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“ ☐ S3-compatible object storage server with clustering, erasure coding, and a slick management UI — powered by [smartstorage](#) .

**objectstorage** gives you a fully featured, self-hosted S3-compatible storage server with a beautiful web-based management interface — all in a single Docker image. No Java, no bloat, no fuss.

Built on Deno for the backend and [@design.estate/dees-catalog](#) for a polished UI, it speaks the S3 protocol out of the box while adding powerful management features on top. Scale from a single node to a distributed cluster with erasure coding and multi-drive support.

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## ☐ Features

- **Full S3 API compatibility** — Works with any S3 client, SDK, or tool (AWS CLI, boto3, etc.)
- ☐ **Cluster mode** — Distribute storage across multiple nodes with QUIC transport, automatic discovery, and quorum writes/reads

- **Erasure coding** — Reed-Solomon erasure coding (default 4+2) for data durability with minimal overhead
- **Multi-drive support** — Stripe data across multiple disks per node with per-drive health monitoring
- **Self-healing** — Background scanner detects and reconstructs missing or corrupt shards automatically
- **Management UI** — Web dashboard for buckets, objects, policies, credentials, cluster config, and storage drives
- **Finder-style object browser** — Column view with file preview, drag-and-drop upload, move/rename, context menus
- **Inline code editing** — Built-in Monaco editor with syntax highlighting and save-back-to-storage
- **PDF viewer** — Render PDFs inline with page navigation, zoom, and thumbnails
- **Named policy management** — Create reusable IAM-style policies, attach them to multiple buckets
- **Credential management** — Add/remove access keys through the UI with live-reload
- **Single Docker image** — Multi-arch (amd64 + arm64), tiny Alpine-based image
- **Fast** — Rust-powered storage engine via smartstorage, streaming I/O with zero-copy and backpressure
- **Secure by default** — JWT-based admin auth, S3 SigV4 authentication, bucket policies
- **Dark theme** — Automatic dark mode following your system preference

## ⚡ Quick Start

### Docker (recommended)

```
docker run -d \  
  --name objectstorage \  
  -p 9000:9000 \  
  -p 3000:3000 \  
  -v objstdata:/data \  
  -e OBJST_ACCESS_KEY=myadminkey \  
  -e OBJST_SECRET_KEY=mysupersecret \  
  -e OBJST_ADMIN_PASSWORD=myuipassword \  
  code.fossilglobal/lossless.zone/objectstorage:latest
```

Then open **http://localhost:3000** for the management UI and use **http://localhost:9000** as your S3 endpoint.

# Deno (development)

```
# Clone and install frontend dependencies
git clone ssh://git@code.foss.global:29419/lossless.zone/objectstorage.git
cd objectstorage
pnpm install
pnpm run build

# Run in ephemeral mode (data stored in .nogit/objstdata)
deno run --allow-all mod.ts server --ephemeral
```

## Configuration

objectstorage is configured through environment variables, CLI flags, or programmatic config. **Environment variables take precedence** over CLI flags.

## Server Environment Variables

Variable	Description	Default
<code>OBJST_PORT</code>	Storage API port	<code>9000</code>
<code>UI_PORT</code>	Management UI port	<code>3000</code>
<code>OBJST_STORAGE_DIR</code>	Data storage directory	<code>/data</code>
<code>OBJST_ACCESS_KEY</code>	Access key ID	<code>admin</code>
<code>OBJST_SECRET_KEY</code>	Secret access key	<code>admin</code>
<code>OBJST_ADMIN_PASSWORD</code>	Admin UI password	<code>admin</code>
<code>OBJST_REGION</code>	Storage region identifier	<code>us-east-1</code>

## Cluster Environment Variables

Variable	Description	Default
<code>OBJST_CLUSTER_ENABLED</code>	Enable cluster mode ( <code>true</code> / <code>false</code> )	<code>false</code>
<code>OBJST_CLUSTER_NODE_ID</code>	Unique node identifier	auto-generated
<code>OBJST_CLUSTER_QUIC_PORT</code>	QUIC transport port	<code>4433</code>

