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In 1999, the Diet passed the Coast Act Amendment, and in February 2000, National Land Agency made "the Guideline for the Integrated Coastal Management Plan" which covers all coastal area in Japan. They reveal the new coastal management system in Japan. I would like to introduce the coastal management system, especially legal system in Japan. And I will present new ideas of legal system. I will point out three major points. The first is fundamental and historical issues and legal system, the second is the new system and its effects and the third is the new proposals of coastal management system for the next step.