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NetSuite Records Catalog vs Schema Browser: Which to Use

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Executive Summary

NetSuite Records Catalog vs Schema Browser is a channel selection question. Use the **Records Catalog** to investigate the analytics model exposed in an actual account, including the effect of customizations and enabled features. Use the **SOAP Schema Browser** to understand SOAP object definitions and the versioned integration contract. As of October 2026, Oracle identifies **2025.2** as the supported SOAP browser. A public browser definition establishes documented structure; it does not establish that a particular integration identity can access a field. (docs.oracle.com) (docs.oracle.com)

The REST metadata catalog describes NetSuite's dynamic REST API schema. (Oracle REST metadata documentation) Use the channel decision matrix to select a reference, then follow the operational checklist to capture identifiers, test access and joins, and refresh downstream artifacts. The worksheet and snapshot/diff example are proposed implementation methods, not results from an authenticated NetSuite account; no live account or integration credentials were supplied.

Introduction and Background

A NetSuite data dictionary is most useful when its scope is explicit. “Customer,” “transaction,” or a familiar field label is a business concept, not a guarantee that the same identifier, structure, or access rule applies in every channel. Oracle gives a concrete example: Item Name/Number uses **itemid** in SuiteScript and **itemId** in SuiteTalk. Copying identifiers between interfaces without checking their reference can therefore produce an incorrect mapping. (docs.oracle.com)

Technical teams should separate the **record question**, the **field question**, the **join question**, and the **access question**. The record question asks whether the target object is represented in the chosen interface. The field question asks for its exact identifier and type. The join question asks how related records are represented. The access question asks whether the identity running the integration can retrieve the required data. An inventory that answers only the first questions leaves an important delivery uncertainty unresolved.

The connector layer adds another boundary. Matillion documents that available columns depend on the selected data source. Hevo documents that destination schemas for Transaction and Item objects vary with their types. Those are implementation-specific transformations, not alternative universal NetSuite dictionaries.

(docs.matillion.com) (docs.hevodata.com) Estimates should distinguish discovering the source field from mapping its downstream representation.

Houseblend describes services for planning and building NetSuite integration architecture. That is an advisory and implementation perspective for this comparison; Houseblend is not a metadata browser and belongs outside the product matrix. (www.houseblend.io) The practical audience is developers, analytics engineers, administrators, and technical leads deciding which source can substantiate a design.

The report uses official platform and connector documentation. Vendor descriptions are evidence for each vendor's own documented implementation. For example, MuleSoft exposes an operation that retrieves a record type's OpenAPI metadata, but that does not establish the schema of a SOAP operation or a SuiteQL table. (docs.mulesoft.com) Account-dependent claims remain conditional until tested under the intended identity.

Records Catalog

Capabilities

The Records Catalog should be the starting point for **NetSuite Records Catalog SuiteQL** discovery. Its value is contextual discovery: the metadata is interpreted within the account rather than read as an isolated public schema. For **NetSuite SuiteQL table and field names**, retain the exact identifiers from the selected analytics reference alongside their human-readable labels. Field entries expose availability, feature, permission, and join information. Preserve those attributes together with the exact field identifier when documenting a requirement. A field name without its availability context is incomplete evidence. A field marked **N/A (Only for join)** should not be assumed selectable as a result column. (docs.oracle.com)

For **NetSuite Records Catalog joins**, examine the related record type, join identifier, join type, and cardinality. Cardinality describes how rows relate; it is useful when assessing whether a relationship can expand the output grain. Store the documented relationship separately from the query that validates it. A business label such as “customer contact” should never substitute for a recorded join path. (docs.oracle.com)

Catalog discovery also needs to be distinguished from connector discovery. Microsoft directs users to SuiteAnalytics Connect metadata for available tables. Matillion describes metadata-driven Connect work using table and column metadata. These implementations illustrate why a source inventory should identify its collection mechanism rather than calling every inventory a Catalog export. (learn.microsoft.com) (docs.matillion.com)

Adoption and operational use

Public documentation supports using the Catalog as an account discovery reference; it does not provide an adoption survey or a comparative usage benchmark. This report therefore makes no claim that it is more widely used than another browser. Its recommended use follows the metadata question being answered.

