n openshift-adp exec deployment/velero -c velero -- ./velero \ restore logs ccc7c2d0-6017-11eb-afab-85d0007f5a19-x4lbf

4.9.5. Pods crash or restart due to lack of memory or CPU

If a Velero or Restic pod crashes due to a lack of memory or CPU, you can set specific resource requests for either of those resources.

Additional resources

CPU and memory requirements

4.9.5.1. Setting resource requests for a Velero pod

You can use the **configuration.velero.podConfig.resourceAllocations** specification field in the **oadp_v1alpha1_dpa.yaml** file to set specific resource requests for a **Velero** pod.

Procedure

Set the cpu and memory resource requests in the YAML file:

Example Velero file

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1kind: DataProtectionApplication...
configuration:
velero:
podConfig:
resourceAllocations: 1
```

requests: cpu: 200m memory: 256Mi

The **resourceAllocations** listed are for average usage.

4.9.5.2. Setting resource requests for a Restic pod

You can use the **configuration.restic.podConfig.resourceAllocations** specification field to set specific resource requests for a **Restic** pod.

Procedure

• Set the **cpu** and **memory** resource requests in the YAML file:

Example Restic file

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1kind: DataProtectionApplication...
configuration:
restic:
podConfig:
resourceAllocations:
cpu: 1000m
memory: 16Gi
```

The **resourceAllocations** listed are for average usage.



IMPORTANT

The values for the resource request fields must follow the same format as Kubernetes resource requirements. Also, if you do not specify **configuration.velero.podConfig.resourceAllocations** or

configuration.velero.podConfig.resourceAllocations or configuration.restic.podConfig.resourceAllocations, the default resources specification for a Velero pod or a Restic pod is as follows:

requests: cpu: 500m memory: 128Mi

4.9.6. Issues with Velero and admission webhooks

Velero has limited abilities to resolve admission webhook issues during a restore. If you have workloads with admission webhooks, you might need to use an additional Velero plugin or make changes to how you restore the workload.

Typically, workloads with admission webhooks require you to create a resource of a specific kind first. This is especially true if your workload has child resources because admission webhooks typically block child resources.

For example, creating or restoring a top-level object such as **service.serving.knative.dev** typically creates child resources automatically. If you do this first, you will not need to use Velero to create and restore these resources. This avoids the problem of child resources being blocked by an admission webhook that Velero might use.

4.9.6.1. Restoring workarounds for Velero backups that use admission webhooks

This section describes the additional steps required to restore resources for several types of Velero backups that use admission webhooks.

4.9.6.1.1. Restoring Knative resources

You might encounter problems using Velero to back up Knative resources that use admission webhooks.

You can avoid such problems by restoring the top level **Service** resource first whenever you back up and restore Knative resources that use admission webhooks.

Procedure

• Restore the top level **service.serving.knavtive.dev Service** resource:

```
$ velero restore <restore_name> \
--from-backup=<backup_name> --include-resources \
service.serving.knavtive.dev
```

4.9.6.1.2. Restoring IBM AppConnect resources

If you experience issues when you use Velero to a restore an IBM AppConnect resource that has an admission webhook, you can run the checks in this procedure.

Procedure

- 1. Check if you have any mutating admission plugins of **kind: MutatingWebhookConfiguration** in the cluster:
 - \$ oc get mutatingwebhookconfigurations
- 2. Examine the YAML file of each **kind: MutatingWebhookConfiguration** to ensure that none of its rules block creation of the objects that are experiencing issues. For more information, see the official Kubernetes documentation.
- 3. Check that any **spec.version** in **type: Configuration.appconnect.ibm.com/v1beta1** used at backup time is supported by the installed Operator.

Additional resources

- Admission plugins
- Webhook admission plugins
- Types of webhook admission plugins

4.9.7. Installation issues

You might encounter issues caused by using invalid directories or incorrect credentials when you install the Data Protection Application.

4.9.7.1. Backup storage contains invalid directories

The **Velero** pod log displays the error message, **Backup storage contains invalid top-level** directories.

Cause

The object storage contains top-level directories that are not Velero directories.

Solution

If the object storage is not dedicated to Velero, you must specify a prefix for the bucket by setting the **spec.backupLocations.velero.objectStorage.prefix** parameter in the **DataProtectionApplication** manifest.

4.9.7.2. Incorrect AWS credentials

The oadp-aws-registry pod log displays the error message, InvalidAccessKeyld: The AWS Access Key Id you provided does not exist in our records.

The **Velero** pod log displays the error message, **NoCredentialProviders: no valid providers in chain**.

Cause

The **credentials-velero** file used to create the **Secret** object is incorrectly formatted.

Solution

Ensure that the **credentials-velero** file is correctly formatted, as in the following example:

Example credentials-velero file

[default] 1

aws_access_key_id=AKIAIOSFODNN7EXAMPLE 2

aws_secret_access_key=wJalrXUtnFEMI/K7MDENG/bPxRfiCYEXAMPLEKEY

- AWS default profile.
- Do not enclose the values with quotation marks (", ').

4.9.8. OADP timeouts

Extending a timeout allows complex or resource-intensive processes to complete successfully without premature termination. This configuration can reduce the likelihood of errors, retries, or failures.

Ensure that you balance timeout extensions in a logical manner so that you do not configure excessively long timeouts that might hide underlying issues in the process. Carefully consider and monitor an appropriate timeout value that meets the needs of the process and the overall system performance.

The following are various OADP timeouts, with instructions of how and when to implement these parameters:

4.9.8.1. Restic timeout

timeout defines the Restic timeout. The default value is 1h.

Use the Restic **timeout** for the following scenarios:

- For Restic backups with total PV data usage that is greater than 500GB.
- If backups are timing out with the following error:

level=error msg="Error backing up item" backup=velero/monitoring error="timed out waiting for all PodVolumeBackups to complete"

Procedure

 Edit the values in the spec.configuration.restic.timeout block of the DataProtectionApplication CR manifest, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1 kind: DataProtectionApplication metadata: name: <dpa_name> spec: configuration: restic: timeout: 1h # ...
```

4.9.8.2. Velereo resource timeout

resourceTimeout defines how long to wait for several Velero resources before timeout occurs, such as Velero custom resource definition (CRD) availability, **volumeSnapshot** deletion, and repository availability. The default is **10m**.

Use the **resourceTimeout** for the following scenarios:

- For backups with total PV data usage that is greater than 1TB. This parameter is used as a timeout value when Velero tries to clean up or delete the Container Storage Interface (CSI) snapshots, before marking the backup as complete.
 - A sub-task of this cleanup tries to patch VSC and this timeout can be used for that task.
- To create or ensure a backup repository is ready for filesystem based backups for Restic or Kopia.
- To check if the Velero CRD is available in the cluster before restoring the custom resource (CR) or resource from the backup.

Procedure

 Edit the values in the spec.configuration.velero.resourceTimeout block of the DataProtectionApplication CR manifest, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1 kind: DataProtectionApplication
```

```
metadata:
name: <dpa_name>
spec:
configuration:
velero:
resourceTimeout: 10m
# ...
```

4.9.8.3. Data Mover timeout

timeout is a user-supplied timeout to complete **VolumeSnapshotBackup** and **VolumeSnapshotRestore**. The default value is **10m**.

Use the Data Mover timeout for the following scenarios:

- If creation of **VolumeSnapshotBackups** (VSBs) and **VolumeSnapshotRestores** (VSRs), times out after 10 minutes.
- For large scale environments with total PV data usage that is greater than 500GB. Set the timeout for **1h**.
- With the **VolumeSnapshotMover** (VSM) plugin.
- Only with OADP 1.1.x.

Procedure

• Edit the values in the **spec.features.dataMover.timeout** block of the **DataProtectionApplication** CR manifest, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1 kind: DataProtectionApplication metadata:
name: <dpa_name> spec:
features:
dataMover:
timeout: 10m
# ...
```

4.9.8.4. CSI snapshot timeout

CSISnapshotTimeout specifies the time during creation to wait until the **CSI VolumeSnapshot** status becomes **ReadyToUse**, before returning error as timeout. The default value is **10m**.

Use the **CSISnapshotTimeout** for the following scenarios:

- With the CSI plugin.
- For very large storage volumes that may take longer than 10 minutes to snapshot. Adjust this timeout if timeouts are found in the logs.



NOTE

Typically, the default value for **CSISnapshotTimeout** does not require adjustment, because the default setting can accommodate large storage volumes.

Procedure

• Edit the values in the **spec.csiSnapshotTimeout** block of the **Backup** CR manifest, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: velero.io/v1
kind: Backup
metadata:
name: <backup_name>
spec:
csiSnapshotTimeout: 10m
# ...
```

4.9.8.5. Velereo default item operation timeout

defaultItemOperationTimeout defines how long to wait on asynchronous **BackupItemActions** and **RestoreItemActions** to complete before timing out. The default value is **1h**.

Use the **defaultItemOperationTimeout** for the following scenarios:

- Only with Data Mover 1.2.x.
- To specify the amount of time a particular backup or restore should wait for the Asynchronous actions to complete. In the context of OADP features, this value is used for the Asynchronous actions involved in the Container Storage Interface (CSI) Data Mover feature.
- When defaultItemOperationTimeout is defined in the Data Protection Application (DPA) using
 the defaultItemOperationTimeout, it applies to both backup and restore operations. You can
 use itemOperationTimeout to define only the backup or only the restore of those CRs, as
 described in the following "Item operation timeout restore", and "Item operation timeout backup" sections.

Procedure

 Edit the values in the spec.configuration.velero.defaultItemOperationTimeout block of the DataProtectionApplication CR manifest, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/v1alpha1 kind: DataProtectionApplication metadata: name: <dpa_name> spec: configuration: velero: defaultItemOperationTimeout: 1h # ...
```

4.9.8.6. Item operation timeout - restore

ItemOperationTimeout specifies the time that is used to wait for **RestoreItemAction** operations. The default value is **1h**.

Use the restore **ItemOperationTimeout** for the following scenarios:

- Only with Data Mover 1.2.x.
- For Data Mover uploads and downloads to or from the **BackupStorageLocation**. If the restore action is not completed when the timeout is reached, it will be marked as failed. If Data Mover operations are failing due to timeout issues, because of large storage volume sizes, then this timeout setting may need to be increased.

Procedure

• Edit the values in the **Restore.spec.itemOperationTimeout** block of the **Restore** CR manifest, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: velero.io/v1
kind: Restore
metadata:
name: <restore_name>
spec:
itemOperationTimeout: 1h
# ...
```

4.9.8.7. Item operation timeout - backup

ItemOperationTimeout specifies the time used to wait for asynchronous **BackupItemAction** operations. The default value is **1h**.

Use the backup **ItemOperationTimeout** for the following scenarios:

- Only with Data Mover 1.2.x.
- For Data Mover uploads and downloads to or from the **BackupStorageLocation**. If the backup action is not completed when the timeout is reached, it will be marked as failed. If Data Mover operations are failing due to timeout issues, because of large storage volume sizes, then this timeout setting may need to be increased.

Procedure

• Edit the values in the **Backup.spec.itemOperationTimeout** block of the **Backup** CR manifest, as in the following example:

```
apiVersion: velero.io/v1
kind: Backup
metadata:
name: <backup_name>
spec:
itemOperationTimeout: 1h
# ...
```

4.9.9. Backup and Restore CR issues

You might encounter these common issues with **Backup** and **Restore** custom resources (CRs).

4.9.9.1. Backup CR cannot retrieve volume

The Backup CR displays the error message, InvalidVolume.NotFound: The volume 'vol-xxxx' does not exist.

Cause

The persistent volume (PV) and the snapshot locations are in different regions.

Solution

- Edit the value of the spec.snapshotLocations.velero.config.region key in the DataProtectionApplication manifest so that the snapshot location is in the same region as the PV.
- 2. Create a new **Backup** CR.

4.9.9.2. Backup CR status remains in progress

The status of a **Backup** CR remains in the **InProgress** phase and does not complete.

Cause

If a backup is interrupted, it cannot be resumed.

Solution

1. Retrieve the details of the **Backup** CR:

\$ oc -n {namespace} exec deployment/velero -c velero -- ./velero \
backup describe <backup>

2. Delete the Backup CR:

\$ oc delete backup <backup> -n openshift-adp

You do not need to clean up the backup location because a **Backup** CR in progress has not uploaded files to object storage.

3. Create a new **Backup** CR.

4.9.9.3. Backup CR status remains in PartiallyFailed

The status of a **Backup** CR without Restic in use remains in the **PartiallyFailed** phase and does not complete. A snapshot of the affiliated PVC is not created.

Cause

If the backup is created based on the CSI snapshot class, but the label is missing, CSI snapshot plugin fails to create a snapshot. As a result, the **Velero** pod logs an error similar to the following:

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time="2023-02-17T16:33:13Z" level=error msg="Error backing up item" backup=openshift-adp/user1-backup-check5 error="error executing custom action (groupResource=persistentvolumeclaims, namespace=busy1, name=pvc1-user1): rpc error: code = Unknown desc = failed to get

volumesnapshotclass for storageclass ocs-storagecluster-ceph-rbd: failed to get volumesnapshotclass for provisioner openshift-storage.rbd.csi.ceph.com, ensure that the desired volumesnapshot class has the velero.io/csi-volumesnapshot-class label" logSource="/remote-source/velero/app/pkg/backup/backup.go:417" name=busybox-79799557b5-vprq

Solution

- 1. Delete the **Backup** CR:
 - \$ oc delete backup <backup> -n openshift-adp
- 2. If required, clean up the stored data on the **BackupStorageLocation** to free up space.
- 3. Apply label velero.io/csi-volumesnapshot-class=true to the VolumeSnapshotClass object:
 - \$ oc label volumesnapshotclass/<snapclass_name> velero.io/csi-volumesnapshot-class=true
- 4. Create a new Backup CR.

4.9.10. Restic issues

You might encounter these issues when you back up applications with Restic.

4.9.10.1. Restic permission error for NFS data volumes with root_squash enabled

The **Restic** pod log displays the error message: **controller=pod-volume-backup error="fork/exec/usr/bin/restic: permission denied"**.

Cause

If your NFS data volumes have **root_squash** enabled, **Restic** maps to **nfsnobody** and does not have permission to create backups.

Solution

You can resolve this issue by creating a supplemental group for **Restic** and adding the group ID to the **DataProtectionApplication** manifest:

- 1. Create a supplemental group for **Restic** on the NFS data volume.
- 2. Set the **setgid** bit on the NFS directories so that group ownership is inherited.
- 3. Add the **spec.configuration.restic.supplementalGroups** parameter and the group ID to the **DataProtectionApplication** manifest, as in the following example:

```
spec:
configuration:
restic:
enable: true
supplementalGroups:
- <group_id>
```

Specify the supplemental group ID.

4. Wait for the **Restic** pods to restart so that the changes are applied.

4.9.10.2. Restic Backup CR cannot be recreated after bucket is emptied

If you create a Restic **Backup** CR for a namespace, empty the object storage bucket, and then recreate the **Backup** CR for the same namespace, the recreated **Backup** CR fails.

The velero pod log displays the following error message: stderr=Fatal: unable to open config file: Stat: The specified key does not exist.\nls there a repository at the following location?.

