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Quarterly Narrative Report

Quarter:

- First quarter – Jul, Aug, Sept.**
- Second quarter – Oct, Nov, Dec.**
- Third quarter – Jan, Feb, Mar.**

This report is due quarterly, thirty (30) days after each three-month period of the project's duration. Note that failure to submit these reports within the timeline of the grant program could jeopardize receipt of the final 10% grant payment. Submit ORIGINAL (please sign in blue ink) and TWO copies of the report to:

**California State Library
 Budget Office – LSTA
 P.O. Box 942837
 Sacramento, CA 94237-0001**

Date: 10/31/2007

Grant Award ID #: 40-6813

1. **Grantee:** Riverside Public Library
2. **Project:** Local History Digital Resources Project: Crate labels, photographs, and Wallace J. Miller watercolors.
3. **Describe significant events of this project report period. Relate activities to specific project objectives. Attach project statistics, publicity, publications, etc.** RPL's grant was originally written for the purposes of digitizing our significant citrus label collection. However, the success of the Library's Business Service program has created a joint outreach opportunity of recognizing centennial businesses. This idea brought attention to RPL's stunning collection of Wallace J. Miller paintings created between the years 1895 and 1897 and donated by him to RPL in 1897. Thus, as you are aware, we chose to submit the watercolors for digitization in preparation for this proposed program.

We have been fortunate to have a committee of highly respected consultants advising us on this grant regarding issues copyright, significance, preservation and exhibition. These advisors and others form RPL's Local History Advisory Group which includes Daniel Lewis of the Huntington Library; Chuck Wilson, University Archivist at University of California, Riverside; Steve Lech, local historian and author, and President of the Riverside Historical Society, and Rose Mayes and Susan Strickland of the Riverside African American Historical Society, Kevin Hallaran of the Riverside Metropolitan Museum, Judith Auth, retired RPL Director and others on an as needed basis.

In addition, the RPL held a community meeting entitled the Future of History is Local on September 18, 2007. The panel included David Crosson, Executive Director of the California Historical Society, Steve Lech, Susan Strickland and Chuck Wilson. It was moderated by John Worden, Executive Director of the

Mission Inn Foundation and Museum. The proceedings have been transcribed and the resulting report will be distributed to the audience of approximately 35. These proceedings are already helping to shape the RPL's Local History and Special Collections service plan.


4. **Outline planned activities for the next quarter. Note: if these differ from activities proposed in the application for this period.** We will scan the remaining Wallace J. Miller paintings (there are ten remaining). We will then identify 150 photographs and crate labels for scanning. Additionally, we will begin creating metadata for the Miller paintings, the photographs, and the crate labels.

Regarding further publicity in the forthcoming quarter, the Local History/Special Collections section is partnering with RPL's Cultural Arts Events on programs that respond to the community comments. Local History is also partnering with the local historical societies and developing programs with them, including a Women's Oral History Project on the Early Women's Movement in Riverside and its Relationship to the Inland Empire Environmental Movement.

5. **Is the project on schedule as described and approved?** yes no
Is the project within budget as approved? yes no

If either box is checked "no", describe what corrective actions are being taken.

6. **Note any other present constraints or foreseeable problems that may affect the outcome of the project. How can such problems be overcome?**

7. **Signature:**  **Title:** Local History and Special Collections Librarian
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