Join us in a Hampton Roads citizen-science project.

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Sunday morning Nov. 5, 2017

CATCH THE KING

THE KING TIDE IS COMING | NOV. 5, 2017 | LET’S TRACK HOW FAR IT REACHES

ALL IT THE KING TIDE. The year’s highest astronomical tide. The highest tide if everything other than the positions of the earth, sun and moon – and their gravitational effects – were factored out.

Sounds impressive.

But travel forward, and this year’s king looks more and more like a commoner. With sea levels rising, some scientists say the high tides of today would be more like low tides just half a century from now.

We’re looking for an army of data-gathering volunteers to catch the king, plotting how far it reaches as it crests across the region. Even if there’s no flooding, the information will help scientists, planners and community leaders get a better understanding of our risks from rising tides.

WHAT WE’D LIKE FROM YOU:

Your time. Probably about an hour and a half on the morning of Sunday Nov. 5 to trace a high tide line near where you live, work or play.

Your smartphone. To download an app and practice using it. And then, on the day of the event, to upload to the app some GPS coordinates and photos.

Your team spirit. You’ll be part of a team. We even will invite you to become a Tide Captain and lead a team of your own.

Ready to sign up or want to know more? Go to pilotonline.com/kingtide or sign up at bit.ly/catchtheking

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