For **NetSuite Records Catalog permissions**, separate permission to view the reference from the permission needed to retrieve the business data. Oracle's overview specifies the Records Catalog permission. (docs.oracle.com) The exploratory interface includes **Show Unavailable Items**, which reveals items

unavailable in the current context. Use that visibility to investigate prerequisites rather than interpreting an omitted item immediately as nonexistent. (docs.oracle.com)

Connector setup provides complementary evidence. Fivetran documents both Custom Record Types permission and access to the particular custom record. Airbyte instructs users to associate credentials with a role that can access the objects selected for synchronization. Those are separate checks in the handoff, even when an administrator can already see the object. (fivetran.com) (fivetran.com) (docs.airbyte.com)

Strengths and limitations

The Catalog's strength is the combination of structure and context. Its limitation as project evidence is that browsing under one identity does not prove execution under another. A screenshot should therefore identify the role and environment, and an inventory should pair discovery with an execution result.

Further, a connector may deliberately expose a subset. Estuary documents that its SuiteQL connector currently supports a subset of NetSuite tables. A missing destination table should consequently trigger a channel and connector check before a schema redesign. (docs.estuary.dev) Likewise, Celigo's object-mode sync reads application metadata, but its documented workflow also includes a schema drift policy. Metadata discovery and the policy governing change are distinct decisions. (docs.celigo.com) (docs.celigo.com)

The research did not locate a documented supported programmatic Records Catalog API or bulk export in the official pages searched. This is a bounded finding, not proof that no such capability exists. The reproducible workflow below uses documented metadata mechanisms and manual Catalog observations, and does not depend on undocumented browser endpoints.

SOAP Schema Browser

Capabilities

The Schema Browser answers **NetSuite Schema Browser SOAP records** questions: what SOAP objects, fields, sublists, references, and types form the integration contract? Interpret a field's SOAP name within that contract. Read its type and cardinality together rather than treating the user-interface label as the payload definition.

The browser's cardinality represents the minimum-occurs and maximum-occurs attributes defined in the **XML Schema Definition (XSD)**. **Web Services Description Language (WSDL)** and XSD artifacts should be retained alongside the integration's pinned endpoint. This gives reviewers a reproducible contract reference instead of an unversioned browser bookmark. (docs.oracle.com)

SOAP-based connector documentation demonstrates the same distinction. Boomi explicitly identifies its NetSuite interface as the SuiteTalk SOAP-based web services application programming interface (**API**). Hevo describes an XML-based SuiteTalk replication interface. Their mappings should be reviewed against the SOAP contract and their own connector representations. (help.boomi.com) (docs.hevodata.com)

Adoption and operational use

Existing integrations may retain SOAP dependencies, but connector documentation is not evidence of platform-wide adoption. Stitch's documentation identifies **v2023_1** as its SuiteTalk interface. That vendor-documented version should not be silently replaced in project notes with the latest public browser version. Record the actual connector version and contract separately, then confirm the supported migration path with current documentation. (www.stitchdata.com)

The distinction is particularly important for custom fields. TIBCO documents support for custom fields in its record operations and searches. Its plug-in also describes identifiers used to address those fields. Custom-field support in a connector is therefore a mapping question in addition to a schema-definition question. (docs.tibco.com) (docs.tibco.com)

MuleSoft's SOAP examples recommend **DataSense** to import connector metadata. This is an imported development artifact, not a claim that every account-specific customization appears in a static public browser. Retain the import context and refresh history so later reviewers can explain where a generated definition came from. (docs.mulesoft.com)

Strengths and limitations

A versioned contract is useful for reproducibility, but it needs a second artifact for the account and a third for the connector. Boomi generates request and response profiles from account record types, with documented support for standard and custom fields and an exception for custom segments. Review that coverage before assuming an imported profile represents everything visible elsewhere. (help.boomi.com)

