

ADFS Migration Project: Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

1. What is happening?

WaTech will coordinate with customer agencies to migrate applications from Active Directory Federation Services (ADFS) to Entra ID Federation (formerly known as Azure AD), which are both used for Single Sign On (SSO). ADFS is on premises; Entra ID Federation is cloud-based.

2. When is this happening?

WaTech will begin reaching out to agencies in February 2024 begin coordinating. Migrations will be completed by Dec. 31, 2024.

3. Why is this happening?

Microsoft recommends WaTech moves applications to Entra ID Federation for security reasons. This effort supports WaTech's goal to reduce dependencies on resources located on premises. Entra ID Federations allow agencies to manage their own federation when technically possible.

4. How will applications migrate to Entra ID Federation?

WaTech will create an Azure enterprise application, then grant the application owners permission. In some cases WaTech will need to create and manage the Azure enterprise application and agencies would provide a security group for users to access. Application owners will work with their vendor to log into the application administration portal, so they can connect the application to Entra ID to establish a new federation/trust.

5. Will this impact users?

Users will have to log in, then single sign-on will take over.

6. Who is telling the users?

Application owners will be responsible for communicating to their users.