

OpenText GISLink for ESRI®

OpenText GISLink for ESRI® is designed to make your OpenText Content Server documents and data accessible through Geographic Information Systems (GIS).

GIS Systems are designed to work with data referenced by spatial or geographical co-ordinates. These systems typically provide an interface to navigate to relevant information on a map. Your documents are typically filed in a structure that bears no resemblance to geographic location and in a system on which your field employees have not been trained. How do you find the documents that you need to make the right decisions?

GISLink for ESRI bridges the gap between these very different systems. With GISLink for ESRI, your employees can continue to use the familiar Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI)-based applications which constitute a significant company investment, and easily find information stored in Content Server-based systems, including OpenText Document Management and OpenText Content Lifecycle Management.

Users can focus on particular layers and select relevant features from the map. With the click of a button, GISLink for ESRI translates the information about the selected feature and retrieves the relevant documents from Content Server, displaying them in an easy-to-browse document list. Easy access to this information lets you quickly get the job done.

Because the Content Server repository is web-based, you can access these documents securely from anywhere in the world via the Internet. Content Server's ability to render documents on-the-fly means that you do not need to worry about having the native application on your computers or handheld. Whether in the plant, in the office, or on-site, information is available quickly and reliably.

Leverages existing investments

GISLink for ESRI lets you build a powerful, unified solution, combining the best that Content Server-based systems and ESRI offer.

Manage geographically referenced documents

GISLink for ESRI lets you create an infrastructure in Content Server to manage and retrieve geographically or spatially referenced documents.

FEATURES

Access Content Server directly from ESRI ArcIMS and ArcView:

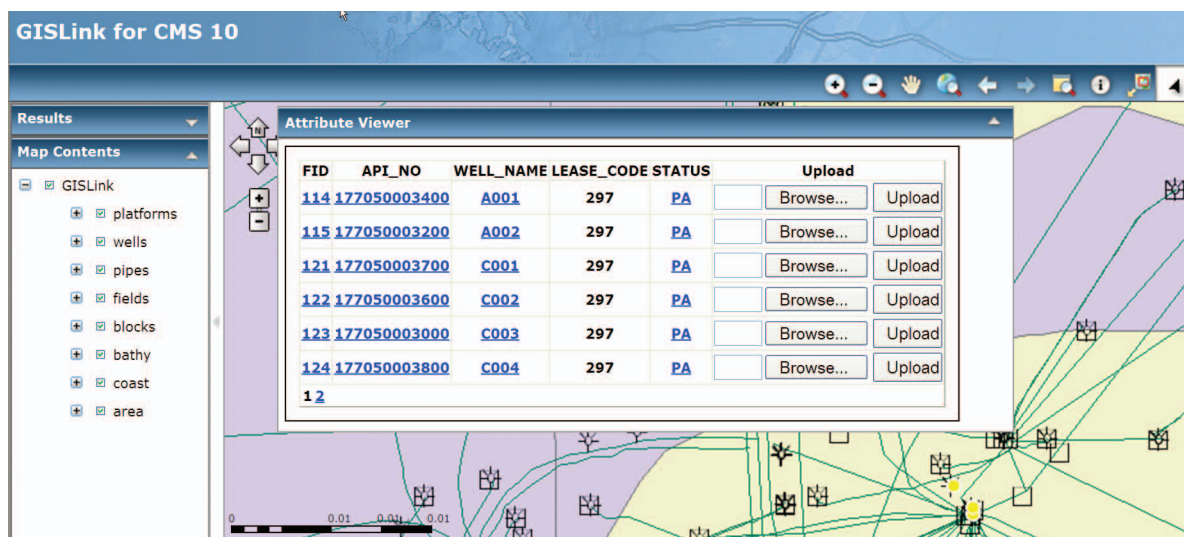
- Browse the ESRI application interface to desired layers and features
- Select desired data criteria from features
- Search Content Server with one click for structured searches
- Refine queries with additional attributes or full-text extensions
- View documents through the browser interface without native applications
- Associate Content Server documents to features on-the-fly for future use

Content Server users:

- Locate documents by navigating folders, classifications, or searching
- View geospatial information stored as metadata with Content Server documents
- Launch ESRI applications directly from Content Server objects

Administrators:

- Plug in easily to existing applications
- Map ESRI feature data flexibly to OpenText attributes, classifications or other metadata
- Implement and maintain the solution with ease



Accelerate user adoption

Direct access to the Content Server repository from ESRI-based applications allows users to stay in their working environment and provides a low learning curve. Bi-directional integration allows users to choose their preferred method of access.

Facilitate deployment

Plug-in design allows you to capitalize on investments in existing ESRI-based applications, and ease implementation.

Extend the reach of collaboration and knowledge management

GISLink for ESRI extends the collaboration and knowledge management capabilities of Content Server-based systems to engineering departments. ■

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