

InterPARES 3 Project

International Research on Permanent Authentic Records in Electronic Systems

TEAM Canada

Digital Weft

InterPARES as common thread in
Vancouver's Digital Preservation
Programme

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Presentation Structure

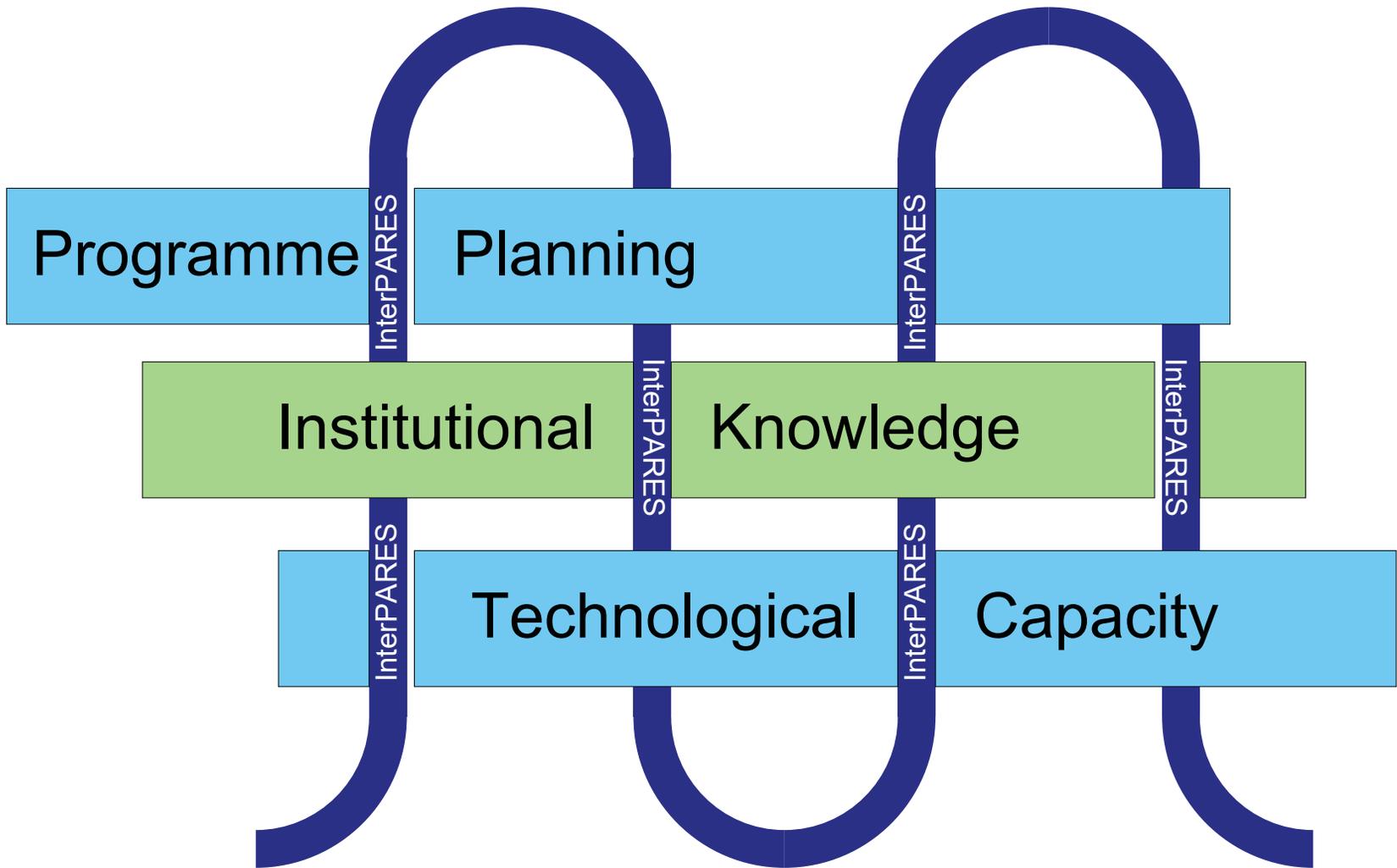
- Context and Background
 - City of Vancouver
 - Archives and Records Programmes
- Current Digital Records Challenges
- COV and InterPARES



Introduction

Weft: the common thread in a woven fabric that provides the structure, around which are interwoven the threads that form the pattern of the whole





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Digital Preservation Threads