Cause

Velero does not recreate or update the Restic repository from the **ResticRepository** manifest if the Restic directories are deleted from object storage. See Velero issue 4421 for more information.

Solution

• Remove the related Restic repository from the namespace by running the following command:

\$ oc delete resticrepository openshift-adp <name_of_the_restic_repository>

In the following error log, **mysql-persistent** is the problematic Restic repository. The name of the repository appears in italics for clarity.

time="2021-12-29T18:29:14Z" level=info msg="1 errors encountered backup up item" backup=velero/backup65 logSource="pkg/backup/backup.go:431" name=mysql-7d99fc949-qbkds time="2021-12-29T18:29:14Z" level=error msg="Error backing up item" backup=velero/backup65 error="pod volume backup failed: error running restic backup, stderr=Fatal: unable to open config file: Stat: The specified key does not exist.\nls there a repository at the following location?\ns3:http://minio-minio.apps.mayap-oadp-veleo-1234.qe.devcluster.openshift.com/mayapvelerooadp2/velero1/restic/mysql-persistent\n: exit status 1" error.file="/remote-source/src/github.com/vmware-tanzu/velero/pkg/restic/backupper.go:184" error.function="github.com/vmware-tanzu/velero/pkg/restic.(*backupper).BackupPodVolumes" logSource="pkg/backup/backup.go:435" name=mysql-7d99fc949-qbkds

4.9.11. Using the must-gather tool

You can collect logs, metrics, and information about OADP custom resources by using the **must-gather** tool.

The **must-gather** data must be attached to all customer cases.

Prerequisites

- You must be logged in to the OpenShift Container Platform cluster as a user with the **cluster-admin** role.
- You must have the OpenShift CLI (oc) installed.

Procedure

- 1. Navigate to the directory where you want to store the **must-gather** data.
- 2. Run the **oc adm must-gather** command for one of the following data collection options:

\$ oc adm must-gather --image=registry.redhat.io/oadp/oadp-mustgather-rhel8:v1.1

The data is saved as **must-gather/must-gather.tar.gz**. You can upload this file to a support case on the Red Hat Customer Portal.

\$ oc adm must-gather --image=registry.redhat.io/oadp/oadp-mustgather-rhel8:v1.1 \
-- /usr/bin/gather_metrics_dump

This operation can take a long time. The data is saved as **must-gather/metrics/prom_data.tar.gz**.

4.9.12. OADP Monitoring

The OpenShift Container Platform provides a monitoring stack that allows users and administrators to effectively monitor and manage their clusters, as well as monitor and analyze the workload performance of user applications and services running on the clusters, including receiving alerts if an event occurs.

Additional resources

Monitoring stack

4.9.12.1. OADP monitoring setup

The OADP Operator leverages an OpenShift User Workload Monitoring provided by the OpenShift Monitoring Stack for retrieving metrics from the Velero service endpoint. The monitoring stack allows creating user-defined Alerting Rules or querying metrics by using the OpenShift Metrics query front end.

With enabled User Workload Monitoring, it is possible to configure and use any Prometheus-compatible third-party UI, such as Grafana, to visualize Velero metrics.

Monitoring metrics requires enabling monitoring for the user-defined projects and creating a **ServiceMonitor** resource to scrape those metrics from the already enabled OADP service endpoint that resides in the **openshift-adp** namespace.

Prerequisites

- You have access to an OpenShift Container Platform cluster using an account with **cluster-admin** permissions.
- You have created a cluster monitoring config map.

Procedure

- Edit the cluster-monitoring-config ConfigMap object in the openshift-monitoring namespace:
 - \$ oc edit configmap cluster-monitoring-config -n openshift-monitoring
- 2. Add or enable the **enableUserWorkload** option in the **data** section's **config.yaml** field:

- Add this option or set to **true**
- 3. Wait a short period of time to verify the User Workload Monitoring Setup by checking if the following components are up and running in the **openshift-user-workload-monitoring** namespace:

\$ oc get pods -n openshift-user-workload-monitoring

Example output

```
NAME
                       READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE
prometheus-operator-6844b4b99c-b57j9 2/2
                                        Running 0
prometheus-user-workload-0
                              5/5
                                   Running 0
                                                  32s
prometheus-user-workload-1
                              5/5 Running 0
                                                  32s
thanos-ruler-user-workload-0
                             3/3
                                   Running 0
                                                 32s
                             3/3
thanos-ruler-user-workload-1
                                   Running 0
                                                 32s
```

4. Verify the existence of the **user-workload-monitoring-config** ConfigMap in the **openshift-user-workload-monitoring**. If it exists, skip the remaining steps in this procedure.

\$ oc get configmap user-workload-monitoring-config -n openshift-user-workload-monitoring

Example output

Error from server (NotFound): configmaps "user-workload-monitoring-config" not found

5. Create a **user-workload-monitoring-config ConfigMap** object for the User Workload Monitoring, and save it under the **2_configure_user_workload_monitoring.yaml** file name:

Example output

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: ConfigMap
metadata:
name: user-workload-monitoring-config
namespace: openshift-user-workload-monitoring
data:
config.yaml: |
```

6. Apply the **2_configure_user_workload_monitoring.yaml** file:

 $\$ oc apply -f 2_configure_user_workload_monitoring.yaml configmap/user-workload-monitoring-config created

4.9.12.2. Creating OADP service monitor

OADP provides an **openshift-adp-velero-metrics-svc** service which is created when the DPA is configured. The service monitor used by the user workload monitoring must point to the defined service.

Get details about the service by running the following commands:

Procedure

 Ensure the openshift-adp-velero-metrics-svc service exists. It should contain app.kubernetes.io/name=velero label, which will be used as selector for the ServiceMonitor object.

\$ oc get svc -n openshift-adp -l app.kubernetes.io/name=velero

Example output

```
NAME TYPE CLUSTER-IP EXTERNAL-IP PORT(S) AGE openshift-adp-velero-metrics-svc ClusterIP 172.30.38.244 <none> 8085/TCP 1h
```

 Create a ServiceMonitor YAML file that matches the existing service label, and save the file as 3_create_oadp_service_monitor.yaml. The service monitor is created in the openshift-adp namespace where the openshift-adp-velero-metrics-svc service resides.

Example ServiceMonitor object

```
apiVersion: monitoring.coreos.com/v1
kind: ServiceMonitor
metadata:
 labels:
  app: oadp-service-monitor
 name: oadp-service-monitor
 namespace: openshift-adp
spec:
 endpoints:
 - interval: 30s
  path: /metrics
  targetPort: 8085
  scheme: http
 selector:
  matchLabels:
   app.kubernetes.io/name: "velero"
```

3. Apply the **3_create_oadp_service_monitor.yaml** file:

```
$ oc apply -f 3_create_oadp_service_monitor.yaml
```

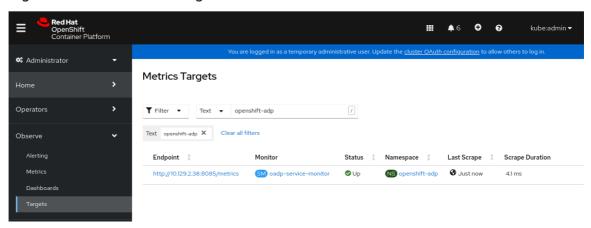
Example output

servicemonitor.monitoring.coreos.com/oadp-service-monitor created

Verification

- Confirm that the new service monitor is in an **Up** state by using the **Administrator** perspective of the OpenShift Container Platform web console:
 - a. Navigate to the **Observe** → **Targets** page.
 - b. Ensure the **Filter** is unselected or that the **User** source is selected and type **openshift-adp** in the **Text** search field.
 - c. Verify that the status for the **Status** for the service monitor is **Up**.

Figure 4.1. OADP metrics targets



4.9.12.3. Creating an alerting rule

The OpenShift Container Platform monitoring stack allows to receive Alerts configured using Alerting Rules. To create an Alerting rule for the OADP project, use one of the Metrics which are scraped with the user workload monitoring.

Procedure

 Create a PrometheusRule YAML file with the sample OADPBackupFailing alert and save it as 4_create_oadp_alert_rule.yaml.

Sample OADPBackupFailing alert

```
apiVersion: monitoring.coreos.com/v1
kind: PrometheusRule
metadata:
 name: sample-oadp-alert
 namespace: openshift-adp
spec:
 groups:
 - name: sample-oadp-backup-alert
  rules:

