**Appendix E.** Predicted parameters for all response variables from top models. For models with >1 top model, the top 2 models are presented. For all variables not presented in Figs 1-4, the observed and predicted values are presented graphically. Response values are grouped by nutrient (AMBIENT, + NUTRIENT) and macroalgal (REMOVAL, ADDITION, CONTROL, MIMIC) treatments. Observed changes are points (AMBIENT = open circles, + NUTRIENT= x's). Observational data presented averaged to the level of the random effect determined from model selection. Predicted changes are lines based on the best fit (AIC-based) models to the data (solid line = AMBIENT, dashed line = + NUTRIENT), with bands indicating  $\pm$  SE. For models with evidence supporting for >1 model: black line = best supported model, gray line = secondary model with strong support (Appendix C).

### Macroalgal volume

*Field experiment (mL rep<sup>-1</sup>)* 

Estimated parameters for model (N+M) with strongest support (AIC-based): Macroalgal volume ~ Nutrient + Macroalgae

See Fig. 1A for graph of observed vs. predicted values

Control Ambient intercept: 430.28 Control + Nutrient intercept: 623.10 Removal Ambient intercept: 240.51 Removal + Nutrient intercept: 433.33 Addition Ambient intercept: 890.78 Addition + Nutrient intercept: 1083.60 Mimic Ambient intercept: 174.58 Mimic + Nutrient intercept: 367.41

See Appendix D for differences between treatments (effect sizes)

*Mesocosm experiment (mL rep<sup>-1</sup>)* 

Estimated parameters for model (T) with strongest support (AIC-based): Macroalgal volume ~ Time

See Fig. 1B for graph of observed vs. predicted values

Intercept 1975.87 Slope 977.35

No evidence for difference amongst nutrient treatments for macroalgal additions across measurement dates (Appendix D)

### **Eelgrass Density**

*Field experiment central quadrat (% change shoots rep<sup>-1</sup>)* 

Estimated parameters for models (N, Null) with strongest support (AIC-based) N: Eelgrass density % change ~ Nutrient Null: Eelgrass density % change ~ 1 (intercept)

See Fig. 2A for graph of observed vs. predicted values

N (black line): Control/Removal/Addition/Mimic Ambient intercept: -18.48 Control/Removal/Addition/Mimic Ambient intercept: -34.41

Null (grey line): Intercept: -15.33

No evidence for difference amongst nutrient treatments (Appendix D)

*Field experiment haphazard quadrat samples (% change shoots rep<sup>-1</sup>)* 

Estimated parameters for model (N) with strongest support (AIC-based): Null model Eelgrass density % change  $\sim 1$  (intercept)

Intercept: 14.11

No evidence for difference amongst nutrient treatments (Appendix D)

Fig. E1. Observed vs. predicted values of field experiment eelgrass density (% change in shoots rep<sup>-1</sup>)



Macroalgae x Nutrient Treatment

*Mesocosm experiment (% change shoots rep<sup>-1</sup>)* 

Estimated parameters for models (N+M, M) with strongest support (AIC-based): N+M: Eelgrass density % change ~ Nutrient + Macroalgae M: Eelgrass density % change ~ Macroalgae

See Fig. 2B for graph of observed vs. predicted values

N+M (black line): Removal Ambient intercept: -2.85 Removal + Nutrient intercept: -8.10 Addition Ambient intercept: -32.47 Addition + Nutrient intercept: -37.73 Mimic Ambient intercept: -11.93 Mimic + Nutrient intercept: -17.19

M (gray line): Removal/ Removal + Nutrient intercept: -5.48 Addition/ Addition + Nutrient intercept: -35.10 Mimic/ Mimic + Nutrient intercept: -14.56

See Appendix D for differences between treatments (effect sizes)

### **Eelgrass Biomass**

*Field experiment (g dry weight rep<sup>-1</sup>)* 

Estimated parameters for model (Null) with strongest support (AIC-based): Eelgrass Biomass  $\sim 1$  (intercept)

