



LSTA 2022 Grant - Improved Discovery Solutions Cooperative Cataloging Project

(Competitive grant- estimated grant amount \$25,000-\$50,000)

The following systems are collaborating to engage in a cooperative cataloging exploration project to identify and engage in one or more actionable cooperative cataloging projects.

Bridges Library System (Bridges)

IFLS Library System (IFLS)

Milwaukee County Federated Library System (MCFLS)

Monarch Library System (Monarch)

Northern Waters Library Service (NWLS)

Outagamie Waupaca Library System (OWLS)

Winding Rivers Library System (WRLS)

Wisconsin Valley Library Service (WVLS)

An MOU between all active partners in this collaboration is being developed per the LSTA 2022 Guidelines. Northern Waters Library Service will act as fiscal agent for the purposes of LSTA grant funding management, if awarded.

The draft outcomes of the grant are as follows:

- Compile what cataloging practices we already have in common
- Define cooperative cataloging
- Define centralized cataloging
- Research what others (states, consortia) in similar situations have done
- Develop best practices in our systems for system cooperative cataloging, and any best practices for centralized cataloging
- Develop best cataloging practices and standards, perhaps with a very basic/base level that includes what we are already all doing, secondary levels, and a goal to aspire to in a perfect cataloging world. A recommendation for adding inclusive subject headings could be addressed here or in a different area of survey/data outcomes.
- Compile suggestions from discovery layer vendors on what they might need from record data