

Pathways to Preservation

Digital Curation Strategies in North Carolina State Government

North Carolina State Archives and State Library of North Carolina



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Brief History of NC State Gov't Information Curation

- Two divisions within the Department of Cultural Resources
 - The State Library of North Carolina
 - Targets a variety of statewide needs (Library Development, LBPH, G&H)
 - The Government and Heritage Library provides direct services to state government employees and researchers
 - State Publications Clearinghouse collects and processes state agency created publications
 - Digital Information Management Program develops recommendations and tests solutions that support the identification, collection, cataloging, storage, and preservation of state government information for permanent public access
 - The North Carolina State Archives
 - Provides services to state government and public
 - Designated the official archival agency of the State of North Carolina;
 - Responsible for providing advice as well as records management program
 - Public records include all formats regardless of "physical form or characteristics"
 - Collects variety of formats of archival records
 - Separate mandates, missions, administrative structures
 - Mandates overlap, often work together to solve challenges
- Information Technology
 - DCR-IT provides desktop support
 - ITS provides network support
 - No defined support for long-term management of born-digital state records at this time



Why is digital curation our problem?

- Statutory mandates
 - Gather, provide access to, and permanently store state agency electronic publications and records in North Carolina
- Trained professionals (Librarians & Archivists)
- Administrative support

| | Pubs | Websites | Geospatial Data | E-mail | Databases | Other Records |
|----------|------|----------|--------------------|--------|-----------|------------------|
| Archives | | √ | √ | √ | √ | √ |
| Library | √ | √ | | | √ | |

Challenges: Statutory mandates, but no enforcement authority and no programmatic IT support



What we're doing today to meet the challenges of digital curation



Websites: Harvests

Archive-It (Internet Archive)

- Pilot partners in 2005
- Harvests began in fall 2005
- Currently collected nearly 3TB
- This spring: combining our harvests with relevant content harvested by Internet Archive between 1995 and 2005

Challenges

- Agency web design vs. tool limitations
- Don't have 100% buy-in
- Crawl analysis



Websites: Access

- Access (short/long-term)
 - ARC/WARC file format
 - Annual backup to tape; stored locally
 - Multiple access points
 - NC State Gov. Web Site Archives, Webfeat search, Wayback machine, Archive-it page
- Anecdotal support
 - Governor Hunt speeches
 - Governor Easley executive orders



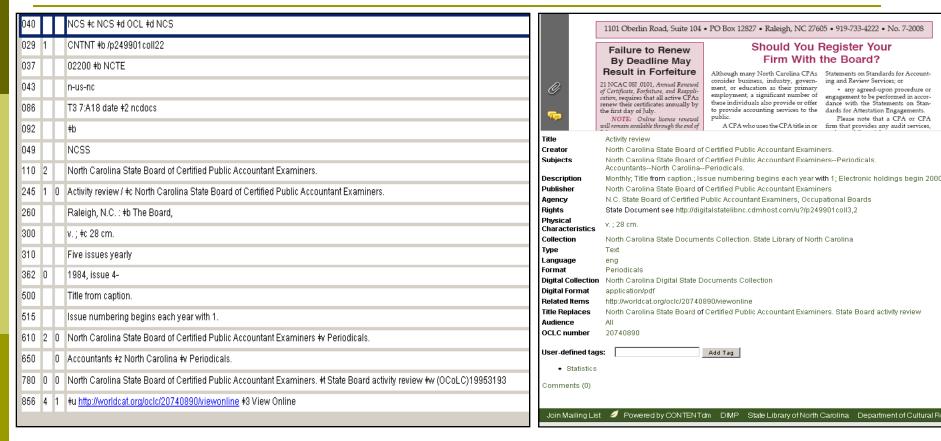


State Publications

- Acquisition
 - Via e-mail, CD, or any other way we can get it
- Access & Storage:
 - Hosted access & storage the OCLC suite of tools
 - Began using CONTENTdm (CDM), Connexion Digital Import (CDI), and the Digital Archive (DA) summer 2007
 - □ Current storage: ~1.5GB
 - CDI
 - the WorldCat record is automatically modified to include a link to the CDM record in the 856 field
 - a copy of the file is automatically passed to and stored in DA
 - the WorldCat record is automatically crosswalked from to DC and the file and the new DC record are added to CDM
 - DC metadata is manually edited to include additional info. (e.g., creating/submitting Agency)
 - Records findable via local website, search engines, Webfeat, WorldCat
 - Local storage
 - Local Storage Area Network (SAN)
 - Limited space, funds for growth



