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Developing Regional Web Pages for Selectives

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Our regional depository Web sites should include information for the selective depository libraries that we are responsible for assisting. In states like Oklahoma in which there are two regional depository libraries, we suggest a "one-stop shopping" approach in which selectives can access one Web site for services and resources available to them from both regionals. Each regional continues to maintain its own Web site. Another option is to put a link on the regional's Web site pointing to pages listing services and resources for its selectives.

We will look at and suggest for your use some of the features that could be placed on such a Web site or Web page. These include features on Web sites that have been developed for serving selectives (I) and noteworthy links on regional Web sites in general (II-III).

In January and again in March we attempted to survey the Web sites of every regional depository. In most cases we successfully reached the right page. But there were a few cases in which we could never find a regional page. So our first obvious suggestion is this: your department page should be available on the first level of your institution's Web site if at all possible; if not, have it accessible on the second level. But if a selective has to navigate down to a third level or beyond to search for your page, you may as well forget about it: nobody will find it.

I. The joint Oklahoma State University / Oklahoma Department of Libraries and the University of Kentucky Libraries Regional Web pages are sites that have been developed to serve their selectives.

<http://regdocs.okstate.edu/>

www.uky.edu/Libraries/deprds.html

Following are current features of these Web sites, and ones that we recommend for a

regional site serving its selectives.

OK State University Library (OSU) /

OK Department of Libraries (ODL)

1. Links to the general pages of OSU and ODL and access to government information on the Internet
2. A map of the Federal depository system in Oklahoma, with directory information keyed to the map
3. Discard list guidelines for our state
4. A gateway to GPO Access
5. Information about the OKDOCS-L listserv
6. Federal information guides in PDF format
7. Links to the Federal Depository Library Program Administration
8. Links to Federal depository library information
9. The Oklahoma State Plan for the FDLP
10. Online articles
11. Information about the Oklahoma Library Association's GODORT
12. A meeting calendar
13. A "Contact Your Congress" link so that depository librarians can easily lobby their Congressional representatives about legislation that affects them

Upcoming features will include a news section and a guide about Native American resources in Oklahoma's depository libraries.

University of Kentucky Libraries

1. Government Information Gateway
2. Location map of Federal Depository Library Community Libraries in Kentucky
3. U.S. Government Resources
4. Kentucky State Plan
5. Exchange List Guidelines
6. Collection Development Policy
7. Federal Depository Library Program Administration
8. "Let's Talk Documents" newsletter

II. Notable features of Regionals' Web sites. We recommend these types of features to include on a Regional Web site serving its selectives or on Web pages for selectives.

1. State plans

Louisiana State University

www.lib.lsu.edu/govdocs/laplan2.html

OK State University Library / OK Department of Libraries

<http://regdocs.okstate.edu/statpln.htm>

University of Kentucky

www.uky.edu/Libraries/dep.html

2. Discard / exchange list regulations

OK State University Library / OK Department of Libraries

<http://regdocs.okstate.edu/discard.htm>

University of Kentucky

www.uky.edu/Libraries/depelg.html

University of Minnesota

www.lib.umn.edu/gov/disposal.html

3. Local listserv information

OK State University Library / OK Department of Libraries

<http://regdocs.okstate.edu/listserv.htm>

University of Minnesota

www.lib.umn.edu/gov/minndocs.html

4. Directory of depositories within state

Louisiana State University

www.lib.lsu.edu/govdocs/director.html

New Mexico State Library

www.stlib.state.nm.us/gpo/gponmlib.html

Newark Public Library

www.npl.org/Pages/Collections/njdepositories.html

North Dakota State University

www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu/govdocs/nddekdir.html

OK State University Library / OK Department of Libraries

www.odl.state.ok.us/usinfo/usdepsys.htm

University of Georgia

www.libs.uga.edu/govdocs/listlb98.html

University of Kentucky

www.uky.edu/Libraries/depframes.html

University of Minnesota

www.lib.umn.edu/gov/fedmn.html

5. Newsletters

University of Kentucky—"LTD: Let's Talk Documents"

www.uky.edu/Libraries/depltd.html

6. Identification of Federal information in the news

University of Memphis—"Hot Docs in the News"

www.lib.memphis.edu/gpo/hotcool.htm

7. Link to the University of Memphis' "Migrating Government Publications"

www.lib.memphis.edu/gpo/mig.htm

Many regionals.

