



# **Intel® Firmware Support Package (Intel® FSP) for with Intel® Atom™ processor E3900 product family (formerly Apollo Lake), MR10**

**Release Notes**

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## Revision History

These are the main releases of Intel® Firmware Support Package (Intel® FSP) for the Intel® Atom™ processor E3900 product family (formerly Apollo Lake):

Date	Revision	Description
January 2022	MR10	Intel® FSP Release with FSP/SIC 1.5.3.0
October 2020	MR9	Intel® FSP Release with FSP/SIC 1.5.2.0
	MR8	Skipped (internal evaluation purpose)
	MR7	Skipped (internal evaluation purpose)
September, 2019	MR6	MR6 Release with Intel® FSP 1.4.3.1 (SIC 1.1.1)
February 12, 2018	MR5	MR5 Release with Intel® FSP 1.4.3.1
December 15, 2017	MR4	MR4 Release with Intel® FSP 1.4.3.0
April 28, 2017	MR3	MR3 Release with Intel® FSP 1.4.1.0
January 27, 2017	MR2	MR2 Release with Intel® FSP 1.3.1.0
September 9, 2016	MR1	MR1 Release with IOTG FSP 1.1.4.1
July 27, 2016	GOLD	Gold Release with Intel® FSP 1.1.0
May 13, 2016	BETA2	Beta 2 Release with Intel® FSP 0.8.1
February 17, 2016	BETA1	Beta 1 Release
November 2, 2015	ALPHA	Alpha Release

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## 1.0 Introduction

This package contains required binary image(s) and collateral for the Intel® Firmware Support Package (Intel® FSP) for the Intel® Atom™ processor E3900 product family (formerly Apollo Lake). The Intel® FSP packaged in this release is intended for IOTG usage only.

This document provides system requirements, installation instructions, issues and limitations, and legal information.

To learn more about this product, see:

- New and previously new features listed in [Section 2.0, New in This Release](#).
- Reference documentation listed in [Section 1.2, Related Documentation, Tools, and Packages](#).

This release is a supporting document for Intel® FSP EAS 2.0. For more information, please view the related document *Intel® Firmware Support Package (Intel® FSP) External Architecture Specification (EAS) v2.0*.

The following table lists the relevant platform software components used during development and validation of this release.

**Table 1. Platform Software Component Information**

Component	MR10
Microcode Update (Bx/Dx-stepping)	M_03_506C9_00000046
Microcode Update (Ex-stepping)	M_03_506CA_00000024

**Table 2. Intel® FSP Included Components**

Component	MR10
SIC/FSP	1.5.3.0
MRC Version	0.56.43 / 89.28
GOP/VBT	10.0.1036 / 207

## 1.1 Terminology

The following terms are used in this document.

**Table 3. Terminology**

Term	Description
API	Application Programming Interface
BSF	Binary Settings File
BCT	Binary Configuration Tool
CRB	Customer Reference Board
Intel® EDC	Intel® Embedded Design Center
Intel® FSP	Intel® Firmware Support Package
SoC	System on Chip

## 1.2 Related Documentation, Tools, and Packages

**Table 4. Related Documentation, Tools, and Packages**

Document	Location
<i>Intel® Firmware Support Package (Intel® FSP) for the Apollo Lake Platform Integration Guide</i>	Available in this release package
<i>Intel® Binary Configuration Tool for Intel® Firmware Support Package</i>	- <a href="http://www.intel.com/fsp">www.intel.com/fsp</a> - <a href="https://github.com/intel/BCT">https://github.com/intel/BCT</a>
<i>Intel® Firmware Support Package (Intel® FSP) External Architecture Specification (EAS) v2.0</i>	<a href="http://www.intel.com/content/dam/www/public/us/en/documents/technical-specifications/fsp-architecture-spec-v2.pdf">www.intel.com/content/dam/www/public/us/en/documents/technical-specifications/fsp-architecture-spec-v2.pdf</a>
<i>Intel® Atom™ Processor E3900 Series BIOS Writer's Guide Addendum</i>	RDC# <a href="#">570618</a>
<i>Apollo Lake Workaround for System Failed to Enter S3 by Pressing Power Button</i>	RDC# <a href="#">665880</a>

## 1.3 Intended Audience

For platform and system developers who intends to use an Intel® FSP-based boot loader for the firmware solution for their overall design based on the Intel® Atom™

processor E3900 product family (formerly Apollo Lake). This group includes, but is not limited to, system BIOS developers, boot loader developers, and system integrators.

