



# Saving Data

**Lessons from Data Refuge for Librarians**

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## Building refuge for federal climate & environmental data

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# Questions

- Is there vulnerable and valuable data?
- What is the scope of the problem?
- Who has already been working on this?
- What's already been done?
- How can we make sure we have the most valuable data?
- How can we measure the vulnerability of data?
- How can we engage all kinds of expertise?
- How can we make sure our work is closely tied to our communities?



# Questions

- How can we ensure copied data remains citable by scientists?
- Where, how should we store copies?
- How should we describe the copied data?



# Questions

- What is federal environmental and climate data?



Federal data  $\cong$  webpage

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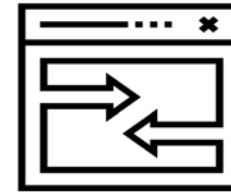
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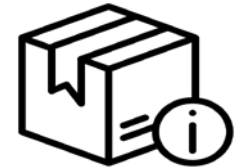
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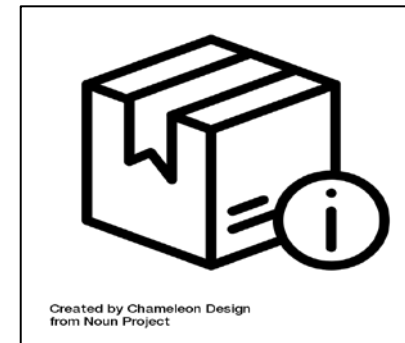
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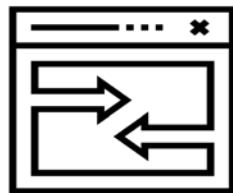


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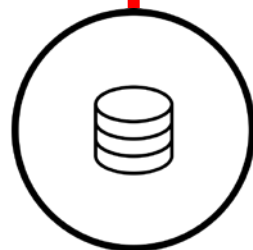


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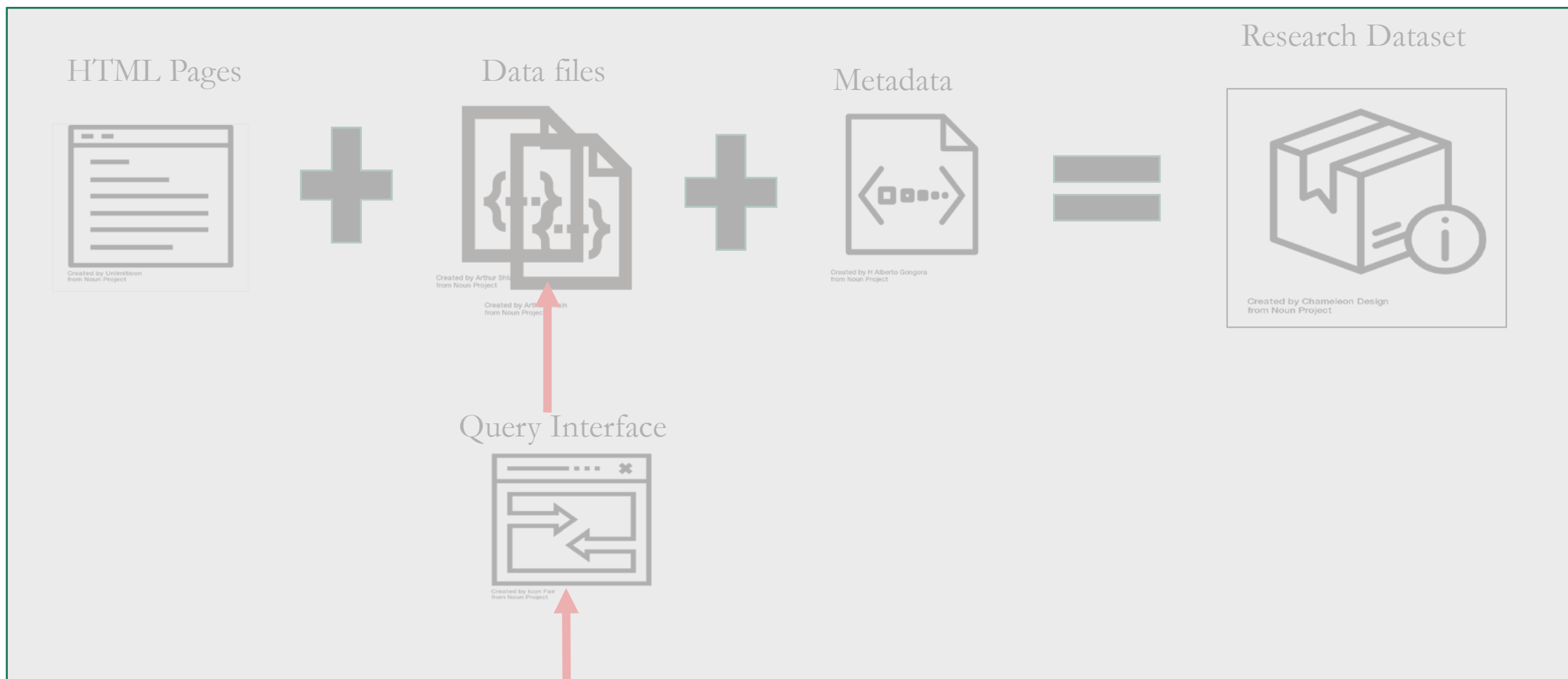


