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The EBM Toolbox: Coastal and marine citizen science projects

[Editor's note: The goal of The EBM Toolbox is to promote awareness of tools for facilitating EBM. It is brought to you by the EBM Tools Network, an alliance of tool users, developers, and training providers.]

Participants in the EBM Tools Network listserv were recently asked to provide examples of coastal and marine citizen science projects. They offered a wealth of them: more than 30 projects.

The list is indicative rather than comprehensive, and tends to focus on projects described in English and mostly from the US. Still, it gives an idea of the diversity of citizen science projects in practice. Projects range from subtidal reef monitoring by volunteer divers (Phytoplankton Monitoring Program), to tagging undersized Atlantic bluefin tuna (Tag a Tiny), to transcribing old ship logs in search of historic weather patterns (Old Weather), and much more.

Phytoplankton Monitoring Program

www.cdph.ca.gov/HealthInfo/environhealth/water/Pages/phytoplanktonmonitoringprogram.aspx

Tag a Tiny

www.tunalab.org/tagatiny.htm

Old Weather

www.oldweather.org

The full list of projects and their websites is [here](#).

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