## 1.4 Customer Support

Intel offers support for this software at the API level only, defined in the *Intel® FSP Integration Guide* and reference manuals listed in [Section 1.2, Related Documentation, Tools, and Packages](#).

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## 2.0 New in This Release

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### 2.1 MR10 Features

- [MRC 0.56.43/MMRC 89.28] MRC DDR PHY DLL parameters improvement for frequency 1333 + F1 stepping.
- Update refresh watermark mechanism of Row Hammer prevention.
- CryptoPkg/OpensslLib: Upgrade OpenSSL to 1.1.1j.

### 2.2 MR9 Features

- Add options to reduce susceptibility to DDR4 Rowhammer-style Attacks [MRC 0.56.43/MMRC 89.27].
- Fixed for contexts are not saved in OS after resuming from hibernate (S4).3
- Fix to P2SB security Hole [#CVE: CVE-2020-0599]
  - Added silicon Upd "P2sbSecEn" to disable/enable P2SB security option, Default zero to disable.
- MRC DDR PHY DLL parameters improvement (Rev.5a) for F1 stepping [MRC 0.56.42/MMRC 89.26].
- Added HKDF-SHA256(RFC 5869) support in Edk2 Crypto library to enable for Seed derivation.
- Added initial support for Seed Protocol DXE driver.
- A/E SKU D0 stepping detection.

**MR7 and MR8 Release - skipped (internal evaluation) purpose**

### 2.3 MR6 Features

- Update MRC/MMRC to 0.56.41/89.24
  - Resolved QH-MGU\_Start-up problem with negative temperatures.
  - Resolved MRC hang at A8.

- Resolved ECC boot hangs at MRC checkpoint 30.
- Update swizzle calculator spreadsheet
- Added silicon Upd-PwmEnabled to disable/enable PWM config space and Upd-DptfEnabled to disable/enable Dptf config space. Default zero to disable.
- Correction of FspS upd variable from USB2\_PER\_PORT\_2\_PPX to USB2\_PER\_PORT\_PPX

## 2.4 MR5 Features

- N/A (Bug fixes only)

## 2.5 MR4 Features

- N/A (Bug fixes only)

## 2.6 MR3 Features

- Real Time processing mode enabled (FSP-S UPD RtEn). Refer to document *Intel® Atom™ Processor E3900 Series BIOS Writer's Guide Addendum* for more information on how to enable this in platform code.

## 2.7 MR2 Features

- Intel® FSP OBB loading is capable of loading from BP1 or BP2 partitions and specific sub-partitions by specifying path to OBB filename in FSP-M OemFileName UPD value (ex: "BP2\\OBB\\OBB", "BP1\\IBB\\OBB", etc.).

## 2.8 MR1 Features

- N/A

## 2.9 Gold Features

- N/A

## 2.10 Beta 2 Features

- Intel® FSP BCT configuration support (via BCT 3.2.2 or newer versions)
- Support for eMMC firmware boot

## **2.11 Beta 1 Features**

- Intel® FSP BCT configuration support (via BCT 3.2.1)

## **2.12 Alpha Features**

- Initial release
- Support for SPI firmware boot
- Support for Intel® Firmware Support Package (Intel® FSP) FVs: FVIBBL.Fv, FVIBBM.Fv, and FVOBB.Fv

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## 3.0 Limitations

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### 3.1 Current Release

### 3.2 Previous Releases

- The default MR6 Intel® FSP release package was not working with MR4 Coreboot, hence 2 Intel® FSP binaries are released for both MR4 and Latest Open source Coreboot. **This limitation has been addressed as of Intel® FSP MR9.**
- The BCT tool used with this release must be version 3.2.2 or newer, older versions of BCT tool may not be compatible with the newer Intel® FSP 2.0 architecture. For more information, please view the related document *Intel® Firmware Support Package (Intel® FSP) External Architecture Specification (EAS) v2.0*.
- This Intel® FSP does not support full RMT data output for compatibility with RMT analysis tool. This support is planned to be enabled in the next release. **This limitation has been addressed as of MR1, using the debug Intel® FSP binary and enabling the FSP-M UPD RmtMode (For example, set to 0x3) will yield RMT data printing for use with RMT analysis tool.**
- When configuring the provided Fsp.fd binary using BCT tool the setting for DDR3L Page Size will show a blank field with default value 0x0 but should only show 1KB or 2KB option. The behavior of the 0x0 value results in the same behavior as when 1KB is selected. **This limitation has been addressed as of Beta 2 Release.**
- Rebasing of Intel® Firmware Support Package (Intel® FSP) via Intel® Binary Configuration Tool is not supported in this release. Support is expected in the Beta release. **This limitation has been addressed as of Beta 1 Release.**
- Memory parameters in this Intel® FSP release are not configurable. This release can support only the same memory configuration as that of the Leaf Hill CRB at this time. **This limitation has been addressed as of Beta 1 Release.**