1. Programme Planning and Policy Infrastructure
2. Institutional Knowledge and Expertise
3. Technological Capacity



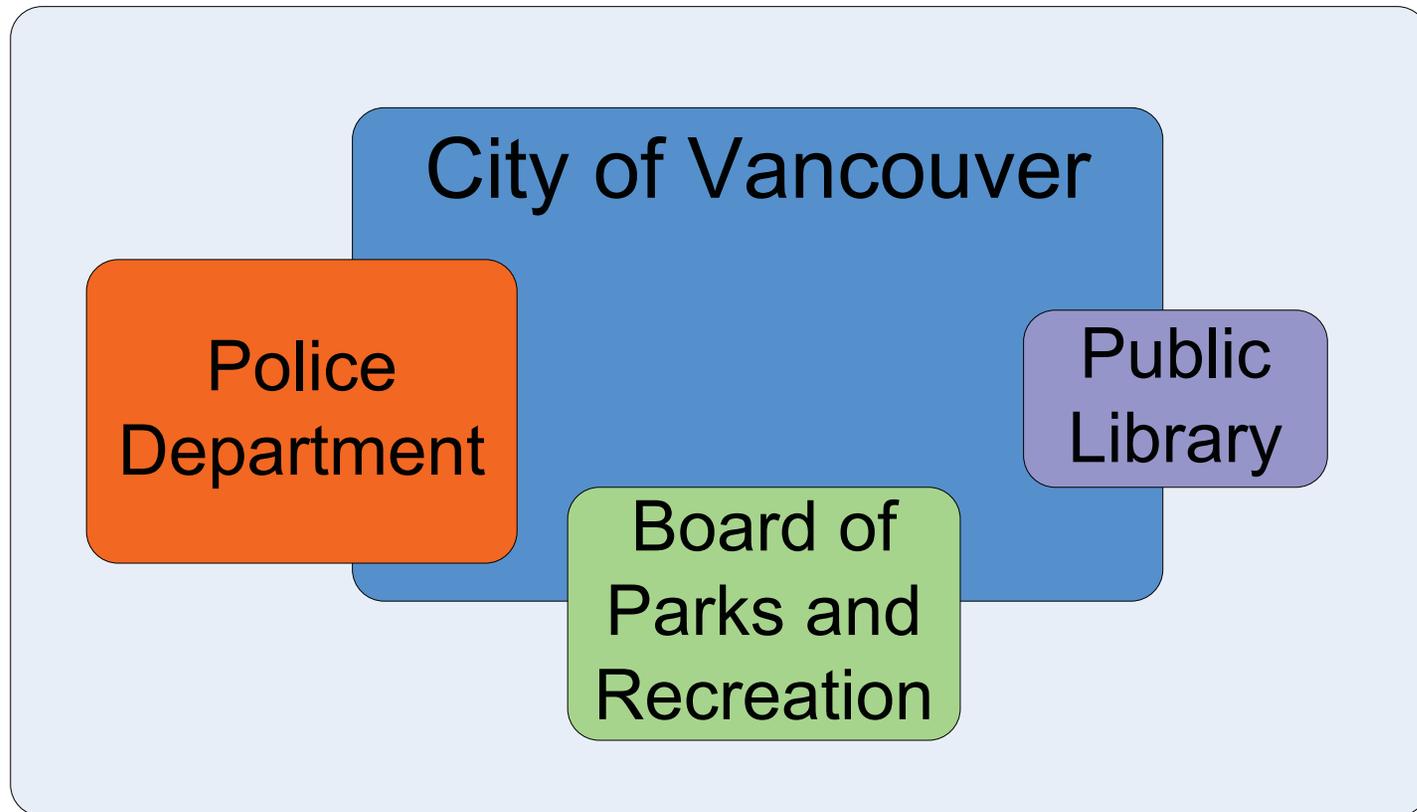
Some Context...

Vancouver Canada

- Incorporated 1886
- Population ~580k (2M in Metro Region)
 - Largest City in Region and Province
 - 3rd Largest City in Canada