Generated element names can also differ from source identifiers. Boomi documents using NetSuite's Description field as the imported custom-field element name while caching the script ID. An inventory should preserve both rather than declaring a changed display element to be a changed source field. (help.boomi.com)

The correct question is therefore not whether the Schema Browser is “better” than the Catalog. It is whether the reference matches the operation being designed. SOAP object definitions, imported XML profiles, and analytics joins represent different contracts. CData similarly documents a custom-field-column option that applies to its SuiteTalk schema, showing that even a relational-looking connector table may be derived from SOAP-oriented metadata. (cdn.cdata.com)

Feature Comparison

Channel decision matrix

Table 1 maps the development task to the initial reference and the additional evidence needed. The matrix compares metadata sources; connector documentation is included as corroborating implementation context, not as a replacement for the platform reference.

Task or channel	Primary reference	What it establishes	Additional proof to retain
SuiteQL through SuiteScript or REST query	Records Catalog	Account-context analytics discovery; Connect record types can differ slightly. (docs.oracle.com)	Role, feature context, exact field and join identifiers, and query result.
SOAP requests and responses	SOAP Schema Browser and pinned contract	Versioned object definitions; Oracle identifies the supported browser as 2025.2. (docs.oracle.com)	Actual endpoint, custom-field mapping, and account-specific imported profile.
SuiteScript record and saved-search work	SuiteScript Records Browser	Supported records, search joins, filters, columns, and transformations. (docs.oracle.com)	The script's execution context and an operation-specific test.
REST record operations	REST metadata catalog, with REST API Browser for orientation	Exposed record metadata through the account-specific /services/rest/record/v1/metadata-catalog endpoint. (docs.oracle.com)	Retrieved metadata, selected record types, identity, and tested operation.
SuiteAnalytics Connect	Connect metadata plus source-specific documentation	Column identifiers, types, lengths, and descriptions through oa_columns. (docs.oracle.com)	Data source, connection role, table inventory, and read validation.
Connector-defined objects	Connector discovery and current vendor docs	A projected representation; Matillion's columns depend on its selected source. (docs.matillion.com)	Discovery timestamp, selected objects, cached schema, and refresh evidence.

Retain four separate kinds of evidence: **documented definition, account visibility, execution under the intended identity, and connector projection**. Connector projection is the set of tables and fields exposed after selection, mapping, and metadata processing. Use each matrix row to choose a reference and plan the runtime test. Microsoft documents NetSuite2.com-only ingestion for its connector, while Fivetran documents SQL extraction through its SuiteAnalytics connection. These channel declarations should be recorded before developers compare names. (learn.microsoft.com) (fivetran.com)

REST metadata is a separate contract

Representational State Transfer (REST) record metadata should be retained as its own artifact. MuleSoft's REST connector exposes both record metadata and a catalog of available record types, including standard and custom types with internal names and labels. Those operations support programmatic discovery within that connector's REST workflow. (docs.mulesoft.com) (docs.mulesoft.com)

Oracle's OpenAPI metadata documentation explains an important selection limit: referenced records outside a selected set can appear as generic JSON objects without structure. A partially retrieved document should consequently be labeled with its selection parameters; otherwise a reviewer may mistake unexpanded references for absent fields. (docs.oracle.com) MuleSoft's documented record metadata includes field definitions, data types, required fields, and valid select values, providing useful dimensions for the inventory. (docs.mulesoft.com)

NetSuite Records Catalog vs Records Browser is resolved by separating analytics discovery from record scripting and saved-search definitions. **NetSuite Schema Browser vs Records Browser** is resolved by separating SOAP payload structure from SuiteScript identifiers. Connector examples make these distinctions concrete: Airbyte documents REST access, Boomi documents SOAP access, and Matillion uses its Database Query component for SuiteAnalytics Connect. (docs.airbyte.com) (help.boomi.com) (docs.matillion.com)

Field-discovery worksheet

Table 2 is a proposed worksheet, not a statement that every source supplies every column. Populate unsupported or uncollected attributes with an explicit status.

