



## Drones in the Coastal Zone Community of Practice

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Project Overview

 Established to continue supporting the sharing of knowledge and best practices related to the use of drone technologies to support coastal research

Quarterly calls

 SECOORA hosting a resource webpage (coming soon!)



## Accomplishments

- 3 quarterly calls
- Topics include:
  - Navigating the Rules of the Sky
  - Monitoring experimental living shorelines with sUAS
  - Integration of drone surveys as part of a SECOORA coastal flood monitoring network
- Average 50-70 per call



Image Credit: Duke University Marine Robotics and Remote Sensing







## **Challenges and Looking Ahead**

- Sponsoring up to six candidates from the US Southeast region to attend three Uncrewed Aircraft Systems executive education courses (offered by the Nicholas School of the Environment at Duke University)
  - Opportunity opening June 2023
- In person workshop Spring 2024
  - Focus on hands on demos and what cannot be done virtually



Image: Duke University