    alert: OADPBackupFailing

   annotations:
    description: 'OADP had {{$value | humanize}} backup failures over the last 2 hours.'
    summary: OADP has issues creating backups
     increase(velero backup failure total{job="openshift-adp-velero-metrics-svc"}[2h]) > 0
   for: 5m
   labels:
     severity: warning
```

In this sample, the Alert displays under the following conditions:

- There is an increase of new failing backups during the 2 last hours that is greater than 0 and the state persists for at least 5 minutes.
- If the time of the first increase is less than 5 minutes, the Alert will be in a **Pending** state, after which it will turn into a **Firing** state.
- 2. Apply the **4_create_oadp_alert_rule.yaml** file, which creates the **PrometheusRule** object in the **openshift-adp** namespace:

\$ oc apply -f 4_create_oadp_alert_rule.yaml

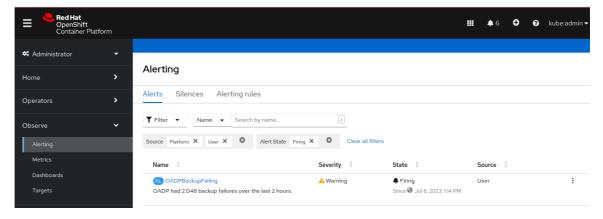
Example output

prometheusrule.monitoring.coreos.com/sample-oadp-alert created

Verification

- After the Alert is triggered, you can view it in the following ways:
 - In the **Developer** perspective, select the **Observe** menu.
 - o In the **Administrator** perspective under the **Observe** → **Alerting** menu, select **User** in the **Filter** box. Otherwise, by default only the **Platform** Alerts are displayed.

Figure 4.2. OADP backup failing alert



Additional resources

Managing alerts

4.9.12.4. List of available metrics

These are the list of metrics provided by the OADP together with their Types.

Metric name	Description	Туре
kopia_content_cache_hit_by tes	Number of bytes retrieved from the cache	Counter

Metric name	Description	Туре
kopia_content_cache_hit_co unt	Number of times content was retrieved from the cache	Counter
kopia_content_cache_malfor med	Number of times malformed content was read from the cache	Counter
kopia_content_cache_miss_ count	Number of times content was not found in the cache and fetched	Counter
kopia_content_cache_misse d_bytes	Number of bytes retrieved from the underlying storage	Counter
kopia_content_cache_miss_ error_count	Number of times content could not be found in the underlying storage	Counter
kopia_content_cache_store_ error_count	Number of times content could not be saved in the cache	Counter
kopia_content_get_bytes	Number of bytes retrieved using GetContent()	Counter
kopia_content_get_count	Number of times GetContent() was called	Counter
kopia_content_get_error_co unt	Number of times GetContent() was called and the result was an error	Counter
kopia_content_get_not_foun d_count	Number of times GetContent() was called and the result was not found	Counter
kopia_content_write_bytes	Number of bytes passed to WriteContent()	Counter
kopia_content_write_count	Number of times WriteContent() was called	Counter
velero_backup_attempt_total	Total number of attempted backups	Counter
velero_backup_deletion_atte mpt_total	Total number of attempted backup deletions	Counter

Metric name	Description	Туре
velero_backup_deletion_fail ure_total	Total number of failed backup deletions	Counter
velero_backup_deletion_suc cess_total	Total number of successful backup deletions	Counter
velero_backup_duration_sec onds	Time taken to complete backup, in seconds	Histogram
velero_backup_failure_total	Total number of failed backups	Counter
velero_backup_items_errors	Total number of errors encountered during backup	Gauge
velero_backup_items_total	Total number of items backed up	Gauge
velero_backup_last_status	Last status of the backup. A value of 1 is success, 0.	Gauge
velero_backup_last_success ful_timestamp	Last time a backup ran successfully, Unix timestamp in seconds	Gauge
velero_backup_partial_failur e_total	Total number of partially failed backups	Counter
velero_backup_success_tota	Total number of successful backups	Counter
velero_backup_tarball_size_ bytes	Size, in bytes, of a backup	Gauge
velero_backup_total	Current number of existent backups	Gauge
velero_backup_validation_fai lure_total	Total number of validation failed backups	Counter
velero_backup_warning_tota	Total number of warned backups	Counter
velero_csi_snapshot_attemp t_total	Total number of CSI attempted volume snapshots	Counter
velero_csi_snapshot_failure _total	Total number of CSI failed volume snapshots	Counter

Metric name	Description	Type

velero_csi_snapshot_succes s_total	Total number of CSI successful volume snapshots	Counter
velero_restore_attempt_total	Total number of attempted restores	Counter
velero_restore_failed_total	Total number of failed restores	Counter
velero_restore_partial_failure _total	Total number of partially failed restores	Counter
velero_restore_success_tota	Total number of successful restores	Counter
velero_restore_total	Current number of existent restores	Gauge
velero_restore_validation_fai led_total	Total number of failed restores failing validations	Counter
velero_volume_snapshot_att empt_total	Total number of attempted volume snapshots	Counter
velero_volume_snapshot_fai lure_total	Total number of failed volume snapshots	Counter
velero_volume_snapshot_su ccess_total	Total number of successful volume snapshots	Counter

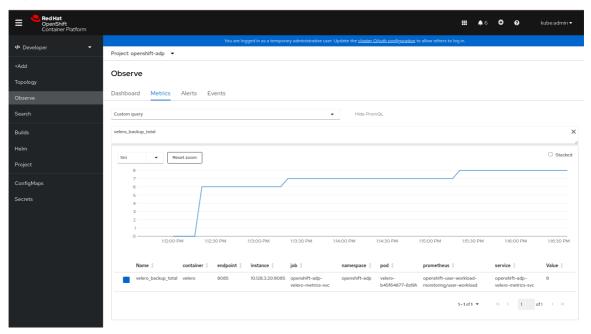
4.9.12.5. Viewing metrics using the Observe UI

You can view metrics in the OpenShift Container Platform web console from the **Administrator** or **Developer** perspective, which must have access to the **openshift-adp** project.

Procedure

- Navigate to the **Observe** → **Metrics** page:
 - If you are using the **Developer** perspective, follow these steps:
 - a. Select Custom query, or click on the Show PromQL link.
 - b. Type the query and click **Enter**.
 - If you are using the **Administrator** perspective, type the expression in the text field and select **Run Queries**.

Figure 4.3. OADP metrics query



4.10. APIS USED WITH OADP

The document provides information about the following APIs that you can use with OADP:

- Velero API
- OADP API

4.10.1. Velero API

Velero API documentation is maintained by Velero, not by Red Hat. It can be found at Velero API types.

4.10.2. OADP API

The following tables provide the structure of the OADP API:

Table 4.2. DataProtectionApplicationSpec

Property	Туре	Description
backupLocations	[] BackupLocation	Defines the list of configurations to use for BackupStorageLocations .
snapshotLocations	[] SnapshotLocation	Defines the list of configurations to use for VolumeSnapshotLocations .

Property	Туре	Description
unsupportedOverrides	map [UnsupportedImageKey] string	Can be used to override the deployed dependent images for development. Options are velerolmageFqin, awsPluginImageFqin, openshiftPluginImageFqin, azurePluginImageFqin, gcpPluginImageFqin, csiPluginImageFqin, dataMoverImageFqin, resticRestoreImageFqin, kubevirtPluginImageFqin, and operator-type.
podAnnotations	map [string] string	Used to add annotations to pods deployed by Operators.
podDnsPolicy	DNSPolicy	Defines the configuration of the DNS of a pod.
podDnsConfig	PodDNSConfig	Defines the DNS parameters of a pod in addition to those generated from DNSPolicy .
backuplmages	*bool	Used to specify whether or not you want to deploy a registry for enabling backup and restore of images.
configuration	*ApplicationConfig	Used to define the data protection application's server configuration.
features	*Features	Defines the configuration for the DPA to enable the Technology Preview features.

Complete schema definitions for the OADP API.

Table 4.3. BackupLocation

Property	Туре	Description
velero	*velero.BackupStorageLocationS pec	Location to store volume snapshots, as described in Backup Storage Location.

Property	Туре	Description
bucket	*CloudStorageLocation	[Technology Preview] Automates creation of a bucket at some cloud storage providers for use as a backup storage location.



IMPORTANT

The **bucket** parameter is a Technology Preview feature only. Technology Preview features are not supported with Red Hat production service level agreements (SLAs) and might not be functionally complete. Red Hat does not recommend using them in production. These features provide early access to upcoming product features, enabling customers to test functionality and provide feedback during the development process.

For more information about the support scope of Red Hat Technology Preview features, see Technology Preview Features Support Scope.

Complete schema definitions for the type **BackupLocation**.

Table 4.4. SnapshotLocation

Property	Туре	Description
velero	*VolumeSnapshotLocationSpec	Location to store volume snapshots, as described in Volume Snapshot Location.

Complete schema definitions for the type **SnapshotLocation**.

Table 4.5. ApplicationConfig

Property	Туре	Description
velero	*VeleroConfig	Defines the configuration for the Velero server.
restic	*ResticConfig	Defines the configuration for the Restic server.

Complete schema definitions for the type **ApplicationConfig**.

Table 4.6. VeleroConfig

Property	Туре	Description
featureFlags	[] string	Defines the list of features to enable for the Velero instance.

Property	Туре	Description		
defaultPlugins	[] string	The following types of default Velero plugins can be installed: aws,azure, csi, gcp, kubevirt, and openshift.		
customPlugins	[]CustomPlugin	Used for installation of custom Velero plugins. Default and custom plugins are described in OADP plugins		
restoreResourcesVersionPri ority	string	Represents a config map that is created if defined for use in conjunction with the EnableAPIGroupVersions feature flag. Defining this field automatically adds EnableAPIGroupVersions to the Velero server feature flag.		
noDefaultBackupLocation	bool	To install Velero without a default backup storage location, you must set the noDefaultBackupLocation flag in order to confirm installation.		
podConfig	*PodConfig	Defines the configuration of the Velero pod.		
logLevel	string	Velero server's log level (use debug for the most granular logging, leave unset for Velero default). Valid options are trace, debug, info, warning, error, fatal, and panic.		

Complete schema definitions for the type **VeleroConfig**.

Table 4.7. CustomPlugin

Property	Туре	Description		
name	string	Name of custom plugin.		
image	string	Image of custom plugin.		

Complete schema definitions for the type $\,$ CustomPlugin.

Table 4.8. ResticConfig

Property	Туре	Description
enable	*bool	If set to true , enables backup and restore using Restic. If set to false , snapshots are needed.
supplementalGroups	[]int64	Defines the Linux groups to be applied to the Restic pod.
timeout	string	A user-supplied duration string that defines the Restic timeout. Default value is 1hr (1 hour). A duration string is a possibly signed sequence of decimal numbers, each with optional fraction and a unit suffix, such as 300ms , -1.5h` or 2h45m . Valid time units are ns , us (or µs), ms , s , m , and h .
podConfig	*PodConfig	Defines the configuration of the Restic pod.

Complete schema definitions for the type $\,\textbf{ResticConfig}.$

Table 4.9. PodConfig

Property	Туре	Description		
nodeSelector	map [string] string	Defines the nodeSelector to be supplied to a Velero podSpec or a Restic podSpec .		
tolerations	[]Toleration	Defines the list of tolerations to be applied to a Velero deployment or a Restic daemonset.		
resourceAllocations	ResourceRequirements	Set specific resource limits and requests for a Velero pod or a Restic pod as described in Setting Velero CPU and memory resource allocations.		
labels	map [string] string	Labels to add to pods.		

Complete schema definitions for the type **PodConfig**.

Table 4.10. Features

Property	Туре	Description	
dataMover	*DataMover	Defines the configuration of the Data Mover.	

Complete schema definitions for the type **Features**.

Table 4.11. DataMover

Property	Туре	Description		
enable	bool	If set to true , deploys the volume snapshot mover controller and a modified CSI Data Mover plugin. If set to false , these are not deployed.		
credentialName	string	User-supplied Restic Secret name for Data Mover.		
timeout	string	A user-supplied duration string for VolumeSnapshotBackup and VolumeSnapshotRestore to complete. Default is 10m (10 minutes). A duration string is a possibly signed sequence of decimal numbers, each with optional fraction and a unit suffix, such as 300ms, -1.5h` or 2h45m. Valid time units are ns, us (or µs), ms, s, m, and h.		

The OADP API is more fully detailed in OADP Operator.

4.11. ADVANCED OADP FEATURES AND FUNCTIONALITIES

This document provides information about advanced features and functionalities of OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP).

4.11.1. Working with different Kubernetes API versions on the same cluster

4.11.1.1. Listing the Kubernetes API group versions on a cluster

A source cluster might offer multiple versions of an API, where one of these versions is the preferred API version. For example, a source cluster with an API named **Example** might be available in the **example.com/v1** and **example.com/v1beta2** API groups.

If you use Velero to back up and restore such a source cluster, Velero backs up only the version of that resource that uses the preferred version of its Kubernetes API.

To return to the above example, if example.com/v1 is the preferred API, then Velero only backs up the

version of a resource that uses **example.com/v1**. Moreover, the target cluster needs to have **example.com/v1** registered in its set of available API resources in order for Velero to restore the resource on the target cluster.

Therefore, you need to generate a list of the Kubernetes API group versions on your target cluster to be sure the preferred API version is registered in its set of available API resources.

Procedure

• Enter the following command:

\$ oc api-resources

4.11.1.2. About Enable API Group Versions

By default, Velero only backs up resources that use the preferred version of the Kubernetes API. However, Velero also includes a feature, Enable API Group Versions, that overcomes this limitation. When enabled on the source cluster, this feature causes Velero to back up *all* Kubernetes API group versions that are supported on the cluster, not only the preferred one. After the versions are stored in the backup .tar file, they are available to be restored on the destination cluster.

For example, a source cluster with an API named **Example** might be available in the **example.com/v1** and **example.com/v1beta2** API groups, with **example.com/v1** being the preferred API.

Without the Enable API Group Versions feature enabled, Velero backs up only the preferred API group version for **Example**, which is **example.com/v1**. With the feature enabled, Velero also backs up **example.com/v1beta2**.

When the Enable API Group Versions feature is enabled on the destination cluster, Velero selects the version to restore on the basis of the order of priority of API group versions.



NOTE

Enable API Group Versions is still in beta.

Velero uses the following algorithm to assign priorities to API versions, with 1 as the top priority:

- 1. Preferred version of the destination cluster
- 2. Preferred version of the source_cluster
- 3. Common non-preferred supported version with the highest Kubernetes version priority

Additional resources

• Enable API Group Versions Feature

4.11.1.3. Using Enable API Group Versions

You can use Velero's Enable API Group Versions feature to back up *all* Kubernetes API group versions that are supported on a cluster, not only the preferred one.



NOTE

Enable API Group Versions is still in beta.

Procedure

• Configure the **EnableAPIGroupVersions** feature flag:

apiVersion: oadp.openshift.io/vialpha1 kind: DataProtectionApplication ... spec: configuration: velero: featureFlags: - EnableAPIGroupVersions

Additional resources

• Enable API Group Versions Feature

4.11.2. Backing up data from one cluster and restoring it to another cluster

4.11.2.1. About backing up data from one cluster and restoring it on another cluster

OpenShift API for Data Protection (OADP) is designed to back up and restore application data in the same OpenShift Container Platform cluster. Migration Toolkit for Containers (MTC) is designed to migrate containers, including application data, from one OpenShift Container Platform cluster to another cluster.

You can use OADP to back up application data from one OpenShift Container Platform cluster and restore it on another cluster. However, doing so is more complicated than using MTC or using OADP to back up and restore on the same cluster.

To successfully use OADP to back up data from one cluster and restore it to another cluster, you must take into account the following factors, in addition to the prerequisites and procedures that apply to using OADP to back up and restore data on the same cluster:

- Operators
- Use of Velero
- UID and GID ranges

4.11.2.1.1. Operators

You must exclude Operators from the backup of an application for backup and restore to succeed.

4.11.2.1.2. Use of Velero

Velero, which OADP is built upon, does not natively support migrating persistent volume snapshots across cloud providers. To migrate volume snapshot data between cloud platforms, you must either enable the Velero Restic file system backup option, which backs up volume contents at the filesystem level, or use the OADP Data Mover for CSI snapshots.



NOTE

In OADP 1.1 and earlier, the Velero Restic file system backup option is called **restic**. In OADP 1.2 and later, the Velero Restic file system backup option is called **file-system-backup**.



NOTE

Velero's file system backup feature supports both Kopia and Restic, but currently OADP supports only Restic.

- You must also use Velero's File System Backup to migrate data between AWS regions or between Microsoft Azure regions.
- Velero does not support restoring data to a cluster with an earlier Kubernetes version than the source cluster.
