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GPL v3.0	✓ Yes	✗ Limited	✓ Yes (strong copyleft)	Force code to stay open-source
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Boost License 1.0	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✗ No	C++ libraries
Mozilla Public License 2.0	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	⚠ File-level only	Mixed open + closed source
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Platform	Short Explanation
GitLab	Git hosting with built-in CI/CD & DevOps tools
Bitbucket	Git hosting by Atlassian, good for teams
SourceForge	Old platform mainly for open-source projects
Azure DevOps	Microsoft's DevOps suite with Git repos
Gitea	Lightweight, self-hosted Git service
Gogs	Simple Git server for small teams
AWS CodeCommit	Git repository service by AWS
Launchpad	Used mainly for Ubuntu-related projects
Codeberg	Free & open-source Git hosting