Vancouver – Juridical Components

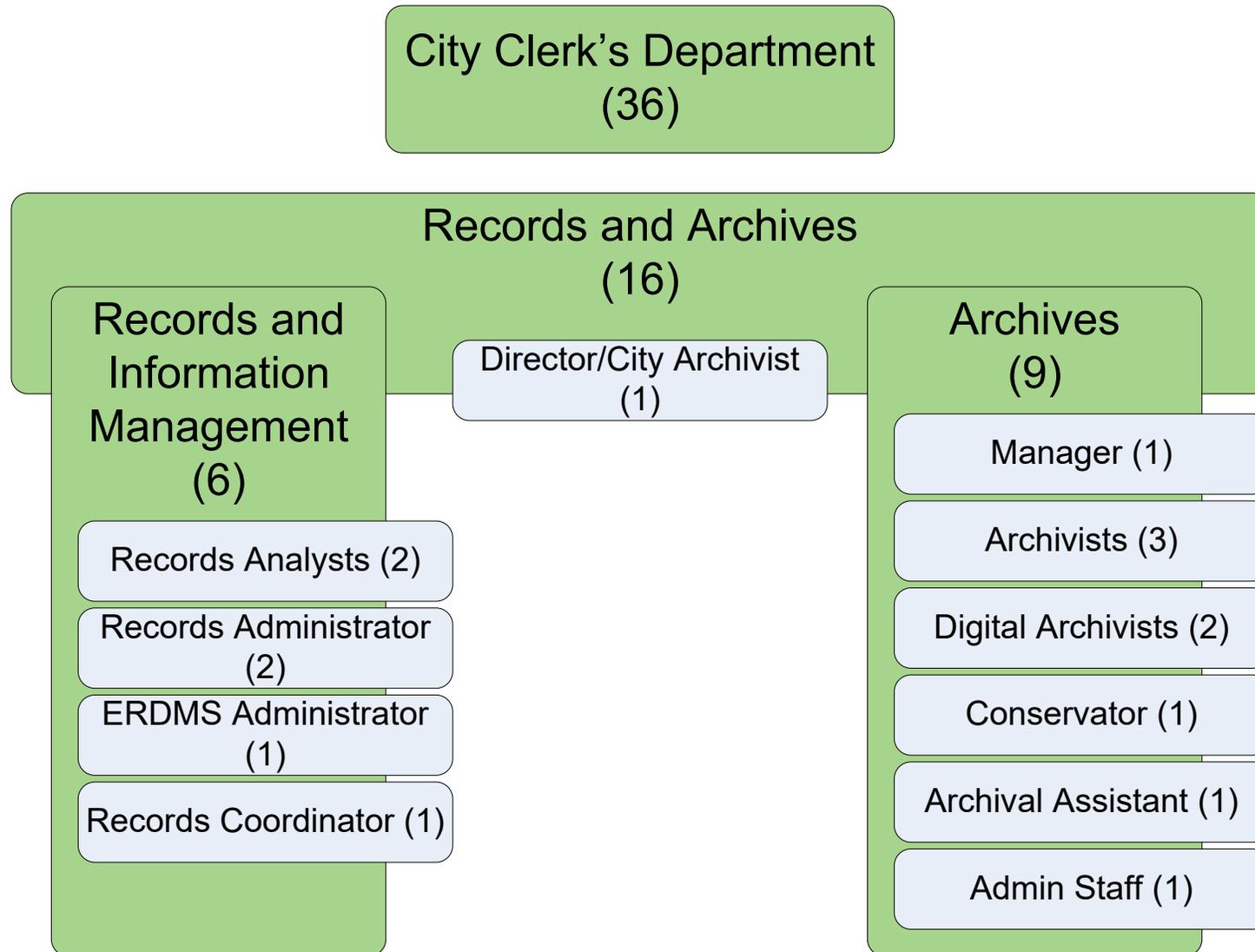


COV Functional Responsibilities

- Community Centres
- Cultural Services
- Fire Protection
- Land Use Planning & Development
- Libraries
- Parks, Recreation & Public Spaces
- Permits, Licenses & Inspections
- Policing
- Social Planning
- Streets & Traffic
- Utilities
- Waste Management & Environmental Protection



Records and Archives – Org Context



Digital Preservation Challenges

- Total Archives Mandate
- Public Records Obligations
 - to the City itself
 - continuing administrative and operational needs
 - corporate memory
 - to the Citizens of Vancouver
 - to establish their rights against the government
 - to hold government accountable for its actions
- Private Records
 - Preserving the historical trace of life in Vancouver



Public Records

- Public Records
 - ERDMS
 - Unstructured network ‘shared drives’
 - Enterprise Resource Planning Systems (SAP)
 - Geographic Information Systems (VanMap)
 - Over 250 others on the IT System Inventory



Private Records

- Virtually no ability to control environment in which private records are created and kept
- Potential donations range from:
 - small donations containing well known formats
 - digital images
 - office documents
 - Large donations with diverse and (sometimes) obscure formats, such as...



Records of the 2010 Games



TM/MC

vancouver 2010



TM/MC

vancouver 2010
PARALYMPIC GAMES
JEUX PARALYMPIQUES

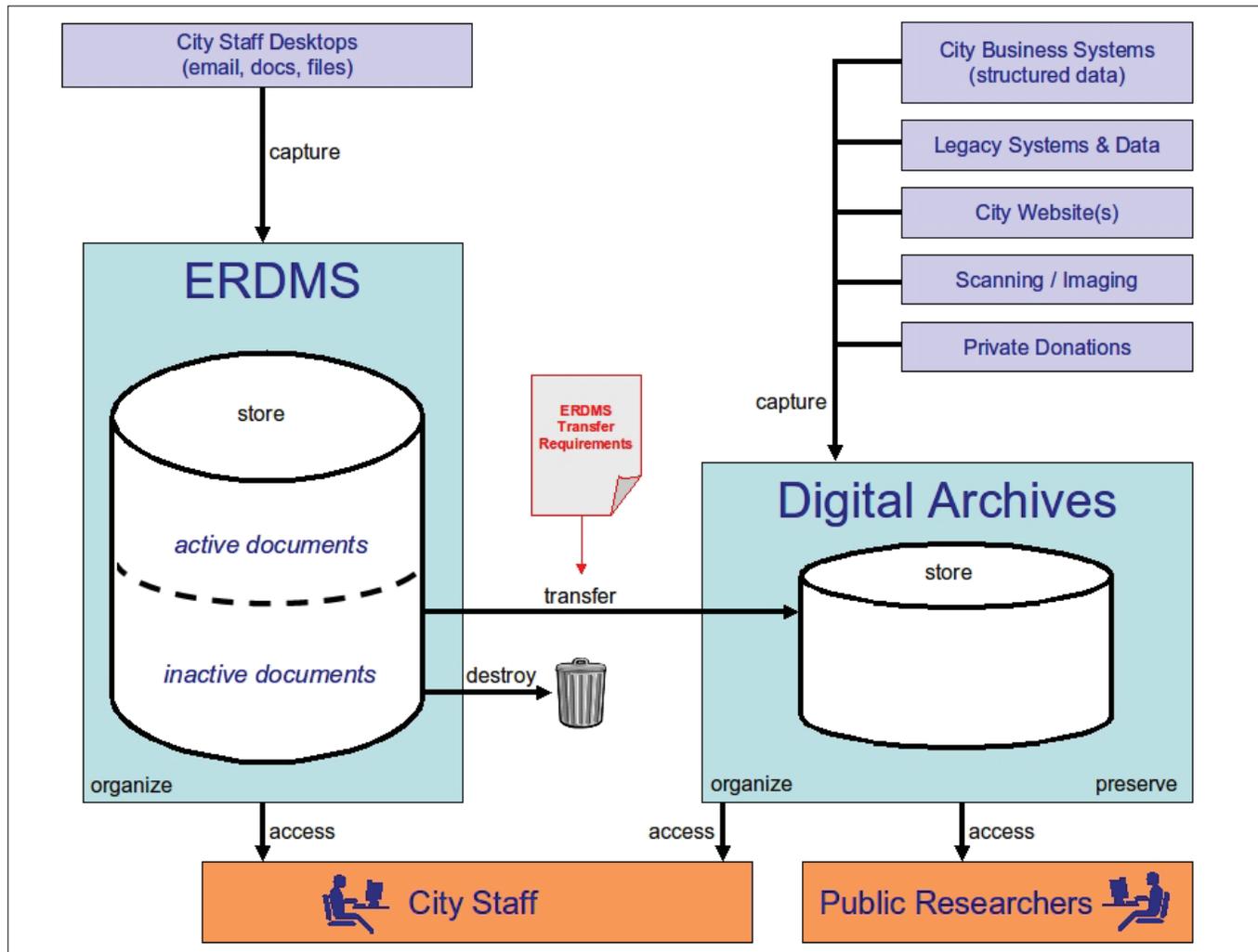


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Record Producers & Consumers