- It is theoretically possible to migrate workloads to a destination with a *later* Kubernetes version than the source, but you must consider the compatibility of API groups between clusters for each custom resource. If a Kubernetes version upgrade breaks the compatibility of core or native API groups, you must first update the impacted custom resources.

4.11.2.1.3. UID and GID ranges

When you back up data from one cluster and restore it to another cluster, there are potential issues that might arise with UID (User ID) and GID (Group ID) ranges. The following section explains these potential issues and mitigations:

Summary of issues

The UID and GID ranges of the namespace might change on the destination cluster. OADP does not back up and restore OpenShift UID range metadata. If the backed application requires a specific UID, ensure the range is available when restored. For more information about OpenShift's UID and GID ranges, see A Guide to OpenShift and UIDs .

Detailed description of issues

When you create a namespace in OpenShift Container Platform by using the shell command **oc create namespace**, OpenShift Container Platform assigns the namespace a unique User ID (UID) range from its available pool of UIDs, a Supplemental Group (GID) range, and unique SELinux MCS labels. This information is stored in the **metadata.annotations** field of the cluster. This information is part of the Security Context Constraints (SCC) annotations, which comprise the following components:

- openshift.io/sa.scc.mcs
- openshift.io/sa.scc.supplemental-groups
- openshift.io/sa.scc.uid-range

When you use OADP to restore the namespace, it automatically uses the information in **metadata.annotations** without resetting it for the destination cluster. As a result, the workload might not have access to the backed up data if one of the following is true:

• There is a pre-existing namespace with different SCC annotations, for example, on a different cluster. In this case, at backup time, OADP reuses the pre-existing namespace instead of the namespace you are trying to restore.

- The backup used a label selector, but the namespace where workloads run on does not have the label on it. In this case, OADP does not back up the namespace, but instead creates a new namespace during restore that does not include the annotations of the namespace you backed up. This causes a new UID range to be assigned to the namespace. This might be an issue for customer workloads if OpenShift Container Platform assigns a pod a securityContext UID based on namespace annotations that have changed from the time the persistent volume data was backed up.
- The container UID no longer matches the UID of the file owner.
- An error occurs because OpenShift Container Platform did not modify the UID range of the
 destination cluster to match the data of the backup cluster. As a result, the backup cluster
 has a different UID than the destination cluster, which means the application cannot read or
 write data to the destination cluster.

Mitigations

You can use one or more of the following mitigations to resolve the UID and GID range issues:

- Simple mitigations:
 - If you use a label selector in the **Backup** CR to filter the objects to include in the backup, be sure to add this label selector to the namespace that contains the workspace.
 - Remove any pre-existing version of a namespace on the destination cluster before attempting to restore a namespace with the same name.
- Advanced mitigations:
 - Fix UID ranges after migration by performing steps 1-4 of Fixing UID ranges after migration. Step 1 is optional.

For an in-depth discussion of UID and GID ranges in OpenShift Container Platform with an emphasis on overcoming issues in backing up data on one cluster and restoring it on another, see A Guide to OpenShift and UIDs.

4.11.2.2. Backing up data from one cluster and restoring it to another cluster

In general, you back up data from one OpenShift Container Platform cluster and restore it on another OpenShift Container Platform cluster in the same way that you back up and restore data to the same cluster. However, there are some additional prerequisites and differences in the procedure when backing up data from one OpenShift Container Platform cluster and restoring it on another.

Prerequisites

 All relevant prerequisites for backing up and restoring on your platform (for example, AWS, Microsoft Azure, GCP, and so on), especially the prerequisites for the Data Protection Application (DPA), are described in the relevant sections of this guide.

Procedure

- Make the following additions to the procedures given for your platform:
 - Ensure that the backup store location (BSL) and volume snapshot location have the same names and paths to restore resources to another cluster.

- Share the same object storage location credentials across the clusters.
- For best results, use OADP to create the namespace on the destination cluster.
- If you use the Velero **file-system-backup** option, enable the **--default-volumes-to-fs-backup** flag for use during backup by running the following command:

\$ velero backup create <backup_name> --default-volumes-to-fs-backup
<any_other_options>



NOTE

In OADP 1.2 and later, the Velero Restic option is called **file-system-backup**.

4.11.3. Additional resources

For more information about API group versions, see Working with different Kubernetes API versions on the same cluster.

For more information about OADP Data Mover, see Using Data Mover for CSI snapshots .

For more information about using Restic with OADP, see Backing up applications with Restic.

CHAPTER 5. CONTROL PLANE BACKUP AND RESTORE

5.1. BACKING UP ETCD

etcd is the key-value store for OpenShift Container Platform, which persists the state of all resource objects.

Back up your cluster's etcd data regularly and store in a secure location ideally outside the OpenShift Container Platform environment. Do not take an etcd backup before the first certificate rotation completes, which occurs 24 hours after installation, otherwise the backup will contain expired certificates. It is also recommended to take etcd backups during non-peak usage hours because the etcd snapshot has a high I/O cost.

Be sure to take an etcd backup after you upgrade your cluster. This is important because when you restore your cluster, you must use an etcd backup that was taken from the same z-stream release. For example, an OpenShift Container Platform 4.y.z cluster must use an etcd backup that was taken from 4.y.z.



IMPORTANT

Back up your cluster's etcd data by performing a single invocation of the backup script on a control plane host. Do not take a backup for each control plane host.

After you have an etcd backup, you can restore to a previous cluster state.

5.1.1. Backing up etcd data

Follow these steps to back up etcd data by creating an etcd snapshot and backing up the resources for the static pods. This backup can be saved and used at a later time if you need to restore etcd.



IMPORTANT

Only save a backup from a single control plane host. Do not take a backup from each control plane host in the cluster.

Prerequisites

- You have access to the cluster as a user with the **cluster-admin** role.
- You have checked whether the cluster-wide proxy is enabled.

TIP

You can check whether the proxy is enabled by reviewing the output of **oc get proxy cluster -o yaml**. The proxy is enabled if the **httpProxy**, **httpsProxy**, and **noProxy** fields have values set.

Procedure

1. Start a debug session as root for a control plane node:

\$ oc debug --as-root node/<node_name>

2. Change your root directory to /host in the debug shell:

sh-4.4# chroot /host

- 3. If the cluster-wide proxy is enabled, be sure that you have exported the **NO_PROXY**, **HTTP_PROXY**, and **HTTPS_PROXY** environment variables.
- 4. Run the **cluster-backup.sh** script in the debug shell and pass in the location to save the backup to.

TIP

The **cluster-backup.sh** script is maintained as a component of the etcd Cluster Operator and is a wrapper around the **etcdctl snapshot save** command.

sh-4.4# /usr/local/bin/cluster-backup.sh /home/core/assets/backup

Example script output

found latest kube-apiserver: /etc/kubernetes/static-pod-resources/kube-apiserver-pod-6 found latest kube-controller-manager: /etc/kubernetes/static-pod-resources/kube-controller-manager-pod-7

found latest kube-scheduler: /etc/kubernetes/static-pod-resources/kube-scheduler-pod-6 found latest etcd: /etc/kubernetes/static-pod-resources/etcd-pod-3

ede95fe6b88b87ba86a03c15e669fb4aa5bf0991c180d3c6895ce72eaade54a1

etcdctl version: 3.4.14

API version: 3.4

25T19:00:39.030Z","caller":"clientv3/maintenance.go:200","msg":"opened snapshot stream; downloading"}

{"level":"info","ts":1624647639.0301006,"caller":"snapshot/v3_snapshot.go:127","msg":"fetching snapshot","endpoint":"https://10.0.0.5:2379"}

{"level":"info", "ts": "2021-06-

25T19:00:40.215Z","caller":"clientv3/maintenance.go:208","msg":"completed snapshot read; closing"}

{"level":"info","ts":1624647640.6032252,"caller":"snapshot/v3_snapshot.go:142","msg":"fetched snapshot","endpoint":"https://10.0.0.5:2379","size":"114 MB","took":1.584090459}

{"level":"info","ts":1624647640.6047094,"caller":"snapshot/v3_snapshot.go:152","msg":"saved", "path":"/home/core/assets/backup/snapshot 2021-06-25 190035.db"}

Snapshot saved at /home/core/assets/backup/snapshot_2021-06-25_190035.db

{"hash":3866667823,"revision":31407,"totalKey":12828,"totalSize":114446336}

snapshot db and kube resources are successfully saved to /home/core/assets/backup

In this example, two files are created in the /home/core/assets/backup/ directory on the control plane host:

- **snapshot_<datetimestamp>.db**: This file is the etcd snapshot. The **cluster-backup.sh** script confirms its validity.
- **static_kuberesources_<datetimestamp>.tar.gz**: This file contains the resources for the static pods. If etcd encryption is enabled, it also contains the encryption keys for the etcd snapshot.



NOTE

If etcd encryption is enabled, it is recommended to store this second file separately from the etcd snapshot for security reasons. However, this file is required to restore from the etcd snapshot.

Keep in mind that etcd encryption only encrypts values, not keys. This means that resource types, namespaces, and object names are unencrypted.

5.1.2. Additional resources

• Backing up and restoring etcd on a hosted cluster

5.2. REPLACING AN UNHEALTHY ETCD MEMBER

This document describes the process to replace a single unhealthy etcd member.

This process depends on whether the etcd member is unhealthy because the machine is not running or the node is not ready, or whether it is unhealthy because the etcd pod is crashlooping.



NOTE

If you have lost the majority of your control plane hosts, follow the disaster recovery procedure to restore to a previous cluster state instead of this procedure.

If the control plane certificates are not valid on the member being replaced, then you must follow the procedure to recover from expired control plane certificates instead of this procedure.

If a control plane node is lost and a new one is created, the etcd cluster Operator handles generating the new TLS certificates and adding the node as an etcd member.

5.2.1. Prerequisites

• Take an etcd backup prior to replacing an unhealthy etcd member.

5.2.2. Identifying an unhealthy etcd member

You can identify if your cluster has an unhealthy etcd member.

Prerequisites

• Access to the cluster as a user with the **cluster-admin** role.

Procedure

1. Check the status of the **EtcdMembersAvailable** status condition using the following command:

\$ oc get etcd -o=jsonpath='{range .items[0].status.conditions[?
(@.type=="EtcdMembersAvailable")]}{.message}{"\n"}'

2. Review the output:

2 of 3 members are available, ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal is unhealthy

This example output shows that the **ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal** etcd member is unhealthy.

5.2.3. Determining the state of the unhealthy etcd member

The steps to replace an unhealthy etcd member depend on which of the following states your etcd member is in:

- The machine is not running or the node is not ready
- The etcd pod is crashlooping

This procedure determines which state your etcd member is in. This enables you to know which procedure to follow to replace the unhealthy etcd member.



NOTE

If you are aware that the machine is not running or the node is not ready, but you expect it to return to a healthy state soon, then you do not need to perform a procedure to replace the etcd member. The etcd cluster Operator will automatically sync when the machine or node returns to a healthy state.

Prerequisites

- You have access to the cluster as a user with the **cluster-admin** role.
- You have identified an unhealthy etcd member.

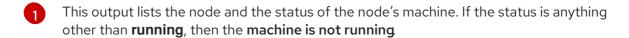
Procedure

1. Determine if the machine is not running

\$ oc get machines -A -ojsonpath='{range .items[*]}{@.status.nodeRef.name}{"\t"} {@.status.providerStatus.instanceState}{"\n"}' | grep -v running

Example output

ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal stopped 1



If the **machine** is **not** running then follow the *Replacing* an unhealthy etcd member whose machine is not running or whose node is not ready procedure.

2. Determine if the node is not ready.

If either of the following scenarios are true, then the **node is not ready**.

• If the machine is running, then check whether the node is unreachable:

Example output

ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal node-role.kubernetes.io/master node.kubernetes.io/unreachable 1

- If the node is listed with an **unreachable** taint, then the **node is not ready**.
- If the node is still reachable, then check whether the node is listed as NotReady:
 - \$ oc get nodes -I node-role.kubernetes.io/master | grep "NotReady"

Example output

- ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal NotReady master 122m v1.26.0 1
- If the node is listed as **NotReady**, then the **node is not ready**.

If the **node** is **not** ready, then follow the *Replacing* an unhealthy etcd member whose machine is not running or whose node is not ready procedure.

Determine if the etcd pod is crashlooping
 If the machine is running and the node is ready, then check whether the etcd pod is crashlooping.

- a. Verify that all control plane nodes are listed as **Ready**:
 - \$ oc get nodes -I node-role.kubernetes.io/master

Example output

NAME	STATUS	ROLES	AGE	VERSION
ip-10-0-131-183.ed	2.internal Re	eady ma	ster 6h	13m v1.26.0
ip-10-0-164-97.ec2	internal Re	ady mas	ter 6h1	3m v1.26.0
ip-10-0-154-204.ed	2.internal Re	eady ma	ster 6h	13m v1.26.0

- b. Check whether the status of an etcd pod is either **Error** or **CrashloopBackoff**:
 - \$ oc -n openshift-etcd get pods -l k8s-app=etcd

Example output

etcd-ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal	2/3	Error	7	6h9m 1
etcd-ip-10-0-164-97.ec2.internal	3/3	Running	0	6h6m
etcd-ip-10-0-154-204.ec2.internal	3/3	Running	0	6h6m

1 Since this status of this pod is **Error**, then the **etcd pod is crashlooping**

If the **etcd pod is crashlooping** then follow the *Replacing an unhealthy etcd member whose* etcd pod is crashlooping procedure.

5.2.4. Replacing the unhealthy etcd member

Depending on the state of your unhealthy etcd member, use one of the following procedures:

- Replacing an unhealthy etcd member whose machine is not running or whose node is not ready
- Replacing an unhealthy etcd member whose etcd pod is crashlooping
- Replacing an unhealthy stopped baremetal etcd member

5.2.4.1. Replacing an unhealthy etcd member whose machine is not running or whose node is not ready

This procedure details the steps to replace an etcd member that is unhealthy either because the machine is not running or because the node is not ready.



NOTE

If your cluster uses a control plane machine set, see "Recovering a degraded etcd Operator" in "Troubleshooting the control plane machine set" for a more simple etcd recovery procedure.

Prerequisites

- You have identified the unhealthy etcd member.
- You have verified that either the machine is not running or the node is not ready.



IMPORTANT

You must wait if the other control plane nodes are powered off. The control plane nodes must remain powered off until the replacement of an unhealthy etcd member is complete.

- You have access to the cluster as a user with the **cluster-admin** role.
- You have taken an etcd backup.



IMPORTANT

It is important to take an etcd backup before performing this procedure so that your cluster can be restored if you encounter any issues.

Procedure

- 1. Remove the unhealthy member.
 - a. Choose a pod that is *not* on the affected node:
 In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following command:

\$ oc -n openshift-etcd get pods -l k8s-app=etcd

etcd-ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal	3/3	Running	0	123m
etcd-ip-10-0-164-97.ec2.internal	3/3	Running	0	123m
etcd-ip-10-0-154-204.ec2.internal	3/3	Running	0	124m

b. Connect to the running etcd container, passing in the name of a pod that is not on the affected node:

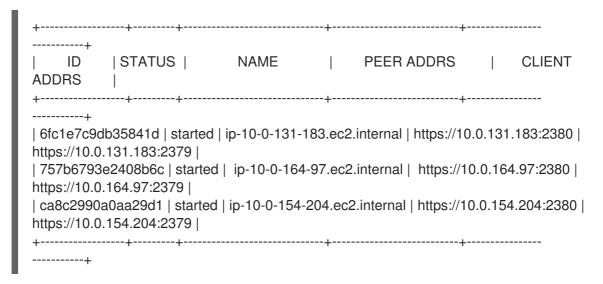
In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following command:

\$ oc rsh -n openshift-etcd etcd-ip-10-0-154-204.ec2.internal

c. View the member list:

sh-4.2# etcdctl member list -w table

Example output



Take note of the ID and the name of the unhealthy etcd member, because these values are needed later in the procedure. The **\$ etcdctl endpoint health** command will list the removed member until the procedure of replacement is finished and a new member is added.

