

Changelog

This Changelog highlights notable changes to the [API Design Guide \(/apis/design\)](/apis/design).

2020-07

- Updated documentation.md to match <https://google.aip.dev/192#formatting>. Markdown tables and raw HTML must not be used in proto comments.
- Added `ErrorInfo` for error handling.
- Added Large Payloads for design patterns.

2020-04

- Renamed Cloud APIs to Google Cloud APIs in glossary.
- Introduced API and service as synonyms of API service.

2020-02

- Updated versioning to add two versioning strategies (channel-based and release-based), remove guidance on point versions, and change how we refer to semantic versioning.

2020-01

- Add data retention to design patterns.

2019-11

- Add terminology Cloud APIs to glossary.

- Recommend clients to retry only for UNAVAILABLE errors.

2019-06

- Add "Bool vs Enum vs String" to design patterns.

2019-03

- Add system parameters to standard fields.

2019-02

- Add domain-scoped names to design patterns.

2018-03

- Add streaming half-close semantics to design patterns.

2018-02

- Add `read_time` to Standard Fields.

2018-01

- Add schema reference for API Service Definition.

2017-12

- Clarify API major version must be the last component of proto package name.

2017-11

- Clarify why the `Create` method take an input resource.
- Clarify collection IDs that don't have plural form, such as `evidence` and `weather`.
- Add singleton resource to design patterns.
- Clarify C# naming conventions for acronyms and versions.

2017-09

- Add `mime_type` to standard fields.
- Add `expire_time` to standard fields.
- Add `start_time` and `end_time` to standard fields.

2017-02

- Add "API endpoint" to glossary.
- Add `update_mask` to standard fields.
- Add a link to `FieldMask` to standard methods.
- Mention that OpenAPI spec does not support unsigned integers.
- Clarify that method names should use verbs in the imperative mood.

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