## 4.0 Known Issues

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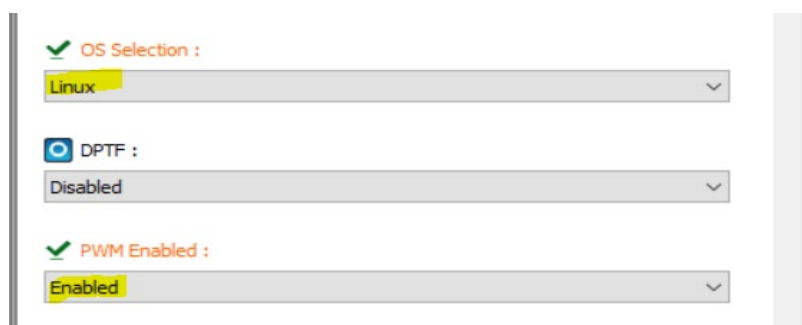
### 4.1 Current Release

- CRB power button is not responding to Windows\* power button (choose what the power buttons do). **This issue has been addressed in APL Technical Advisory Doc ID# [665880](#).**
- OS boot issue observed on internal MR4 Coreboot with MR3 UEFI as payload.
  - The modification shown below in MR3 payload source required for successful Boot to Windows /Yocto Linux\*.

```
CorebootPayloadPkg/CorebootPayloadPkgIa32X64.dsc
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```
DEFINE EMU_VARIABLE_ENABLE = TRUE
```

- PWM controller CPU fan is not spinning with default MR4 CB Release. Required to set UPD's using BCT tool as show below in order to CPU fan to spin.



### 4.2 Previous Releases

- Definition error in Intel® FSP integration guide at session 6.2.2.181 where USB2\_PER\_PORT\_2\_PPX [19:17] should be USB2\_PER\_PORT\_PPX [19:17]. **Resolved in MR6 Release.**
- The **pre-MR6** prior releases **could not be forward compatible** to the **F1-stepping** SoC. **Resolved in MR6 Release.**
- **This issue has been resolved in MR5 Release.** When setting the FSP-S UPD for SkipMpInit to enable the Intel® FSP will reference a NULL pointer inside of Intel® FSP code causing a hang during FspSilnit. The fix required for this was to not reference the pointer when SkipMpInit is enabled.

- Issue of determining reset type from OS layer; some write-one clear bits in GEN\_PMCON1 will be cleared unexpectedly in Intel® FSP, which results in unable to obtain reset type in OS layer. **Resolved in MR4 Release.**
  - MRC profile for memory down and ECC (e.g. 0x5) was not enabled properly. **Resolved in MR3 Release.**
  - If using the FSPT\_COMMON\_UPD structure defined in FsptUpd.h with the FSP API call for FSP\_TEMP\_RAM\_INIT there is a mismatch between the structure defined within Intel® FSP and the structure defined in FsptUpd.h. In order to remedy this issue, the FSPT\_COMMON\_UPD structure defined in FsptUpd.h should remove the Revision and Reserved [3] fields to match the structure used within Intel® FSP. This will be addressed in a future release of Intel® FSP. **Resolved in MR3 Release.**
  - The Intel® Atom™ Processor A3940 SKU has issue to boot using the Leaf Hill CRB due to an MRC limitation in this release of Intel® FSP. The issue will be resolved in a future release of Intel® FSP. **This issue has been resolved as of MR2 Release.**
  - There is a mistake regarding the NPK Enable Mode configurable option displayed when using BCT tool to configure the Intel® FSP binary. The duplicate of default option will appear blank, but it should be displaying 3 for Auto, which is the default setting. The valid list of options for this field are 0: Disable, 1: Enable, 2:Debugger, 3:Auto(Default). This will be fixed in the next release of Intel® FSP. **This issue has been resolved as of MR1 Release.**
  - There is some issue with Intel® FSP performing OBB loading and TPM initialization when using Micron (Numonyx) N25Q128A11 SPI chip. Recommend to either use eMMC firmware booting or Winbond W25Q128FW SPI chip. No plan to investigate a solution to this. **Tip to resolve this issue** “GP\_SSP\_1\_CLK needs to be pulled down after Intel® FSP memory init is completed, not at boot time.”
  - There is a duplicate of ISH Controller configurable option displayed when using BCT tool to configure the Intel® FSP binary. The duplicate of ISH Controller is supposed to be for “Enable/Disable BIOS Interface Lock Down bit to prevent writes to the Backup Control Register. 0:Disable, 1:Enable(Default).” This will be fixed in the next release of Intel® FSP. **This issue has been resolved as of Gold Release.**
  - Issue configuring xHCI option in BCT issue; the default value is set as “Auto” but only allows to be set as enabled or disabled, should be changed to be a 4-option type field: {Mode of operation of xHCI controller. 0: Disable, 1:Enable, 2:Auto(Default), 3:SmartAuto.}. Can be worked around by overriding the UPD value in boot loader code before calling Intel® FSP silicon initialization if desired. Will be fixed to provide correct configurable options via BCT in a future release. **This issue has been resolved as of Gold Release.**
1. The most current release of Intel® Binary Configuration Tool (3.2.0) is incompatible with the Intel® Firmware Support Package (Intel® FSP) binary included in this