d. Remove the unhealthy etcd member by providing the ID to the **etcdctl member remove** command:

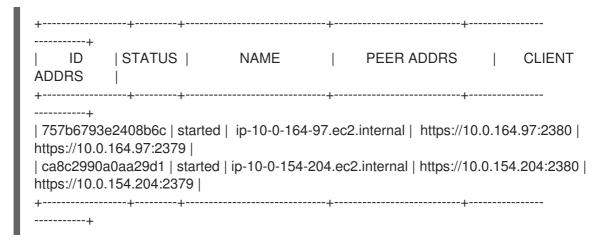
sh-4.2# etcdctl member remove 6fc1e7c9db35841d

Example output

Member 6fc1e7c9db35841d removed from cluster ead669ce1fbfb346

e. View the member list again and verify that the member was removed:

sh-4.2# etcdctl member list -w table



You can now exit the node shell.



IMPORTANT

After you remove the member, the cluster might be unreachable for a short time while the remaining etcd instances reboot.

2. Turn off the quorum guard by entering the following command:

This command ensures that you can successfully re-create secrets and roll out the static pods.

- 3. Remove the old secrets for the unhealthy etcd member that was removed.
 - a. List the secrets for the unhealthy etcd member that was removed.
 - \$ oc get secrets -n openshift-etcd | grep ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal
 - Pass in the name of the unhealthy etcd member that you took note of earlier in this procedure.

There is a peer, serving, and metrics secret as shown in the following output:

Example output

etcd-peer-ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal kubernetes.io/tls 2 47m etcd-serving-ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal kubernetes.io/tls 2 47m etcd-serving-metrics-ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal kubernetes.io/tls 2 47m

- b. Delete the secrets for the unhealthy etcd member that was removed.
 - i. Delete the peer secret:
 - \$ oc delete secret -n openshift-etcd etcd-peer-ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal
 - ii. Delete the serving secret:

\$ oc delete secret -n openshift-etcd etcd-serving-ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal

iii. Delete the metrics secret:

\$ oc delete secret -n openshift-etcd etcd-serving-metrics-ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal

4. Delete and recreate the control plane machine. After this machine is recreated, a new revision is forced and etcd scales up automatically.

If you are running installer-provisioned infrastructure, or you used the Machine API to create your machines, follow these steps. Otherwise, you must create the new master using the same method that was used to originally create it.

a. Obtain the machine for the unhealthy member.
 In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following command:

\$ oc get machines -n openshift-machine-api -o wide

Example output

NAME PHASE TYPE REGION ZONE **AGE** NODE PROVIDERID STATE clustername-8qw5l-master-0 Running m4.xlarge us-east-1 us-east-1a 3h37m ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1a/i-0ec2782f8287dfb7e stopped a clustername-8qw5l-master-1 Running m4.xlarge us-east-1 us-east-1b 3h37m ip-10-0-154-204.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1b/i-096c349b700a19631 running clustername-8qw5l-master-2 Running m4.xlarge us-east-1 us-east-1c 3h37m ip-10-0-164-97.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1c/i-02626f1dba9ed5bba running clustername-8qw5l-worker-us-east-1a-wbtgd Running m4.large us-east-1 us-east-1a 3h28m ip-10-0-129-226.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1a/i-010ef6279b4662ced running clustername-8qw5l-worker-us-east-1b-lrdxb Running m4.large us-east-1 us-east-1b 3h28m ip-10-0-144-248.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1b/i-0cb45ac45a166173b running clustername-8qw5l-worker-us-east-1c-pkg26 Running m4.large us-east-1 us-east-1c 3h28m ip-10-0-170-181.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1c/i-06861c00007751b0a running

- This is the control plane machine for the unhealthy node, **ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal**.
- b. Save the machine configuration to a file on your file system:
 - \$ oc get machine clustername-8qw5l-master-0 \ 1
 - -n openshift-machine-api \
 - -o yaml \
 - > new-master-machine.yaml
 - 1 Specify the name of the control plane machine for the unhealthy node.
- c. Edit the **new-master-machine.yaml** file that was created in the previous step to assign a new name and remove unnecessary fields.

i. Remove the entire **status** section:

status: addresses:

- address: 10.0.131.183

type: InternalIP

- address: ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal

type: InternalDNS

- address: ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal

type: Hostname

lastUpdated: "2020-04-20T17:44:29Z"

nodeRef: kind: Node

name: ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal

uid: acca4411-af0d-4387-b73e-52b2484295ad

phase: Running providerStatus:

apiVersion: awsproviderconfig.openshift.io/v1beta1

conditions:

 lastProbeTime: "2020-04-20T16:53:50Z" lastTransitionTime: "2020-04-20T16:53:50Z" message: machine successfully created reason: MachineCreationSucceeded

status: "True"

type: MachineCreation

instanceld: i-0fdb85790d76d0c3f

instanceState: stopped

kind: AWSMachineProviderStatus

ii. Change the **metadata.name** field to a new name.

It is recommended to keep the same base name as the old machine and change the ending number to the next available number. In this example, **clustername-8qw5l-master-0** is changed to **clustername-8qw5l-master-3**.

For example:

apiVersion: machine.openshift.io/v1beta1 kind: Machine metadata: ... name: clustername-8qw5l-master-3

providerID: aws:///us-east-1a/i-0fdb85790d76d0c3f

d. Delete the machine of the unhealthy member:

iii. Remove the **spec.providerID** field:

\$ oc delete machine -n openshift-machine-api clustername-8qw5l-master-0

Specify the name of the control plane machine for the unhealthy node.

e. Verify that the machine was deleted:

\$ oc get machines -n openshift-machine-api -o wide

Example output

NAME PHASE TYPE REGION ZONE AGE NODE PROVIDERID STATE clustername-8qw5l-master-1 Running m4.xlarge us-east-1 us-east-1b 3h37m ip-10-0-154-204.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1b/i-096c349b700a19631 running clustername-8qw5l-master-2 Running m4.xlarge us-east-1 us-east-1c 3h37m ip-10-0-164-97.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1c/i-02626f1dba9ed5bba running clustername-8qw5l-worker-us-east-1a-wbtgd Running m4.large us-east-1 us-east-1a 3h28m ip-10-0-129-226.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1a/i-010ef6279b4662ced running clustername-8qw5l-worker-us-east-1b-lrdxb Running m4.large us-east-1 us-east-1b 3h28m ip-10-0-144-248.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1b/i-0cb45ac45a166173b running clustername-8qw5l-worker-us-east-1c-pkg26 Running m4.large us-east-1 us-east-1c 3h28m ip-10-0-170-181.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1c/i-06861c00007751b0a running

- f. Create the new machine using the new-master-machine.yaml file:
 - \$ oc apply -f new-master-machine.yaml
- q. Verify that the new machine has been created:
 - \$ oc get machines -n openshift-machine-api -o wide

Example output

NAME PHASE TYPE REGION ZONE AGE NODE **PROVIDERID** STATE clustername-8qw5l-master-1 Running m4.xlarge us-east-1 us-east-1b 3h37m ip-10-0-154-204.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1b/i-096c349b700a19631 running clustername-8qw5l-master-2 m4.xlarge us-east-1 us-east-1c Running 3h37m ip-10-0-164-97.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1c/i-02626f1dba9ed5bba running clustername-8gw5l-master-3 Provisioning m4.xlarge us-east-1 us-east-1a 85s ip-10-0-133-53.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1a/i-015b0888fe17bc2c8 running clustername-8qw5l-worker-us-east-1a-wbtgd Running m4.large us-east-1 useast-1a 3h28m ip-10-0-129-226.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1a/i-010ef6279b4662ced clustername-8qw5l-worker-us-east-1b-lrdxb Running m4.large us-east-1 us-east-1b 3h28m ip-10-0-144-248.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1b/i-0cb45ac45a166173b clustername-8qw5l-worker-us-east-1c-pkg26 Running m4.large us-east-1 useast-1c 3h28m ip-10-0-170-181.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1c/i-06861c00007751b0a running

The new machine, **clustername-8qw5l-master-3** is being created and is ready once the phase changes from **Provisioning** to **Running**.

It might take a few minutes for the new machine to be created. The etcd cluster Operator will automatically sync when the machine or node returns to a healthy state.

- 5. Turn the quorum guard back on by entering the following command:
 - \$ oc patch etcd/cluster --type=merge -p '{"spec": {"unsupportedConfigOverrides": null}}'
- 6. You can verify that the **unsupportedConfigOverrides** section is removed from the object by entering this command:
 - \$ oc get etcd/cluster -oyaml
- 7. If you are using single-node OpenShift, restart the node. Otherwise, you might encounter the following error in the etcd cluster Operator:

Example output

EtcdCertSignerControllerDegraded: [Operation cannot be fulfilled on secrets "etcd-peer-sno-0": the object has been modified; please apply your changes to the latest version and try again, Operation cannot be fulfilled on secrets "etcd-serving-sno-0": the object has been modified; please apply your changes to the latest version and try again, Operation cannot be fulfilled on secrets "etcd-serving-metrics-sno-0": the object has been modified; please apply your changes to the latest version and try again]

Verification

- 1. Verify that all etcd pods are running properly.

 In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following command:
 - \$ oc -n openshift-etcd get pods -l k8s-app=etcd

Example output

etcd-ip-10-0-133-53.ec2.internal	3/3	Running	0	7m49s
etcd-ip-10-0-164-97.ec2.internal	3/3	Running	0	123m
etcd-ip-10-0-154-204.ec2.internal	3/3	Running	0	124m

If the output from the previous command only lists two pods, you can manually force an etcd redeployment. In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following command:

\$ oc patch etcd cluster -p='{"spec": {"forceRedeploymentReason": "recovery-'"\$(date --rfc-3339=ns)"""}}' --type=merge 1

- The **forceRedeploymentReason** value must be unique, which is why a timestamp is appended.
- 2. Verify that there are exactly three etcd members.
 - a. Connect to the running etcd container, passing in the name of a pod that was not on the affected node:

In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following command:

\$ oc rsh -n openshift-etcd etcd-ip-10-0-154-204.ec2.internal

b. View the member list:

sh-4.2# etcdctl member list -w table

Example output

If the output from the previous command lists more than three etcd members, you must carefully remove the unwanted member.



WARNING

Be sure to remove the correct etcd member; removing a good etcd member might lead to quorum loss.

Additional resources

Recovering a degraded etcd Operator

5.2.4.2. Replacing an unhealthy etcd member whose etcd pod is crashlooping

This procedure details the steps to replace an etcd member that is unhealthy because the etcd pod is crashlooping.

Prerequisites

- You have identified the unhealthy etcd member.
- You have verified that the etcd pod is crashlooping.

- You have access to the cluster as a user with the **cluster-admin** role.
- You have taken an etcd backup.



IMPORTANT

It is important to take an etcd backup before performing this procedure so that your cluster can be restored if you encounter any issues.

Procedure

- 1. Stop the crashlooping etcd pod.
 - a. Debug the node that is crashlooping.
 In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following command:
 - \$ oc debug node/ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal
 - Replace this with the name of the unhealthy node.
 - b. Change your root directory to /host:
 - sh-4.2# chroot /host
 - c. Move the existing etcd pod file out of the kubelet manifest directory:
 - sh-4.2# mkdir /var/lib/etcd-backup
 - sh-4.2# mv /etc/kubernetes/manifests/etcd-pod.yaml /var/lib/etcd-backup/
 - d. Move the etcd data directory to a different location:
 - sh-4.2# mv /var/lib/etcd/ /tmp

You can now exit the node shell.

- 2. Remove the unhealthy member.
 - a. Choose a pod that is *not* on the affected node.
 In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following command:
 - \$ oc -n openshift-etcd get pods -l k8s-app=etcd

etcd-ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal	2/3	Error	7	6h9m
etcd-ip-10-0-164-97.ec2.internal	3/3	Running	0	6h6m
etcd-ip-10-0-154-204.ec2.internal	3/3	Running	0	6h6m

b. Connect to the running etcd container, passing in the name of a pod that is not on the affected node.

In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following command:

\$ oc rsh -n openshift-etcd etcd-ip-10-0-154-204.ec2.internal

c. View the member list:

sh-4.2# etcdctl member list -w table

Example output

Take note of the ID and the name of the unhealthy etcd member, because these values are needed later in the procedure.

d. Remove the unhealthy etcd member by providing the ID to the **etcdctl member remove** command:

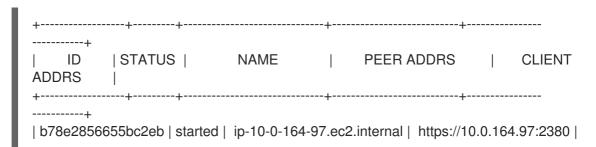
sh-4.2# etcdctl member remove 62bcf33650a7170a

Example output

Member 62bcf33650a7170a removed from cluster ead669ce1fbfb346

e. View the member list again and verify that the member was removed:

sh-4.2# etcdctl member list -w table





You can now exit the node shell.

3. Turn off the quorum guard by entering the following command:

This command ensures that you can successfully re-create secrets and roll out the static pods.

- 4. Remove the old secrets for the unhealthy etcd member that was removed.
 - a. List the secrets for the unhealthy etcd member that was removed.
 - \$ oc get secrets -n openshift-etcd | grep ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal
 - Pass in the name of the unhealthy etcd member that you took note of earlier in this procedure.

There is a peer, serving, and metrics secret as shown in the following output:

Example output

etcd-peer-ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal kubernetes.io/tls 2 47m etcd-serving-ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal kubernetes.io/tls 2 47m etcd-serving-metrics-ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal kubernetes.io/tls 2 47m

- b. Delete the secrets for the unhealthy etcd member that was removed.
 - i. Delete the peer secret:
 - \$ oc delete secret -n openshift-etcd etcd-peer-ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal
 - ii. Delete the serving secret:
 - \$ oc delete secret -n openshift-etcd etcd-serving-ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal
 - iii. Delete the metrics secret:

\$ oc delete secret -n openshift-etcd etcd-serving-metrics-ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal

5. Force etcd redeployment.

In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following command:



The **forceRedeploymentReason** value must be unique, which is why a timestamp is appended.

When the etcd cluster Operator performs a redeployment, it ensures that all control plane nodes have a functioning etcd pod.

- 6. Turn the quorum guard back on by entering the following command:
 - \$ oc patch etcd/cluster --type=merge -p '{"spec": {"unsupportedConfigOverrides": null}}'
- 7. You can verify that the **unsupportedConfigOverrides** section is removed from the object by entering this command:
 - \$ oc get etcd/cluster -oyaml
- 8. If you are using single-node OpenShift, restart the node. Otherwise, you might encounter the following error in the etcd cluster Operator:

Example output

EtcdCertSignerControllerDegraded: [Operation cannot be fulfilled on secrets "etcd-peer-sno-0": the object has been modified; please apply your changes to the latest version and try again, Operation cannot be fulfilled on secrets "etcd-serving-sno-0": the object has been modified; please apply your changes to the latest version and try again, Operation cannot be fulfilled on secrets "etcd-serving-metrics-sno-0": the object has been modified; please apply your changes to the latest version and try again]

Verification

- Verify that the new member is available and healthy.
 - a. Connect to the running etcd container again.
 In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a cluster-admin user, run the following command:
 - \$ oc rsh -n openshift-etcd etcd-ip-10-0-154-204.ec2.internal
 - b. Verify that all members are healthy:
 - sh-4.2# etcdctl endpoint health

Example output

https://10.0.131.183:2379 is healthy: successfully committed proposal: took = 16.671434ms

https://10.0.154.204:2379 is healthy: successfully committed proposal: took = 16.698331ms

https://10.0.164.97:2379 is healthy: successfully committed proposal: took = 16.621645ms

5.2.4.3. Replacing an unhealthy bare metal etcd member whose machine is not running or whose node is not ready

This procedure details the steps to replace a bare metal etcd member that is unhealthy either because the machine is not running or because the node is not ready.

If you are running installer-provisioned infrastructure or you used the Machine API to create your machines, follow these steps. Otherwise you must create the new control plane node using the same method that was used to originally create it.

Prerequisites

- You have identified the unhealthy bare metal etcd member.
- You have verified that either the machine is not running or the node is not ready.
- You have access to the cluster as a user with the **cluster-admin** role.
- You have taken an etcd backup.



IMPORTANT

You must take an etcd backup before performing this procedure so that your cluster can be restored if you encounter any issues.

Procedure

- 1. Verify and remove the unhealthy member.
 - a. Choose a pod that is *not* on the affected node:
 In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following command:

\$ oc -n openshift-etcd get pods -l k8s-app=etcd -o wide

Example output

