**CaMMS Subject Analysis Committee**

**Report from the Library of Congress Policy, Training, and Cooperative Programs Division Liaison**

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Library of Congress Evaluation of LCSH Headings for Indigenous Peoples

The Library of Congress is very aware that many of its subject headings for Indigenous peoples living within the USA and bordering countries are either incorrect or offensive. The Library is committed to rectifying these errors and is determined to do it correctly with respect for Indigenous peoples, their customs, culture, and languages. “Nothing about us without us” is driving the Library’s approach to this enormous task.

Part of this work involves the Indigenous Headings Consultants Group. The Indigenous Headings Consultants Group will advise PTCP on existing subject headings for and about Indigenous peoples, proposed updates to existing subject headings for and about Indigenous peoples, and the application of new and existing subject headings for and about Indigenous peoples in bibliographic records. The Indigenous Headings Consultants Group will be composed of members who have both tribal nation affiliation and a strong understanding of subject headings and subject usage.

# Maori to Māori in LCSH

At the request of, and with supporting documentation from, the National Library of New Zealand (a SACO member), the word Maori will be changed to Māori in approximately 270 LCSH authority records. The changes are posted to Expedited List 2302 (February 2023).

# Video Games Project in Conjunction with CAPC

Working with CAPC, and starting in July 2022, the LCSH headings Computer games, Electronic games, and Internet games, have been canceled and made UFs on Video games (LC). LCSH headings for individual games are being canceled in favor of name authority records. There are approximately 133 headings in this category. Franchise names for video games will continue to exist in LCSH, following a set pattern.

# PTCP Work with SACO Funnels

PTCP is aware that it cannot maintain LCSH on its own. Although PTCP staffing levels have increased over the last few years (from two FTE maintaining LCSH in 2020 to five FTE (best estimate) policy specialists in 2023, and along with staffing increases, subject-matter expertise has become more well-rounded, the maintenance of LCSH cannot remain as it was in the past. Although SACO has always been a viable mechanism in the past for external participation in LCSH development, the role of SACO in LCSH maintenance is much more critical now, with SACO funnels filling that important role. The SACO Comics and Fiction Funnel, the SACO Gender and Sexuality Funnel, and the SACO Medical Funnel are three new funnels organized in 2023. PTCP is looking forward to working with members of these funnels as equal colleagues in LCSH maintenance. Existing SACO funnels such as the SACO LAIPA Funnel, the SACO African American Funnel, and the SACO Canada Funnel, have also been working with PTCP as equal colleagues in the LCSH maintenance process. This new cooperation paradigm will benefit LCSH as it develops and adapts to current day initiatives and attitudes.