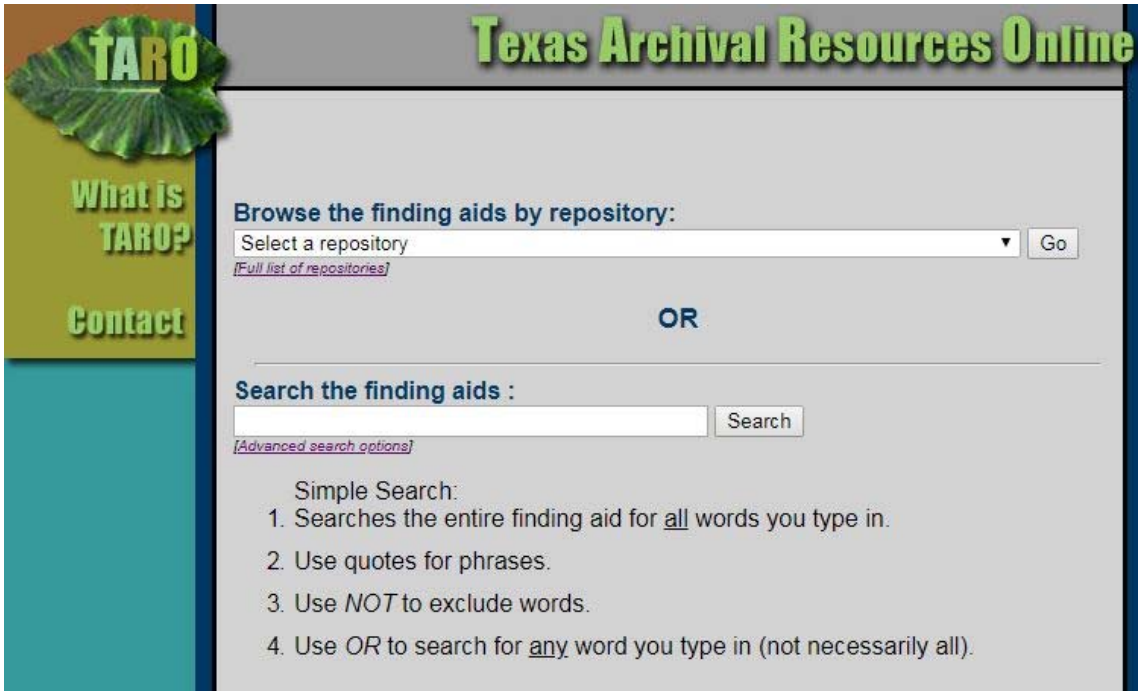
# Texas Archival Resources Online

**State-wide consortium of archival finding aids online**

Public site: https://legacy.lib.utexas.edu/taro/

Info for repositories: https://blogs.lib.utexas.edu/taro/

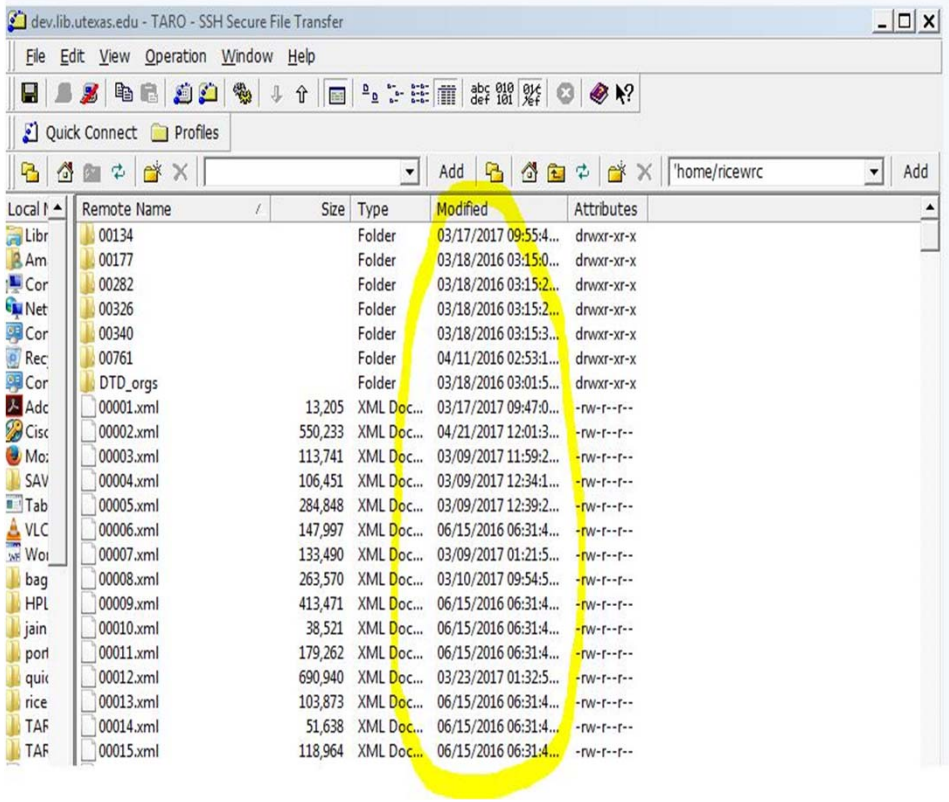
# TARO background



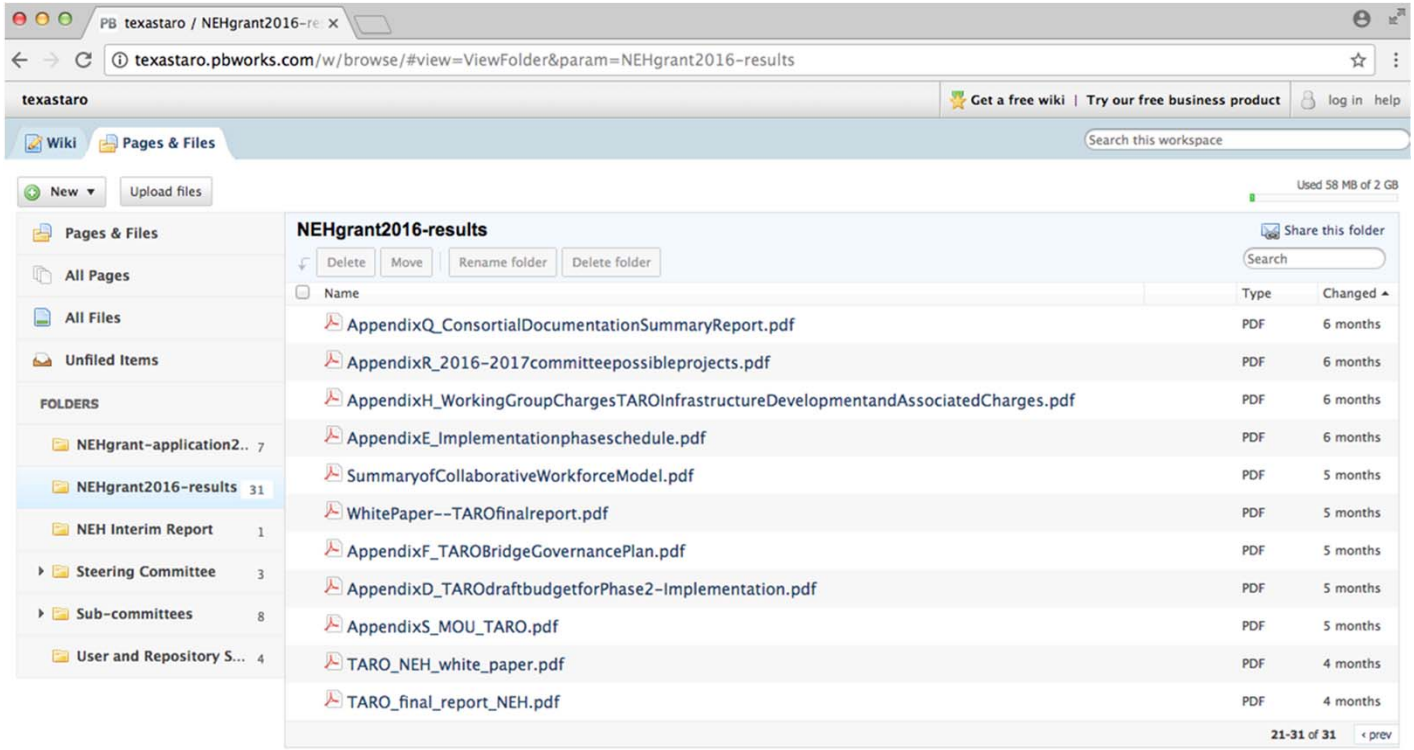

- circa 50 participating repositories
- current infrastructure: 5% of one staff member at UT (programmer)
- no member fees
- 1 million visits per year, 500 new finding aids every year

# How it works

- Each repository has a log in for the development server at UT Libraries and can use a secure file transfer tool to upload XML files, with a standard filenaming and EADID protocol
- On Tuesdays, UT programmer processes files through TARO stylesheet for HTML and they are posted online



# NEH planning grant and implementation grant




- See the grant report and other docs on the TARO wiki: bit.ly/2r1KUj1

# TARO and ArchivesSpace

- TARO Today blog has guidance for setting up ArchivesSpace to be TARO-friendly
  - Repository settings including the MARC organization code and country code
  - EADID as the TARO number (example urn:taro:lamar.00012)
  - Export XML using numbered c tags
- https://blogs.lib.utexas.edu/taro/submitting-finding-aids-now/using-archivesspace/

# Considering ArchivesSpace for a consortium

- Lyrasis opportunities
- One entity / repository operating a consortial ArchivesSpace instance with multiple repositories
- TARO's eventual choice as cost driven for our wide variety of members

# Thanks!

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- Wiki for internal processes: http://texastaro.pbworks.com/w/page/73447661/TARO%20wiki%20home


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