```
etcd-openshift-control-plane-0 5/5 Running 11 3h56m 192.168.10.9 openshift-control-plane-0 <none> etcd-openshift-control-plane-1 5/5 Running 0 3h54m 192.168.10.10 openshift-control-plane-1 <none> etcd-openshift-control-plane-2 5/5 Running 0 3h58m 192.168.10.11 openshift-control-plane-2 <none>
```

b. Connect to the running etcd container, passing in the name of a pod that is not on the affected node:

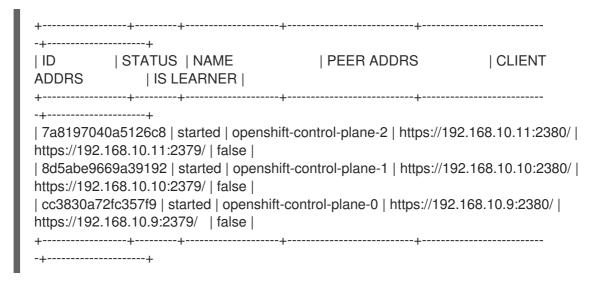
In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following command:

\$ oc rsh -n openshift-etcd etcd-openshift-control-plane-0

c. View the member list:

sh-4.2# etcdctl member list -w table

Example output



Take note of the ID and the name of the unhealthy etcd member, because these values are required later in the procedure. The **etcdctl endpoint health** command will list the removed member until the replacement procedure is completed and the new member is added.

d. Remove the unhealthy etcd member by providing the ID to the **etcdctl member remove** command:



WARNING

Be sure to remove the correct etcd member; removing a good etcd member might lead to quorum loss.

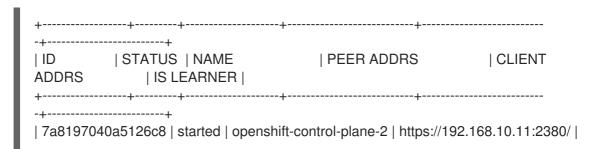
sh-4.2# etcdctl member remove 7a8197040a5126c8

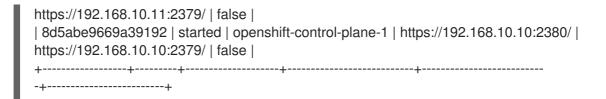
Example output

Member 7a8197040a5126c8 removed from cluster b23536c33f2cdd1b

e. View the member list again and verify that the member was removed:

sh-4.2# etcdctl member list -w table





You can now exit the node shell.



IMPORTANT

After you remove the member, the cluster might be unreachable for a short time while the remaining etcd instances reboot.

2. Turn off the guorum guard by entering the following command:

\$ oc patch etcd/cluster --type=merge -p '{"spec": {"unsupportedConfigOverrides": {"useUnsupportedUnsafeNonHANonProductionUnstableEtcd": true}}}'

This command ensures that you can successfully re-create secrets and roll out the static pods.

- 3. Remove the old secrets for the unhealthy etcd member that was removed by running the following commands.
 - a. List the secrets for the unhealthy etcd member that was removed.
 - \$ oc get secrets -n openshift-etcd | grep openshift-control-plane-2

Pass in the name of the unhealthy etcd member that you took note of earlier in this procedure.

There is a peer, serving, and metrics secret as shown in the following output:

etcd-peer-openshift-control-plane-2 kubernetes.io/tls 2 134m etcd-serving-metrics-openshift-control-plane-2 kubernetes.io/tls 2 134m etcd-serving-openshift-control-plane-2 kubernetes.io/tls 2 134m

- b. Delete the secrets for the unhealthy etcd member that was removed.
 - i. Delete the peer secret:

\$ oc delete secret etcd-peer-openshift-control-plane-2 -n openshift-etcd secret "etcd-peer-openshift-control-plane-2" deleted

ii. Delete the serving secret:

\$ oc delete secret etcd-serving-metrics-openshift-control-plane-2 -n openshift-etcd secret "etcd-serving-metrics-openshift-control-plane-2" deleted

iii. Delete the metrics secret:

\$ oc delete secret etcd-serving-openshift-control-plane-2 -n openshift-etcd secret "etcd-serving-openshift-control-plane-2" deleted

4. Delete the control plane machine.

If you are running installer-provisioned infrastructure, or you used the Machine API to create your machines, follow these steps. Otherwise, you must create the new control plane node using the same method that was used to originally create it.

a. Obtain the machine for the unhealthy member.
 In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following command:

\$ oc get machines -n openshift-machine-api -o wide

Example output

NAME PHASE TYPE REGION ZONE AGE NODE STATE **PROVIDERID** 3h11m openshift-controlexamplecluster-control-plane-0 Running plane-0 baremetalhost:///openshift-machine-api/openshift-control-plane-0/da1ebe11-3ff2-41c5-b099-0aa41222964e externally provisioned 1 examplecluster-control-plane-1 Running 3h11m openshift-controlplane-1 baremetalhost:///openshift-machine-api/openshift-control-plane-1/d9f9acbc-329c-475e-8d81-03b20280a3e1 externally provisioned examplecluster-control-plane-2 Running 3h11m openshift-controlplane-2 baremetalhost:///openshift-machine-api/openshift-control-plane-2/3354bdac-61d8-410f-be5b-6a395b056135 externally provisioned examplecluster-compute-0 Running 165m openshift-compute-0 baremetalhost:///openshift-machine-api/openshift-compute-0/3d685b81-7410-4bb3-80ec-13a31858241f provisioned examplecluster-compute-1 Running 165m openshift-compute-1 baremetalhost:///openshift-machine-api/openshift-compute-1/0fdae6eb-2066-4241-91dcprovisioned e7ea72ab13b9

- This is the control plane machine for the unhealthy node, **examplecluster-control- plane-2**.
- b. Save the machine configuration to a file on your file system:
 - \$ oc get machine examplecluster-control-plane-2 \ 1
 - -n openshift-machine-api \
 - -o yaml \
 - > new-master-machine.yaml
 - 1 Specify the name of the control plane machine for the unhealthy node.
- c. Edit the **new-master-machine.yaml** file that was created in the previous step to assign a new name and remove unnecessary fields.
 - i. Remove the entire **status** section:

status:

addresses:
- address: ""
type: InternalIP

- address: fe80::4adf:37ff:feb0:8aa1%ens1f1.373

type: InternalDNS

- address: fe80::4adf:37ff:feb0:8aa1%ens1f1.371

type: Hostname

lastUpdated: "2020-04-20T17:44:29Z"

nodeRef: kind: Machine

name: fe80::4adf:37ff:feb0:8aa1%ens1f1.372 uid: acca4411-af0d-4387-b73e-52b2484295ad

phase: Running providerStatus:

apiVersion: machine.openshift.io/v1beta1

conditions:

lastProbeTime: "2020-04-20T16:53:50Z"
 lastTransitionTime: "2020-04-20T16:53:50Z"
 message: machine successfully created
 reason: MachineCreationSucceeded

status: "True"

type: MachineCreation

instanceld: i-0fdb85790d76d0c3f

instanceState: stopped

kind: Machine

5. Change the **metadata.name** field to a new name.

It is recommended to keep the same base name as the old machine and change the ending number to the next available number. In this example, **examplecluster-control-plane-2** is changed to **examplecluster-control-plane-3**.

For example:

apiVersion: machine.openshift.io/v1beta1 kind: Machine metadata: ... name: examplecluster-control-plane-3

a. Remove the **spec.providerID** field:

providerID: baremetalhost:///openshift-machine-api/openshift-control-plane-2/3354bdac-61d8-410f-be5b-6a395b056135

b. Remove the **metadata.annotations** and **metadata.generation** fields:

annotations:
machine.openshift.io/instance-state: externally provisioned
...
generation: 2

c. Remove the **spec.conditions**, **spec.lastUpdated**, **spec.nodeRef** and **spec.phase** fields:

lastTransitionTime: "2022-08-03T08:40:36Z"

message: 'Drain operation currently blocked by: [{Name:EtcdQuorumOperator

Owner:clusteroperator/etcd}]'

reason: HookPresent severity: Warning status: "False"

type: Drainable

lastTransitionTime: "2022-08-03T08:39:55Z"

status: "True" type: InstanceExists

lastTransitionTime: "2022-08-03T08:36:37Z"

status: "True" type: Terminable

lastUpdated: "2022-08-03T08:40:36Z"

nodeRef: kind: Node

name: openshift-control-plane-2

uid: 788df282-6507-4ea2-9a43-24f237ccbc3c

phase: Running

6. Ensure that the Bare Metal Operator is available by running the following command:

\$ oc get clusteroperator baremetal

Example output

NAME VERSION AVAILABLE PROGRESSING DEGRADED SINCE MESSAGE baremetal 4.13.0 True False False 3d15h

- 7. Remove the old **BareMetalHost** object by running the following command:
 - \$ oc delete bmh openshift-control-plane-2 -n openshift-machine-api

Example output

- baremetalhost.metal3.io "openshift-control-plane-2" deleted
- 8. Delete the machine of the unhealthy member by running the following command:
 - \$ oc delete machine -n openshift-machine-api examplecluster-control-plane-2

After you remove the **BareMetalHost** and **Machine** objects, then the **Machine** controller automatically deletes the **Node** object.

If deletion of the machine is delayed for any reason or the command is obstructed and delayed, you can force deletion by removing the machine object finalizer field.



IMPORTANT

Do not interrupt machine deletion by pressing **Ctrl+c**. You must allow the command to proceed to completion. Open a new terminal window to edit and delete the finalizer fields.

- a. Edit the machine configuration by running the following command:
 - \$ oc edit machine -n openshift-machine-api examplecluster-control-plane-2
- b. Delete the following fields in the **Machine** custom resource, and then save the updated file:

finalizers:

- machine.machine.openshift.io

Example output

- machine.machine.openshift.io/examplecluster-control-plane-2 edited
- 9. Verify that the machine was deleted by running the following command:

\$ oc get machines -n openshift-machine-api -o wide

Example output

NAME TYPE REGION ZONE AGE PHASE NODE **PROVIDERID** STATE examplecluster-control-plane-0 Running 3h11m openshift-control-plane-0 baremetalhost:///openshift-machine-api/openshift-control-plane-0/da1ebe11-3ff2-41c5-b099-0aa41222964e externally provisioned examplecluster-control-plane-1 Running 3h11m openshift-control-plane-1 baremetalhost:///openshift-machine-api/openshift-control-plane-1/d9f9acbc-329c-475e-8d81-03b20280a3e1 externally provisioned Running examplecluster-compute-0 165m openshift-compute-0 baremetalhost:///openshift-machine-api/openshift-compute-0/3d685b81-7410-4bb3-80ec-13a31858241f provisioned examplecluster-compute-1 Running 165m openshift-compute-1 baremetalhost:///openshift-machine-api/openshift-compute-1/0fdae6eb-2066-4241-91dce7ea72ab13b9 provisioned

10. Verify that the node has been deleted by running the following command:

\$ oc get nodes

NAME STATUS ROLES AGE VERSION openshift-control-plane-0 Ready master 3h24m v1.26.0 openshift-control-plane-1 Ready master 3h24m v1.26.0 openshift-compute-0 Ready worker 176m v1.26.0 openshift-compute-1 Ready worker 176m v1.26.0

11. Create the new **BareMetalHost** object and the secret to store the BMC credentials:

\$ cat <<EOF | oc apply -f -

apiVersion: v1 kind: Secret metadata:

name: openshift-control-plane-2-bmc-secret

namespace: openshift-machine-api

data:

password: <password>
username: <username>

type: Opaque

apiVersion: metal3.io/v1alpha1

kind: BareMetalHost

metadata:

name: openshift-control-plane-2 namespace: openshift-machine-api

spec:

automatedCleaningMode: disabled

bmc:

address: redfish://10.46.61.18:443/redfish/v1/Systems/1 credentialsName: openshift-control-plane-2-bmc-secret

disableCertificateVerification: true bootMACAddress: 48:df:37:b0:8a:a0

bootMode: UEFI

externallyProvisioned: false

online: true rootDeviceHints:

deviceName: /dev/disk/by-id/scsi-<serial_number>

userData:

name: master-user-data-managed namespace: openshift-machine-api

EOF



NOTE

The username and password can be found from the other bare metal host's secrets. The protocol to use in **bmc:address** can be taken from other bmh objects.



IMPORTANT

If you reuse the **BareMetalHost** object definition from an existing control plane host, do not leave the **externallyProvisioned** field set to **true**.

Existing control plane **BareMetalHost** objects may have the **externallyProvisioned** flag set to **true** if they were provisioned by the OpenShift Container Platform installation program.

After the inspection is complete, the **BareMetalHost** object is created and available to be provisioned.

12. Verify the creation process using available **BareMetalHost** objects:

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

NAME STATE CONSUMER ONLINE ERROR AGE

openshift-control-plane-0 externally provisioned examplecluster-control-plane-0 true 4h48m

openshift-control-plane-1 externally provisioned examplecluster-control-plane-1 true

openshift-control-plane-2 available examplecluster-control-plane-3 true 47m openshift-compute-0 provisioned examplecluster-compute-0 true 4h48m openshift-compute-1 provisioned examplecluster-compute-1 true 4h48m

a. Create the new control plane machine using the new-master-machine.yaml file:

\$ oc apply -f new-master-machine.yaml

b. Verify that the new machine has been created:

\$ oc get machines -n openshift-machine-api -o wide

Example output

NAME TYPE REGION ZONE AGE NODE PHASE **PROVIDERID** STATE examplecluster-control-plane-0 Running 3h11m openshift-controlplane-0 baremetalhost:///openshift-machine-api/openshift-control-plane-0/da1ebe11-3ff2-41c5-b099-0aa41222964e externally provisioned 1 examplecluster-control-plane-1 Running 3h11m openshift-controlplane-1 baremetalhost:///openshift-machine-api/openshift-control-plane-1/d9f9acbc-329c-475e-8d81-03b20280a3e1 externally provisioned examplecluster-control-plane-2 Running 3h11m openshift-controlplane-2 baremetalhost:///openshift-machine-api/openshift-control-plane-2/3354bdac-61d8-410f-be5b-6a395b056135 externally provisioned examplecluster-compute-0 Running openshift-compute-165m baremetalhost:///openshift-machine-api/openshift-compute-0/3d685b81-7410-4bb3-80ec-13a31858241f provisioned examplecluster-compute-1 Running 165m openshift-computebaremetalhost://openshift-machine-api/openshift-compute-1/0fdae6eb-2066-4241-91dc-e7ea72ab13b9 provisioned

The new machine, **clustername-8qw5l-master-3** is being created and is ready after the phase changes from **Provisioning** to **Running**.

It should take a few minutes for the new machine to be created. The etcd cluster Operator will automatically sync when the machine or node returns to a healthy state.

c. Verify that the bare metal host becomes provisioned and no error reported by running the following command:

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

Example output

\$ oc get bmh -n openshift-machine-api
NAME STATE CONSUMER ONLINE ERROR AGE
openshift-control-plane-0 externally provisioned examplecluster-control-plane-0 true
4h48m

openshift-control-plane-1 externally provisioned examplecluster-control-plane-1 true
4h48m
openshift-control-plane-2 provisioned examplecluster-control-plane-3 true
47m
openshift-compute-0 provisioned examplecluster-compute-0 true
4h48m
openshift-compute-1 provisioned examplecluster-compute-1 true
4h48m

d. Verify that the new node is added and in a ready state by running this command:

\$ oc get nodes

Example output

\$ oc get nodes

NAME

STATUS ROLES

AGE

VERSION

openshift-control-plane-0

Ready master 4h26m v1.26.0

openshift-control-plane-1

Ready master 4h26m v1.26.0

openshift-control-plane-2

Ready master 12m

v1.26.0

openshift-compute-0

Ready worker 3h58m v1.26.0

openshift-compute-1

Ready worker 3h58m v1.26.0

13. Turn the quorum guard back on by entering the following command:

\$ oc patch etcd/cluster --type=merge -p '{"spec": {"unsupportedConfigOverrides": null}}'

- 14. You can verify that the **unsupportedConfigOverrides** section is removed from the object by entering this command:
 - \$ oc get etcd/cluster -oyaml
- 15. If you are using single-node OpenShift, restart the node. Otherwise, you might encounter the following error in the etcd cluster Operator:

Example output

EtcdCertSignerControllerDegraded: [Operation cannot be fulfilled on secrets "etcd-peer-sno-0": the object has been modified; please apply your changes to the latest version and try again, Operation cannot be fulfilled on secrets "etcd-serving-sno-0": the object has been modified; please apply your changes to the latest version and try again, Operation cannot be fulfilled on secrets "etcd-serving-metrics-sno-0": the object has been modified; please apply your changes to the latest version and try again]

Verification

- 1. Verify that all etcd pods are running properly.

 In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following command:
 - \$ oc -n openshift-etcd get pods -l k8s-app=etcd

