Proposed Withdrawal Guidelines: Natural Resources Library Case Study

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Natural Resources Library



NRL's Books:

- Any books or other items duplicated in the NC State University Libraries without high current circulation
- Books or other items in unusable or hazardous condition. If the content and circulation of an item make it worthy of retention, it should be repaired, replaced, or reformatted if possible
- Books or other items in obsolete formats or for which the cost of accessing/hosting content far outweighs the value of the material

Books at NRL = 21,255 volumes

Duplicates = 3,811 volumes

Duplicates with 10+ circs in last 5 years = 346

Net books recommended to withdraw =3,465

NRL's Print Journals:

- If another library, institution, or organization with which the Libraries has a formal agreement and/or membership, has committed to permanently archive the print journal/government document and sufficient online access is available
- If there is a duplicate print run within the Libraries
- If the journal is widely held and the Libraries has permanent online access
- If the journal run is incomplete with many gaps and is of insufficient value to the current scope and user needs of NC State University to justify attempts to complete it

	Journals = ~6,000 print volumes
	Duplicate print volumes = 197
Recommended volumes to withdraw = 197	

NRL Stacks and bookBot

- Most checkouts at NRL are through Tripsaver
- Tech Lending and Course Reserves highly used
- NRL's primary use is and will be for study and group collaboration
- Keep only highly used and recent content in NRL
- Criteria
 - Published within the last 5 years
 - OR
 - Checked out more than 25 times at least once in the last year.

Volumes in NRL	2338
Shelf Feet:	230
Volumes in BookBot	~ 27000