Variable	Description	Default
<code>OBJST_CLUSTER_SEED_NODES</code>	Comma-separated seed node addresses	<i>(empty)</i>
<code>OBJST_DRIVE_PATHS</code>	Comma-separated drive mount paths	storage dir
<code>OBJST_ERASURE_DATA_SHARDS</code>	Erasure coding data shards	4
<code>OBJST_ERASURE_PARITY_SHARDS</code>	Erasure coding parity shards	2
<code>OBJST_ERASURE_CHUNK_SIZE</code>	Erasure chunk size in bytes	4194304 (4 MB)
<code>OBJST_HEARTBEAT_INTERVAL_MS</code>	Cluster heartbeat interval	5000
<code>OBJST_HEARTBEAT_TIMEOUT_MS</code>	Cluster heartbeat timeout	30000

## CLI Flags

```
deno run --allow-all mod.ts server [options]
```

### Server Options:

```
--storage-port <port>      Storage API port (default: 9000)
--ui-port <port>           Management UI port (default: 3000)
--storage-dir <path>       Storage directory (default: /data)
--ephemeral                Use ./nogit/objstdata for storage (dev mode)
```

### Clustering Options:

```
--cluster-enabled          Enable cluster mode
--cluster-node-id <id>     Unique node identifier
--cluster-quic-port <port> QUIC transport port (default: 4433)
--cluster-seed-nodes <list> Comma-separated seed node addresses
--drive-paths <list>       Comma-separated drive mount paths
--erasure-data-shards <n>  Erasure coding data shards (default: 4)
--erasure-parity-shards <n> Erasure coding parity shards (default: 2)
```

## Cluster Mode

objectstorage supports distributed storage across multiple nodes with automatic failover and data redundancy.

## How it works

1. **Enable clustering** on each node with `OBJST_CLUSTER_ENABLED=true`
2. **Point nodes at each other** using `OBJST_CLUSTER_SEED_NODES` — nodes discover the full cluster from any seed
3. **Configure drives** per node with `OBJST_DRIVE_PATHS` — each drive is independently managed
4. **Erasur coding** splits objects into data + parity shards across drives and nodes

## Example: 3-node cluster

```
# Node 1
docker run -d --name objst-node1 \
  -p 9000:9000 -p 3000:3000 -p 4433:4433/udp \
  -v /mnt/disk1:/drive1 -v /mnt/disk2:/drive2 \
  -e OBJST_CLUSTER_ENABLED=true \
  -e OBJST_CLUSTER_NODE_ID=node-1 \
  -e OBJST_CLUSTER_SEED_NODES=node2:4433,node3:4433 \
  -e OBJST_DRIVE_PATHS=/drive1,/drive2 \
  -e OBJST_ACCESS_KEY=myadminkey \
  -e OBJST_SECRET_KEY=mysupersecret \
  code.foss.global/lossless.zone/objectstorage:latest

# Node 2 and Node 3 – same pattern, different node IDs and seed nodes
```

## Erasur coding presets

Config	Data Shards	Parity Shards	Overhead	Fault Tolerance
Default	4	2	50%	2 failures
High durability	6	3	50%	3 failures
Minimal	2	1	50%	1 failure

## Inter-node transport

Cluster communication uses **QUIC** (UDP port 4433 by default) with:

- Auto-generated TLS certificates
- Multiplexed streams with flow-control backpressure
- Heartbeat-based failure detection (default: 5s interval, 30s timeout)

# Management UI

The web-based management UI is served on the UI port (default: `3000`). Log in with username `admin` and the configured admin password.

## Overview

Dashboard showing server status, uptime, storage usage, bucket count, and connection info.

Overview

## Buckets

Create/delete buckets. View object counts and sizes. Attach/detach named policies per bucket.

Buckets

## Browser

Finder-style column browser for objects. Upload, download, preview, move, rename, and delete files and folders — with syntax-highlighted code preview.

