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SUMMARY OF DECISIONS, LCSH/LCC EDITORIAL MEETING NUMBER 6 (2024)

LIST 2406

June 21, 2024

This month, PTCP received and reviewed 264 proposals for LCSH. Two of these proposals were rescheduled to and approved on an earlier list. Of the remaining 262 proposals, we approved 243, or 93 percent. The complete statistical breakdown for the month can be found below.

As a reminder, PTCP is attempting to cap the monthly list at as close to 250 proposals as possible. This means that space is limited. If your proposal is requesting a relatively minor change *only*, such as updating a geographic code from “no decision” to “may subdivide geographically,” or requesting that we adjust capitalization in a used for reference, do not make a proposal. Instead, contact PTCP at [policy@loc.gov](mailto:policy@loc.gov). We may be able to make this change “off-list,” meaning that no proposal is necessary.

#### CLASSIFICATION

Changes were made as indicated on the approved list.

*Other decisions:*

*QH332.5 Feminist bioethics. Womanist bioethics*

The related change proposal to **Feminist bioethics** is not approved; therefore, there is no need to change the caption. The proposal is not approved.

*[KJ-KKZ1 4826-4826.2] Exile. Banishment. Punitive deportation*

This proposal would have created a new span within the Europe: Countries (5000) table. However, only one number was proposed as part of this span: *KJ-KKZ1 4826 General*. Rather than creating the span, we decided to simply approve **KJ-KKZ1 4826 Exile. Banishment. Punitive deportation**. The span proposal is not approved.

#### SUBJECT HEADINGS

Changes were made as indicated on the approved list.

*Other decisions:*

*Cerebral palsiedx*

PTCP added this proposal to the list in error. The proposal has been deleted, and the intended change resulting in **People with cerebral palsy** was approved on LCSH list 3 (March 2024).

*Destroyed cities*

After consideration, PTCP decided it was too difficult to define “destroyed cities” separately from the existing headings **Extinct cities** and **Ghost towns**. We instead elected to add additional used for terms to the heading **Extinct cities**. We also added a scope note to the heading **Extinct cities** to make clear that this heading could be used to describe extinct cities of any time period. Those changes are approved as part of this list. The proposal for *Destroyed cities* is not approved.

*Etchū Region (Japan)*

This proposal was made for Etchū Region, or 越中国 = Etchū no Kuni, a historical province of Japan. This is a jurisdictional name heading and should be established in the name authority file.

According to *H 690 Formulating Geographic Headings, Background*, “Headings for geographic names fall into two categories: (1) names of political jurisdictions, and (2) non-jurisdictional geographic names. Headings in the first category are established according to descriptive cataloging conventions with authority records that reside in the name authority file. Since these jurisdictional name headings are routinely assigned as subject headings, frequently in combination with non-free-floating subdivisions, many of them were also represented by authority records in the subject authority file. To alleviate the confusion caused by duplicate authority records, the Library of Congress ceased creating new subject authority records for name headings in January 1995 and began a project to delete existing duplicate authority records for name headings from the subject authority file.”

In researching this proposal, we found that a number of headings for historical provinces of Japan are still located in the subject file. Because the word “region” is used in the translation of these names, PTCP understands why this caused confusion. We have contacted the proposer and are determining how best to create a project to review and relocate these headings. The proposal is not approved.

*Fathers*

This proposal was made to add the existing heading **Fathers** as a related term to the approved proposal **Pregnant men**. PTCP decided not to relate these terms. The proposal is not approved.

*Feminist bioethics*

This proposal was made to add the used for term Womanist bioethics to the existing heading **Feminist bioethics**. However, LCSH has separate headings for **Feminism** and **Womanism**. The proposal is not approved, though the cataloger may propose a separate heading for Womanist bioethics.

*Gay military personnel--United States*

The used for term United States--Armed Forces--Gays is only included on the record because it traces the former heading. This change proposal is not necessary.

*İstiklâl Caddesi (Istanbul, Turkey)*

After the tentative list was produced, this heading was rescheduled and subsequently approved on LCSH list 5 (May 2024)

*Junggar Basin (China)*

There is insufficient evidence in the current proposal to show justification and usage of the proposed additional used for terms. The proposer is welcome to provide additional evidence and resubmit.

*Kodiak Archipelago (Alaska)*

There is insufficient evidence in the current proposal to show justification and usage of the proposed additional used for term. The terminology “Kodiak Islands” appears in the title of one report from the 1960s, but we cannot find any evidence that this term was ever used again (unless it was related to a citation of the original document). The proposer is welcome to provide additional evidence and resubmit.