The Threads

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Programme Planning

Effective digital preservation:

- begins early in the records life-cycle
- distributes responsibilities throughout the organization – various roles and at all levels
 - Requires that management create and support policies
 - Requires that records actors comply with policies, and have the ability to comply with policies



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Utility of COP Model

- Linking activities throughout the life-cycle
- Linking high-level activities to low-level outputs
- Communicating requirements throughout the organization:
 - Vertically
 - Horizontally



Examples in Practice

- Linking ERDMS funding to Digital Archives funding
- Embedding preservation requirements in ERDMS RFP
- Linking Business Process Analysis to Digital Preservation through Preservation Plans attached to Classification/Disposition schedules
- Linking record analysis to IT systems procurement



Institutional Capacity

- Beneficial relationship of COV to UBC SLAIS & InterPARES Project
- Participation in case studies creates awareness in the City
- Participation in project also allows us to see what similar institutions are dealing with, gauge our relative level



InterPARES2/Case Study 24 – Preserving the VanMap GIS

Diverse sources of information, source formats, frequency of updates, significance of different elements to authentically conveying the intended message

CS24 provided roadmap to how to go about preserving VanMap, but digital preservation programme not mature enough at the time to act on findings and implement recommendations



IP2/CS24 Outcomes

- 1) Preserve content from a GIS environment.
 - Extract data for each GIS component
 - Data layers come from different storage resources
 - Demonstrate can assemble components into a viable GIS system
- 2) Preserve information about changes to the GIS environment.
 - Test whether a database can track changes to the GIS environment
 - From database, re-create GIS configuration file for requested time
 - Demonstrate application in a GIS system
- 3) Preserve snapshots of the VanMap system.
 - Demonstrate migration of GIS system into alternate technology



Technical Capacity – Digital Archives Project

Goal: Create an digital preservation environment capable of acquiring, preserving and providing access to digital records.

Requirements Sources Include:

- OAIS Reference Model
- InterPARES findings
- UNESCO – *Towards an Open Source Repository*
- METS
- PREMIS



Digital Archives Project Timeline

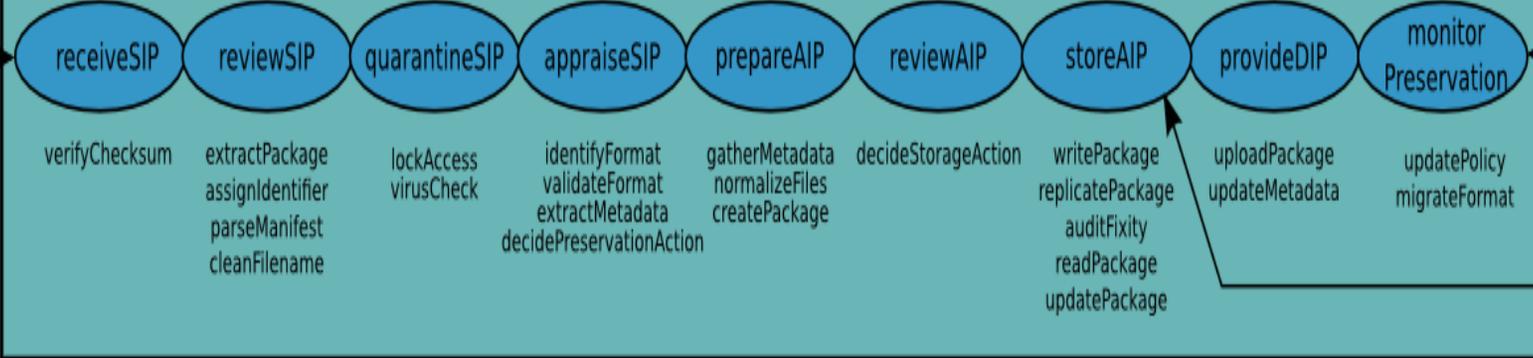
	Phase 1	Phase 2
Timeline:	Nov 2008-Oct 2009	Nov 2009-Dec 2010
Focus:	Public records (ERDMS)	Private records (VANOC)
Funding:	~\$150,000	~\$580,000
Source:	ERDMS Project Funds	Olympic Legacy Fund



archivematica

network directory

external hard disk



web access application

format policy registry

local & network hard disk

external disk & media

network attached storage device

LOCKSS network

cloud & grid storage

EXT3	UUID	FITS	FFident	ImageMagick	Bagit	ICA-Atom
Thunar	Detox	JHove	File	Inkscape	SAMBA	DCB
incron	EasyExtract	DROID	Unoconv	Xena	NFS-common	Dashboard
flock	ClamAV	NLNZ Extractor	FFmpeg	OpenOffice	Poster	

Xubuntu Linux OS

PC / Laptop / Server

windows os mac os linux os

virtual machine player
(VirtualBox, VMware)

PC / Laptop / Server

bootable USB key

Dedicated PC / Server

install disk image
(single dd command)