Browser

Right-click any item for quick actions:

Context Menu

## Inline Code Editing

Click Edit on any text file to open the built-in Monaco editor with syntax highlighting, language detection, and save-back-to-storage.

Code Editing

## PDF Viewer

PDF files render inline with a full-featured viewer — page navigation, zoom, fit-to-page, thumbnails, download, and print.

PDF Viewer

# Policies

Create reusable named policies with IAM-style S3 statements. Attach policies to multiple buckets at once.

Policies

## Attaching Policies to Buckets

From the Buckets view, click the policy icon on any bucket to see attached and available policies. Attach or detach with one click.

Attach Policy

# Access Keys

Add and remove access credentials. Secret keys are masked. Changes take effect immediately — no server restart needed.

Access Keys

## Adding Access Keys

Click "Add Key" to create new access credentials. They're immediately available for API authentication.

Add Access Key

# Configuration

View your server's current configuration at a glance — ports, region, storage directory, auth/CORS status, cluster configuration, erasure coding settings, and storage drive paths. The config view also includes an environment variable reference guide for cluster setup.

Configuration

# Dark Theme

Full dark theme support — automatically follows your system preference via `prefers-color-scheme`.

Dark Theme

# ☐☐ Named Policy System

objectstorage adds a **named policy** abstraction on top of standard S3 bucket policies. Instead of editing raw JSON per bucket, you define reusable policy templates and attach them to any number of buckets.

## How it works

1. **Create a named policy** in the Policies view — give it a name, description, and S3 policy statements
2. **Attach it to buckets** — from the Policies view or the Buckets view
3. **objectstorage merges** all attached policy statements into a single S3 policy document and applies it to the bucket automatically

## `${bucket}` placeholder

Use `${bucket}` in your policy's `Resource` ARN and it will be replaced with the actual bucket name when applied:

```
[
  {
    "Sid": "PublicRead",
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Principal": "*",
    "Action": "s3:GetObject",
    "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::${bucket}/*"
  }
]
```

This lets one policy like "Public Read" work across many buckets without hardcoding names.

## Lifecycle

- **Updating a policy** automatically recomputes and re-applies the merged S3 policy on all attached buckets
- **Deleting a policy** detaches it from all buckets and recomputes each
- **Deleting a bucket** cleans up its policy attachments automatically

# ☐ S3 API Usage

Use any S3-compatible client to interact with the storage. Here are some examples:

## AWS CLI

```
# Configure AWS CLI
aws configure set aws_access_key_id admin
aws configure set aws_secret_access_key admin
aws configure set default.region us-east-1

# Create a bucket
aws --endpoint-url http://localhost:9000 s3 mb s3://my-bucket

# Upload a file
aws --endpoint-url http://localhost:9000 s3 cp myfile.txt s3://my-bucket/

# List objects
aws --endpoint-url http://localhost:9000 s3 ls s3://my-bucket/

# Download a file
aws --endpoint-url http://localhost:9000 s3 cp s3://my-bucket/myfile.txt ./downloaded.txt
```

## Node.js / TypeScript (AWS SDK v3)

```
import { S3Client, PutObjectCommand, ListObjectsV2Command } from '@aws-sdk/client-s3';

const s3 = new S3Client({
  endpoint: 'http://localhost:9000',
  region: 'us-east-1',
  credentials: {
    accessKeyId: 'admin',
    secretAccessKey: 'admin',
  },
  forcePathStyle: true,
});
```

```
// Upload an object
await s3.send(new PutObjectCommand({
  Bucket: 'my-bucket',
  Key: 'hello.txt',
  Body: 'Hello, S3!',
}));

// List objects in a bucket
const result = await s3.send(new ListObjectsV2Command({
  Bucket: 'my-bucket',
}));
console.log(result.Contents);
```

## Python (boto3)

```
import boto3

s3 = boto3.client(
    's3',
    endpoint_url='http://localhost:9000',
    aws_access_key_id='admin',
    aws_secret_access_key='admin',
    region_name='us-east-1',
)

# Upload a file
s3.put_object(Bucket='my-bucket', Key='hello.txt', Body=b'Hello from Python!')

# List objects
response = s3.list_objects_v2(Bucket='my-bucket')
for obj in response.get('Contents', []):
    print(obj['Key'], obj['Size'])
```