Publications: Pre- and Post-Processing



Connexion (MARC) view

CONTENTdm (Dublin Core) view



Publications: Answering the Challenges

Grants participation:

- Washington State Digital Archives
 - NDIIPP grant through Oct. 2009, extension requested
 - Establish the Washington State Digital Archives (WSDA) model as one that can be replicated in other states and/or as a viable hosting service
 - No North Carolina publications submitted yet
- iRODS & DCAPE (NHPRC grant through May 2011)
 - Build a distributed production preservation environment that meets the needs of archival repositories for trusted archival preservation services
 - Currently identifying required rule set for distributed data management environment and attempting to load Archive-It and CDM files



State Records

- Acquisition
 - Via external media or hosted service
- Access & Storage:
 - Dark Storage stored off-line or on external drives
 - Access to catalog via Manuscripts and Archives Reference System
 - □ Current storage: ~2 TB
 - Access provide upon request. No on-line access at the moment to the record.
 Access to the metadata
 - Local storage
 - Local Storage Area Network (SAN)
 - Limited space
 - Identifying funds for growth and to provide access
 - Pursuing Grants to build programs and test tools
 - Government Initiatives—Senate Bill 6.12



Records: Answering the Challenges

Grants participation:

- GeoMapp
 - NDIIPP grant through December 2009, extension requested
 - To do a demonstration of transfer of archival geospatial data as well as test data from counties.
 - Begin building capability within the State Archives to ingest and provide access to superseded data
 - Moving into the phase of transferring data
- iRODS & DCAPE (NHPRC grant through May 2011)
- EMCAP (NHPRC grant through June 30, 2009)
 - Development of email collection and preservation tools
 - Builds on existing protocols and behaviors
 - Keeps originals and transforms them to XML



Geospatial Data--GeoMAPP

Table 3: Archival Activity by Data Type and Organization Type

| Counties (64) | | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Response | Archiving Raster | Archiving Vector | Archiving Both | Archiving Either |
| Yes | 63% | 73% | 47% | 89% |
| No | 38% | 27% | 53% | 11% |
| Municipalities (40) | | | | |
| Response | Archiving Raster | Archiving Vector | Archiving Both | Archiving Either |
| Yes | 65% | 68% | 48% | 85% |
| No | 33% | 30% | 50% | 13% |
| All Respondents (104) | | | | |
| Response | Archiving Raster | Archiving Vector | Archiving Both | Archiving Either |
| Yes | 63% | 71% | 47% | 88% |
| No | 36% | 28% | 52% | 12% |

Table 5: Archival Rates of 'Focus' Data Layers

| Layer | County | Municipality | Overall |
|----------------------------|--------|--------------|---------|
| Parcel | 63% | 45% | 56% |
| Street Centerlines | 52% | 43% | 48% |
| Jurisdictional Boundary | 44% | 60% | 50% |
| Zoning | 38% | 53% | 43% |
| Orthos | 66% | 60% | 63% |



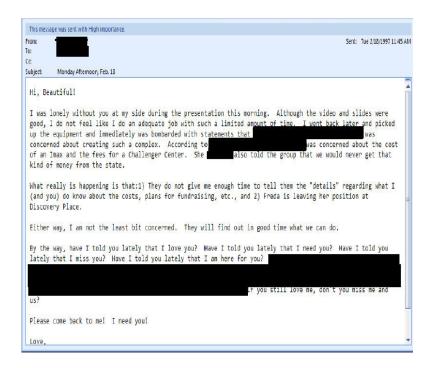
Geospatial Data

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| GeoMAPP Infrastructure Inven | tory: Geospatial | | |
| | | | |
| Storage | | | |
| Data Type | Storage Type (SAN/ Direct Attached (RAID)/ External drive) | If yes, Compression Technique (zip, rar, mrsid, etc) | Uncompressed (GB) |
| Vector (NCOM prodN SQL Server DB) | SAN and RAID | | |
| Vector (NCOM other prodN SQL Server DBs) | SAN and RAID | | |
| Vector (NCOM download - shapefile) | HD | ZIP | 7.3 |
| Raster (1993 DOQQ) | HD | JPEG | 195 |
| Raster (1998 DOQQ) | HD | MrSID | 586 |
| Raster (DRG) | HD | MrSID | 29.3 |
| Raster (Landcover) | HD | 2 | |
| Raster (Local Imagery) | HD | MrSID | 13035 |
| Available/ unallocated (free) storage | | | |
| Totals | | | 13,852.60 |



