

Yokohama Blue Carbon Project — Municipal Eelgrass Restoration Feeding Japan's National J Blue Credit Market

PES & Nature-Based Solutions · Good practice · Japan

Quality score: 60/100

Evidence strength: Observational / pre–post

Summary

Yokohama's municipally managed eelgrass beds became the first site in Japan's J Blue Credit market, turning coastal seagrass restoration into tradable carbon credits bought by firms including Sumitomo, Tokyo Gas and Mitsui O.S.K. Lines.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Carbon — sequestration / storage, evidenced	3/3
Biodiversity — conservation / improvement, evidenced	2/3
Water & soil — retention, infiltration, erosion control	1/3
Fire resilience — risk reduction, evidenced	0/3
Governance, certification & transferability	3/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-09-12

[City of Yokohama / Yokohama Fishing Cooperative / Japan Blue Economy Association](#) — accessed 2026-09-12

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