

Recommended Reading



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The Government Printing Office (GPO) is working with the federal depository library community on several new initiatives involving access to and preservation of print and digital Federal Government documents. We also are planning for the future of the Sales Program. These initiatives are part of the overall agency strategic planning effort. The resources listed below will help you understand some of the major initiatives that are going on in the Superintendent of Documents organization and throughout GPO.

STRATEGIC PLANNING

A Strategic Vision for the 21st Century:

<http://www.gpo.gov/congressional/pdfs/04strategicplan.pdf>

Presents a vision for the creation and use of information in the new century. This document was presented to the 108th Congress and serves as the basis for the GPO of the future.

GPO's Future Digital System

<http://www.gpo.gov/projects/fdsys.htm>

The proposed Future Digital System will ingest, preserve, and provide access to the information produced by all three branches of the U.S. Government and to the material currently in the custody of GPO. For the full reports on the FDsys see:

GPO's Future Digital System Summary -

http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fdlp/tools/Conops_Summary.pdf

U.S. GPO Concept of Operations (CONOPS V2.0) for the Future Digital System (FDsys) -

http://www.gpo.gov/projects/pdfs/FDsys_ConOps_v2.0.pdf

U.S. GPO Requirements Document (RD V1.0) for the Future Digital System (FDsys) -

http://www.gpo.gov/projects/pdfs/FDsys_RD_v1.0.pdf

Preliminary Requirements: FDsys - Executive Summary of Phase 3

http://www.gpo.gov/projects/pdfs/Summary_Phase3.pdf

FDLP Selection Mechanisms: Item Numbers and Alternatives

http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fdlp/selection/index.html

As part of its ongoing planning efforts, GPO has undertaken a review of the item number system used by libraries in the FDLP to select tangible and electronic titles. Three new briefing papers are now available.

The National Collection of U.S. Government Publications.

http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fdlp/pubs/id_plan/chapter5.html#5.1

GPO has developed a draft plan for a National Collection of U.S. Government Publications - a secure "dark archive" that will become a comprehensive collection of tangible and electronic titles that will backstop the regional library collections and future shared repositories.

The National Bibliography of U.S. Government Publications: Initial Planning Statement.

http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fdlp/pubs/id_plan/chapter2.html#2.1

GPO's National Bibliography of U.S. Government Publications will be a comprehensive catalog containing descriptions and locations of U.S. Government unclassified publications in all formats.

DIGITIZATION

The Legacy Government Documents Collection.

<http://www.gpoaccess.gov/about/reports/preservation.html>

GPO has made a commitment to collaborate with the library community to digitize the entire legacy collection of U.S. government documents - an estimated 2.2 million print publications totaling approximately 60 million pages - to make sure that those documents are available, in the public domain, for permanent public access, and that the entire collection is digitized for preservation purposes.

Report on the Meeting of Experts on Digital Preservation: Metadata Specifications.

http://www.gpoaccess.gov/about/reports/metadata_report_final.pdf

Priority Titles for Digitization Survey.

<http://www.gpoaccess.gov/legacy/priorities/index.html>

The survey was conducted in the spring and summer of 2004. Real-time ranking results are available for both depository and non-depository participants at.

Priorities for Digitization of Legacy Collection

http://www.gpoaccess.gov/about/reports/prioritydigitization_plan.pdf

A white paper is now available.

GPO's Digitization Specification 3.0 is available at:

<http://www.gpoaccess.gov/legacy/DigitizationSpecification3.0.pdf>

This specification will be used to support GPO's plan to convert legacy documents into preservation masters that will subsequently be used to create derivative "access" files that support user requirements.

All of GPO's Digitization and Preservation Initiatives can be found at:

<http://www.gpoaccess.gov/legacy/index.html>

University of Arizona Electronic Depository Pilot Project.

<http://www.library.arizona.edu/library/teams/sst/pol/guide/gpo-pilot/index.html>

The University of Arizona has recently completed a pilot project to systematically substitute electronic titles for tangible titles they receive from GPO as a selective depository library. The project included a survey of library users to determine acceptance of the electronic resources.

Incentives Document: Progress Report, How's the Carrot Crop Doing?

http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fdlp/staywiththeprogram.html

At its fall meeting in October 2003, the Depository Library Council identified a number of services and added benefits that GPO could provide to encourage depositories to remain in the Federal Depository Library Program. This report summarizes developments and progress to date.

Shared Repositories.

[http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fdlp/pubs/crl_decision_framework_depository_type\(final\).pdf](http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fdlp/pubs/crl_decision_framework_depository_type(final).pdf)

Federal Document Repositories: Decision Framework by Tangible Repository Type was prepared by the Center for Research Libraries* (CRL) for GPO. The decision framework is intended for evaluating future proposals for shared repositories for tangible Federal government documents.

Public-Private Partnership Opportunity in Publishing Services

<http://www.gpo.gov/bidopps/majoracquisitions.htm>

The GPO is evaluating the functions related to its Sales and Agency Distribution Programs and is seeking alternative revenue sharing models that could be provided by the private sector.

Recent Congressional Testimony

In May 2005, Public Printer Bruce R. James, testified before Congress at two hearings.

From Public Printer's Office -- Prepared Statement Before the Committee on Appropriations, House of Representatives, on the Appropriations Request of the U.S. Government Printing Office for Fiscal Year 2006

http://www.gpo.gov/congressional/testimony/happ06_stmt.pdf

From Public Printer's Office -- Prepared Statement Before the Subcommittee on Legislative Branch Appropriations, U.S. Senate, on the Appropriations Request of the U.S. Government Printing Office for Fiscal Year 2006

http://www.gpo.gov/congressional/testimony/sapp06_stmt.pdf

Recent Speeches of the Superintendent of Documents.

<http://www.gpoaccess.gov/about/speeches/index.html>

Find speeches from the 2003 through 2005 Spring Depository Library Council Meetings and other speeches.

This **Recommended Reading** list is available online and will be updated as additional items of interest become available. It can be accessed at: http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fdlp/pubs/reading.html.

I welcome your comments or questions about any of these documents or other issues related to GPO's information dissemination programs.

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