Dedicated LAN

threaded processes monitored
via Dashboard

Dedicated PC / Server

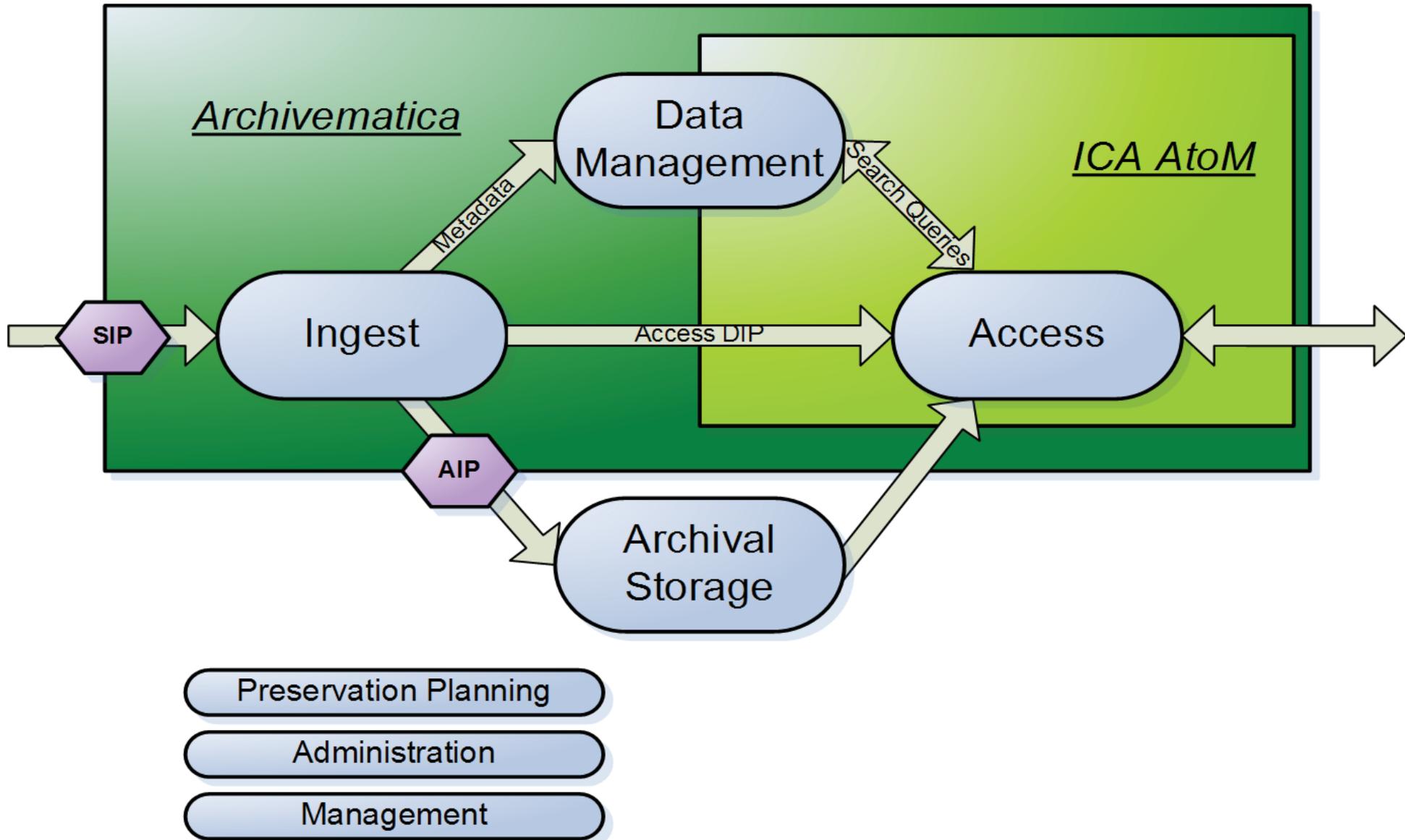
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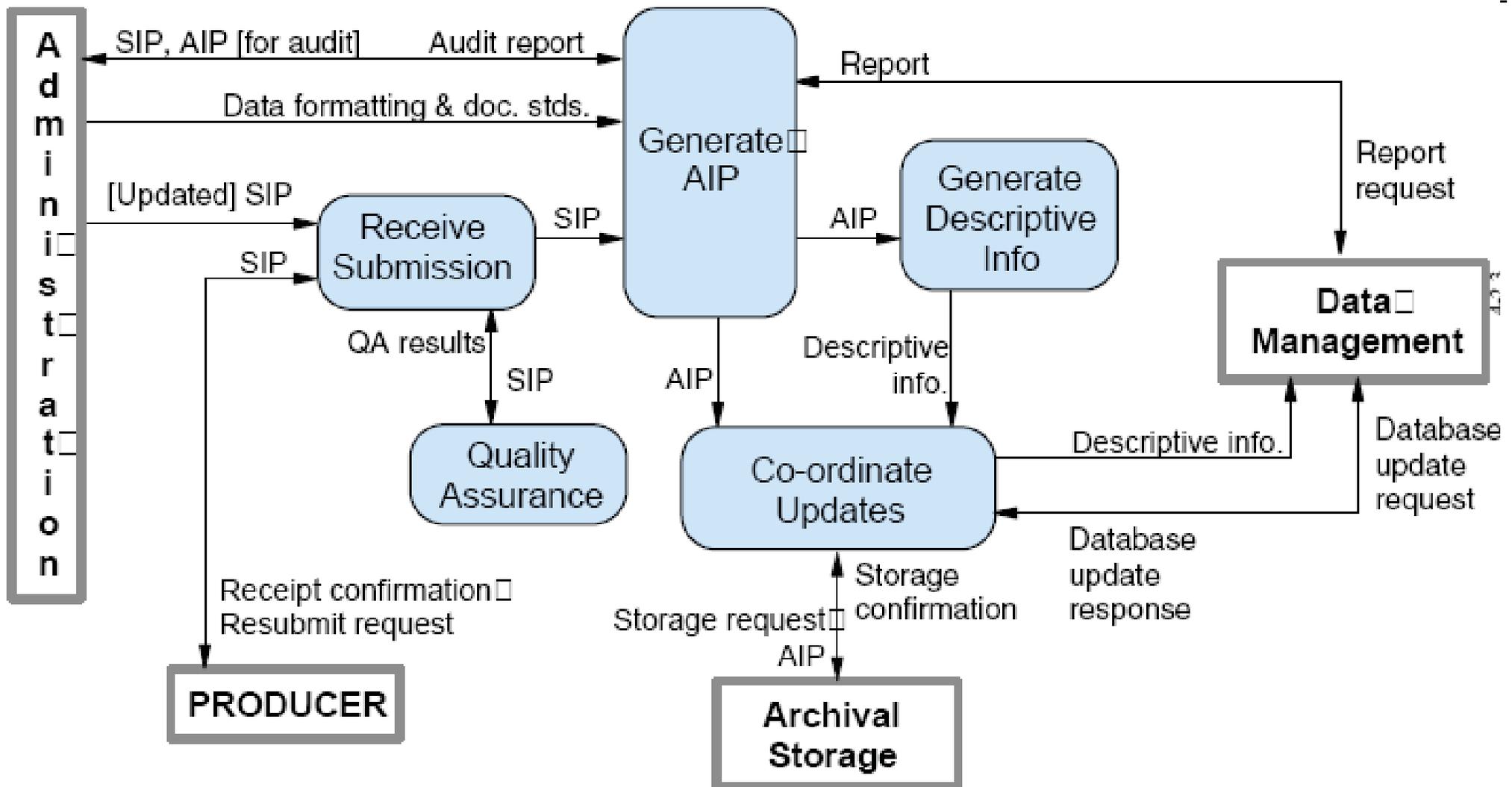
IP3/CS16 Requirements Gap Analysis

