

## Packaging - Feature #4313

### Replace EPEL dependency with Foreman repo

02/11/2014 12:11 PM - Dominic Cleal

<b>Status:</b> Rejected	
<b>Priority:</b> Low	
<b>Assignee:</b>	
<b>Category:</b>	
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<b>Difficulty:</b>	<b>Fixed in Releases:</b>
<b>Triaged:</b>	<b>Found in Releases:</b>
<b>Bugzilla link:</b>	<b>Red Hat JIRA:</b>
<b>Pull request:</b>	
<b>Description</b> On EL6, we currently have the following repos: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. base OS</li><li>2. Foreman</li><li>3. EPEL</li><li>4. SCL</li></ol> <p>Optionally, you can add Puppet Labs for an alternative Puppet package.</p> <p>When the Puppet Labs repo is enabled, we're only pulling about six dependencies from EPEL, so it seems to me that we could make EPEL optional by mirroring some of these ourselves (literally pulling RPMs in?).</p> <p>This way, users are given the choice of using:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. base, Foreman, SCL, Puppet Labs</li><li>2. base, Foreman, SCL, EPEL</li></ol> <p>Reducing the number of configured repos, and also making EPEL optional in the first case.</p>	

#### History

**#1 - 02/11/2014 01:59 PM - Ewoud Kohl van Wijngaarden**

I'd prefer to make that optional. I was thinking of a foreman-deps repo, but that implies it's a requirement.

**#2 - 02/11/2014 02:00 PM - Dominic Cleal**

Indeed, optional is what I'd meant. -deps is what I'd assumed too, similar to pl-deps.

**#3 - 02/11/2014 05:16 PM - Lukas Zapletal**

I am generally against pulling deps into our repos - security issues etc. Is the only motivation less repos configured?

**#4 - 02/11/2014 05:16 PM - Dominic Cleal**

Correct.

**#5 - 02/13/2014 09:34 AM - Benjamin Papillon**

I share lzap thoughts, I prefer one more repo than less maintained packages.

**#6 - 02/13/2014 09:58 AM - Ewoud Kohl van Wijngaarden**

Has this been requested by users or is it a nice to have feature? In the latter case I'm afraid it will bitrot and on the same side as lzap.

**#7 - 02/13/2014 10:02 AM - Dominic Cleal**

The idea came out of a user's complaint in #theforeman the other day. I'm happy to let it bitrot, I was just interested in feedback.

**#8 - 05/23/2014 11:25 AM - Dominic Cleal**

For reference purposes, my host here has the following packages from EPEL:

ruby-augeas  
rubygem-fastercsv  
rubygem-ffi  
rubygem-gssapi  
rubygem-json  
rubygem-locale  
rubygem-mime-types  
rubygem-rack  
rubygem-rack-test  
rubygem-rest-client  
rubygem-sinatra  
ruby-shadow

Some of these are also available from Puppet Labs' dependencies repo, so could be substituted (ruby-augeas, ffi, json, rack, shadow).

**#9 - 05/18/2017 07:38 PM - Anonymous**

is this still desired?

**#10 - 05/28/2018 07:38 PM - Ewoud Kohl van Wijngaarden**

- *Status changed from New to Rejected*

Given the current state of packaging I'm closing this. If there's sufficient demand from users I'd be happy to revisit this.