# Build

```
# Build for the native platform
pnpm run build:docker

# Or build and run directly
pnpm run start:docker
```

## Docker Compose (standalone)

```
services:
  objectstorage:
    image: code.foss.global/lossless.zone/objectstorage:latest
    ports:
      - "9000:9000" # S3 API
      - "3000:3000" # Management UI
    volumes:
      - objstdata:/data
    environment:
      OBJST_ACCESS_KEY: myadminkey
      OBJST_SECRET_KEY: mysupersecret
      OBJST_ADMIN_PASSWORD: securepw123

volumes:
  objstdata:
```

## Docker Compose (3-node cluster)

```
services:
  node1:
    image: code.foss.global/lossless.zone/objectstorage:latest
    ports:
      - "9001:9000"
      - "3001:3000"
      - "4433:4433/udp"
    volumes:
```

- node1-drive1:/drive1
- node1-drive2:/drive2

environment:

```
OBJST_CLUSTER_ENABLED: "true"
OBJST_CLUSTER_NODE_ID: node-1
OBJST_CLUSTER_QUIC_PORT: "4433"
OBJST_CLUSTER_SEED_NODES: node2:4433,node3:4433
OBJST_DRIVE_PATHS: /drive1,/drive2
OBJST_ACCESS_KEY: myadminkey
OBJST_SECRET_KEY: mysupersecret
```

node2:

image: code.foss.global/lossless.zone/objectstorage:latest

ports:

- "9002:9000"
- "3002:3000"
- "4434:4433/udp"

volumes:

- node2-drive1:/drive1
- node2-drive2:/drive2

environment:

```
OBJST_CLUSTER_ENABLED: "true"
OBJST_CLUSTER_NODE_ID: node-2
OBJST_CLUSTER_QUIC_PORT: "4433"
OBJST_CLUSTER_SEED_NODES: node1:4433,node3:4433
OBJST_DRIVE_PATHS: /drive1,/drive2
OBJST_ACCESS_KEY: myadminkey
OBJST_SECRET_KEY: mysupersecret
```

node3:

image: code.foss.global/lossless.zone/objectstorage:latest

ports:

- "9003:9000"
- "3003:3000"
- "4435:4433/udp"

volumes:

- node3-drive1:/drive1
- node3-drive2:/drive2

environment:

```
OBJST_CLUSTER_ENABLED: "true"
OBJST_CLUSTER_NODE_ID: node-3
OBJST_CLUSTER_QUIC_PORT: "4433"
OBJST_CLUSTER_SEED_NODES: node1:4433,node2:4433
OBJST_DRIVE_PATHS: /drive1,/drive2
OBJST_ACCESS_KEY: myadminkey
OBJST_SECRET_KEY: mysupersecret
```

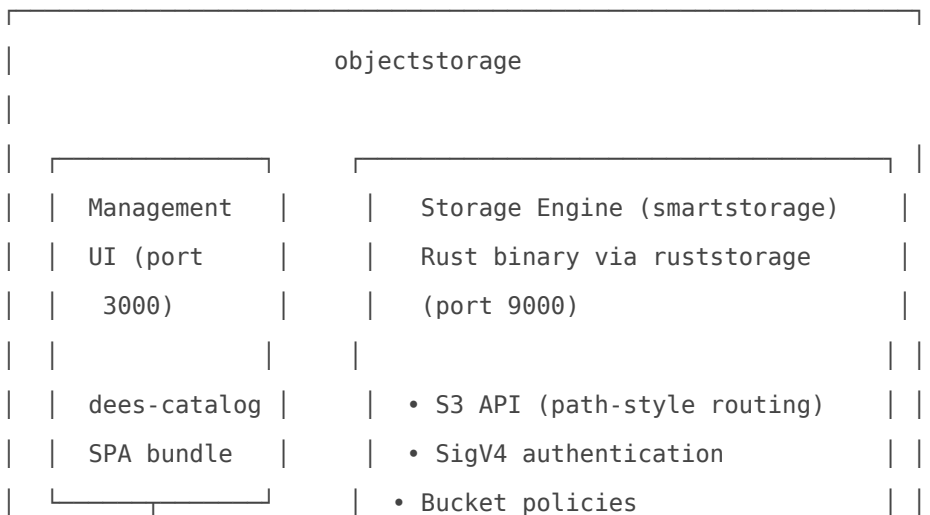
volumes:

