

Tidal Wetlands Handbook Update

The Goal

Provide
decision-making
support for local
wetlands boards

Virginia Wetlands Management Handbook

2nd Edition

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Answering Local Wetlands Boards Needs Regarding Guidance in Investigating Wetlands Violations

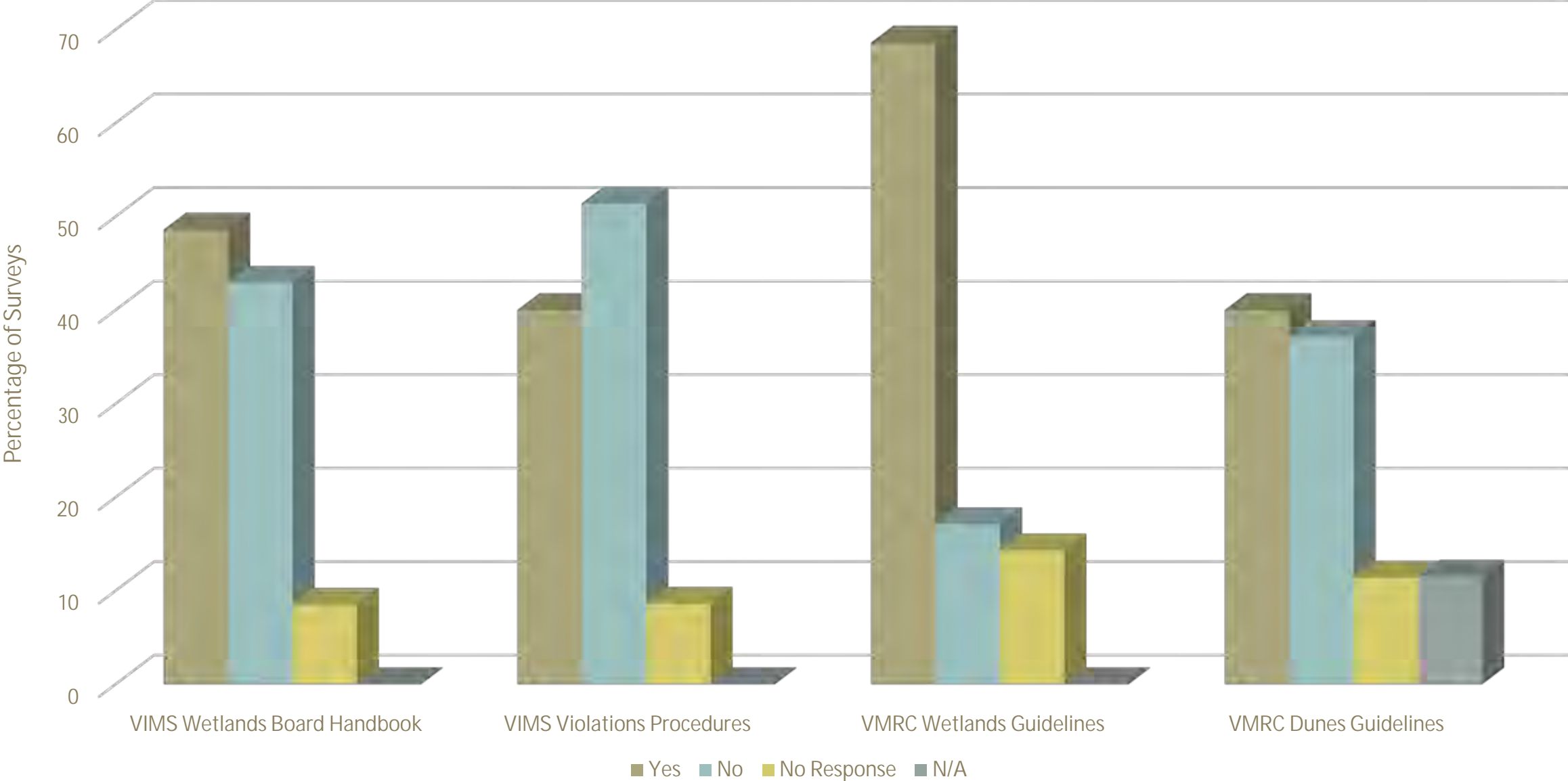
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The Survey

