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# Huge Water Channel Construction Project with Nature and Human Friendly Approach in the Sendai River



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#### 1) Location of Sendai River Basin and Satsuma Town

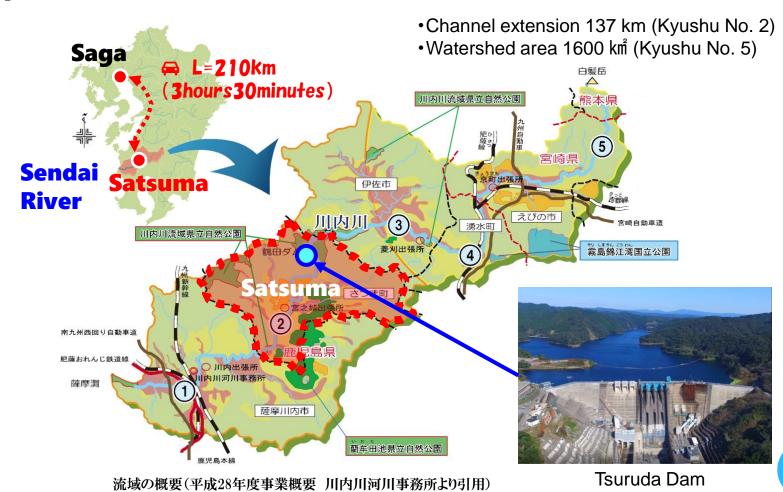
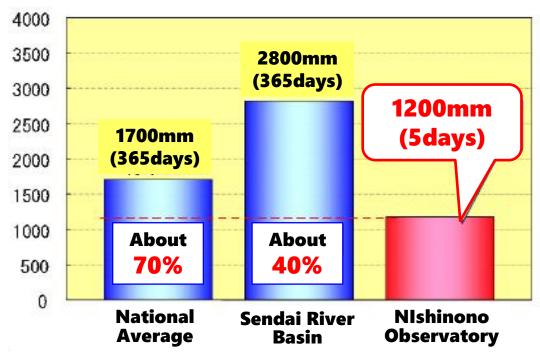


Fig1-1 Location of Sendai River Basin and Satsuma Town

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#### 2) 5 days of recordable heavy rain

Comparison with annual rainfall



- ※川内川流域(出典:国土開発調査会刊「河川便覧2004」)
- ※全国平均(出典:(財)水資源協会「日本の水2005」) 1971~2000年の平均

Fig1-2 5 days of recordable heavy rain (19th - 23rd July 2006)

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#### 3) Damaged situation in the Torai area









- > one person dead and three minor injuries
- > 214 completely destroyed buildings

- > 367 semi-collapsed buildings
- > 232 inundated buildings

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Photo1-1 Satsuma Town Torai district Afflicted situation Photo

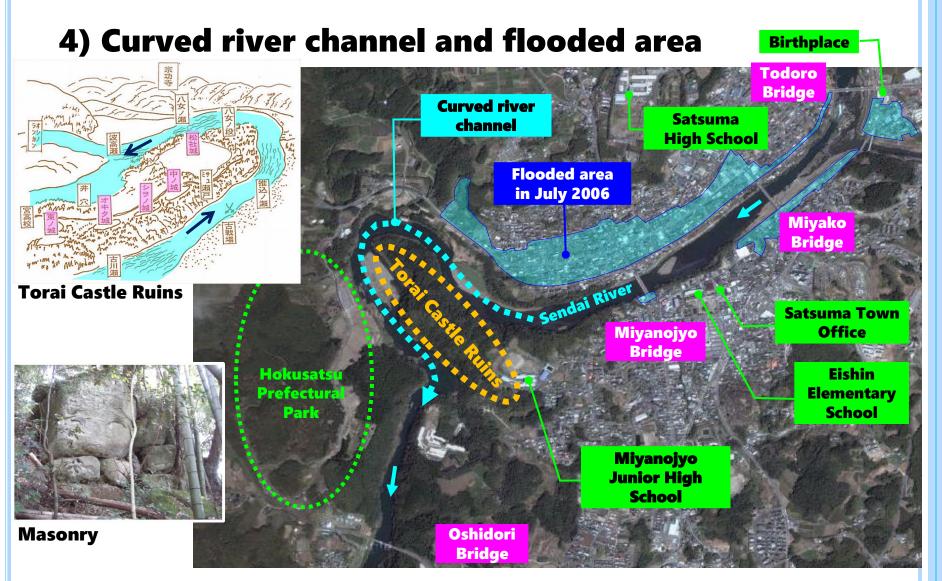


Fig1-3 Curved river channel and flooded area

#### 5) Eliminate distrust of local residents

- ➤ Similar flood in 1972
- Distrust of the Tsuruda Dam
- Survival of life
- Impact on the natural environment





