



Nature Restoration Projects in Japan

Towards Living in Harmony with the Natural Environment

In March 2002, as a guideline to balance humans and the natural environment, the “New National Biodiversity Strategy of Japan” was formulated. The Strategy specified “ecological restoration” as the major direction of measures to be promoted, together with “the promotion of conservation” and “sustainable resource use.”

In January 2003, the “Law for the Promotion of Nature Restoration” was enforced, and in April of that year, the Cabinet approved the “Basic Policy for Nature Restoration.” Afterward, various restoration efforts are underway across the nation.

This brochure compiles the descriptions of restoration projects sponsored by MOE and local governments, with an emphasis on their specific actions in order to expand the restoration opportunities further. We expect this brochure to be used by more communities for taking a first step in ecological restoration.

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