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Memo

To: Jennie Stapp, State Librarian
Montana State Library Commission

From: Jim Kammerer, Library Information Services Manager

Date: November 20, 2012

Re: MSL Collection Development Policy and State Publications Management Plan

The collection development policy represents, for the first time, a combined collection policy for Library Information Services, Geographic Information Services and the Natural Heritage Program. The State Publications Management Plan documents current practice which relies on the Internet Archive to capture and provide access to state publications through the MT.GOV Connect web archive. LIS staff has shared this plan with the Governor's Office, the Montana Historical Society (MHS) Research Center staff, state agencies and depository libraries. Where appropriate their feedback has been incorporated in the plan.

Please note that MSL and MHS determined that there was no need to update the memorandum of understanding included as Appendix A in the Collection Development Policy. It remains in effect, but may, through mutual consent be rescinded in the future because it has generally been determined to restate statute.

No changes have been made to these draft policies since they were presented in October; staff recommends that the Commission approve these policies at the December meeting.