Water in the Klamath Basin Digital Library
Collection Development Framework

Mission
We desire to create a comprehensive collection of materials about water use and supply in the Klamath Basin. We are committed to creating a dynamic collection, with content that reflects the complexity of the subject and does not take an advocacy position. Our goal is to promote understanding by building an education resource dedicated to this topic and open to all. This mission is in accordance with the OIT Library mission to "provide user-focused, quality services and collections in order to promote the creation and use of knowledge."

Collection Development Priorities
In most cases those items where permission to reproduce has been granted or items in the public domain will be given first priority to be included in the digital library. In addition, those items that are frail or damaged will be given higher priority for digitization.

Initially, first consideration will be given to those materials dealing with the Upper Klamath River Basin region, which extends from Crater Lake National Park to Iron Gate Dam.

Sources of documents in collection priority level:
1. Items held in the Shaw Historical Library and the Oregon Institute of Technology Library,
2. Content partners such as the Bureau of Reclamation and Klamath County Museum,
3. Depository library items,
4. Private publications,
5. Conference proceedings and other "gray" literature sources,
6. Links or pointers to other internet resources including digital libraries.

Collection Level of Materials
Items will be coded as follows:

Archived
The material is hosted here, and The Library intends to keep the intellectual content of the material available on a permanent basis. An archival hardcopy will exist for those items which are born digital. These will be organized by accession number, printed on archival paper and stored in archival quality folders and boxes. This will ensure continued access to these items. In addition, all raw Tiff scans will be archived cd-roms. If a circulating copy is available in the OIT Library Catalog (Hedgehog) the call number and location will be noted. The decision to add items to the library(s) collection will be made by the relevant subject specialist.

Linked

The material is hosted elsewhere and The Library points to it at that location. Therefore the Library has no control over the information. This collection level will only be used for those items held in other digital libraries where they retain an archival hardcopy.

All technology and standards created will be mindful of the necessity of preserving the site for long-term usage.

Restrictions

Materials that are restricted by the donor or other owner will not be digitized unless permission can be obtained.

Collaboration

Collaboration with other libraries will establish the framework for seamless access to related digital collections and support the foundation of a digital information cooperative in the state and region.