

4e. Management level and contact information

The government agencies responsible for the administration of the nominated site are listed in section 4d.

The contact addresses for the municipal governments and other key agencies related to the nominated site are listed below:

4e.1 Hokkaido prefectural government

< Natural Environment Division, Office of Environmental Affairs, Department of Environment and Lifestyle, Hokkaido >

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TEL: +81-(0)11-231-4111(Extension: 24-364)

FAX: +81-(0)11-232-6790

< Environment and Lifestyle Division, Local Policy Planning Department, Abashiri Subprefectural Office, Hokkaido >

Address: Kita 7-jyo Nishi 3-chome, Abashiri City, Hokkaido 093-8585

TEL: +81-(0)152-44-7171(Extension: 2977)

FAX: +81-(0)152-44-3122

< Environment and Lifestyle Division, Local Policy Planning Department, Nemuro Subprefectural Office, Hokkaido >

Address: 3-28 Tokiwa town, Nemuro City, Hokkaido 087-8588

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FAX: +81-(0)153-23-6215

< Cultural Affairs, Lifelong-learning Department, Office of Education, Hokkaido >

Address: Hokkaido Prefectural Government Building, annex, Kita 3-jyo Nishi 7-chome, Chuo-ku, Sapporo City, Hokkaido 060-8544

TEL: +81-(0)11-231-4111 (Extension: 35-605)

FAX: +81-(0)11-232-1076

< Lifelong-learning Division, Abashiri District Bureau of Education, Office of Education, Hokkaido >

Address: Kita 7-jyo Nishi 3-chome, Abashiri City, Hokkaido 093-8619

TEL: +81-(0)152-44-7171 (Extension: 3217)

FAX: +81-(0)152-43-0200

< Lifelong-learning Division, Nemuro District Bureau of Education, Office of Education, Hokkaido >

Address: 3-28 Tokiwa-cho, Nemuro City, Hokkaido 087-8588

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FAX: +81-(0)153-24-8520

4e.2 Shari town

< Environment Conservation Division, Environment and Lifestyle Department, Shari town >

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TEL: +81-(0)1522-3-3131

FAX: +81-(0)1522-2-2040



< Shiretoko Nature Foundation >

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TEL: +81-(0)1522-4-2114

FAX: +81-(0)1522-4-2115

< Shari town Education Board (Shiretoko Museum) >

Address: 49 Honmachi, Shari town, Shari-gun, Hokkaido 099-4113

TEL: +81-(0)1522-3-1256

FAX: +81-(0)1522-3-1257

4e.3 Rausu town

< Environment Division, Rausu town >

Address: 100-83 Sakaemachi, Rausu town, Menashi-gun, Hokkaido 086-1892

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FAX: +81-(0)1538-7-2358

< Rausu town Education Board >

Address: 100-83 Sakaemachi, Rausu town, Menashi-gun, Hokkaido 086-1892

TEL: +81-(0)1538-7-2129

FAX: +81-(0)1538-7-2256

4e.4 Natural Parks Foundation, Shiretoko branch

Address: 208 Utoro-higashi, Shari town, Shari-gun, Hokkaido 099-4355

TEL: +81-(0)1522-4-3093

FAX: +81-(0)1522-2-5030

4f. Agreed plans related to property

With regard to the conservation and utilization of the nominated site, the Park Plan for the Shiretoko National Park and the Regional Administration and Management Plan for National Forest have been established.

The Park Plan is formulated by the Ministry of the Environment as the restrictions for protection and utilization of the Park as well as plans concerning the Park facilities.

For the National Forest within the nominated site and its surrounding area, the Regional Administration and Management Plan is developed for each planned area based on the Law on the Administration of National Forests, and designed administration and management is implemented to conserve the forest ecosystem. In addition, the public opinions are reflected in the Plan through a public inspection and as a result, transparency is assured.

Summaries of these plans are included in Appendix 4.

4g. Sources and levels of finance

The nominated site is managed by various agencies responsible for the relevant programs and facilities. An overview of the budget sources and amounts are listed below:

4g.1 Ministry of the Environment

The administration of the Wilderness Area, National Park and National Wildlife Protection Area are under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of the Environment. The annual budget allocated is approximately 78 million yen (approx. US\$0.7 million).

The budget covers expenses for:

- wildlife research such as the tracking of Steller's sea eagles returned to nature and the research on habitat condition of Yezo sika deer;
- facility operation such as the maintenance of Ranger Office for Nature Conservation and mountain trails;
- rangers' wages; and
- outdoor activities such as projects employing local residents.

The budget is provided from the national government and necessary budget will continue to be allocated after inscription as World Natural Heritage.

4g.2 Forestry Agency

The administration of the Forest Ecosystem Reserve (which account for approx. 60 percent of the nominated site) and the national forest surrounding the nominated site is under the jurisdiction of the Forestry Agency. The total annual budget for offices in charge of the management of national forests including those in the areas surrounding the nominated site is approximately 960 million yen (approx. US\$8.7 million).

The budget covers the following expenses, including the expenses for national forests of the nominated site and its surrounding area:

- maintenance of District Forest Offices and Forest Ranger Offices that manages National Forest;
- direct or indirect expenses for forest administration and management;
- study of the flora and fauna of the Forest Ecosystem Reserve;
- "Rehabilitation of Natural Habitats and Maintenance of Viable Population" program for the Blakiston's fish-owl.

4g.3 Hokkaido prefectural government

Hokkaido prefectural government has allocated a budget of approximately 21 million yen (approx. US\$0.2 million) for the management of the nominated site.



The budget covers the expenses for:

- surveys on the ecosystem;
- Nature Preservation Guardians and Wildlife Guardians who conduct educational programs to protect the wildlife and control hunting activities; and
- maintenance of park facilities.