**Photo1-3 Eliminate distrust of local residents** 

### 1) Holding more than 20 workshops in total

- From the beginning of the disaster, promotion of river development by freely participating townspeople
- Utilization of "multifaceted river making adviser system"
   [Kyushu University: Professor Shimatani]





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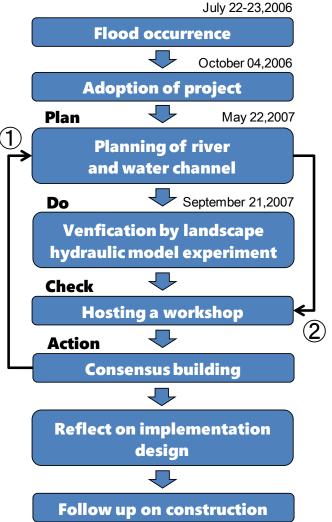
November 09,2007

More than 20

workshops held

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March 08,2009



**Photo2-1 Status of the workshop** 

Fig2-1 Flow of river making

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### 2) Outline diagram of flood control measures

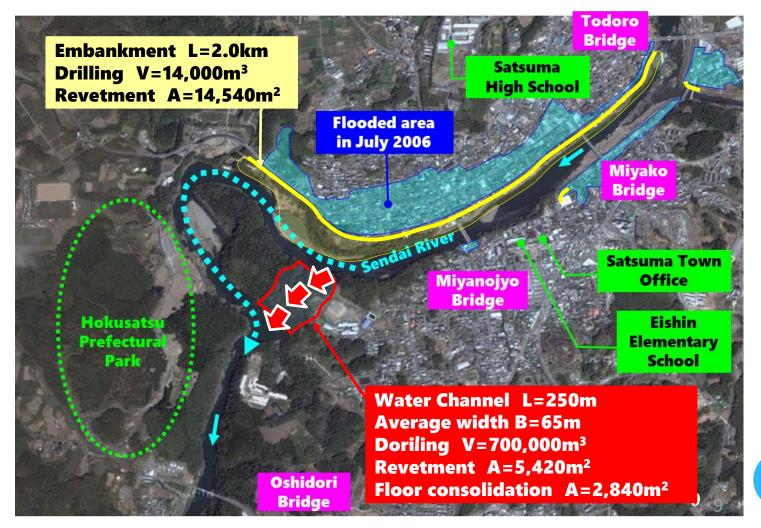


Fig2-2 Outline diagram of flood control measures

### 3) Planning of river way

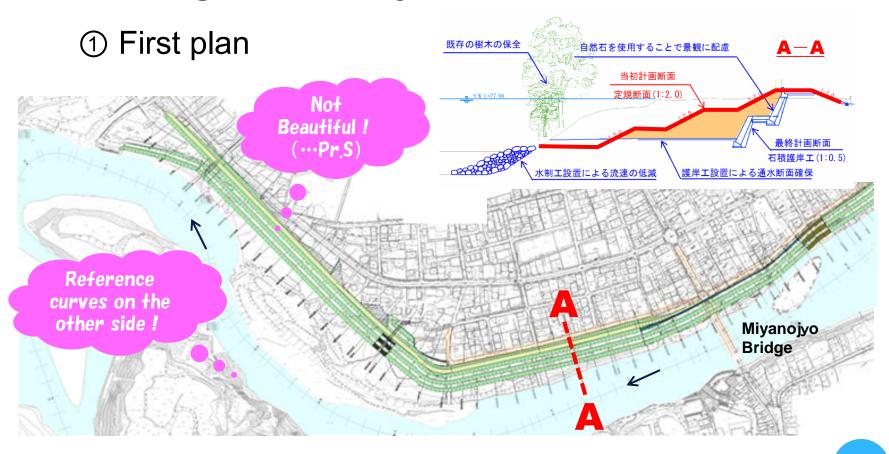


Fig2-3 Planning a river mainly with straight lines

### 3) Planning of river way

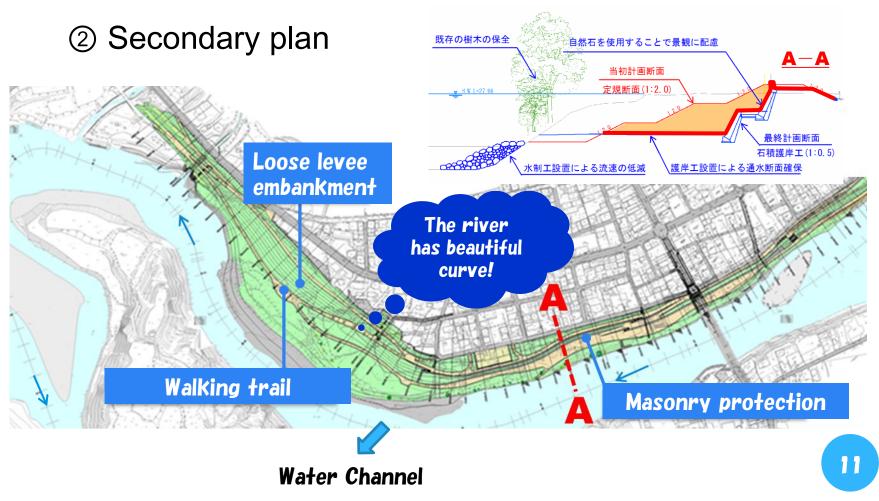


Fig2-4 Planning a river mainly with curves

### 4) Planning of Water Channel

Relaxing the safety of flood control
 and its impact on the natural environment

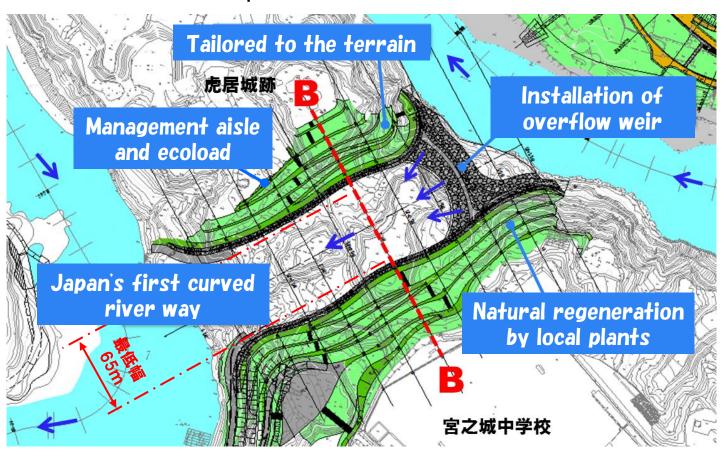
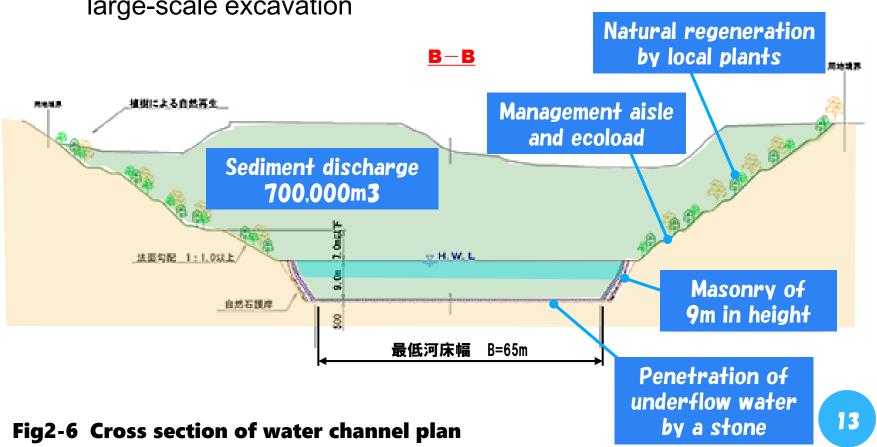


