Tide to Table- Queensland

This project runs from 2011- 2013 across coastal Queensland with an emphasis on increasing the Water Quality of Moreton Bay while across Queensland, involving Community in coastal and marine works. Working on the premise that healthy and diverse ecosystems equal more productivity, the project has offered a variety of grant funding to work on water quality projects within and that drain to Fish Habitat Areas of Moreton Bay.

Projects around Townsville, Bundaberg, Cooktown and Fraser Island have also occurred on topics such as marine debris, the pest fish *Tilapia* and fish passage.

Along with on ground action the project has included:

1. Connectivity tours – exploring links in the landscape and impacts of management upstream on local seafood industry. Connectivity tours utilise speakers with expertise in fisheries related topics and provide opportunities for learning, networking and forming partnership approaches to implementing projects.

2. Aboriginal Cultural Heritage on-ground projects around coastal sites of significance.

3. Attending Seafood festivals, community events, and environment celebration days (such as World Wetlands Day) – taking the opportunity to raise wider community awareness and engage new participants.

4. Capacity building workshops – targeting local govt on topics such as fish passage, water sensitive urban design and Algal blooms to build skill bases.

5. GEOCACHE initiatives – educational orienteering popular with youth groups such as the Police Citizen Youth Club (PCYC).

If you are interested in being involved or for more information on Tide to Table in Queensland, please contact:

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