Key Features and Enhancements in Copado Essentials:

Kanban View of Workitems:

Introduction of Kanban view for managing tasks and work items, enhancing transparency and workflow efficiency.

Deployment Updates:

Customizable deployment options available through Default Deployment Options in Account Settings.

Introduction of deployment tasks for pre/post-deployment operations, reducing manual work.

Back Deployment (Beta):

Ability to move selected work items or deployments from higher to lower environments, facilitating org synchronization.

Cloning a Work Item to a Standard Deployment:

Feature allowing cloning of work items into new deployments for deployment to different orgs or back-promotion to sandbox.

Conflict Resolution Support:

Copado Essentials now supports merge conflict resolution within the application.

Data Template Enhancements:

New sharing feature with access levels for data templates, along with default activation upon import or creation.

Capability to replace existing user filters and multiple user sharing of templates for data deployments.

Destructive Changes Updates:

Removal of component from Git with a work item during destructive change operations.

Enhanced behavior of destructive changes option in continuous integration (CI) jobs for consistency between Git repository and Salesforce environment.

Integrations:

Introduction of new integrations with Azure Boards, Slack, Microsoft Teams, and AWS Code Commit for streamlined processes and enhanced collaboration.

Merge Deployments:

Feature allowing merging of two deployments or work items, including test changes when test level is set to Run Specified tests.

Checkmarx and CodeScan Access for Essentials Plus Users:

Essentials Plus license holders gain access to Checkmarx and CodeScan integrations.

API Version Update:

Copado Essentials now supports Salesforce metadata API version 59.

New Team Lead Role:

Introduction of Team Lead role with specific responsibilities related to team organization and management.

Support of Identity Verification Metadata:

Implementation of identity verification feature to enhance security and maintain customer trust.

New Purchase Experience:

Upgrade of Copado self-service purchase UX for easier plan management and checkout process.

Additional Enhancements:

Renaming of Copado Essentials plans to Essentials Basic and Essentials Plus.

Ability for team users to share a Git org.

Cherry-picking of changes and components during rollback from a snapshot.

Email notifications for work item approvals, rejections, and task assignments/reviews.

Page for free users to activate their Essentials+ trial.

Export of deployments or team deployments in Excel or CSV format.

Better handling of labels in CI jobs, deploying only modified lines of code.

Seamless synchronization of Salesforce first/last names with Essentials account.

Support for new metadata types including Financial Services Cloud, GenderIdentity standard value sets, User Access Policy, and BotVersion.