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OPEN RIVER




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THE INTRODUCTION

This project set out to bring together a significant collection of data and information by integrating and aggregating locally relevant data with a focus on place. The resulting collection was to encompass open data principles and provide stakeholders with the capacity to capture, integrate and share data and information for the purpose of supporting, developing and promoting regional communities.

THE COLLECTION

The resulting collection, and 'Open River' initiative, provides researchers, government officials, managers, and members of the public with an accessible, easy-to-use, self-sustaining public catalogue that captures what we know about a place, and highlights what we don't. This major open data collection identified 160 unique datasets that describe the pilot study area (Logan-Albert River Catchment) through environmental, social, human health and economic attributes.

Total datasets	Open source	Closer engagement
 160	 84	 76

THE CONCLUSION

This major open data collection project was developed to respond to the issues associated with open data discoverability and accessibility in the research community. This project has identified a strategic method for developing further collections that are impartial to discipline, sector and institution and are instead focused on a place.

Ultimately, by making past, current and even future datasets and information more discoverable it will expand our knowledge base and foster new innovative information about a place.



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