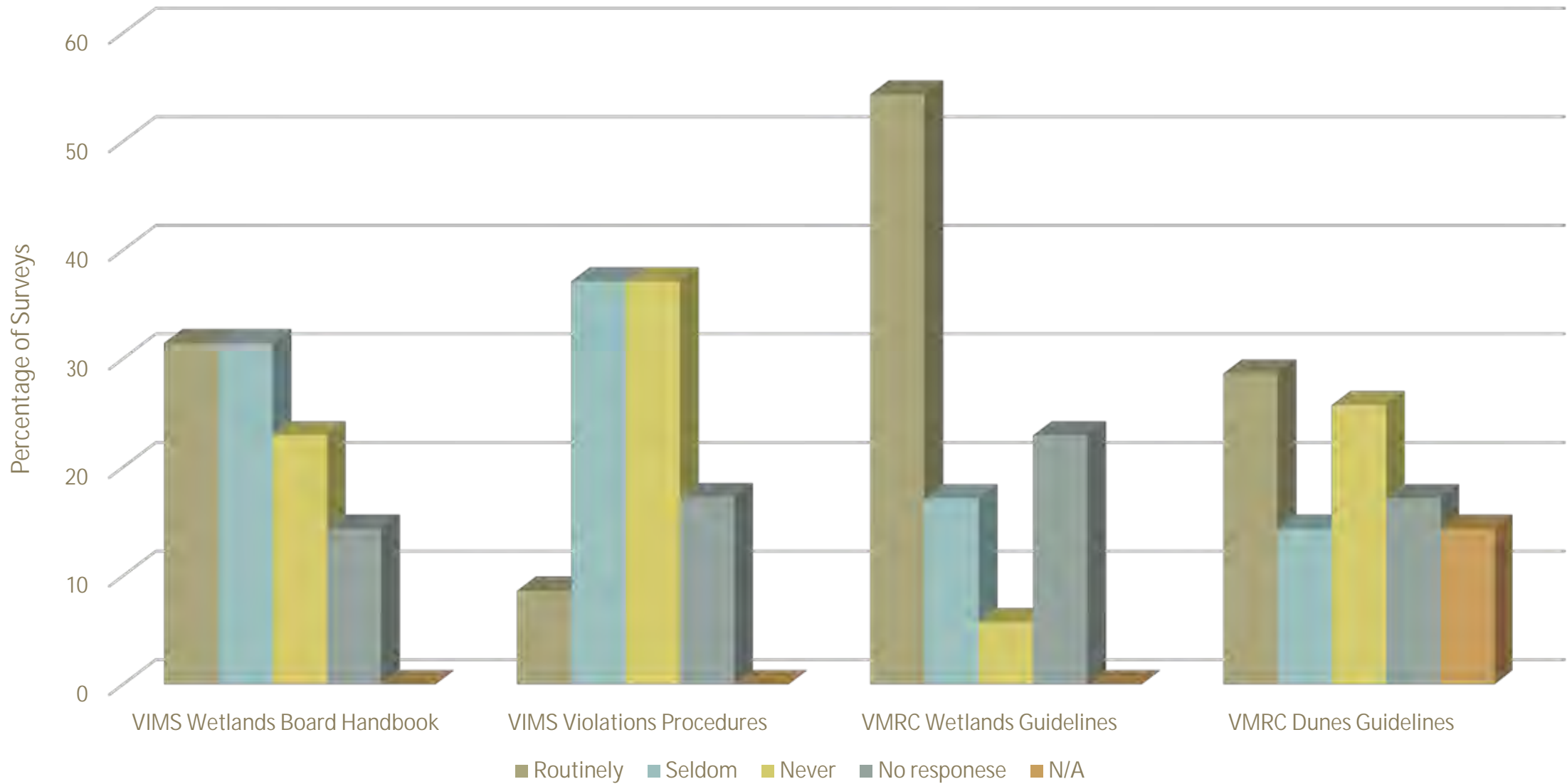
Solicit feedback from the groups that we want to utilize the resources

- Board Chairs, Local Government Staff, and VMRC (for localities without boards)
- Are they aware of existing resources?
- Do they utilize existing resources?
- Are there issues or processes they could use guidance on?

