

Review of Recent LSTA Budget Recommendations from the NAC
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Background: The Network Advisory Council at its March 23, 2010 meeting made the following recommendations to the State Librarian regarding FY09 and FY10 LSTA. These recommendations were subsequently approved by the State Library Commission at its April 10, 2010 meeting and have been implemented by MSL staff.

- That Phase I of the WorldCat Local Pilot continue but that the selection of Phase 2 libraries be canceled and \$25,513 of the LSTA FY09 funds assigned to this project be reassigned and put toward the cost of the MT-OCLC Group Services contract with the intent to reduce individual library participation costs.
- That LSTA support for the Question Point software and 24/7 Coverage used by the Ask Montana virtual reference consortium be discontinued.
- That a total of \$60,513 from remaining LSTA FY09 funds and current LSTA FY10 funds previously committed to these two projects be directed toward the cost of the MT OCLC Group Services contract with the intent to reduce individual library participation costs.
- The Council recommended adoption of the LSTA FY10 proposed additional projects budget as detailed in the accompanying FY10 LSTA budget. This budget was approved by the Commission.

In addition, the Council recommended:

- That \$19,371 of previously unassigned LSTA FY 09 funds be assigned to partially fund costs associated with bringing specified new MSC applicant libraries into the MSC.
- That \$60,000 of LSTA support be continued in future years to help Montana libraries maintain access to the vital library services provided through the Montana OCLC Group Services contract.