Cal Docs in the NZ FAQs

The CSU is planning a pilot project to manage online, California state publications (Cal Docs) in the Network Zone (NZ) as a shared electronic collection. The initial pilot will include publications of the California Energy Commission (CEC). Later we may expand to additional public agencies.

Qualtrics survey link (to provide feedback or opt-in)
https://sfsu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_5AXp10thvdiyodw

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If you have additional questions or feedback, please add a comment.

What do campus libraries have to do for this Cal Docs collection?

You just have to decide whether or not you want to opt-in.

Opted in (13): Channel Islands, East Bay, Fullerton, Humboldt, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Maritime, Monterey Bay, Sacramento, San Diego, San Jose, San Luis Obispo, San Marcos

Is there a cost? Do we have to pay for a subscription?

No, this collection is free.

Can we manage Cal Docs like we do with federal government publications?

Kind-of. Cal Docs aren't as centralized like federal gov docs. The California State Library can't/doesn't catalog as much as GPO. There are no item numbers or selection profile so we have to look for Cal Docs. This project is focusing on the bib records cataloged by individual California agencies and won't be as comprehensive as federal gov docs.

We can centralize record loading in the NZ and automate the gathering of Cal Docs using Worldshare Collection Manager. See "What kind of maintenance will be required?"

What happened years ago when we were thinking about a Cal Docs collection?

It was a matter of how. Back then I didn't know how we could put together a collection of Cal Docs. Recently I thought to use Worldshare query collections. See "[How are you going to find CEC publications](#)?"

What kind of maintenance will be required?

The query collections should run automatically to pick up new and updated bib records. If there are new/revised criteria for Cal Docs, the existing query collection could be used as a template.

The Alma import profiles load the records automatically. After the record import, some spot checking of records and links in Primo is useful but not required.

How long will the pilot last?

We'll evaluate the pilot on June 1, 2024.

If all goes well (CSU libraries are interested, no egregious problems (widespread broken links)), this will become an ongoing project.

Why is the pilot starting with the California Energy Commission (CEC)?

I looked in OCLC and the CEC catalogs regularly and contributed high-quality bib records to WorldCat. (See OCLC 1420237880 as an example.) There are approximately ~~1600~~ 1100 (online only) monograph titles.

Additional agencies to consider

		qty incl print	oclc sample	notes
CAX	CA State Library	~6500	1372013383	
CDT	CA Dept Transp	~300	1280350521	-2021, some r reprod
CBT	Berk Inst Transp	~500	680381381	broken links, -2012

If you'd like to suggest an OCLC symbol or another way to find Cal Docs, please add a comment.

Suggestion from SJSU for future scenario: SJSU does original cataloging of Cal Doc, can set up NZ import profile to load these MARC records

How are you going to find CEC publications?

I'm going to create a query collection in Worldshare Collection Manager. This is similar to how we get records for our Daily OCLC Load.

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mt:bks AND mt:sgp AND cp:cau AND mt:url AND ll:eng AND cs=CEC
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Material type: books
For the pilot I focused on monographs.

Material type: sgp
state government publications

Country of publication: cau
California (United States)

material type: url
has 856 field

I'll use an indication rule in Alma to exclude non-online bib records.

```
rule "mbj 008 pos 23 form is not o online"
when
not existsControl "008.{23,1}.o"
then
set indication."true"
end
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cataloging language: eng
English

cataloging source: CEC

If you have any additional search criteria to suggest, please add a comment.

Collection name example: Cal Docs California Energy Commission Mono
File name example: CalDocsMonoCEC

Do CEC records have OCLC numbers?

Yes. We're getting the bib records from WorldCat so they have OCLC numbers.

Do Cal Docs use permanent URLs (purls)?

Sometimes but not as consistently as GPO (and even purls can break if they're not maintained or don't have anything to point to). Cal Docs may have more broken links than federal publications.

The 856 field(s) may also have multiple URLs per title (including Google Books, HathiTrust, Internet Archive…) The import profile will add portfolios for all 856 links with first indicator 4 and second indicator 0.

The CEC links look like
https://www.energy.ca.gov/publications/2024/assembly-bill-2127-second-electric-vehicle-charging-infrastructure-assessment

Idea: Add public note to e-collection
"Freely-available online resource. Access may be inconsistent." example

sample record:
oclc 1420237880
Assembly Bill 2127 second electric vehicle charging infrastructure assessment

🆕 What about broken links?

Your library's catalogers can update the WorldCat record's 856 fields by removing broken links and adding working ones. Or if you don't feel comfortable removing links, at least place the working link above the broken ones.

You can find the correct link by searching the agencies website by title.

Then OCLC will send updates through Worldshare Collection Manager which will be imported by Alma and the portfolio link will update.

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