

Policy for the NF Williams Core and Well Cuttings Library
Arkansas Geological Survey 2015

Purpose

The Library exists to preserve core and cuttings from the state to advance scientific knowledge concerning the geology, ore information, economic geology, stratigraphy, geothermal, fossil fuels and sedimentology.

Donation and Storage

The Arkansas Geological Survey (AGS) will accept core and well cuttings to store for public use if space and shelving are available. Samples must be collected in the state and have location information and interval information attached. Also desired is company, driller, date, and any log or analyses available. Once donated, the sample will become the property of the AGS and the State of Arkansas.

To store, samples will be inspected, cleaned if necessary, and storage containers replaced if needed. Following this step, sample information will be input into the repository database by the AGS Specialist in charge and samples put on the shelf. Updates to the agency website will be made yearly to coincide with updates to the USGS National Digital Catalogue.

Examination and Sampling

To examine stored samples permission must be received from the AGS, and supervision is required during the examination process by AGS staff personnel. A copy of any non-destructive analyses performed during this examination will be given to the AGS when available and in a timely manner. New information will be linked into the database by the AGS GIS division.

For destructive geochemical analyses, permission must be received from the AGS Director and/or Assistant Director. (Supervision by the AGS staff personnel is required during the examination process.) Results of any and all analyses or thin sections must be given to the AGS when available and in a timely manner. New information will then be linked into the database by the AGS GIS division. Core and well cuttings policy states a sufficient amount of the core and well cuttings will be saved for archival purposes. Sample cuts will only be made by AGS personnel. All sampling must be performed at the NF Williams Core and Well Cuttings Library. Any remaining sample will be returned to the AGS. Samples will not be shipped.

Sampling of any core or well cutting will be on a case by case basis. At no time will the integrity of the archival sample be compromised. The final decision for any sampling will rest with the AGS.

Date requested_____

REQUESTOR:

REPRESENTING:

AGREEMENT to CONDITIONS

Approved_____

State Geologist_____

Disapproved_____

Assistant State Geologist_____