Survey Results – Awareness of Existing Materials



Survey Results – Use of Existing Materials



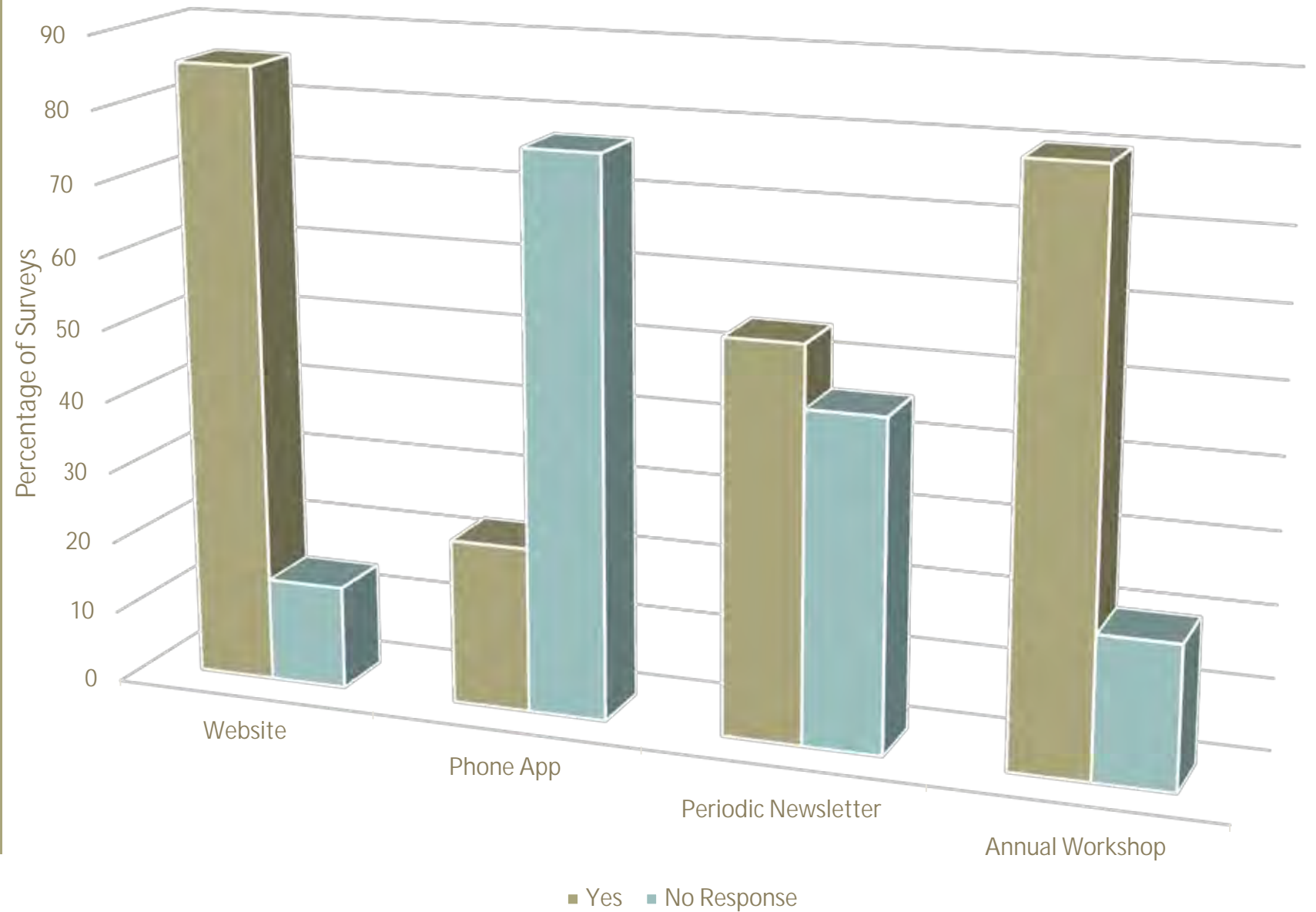
The Updates

What has changed or needs to be included since the last handbook was created?

- Background and purpose
- Role/structure/process of the local wetlands board
- Changes to state code (and resulting ordinance) language
- New case law or attorney general opinions
- Updated agency guidance
- Incorporate feedback from the survey

The Delivery

Determine the best way to distribute and maintain the information



Give us your feedback!

Afternoon Breakout Sessions

Davis Hall

1st Floor

Owens-Bryant Board Room