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AreaDetector Monthly Collaboration Meetings

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AreaDetector developers started holding a series of remote collaboration meetings back in February 2024 with the main goals of discussing and addressing pull requests (PRs), defining collaboration policies and procedures for areaDetector repositories, and deciding on administrative matters when required. This initiative increased the volume of discussions and reviews of proposed changes in the following months, while still having a loosely defined agenda for each meeting. After a short cooldown period in the beginning of 2025, a slightly new format was proposed, shifting the goals towards gathering new people interested in maintaining the active repositories active, finding reviewers for stagnated PRs, defining standards for reviews and new drivers, and creating a community which will keep the repositories in good health in the short and long terms; while also discussing recent and stale contributions.

This talk will cover how these meetings are prepared, the decisions taken, the progress achieved so far, what is still pending, and how this kind of community effort could be applied to other EPICS modules and subcommunities.

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