Montana State Library Digital Library Work Plan January – June 2018

Green (no font distinction) – activity progressing as expected.

Yellow (italicized) – activity may be delayed but the delays do not necessarily rise to the level of Commission concern

Red (bolded) – activity is delayed and Commission attention is warranted

Blue (underlined) – addition or change to the original work plan.

Strategic Framework - Foster Partnerships

Note: Work plan objectives will be evaluated and reprioritized to reflect the impact of budget reductions.

Activities:

- Develop or purchase an updated request-tracking tool to ensure consistent tracking of patron requests across the library and to enable better agency wide outreach planning and information product development.
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Inputs	Outputs	Outcomes	Impacts
Staff time to identify	Any easy to use tool that can	Staff track requests in a consistent	Patrons see value in MSL
requirements.	be used by all MSL staff to	manner which allows us to better	services
	track calls, visits, and other	understand how users access and use	
	types of patron requests	MSL tools and services	

Developer time and/or funding depending on what type of solution is identified	Training and Documentation Reporting Mechanism	Staff use the tool to document requests consistently	Partners seek to have their data accessed and exposed through MSL discovery tools.
Define Requirements, Workflows, Processes, and Stakeholders	Knowledgebase	Increased knowledge of our users	Staff are better able to allocate resources
Stakeholders	Maintenance Plan		Staff are more responsive to user needs
			Users have access to MSL's expertise and curated information to resolve their needs

- Develop a Digital Library plan for structured outreach activities across the Digital Library that guides the activities of the GIS Coordinator, the Outreach and Electronic Resources Librarian, the Montana Natural Heritage Program Coordinator, and the Digital Library Administrator.
 - User Services has outlined work group responsibilities, which is a necessary first step for this
 outreach planning. Similar to the request tracker project we need to have more specific target dates
 in place before the next commission report.

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Staff time to identify	A plan that identifies	Digital Library programs are more	Currently the biggest limitation
outreach priorities	attainable outreach goals for	coordinated in their outreach effort	on the usage of MSL resources
	the remainder of the fiscal	and more deliberate in making	is that users do not realize what
Inventory of existing,	year with a process for	decisions on which events to attend,	is available or do not
regularly attended events	reviewing, updating, and	activities to offer, and trainings to	understand how to use it.
(MAGIP, NSGIC, MACO, etc)	extending the plan through	host.	Coordinated, deliberate
	FY18.		outreach should allow us to

Listing of upcoming and		Consistent presence at events.	maximize engagement possible
other known activities we	Prioritized list of events and		given existing staffing and
would like to participate in	activities with the break	Better distribution of activities	budgetary constraints.
	between what we do and	throughout the year to reduce stress	
Outreach, training, travel	don't have funding for	at high activity times (around MAGIP,	Increased use of Digital Library
budget available for	identified.	NSGIC, MACO conferences/meetings)	products and services
outreach activities			
	A core set of outreach	Staff have the materials they need and	More partnership opportunities
Define stakeholders we	materials that can be easily	are comfortable and prepared to	as agencies and organizations
would like to engage with.	customized or supplemented	discuss Digital Library products and	better understand how our
	for specific events.	services appropriate to the	work can complement the work
		stakeholders they are engaged with.	that they do.

- Make the Natural Resource Information System Advisory Committee active again and update the NRIS Core Funding MOU.
 - We need to fill open NRIS Advisory Committee seats (DNRC, Dept of Ag) before the end of March to ensure an update MOU is signed by June 30. Should target April 30 as a deadline for having a draft updated MOU to distribute among partner agencies.
- Develop partnerships beyond NRIS data partners to enhance State Publications, Natural Resources, and MSDI Collections (Professional Development as well?)
 - This is a longer-term project. While I think we can be having some discussions with partners now, I
 think some of this will follow the initial NRIS Advisory Committee meetings.

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Staff and agency rep time to meet, review existing MOU, and create a framework for updating or creating a new agreement	An updated memorandum of understanding between NRIS and core funding agencies that may also be used to encourage other non-named agencies to partner with and support MSL programs and services	MSL better understands the needs of partner agencies and agency NRIS Advisory Committee representatives are more informed of MSL resources. Agency NRIS AC representatives are comfortable communicating with staff in their agencies and with their partners about MSL has to offer.	A supportive set of core partnerships that serves as the foundation for establishing additional funding and data source partnerships.
		Usage of MSL resources increases and time spent explaining the value when invoices are sent to partners is minimized	

- Create new MARC records for electronic resources for digitized state publications.
- Clean up existing MARC records for print state publications.

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Jim Kammerer will work with MSC staff and Kenny Ketner to establish project roles and responsibilities for creating new records and cleaning existing records. Project team will decide how to store MSC records for non-circulating print items that have been digitized. Standardize the hyperlink text in the 856 field for all records. Delete records for print items that cannot be found and have an equivalent record for digital version.	Revised SIRSI template for how MSL and State Government Information Center (SGIC) items are cataloged. Items in home location of STATE-PUB will switch to ONLINE. SGIC collection will grow in size. Makes MARC records for electronic resources available for import by any library, not just MSC libraries. Global access to state publications.	Cleaner, more accurate library catalog records. Better user experience; less confusion about what is available from catalog. Absence of circulation protects print state publications from possible loss, damage. Fewer interlibrary loan (ILL) requests for already digitized items. MSL collection shifts to more digital content, which aligns with collection development policy preference for digital over print content.	By reducing barriers to information access a higher level of transparency in state government is achieved Improved information discovery aides research critical for decision making processes. Improved collection management strengthens partnerships with existing and potential MSC and state depository library partners.

Strategic Framework – Create a useful information infrastructure

Activities:

- Update the Montana Cadastral Application
 - o Initial planning steps are under way. I only made this one yellow because I am concerned about the potential for the new DOR Non-disclosure rules to impact the data exchange and thus complicate the development process I very much hope it will not play out that way.
 - Like the Request Tracker, we do not have any benchmark's or milestones (or even a target completion date) determined yet. That should be a minimum target to reach before the next commission meeting.

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Info Products, Land Info, and	A more robust cadastral	A reduction in the number of recurring	As one of the most used
IT Staff time	application that we are able	complaints and bug reports	applications in Montana state
	to maintain with existing, in		government, the cadastral
Input from the Department	house staff and update as	An increased ability to be responsive to user	application Is a natural
of Revenue and users	needed without a full re-	suggestions for improving the application	opportunity for us to reach out
	write		to and engage users. The first
			step in doing this is ensuring
			that the application itself is well
			designed and reliable.

- Standardize drought and water supply map data reporting
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Staff - Primarily WIS Manager	single webpage delivering the data/maps/products	monthly drought status map is produced in objective manner	drought map is produced more effeciently (committee
Staff - IT (web programming)	used to produce the monthly drought status map	users understand why a county is assigned a	members spend less time each month)
Copyright/ownership/terms		particular drought category (transparency)	
of use (for products such as	list of products used by the		products used to create the
PRISM, VegDri, etc.)	Drought Committee to make the monthly map	DNRC Drought Coordinator and Gov. understand when to issue a "drought alert"	monthly drought map are readily available to watershed
Storage space (possibly		and "severe drought" to local governments	groups and other interested
database)	model to aggregate drought- related data/maps/products	and they have the data supporting the decision.	parties (broadened usage of WIS)
Discussion/coordination with		decision.	
DNRC and Gov. Drought and	documentation of how the		Montana's drought status map
Water Supply Advisory	monthly drought status map		directly feeds into the US
Committee	is produced		Drought Monitor (US Drought
			Monitor uses the data best for
			Montana)