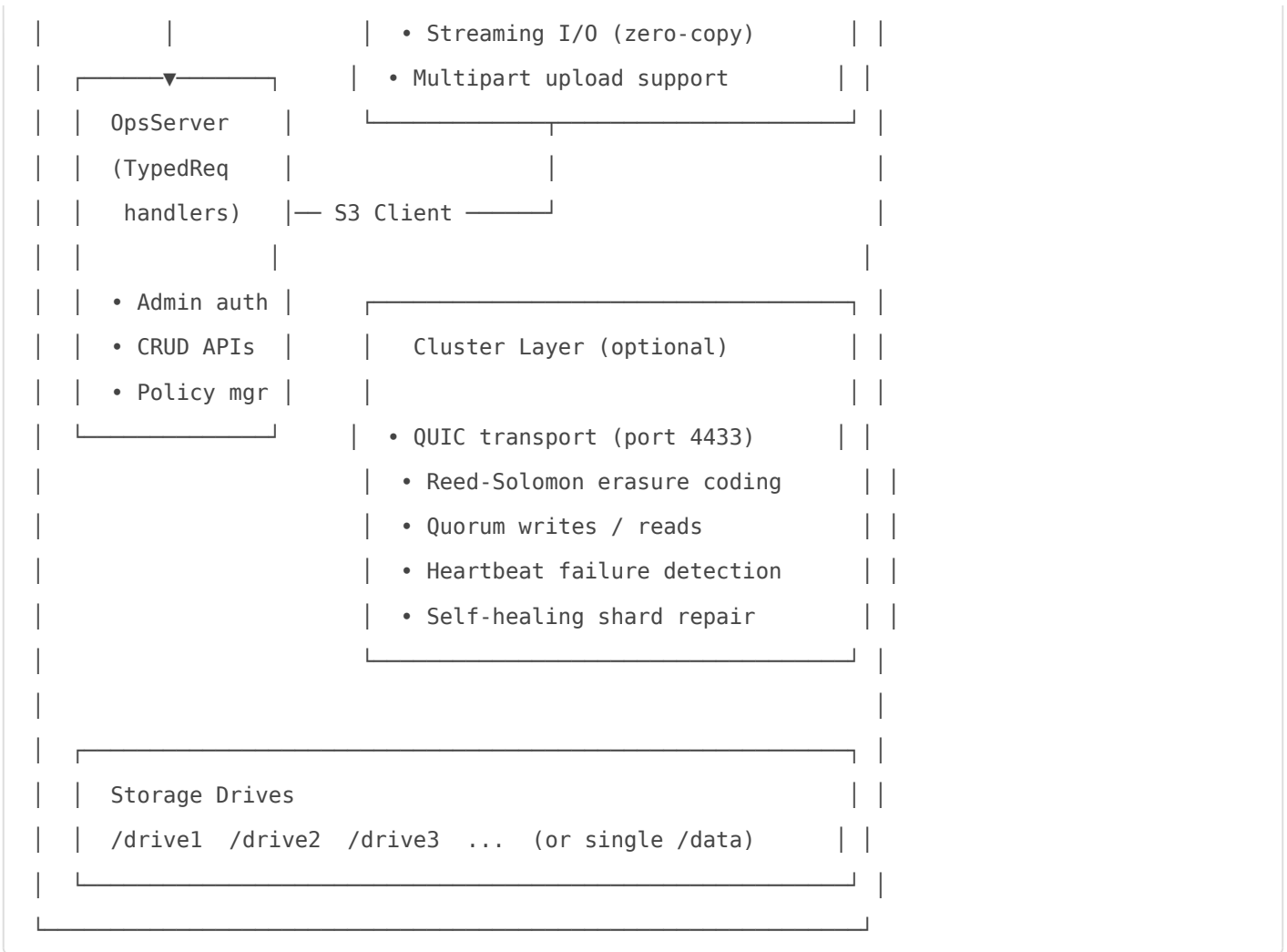
```
node1-drive1:
node1-drive2:
node2-drive1:
node2-drive2:
node3-drive1:
node3-drive2:
```