*Kosher food industry--Employees*

This proposal was made as a reference hierarchy for the approved proposal **Mashgiahs**. PTCP felt this could be misleading, since mashgiahs are not necessarily employees of the kosher food industry. We instead decided to use **Kosher food industry** as a related term to **Mashgiahs**. The proposal is not necessary.

*Nineteen twenty-four, A.D.*

According to *H 620 Chronological Headings and Subdivisions*, section 2, part c, catalogers should use general headings for centuries, years and other periods only for general works on the time period not limited to specific topics. The work being cataloged is about the specific topic of musical theater in the year 1924. The proposal is not necessary.

*October 7 Hamas Attack, 2023--Religious aspects--Islam; Israel-Hamas War, 2023---Campaigns--West Bank; Israel-Hamas War, 2023---Religious aspects--Islam*

These are part of a series of proposals relating to the attack on October 7, 2023, and subsequent war. Currently, there are no cited works in these proposals and/or no need for them to be created as reference hierarchies. However, PTCP understands that these headings may be needed in the future. After discussion with the catalogers responsible for the proposals, we decided that all three proposals will be withdrawn and retained.

*Parents*

This proposal was made to add the existing heading **Parents** as a related term to the approved proposal **Pregnant people**. PTCP decided not to relate these terms. The proposal is not approved.

*Pipers Farm (Devon, England)*

The work cited in the proposal is a cookbook produced by Pipers Farm. The farm's website shows that while it does consider itself a family farm, it is also functioning very much as a business, with information for corporations, wholesalers, and other consumers. Because the cookbook is not about the farm but a production of the farm, the authorized heading for Pipers Farm is better located in the name authority file and used as a descriptive access point.

It is true that "farms" are listed as Group 2—Subject Authority Group Headings in *H 405 Establishing Certain Entities in the Name or Subject Authority File*. However, *H 405* also has the following provision in section 3 Group Two Headings, part b: Heading needed for use as a descriptive access point: "Follow the guidelines in the *Descriptive Cataloging Manual, Z1*, appendix 1: Ambiguous Entities."

Within the appendix 1 Ambiguous Entities, a specific example is given involving "ranches," which are also Group 2 entities: "Care should be taken...that a name containing one of the terms noted in one of the lists is indeed a member of that category, e.g., Xavier Ranch Corporation is not a ranch in the sense of the Group 2 list."

Please see the *Descriptive Cataloging Manual, Z1: Name and Series Authority Records*, Appendix 1: Ambiguous Entities, 1.2 General guidelines for more information. The proposal is not approved.

### *Psychic trauma*

This proposal was made to add the existing heading **Psychic trauma** as a related term to the approved proposal **Collective trauma**. However, PTCP decided that **Psychic trauma** was better used as a broader term. The proposal is not approved.

### *Religious profiling in law enforcement*

Though the heading **Racial profiling in law enforcement** exists, PTCP believes it would be difficult to distinguish types of profiling that may occur (religious, ethnic, etc.) and does not want to continue this as a pattern. We recommend using **Discrimination in law enforcement** instead and post-coordinating with additional headings. The proposal is not approved.

### *Riddles, Iban*

After the tentative list was produced, this heading was rescheduled and subsequently processed on LCSH list 5 (May 2024).

### *Self-reflexivity in opera*

Typically, when creating “[topic] in [topic]” style headings, PTCP prefers when each topic is already established separately in LCSH. There is no heading for Self-reflexivity; the closest heading conceptually is **Play within a play**. After conferring with the cataloger who made this proposal, they elected to do additional research. The proposal may be resubmitted.

### *Terrace gardens*

This heading was a resubmit from list 11, published in November 2023. PTCP could not find evidence of any new citations to support the heading (all citations in the proposal are dated from September 2023). The proposal should clearly distinguish *Terrace gardens* from **Terracing** and **Patio gardening**, which has the used for term Terrace gardening. The proposal may be submitted with additional evidence.

## STATISTICS

Status of proposals	LCSH	LCMPT
Approved*	243	3

Authority records cancelled*	19	0
Not necessary	3	0
Not approved	8	0
Resubmit	4	0
Withdraw and retain	3	0
Other	3	0

\*The number of proposals approved is approximate and may change slightly during the final processing of the Approved List.

\*The number of authority records cancelled is also included in the total number of proposals approved.