

# Stewarding Small: Comprehensive Collecting

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# What is a Federal Depository Comprehensive Collection?

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# Comprehensive? Hard to say.

- Depositories were able to "select" beginning in 1922.
- Regionals came about with the Depository Library Act of 1962.
- Selective depositories became regionals at different times.
- Changing scope of content eligible for distribution to depositories
- Natural and man-made disasters resulting in collection loss
- 1995 GPO General Counsel Memorandum on Eliminating Microfiche from Future Discard Lists (*Reprinted in 12/15/04 issue of Administrative Notes*)
- SOD-PPS 2016-3, Government Publications Authorized for Discard by Regional Depository Libraries (<u>https://www.fdlp.gov/superintendent-of-</u> <u>documents-public-policies</u>)



# **Regional Depository Library Collections**

"The corpus of Federal publications that were automatically deposited in a regional depository library through the Federal Depository Library Program, and housed in that library or in another location under a selective housing agreement. Documents in the depository collection at the time of regional designation are subsumed in to the regional collection." — *a regional collection* 



# National Collection of U.S. Government Information

"A geographically dispersed collection of the corpus of Federal Government information dissemination products paid for with Federal funds, regardless of format or medium"

The National Collection is a comprehensive collection.





#### Federal Depository Library Program Libraries



# **Challenges of the National Collection**

We do not know ...

- The corpus of public documents and Government information products.
- Where titles in the collection are located.
- The condition of the documents.



# **Preservation Pilot Initiatives**

Developing a Multi-State Comprehensive Collection FDLP Preservation Services Pilot Strategies

> Library Services and Content Management Office of the Superintendent of Documents U.S. Government Publishing Office

> > December 20, 2018

- Purpose
- Background
- Objectives
- Expected impacts, outcomes, and developments
- Principle activities

https://www.fdlp.gov/file-repository/preservation/3825-developing-a-multi-statecomprehensive-collection-fdlp-preservation-services-pilot-strategies-december-20-2018



## Establishing Shared Regional Depositories

- Sharing collections, resources, and responsibilities between regional and selective depository libraries
- Intra- and inter-state shared regional depository libraries. Scenarios include:
  - One regional serving multiple states.
  - Multiple regionals serving one or more states.



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#### SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS DEPOSITORY GUIDANCE DOCUMENT 2018-1

EFFECTIVE: October 22, 2018

Supersedes Guidelines for Establishing Intrastate Regional Depository Libraries Dated: 02/12/2009

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Guidelines for Establishing Shared Regional Depository Libraries

The provisions of chapter 19 of Title 44, U.S.C., prescribe a structure for the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP) consisting of regional and selective libraries, and set the conditions for the operation of the Program as administered by the Government Publishing Office (GPO). In accordance with \$1912, all regional depository libraries are designated as such by one of the state's Senators or the Resident Commissioner for Puerto Rico. Not more than two depository libraries in each State and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico may be designated as regional depositories.

Within this <u>statutory framework</u>, different models of sharing resources and responsibilities between regional and selective libraries within the states they serve have been implemented over the years with GPO approval. These include different models of intra- and inter-state sharing between regionals and selective libraries. One example is regional depository libraries in one state sharing collections and services to selective depositories in that state. Another model is one regional depository libraries one regional depository libraries within a djacent or nearby state where no regional depository library exists. Yet another example is one regional with a distributed regional collection through selective housing agreements with other depository libraries within the state.

In recent years, technological innovations and the ease of disseminating digital information have made it possible for a number of depository libraries to participate in multi-state collaborations for rapid delivery of shared services. This has also made it possible to develop models and networks that create cost effective shared print resource archives and shared digital repositories. Both intraand inter-state shared regional models can offer practical and economical means to maintain





# Are you thinking about entering into a collaborative arrangement for sharing depository collections?

- Yes
- No
- Not right now, perhaps in the future
- My library is already in a collaborative arrangement





### Are you thinking about becoming a Preservation Steward to help preserve tangible depository resources?

- Yes
- No
- Not right now, perhaps in the future
- My library is already a Preservation Steward



# Building Comprehensiveness: Selective & Regional Perspectives

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## Anyone can help with this work!

#### Selective example (Library of Virginia)

- ASERL COE involvement
  - Inventorying and cataloging
  - Offer items to COEs via disposition database
- FDLP eXchange
- Building comprehensiveness around Virginia-related docs

#### **Regional example (U of Minn-TC)**

- FDLP eXchange
- Complete comprehensiveness
- Cataloging
- Collecting for access & preservation
  - Preservation Steward
  - Shared Print Agreement



#### FDLP Libraries in ME, NH, VT Region





### Comprehensive Collection and eXchange







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## Preservation Stewardship Program

- Law Governs people's behavior
- As such the public should have reliable access to that information
- These ideals line up perfectly with the Preservation Stewardship Program
- Not a large time commitment EVEN with a small staff.







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A small Selective Library can play an important role in the Preservation Stewardship Program







The Garbrecht Law Library decided to become a Preservation Steward for the **United States Reports**. The U.S. Reports publishes the Decisions of the United States Supreme Court.







