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In the wake of Matthew Flinders, citizen scientists

"We're creating a comprehensive record so people can be aware of exactly what changes are happening, how threats to our living heritage are distributed, and how managers might best deploy their resources to remedy those threats."

"*Reef Life Survey* divers have recently repeated five months of surveys at over 250 sites across the span of the Great Barrier Reef and Coral Sea, providing detailed information on how fishes and other marine life were affected by coral bleaching last year.

"These surveys provide a unique record of marine life before and after the largest known bleaching event to date, complementing the work of other researchers monitoring impact