

Update on digitizing and indexing the NPSNM Newsletter archive

Nube Group at 5801 Jefferson NE suite B in Albuquerque has estimated a cost of \$281.79 for scanning 2096 pages and saving to searchable pdf format. This would require our group to remove the staples and replace by paper clipping each issue together, delivering the newsletters, and retrieving the newsletters, along with a thumb drive. We have an itemized quote and contact information to share with a small group of individuals who would take care of this. At this volume, they suggested the newsletters would only need to be in their custody for a day or so.

Recently, the Arizona Native Plant Society rolled out their new index on their online archive. We were able to contact the president of the Arizona Native Plant Society, Doug Ripley, and received a glowing recommendation of their indexer, Nan Badgett. We have met with Nan by Zoom and she is interested in doing our indexing. In examining a 2007 issue of our newsletter, she recommended that only 9 of the 16 pages are considered indexable – but this is open for negotiation. There are currently approximately 192 issues to index. She would charge \$4 per indexable page and \$45 per hour for any lengthy consultations with our group.