- Spring 2009
- Reviewed OAIS derived system requirements (UML diagrams) against IP2 Chain of Preservation Model (COP)
- OAIS Components
 - Ingest and Adjacent
- COP Components
 - A4 Manage Records in a Permanent Preservation System

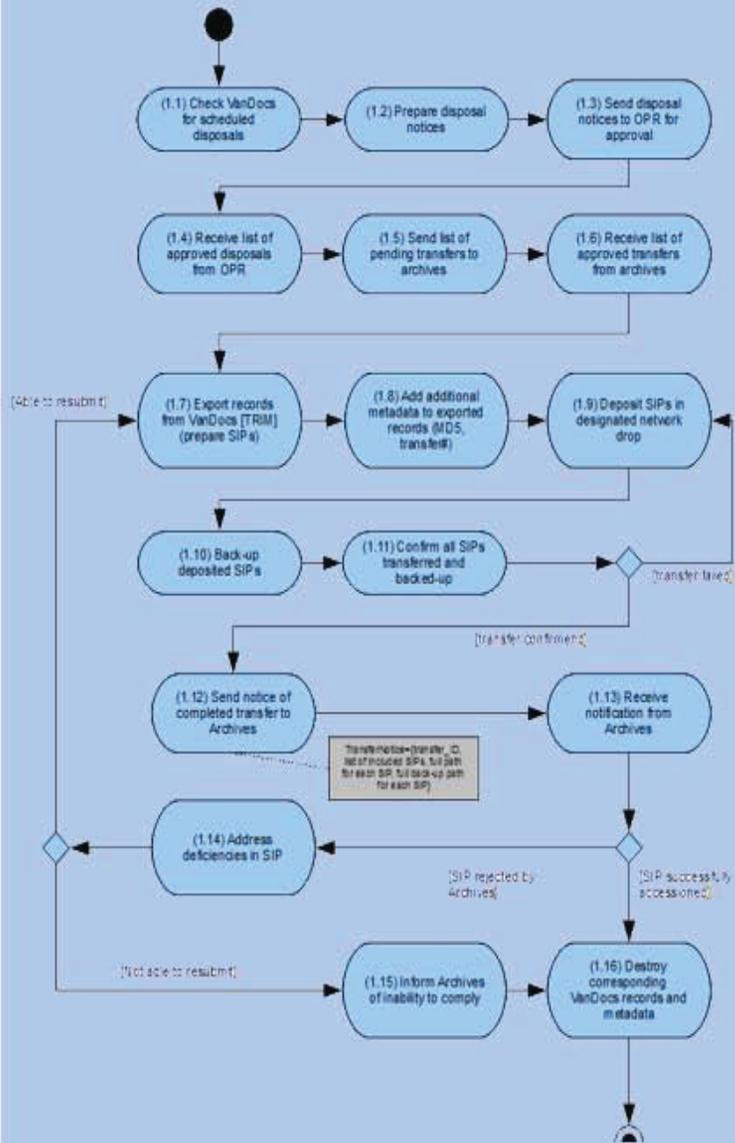




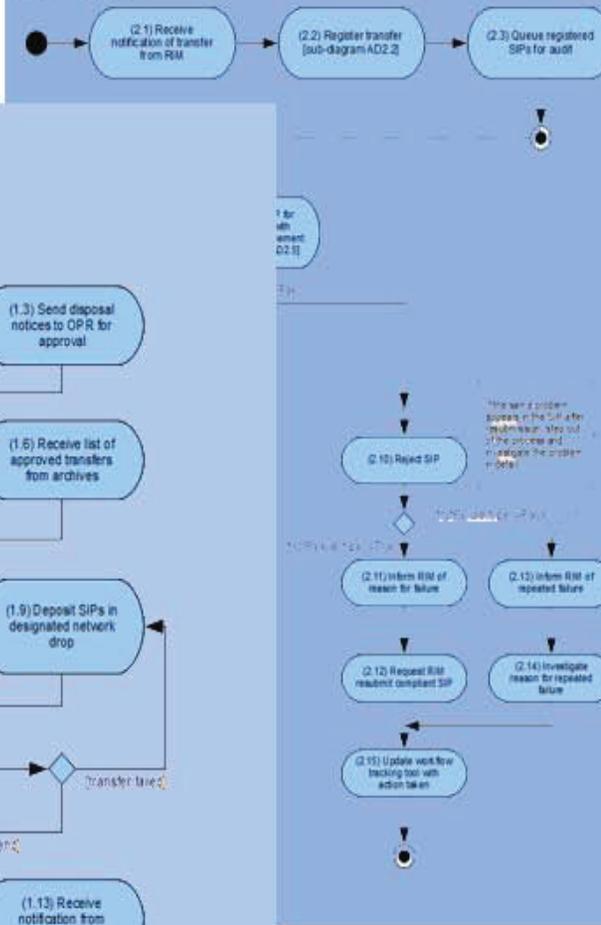
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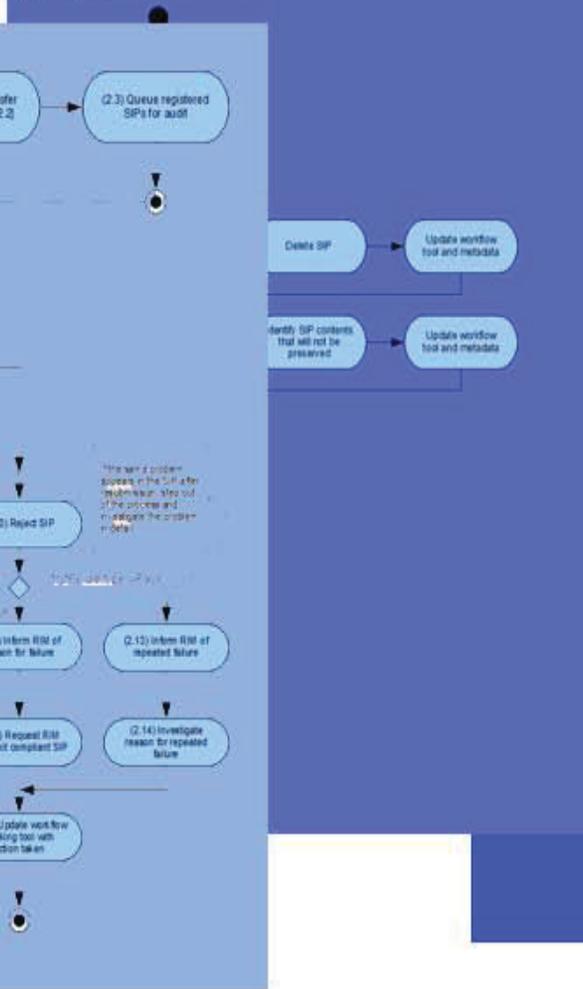
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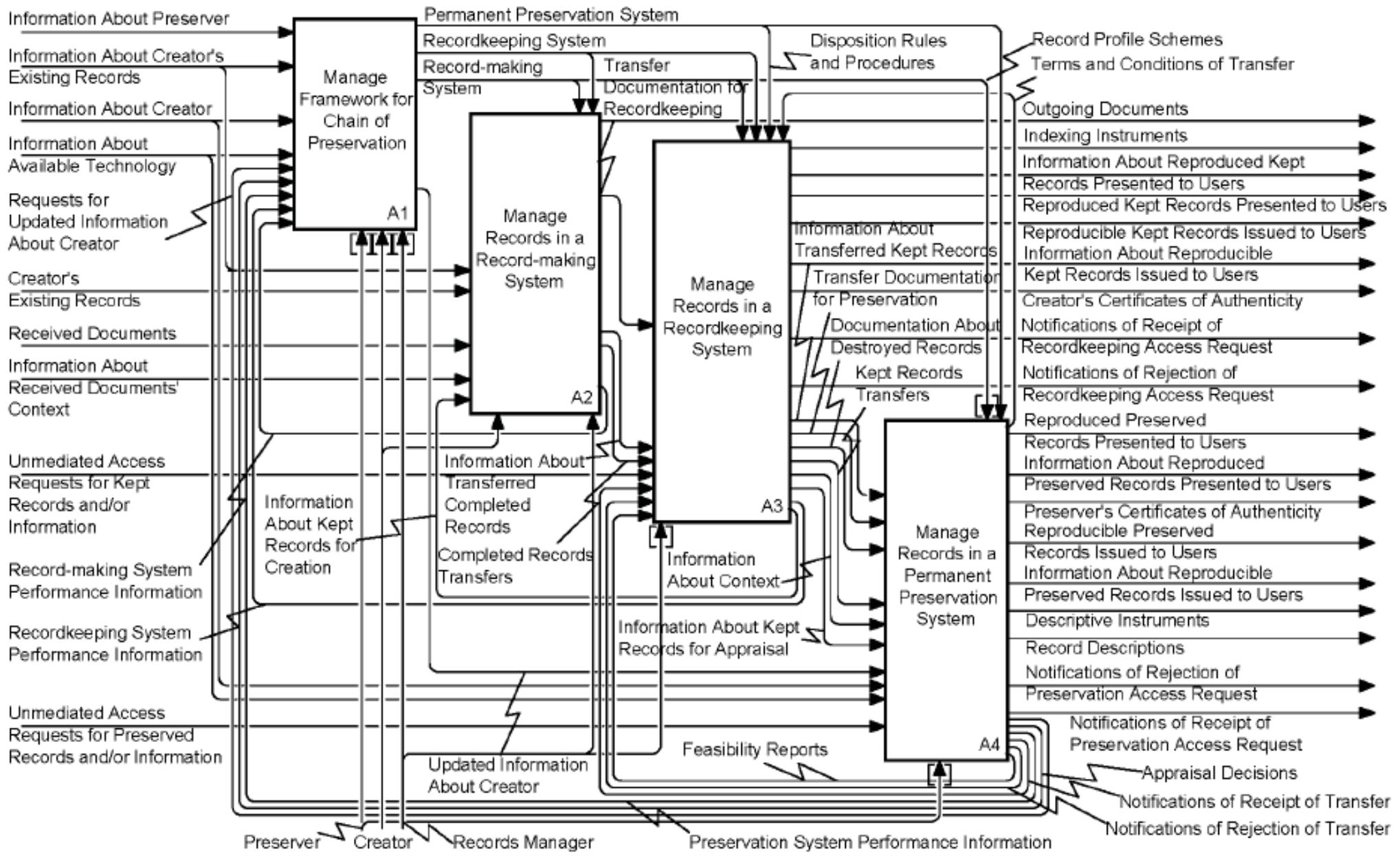