## Image Details

- **Base:** `alpine:edge` with Deno runtime
- **Architectures:** `linux/amd64`, `linux/arm64`
- **Size:** ~150 MB compressed
- **Init system:** `tini` for proper signal handling
- **Exposed ports:** `9000` (S3), `3000` (UI), `4433` (QUIC cluster transport)
- **Volume:** `/data` — all bucket data and config persisted here

## Architecture





# Tech Stack

Layer	Technology
<b>Storage Engine</b>	<a href="#">@push.rocks/smartstorage</a> (Rust binary via <a href="#">ruststorage</a> )
<b>Cluster Transport</b>	QUIC via <a href="#">quinn</a> (auto-TLS, multiplexed streams, backpressure)
<b>Erasure Coding</b>	Reed-Solomon (configurable data + parity shards)
<b>Runtime</b>	Deno
<b>Management API</b>	<a href="#">@api.global/typedrequest</a> + <a href="#">@api.global/typedserver</a>
<b>Auth</b>	JWT via <a href="#">@push.rocks/smartjwt</a> , S3 SigV4
<b>Frontend</b>	<a href="#">@design.estate/dees-element</a> (LitElement) + <a href="#">@design.estate/dees-catalog</a>
<b>Frontend Build</b>	esbuild via <a href="#">@git.zone/tsbundle</a>
<b>Docker</b>	Multi-stage (Node.js build → Alpine + Deno runtime)

# Development

```
# Install dependencies
pnpm install

# Watch mode – auto-rebuilds frontend + restarts backend
pnpm run watch

# Build frontend bundle only
pnpm run build

# Type check backend
deno check mod.ts

# Run tests
pnpm test

# Run in development mode
deno run --allow-all mod.ts server --ephemeral
```

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# changelog.md for @lossless.zone/objectstorage

## 2026-03-24 - 1.8.1 - fix(build)

migrate build tool config to .smartconfig.json and bump tooling dependencies

- Move tsbundle, tsdocker, and tswatch configuration from npmextra.json to .smartconfig.json
- Update @git.zone/tsbundle, @git.zone/tsdocker, and @git.zone/tswatch devDependencies
- Bump @aws-sdk/client-s3 import to ^3.1016.0

## 2026-03-24 - 1.8.0 - feat(docs,web)

document cluster and erasure coding support and align UI storage provider naming

- expand the README with cluster mode, erasure coding, multi-drive configuration, and multi-node Docker Compose examples
- update web storage integration to use the renamed storage data provider interface and browser component
- bump runtime, UI, and tooling dependencies to newer compatible versions

## 2026-03-22 - 1.7.1 - fix(repo)

no changes to commit

# 2026-03-22 - 1.7.0 - feat(cluster)

add cluster configuration support across server, CLI, and admin UI

- add environment variable and CLI support for cluster, QUIC, seed node, drive, erasure coding, and heartbeat settings
- pass cluster-aware configuration into smartstorage and expose the QUIC port in Docker
- extend config APIs and admin UI to display cluster, erasure coding, and storage drive configuration
- upgrade @push.rocks/smartstorage to ^6.3.1 to support the new cluster capabilities

# 2026-03-21 - 1.6.0 - feat(scripts)

add release script for committing and pushing docker images

- Adds a new npm release script to automate git commit and Docker image push steps.

