Resource Broadcasting
To and From the NSDL Data Repository

Any user searching for information may find alternative meaning and novel uses for resources when they are purposefully scattered outside of the “walled gardens” of disciplinary meaning and context for which they were created.

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How resources flow through the NSDL

SITEMAPS
NSDL Sitemaps broadcast all NSDL Data Repository (NDR) content to crawlers - independent of NSDL.org's architecture. Most users currently enter the NSDL.org site through Sitemap landing pages.1

NATURAL CONTEXT
Tuning in to automated crawler behavior by highlighting and adding context around repository contents that are “plugged in” to the NDR—frequent blog posts, multiple links, common blog APIs—boosts the use of repository resources.2

“TWOCASTING”
Twittering repository contents creates another way to send users directly to repository contents along with additional context/annotation.

1. NSDL 2009 February Usage Report

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