Inventory group	Columns to retain	Interpretation and supporting context
Execution identity	account_environment, account_type, role_id, channel, tested_at	Airbyte's object access depends on the credentials' associated role. (docs.airbyte.com)
Source definition	record_id, field_id, label, native_type, metadata_source	Preserve internal names and labels as distinct values; MuleSoft exposes both in record-type discovery. (docs.mulesoft.com)
Availability	feature_context, permission_context, visibility_status	Retain custom-record access evidence separately from discovery; Fivetran documents object-specific view access. (fivetran.com)
Customization mapping	script_id, internal_id, connector_element	TIBCO documents custom-field identifier handling; do not overwrite one identifier with another. (docs.tibco.com)
Connector projection	selected_object, selected_field, projected_type	Hevo exposes field selection, while Celigo derives types from application metadata. (docs.hevodata.com) (docs.celigo.com)
Refresh provenance	discovered_at, refresh_action, artifact_reference	Boomi caches metadata and Fivetran documents a metadata refresh step. (help.boomi.com) (fivetran.com)
Validation	operation, result_status, result_shape, observation	A source definition and a successful tested operation should remain separate evidence records.
Change review	change_kind, prior_value, new_value, disposition	Downstream contract behavior needs its own control; dlt documents schema evolution and freeze behavior. (dlthub.com) (dlthub.com)

This worksheet is intentionally channel-neutral. It does not convert a connector element name into a SuiteQL field name. CData can expose custom fields as separate columns, while Hevo can retrieve only selected fields through advanced search. Those implementation choices change the observed projection without necessarily changing the source definition. (cdn.cdata.com) (docs.hevodata.com)

Performance and Benchmarks

What can actually be measured

The research did not locate a controlled public benchmark comparing the Catalog with the Schema Browser as developer tools. It would be misleading to rank them by query speed: they are metadata references, and the runtime operation is executed through another interface. The practical benchmark is whether the discovery

process produces correct, reproducible evidence.

Measure **metadata collection**, **first successful operation**, and **downstream ingestion** separately. Include the refresh work identified in the operational checklist rather than timing only the final read. (fivetran.com) (help.boomi.com)

Execution shape also differs by connector. Estuary documents rereading every binding from scratch on each run; Stitch ties custom-record replication behavior to the Show Last Modified setting. Comparing elapsed times without recording those behaviors would compare different workloads. (docs.estuary.dev) (www.stitchdata.com)

Join validation

A metadata relationship is a starting hypothesis for a query, not a completed data test. Oracle treats NetSuite2.com oa_fkeys as reference information because foreign keys can be missing or incorrectly identified. Accordingly, retain the discovered relationship and the evidence produced by the actual join as separate records. (docs.oracle.com)

Use a small, representative dataset and retain these proposed test cases:

- **Baseline grain:** identify what one output row represents before adding a relationship.
- **Matched relationship:** select a known source record and inspect its related identifiers.
- **Optional relationship:** include a source record without a related record and document intended preservation.
- **Multiple matches:** check whether related rows duplicate a source identifier.
- **Aggregate reconciliation:** compare measures at the intended business grain before and after the join.
- **Role comparison:** rerun under the integration identity and record any result difference.

These are test recommendations, not reported account outcomes. A connector's own key or table list is a separate input: Estuary documents a static list of supported tables and keys. Hevo documents InternalId as its primary key for objects. Neither declaration independently proves the cardinality of a SuiteQL relationship. (docs.estuary.dev) (docs.hevodata.com)

Reproducible snapshot and diff

Start with a manifest identifying the environment, role, channel, collection date, relevant features, connector version, and artifact locations. Capture each channel independently. Matillion documents iterating over oa_tables and collecting column names from oa_columns for Connect work. Microsoft's connector reference likewise directs table discovery through SuiteAnalytics Connect metadata. (docs.matillion.com) (docs.matillion.com) (learn.microsoft.com)