release. Settings can be overridden from within the boot loader call prior to Intel® FSP API calls. **This issue has been resolved as of Beta 1 Release.**

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## **5.0      *Where to Find the Release***

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This package is available at

<https://github.com/IntelFsp/FSP/tree/master/ApolloLakeFspBinPkg>

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## 6.0 Release Content

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This release contains:

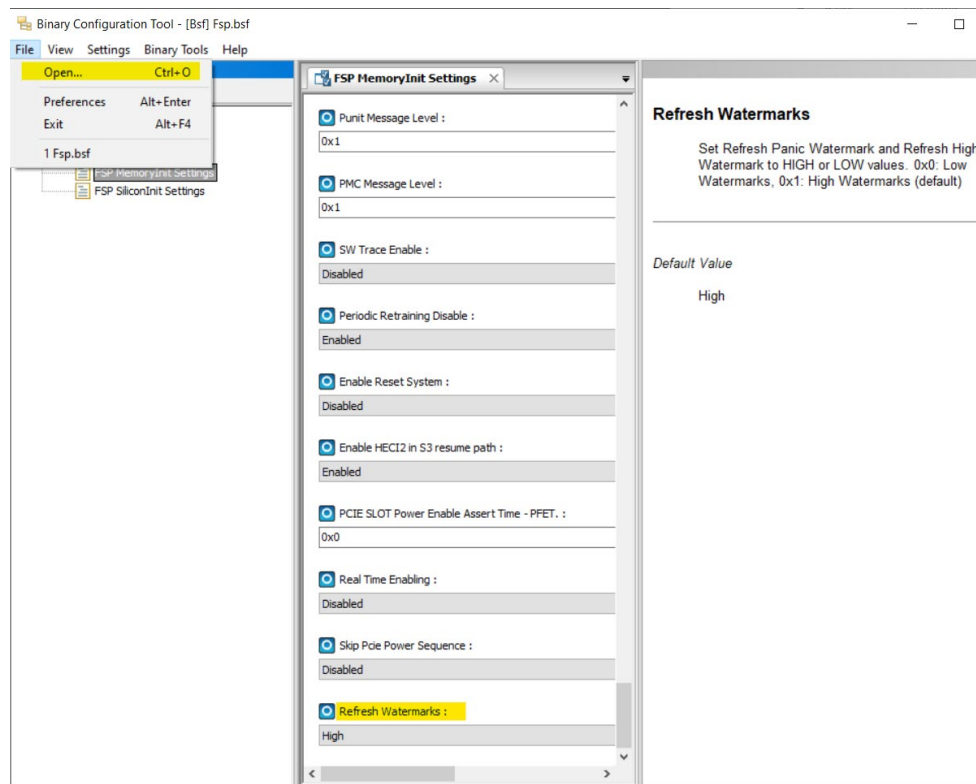
- Binary Settings File (BSF)
- Graphics VBT and BSF file
- Intel® FSP Binary
- Intel® FSP Integration Guide
- Release Notes

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## 7.0 Steps to Differentiate MR10 and MR9

The Intel® FSP for MR10 and MR9 can be differentiated by reading the config using BCT tools since MR10 contains features that are not included in MR9.

