

# Initial weeding plan for Central Library's R-MAP materials [updated 2014.09.22 by ejd]

Consider the following criteria for each map:

## Geography

Oregon maps	<b>probably keep</b> but consider moving to the Oregon Collection
maps of places in Washington, California, Alaska or British Columbia	<b>discard</b> unless it is of especial value answering perennial patron questions (see Usefulness, below)
maps of <i>anyplace else</i>	<b>discard</b> unless it is truly unique and of especial value answering perennial patron questions (see Usefulness, below)

## Usefulness

the map answers one or more perennial patron questions regarding <b>travel or geography</b>  - or -  it supplies information for perennial patron questions regarding <b>recreational pursuits</b>  - or -  it illuminates perennial questions of <b>Pacific Northwest history</b>	<b>keep</b> but only if these questions <i>cannot be answered easily and adequately</i> with other materials at Central Library, in MCL's digital collections, or on the free internet  otherwise, <b>discard</b>
the map meets none of the above criteria for usefulness	<b>discard</b>

## Uniqueness

Is this map unusual and special? Does the map's uniqueness imply that it would be of significant interest to Multnomah County Library patrons over time?	If you can make a reasonable argument that the map is of interest due to its uniqueness, <sup>1</sup> <b>consider keeping it</b> . However, use this criterion sparingly.
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## Date

Is the map <b>100 years old or older</b> ?	<b>keep</b> , but only if it is a general-interest map of broad appeal
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<sup>1</sup> For example, keep the map if it illustrates specific details of travel history (railway lines, steamship routes, etc.) that would be of interest to historical novelists.