Use a stable composite key such as channel, record identifier, and field identifier. Preserve original spelling and connector labels in separate columns. Boomi's description-based element names make that distinction concrete, and CData's connection-scoped metadata cache makes the connection boundary relevant to provenance. (help.boomi.com) (cdn.cdata.com)

A minimal proposed inventory header can be copied into a comma-separated values (**CSV**) file:

```
account_environment,account_type,role_id,channel,record_id,field_id,label,native_type,feature_context,permis
sion_context,availability,join_target,join_cardinality,internal_id,script_id,connector_element,selected_fiel
d,metadata_source,discovered_at,tested_at,test_status,artifact_reference
```

Classify the diff using explicit rules:

- **Added:** a stable composite identifier appears only in the later snapshot.
- **Removed from observation:** an identifier appears only in the earlier snapshot; investigate context before calling it deleted.
- **Label changed:** the stable identifier remains while the human-readable label changes.
- **Type changed:** the source or projected type differs; retain both values and their channels.
- **Visibility changed:** discovery differs with a role, feature, or selection change.
- **Projection changed:** the connector representation differs after a refresh or selection change.

To reproduce the comparison, save identically scoped inventories as **before.csv** and **after.csv**, with corresponding **before.manifest.json** and **after.manifest.json** files. Each CSV must describe exactly one nonempty account/environment identifier and role; include the account identifier, not just “production” or “sandbox.” Every row must match its manifest. Use the same channel, features, and selection scope in both collections, and identify that reviewed scope with the same nonempty `inventory_scope` value.

For example, a manifest for a successfully collected two-row inventory can contain the following fields alongside its other provenance:

```
{
  "account_environment": "account-123:production",
  "role_id": "10",
  "inventory_scope": "suiteql:required-fields:v1",
  "collection_succeeded": true,
  "row_count": 2
}
```

Set `collection_succeeded` to `true` only after collection completes successfully, and set `row_count` to the actual number of data rows. A header-only CSV is accepted only with successful collection and `row_count: 0`; its context comes from the manifest. The routine checks both manifests and every row before printing a diff, and rejects duplicate keys and malformed inputs. Keep the CSV header shown above even for an empty inventory.

```
import csv
import json

KEY = ('channel', 'record_id', 'field_id')
CONTEXT = ('account_environment', 'role_id')
TRACK = ('label', 'native_type', 'availability')

def nonempty(value):
    return isinstance(value, str) and bool(value.strip())
```

```
def load_snapshot(path, manifest_path):
    with open(manifest_path, encoding='utf-8') as stream:
        manifest = json.load(stream)
    context = tuple(manifest.get(name) for name in CONTEXT)
    scope = manifest.get('inventory_scope')
    if not all(nonempty(value) for value in context) or not nonempty(scope):
        raise ValueError('Manifest must identify one account/role and scope')
    if manifest.get('collection_succeeded') is not True:
        raise ValueError('Confirm successful collection before comparing')
    count = manifest.get('row_count')
    if type(count) is not int or count < 0:
        raise ValueError('Manifest row_count must be a nonnegative integer')

    with open(path, newline='', encoding='utf-8') as stream:
        reader = csv.DictReader(stream)
        header = reader.fieldnames or []
        required = set(CONTEXT + KEY + TRACK)
        if not required.issubset(header) or len(header) != len(set(header)):
            raise ValueError('CSV must have the required unique headers')
        rows = list(reader)
    if len(rows) != count:
        raise ValueError('CSV row count does not match the manifest')

    indexed = {}
    for row in rows:
        if None in row or any(value is None for value in row.values()):
            raise ValueError('Malformed CSV row')
        if tuple(row[name] for name in CONTEXT) != context:
            raise ValueError('Every row must match the manifest account and role')
        key = tuple(row[name] for name in KEY)
        if not all(nonempty(value) for value in key):
            raise ValueError('Inventory keys must be nonempty')
        if key in indexed:
            raise ValueError('Duplicate inventory key')
        indexed[key] = row
    return indexed, (context, scope)

before, old_context = load_snapshot('before.csv', 'before.manifest.json')
after, new_context = load_snapshot('after.csv', 'after.manifest.json')
if old_context != new_context:
    raise ValueError('Compare snapshots with matching account, role, and scope')
for key in sorted(before.keys() | after.keys()):
    if key not in before:
        print('ADDED', key)
    elif key not in after:
        print('REMOVED_FROM_OBSERVATION', key)
    else:
        for name in TRACK:
            if before[key][name] != after[key][name]:
                print('CHANGED', key, name, before[key][name], after[key][name])
```