```
etcd-openshift-control-plane-0 5/5 Running 0 105m
etcd-openshift-control-plane-1 5/5 Running 0 107m
etcd-openshift-control-plane-2 5/5 Running 0 103m
```

If the output from the previous command only lists two pods, you can manually force an etcd redeployment. In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following command:

\$ oc patch etcd cluster -p='{"spec": {"forceRedeploymentReason": "recovery-""\$(date --rfc-3339=ns)"""}}' --type=merge 1

The **forceRedeploymentReason** value must be unique, which is why a timestamp is appended.

To verify there are exactly three etcd members, connect to the running etcd container, passing in the name of a pod that was not on the affected node. In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following command:

\$ oc rsh -n openshift-etcd etcd-openshift-control-plane-0

2. View the member list:

sh-4.2# etcdctl member list -w table

Example output



NOTE

If the output from the previous command lists more than three etcd members, you must carefully remove the unwanted member.

3. Verify that all etcd members are healthy by running the following command:

etcdctl endpoint health --cluster

https://192.168.10.10:2379 is healthy: successfully committed proposal: took = 8.973065ms https://192.168.10.9:2379 is healthy: successfully committed proposal: took = 11.559829ms https://192.168.10.11:2379 is healthy: successfully committed proposal: took = 11.665203ms

4. Validate that all nodes are at the latest revision by running the following command:

\$ oc get etcd -o=jsonpath='{range.items[0].status.conditions[?
(@.type=="NodeInstallerProgressing")]}{.reason}{"\n"}{.message}{"\n"}'

AllNodesAtLatestRevision

5.2.5. Additional resources

Quorum protection with machine lifecycle hooks

5.3. DISASTER RECOVERY

5.3.1. About disaster recovery

The disaster recovery documentation provides information for administrators on how to recover from several disaster situations that might occur with their OpenShift Container Platform cluster. As an administrator, you might need to follow one or more of the following procedures to return your cluster to a working state.



IMPORTANT

Disaster recovery requires you to have at least one healthy control plane host.

Restoring to a previous cluster state

This solution handles situations where you want to restore your cluster to a previous state, for example, if an administrator deletes something critical. This also includes situations where you have lost the majority of your control plane hosts, leading to etcd quorum loss and the cluster going offline. As long as you have taken an etcd backup, you can follow this procedure to restore your cluster to a previous state.

If applicable, you might also need to recover from expired control plane certificates.



WARNING

Restoring to a previous cluster state is a destructive and destablizing action to take on a running cluster. This procedure should only be used as a last resort.

Prior to performing a restore, see About restoring cluster state for more information on the impact to the cluster.



If you have a majority of your masters still available and have an etcd quorum, then follow the procedure to replace a single unhealthy etcd member.

Recovering from expired control plane certificates

This solution handles situations where your control plane certificates have expired. For example, if you shut down your cluster before the first certificate rotation, which occurs 24 hours after installation, your certificates will not be rotated and will expire. You can follow this procedure to recover from expired control plane certificates.

5.3.2. Restoring to a previous cluster state

To restore the cluster to a previous state, you must have previously backed up etcd data by creating a snapshot. You will use this snapshot to restore the cluster state.

5.3.2.1. About restoring cluster state

You can use an etcd backup to restore your cluster to a previous state. This can be used to recover from the following situations:

- The cluster has lost the majority of control plane hosts (quorum loss).
- An administrator has deleted something critical and must restore to recover the cluster.



WARNING

Restoring to a previous cluster state is a destructive and destablizing action to take on a running cluster. This should only be used as a last resort.

If you are able to retrieve data using the Kubernetes API server, then etcd is available and you should not restore using an etcd backup.

Restoring etcd effectively takes a cluster back in time and all clients will experience a conflicting, parallel history. This can impact the behavior of watching components like kubelets, Kubernetes controller managers, SDN controllers, and persistent volume controllers.

It can cause Operator churn when the content in etcd does not match the actual content on disk, causing Operators for the Kubernetes API server, Kubernetes controller manager, Kubernetes scheduler, and etcd to get stuck when files on disk conflict with content in etcd. This can require manual actions to resolve the issues.

In extreme cases, the cluster can lose track of persistent volumes, delete critical workloads that no longer exist, reimage machines, and rewrite CA bundles with expired certificates.

5.3.2.2. Restoring to a previous cluster state

You can use a saved etcd backup to restore a previous cluster state or restore a cluster that has lost the majority of control plane hosts.



If your cluster uses a control plane machine set, see "Troubleshooting the control plane machine set" for a more simple etcd recovery procedure.



IMPORTANT

When you restore your cluster, you must use an etcd backup that was taken from the same z-stream release. For example, an OpenShift Container Platform 4.7.2 cluster must use an etcd backup that was taken from 4.7.2.

Prerequisites

- Access to the cluster as a user with the cluster-admin role through a certificate-based kubeconfig file, like the one that was used during installation.
- A healthy control plane host to use as the recovery host.
- SSH access to control plane hosts.
- A backup directory containing both the etcd snapshot and the resources for the static pods, which were from the same backup. The file names in the directory must be in the following formats: snapshot_<datetimestamp>.db and static_kuberesources_<datetimestamp>.tar.gz.



IMPORTANT

For non-recovery control plane nodes, it is not required to establish SSH connectivity or to stop the static pods. You can delete and recreate other non-recovery, control plane machines, one by one.

Procedure

- 1. Select a control plane host to use as the recovery host. This is the host that you will run the restore operation on.
- 2. Establish SSH connectivity to each of the control plane nodes, including the recovery host. The Kubernetes API server becomes inaccessible after the restore process starts, so you cannot access the control plane nodes. For this reason, it is recommended to establish SSH connectivity to each control plane host in a separate terminal.



IMPORTANT

If you do not complete this step, you will not be able to access the control plane hosts to complete the restore procedure, and you will be unable to recover your cluster from this state.

- Copy the etcd backup directory to the recovery control plane host.
 This procedure assumes that you copied the **backup** directory containing the etcd snapshot and the resources for the static pods to the /home/core/ directory of your recovery control plane host.
- 4. Stop the static pods on any other control plane nodes.



You do not need to stop the static pods on the recovery host.

- a. Access a control plane host that is not the recovery host.
- b. Move the existing etcd pod file out of the kubelet manifest directory:
 - \$ sudo mv /etc/kubernetes/manifests/etcd-pod.yaml /tmp
- c. Verify that the etcd pods are stopped.
 - \$ sudo crictl ps | grep etcd | egrep -v "operator|etcd-guard"

The output of this command should be empty. If it is not empty, wait a few minutes and check again.

- d. Move the existing Kubernetes API server pod file out of the kubelet manifest directory:
 - \$ sudo mv /etc/kubernetes/manifests/kube-apiserver-pod.yaml /tmp
- e. Verify that the Kubernetes API server pods are stopped.
 - \$ sudo crictl ps | grep kube-apiserver | egrep -v "operator|guard"

The output of this command should be empty. If it is not empty, wait a few minutes and check again.

- f. Move the etcd data directory to a different location:
 - \$ sudo mv /var/lib/etcd/ /tmp
- g. Repeat this step on each of the other control plane hosts that is not the recovery host.
- 5. Access the recovery control plane host.
- 6. If the cluster-wide proxy is enabled, be sure that you have exported the **NO_PROXY**, **HTTP_PROXY**, and **HTTPS_PROXY** environment variables.

TIP

You can check whether the proxy is enabled by reviewing the output of **oc get proxy cluster -o yaml**. The proxy is enabled if the **httpProxy**, **httpsProxy**, and **noProxy** fields have values set.

- 7. Run the restore script on the recovery control plane host and pass in the path to the etcd backup directory:
 - \$ sudo -E /usr/local/bin/cluster-restore.sh /home/core/backup

Example script output

- ...stopping kube-scheduler-pod.yaml
- ...stopping kube-controller-manager-pod.yaml

...stopping etcd-pod.yaml ...stopping kube-apiserver-pod.yaml Waiting for container etcd to stop .complete Waiting for container etcdctl to stopcomplete Waiting for container etcd-metrics to stop complete Waiting for container kube-controller-manager to stop complete Waiting for container kube-apiserver to stopcomplete Waiting for container kube-scheduler to stop Moving etcd data-dir /var/lib/etcd/member to /var/lib/etcd-backup starting restore-etcd static pod starting kube-apiserver-pod.yaml static-pod-resources/kube-apiserver-pod-7/kube-apiserver-pod.yaml starting kube-controller-manager-pod.yaml static-pod-resources/kube-controller-manager-pod-7/kube-controller-manager-pod.yaml starting kube-scheduler-pod.yaml static-pod-resources/kube-scheduler-pod-8/kube-scheduler-pod.yaml



NOTE

The restore process can cause nodes to enter the **NotReady** state if the node certificates were updated after the last etcd backup.

- 8. Check the nodes to ensure they are in the **Ready** state.
 - a. Run the following command:

\$ oc get nodes -w

Sample output

NAME	STATUS F	ROLES	AGE '	VERSION
host-172-25-75-	28 Ready	master	3d20h	v1.26.0
host-172-25-75-	38 Ready	infra,worker	3d20h	v1.26.0
host-172-25-75-	40 Ready	master	3d20h	v1.26.0
host-172-25-75-	65 Ready	master	3d20h	v1.26.0
host-172-25-75-	74 Ready	infra,worker	3d20h	v1.26.0
host-172-25-75-	79 Ready	worker	3d20h	v1.26.0
host-172-25-75-	86 Ready	worker	3d20h	v1.26.0
host-172-25-75-	98 Ready	infra,worker	3d20h	v1.26.0

It can take several minutes for all nodes to report their state.

b. If any nodes are in the **NotReady** state, log in to the nodes and remove all of the PEM files from the /var/lib/kubelet/pki directory on each node. You can SSH into the nodes or use the terminal window in the web console.

\$ ssh -i <ssh-key-path> core@<master-hostname>

~ 1

Sample pki directory

sh-4.4# pwd
/var/lib/kubelet/pki
sh-4.4# ls
kubelet-client-2022-04-28-11-24-09.pem kubelet-server-2022-04-28-11-24-15.pem
kubelet-client-current.pem kubelet-server-current.pem

- 9. Restart the kubelet service on all control plane hosts.
 - a. From the recovery host, run the following command:
 - \$ sudo systemctl restart kubelet.service
 - b. Repeat this step on all other control plane hosts.
- 10. Approve the pending CSRs:



NOTE

Clusters with no worker nodes, such as single-node clusters or clusters consisting of three schedulable control plane nodes, will not have any pending CSRs to approve. You can skip all the commands listed in this step.

a. Get the list of current CSRs:

\$ oc get csr

Example output

NAME AGE SI	GNERNAME	REQUESTOR
CONDITION		
csr-2s94x 8m3s ku	bernetes.io/kubelet-serving	system:node: <node_name></node_name>
Pending 1		
csr-4bd6t 8m3s kul	bernetes.io/kubelet-serving	system:node: <node_name></node_name>
Pending 2		
csr-4hl85 13m kub	pernetes.io/kube-apiserver-client-ku	belet
system:serviceaccour	nt:openshift-machine-config-operat	or:node-bootstrapper Pending
3		
csr-zhhhp 3m8s ku	ubernetes.io/kube-apiserver-client-k	rubelet
system:serviceaccour	nt:openshift-machine-config-operat	or:node-bootstrapper Pending
4		

- 12 A pending kubelet service CSR (for user-provisioned installations).
- 3 4 A pending **node-bootstrapper** CSR.
- b. Review the details of a CSR to verify that it is valid:

\$ oc describe csr <csr_name> 1

1

<csr_name> is the name of a CSR from the list of current CSRs.

- c. Approve each valid node-bootstrapper CSR:
 - \$ oc adm certificate approve <csr_name>
- d. For user-provisioned installations, approve each valid kubelet service CSR:
 - \$ oc adm certificate approve <csr_name>
- 11. Verify that the single member control plane has started successfully.
 - a. From the recovery host, verify that the etcd container is running.
 - \$ sudo crictl ps | grep etcd | egrep -v "operator|etcd-guard"

Example output

3ad41b7908e32 36f86e2eeaaffe662df0d21041eb22b8198e0e58abeeae8c743c3e6e977e8009 About a minute ago Running etcd 0 7c05f8af362f0

- b. From the recovery host, verify that the etcd pod is running.
 - \$ oc -n openshift-etcd get pods -l k8s-app=etcd

Example output

NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE etcd-ip-10-0-143-125.ec2.internal 1/1 Running 1 2m47s

If the status is **Pending**, or the output lists more than one running etcd pod, wait a few minutes and check again.

- 12. If you are using the **OVNKubernetes** network plugin, delete the node objects that are associated with control plane hosts that are not the recovery control plane host.
 - \$ oc delete node <non-recovery-controlplane-host-1> <non-recovery-controlplane-host-2>
- 13. Verify that the Cluster Network Operator (CNO) redeploys the OVN-Kubernetes control plane and that it no longer references the non-recovery controller IP addresses. To verify this result, regularly check the output of the following command. Wait until it returns an empty result before you proceed to restart the Open Virtual Network (OVN) Kubernetes pods on all of the hosts in the next step.

\$ oc -n openshift-ovn-kubernetes get ds/ovnkube-master -o yaml | grep -E '<non-recovery_controller_ip_1>|<non-recovery_controller_ip_2>'



It can take at least 5-10 minutes for the OVN-Kubernetes control plane to be redeployed and the previous command to return empty output.

14. Restart the Open Virtual Network (OVN) Kubernetes pods on all the hosts.



NOTE

Validating and mutating admission webhooks can reject pods. If you add any additional webhooks with the **failurePolicy** set to **Fail**, then they can reject pods and the restoration process can fail. You can avoid this by saving and deleting webhooks while restoring the cluster state. After the cluster state is restored successfully, you can enable the webhooks again.

Alternatively, you can temporarily set the **failurePolicy** to **Ignore** while restoring the cluster state. After the cluster state is restored successfully, you can set the **failurePolicy** to **Fail**.

- a. Remove the northbound database (nbdb) and southbound database (sbdb). Access the recovery host and the remaining control plane nodes by using Secure Shell (SSH) and run the following command:
 - \$ sudo rm -f /var/lib/ovn/etc/*.db
- b. Delete all OVN-Kubernetes control plane pods by running the following command:
 - \$ oc delete pods -l app=ovnkube-master -n openshift-ovn-kubernetes
- c. Ensure that any OVN-Kubernetes control plane pods are deployed again and are in a **Running** state by running the following command:
 - \$ oc get pods -l app=ovnkube-master -n openshift-ovn-kubernetes

Example output

NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE ovnkube-master-nb24h 4/4 Running 0 48s

- d. Delete all **ovnkube-node** pods by running the following command:
 - $\$ oc get pods -n openshift-ovn-kubernetes -o name | grep ovnkube-node | while read p ; do oc delete $\$ -n openshift-ovn-kubernetes ; done
- e. Ensure that all the **ovnkube-node** pods are deployed again and are in a **Running** state by running the following command:
 - \$ oc get pods -n openshift-ovn-kubernetes | grep ovnkube-node
- 15. Delete and re-create other non-recovery, control plane machines, one by one. After the machines are re-created, a new revision is forced and etcd automatically scales up.

• If you use a user-provisioned bare metal installation, you can re-create a control plane machine by using the same method that you used to originally create it. For more information, see "Installing a user-provisioned cluster on bare metal".



WARNING

Do not delete and re-create the machine for the recovery host.

• If you are running installer-provisioned infrastructure, or you used the Machine API to create your machines, follow these steps:



WARNING

Do not delete and re-create the machine for the recovery host.

For bare metal installations on installer-provisioned infrastructure, control plane machines are not re-created. For more information, see "Replacing a bare-metal control plane node".

a. Obtain the machine for one of the lost control plane hosts.