See Fig. 3A for graph of observed vs. predicted values

Intercept: 25.95

No evidence for difference amongst treatments (Appendix D)

*Mesocosm experiment (g dry weight shoot rep<sup>-1</sup>)* 

Estimated parameters for model (NxM) with strongest support (AIC-based): Eelgrass Biomass ~ Nutrient x Macroalgae

See Fig. 3B for graph of observed vs. predicted values

Removal Ambient intercept: 0.24 Removal + Nutrient intercept: 0.18 Addition Ambient intercept: 0.04 Addition + Nutrient intercept: 0.04 Mimic Ambient intercept: 0.08 Mimic + Nutrient intercept: 0.07

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#### **Trimmed eelgrass biomass**

*Mesocosm experiment (g dry weight rep*<sup>-1</sup>)

Estimated parameters for model (NxMxT) with strongest support (AIC-based): Trimmed Biomass ~ Nutrient x Macroalgae x Time

Removal Ambient intercept: 1.28 Removal Ambient slope: -45.56 Removal + Nutrient intercept: 1.62 Removal + Nutrient slope: -0.01 Addition Ambient intercept: 1.48 Addition Ambient slope: -0.11 Addition + Nutrient intercept: 1.42 Addition + Nutrient slope: -0.09 Mimic Ambient slope: -0.09 Mimic Ambient slope: -0.09 Mimic + Nutrient intercept: 1.13 Mimic + Nutrient slope: -0.09

See Appendix D for differences between treatments (effect sizes)



Fig. E2. Observed vs. predicted values of mesocosm trimmed eelgrass biomass (g dry weight rep<sup>-1</sup>)

Dates: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 = Jun.2, Jun.29, Jul.04, Jul.11, Jul.16, Jul.23, Jul.29, Aug.05, Aug.11, Aug.17, Aug.24, Aug.31, Sep.08, Sep.15, Sep.24, Oct.03

## **Sloughed eelgrass biomass**

*Mesocosm experiment (g dry weight rep*<sup>-1</sup>)

Estimated parameters for model (MxT) with strongest support (AIC-based): Trimmed biomass  $\sim$  Macroalgae x Time

Removal Ambient / Removal + Nutrient intercept: 0.72 Addition Ambient / Addition + Nutrient intercept: 0.55 Mimic Ambient / Mimic + Nutrient intercept: 0.65 Slope: -0.02

See Appendix D for differences between treatments (effect sizes)

Fig. E3. Observed vs. predicted values of mesocosm experiment sloughed eelgrass biomass (g dry weight rep<sup>-1</sup>)



Dates: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19 = Jul.04, Jul.11, Jul.16, Jul.23, Jul.29, Aug.05, Aug.11, Aug.17, Aug.24, Aug.31, Sep.08, Sep.15, Sep.24, Sep.27, Oct.03, Oct.18

### **Eelgrass shoot length**

*Field experiment (% change in cm rep<sup>-1</sup>)* 

Estimated parameters for models (Null, N) with strongest support (AIC-based): Null: Shoot length % change ~ 1 (intercept) N: Shoot length % change ~ Nutrient

Null (black line) Intercept: 15.50

N (gray line) Ambient Intercept: 20.94 + Nutrient Intercept: 15.37

See Appendix D for differences between treatments (effect sizes)

Fig. E4. Observed vs. predicted values of field experiment % change in shoot length (cm rep<sup>-1</sup>)



Date differences: 1 = Jun. 22-Jul.23, 2=Jul. 23-Aug.20, 3=Aug.20-Sep.16, 4=Oct.07-Sep.16

*Mesocosm experiment (% change in cm rep<sup>-1</sup> bucket<sup>-1</sup>)* 

Estimated parameters for models (MxT, M+N+T) with strongest support (AIC-based): M x T Shoot length % change ~ Macroalgae x Time M+N+T: Shoot length % change ~ Macroalage + Nutrient + Time

MxT (black line)