The budget is funded entirely by Hokkaido prefectural government.

4g.4 Shari town

Shari town has allocated an annual budget of approximately 150 million yen (approx. US\$1.4 million) for the administration of the nominated site.

The budget covers

- the operating expenses of the Shiretoko Nature Center and Shiretoko-goko Plaza
- the expenses for the forest restoration program for the area of “The 100 Square-Meter Forest Movement Trust” (abandoned settlements now owned by Shari town).

The budget contains not only the funds from Shari town but also donations of some 14 million yen (approx. US\$0.1 million) from the general public for the forest rejuvenation program.

In addition, the Shiretoko Nature Foundation which was established by Shari town has an annual budget of approximately 170 million yen (approx. US\$1.5 million) for the conservation and administration of the nominated site and the surrounding area as well as for promotion and educational activities. The source of the budget includes:

- revenue from the interpretative programs and sales of promotional and educational materials;
- outsourcing service fee from Shari town and the Ministry of the Environment on conservation and management activities and research projects for the nominated site;
- grants for research projects; grants to promote voluntary activities; and
- donations.

Furthermore, Shari town has allocated an annual budget of approximately 750,000 yen (approx. US\$6.8 thousand) to cover the wages of natural monument guardians and for the care of injured birds in order to protect the Natural Monuments such as the Steller’s sea eagle, white-tailed eagle and Blakiston’s fish-owl. This budget is funded entirely by Shari town.

4g.5 Rausu town

Rausu town allocates an annual budget of approximately twenty-six million yen (approx. US\$0.2 million) for the administration of the nominated site. This budget covers the expenses for operating Rausu Visitor Center and protecting Natural Monuments. The budget is funded entirely by Rausu town.

4g.6 Natural Parks Foundation, Shiretoko branch

The Natural Parks Foundation which conducts clean-up activities, operates the parking facilities at Shiretoko-goko lakes and maintains facilities such as foot paths within the nominated site allocates an annual budget of approximately 40 million yen (approx. US\$0.4 million). The budget is funded by the revenue from the parking facility at Shiretoko-goko lakes and outsourcing service fee from the Ministry of the Environment.

4h. Sources of expertise and training in conservation and management techniques

4h.1 Ministry of the Environment

Staff with the necessary expertise for adequate administration of the nominated site such as nature protection programs and conservation/management technologies is stationed at the Ministry of the Environment's East Hokkaido Regional Office for Nature Conservation, Utoro Ranger Office for Nature Conservation and Rausu Ranger Office for Nature Conservation. The staff provides professional advice in their duties through authorizations based on various national laws and regulations including the Natural Parks Law.

In addition, there are programs for local residents such as awareness activities including planning and running nature observation tours and developing volunteer rangers.

Furthermore, additional professional advice is obtained from outside sources such as universities when necessary.

4h.2 Forestry Agency

Staff with necessary expertise and skills for the adequate protection and management of the forest and wild fauna and flora are stationed at the Kitami and Obihiro Branch Offices of the Hokkaido Regional Forest Office, Shiretoko Forest Center, District Forest Offices and Forest Ranger Offices. The staff provide necessary professional advice in their duties in managing the forest based on various laws and regulations including the Forest Law and Law on the Administration and Management of National Forests.

These agencies also conduct awareness activities such as providing information on the public benefits of forests and offering forest study classrooms. In addition, they carry out patrols in the forest for adequate protection and management.

Furthermore, additional professional advice is obtained from outside sources including universities on issues such as the administration of Forest Ecosystem Reserves and the "Rehabilitation of Natural Habitats and Maintenance of Viable Population" for the Blakiston's fish-owl.



4h.3 Agency for Cultural Affairs

In cooperation with the Board of Education of Hokkaido prefectural government, the Agency for Cultural Affairs approves permissions based on the Law for the Protection of Cultural Properties and other relevant laws, as well as provides technical advice to conserve cultural properties including Natural Monuments. According to need, the Agency requests advice from outside experts at universities or other institutions to maintain the professional expertise.

4h.4 Hokkaido prefectural government

Staff with the necessary expertise and skills on nature conservation, conservation and management of the forest and wildlife, and fishery resources management are stationed at the Natural Environment Division, Office of Environmental Affairs, Department of Environment and Lifestyle, Hokkaido; Environment and Lifestyle Division, Local Policy Planning Department, Abashiri Subprefectural Office, Hokkaido; Environment and Lifestyle Division, Local Policy Planning Department, Nemuro Subprefectural Office, Hokkaido. The staff provide professional advice in their duties through authorizations based on relevant regulations.

4h.5 Shari town

Environment Conservation Division of Shari town provides professional advice through their duties such as nature conservation activities, wildlife conservation and management, environmental management and “The 100 Square-Meter Forest Movement Trust”. The Shiretoko Museum provides awareness activities on topics related to the natural environment such as nature observation courses and lectures. The museum also offers care and protection for Natural Monuments and injured wildlife. The Shiretoko Nature Foundation has staff with necessary expertise and skills in areas such as the conservation and management of wildlife. The staff are also engaged in field activities including wildlife conservation and management and the “The 100 Square-Meter Forest Movement Trust”.

4h.6 Rausu town

Environment Division of Rausu town offers information and educational programs to residents through its environmental conservation activities such as nature protection as well as wildlife conservation and management. In addition, the Rausu Visitor Center provides information, guidance and usage instruction to the visitors to the National Park.

The Education Board of Rausu town conducts programs to protect and manage Natural Monuments such as the Steller’s sea eagle, white-tailed eagle and Blakiston’s fish-owl. The Board also has a program to develop instructors for outdoor experience courses targeting young people of 18 years or older, from within and outside of the town.