E-mail

■ Governor Hunt Email server

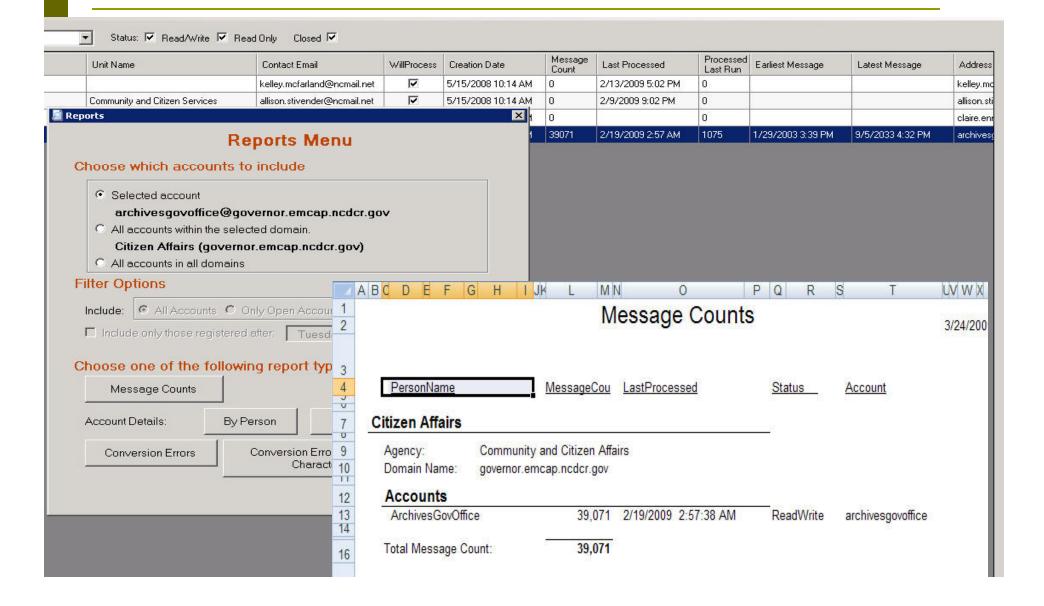


Governor Easley

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| Jan-June 2006 | located in governor0607 and governor1206 | 2 | 10693 | 10693 | 1340 | 1034 | 190 | 1156 |
| July-December 2006 | located in governor0607 and governor1206 | 76 | 13834 | 13833 | 2298 | 1785 | 167 | 2134 |
| Archive 07 | located in governor1207; includes entire 12 months; last 6 months of sent mail | 95 | 18973 | 18973 | 2105 | 1624 | 256 | 1850 |
| Jan-June 2007 | located in governor office email from Jan 07 to June 07; has an additional folder, Agency Responses | 4 | 6219 | 6218 | 953 | 761 | 84 | 869 |
| Jan07-June07 | located in in governor0607 | 3 | 4795 | 4794 | 527 | 448 | 31 | 496 |
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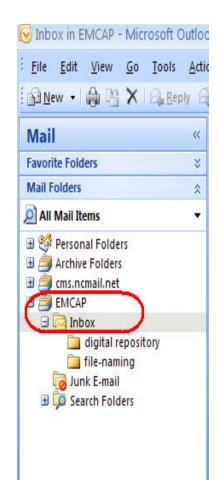


E-mail--EMCAP





EMCAP—client and administrative console



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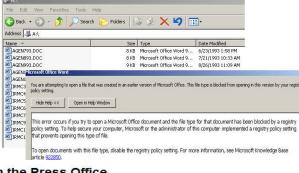
Records

□ IRMC-Information Resource Management

Commission

Governor Easley Files

- Paper and electronic
- 90.6 Gigabytes transferred
- Multiple file formats



Files from the Press Office





The Future

- Continue to monitor and test potential tools that would be a better fit or fill an outstanding need (like preserving databases)
- Continue drafting guidelines and "best practices" documents to provide guidance to state agency staff
 - Seek administrative approval
- Expand current education programs for state agency staff
 - their role in the process
 - importance of following guidelines to ensure that Library and Archives receive "preservation" ready digital info
- Work with IT at all levels to
 - Indentify expectations & needs
 - Indentify roles & responsibilities
 - Maximize staff & resources
 - Identify efficiencies



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