
MEMO

April 18, 2025

To: RAILS Resource Sharing Committee

From: Joe Filapek, RAILS Associate Executive Director

Subject: Resource Sharing Information in L2

At a previous Resource Sharing Committee meeting in 2024, you may recall a brief conversation regarding L2(Library Directory and Learning Calendar) as part of our review of the RAILS Resource Sharing Plan. As a reminder, the RAILS Resource Sharing Plan specifically directs libraries to “include their library’s reciprocal borrowing policies as part of their library’s record on the L2 website and shall keep those policies up-to-date.” This is among several pieces of information that libraries are either required or encouraged to post to L2.

As we look ahead to FY26, we’d like to revisit this conversation to help inform our communication strategy as we plan for member outreach around this topic. Some questions for consideration include:

- Do you feel libraries have a broad awareness of the information that should be included in L2?
- Do public libraries still have resource sharing policies that make distinctions between borrowing privileges of residents vs. reciprocal borrowers?
- What do you feel are the most effective communication strategies for reaching our members around this topic of sharing library information in L2?
- Apart from the Library Director, are there other levels of staff who should also be receiving this communication?

We look forward to having this conversation with the committee at our April 28 meeting.