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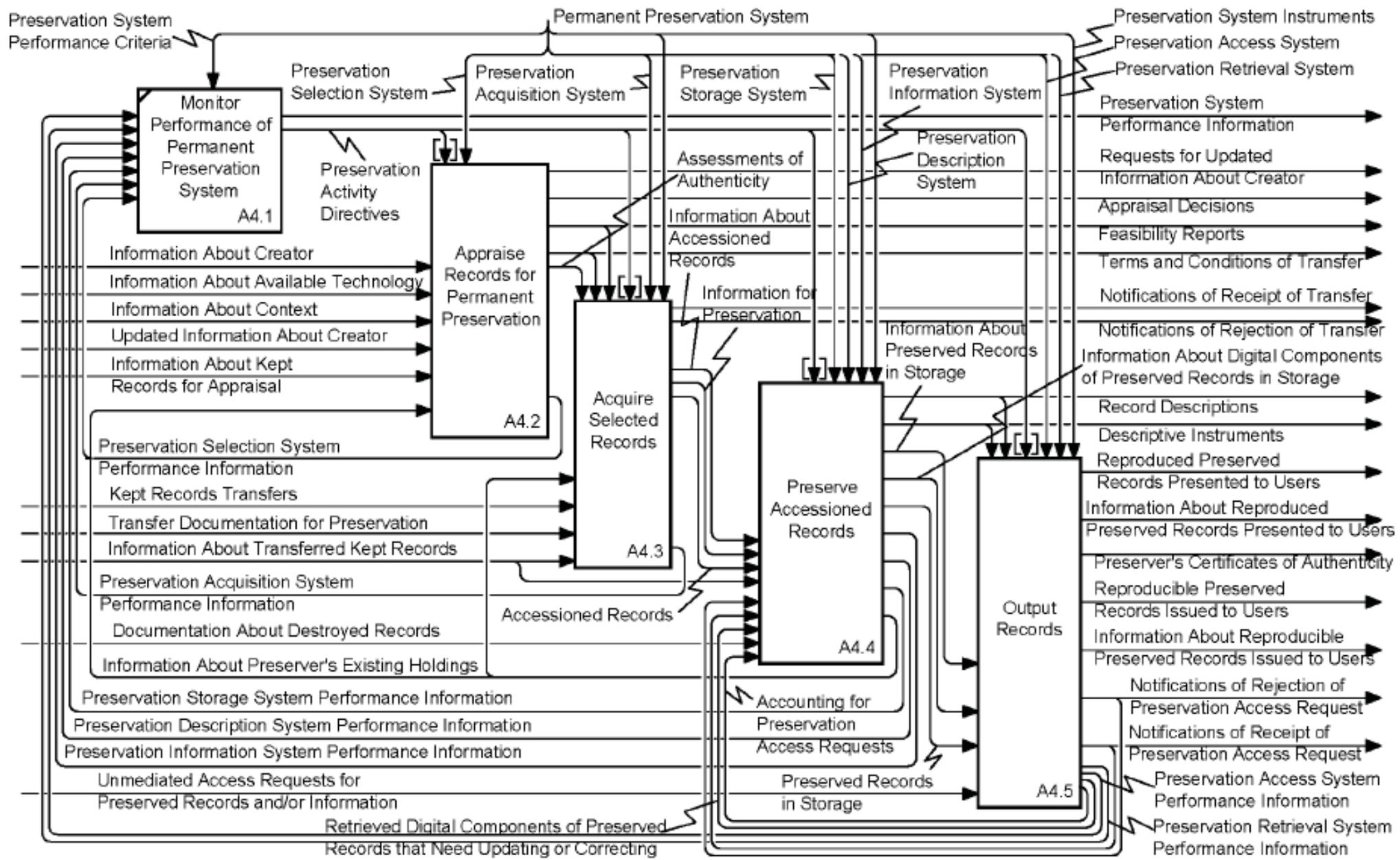


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Accession SIP





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Gap Analysis Findings

2009 Report identified apparent deficiencies related to:

- Appraisal
- Arrangement
- Authenticity

Recommended COP as tool for conducting a metadata analysis



Metadata Analysis

- PREMIS-COP mapping
- AIP Profile
- Top Down Analysis by IP Researchers and GRAs
- Bottom-up Analysis by COV/Artefactual
- Results to be incorporated into Archivemata v0.7 (scheduled Release 4th quarter of 2010)



Links

City of Vancouver Archives

vancouver.ca/archives

Digital Archives Project Wiki

artefactual.com/wiki/index.php?title=Vancouver_Digital_Archives

Archivemata Wiki

archivemata.org/wiki



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