# 2026-03-21 - 1.5.1 - fix(project)

no changes to commit

# 2026-03-21 - 1.5.0 - feat(test)

add end-to-end test coverage for container lifecycle, auth, buckets, objects, policies, credentials, status, and S3 compatibility

- adds a reusable test helper for creating isolated ObjectStorageContainer instances and logging in as admin
- introduces a test script in package.json to run the new Deno test suite
- covers core management API flows including authentication, bucket operations, object operations, named policies, credentials, and server status/config
- verifies S3 SDK interoperability including bucket and object operations plus credential rejection cases

# 2026-03-15 - 1.4.2 - fix(license)

add missing license file

- Adds a repository license file.

## 2026-03-15 - 1.4.1 - fix(readme)

refresh README with clearer feature documentation, UI screenshots, and client usage examples

- Adds newly documented UI capabilities such as inline code editing, PDF viewing, dark theme, and configuration overview
- Expands S3 usage examples with AWS CLI, Node.js/TypeScript, and Python boto3 snippets
- Improves README structure, section headings, linked dependency references, and screenshot coverage

## 2026-03-14 - 1.5.0 - feat(core)

rebrand from s3container to objectstorage

- Rename project from @lossless.zone/s3container to @lossless.zone/objectstorage
- Replace @push.rocks/smarts3 dependency with @push.rocks/smartstorage
- Change all environment variable prefixes from S3\_ to OBJST\_
- Rename S3Container class to ObjectStorageContainer
- Update all web component prefixes from s3c- to objst-
- Update UI labels, CLI flags, documentation, and Docker configuration

## 2026-03-14 - 1.4.0 - feat(docs)

expand management UI documentation with screenshots and feature walkthroughs

- Reorganizes the Management UI section into dedicated Overview, Buckets, Browser, Policies, Access Keys, and Dark Theme sections
- Adds screenshots for core UI views and workflows such as inline code editing, PDF viewing, attaching policies, and adding access keys
- Clarifies browser capabilities including syntax-highlighted code preview and save-back-to-S3 editing

# 2026-03-14 - 1.3.0 - feat(web-router)

add URL-based view routing and synchronize navigation state across the web UI

- introduce a dedicated app router that maps valid views to browser paths and handles initial route resolution
- update app shell and bucket navigation to use router-based view changes instead of directly mutating UI state
- refresh policy and bucket management modals by updating modal content through the created modal instance

# 2026-03-14 - 1.2.0 - feat(readme)

add comprehensive project documentation for setup, configuration, UI, and S3 usage

- Adds an initial README covering Docker and Deno quick start flows
- Documents environment variables, CLI flags, management UI views, and named policy behavior
- Includes S3 client usage examples, Docker deployment guidance, architecture overview, and development instructions

# 2026-03-14 - 1.1.3 - fix(package)

update package metadata

- Adjusts package.json with a single-line metadata change.

# 2026-03-14 - 1.1.2 - fix(package)

update package metadata

- Adjusts package.json with a single-line metadata change.

# 2026-03-14 - 1.1.1 - fix(package)

update package metadata

- Adjusts package.json with a single-line metadata change.

# 2026-03-14 - 1.1.0 - feat(policies)

add named policy management with bucket attachments in the ops API and web UI

- introduces a PolicyManager that persists named policies and bucket attachments, then recomputes and applies merged bucket policies automatically
- adds typed ops server endpoints and shared request/data interfaces for creating, updating, deleting, listing, and attaching policies
- adds a dedicated Policies view in the web UI and replaces raw bucket policy JSON editing with attach/detach management for named policies
- cleans up policy attachments when buckets are deleted

# 2026-03-14 - 1.0.0 - initial release

Initial release of s3container, a MinIO replacement built on smarts3 with a dees-catalog-based management UI.

- Added an S3-compatible storage server powered by `@push.rocks/smarts3`
- Added a management UI with `dees-s3-browser` for object browsing
- Added bucket management with policy support
- Added credential management for access key / secret key pairs
- Added Docker containerization with a multi-stage build using Node.js and Deno