8. A map of depositories within their state

OK State University Library / OK Department of Libraries

www.odl.state.ok.us/usinfo/usdepsys.htm

University of Kentucky

www.uky.edu/Libraries/depframes.html

9. Links to the Federal Depository Library Program Administration

Many regionals.

10. Links to Federal depository library information

Many regionals.

III. Other notable features of Regionals' Web sites

1. Links to various Federal information sources, including a link to "Resources of Use to Government Documents Librarians" from the University of California at Berkeley at [**<http://library.berkeley.edu/GODORT/>**](http://library.berkeley.edu/GODORT/)

Many regionals

2. Links to the National High School Debate Topic

University of Kansas

www.ukans.edu/cwis/units/kulib/docs/debhome.html

3. Gateways to GPO Access and other Federal information sources

Many regionals

4. Government information search engines

University of Colorado at Boulder

www-libraries.colorado.edu/ps/gov/gd/search.htm

University of Georgia

www.libs.uga.edu/govdocs/internet.html

5. Links to Web sites of other depositories

Louisiana State University

www.lib.lsu.edu/govdocs/ladeposi.html

University of Idaho

www.lib.uidaho.edu/govdoc/otherdep.html#ID

6. Bibliographies and guides, including links to the "GODORT Handout Exchange"

Auburn University

www.lib.auburn.edu/madd/docs/docbib.html

University of Colorado at Boulder

www-libraries.colorado.edu/ps/gov/gd/search.htm

University of Georgia

<http://www.libs.uga.edu/govdocs/guides.html>

University of Memphis

www.lib.memphis.edu/gpo/refgde.htm

7. Their own regional collection development policy

University of Kentucky

www.uky.edu/Libraries/depcoldev.html

8. A map of the regional depository within their city

University of Colorado at Boulder

www-libraries.colorado.edu/ps/gov/map.htm

University of Minnesota

www1.umn.edu/tc/around/directions-mpls.html

9. Descriptions and lists of CD-ROMs

Auburn University

www.lib.auburn.edu/madd/docs/cdlist.html

University of Georgia

www.libs.uga.edu/govdocs/microdat.html

10. Electronic information citators

University of Colorado at Boulder

www-libraries.colorado.edu/ps/gov/gd/cite.htm

11. Links to election information Web sites

University of New Mexico

www.unm.edu/~govref/election.htm

12. Freedom of Information (FOIA) Reading Room link

University of New Mexico

www.unm.edu/~govref/doe/index~1.htm

13. Information on historical Federal publications about their state

Newark Public Library

www.npl.org/Pages/Collections/retrodocs.html

14. Information on current Federal publications about their state

New Mexico State Library (project is currently under development).

www.stlib.state.nm.us/gpo/gpomain.html

15. Lists of Federal agencies whose depository publications the regional receives—
recommended for states with a shared regional such as North Dakota

North Dakota State University

www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu/govdocs/govndsu.html

University of North Dakota

www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu/govdocs/govund.html

Four Powerful Features of the University of Memphis Web Site:

Home of "Migrating Government Publications" **www.lib.memphis.edu/gpo/mig.htm**

"Hot Documents in the News" **www.lib.memphis.edu/gpo/hotcool.htm**

"Internet Resource Guides" (subject guides to Federal info)

www.lib.memphis.edu/gpo/refgde.htm

"Instructional and Class Resources" (information for classes at the University; an electronic reserve room) **www.lib.memphis.edu/gpo/class.htm**