This is an observation diff, not an automated rename detector or a metadata extractor. Review the manifest's feature and selection context before accepting its output. Keep artifact references so every changed value can be traced to its original discovery evidence.

Do not infer a rename solely from a removed field and a similarly labeled added field. An implementation review should confirm the mapping. TIBCO documents precedence when both supported custom-field identifiers are supplied, and Boomi retains script IDs while using description-based elements. These are reasons to keep explicit identifiers rather than fuzzy label matches. (docs.tibco.com) (help.boomi.com)

After identifying a source change, use the operational checklist to refresh downstream artifacts, repeat validation, retain the diff, and record who accepted the change. (fivetran.com) (help.boomi.com)

Data Analysis and Evidence

Release evidence rather than invented throughput

The quantitative evidence most relevant to this comparison is version and release scope. It defines which contract a reference represents and when an integration plan requires reassessment. It does not establish throughput, developer productivity, or the completeness of an account schema.

Table 3 separates Oracle's stated release milestones from a connector's documented contract. Dates here are release identifiers, not measured runtime results.

Evidence item	Documented value	Decision implication
Last planned SOAP endpoint	2025.2, according to Oracle's SOAP removal FAQ. (docs.oracle.com)	Pin and record the contract used by an existing integration.
Building new SOAP integrations	Oracle's FAQ says this will no longer be possible with 2027.1. (docs.oracle.com)	Select the intended future channel before implementing a new integration.
SOAP endpoint disabling	Oracle's FAQ schedules all endpoints to be disabled with 2028.2. (docs.oracle.com)	Include migration work and retesting in the technical roadmap.
Legacy Connect Browser coverage	Oracle says its tables and columns extend only through 2021.2. (docs.oracle.com)	An old browser page does not establish current Connect coverage.
Connector contract example	Stitch identifies SuiteTalk v2023_1 in its own integration documentation. (www.stitchdata.com)	Verify the actual connector contract instead of assuming the public browser version.

The table illustrates different scopes, not a contradiction between a public browser and an actual configured integration. A browser's supported version, a connector's documented interface, and a scheduled platform milestone belong in separate inventory fields.

Oracle documentation reviewed during this research also differed on the exact release for last-endpoint-only support. The general WSDL support page and the dedicated removal FAQ gave different transition milestones. (docs.oracle.com) (docs.oracle.com) This report does not use that disputed milestone as a planning assumption. Readers should confirm the applicable release guidance when approving migration dates.

Coverage and projection evidence

Connector coverage is not safely expressed as one universal percentage. Microsoft's reference describes NetSuite2.com ingestion; Estuary documents a SuiteQL subset; Matillion's available columns depend on the chosen source. These are differently scoped declarations rather than comparable completeness scores. (learn.microsoft.com) (docs.estuary.dev) (docs.matillion.com)

Field selection adds another variable. Hevo documents selecting replication fields, while Celigo derives types and identifies calculated fields from application metadata. An observed destination-column count is consequently evidence about a selected projection, not necessarily a count of all accessible account fields. (docs.hevodata.com) (docs.celigo.com)

For a future live-account evaluation, calculate and retain:

- **Discovery coverage:** discovered required fields divided by the explicitly defined required-field set.
- **Execution coverage:** successfully tested required fields divided by that same set.
- **Join expansion:** joined output rows divided by baseline rows at the declared source grain.
- **Refresh lag:** time between an accepted source change and a verified downstream refresh.
- **Context changes:** changed role, feature, channel, or selection attributes between compared runs.