Removal Ambient / Removal + Nutrient intercept: 2.88 Removal Ambient / Removal + Nutrient slope: 1.95 Addition Ambient / Addition + Nutrient intercept: 5.54 Addition Ambient / Addition + Nutrient slope: -16.74 Mimic Ambient / Mimic + Nutrient intercept: 5.55 Mimic Ambient / Mimic + Nutrient slope: -9.66

M+N+T (gray line) Removal Ambient intercept: 9.17 Removal + Nutrient intercept: 7.15 Addition Ambient intercept: -15.81 Addition + Nutrient intercept: -17.83 Mimic Ambient intercept: -5.57 Mimic + Nutrient intercept: -7.59 Slope: -1.57



Fig. E6. Observed vs. predicted values of mesocosm experiment % change in shoot length (cm rep<sup>-1</sup>)

# Eelgrass sheath length (% change in cm rep<sup>-1</sup>)

*Field experiment (% change in cm rep<sup>-1</sup>)* 

Estimated parameters for models (Time) with strongest support (AIC-based):

Intercept: 25.10 Slope: -3.72

No evidence for difference amongst treatments (Appendix D)

Fig. E7. Observed vs. predicted values for field experiment % change in sheath length (cm rep<sup>-1</sup>).



Date differences: 1 = Jul.05-Aug.22, 2=Aug.22 – Oct.10

*Mesocosm experiment (% change in cm rep<sup>-1</sup> bucket<sup>-1</sup>)* 

Estimated parameters for models (M+N+T, MxT) with strongest support (AIC-based): M+N+T: Sheath length % change ~ Macroalgae x Nutrient x Time MxT: Sheath length % change ~ Macroalage x Time

M+N+T (black line) Removal Ambient intercept: 8.71 Removal + Nutrient intercept: 4.07 Addition Ambient intercept: 32.71 Addition + Nutrient intercept: 36.78 Mimic Ambient intercept: 17.83 Mimic + Nutrient intercept: 21.9 Slope: -24.67

MxT (gray line) Removal Ambient / Removal + Nutrient intercept: 18.34 Removal Ambient / Removal + Nutrient slope: -16.47 Addition Ambient / Addition + Nutrient intercept: 15.13 Addition Ambient / Addition + Nutrient slope: -30.78 Mimic Ambient / Mimic + Nutrient intercept: 33.98 Mimic Ambient / Mimic + Nutrient slope: -36.37





# **Redox potential**

*Field experiment (mV rep<sup>-1</sup>)* 

Estimated parameters for model (T) with strongest support (AIC-based): Redox potential  $\sim$  Time

Intercept: -7.70 Slope: -87.29

Fig. E9. Observed vs. predicted values for field experiment redox potential (mean mV rep<sup>-1</sup>) measurements.



*Mesocosm experiment* ( $mV rep^{-1}$ )

Estimated parameters for model (N x M x T) with strongest support (AIC-based): Redox potential  $\sim$  Nutrient x Macroalgae x Time

See Fig. 4A for graph of observed vs. predicted values

Removal Ambient intercept: -148.3 Removal Ambient slope: -45.56 Removal + Nutrient intercept: -78.8 Removal + Nutrient slope: -74.31 Addition Ambient intercept: -70.65 Addition Ambient slope: -82.69 Addition + Nutrient intercept: -49.19 Addition + Nutrient slope: -93.16 Mimic Ambient intercept: -63.60 Mimic Ambient slope: -66.82 Mimic + Nutrient intercept: -154.38 Mimic + Nutrient slope: -55.27

See Appendix D for differences between treatments (effect sizes)

# Light readings (rep<sup>-1</sup>)

Field experiment PAR irradiance readings ( $\mu$ mol photon m<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>)

Estimated parameters for model (Null) with strongest support (AIC-based): Light (PPFD)  $\sim 1$  (intercept)

Intercept: 203.36

No evidence for difference amongst nutrient treatments (Appendix D)

Fig. E10. Observed vs. predicted values of field experiment light attenuation ( $\mu$ mol photon m<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> rep<sup>-1</sup>) measurements.