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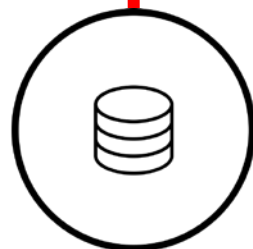


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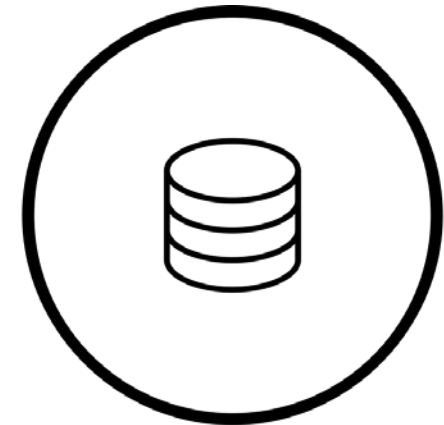
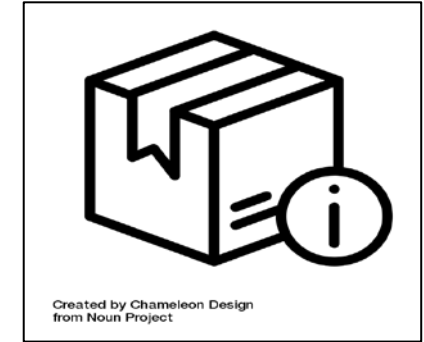




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# Data Management!



# Federal data $\approx$ webpage

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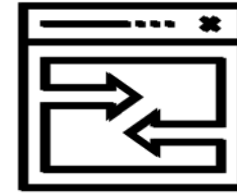
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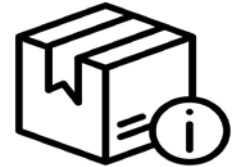
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Into the nitty gritty for a moment....



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- New version of the Italian Open Data portal now online  
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- Join the first cross-border INSPIRE conference  
10/03/2017

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Search for data

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Small businesses, industry, imports, exports and trade

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Weather, flooding, rivers, air quality, geology and agriculture

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## Significant Guidance Issued by the Federal Highway Administration

 **Metadata Updated:** May 25, 2016

A list of Significant Guidance documents, which include guidance document disseminated to regulated entities or the general public that may reasonably be anticipated to lead to an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more or adversely affect in a material way the economy, a sector of the economy, productivity, competition, jobs, the environment, public health or safety, or State, local, or tribal governments or communities; create a serious inconsistency or otherwise interfere with an action taken or planned by another agency; materially alter the budgetary impact of entitlements, grants, user fees, or loan programs or the rights and obligations of recipients thereof; or raise novel legal or policy issues arising out of legal mandates, the President's priorities, or the principles set forth in Executive Order 12866, as further amended.

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# An example...

Wayback Machine: <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/sustainability/resilience/tools/> Go

5 captures: 26 Jan 2017 - 26 Apr 2017

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## Sustainability

FHWA → Environment → Sustainability → Resilience

### Tools

#### Climate Change Adaptation

- [Sensitivity Matrix](#) (Excel file) (2015) - Spreadsheet tool that documents the sensitivity of roads, bridges, airports, ports, pipelines, and rail to 11 climate impacts.
- [Guide to Assessing Criticality in Transportation Adaptation Planning](#) (also in [PDF](#), 949KB) (2015) - Discusses common challenges associated with assessing criticality, options for defining criticality and identifying scope, and the process of applying criteria and ranking assets.
- **CMIP Climate Data Processing Tool** (2016) [User Guide](#) (also in [PDF](#), 2.5MB), [Tool for CMIP3 Data](#) (Excel file, 23.7MB), [Tool for CMIP5 Data](#) (Excel file, 60.9MB) - Spreadsheet tool that processes raw climate model outputs from the World Climate Research Programme's Coupled Model Intercomparison Project (CMIP) CMIP3 and CMIP5 databases into relevant statistics for transportation planners, including changes in the frequency of very hot days and extreme precipitation events that may affect transportation infrastructure and services by the middle and end of the century.
- **Vulnerability Assessment Scoring Tool** (2015) [User Guide](#) (also in [PDF](#), 1.5MB), [Tool](#) (Excel file, 2MB) - Spreadsheet tool that guides the user through conducting a quantitative, indicator-based vulnerability screen. Intended for agencies assessing how components of their transportation system may be vulnerable to climate stressors.

