

PROJECT CHARTER

1. General Project Information				
Project Name:	TexShare Usage Statistics: Data Processing and Reporting Tool			
Project Sponsor:	Danielle Plumer			
Impact of project:	Increase the availability and awareness of TexShare Databases usage data			
2. Project Team				
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3. Stakeholders				
Resource Sharing Team, Library Development & Networking Division of the Texas State Library & Archives Commission				
Library staff who participate in the project survey and/or project focus group(s)				
4. Project Scope Statement				
Project Purpose				
The goal of this project is to speed up the processing and storing of consortia-level usage reports for the TexShare Databases e-resources, so that this information can be made available at the individual library level to Resource Sharing staff and libraries that lack the resources and staff expertise to gather and assess usage data for themselves.				
Objectives				
Decrease TexShare Database Program membership attrition by increasing awareness of how patrons are using the electronic resources.				
Greater awareness of the importance of data visualization for justifying programs and expenditures.				
Increased adoption of COUNTER5 usage reporting standards.				
Support Resource Sharing Team efforts to assess e-resource popularity and make informed decisions about resource maintenance and promotion.				
Reduce staff time spent on manual data cleanup of usage data.				

Deliverables	
<p>A workflow that fully or partially automates the cleanup and processing of TexShare usage data.</p> <p>A database that stores the TexShare usage data.</p> <p>A visualization dashboard that displays TexShare usage data.</p> <p>Documentation and procedures describing the functions and use of all project deliverables.</p>	
Scope	
<p>The project will be limited to usage data from the current state fiscal year (FY2020). Usage data that is compliant with the COUNTER5 reporting standard will be prioritized. Limited non-compliant usage data will be included only as time allows.</p> <p>A live usage dashboard that can be shared externally is a desired result, but not required for the initial project.</p>	
Project Milestones	
<p>The full Project Timeline runs from June 8 – July 31, 2020. See Project Timeline (attached) for details.</p> <p>Project Planning Phase: June 8 – 15</p> <p>Phase 1: Data Processing (Early June through Mid-July)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1A – Data Preparation: June 8 – 19 1B – Database Creation: June 22 – July 10 1C – Data Workflows: June 22 – July 17 <p>Phase 2: Data Visualization (Mid-June through July End)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2A – Needs Assessment: June 15 – July 10 2B – Usage Dashboard: June 22 – July 31 	
5. Known Risks, Constraints, and Dependencies	
Risks	Risk Rating (High, Medium, Low)
Difficulty in obtaining access and support related to needed or desired technology or applications.	High (Internal)
Inconsistencies in data between vendors: non-compliance with COUNTER5 standards, different interpretations or applications of standards, other data irregularities.	Medium (External)
Potential for overreach in intended scope and/or desired functionality for initial project design.	Medium (Internal)

Insufficient time due to project manager's other assigned projects or work tasks.	Medium (Internal)
Limited access to data and information around data resulting from communication barriers and/or information silos.	Low (Internal and External)
Difficulty in creating a process that is replicable by staff lacking programming experience.	Low (Internal)
Constraints	
<p>Hard Constraints</p> <p>Because the project is being undertaken as a university capstone, it must be completed no later than the class deadline of July 31, 2020.</p> <p>Soft Constraints</p> <p>Due to high workloads, the project manager will have limited support from TexShare Program and agency IT staff.</p> <p>Project manager must continue to maintain other work responsibilities for the duration of the project.</p> <p>Software available for project use is limited to those already licensed and approved by agency IT staff. Limited use of outside applications for the creation and running of data workflow processes is permitted temporarily pending future IT review but cannot be relied upon for the ongoing maintenance of the final product.</p> <p>Project may not directly impact the processes or tools used by other staff in the management of usage data without staff input and permission.</p>	
External Dependencies	
<p>Project Sponsor</p> <p>The project sponsor is needed to review and approve project milestones, assist with issues or barriers that may arise, and coordinate communication with agency IT staff and vendor technical contacts.</p>	
<p>Resource Sharing Team</p> <p>The Resource Sharing Team is needed to provide information and give feedback on staff needs related to usage data.</p>	
<p>IT Staff</p> <p>Agency IT Staff are needed to provide access and support related to software applications and permissions required for the completion of the project.</p>	

Library Stakeholders

Feedback is needed from targeted TexShare Database member libraries in order to determine library needs around usage data and how best these needs might be met.

TexShare Vendors

Continued monthly delivery of TexShare Databases usage data is necessary for the continued functioning of the project.

6. Communication Strategy *(specify how the project manager will communicate to the Executive Sponsor, Project Team members and Stakeholders, e.g., frequency of status reports, frequency of Project Team meetings, etc.*




The project manager will:

- meet with the project sponsor every Monday via teleconference to discuss project progress.
- contact project sponsor about urgent issues via email or ad hoc teleconference meetings.
- give a weekly progress report to the Resource Sharing Team during the team's regular Thursday meeting.
- communicate with stakeholder libraries via survey and email.

Communication facilitated by project sponsor includes:

- communication with agency IT staff.
- communication with e-resource vendors.

7. Sign-off

	Name	Signature	Date
Division Director	Jennifer Peters		6/23/20
Project Sponsor	Danielle Cunniff Plumer		6/17/2020
Project Manager	Kate Reagor		6/15/2020