Mesocosm experiment mean total light attenuation

Estimated parameters for model (MxT, N+M+T) with strongest support (AIC-based): MxT: Total light attenuation ~ Macroalgae x Time N+M+T: Total light attenuation ~ Nutrient + Macroalgae + Time

See Fig. 4B for graph of observed vs. predicted values

MxT (black line) Removal Ambient / Removal + Nutrient intercept: 65.32 Removal Ambient / Removal + Nutrient slope: 274.69 Addition Ambient / Addition + Nutrient intercept: 420.65 Addition Ambient / Addition + Nutrient slope: 306.38 Mimic Ambient / Mimic + Nutrient intercept: 105.03 Mimic Ambient / Mimic + Nutrient slope: 383.18

N+M+T (gray line, dashed and solid)

Addition Ambient intercept: 386.54 Addition + Nutrient intercept: 445.54 Removal Ambient intercept: -54.24 Removal + Nutrient intercept: 4.76 Mimic Ambient intercept: 275.6 Mimic + Nutrient intercept: 334.6 Slope 308.85

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## Temperature

*Mesocosm experiment* ( $^{\circ}C$  rep<sup>-1</sup>)

Estimated parameters for models (M, N + M) with strongest support (AIC-based): M: Temperature ~ Macroalgae N+M: Temperature ~ Macroalgae

M (black line) Removal Ambient / Removal + Nutrient intercept: 12.44 Addition Ambient / Addition + Nutrient intercept: 12.40 Mimic Ambient / Mimic + Nutrient intercept: 12.22

N+M (gray line) Removal Ambient intercept: 12.47 Removal + Nutrient intercept: 12.41 Addition Ambient intercept: 12.43 Addition + Nutrient intercept: 12.37 Mimic Ambient intercept: 12.25 Mimic + Nutrient intercept: 12.19

No differences between treatments across measurement dates (Appendix D)

Fig. E11. Observed vs. predicted values of mesocosm experiment temperature (°C rep<sup>-1</sup>) measurements.



Note: M model (black line) overlies N+M model (gray line)

# Salinity

*Mesocosm experiment (ppt rep<sup>-1</sup>)* 

Estimated parameters for model (Null) with strongest support (AIC-based): Temperature  $\sim 1$  (intercept)

Intercept: 33.27

No differences between treatments across measurement dates (Appendix D)

Fig. E12. Observed vs. predicted values for mesocosm experiment salinity (ppt rep<sup>-1</sup>) measurements.



# **Dissolved oxygen**

*Mesocosm experiment (mgL<sup>-1</sup> rep<sup>-1</sup>)* 

Estimated parameters for model (M) with strongest support (AIC-based): Dissolved oxygen  $\sim$  Macroalgae

Removal Ambient/ + Nutrient intercept: 10.14 Addition Ambient/ + Nutrient intercept: 10.19 Mimic Ambient/ + Nutrient intercept: 8.98

See Appendix D for differences between treatments (effect sizes)

Fig. E13. Observed vs. predicted values for mesocosm experiment dissolved oxygen (mgL<sup>-1</sup> rep<sup>-1</sup>) measurements.



## pН

*Mesocosm experiment (rep<sup>-1</sup>)* 

Estimated parameters for model (M, N+M) with strongest support (AIC-based): M: Dissolved oxygen ~ Macroalgae N + M: Dissolved oxygen ~ Nutrient + Macroalgae

M (black line) Removal Ambient / + Nutrient intercept: 8.07 Addition Ambient / + Nutrient intercept: 8.10 Mimic Ambient / + Nutrient intercept: 7.97

N+M (gray line) Removal Ambient intercept: 8.07 Removal + Nutrient intercept: 8.08 Addition Ambient intercept: 8.09 Addition + Nutrient intercept: 8.10 Mimic Ambient intercept: 7.97 Mimic + Nutrient intercept: 7.98

See Appendix D for differences between treatments (effect sizes)

Fig. E14. Observed vs. predicted values for mesocosm experiment pH (rep<sup>-1</sup>) measurements.



Note: M model (black line) overlies N+M model (gray line)