1. See [9.0 Configuration](#) to get BCT tools.
2. Open Fsp.bsf in BCT tools by clicking on **File > Open**.



3. Check the value in the dropdown config of '**Refresh Watermark**' in FSP\_M settings is High and Low.
4. If yes, it is MR10.

## 8.0 Hardware and Software Compatibility

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### 8.1 Supported Hardware

This Intel® Firmware Support Package (Intel® FSP) release is specifically targeted for the Intel® Atom™ processor E3900 product family (formerly Apollo Lake).

### 8.2 Supported Operating Systems

This release can be installed on either a Windows\* or a Linux\* system. However, the Intel® FSP binary itself can be used with any software development environment to generate a complete boot loader solution.

The software in this release has been validated on customer reference boards (CRBs) with the boot loader and operating systems listed in the following table.

**Table 5. Operating System/Boot Loader Support**

Product Family	Boot Loader	Operating System
Intel® Atom™ processor E3900 product family (formerly Apollo Lake)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Open source coreboot (commit: <b>6da003c910</b>) with the open source UEFI payload</li><li>- Internal release MR4 coreboot with internal release UEFI payload</li><li>- Slim Bootloader</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Yocto Project* based BSP 64-bit</li><li>- Windows* 10 64-bit</li></ul>

## 9.0 Configuration

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Intel® Binary Configuration Tool (BCT) for Intel® Firmware Support Package (Intel® FSP) is provided as a companion tool and is intended to be used to:

- Customize the Intel® FSP binary configuration options based on the Binary Settings File (BSF).
- Rebase the Intel® FSP binary to a different base address.

It is recommended to use the latest version of Intel® Binary Configuration Tool with this release.

See *Intel® Binary Configuration Tool User Guide* for the usage instructions. See [Section 1.2, Related Documentation, Tools, and Packages](#), for information on where to download the tool.

### 9.1 Rebasing

When integrating Intel® FSP with a boot loader, place Intel® FSP at the same base address that it is configured to. Intel® Binary Configuration Tool can be used to rebase the Intel® FSP binary.

### 9.2 Microcode

Use the latest microcode when integrating Intel® FSP. Any processor that does not have the correct updated microcode loaded, is considered to be operating out of specification. See the integration guide for more details regarding microcode loading.

Microcode is now released at GitHub: <https://github.com/otcshare/Intel-Generic-Microcode>

Refer to Doc# [607131](#) in [GitHub \(R\) MCU Repository Training v1.3](#) on how to obtain the Microcode patch from GitHub.

## 10.0 *Stitching Ingredients*

Updated stitching ingredients listed below:

Package	Kit #
Apollo Lake Intel® Trusted Execution Engine 3.1.90.2629 Beta Maintenance Release	RDC# <a href="#">643560</a>
Apollo Lake Intel® PMC Firmware Version 03.21.00 Hot Fix Release	RDC# 1002490
Intel® Integrated Sensor Solution 4.1.0.3426_PROD kit	RDC# TBD
BpmGen Tool version 2.4 -Copy "BpmGen2.exe" to BIStitch\Signing\GenBPM.exe	<a href="#">bpmgen2release2019-08-30.zip</a>
Apollo Lake Soc B0/B1/B2/D0 CPU Signature 506c9 Ex Microcode Punit Patch m_03_506c9_00000046	<a href="https://github.com/otcshare/Intel-Generic-Microcode/tree/master/NDA/repository/soc/production">https://github.com/otcshare/Intel-Generic-Microcode/tree/master/NDA/repository/soc/production</a>
Apollo Lake I E0/F1 CPU Signature 506ca Ex Microcode Punit Patch m_03_506ca_00000024	<a href="https://github.com/otcshare/Intel-Generic-Microcode/tree/master/NDA/repository/soc/production">https://github.com/otcshare/Intel-Generic-Microcode/tree/master/NDA/repository/soc/production</a>

### Tested version:

- Apollo Lake Intel® Trusted Execution Engine 3.1.90.2629 Beta Maintenance Release
- Apollo Lake Intel® PMC Firmware Version 03.21.00 Hot Fix Release
- Intel® Integrated Sensor Solution 4.1.0.3426\_PROD kit
- Apollo Lake soc CPU Signature 506c9 Ex Microcode Punit Patch m\_03\_506c9\_00000046.inc
- Apollo Lake I CPU Signature 506ca Ex Microcode Punit Patch m\_03\_506ca\_00000024.inc

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