

Part B

LEAD AGENCY/BUREAU AND/OR SUBCOMMITTEE/WORKING GROUP REPORT (Agencies with Lead Responsibilities Assigned under the new Circular A-16 in Appendix E - <http://www.fgdc.gov/publications/a16final.html#appendix>) (Please provide a separate report for each activity for which you have the lead)

1. Program/Activity Name: International Land and Maritime Boundaries data content standards
2. What are the specific federal programs this data supports? DoS mandate as USG boundary authority
3. Uses of Data: How does your data benefit customers and support agency missions? Provides standardized boundary information to geospatial, legal and policy staff in an easy-to-access format.
4. Charter/Plan: Do you have a current charter or plan for collection? If so - please describe (include how recently the charter/plan was implemented and whether it is in need of update). No. We are focussing our effort on African and crisis region boundaries.
5. Metadata Status: Is metadata discoverable and served through the NSDI Clearinghouse? What percentage of this theme's data has metadata and is in a Clearinghouse node? We are not at this stage yet.
6. Standards: What is the status of this theme's data, process, transfer, and classification standards? 322 international land boundaries, 400+ maritime boundaries and limits; none are fully complete.
7. Progress: List FY 2002/2003 activities/progress to date (quantify where possible). Undertook data collection for African, Iraq, Afghanistan boundaries. Level of detailed collection varies.
8. Policy: Do you have a formal agency policy in place for full and open access or data sharing? Are you able to fulfill this policy and provide public access with your current agency financial resources as allocated or are you in pursuit of collaborative federal partnerships to support data access? Together with NIMA, we make our digital line files available to Government and non-Government users, but the attribute data is presently not accessible.
9. Are there areas or issues regarding lead responsibilities for spatial data themes that require attention, or lessons-learned that you would like to share with others? Please describe. None