

A-16 Leads Report Summary

Out of 11 A-16 Lead Report Responses:

- **Current Plan/Charter** – 73% have a current charter or plan for data collection
- **Metadata** – 36% have metadata listed through the NSDI Clearinghouse. The rest plan to list their metadata in the Clearinghouse soon.
- **Data Sharing Policy** – 82% have a data sharing policy.

Areas of Concern:

- Coordination for common definition and lead responsibility is needed for certain inland waterway features.

Lessons Learned:

- One size does not fit all.
- Standards for data, process, and transfer need to be flexible.
- It is necessary to determine funding strategies to leverage dollars to host geospatial data for many agencies to save money and avoid redundancy.
- A subcommittee is preferable to one agency leading the development of guidelines.