Challenges for the restoration of open ocean seagrass habitats

• Dealing with habitat and ecosystem state shift
• Project scale (time and space)
• Operational challenges
• Stochastic climate events
• Handling expectations (team and public)
Lessons learnt

- Large plots – scale matters
- Managing time scales and success monitoring
- Understanding threats
- Handling expectations (team and public)
- Connect with others

Eelgrass area increase from 2010 - 2018
JNCC’s work in habitat restoration

- Seagrass habitats – natural capital and climate change
- Kelp depth indicator
- Coral in the Overseas Territories: natural capital and restoration
- Earth observations: analysis-ready data supporting marine restoration projects