Becoming a Preservation Steward is straightforward, and the GPO will help with the process.





#### Inventory of United States Reports for Preservation Stewardship Program

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#### Garbrecht Law Library





Reach out to your Regional Depository Library and the GPO to learn more and join the Preservation Steward program.





## Suggested Reading

- Judith C. Russell, Challenges and Opportunities for Federal Depository Libraries in the Digital Age, Against the Grain, 2014 available at, https://docs.lib.purdue.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?referer=https://www.goog le.com/&httpsredir=1&article=5644&context=atg
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#### University of New Hampshire Library



#### Stewarding Small: Comprehensive Collecting

Working Together When a Depository Withdraws from the FDLP



#### Some Aspects Considered

Digital depository option

Collections

➢Item selections

➤Location

>Other libraries/depositories in state/region



#### Spreadsheet showing what each NH depository selects & shipment activity for latest 3-year period

SuDoc	Agency	Sub-Agency	Title	Format(s)	Item Number	Times shipped FY1					
AE 2.106:	NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECO	Federal Register Office	Federal Register	Р	0573-C	833	No	No	Yes	No	No
AE 2.106/3:	NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECO	Federal Register Office	Code of Federal Regulations	Р	0572-B	743	No	No	Yes	No	No
Y1.1/5:	CONGRESS	Senate	Senate Reports	Р	1008-C	676	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
AE 2.106/3:	NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECO	Federal Register Office	Code of Federal Regulations	MF	0572-C	616	No	No	Yes	No	No
AE 2.110:	NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECO	Federal Register Office	Slip Laws (public)	Р	0575	524	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
TD 4.80:	TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMEN	Federal Aviation Administratio	D-TPP, Digital-Terminal Procedure Publication	Р	0982-O	516	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
X 1.1/A:	CONGRESS		Congressional Record (daily including biweekly	Р	0994-B	496	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
Y4.F76/1:	CONGRESS	House Foreign Affairs Committ	Hearings, Prints, and Miscellaneous Publication	Р	1017-A-07	366	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Y1.1/7:	CONGRESS	House	House Documents	Р	0996-A-02	361	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
A13.107:	AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT	Forest Service	Species Range maps (series)	Р	0080-G	342	No	No	No	No	No
A13.28:	AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT	Forest Service	Maps and Charts	Р	0080-G	342	No	No	No	No	No
Y1.1/3:	CONGRESS	Senate	Senate Documents	MF	0996-B	325	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
Y1.1/4:	CONGRESS	Senate	Senate Treaty Documents	MF	0996-B	325	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
Y1.1/7:	CONGRESS	House	House Documents	MF	0996-B	325	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
TD 4.79/15:	TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMEN	Federal Aviation Administratio	IFR Enroute Low Altitude (U.S.)	Р	0982-L-18	324	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
Y4.C73/8:	CONGRESS	House Energy and Commerce C	Hearings, Prints, and Miscellaneous Publication	Р	1019-A-01	283	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Y4.P96/10:	CONGRESS	Senate Environment and Public	Hearings, Prints, and Miscellaneous Publication	Р	1045-A	275	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Y4.F76/1:	CONGRESS	House Foreign Affairs Committ	Hearings, Prints, and Miscellaneous Publication	MF	1017-B-07	274	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Y4.F76/1-15:	CONGRESS	House Foreign Affairs Committ	Country Reports on Human Rights Practices for	MF	1017-B-07	274	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Y4.AP 6/1:	CONGRESS	House Appropriations Commit	Hearings, Prints, and Miscellaneous Publication	Р	1011	250	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Y4.AP 6/1-11:	CONGRESS	House Appropriations Commit	Committee Rules	Р	1011	250	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Y4.G74/7:	CONGRESS	House Government Reform Co	Hearings, Prints, and Miscellaneous Publication	Р	1016-A	237	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
129.155:	INTERIOR DEPARTMENT	National Park Service	Braille Publications	Р	0648-A-35	224	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
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Y4.C73/8-10:	CONGRESS	House Energy and Commerce C	Legislative Calendar	MF	1019-B-01	221	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Y4.C73/8-11:	CONGRESS	House Energy and Commerce C	Rules of the Committee on Energy and Commer	MF	1019-B-01	221	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Y4.P96/10:	CONGRESS	Senate Environment and Public	Hearings, Prints, and Miscellaneous Publication	MF	1045-B	215	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No



## Highlights

- ➤Common goal
- Coordination by and with the Regional Librarian
- ➤Collaboration
- ➤Communication
- Series Assistance from GPO and Outreach Librarian
- >Exploration of options to stay within the program



## Collection Stewardship: Protecting the Access Rights of Present and Future Users

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## Stewardship



- Starting small
- Share common goals
- Local collection priorities
- Shared collections
- Shared records
- Commitment to preserve



## **Risk Mitigation**



- Communication
- Collaboration
- Coordination



# **Questions?**