

ArcaOS 5.0.3 and 5.1 Roadmaps

from Installer Refinements to Migrations and
Languages

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- Most updated content should be available as subscription download for individual installation

Forward-looking Statements

- Discussion of ArcaOS 5.1 features, behavior, content, and localization includes forward-looking statements. Arca Noae makes no promises as to availability, inclusion, or function of any of these changes. In short, these are all plans, subject to change at any time for any reason.

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- Migration: Boot from ArcaOS 5.1 USB stick or DVD, select existing Warp 4, MCP, MCP2, or eCS (1.x or 2.x) installation to upgrade, new content is added, existing content is moved/archived, with no need to reformat (assuming boot volume is LVM'd HPFS or JFS)

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Overall Business

- Arca Noae is...
 - seeking more consulting opportunities
 - investigating the rescue of mature software (VX-REXX, for example)
 - seeking more worldwide distribution channels