

(Reference) History of the Review Process

1997

September 19: 24th General Meeting of the National Council for the Environmental Management of the Seto Inland Sea

- Deliberation of "Approach to New Policies for Environmental Management and Restoration in the Seto Inland Sea"
- Planning Committee established for the National Council for the Environmental Management of the Seto Inland Sea

December 2: First Planning Committee meeting

- Approach to pursuing review

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February 6: Second Planning Committee meeting

- Views heard (from the Governors and Mayors' Conference on the Environmental Protection of the Seto Inland Sea, the Institute for Research of the Seto Inland Sea, the Fisheries Agency's Seto Inland Sea Fishery Adjustment Office, and the Ministry of Transport's No. 3 Harbor Construction Bureau.

February 19: Views of the general public solicited (up to April 30)

March 13: First local subcommittee meeting (Western part of Seto Inland Sea: Ogori-cho, Yamaguchi Prefecture)

- Views heard (from local public organizations, fisheries personnel, NGOs, educated/experienced persons, etc.)

April 17: Second local subcommittee meeting (Central part of Seto Inland Sea: Takamatsu City, Kagawa Prefecture)

- Views heard (from local public organizations, fisheries personnel, NGOs, educated/experienced persons, etc.)

April 24: Third local subcommittee meeting (Eastern part of Seto Inland Sea: Osaka City, Osaka Prefecture)

- Views heard (from local public organizations, fisheries personnel, NGOs, educated/experienced persons, etc.)

May 26: Third Planning Committee meeting

- Views heard (National Land Agency and Construction Ministry (representing four ministries involved in coastal issues)

- Organization of site subcommittee and general public views

July 2: Fourth Planning Committee meeting

- Review of disputed issues

September 10: Fifth Planning Committee meeting

- Review of Planning Committee draft framework

October 9: Planning Committee draft framework released and views from the general public solicited (up to November 9)

November 26: Sixth Planning Committee meeting

- Organization of views from the general public

- Review of Planning Committee draft framework

December 18: Seventh Planning Committee meeting

- Review of Planning Committee draft report

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January 19: General Meeting of the National Council for the Environmental Management of the Seto Inland Sea

- Review of Planning Committee report