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Response to Jack Williams

Thank you, Jack, for providing additional information and for your willingness to encourage the incorporation of data from the RPD in Neotoma. I strongly support the idea that these data should be lodged with Neotoma. However, as explained in the response to Dan's comments, my feeling is that we should encourage the individual contributors to lodge this data rather than uploading the RPD itself.

The RPD was created in order to conduct analyses on palaeofire regimes. Although we have quality controlled the data as far as possible, we cannot guarantee that all the data we have ingested is error free and indeed Dan has pointed out that there are errors with his sites. Thus, it would be better for the original data providers to lodge their data with Neotoma. We will do all that we can to encourage this. However, if the data contributors do not have the resource to do this, we would be happy to work with you to facilitate incorporating data that has been checked into Neotoma.

Sandy