Fig2-5 Water Channel Floor Plan

### 4) Planning of Water Channel

② Consideration for the natural environment accompanying large-scale excavation



### 5) Experiments with landscape hydraulic model

- Verification of flood effect
- Confirmation of landscape
- Visual impression for local residents

Formation of early consensus of project







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Photo2-2 Public experiments involving local residents (Kyushu University)

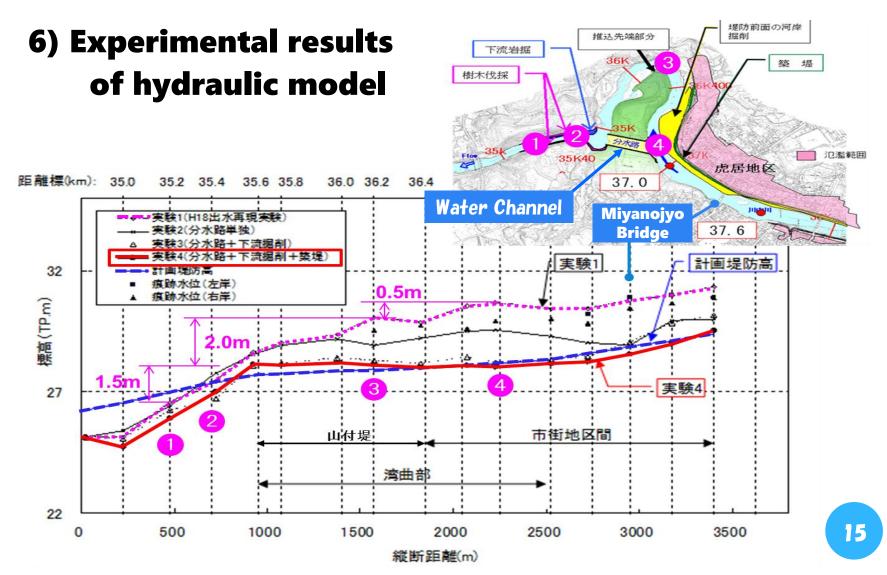


Fig3-5 Experimental results of hydraulic model

#### 7) Creation of regional design

Regeneration of stone method

Effective Utilization of "Construction Generating Materials"



"Inheritance" of history and culture



Adopted "NUNOMETUMIKUZUSHI" with "品" as the basic form



Expansion of river product
Structurally strong
Masonry in the landscape



**Photo3-5 Sogi Water Channel** 



**Photo3-6 Nagano Kinzan** 



Photo3-7 torai castle ruins

### 7) Creation of regional design

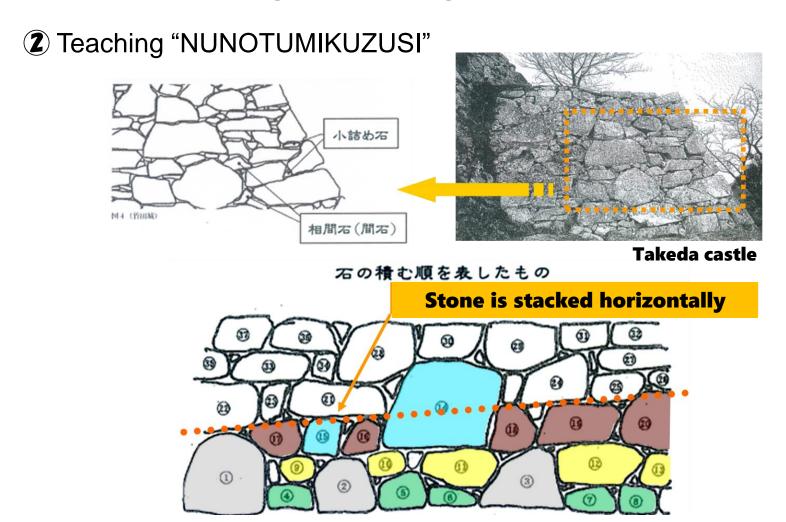


Fig3-10 Construction procedure drawing(reference 「穴太の石積」)