Resilience

- ▶ Adaptation Framework
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## U.S. DOT Coupled Model Intercomparison Project (CMIP) Climate Data Processing Tool

### CMIP3 Processing Tool

#### Directions

1

Follow all steps in the **User's Guide** to request and save all data. Note that it is very important that all data have been saved in the correct folders.

2

Answer the following questions about the data you downloaded.

• Confirm that you have downloaded data from CMIP3. (If you downloaded data from CMIP5, use the CMIP5 version of this tool.)

CMIP3 ▼

• Describe the location you selected (for your reference only)

<<Enter Location>>

• How many climate models did you select?  
(i.e., how many boxes did you check in Step 2.6?)

1 ▼

• How many grid cells did you download?

1 ▼

• In addition to the projected values for each variable, the tool will provide the range in values given a certain confidence interval. What confidence interval would you like to see?

95%

• Describe the emissions scenario(s) you chose (for your reference only)

<<Enter Scenario>>

#### Output Variables

What types of output variables do you want to generate?

If you are only interested in precipitation-related outputs, for example, uncheck the "Temperature Variables" box. This will save processing time.

☒ Temperature Variables

☒ Precipitation Variables

3

Verify that you have followed the instructions and saved data in the correct locations.



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data.json
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3   "accrualPeriodicity": "R/P1M",
4   "bureauCode": [
5     "005:55"
6   ],
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9     "fn": "Michael Sutton",
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USDA Rural Development Resale Properties - Foreclosure

Metadata Updated: February 7, 2017

Data provides current information regarding single family homes and ranches for sale by the U.S. Federal Government. These previously owned properties are for sale by public auction or other method depending on the property.

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Data Update Frequency	R/P1M

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JSON


Data.json Metadata

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Harvested from USDA JSON

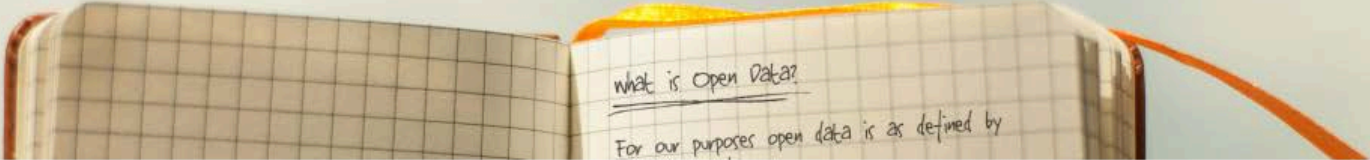


**OPEN DATA HANDBOOK**



# OPEN DATA HANDBOOK

*Guides, case studies and resources for government & civil society  
on the "what, why & how" of open data.*



## Open Data Guide

This guide discusses the legal, social and technical aspects of open data. It can be used by anyone but is especially designed for those seeking to open up data. It discusses why to go open, what open is, and the how to 'open' data.

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## Value Stories


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# Frictionless Data

Frictionless Data Specifications

Specifications ▾

Changelog

Patterns

Implementation

Pre v1

Abstract

Goals

Changelog

Language

Specification

## Data Package

A simple format to describe data  
and its metadata.

Authors	Paul Walsh Rufus Pollock
Version	1.0.0-rc.1
Last Updated	30 January 2017
Created	12 November 2007