 In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a cluster-admin user, run the following command:

\$ oc get machines -n openshift-machine-api -o wide

_	TYPE REGION ZONE AGE
NODE PROVIDERID	STATE
clustername-8qw5l-master-0	Running m4.xlarge us-east-1 us-east-1a
3h37m ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal a stopped 1	aws:///us-east-1a/i-0ec2782f8287dfb7e
clustername-8qw5l-master-1	Running m4.xlarge us-east-1 us-east-1b
3h37m ip-10-0-143-125.ec2.internal a running	aws:///us-east-1b/i-096c349b700a19631
clustername-8qw5l-master-2	Running m4.xlarge us-east-1 us-east-1c
3h37m ip-10-0-154-194.ec2.internal running	aws:///us-east-1c/i-02626f1dba9ed5bba
clustername-8qw5l-worker-us-east-1a-v	wbtgd Running m4.large us-east-1 us-
east-1a 3h28m ip-10-0-129-226.ec2.i	internal aws:///us-east-1a/i-
010ef6279b4662ced running	
clustername-8qw5l-worker-us-east-1b-li	rdxb Running m4.large us-east-1 us-
east-1b 3h28m ip-10-0-144-248.ec2.i	internal aws:///us-east-1b/i-
0cb45ac45a166173b running	

clustername-8qw5l-worker-us-east-1c-pkg26 Running m4.large us-east-1 us-east-1c 3h28m ip-10-0-170-181.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1c/i-06861c00007751b0a running

- This is the control plane machine for the lost control plane host, **ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal**.
- b. Save the machine configuration to a file on your file system:
 - \$ oc get machine clustername-8qw5l-master-0 \ 1
 - -n openshift-machine-api \
 - -o yaml \
 - > new-master-machine.yaml
 - Specify the name of the control plane machine for the lost control plane host.
- c. Edit the **new-master-machine.yaml** file that was created in the previous step to assign a new name and remove unnecessary fields.
 - i. Remove the entire **status** section:

status:

addresses:

- address: 10.0.131.183

type: InternalIP

- address: ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal

type: InternalDNS

- address: ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal

type: Hostname

lastUpdated: "2020-04-20T17:44:29Z"

nodeRef: kind: Node

name: ip-10-0-131-183.ec2.internal

uid: acca4411-af0d-4387-b73e-52b2484295ad

phase: Running providerStatus:

apiVersion: awsproviderconfig.openshift.io/v1beta1

conditions:

 lastProbeTime: "2020-04-20T16:53:50Z" lastTransitionTime: "2020-04-20T16:53:50Z" message: machine successfully created reason: MachineCreationSucceeded

status: "True"

type: MachineCreation

instanceld: i-0fdb85790d76d0c3f

instanceState: stopped

kind: AWSMachineProviderStatus

ii. Change the **metadata.name** field to a new name.

It is recommended to keep the same base name as the old machine and change the ending number to the next available number. In this example, **clustername-8qw5l-master-0** is changed to **clustername-8qw5l-master-3**:

apiVersion: machine.openshift.io/v1beta1

kind: Machine metadata:

...

name: clustername-8qw5l-master-3

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iii. Remove the **spec.providerID** field:

providerID: aws:///us-east-1a/i-0fdb85790d76d0c3f

iv. Remove the **metadata.annotations** and **metadata.generation** fields:

annotations:

machine.openshift.io/instance-state: running

...

generation: 2

v. Remove the metadata.resourceVersion and metadata.uid fields:

resourceVersion: "13291"

uid: a282eb70-40a2-4e89-8009-d05dd420d31a

d. Delete the machine of the lost control plane host:

\$ oc delete machine -n openshift-machine-api clustername-8qw5l-master-0

- Specify the name of the control plane machine for the lost control plane host.
- e. Verify that the machine was deleted:

\$ oc get machines -n openshift-machine-api -o wide

Example output:

NAME PHASE TYPE REGION ZONE AGE

NODE PROVIDERID STATE

clustername-8qw5l-master-1 Running m4.xlarge us-east-1 us-east-1b 3h37m ip-10-0-143-125.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1b/i-096c349b700a19631

running

clustername-8qw5l-master-2 Running m4.xlarge us-east-1 us-east-1c 3h37m ip-10-0-154-194.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1c/i-02626f1dba9ed5bba

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clustername-8qw5l-worker-us-east-1a-wbtgd Running m4.large us-east-1 us-east-1a 3h28m ip-10-0-129-226.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1a/i-

010ef6279b4662ced running

clustername-8qw5l-worker-us-east-1b-lrdxb Running m4.large us-east-1 us-east-1b 3h28m ip-10-0-144-248.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1b/i-

0cb45ac45a166173b running

clustername-8qw5l-worker-us-east-1c-pkg26 Running m4.large us-east-1 us-east-1c 3h28m ip-10-0-170-181.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1c/i-

06861c00007751b0a running

f. Create a machine by using the **new-master-machine.yaml** file:

\$ oc apply -f new-master-machine.yaml

g. Verify that the new machine has been created:

\$ oc get machines -n openshift-machine-api -o wide

Example output:

NAME PHASE TYPE REGION **ZONE** AGE NODE PROVIDERID STATE clustername-8qw5l-master-1 Running m4.xlarge us-east-1 us-east-1b 3h37m ip-10-0-143-125.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1b/i-096c349b700a19631 running clustername-8qw5l-master-2 Running m4.xlarge us-east-1 us-east-1c 3h37m ip-10-0-154-194.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1c/i-02626f1dba9ed5bba running clustername-8qw5l-master-3 Provisioning m4.xlarge us-east-1 us-east-1a 85s ip-10-0-173-171.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1a/i-015b0888fe17bc2c8 clustername-8gw5l-worker-us-east-1a-wbtgd Running m4.large us-east-1 us-east-1a 3h28m ip-10-0-129-226.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1a/i-010ef6279b4662ced running clustername-8qw5l-worker-us-east-1b-lrdxb Running m4.large us-east-1 useast-1b 3h28m ip-10-0-144-248.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1b/i-0cb45ac45a166173b running clustername-8qw5l-worker-us-east-1c-pkg26 Running m4.large us-east-1 us-east-1c 3h28m ip-10-0-170-181.ec2.internal aws:///us-east-1c/i-06861c00007751b0a running

The new machine, **clustername-8qw5l-master-3** is being created and is ready after the phase changes from **Provisioning** to **Running**.

It might take a few minutes for the new machine to be created. The etcd cluster Operator will automatically sync when the machine or node returns to a healthy state.

- h. Repeat these steps for each lost control plane host that is not the recovery host.
- 16. Turn off the quorum quard by entering the following command:

\$ oc patch etcd/cluster --type=merge -p '{"spec": {"unsupportedConfigOverrides": {"useUnsupportedUnsafeNonHANonProductionUnstableEtcd": true}}}'

This command ensures that you can successfully re-create secrets and roll out the static pods.

17. In a separate terminal window within the recovery host, export the recovery **kubeconfig** file by running the following command:

\$ export KUBECONFIG=/etc/kubernetes/static-pod-resources/kube-apiserver-certs/secrets/node-kubeconfigs/localhost-recovery.kubeconfig

18. Force etcd redeployment.

In the same terminal window where you exported the recovery **kubeconfig** file, run the following command:

\$ oc patch etcd cluster -p='{"spec": {"forceRedeploymentReason": "recovery-""\$(date --rfc-3339=ns)"""}}' --type=merge 1

The **forceRedeploymentReason** value must be unique, which is why a timestamp is appended.

When the etcd cluster Operator performs a redeployment, the existing nodes are started with new pods similar to the initial bootstrap scale up.

- 19. Turn the quorum guard back on by entering the following command:
 - \$ oc patch etcd/cluster --type=merge -p '{"spec": {"unsupportedConfigOverrides": null}}'
- 20. You can verify that the **unsupportedConfigOverrides** section is removed from the object by entering this command:
 - \$ oc get etcd/cluster -oyaml
- 21. Verify all nodes are updated to the latest revision.

 In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following command:

\$ oc get etcd -o=jsonpath='{range .items[0].status.conditions[? (@.type=="NodeInstallerProgressing")]}{.reason}{"\n"}{.message}{"\n"}'

Review the **NodeInstallerProgressing** status condition for etcd to verify that all nodes are at the latest revision. The output shows **AllNodesAtLatestRevision** upon successful update:

AllNodesAtLatestRevision 3 nodes are at revision 7

In this example, the latest revision number is **7**.

If the output includes multiple revision numbers, such as **2 nodes are at revision 6**; **1 nodes are at revision 7**, this means that the update is still in progress. Wait a few minutes and try again.

22. After etcd is redeployed, force new rollouts for the control plane. The Kubernetes API server will reinstall itself on the other nodes because the kubelet is connected to API servers using an internal load balancer.

In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following commands.

a. Force a new rollout for the Kubernetes API server:

 $\$ oc patch kubeapiserver cluster -p='{"spec": {"forceRedeploymentReason": "recovery-""\$(date --rfc-3339=ns)"""}}' --type=merge

Verify all nodes are updated to the latest revision.

 $\label{lem:conditions} $ oc get kubeapiserver -o=jsonpath='{range .items[0].status.conditions[? (@.type=="NodeInstallerProgressing")]}{.reason}{"\n"}{.message}{"\n"}' $$ ("\n"){.message}{"\n"}' $$ ("\n"){.mes$

Review the **NodeInstallerProgressing** status condition to verify that all nodes are at the latest revision. The output shows **AllNodesAtLatestRevision** upon successful update:

AllNodesAtLatestRevision 3 nodes are at revision 7

In this example, the latest revision number is **7**.

If the output includes multiple revision numbers, such as **2 nodes are at revision 6**; **1 nodes are at revision 7**, this means that the update is still in progress. Wait a few minutes and try again.

b. Force a new rollout for the Kubernetes controller manager:

\$ oc patch kubecontrollermanager cluster -p='{"spec": {"forceRedeploymentReason": "recovery-""\$(date --rfc-3339=ns)"""}}' --type=merge

Verify all nodes are updated to the latest revision.

 $\label{lem:conditions} $ oc get kubecontrollermanager -o=jsonpath='{range .items[0].status.conditions[? (@.type=="NodeInstallerProgressing")]}{.reason}{"\n"}{.message}{"\n"}' $ (m) $ ($

Review the **NodeInstallerProgressing** status condition to verify that all nodes are at the latest revision. The output shows **AllNodesAtLatestRevision** upon successful update:

AllNodesAtLatestRevision 3 nodes are at revision 7

In this example, the latest revision number is **7**.

If the output includes multiple revision numbers, such as **2 nodes are at revision 6**; **1 nodes are at revision 7**, this means that the update is still in progress. Wait a few minutes and try again.

c. Force a new rollout for the Kubernetes scheduler:

\$ oc patch kubescheduler cluster -p='{"spec": {"forceRedeploymentReason": "recovery-""\$(date --rfc-3339=ns)"""}}' --type=merge

Verify all nodes are updated to the latest revision.

Review the **NodeInstallerProgressing** status condition to verify that all nodes are at the latest revision. The output shows **AllNodesAtLatestRevision** upon successful update:

AllNodesAtLatestRevision 3 nodes are at revision 7

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In this example, the latest revision number is 7.

If the output includes multiple revision numbers, such as **2 nodes are at revision 6**; **1 nodes are at revision 7**, this means that the update is still in progress. Wait a few minutes and try again.

23. Verify that all control plane hosts have started and joined the cluster.

In a terminal that has access to the cluster as a **cluster-admin** user, run the following command:

\$ oc -n openshift-etcd get pods -l k8s-app=etcd

Example output

etcd-ip-10-0-143-125.ec2.internal	2/2	Running	0	9h
etcd-ip-10-0-154-194.ec2.internal	2/2	Running	0	9h
etcd-ip-10-0-173-171.ec2.internal	2/2	Running	0	9h

To ensure that all workloads return to normal operation following a recovery procedure, restart each pod that stores Kubernetes API information. This includes OpenShift Container Platform components such as routers, Operators, and third-party components.



NOTE

On completion of the previous procedural steps, you might need to wait a few minutes for all services to return to their restored state. For example, authentication by using **oc login** might not immediately work until the OAuth server pods are restarted.

Consider using the **system:admin kubeconfig** file for immediate authentication. This method basis its authentication on SSL/TLS client certificates as against OAuth tokens. You can authenticate with this file by issuing the following command:

\$ export KUBECONFIG=<installation_directory>/auth/kubeconfig

Issue the following command to display your authenticated user name:

\$ oc whoami

5.3.2.3. Additional resources

- Installing a user-provisioned cluster on bare metal
- Creating a bastion host to access OpenShift Container Platform instances and the control plane nodes with SSH
- Replacing a bare-metal control plane node

5.3.2.4. Issues and workarounds for restoring a persistent storage state

If your OpenShift Container Platform cluster uses persistent storage of any form, a state of the cluster

is typically stored outside etcd. It might be an Elasticsearch cluster running in a pod or a database running in a **StatefulSet** object. When you restore from an etcd backup, the status of the workloads in OpenShift Container Platform is also restored. However, if the etcd snapshot is old, the status might be invalid or outdated.



IMPORTANT

The contents of persistent volumes (PVs) are never part of the etcd snapshot. When you restore an OpenShift Container Platform cluster from an etcd snapshot, non-critical workloads might gain access to critical data, or vice-versa.

The following are some example scenarios that produce an out-of-date status:

- MySQL database is running in a pod backed up by a PV object. Restoring OpenShift Container
 Platform from an etcd snapshot does not bring back the volume on the storage provider, and
 does not produce a running MySQL pod, despite the pod repeatedly attempting to start. You
 must manually restore this pod by restoring the volume on the storage provider, and then
 editing the PV to point to the new volume.
- Pod P1 is using volume A, which is attached to node X. If the etcd snapshot is taken while another
 pod uses the same volume on node Y, then when the etcd restore is performed, pod P1 might
 not be able to start correctly due to the volume still being attached to node Y. OpenShift
 Container Platform is not aware of the attachment, and does not automatically detach it. When
 this occurs, the volume must be manually detached from node Y so that the volume can attach
 on node X, and then pod P1 can start.
- Cloud provider or storage provider credentials were updated after the etcd snapshot was taken. This causes any CSI drivers or Operators that depend on the those credentials to not work. You might have to manually update the credentials required by those drivers or Operators.
- A device is removed or renamed from OpenShift Container Platform nodes after the etcd snapshot is taken. The Local Storage Operator creates symlinks for each PV that it manages from /dev/disk/by-id or /dev directories. This situation might cause the local PVs to refer to devices that no longer exist.

To fix this problem, an administrator must:

- 1. Manually remove the PVs with invalid devices.
- 2. Remove symlinks from respective nodes.
- 3. Delete **LocalVolume** or **LocalVolumeSet** objects (see *Storage* → *Configuring persistent storage* → *Persistent storage using local volumes* → *Deleting the Local Storage Operator Resources*).

5.3.3. Recovering from expired control plane certificates

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The cluster can automatically recover from expired control plane certificates.

However, you must manually approve the pending **node-bootstrapper** certificate signing requests (CSRs) to recover kubelet certificates. For user-provisioned installations, you might also need to approve pending kubelet serving CSRs.

Use the following steps to approve the pending CSRs:

Procedure

1. Get the list of current CSRs:

\$ oc get csr

NAME	AGE	SIGNERNAME	REQUESTOR	
CONDITIO	N			
csr-2s94x	8m3s	kubernetes.io/kubelet-serving	system:node: <nod< td=""><td>e_name></td></nod<>	e_name>
Pending 1				
csr-4bd6t	8m3s	kubernetes.io/kubelet-serving	system:node: <node< td=""><td>e_name></td></node<>	e_name>
Pending		_	-	
csr-4hl85	13m	kubernetes.io/kube-apiserver-client-ku	ubelet	
system:serv	viceaco	count:openshift-machine-config-operate	tor:node-bootstrapper	Pending 2
csr-zhhhp	3m8s	kubernetes.io/kube-apiserver-client-k	kubelet	
•		count:openshift-machine-config-operat		Pending
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- 1 A pending kubelet service CSR (for user-provisioned installations).
- A pending node-bootstrapper CSR.
- 2. Review the details of a CSR to verify that it is valid:
 - \$ oc describe csr <csr_name> 1
 - <csr_name> is the name of a CSR from the list of current CSRs.
- 3. Approve each valid **node-bootstrapper** CSR:
 - \$ oc adm certificate approve <csr_name>
- 4. For user-provisioned installations, approve each valid kubelet serving CSR:
 - \$ oc adm certificate approve <csr_name>