

9/13/05: Louisiana State Documents Depository Program adjustments for Hurricane Katrina aftermath.

Please contact the Recorder of Documents Office with any suggestions, ideas, questions or comments. Ferol Foos (225) 342-4929, docs@state.lib.la.us or ffoos@state.lib.la.us

1. We are holding shipments to the depository libraries listed below whose institutions are impaired in the hurricane aftermath. These depositories currently total 15: 2 complete, 2 core; 4 public, 10 academic, 1 special.

Delgado, Dillard, Jefferson Parish East & West, Law Library of Louisiana, Louisiana State University Medical Center, Loyola Law, New Orleans Public, Nunez, St. Bernard, St. Tammany, Southern in NO, Tulane, Tulane Law, UNO, Xavier.

**We ask these libraries to please contact our office when they are ready to receive state documents shipments again.

2. We are holding all extra copies of state documents, compiling a list for use by libraries that need to replace lost/damaged items.

3. Of course, the volume of Louisiana documents being submitted right now has significantly dropped. Some agency offices and facilities are in the affected areas; others are busy helping with recovery. Normally, about 41% of Louisiana documents submitted are from academic institutions; now some of them are closed; many others are focused on accommodating relocated students.

4. We have delayed sending the semiannual letter to agencies reminding them of their responsibility to submit public documents to the depository program. Agency liaisons suggested, in a limited telephone survey, that letters to open agencies be postponed until November. A full mailing may wait until the recovery is to the point when agencies can give attention to the depository program requirements.