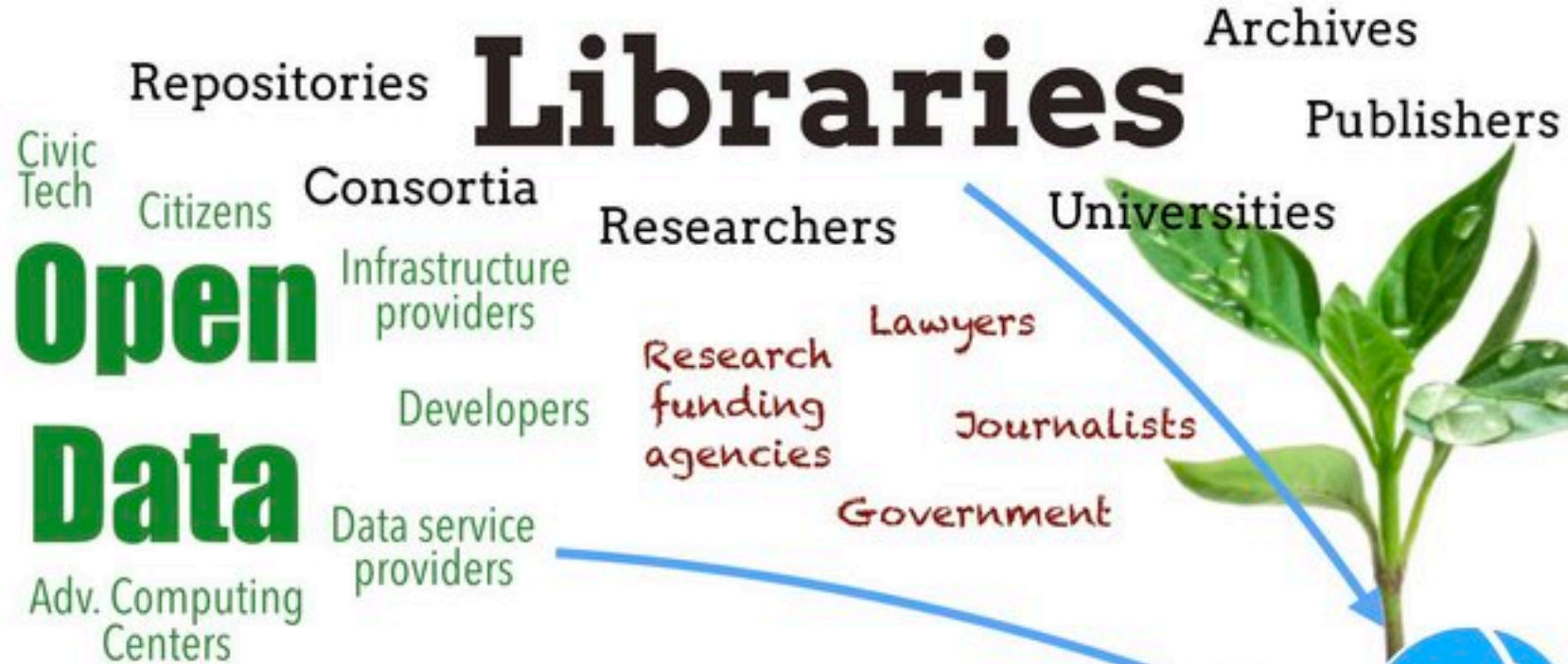
<http://specs.frictionlessdata.io/data-package/>



# Libraries + Network

One path on the long trail

From bucket brigade to sustainable network



The future is  
**LIBRARIES+**



A popular Government, without popular information, or a means of acquiring it, is but a prologue to a farce or a tragedy; or perhaps both... a people who mean to be their own governors must arm themselves with the power which knowledge gives.

James Madison, Letter to W.T. Barry August 4, 1822



Experiment & Pilot!



thank you



Extra slides after this

# value & vulnerability

How to measure?



# Legal vulnerability

- What laws are in place to require the collection, safety, and redistribution of these data?
- What enforcement mechanisms back up those laws?

# Technical vulnerability

- Is this data stewarded as part of a **partnership** with an institution, organization or government that will likely keep it going for a while?
- Is this **data already duplicated** somewhere?
  - If so, how vulnerable is the backup location?
- Is the data in a proprietary, difficult to duplicate **format**

# Political vulnerability

- Do we have good reason to expect that **this dataset** is particularly targeted by hostile political forces?
- Do we have good reason to expect that **the agency and/or unit** who produce and maintain this data are particularly targeted by hostile political forces, or that their funding stream is unstable?
- Are the **primary users** associated with this dataset targets of hostile political forces?



# Uses & uniqueness of the data

- Is this dataset the **only source** of data on the topic it covers?
- Is it **especially vital** to a particularly vital activity?

# Data Rescue Events



# Event Paths

- Seed and Sort webpages
- Data Refuge
  - Harvest
  - Check
  - Bag
  - Describe
- Storytelling
- Long trail

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# Where is the data?



The screenshot shows the Amazon S3 product page. The top navigation bar is dark grey with a 'Menu' icon, the 'amazon web services' logo, and links for 'Products', 'Solutions', 'Pricing', 'Software', and 'More'. On the right, there are links for 'English', 'My Account', and a yellow 'Sign In to the Console' button. The main content area has a red background. In the center, there is a white icon of a cup inside a circle, followed by the text 'Amazon S3'. Below this, a horizontal line separates the title from the tagline 'Simple, durable, massively scalable object storage'. A yellow button with the text 'Get started with Amazon S3' is positioned below the tagline. At the bottom, a light grey footer contains links for 'Product Details', 'Pricing', 'Getting Started', 'Storage Classes', 'FAQs', and 'Documentation'.

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## **Libraries+ Network Meeting May 8-9, 2017 - Washington, D.C.**

On May 8 and 9, representatives from research libraries, the open data community, government agencies, researchers, and other key stakeholders will be convening in Washington DC at New America to discuss and plan for the long-term preservation and access of federally produced data.





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# Libraries + Network <https://libraries.network>

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