TEPCO's Measures to Preserve the Nature of Oze



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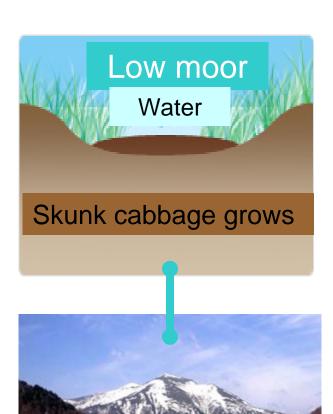


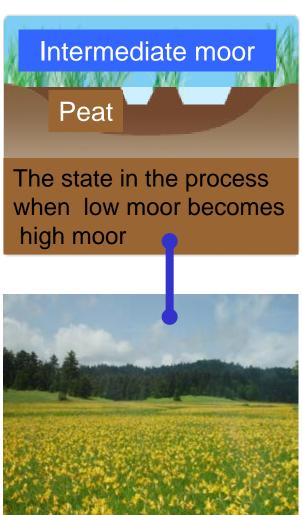
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1-1. About Oze National Park - Location



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1- 3. About Oze National Park - Characteristics of flora









About 900 kinds of plants can be observed in Oze

1- 4. About Oze National Park - Characteristics of fauna







- The existence of more than 150 kinds of birds is confirmed in Oze.
- Oze marsh registered under the Ramsar Convention

Four seasons in Oze (1)



Four seasons in Oze (2)



Four seasons in Oze (3)



Four seasons in Oze (4)



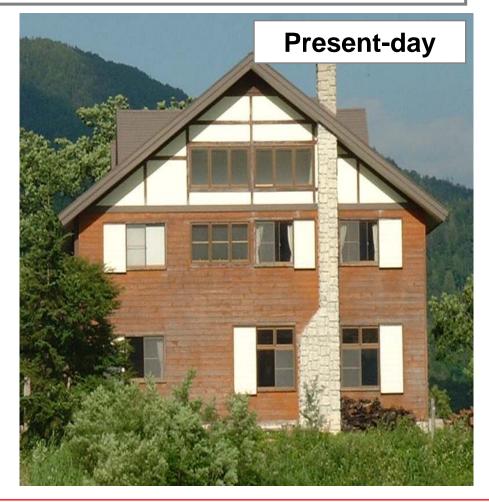
2- 1. TEPCO's involvement in Oze History of Oze

Year	History of Oze	TEPCO's involvement in Oze
1903	The plan for the first hydroelectric dam in Oze was announced by the government.	
1910	A power company acquired the land and water rights at that time.	
1934	Oze area was designated as part of the Nikko National Park (the fourth National Park in Japan).	
1951		Establishment of TEPCOReceived the Oze land and water rights
1952	Boardwalk construction started (Fukushima Prefecture)	
1950s and 1960s	Degradation caused by hikers trampling on the vegetation	
1958		TEPCO started boardwalk Construction.
1995	Establishment of the Oze Preservation Foundation	
2007	Establishment of Oze National Park (29th in Japan)	

2- 2. TEPCO's involvement in Oze - TODEN lodge

'TODEN Lodge' was built in the 1910s for weather-monitoring.





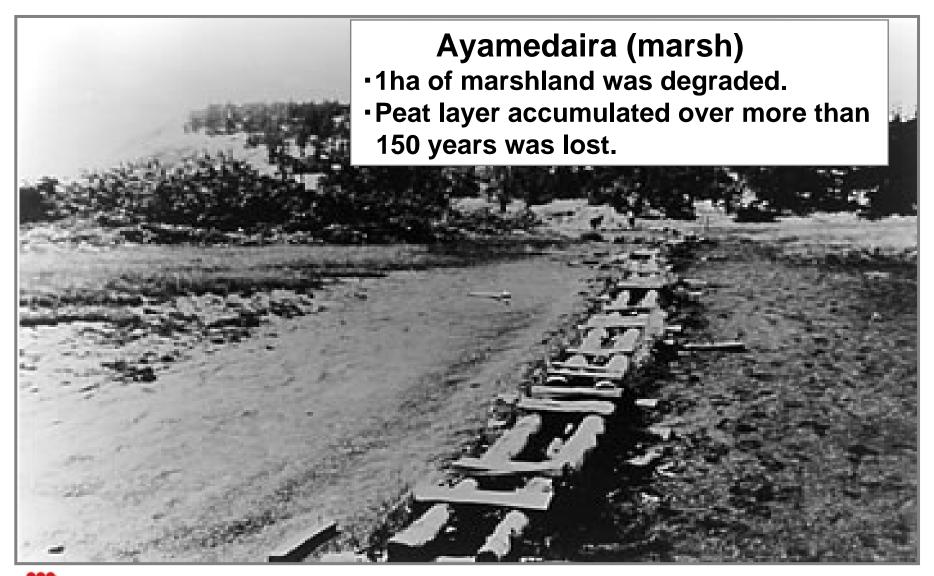
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2- 5. TEPCO's involvement in Oze - Efforts to restore marshes (3)



Present-day 'Ayamedaira' (Around 90% has been restored)



Even after half a century of restoration work, there are still some places that have NOT completely recovered.

<Photo taken in Oct. 2013>

2- 6. TEPCO's involvement in Oze - Constructing boardwalks



Boardwalk replacement work on the route to Mt. Shibutsu in 2013

- Total length of boardwalks in Oze area is 65km
 - Fukushima prefecture; 33km
 - Gunma prefecture and Ministry of the Environment; 12km
- TEPCO has laid 20km of boardwalk out of those 65km.

3- 1. Collaborative Preservation Management - The 'Take-Your-Litter-Home' movement





'Let's remove waste boxes!'
An eye-opening idea



3- 2. Collaborative Preservation Management - Current garbage disposal operation





Garbage such as leftover food at mountain lodges, has its weight reduced by a garbage drying machine, and is then carried away by sherpas or helicopter.

3- 3. Collaborative Preservation Management - Drainage measures





Photo: Gunma Prefecture

- To clean dirty water; Installation of combined septic tanks
- To preserve our Oze together; Oze visitors are asked to leave a tip at public restrooms.



A tipping system at public restrooms

3- 4. Collaborative Preservation Management - Restriction on private cars





Visitors park their cars here and take a bus from this point.

3- 5. Collaborative Preservation Management - Preservation of the ecosystem in Oze







To preserve endemic species in Oze

Installation of mats which remove seeds stuck to shoe soles to prevent foreign species from entering.

3- 6. Collaborative Preservation Management - Environment education activities



'People with pride in Oze should pass its beauty down for the generations'

'The Oze charter, Gunma Prefecture'

3-7. Collaborative Preservation Management - Establishment of the Oze Preservation Foundation

1995: Establishment of Oze Preservation Foundation

2006: Development of 'Oze Vision'

2008: Establishment of Oze National Park Council



Oze Vision

Preserve and Enjoy our Oze Together