These are proposed measurements; the report supplies no fabricated values. Record the chosen connector’s prerequisites and collection scope alongside future measurements so the comparison can be reproduced. (fivetran.com) (fivetran.com) (www.stitchdata.com)

Implications and Future Directions

Permission versus absence troubleshooting

A missing field should be treated as a diagnostic result with unresolved causes. Work through a bounded sequence:

- **Confirm channel:** compare the operation with the metadata source chosen in the decision matrix.
- **Confirm identity:** retain the role associated with the runtime credentials.
- **Confirm context:** record the account environment and relevant enabled features.
- **Confirm discovery:** determine whether the source, connector, or selected projection omitted the item.
- **Confirm refresh:** inspect cached or imported metadata before changing mappings.
- **Confirm execution:** test the required operation and preserve its result.

The identity check is supported by Airbyte's documented role access requirement and Estuary's custom-role requirement. A successful administrative inspection does not complete those connector setup checks. (docs.airbyte.com) (docs.estuary.dev)

Refresh troubleshooting should be implementation-specific. Boomi caches record metadata in its operation component; CData documents metadata that clears when the connection closes. The same refresh action should not be assumed for both. (help.boomi.com) (cdn.cdata.com) Likewise, Celigo's schema drift policy is a control to review alongside metadata discovery, not a substitute for it. (docs.celigo.com)

Downstream schema controls

Retain the source snapshot separately from the warehouse or pipeline schema. Generic ingestion frameworks can infer destination structure from extracted data; dlt documents that behavior and permits new columns under its evolve mode. This evidence concerns destination schema management, not verified NetSuite connector coverage. (dlthub.com) (dlthub.com)

A deliberate change policy can choose to accept new columns, quarantine an unexpected change, or stop until review. dlt documents a freeze example that raises an error on encountered schema changes. Teams should choose the behavior that matches the downstream contract and document it before a release introduces differences. (dlthub.com)

Custom fields deserve a separate onboarding checklist. Stitch documents selectable tables for custom record types; Fivetran documents object permissions and refresh; MuleSoft provides account record-type discovery with names and labels. These mechanisms establish different pieces of evidence and should not be compressed into a single “custom records supported” flag. (www.stitchdata.com) (fivetran.com) (docs.mulesoft.com)

Handoff and estimation

The handoff package should include the manifest, raw or exported metadata artifacts, field worksheet, join tests, diff disposition, connector refresh evidence, and the intended runtime identity. Estimate unresolved discovery, mapping, access, and migration work separately.

Use the following proposed acceptance checklist:

- **Channel recorded:** the chosen metadata source matches the operation.
- **Identity recorded:** account environment, role, and runtime credential association are explicit.
- **Definitions retained:** source artifacts and exact identifiers are available to the next engineer.
- **Access tested:** required fields have operation-level results under the intended identity.
- **Relationships tested:** join grain, optional matches, and aggregate reconciliation are documented.
- **Projection refreshed:** connector metadata and selected fields match the accepted source change.
- **Change accepted:** the diff has a disposition and an assigned maintenance owner.

For SOAP delivery, retain the imported profile and custom-field identifiers, and reimport affected Boomi records after custom-field changes. For REST, retain the selected record metadata and supported values. (docs.tibco.com) (help.boomi.com) (docs.mulesoft.com)

Houseblend describes ongoing NetSuite support as part of its services. In an implementation or administration engagement, maintaining this evidence package is a practical responsibility to assign explicitly, without treating the consultancy as another schema source. (www.houseblend.io) The acceptance criterion remains evidence that the intended identity can perform the required operation and that downstream consumers accept its representation.

Conclusion

Use the Records Catalog to investigate the account's customizations and enabled or disabled features; use the SOAP Schema Browser to inspect SOAP records, sublists, and objects. (Oracle Records Catalog documentation) (Oracle SOAP Schema Browser documentation)

Follow the channel decision matrix and operational checklist to test the intended identity, validate relationships, and refresh downstream artifacts. Retain the manifests, source evidence, and reviewed diff so the next schema change can be assessed against the same scope.

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