

## Revision Update: Recent Improvements and Next Steps

We are excited to share the progress we've made on your platform. Here's a breakdown of the recent enhancements we've implemented, along with a glimpse of what's coming next.

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### Recent Improvements

- Enhanced Category Display**
  - **Problem:** Previously, the categories were narrow.
  - **Solution:** We revamped the categories and their display to focus on **main categories** (e.g., *Explore Sounds*, *Cultural Collections*, etc.) with child categories digging specifically into the material type. This ensures a cleaner and more intuitive browsing experience for users.
  - **Impact:** Users will be able to filter and explore soundscapes more effectively.
- Soundscapes Filtering and Display**
  - Improved the soundscape listing to dynamically filter by main / parent categories.
  - Refactored the sound card component to highlight key information, such as the **main category**, price, and sales count.
  - Added logic to display soundscapes in an aesthetically pleasing grid layout, ensuring seamless navigation.
- Optimized Soundscape Details**
  - Adjusted the breadcrumb display in soundscape cards to show only the **primary category**, providing clarity to users.
  - Allow creators to assign soundscapes to both main and subcategories seamlessly during the upload process.

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### Next Steps

- Subcategory Integration**

While we've focused on displaying main categories for simplicity, the next step will be to:

  - Implement a **drill-down functionality** for users who want to explore subcategories (e.g., *Wildlife and Nature Sounds* → *Ocean Waves*).
- Advanced Search and Tagging**
  - Build upon the existing tagging system to enable advanced search capabilities.
  - Users will be able to combine filters (e.g., *Cultural Collections* + *East Africa* + *Relaxing*), making it easier to find specific soundscapes.
- Interactive Features**
  - Develop curated playlists (e.g., *Relaxation*, *Exploration*).

#### 4. **Expanded Content Support**

- Lay the groundwork for handling additional material types (e.g., e-books, storytelling content).
- Adjust categories and filters to accommodate this expansion.

#### 5. **Creator and Admin Widgets**

- Finalize and deploy powerful **widgets** for creators and admins. These widgets will provide real-time insights (e.g., top-performing sounds, royalties earned, and pending requests) on the creators dashboard.

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## **Summary**

The recent improvements mark a significant step toward making the platform more user-friendly, scalable, and engaging. Our immediate focus should be on ensuring all the features for creators, members and admins on the system are completely implemented and then refining the user experience further by incorporating subcategory navigation, advanced search, and supporting new content types.

Thank you for your continued trust in our team. We're excited about the possibilities ahead and look forward to your feedback.

Warm regards,