



<b>Name</b>	<b>Digital Coast</b>
<b>Description</b>	The basic premise of the site is the understanding that data alone are not enough. People need the associated tools, training, and information that turn data into information capable of making a difference. The NOAA Coastal Services Center built the prototype in 2008 and then reached out to potential users to provide feedback and guide the development of the site. These project partners, whose organizations eventually formed the Digital Coast Partnership, let the Center know what issues were most important, what type of content they would find most helpful, and the primary barriers they needed addressed. The partnership list is extensive including federal, state, county, NGO, academic, and professional partners. The website contains coastal datasets related to topics such as benthic, hydrography, land cover, imagery, elevation (LiDAR), etc. It also includes tools that support coastal decision-making around issues such as adaptation, land use planning, coastal hazards, water quality, economy, etc. It also includes trainings on similar topics. Finally, the site provides information on approaches related to climate adaptation, sea-level rise planning, renewable resources, etc.
<b>Type</b>	- PRODUCTS: Viewers and Web-based Tools
<b>Sector</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Public Health and Safety</li> <li>- Infrastructure</li> <li>- Managed Ecosystems</li> <li>- Natural Ecosystems</li> <li>- Biota</li> <li>- Social and Cultural Resources</li> <li>- Economic Resources</li> <li>- Recreation and Tourism</li> <li>- Cross Disciplinary</li> </ul>
<b>Focus Area</b>	
<b>Region</b>	- National
<b>Lead Agencies</b>	NOAA Coastal Services Center