### 7) Creation of regional design

**2** Teaching "NUNOTUMIKUZUSI"

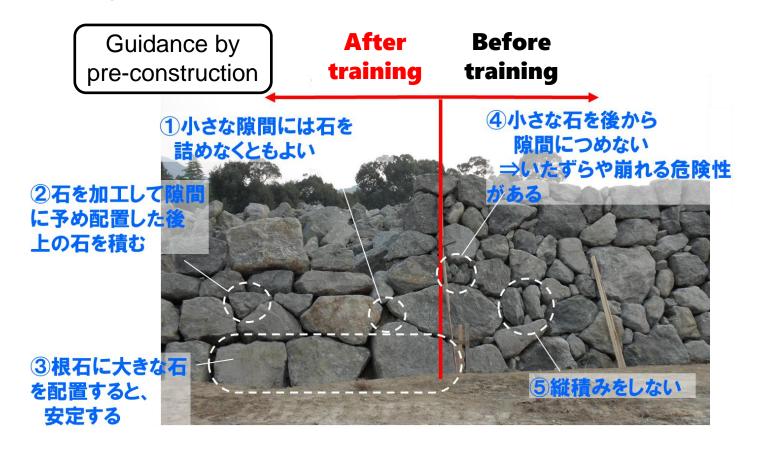


Fig3-11 Implementation of workshops with stone artisans

#### 7) Creation of regional design

3 Information sharing of design philosophy

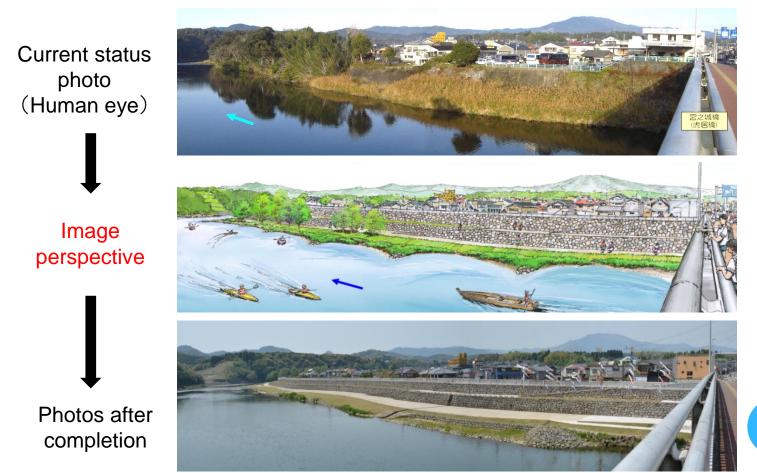


Fig3-12 Information sharing of design philosophy (downstream)

#### 7) Creation of regional design

3 Information sharing of design philosophy



Fig3-13 Information sharing of design philosophy (midstream)

### 7) Creation of regional design

3 Information sharing of design philosophy

Current status photo (Human eye)



Image perspective



Photos after completion







Fig3-14 Information sharing of design philosophy (upstream)

