



## What's New in GovCloud: May 2026 Zscaler Product Updates

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We know it can be challenging to stay current on new releases while managing mission priorities, operational demands, and compliance obligations. Here is a curated roundup of notable Zscaler GovCloud updates from May, with quick context and scan-friendly takeaways you can share across security, network, and operations teams. Highlights include Zero Trust Branch availability in FedRAMP Moderate, expanded policy controls for GenAI prompts and URL filtering, and Cloud Connector enhancements for more flexible upgrade management.

### Zero Trust Branch, FedRAMP Moderate Cloud Available

Zscaler Zero Trust Branch helps modernize branch security and connectivity by bringing zero trust principles to branch offices, remote sites and OT/IoT, reducing reliance on legacy appliances while maintaining consistent policy enforcement.

This month, Zscaler released Zero Trust Branch to the FedRAMP Moderate cloud. This expands options for agencies and partners looking to standardize security and access controls across users, workloads, and branch locations while staying aligned with federal compliance requirements.

[Click here](#) for the full announcement.

### Zscaler Internet Access (ZIA)

Product intro: Zscaler Internet Access (ZIA) is Zscaler's secure internet and SaaS access service, providing policy-based protection and visibility for users wherever they work. For many federal environments, ZIA is central to enforcing acceptable use, protecting sensitive data, and maintaining consistent security controls across a distributed workforce.

This month's ZIA updates focus on improving policy precision and expanding control for generative AI usage, helping teams apply governance in a way that maps more cleanly to mission needs and organizational structure.

#### Highlights

- **Policy Level Gen AI Prompt Configuration:** Customers can now capture end user prompts for generative AI applications from the Cloud Application Control policy. This enables more granular control of Gen AI prompt configuration and supports tighter governance as Gen AI adoption grows across teams and roles.
- **Enhanced Flexibility in the URL Filtering Policy Rule Creation:** Customers can now build URL Filtering Policy rules that match their org structure more precisely, supporting cleaner segmentation and easier administration at scale.

For full release notes: <https://help.zscaler.us/zia/release-upgrade-summary-2026>

### Zscaler App Connector

Zscaler App Connector is a key component of Zscaler Private Access (ZPA) that enables secure, policy-based connectivity between users and private applications without exposing apps to the internet. It helps organizations reduce attack surface while improving access experience, which is especially important for distributed users and mission partners.

This month's update delivers a new App Connector release to FedRAMP Moderate, focused on keeping environments current with fixes and operational improvements.

#### Highlights

- **App Connector Version 26.53.4:** An update was released to FedRAMP Moderate for App Connector that includes bug fixes, optimizations, and version enhancements.

For release notes: <https://help.zscaler.us/zpa/app-connector-release-summary-2026>

### Zscaler Cloud Connector

Zscaler Cloud Connector helps extend Zscaler policy enforcement and traffic forwarding for workloads running in public cloud environments. It supports organizations that need consistent security controls for cloud-hosted services while enabling architectures aligned to modernization initiatives.

This month's Cloud Connector updates focus on more flexible, customer-controlled upgrade operations and expanded API support for managing upgrades at scale.

#### Highlights

- **Cloud Connector Scheduled Upgrade Enhancements:** Cloud Connector now supports enhanced upgrade capabilities by allowing customers to select release channels. When upgrading Cloud Connectors, customers can choose between the stable, latest, or beta release channels, helping teams balance change control with speed of adoption.

- **Endpoints for Scheduled Upgrade Enhancement:** New endpoints extend programmatic access for managing Cloud and Branch Connector virtual machines (VMs). These APIs allow customers to update the release channel for VMs, update VM status in bulk, and retrieve release channel and scheduled upgrade metrics:
  - PUT /ecgroup/releaseChannel
  - PUT /ecgroup/vmStatus
  - GET /ecgroup/vmUpgradeMetricsTo learn more about each endpoint, see the API Reference Guide.

Release notes located here: <https://help.zscaler.us/cloud-branch-connector/release-upgrade-summary-2026>

## Conclusion

Want the full details? Use the links above to review the complete release summaries, and check back next month for the next GovCloud update roundup.

Zscaler continues to invest in a robust GovCloud roadmap and remains committed to supporting the unique security, compliance, and operational requirements of the federal market. We'll keep delivering enhancements that help agencies and federal partners strengthen resilience, simplify operations, and advance mission success.