

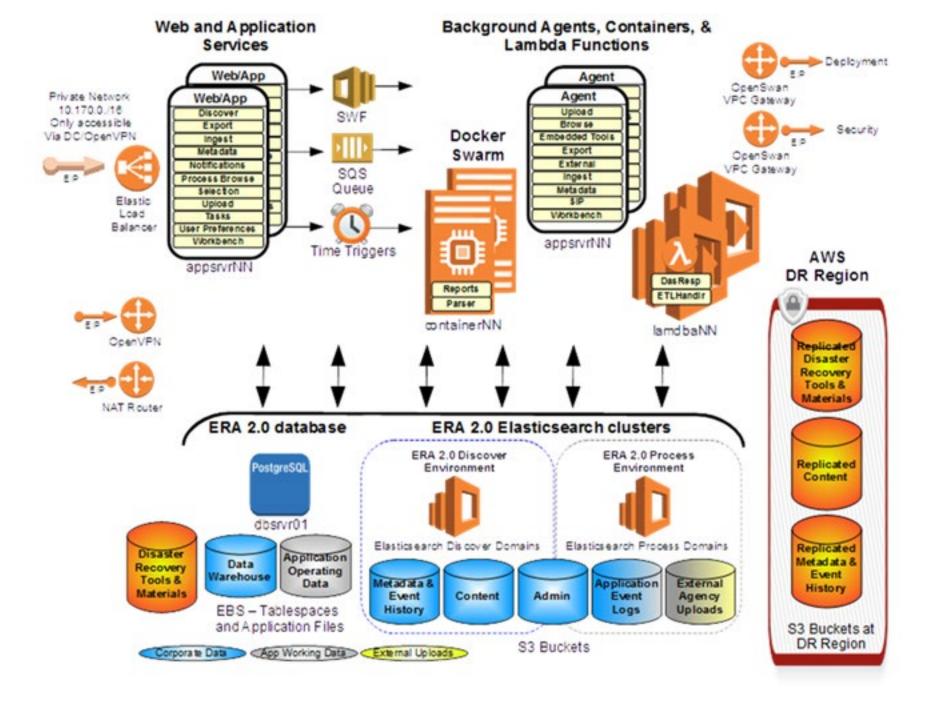
What the National Archives has been up to for the past Two Years

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Designing Storage Architectures for Digital Collections Meeting
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ERA 2.0 Development has Continued

- ERA 2.0 is the AWS GovCloud-based electronic processing environment and preservation repository at NARA, currently storing 16.6 million files in 100 TB. Across all the ERA systems, we have 1.93 billion files in 1 PB of storage.
- Recent initiatives:
 - A major migration of federal records that had not been ingested into the old ERA system. Several other migrations to the cloud are underway or planned.
 - Improving local Snowball and distributed Direct Connect workflows for transferring and moving files for ingest in facilities across the country. Several digitization units are now loading surrogates.
 - PIV authentication
 - The integration of additional embedded tools and new tools in the processing VMs.
 - Documentation





Cloud-to-Cloud

- Agencies need to move from their cloud environment to the NARA environment without the added risk of numerous file copying actions in and out of local and cloud environments
- The initial implementation is in Amazon GovCloud. Many agencies are asking for Azure, given the extensive use of Office 365 and SharePoint-based electronic records management systems.
- The first large-scale external test is underway with the Census Bureau to transfer the 2020 Census files.
- The first large internal test is for the 1950 Census, copying the digitized records from a different S3 bucket into the repository.



Business Objects and Record Schedules

- The Business Object Management (BOM) workflows for Federal, Presidential, Legislative and Judicial records, digitized analog records, and donated materials, with a mechanism to easily update workflows or create new workflows as requirements change.
- The work to integrate a new workflow engine using Alfresco and migrate all existing schedule and transfer data will be completed in 2022.



Linked Data

 After receiving international community feedback on its proof-of-concept, NARA is preparing to release its Digital Preservation Framework—a risk assessment matrix and electronic record preservations plans—as Linked Data, with tight integration into WikiData for Digital Preservation.



Program Assessment

 Completed its second ISO 16363 self-assessment using the Primary Trustworthy Digital Repository Authorisation Body (PTAB) instrument.

Metrics Status	2019	2021
Meets	32	52
Partially Meets	64	54
Does Not Meet	13	3



Thank you!

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