# Principle 7: The ocean is largely unexplored.

## Life on Earth Depends on the Ocean

**A.** All living things depend on resources from the ocean, such as oxygen, food, water, energy, etc.

**A.1.** Ocean resources are limited. People need to learn about these resources through exploration and scientific investigation.

See Principle 6: C8

## People Explore the Ocean

**B.** People have always been interested in the ocean. People explore the ocean to answer questions they have about it.

**B.1.** People are still discovering new things about the ocean all the time.

**B.2.** Ocean exploration helps us understand the health of the ocean and find new medicines, food for humans, and new sources of energy (e.g., oil, gas and wind).

**B.3.** People explore the ocean through many different hobbies and careers: scientists, fishers, engineers, surfers, swimmers, photographers, filmmakers, artists, and explorers all spend time exploring the ocean.

See Principle 6: A4

**B.4.** People use creativity, curiosity, tools, and technology to make better observations of the ocean.