

III. Local Community



1. Measures under Unified Effort with the Community

Supporting energy and environmental education at the Onagohata Hydroelectric Power Station dam area

Environmental education is becoming more and more important, with ever-increasing social awareness of environmental issues. Given this situation, Kyushu Electric Power supports educational efforts on energy and the environment conducted at the company's Onagohata Hydroelectric Power Station dam premises in Amagase Town, Oita, which boasts rich natural resources, in addition to conventional study tour programs offered at its other power facilities.

This area has been the site of a hydroelectric power station since the early 20th century, and has been spared unnecessary development, while proper environmental preservation efforts have been made. As a consequence, the area is blessed with a rich natural environment, and is a habitat for many birds, insects and rare plants. The forestation project was launched in fiscal 2000 to restore the forest to its original state with the cooperation of citizens and the guidance of Professor Emeritus Akira Miyawaki of Yokohama National University.

In addition to the hydroelectric power facility tour, Kyushu Electric Power plans to organize activities on planting and undergrowth trimming, nature watching and hands-on forestry experience in order to support citizens' activities and school education on energy and the environment. Specific educational support programs are prepared by listening to the opinions and advice of experts from outside the company.

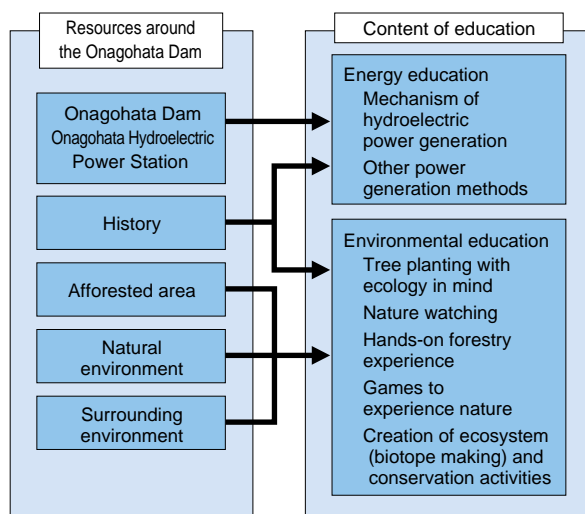


Nature watching in the Onagohata Hydroelectric Power Station dam area



Onagohata Hydroelectric Power Station (Hita Power System Maintenance Office)

Resources around the dam and educational content (diagram)



Conference with experts from outside the company (August 28, 2002)

Introduction of forestation measures at the International Congress of Ecology

Kyushu Electric Power participated in the 8th International Congress of Ecology held from August 11 to August 18, 2002 in Seoul, South Korea, and made a presentation. The presentation discussed native plant forestation that was conducted during the construction of Genkai Nuclear Power Station, the Kyushu Homeland Forestation Program implemented with community cooperation, and environmental education conducted by taking advantage of the Onagohata Power Station dam area.



International Congress of Ecology

Kyushu Electric Power received comments and opinions from participating ecologists and companies from various countries. They include: “We plan to use your case as a reference for Canada’s joint forestation activities with citizens.” “I would like more information on your environmental education program for research reference purposes.”

Agreement with local governments on measures against illegal waste dumping

Kyushu Electric Power takes measures for the realization of a recycling-based society, and offers cooperation and support to local governments to achieve this goal.

Agreements have been entered at 15 offices with 33 local governments that if the company’s staff members on outside duty find any illegally dumped waste, they will notify the local government.

This measure leads to the early discovery of illegal waste dumping and prevention of the expansion of such illegal action, and is considered to be a practical, effective measure for a recycling-based society.

Agreement conclusion (as of July 23, 2002)

| Area | Office name | Local government name | Agreement conclusion date |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Fukuoka | Maebaru Customer Service Office | Maebaru City, Shima Town, Nijo Town | March 14, 2001 |
| Saga | Saga Branch Office | Saga Prefecture | July 31, 2001 |
| | Saga Customer Service Office | Chiyoda Town | September 6, 2001 |
| Nagasaki | Emukae Customer Service Office | Matsuura City | June 4, 2002 |
| | | Tabira Town | July 22, 2002 |
| | | Shikamachi Town | June 10, 2002 |
| | Sasebo Customer Service Office | Sasebo City | March 20, 2002 |
| | Arikawa Customer Service Office | Arikawa Town | July 16, 2002 |
| | Isahaya Customer Service Office | Isahaya City | February 14, 2002 |
| | Shimabara Customer Service Office | Shimabara City Nishiarie Town | March 1, 2002 July 23, 2002 |
| Nagasaki Customer Service Office | Nagasaki City | November 26, 2001 | |
| | Kinkai Town | July 17, 2002 | |
| Oita | Saiki Customer Service Office | Saiki City | October 16, 2001 |
| | | Kamiura Town | October 1, 2001 |
| | | Honjyo Village, Naokawa Village | October 10, 2001 |
| | | Kamae Town | October 12, 2001 |
| | | Yonouzu Village | October 17, 2001 |
| | | Yayoi Town, Ume Town | October 19, 2001 |
| | | Tsurumi Town | October 24, 2001 |
| | Kunisaki Customer Service Office | Kunisaki Town | June 7, 2002 |
| Hita Customer Service Office | Hita City | June 28, 2001 | |
| Miyazaki | Takanabe Customer Service Office | Takanabe Town | January 23, 2002 |
| | | Kawaminami Town | December 18, 2001 |
| | | Shintomi Town | December 25, 2001 |
| | | Kijo Town | January 10, 2002 |
| | | Tsuno Town | December 26, 2001 |
| Kagoshima | Kanoya Customer Service Office | Kanoya City | May 31, 2002 |
| | Kanoya Power System Maintenance Office | Kanoya City | May 31, 2002 |