#### 1) Completed photos after maintenance

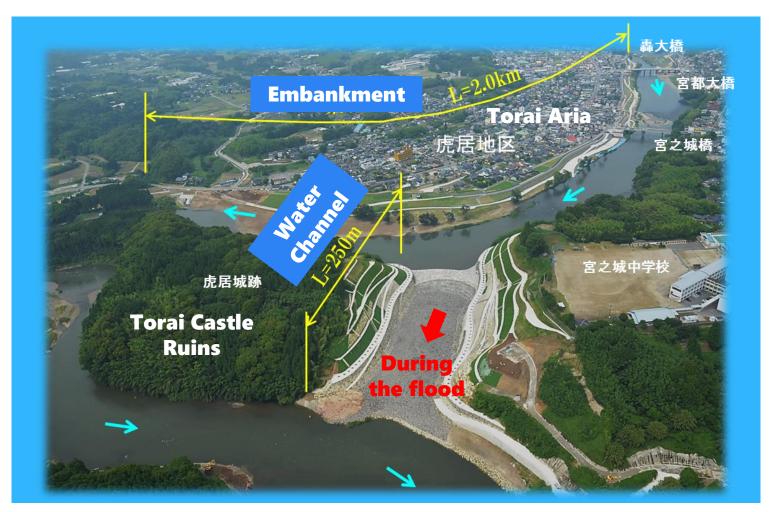


Photo3-1 Completed photograph of the Torai area

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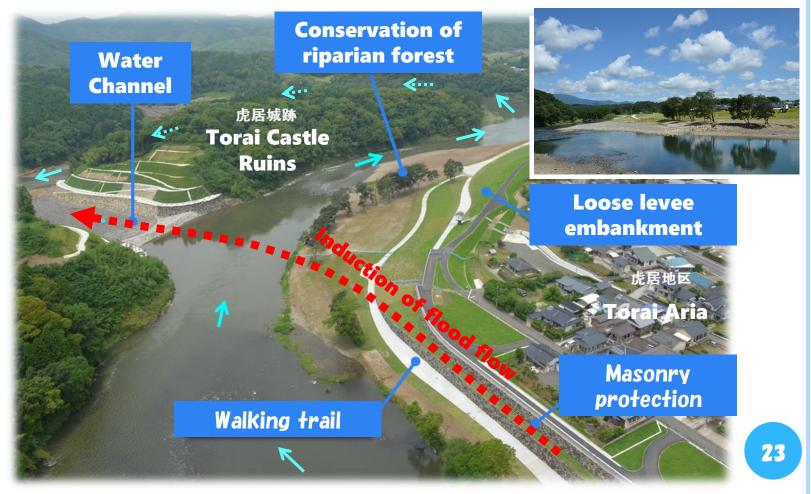


Photo3-2 Around the water channel

### 1) Completed photos after maintenance



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Normal time





During the flood





Photo3-4 Flooding occurred two weeks after completion

#### 2) Usage situation of local residents



Walk with swans



Girls high school students play in the river!



Carp streamers by region



Rafting with NPOs

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**Photo3-6 River utilization situation of local residents** 

#### 2) Usage situation of local residents



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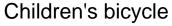


Swimming in the Sendai River

We are not defeated by reflux

Bike · · · ?







Running



Fast running backward in the water channel

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Photo3-7 Try Triathlon at Torai!

#### 2) Usage situation of local residents





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**Photo3-8 Event by Satsuma-cho Chamber of Commerce** 

#### **Chapter 4\_Summary**

#### 1) Water management and environmentally conscious business

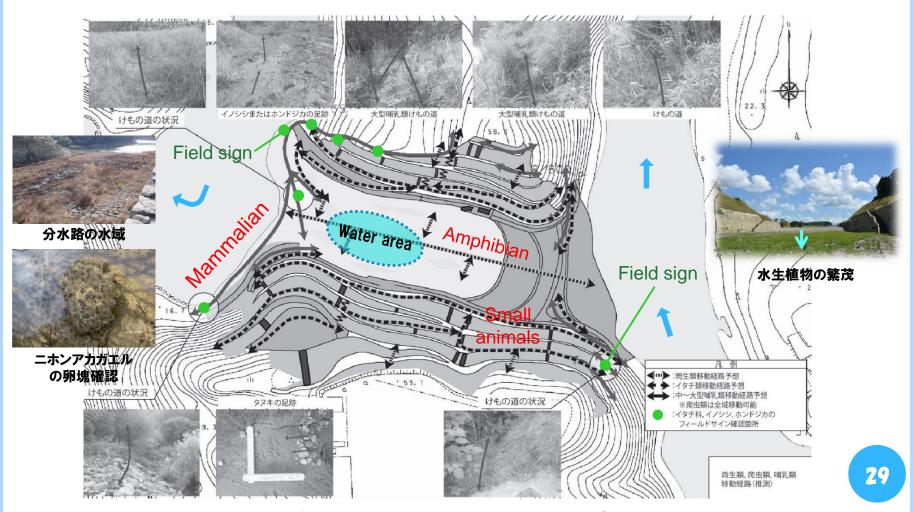


Fig4-1 Ecosystem survey results

#### **Chapter 4\_Summary**

### 2) Responding to further natural threats



Photo4-1 River flow experiences



Photo4-2 Dive experience





Photo4-3 Lesson scenery of disaster prevention learning

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### 3) Regional Promotion Utilizing Nature in the Basin



Photo4-4 Endurance tournament of elementary school



Photo4-5 Social experiment of river cruise tour



Photo4-6 Infrastructure Tour of Tsuruta Dam



Photo4-7 A waterfall experience of Sogi waterfall (Isa city)



Japan's leading Genji firefly habitat (Koushi Area of Sendai River)