



Developing a Shared Regional Depository: Benefits & Challenges

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Development of the New Mexico Shared Regional Depository

- ▶ A shared regional was established in New Mexico in 2016
- ▶ Three libraries agreed to be the regionals for the state



Memorandum of Understanding and Shared Housing Agreements

- ▶ The three depositories met to develop plans and workflows
- ▶ Coordinators, managers, deans, and catalogers were all involved
- ▶ A shared housing agreement was developed for each library
- ▶ Information was included about regionals who may someday want to withdraw from the agreement
- ▶ Information was also included that allowed for future changes
- ▶ SuDoc classes were split up between the three libraries
- ▶ Each library agreed to receive all new material from their SuDoc classes
- ▶ Existing material was to be transferred

Joint Research Guide for the Shared Regional

- ▶ <http://libguides.unm.edu/NM-FDLP/overview?preview=269e65580023c6abc244153c44896caa>
- ▶ Information was provided about each regional
- ▶ The MOU and housing agreements were posted
- ▶ A list of SuDoc classes housed at each library was included
- ▶ Each regional coordinator has access to edit the guide
- ▶ Information was also added to each library's Web site

Federal Regional Depository Library Program in NM

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Overview
Overview of program in New Mexico
The Partners in the Shared Federal Regional Depository Library Program
FDLP @ UNM Zimmerman
FDLP @ NMSU Branson
FDLP @ NM State Library
FDLP Online
Regional Agreements

Overview Of Program In New Mexico

A joint research guide for the New Mexico Federal Regional Depository Library, developed by the *New Mexico State Library*, the *New Mexico State University* and the *University of New Mexico*.

The Partners In The Shared Federal Regional Depository Library Program

- **[New Mexico State Library](#)**
The State Library of New Mexico's Home Page for Federal and State Government Information
- **[The New Mexico State University](#)**
The NMSU Home Page for Federal and State government information.
- **[The University of New Mexico's University Library & Learning Services Government Information Home Page](#)**
Home page for the UNM UL&LS Government Information Collection

FDLP Requirements

- **[Collections and Databases](#)**
Contains information on the various products and services available to Federal depository libraries.
- **[Guidance](#)**
Contains links and advice as to how to comply with FDLP regulations.
- **[Instructions](#)**
The Instructions section provides information on the various FDLP services and resources
- **[Legal Requirements](#)**
provides member libraries with a single, concise resource to consult for the current legal and Program obligations of libraries in the Federal Depository Library Program. The document is divided into three parts:

Part I: An Authority Statement prefaces the document and explains

Implementation Plan

- ▶ A test section was completed from one small SuDoc class
- ▶ This gave us an indication of how the project would go and how much time would be required
- ▶ After the test section was completed, we began checking lists and transferring material
- ▶ Selection profiles were updated
- ▶ Workflow was adjusted as needed

Challenges: Un-cataloged material, Agency & SuDoc Changes



Challenges: Distance & the Transfer of Material

- ▶ All material was moved to the New Mexico State Library at once
- ▶ UNM and NMSU mailed material in small amounts at a time
- ▶ Utilized state conferences and meetings to transfer material, when possible



Other Challenges

- ▶ Staffing and time commitment
 - ▶ Checking item lists to compare collections
 - ▶ Adding and removing items from the catalog
- ▶ Financial cost of shipping and moving items

Benefits

- ▶ Gaining space
- ▶ Collaboration with other libraries in the state
- ▶ Collections and SuDoc classes that are more relevant to each institution's location and purpose
- ▶ An opportunity to highlight and promote your collections

Our Progress

- ▶ The three libraries have worked on 10 SuDoc classes of varying sizes over the past year
- ▶ Have begun to see improvements in space
- ▶ We will know more when the project is complete

Recommendations

- ▶ Consider whether you have the resources
- ▶ Transferring existing material offers more space
 - ▶ Items aren't duplicated between regionals, but it is very time and resource intensive
- ▶ Have a clear plan and be open to adjustments
- ▶ Have one library that is primarily responsible for planning and leading the projects
- ▶ Communicate regularly



Thank you!

QUESTIONS?

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