OpenSearch

Overview

ScienceBase implements the basic requirements for OpenSearch, allowing the responses to be used in syndication formats such as RSS and ATOM. ScienceBase Catalog can also be set as a search engine in the browser. For more information, see [http://www.opensearch.org/Home](http://www.opensearch.org/Home)

OpenSearchDescription

The OpenSearchDescription document can be retrieved by navigating to [http://www.sciencebase.gov/catalog/items/openSearch](http://www.sciencebase.gov/catalog/items/openSearch)

```xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<OpenSearchDescription xmlns='http://a9.com/-/spec/opensearch/1.1/'>
  <ShortName>USGS ScienceBase</ShortName>
  <Description>USGS ScienceBase Search - http://www.sciencebase.gov</Description>
  <Tags>USGS ScienceBase</Tags>
  <Contact>sciencebase@usgs.gov</Contact>
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  <Query role='example' searchTerms='water'/>
  <Developer>ScienceBase Development Team</Developer>
  <SyndicationRight>open</SyndicationRight>
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  <OutputEncoding>UTF-8</OutputEncoding>
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```

Google Maps Example

[https://maps.google.com/maps?dg=feature&output=classic](https://maps.google.com/maps?dg=feature&output=classic) and enter any atom response in the search box. For example:

[https://www.sciencebase.gov/catalog/items?q=sage+grouse&amp;pw=1&amp;format=atom](https://www.sciencebase.gov/catalog/items?q=sage+grouse&amp;pw=1&amp;format=atom)