

# **Response to the Comments Received at the Eighth Meeting of the Committee for Monitoring and Evaluating the Specified Nuclear Facilities**

- Water Treatment Operation Plan Excluding the Use of the Underground Reservoirs**
- Usage of the Filtrate Water Tank in Response to the Disuse of the Underground Reservoirs**

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# **Water Treatment Operation Plan Excluding the Use of the Underground Reservoirs**

# Operation Plan of the Water Treatment Facilities

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Since the storage capacity of the RO concentrated water storage tanks will be tight due to the disuse of the underground reservoirs, the water treatment facilities will be operated as follows.

## [Preconditions]

- Reactor injection water amount : 408m<sup>3</sup>/d
- Amount of water flowing into the buildings (groundwater, etc.): 400m<sup>3</sup>/d

## [Operation of the water treatment facilities]

- SARRY or KURION: Approx. 30-40m<sup>3</sup>/h
- RO3 system (approx. 50m<sup>3</sup>/h) and RO recirculation (10-20m<sup>3</sup>/h)
- RO concentrated water treatment by ALPS(A) system (150m<sup>3</sup>/d)
  - From March 30 to July 31: one system in operation
  - From August 1: two systems in operation

# Tank Storage Plan

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## [Tank storage]

### 1. RO concentrated water

- The increase in RO concentrated water as a result of ALPS(A) and RO recirculation put in operation is estimated to be approx. 170m<sup>3</sup>/d. (Amount to be generated: 320m<sup>3</sup>/d, amount to be transferred to ALPS: 150m<sup>3</sup>/d)
- Water is to be stored in H8 tank which is being installed (Total: 16,000m<sup>3</sup>).
- Water is to be stored in G4 tank (Total: approx. 20,000m<sup>3</sup>) and G5 tank (Total: approx. 20,000m<sup>3</sup>) to be additionally installed.

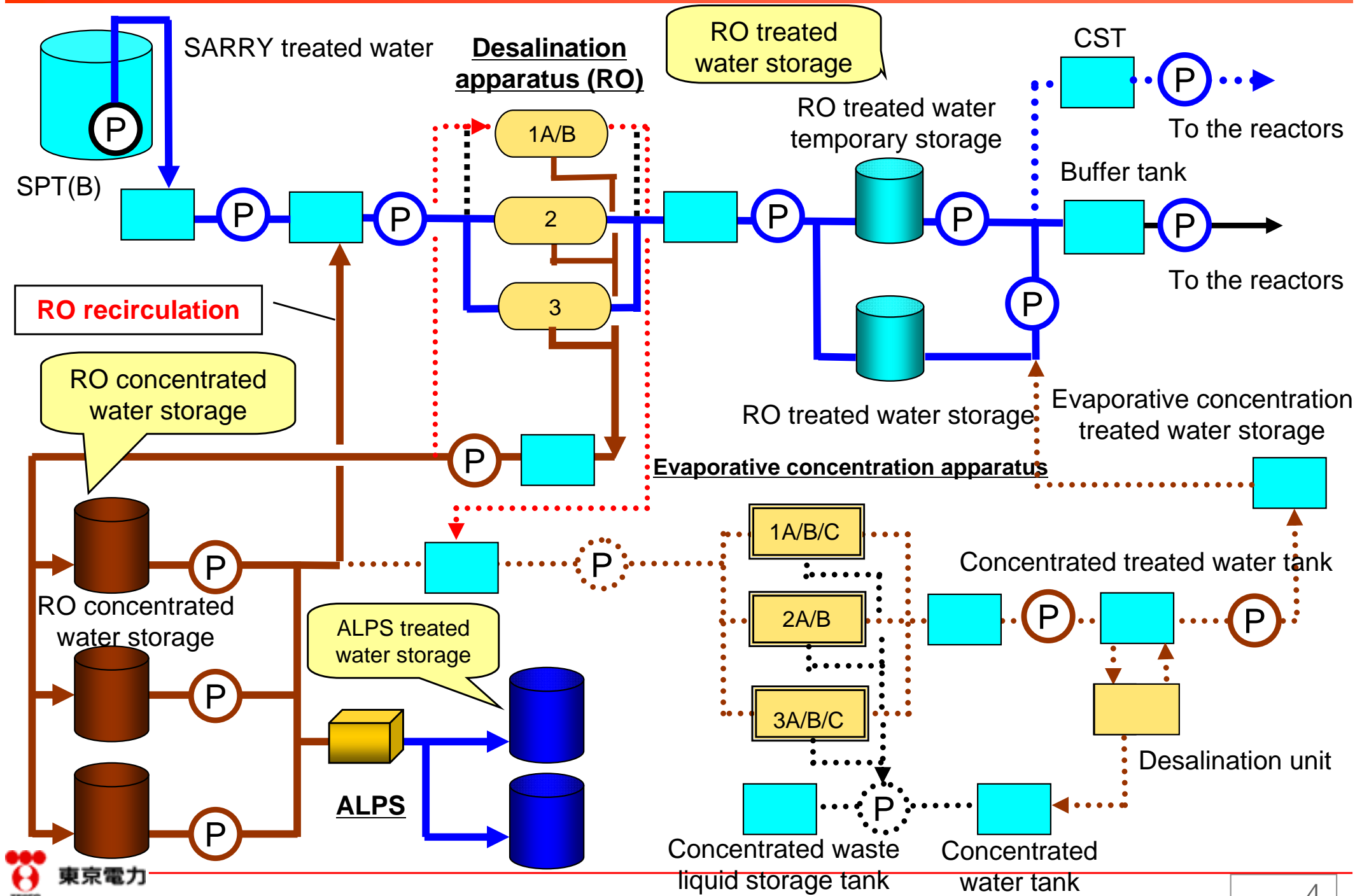
### 2. RO treated water

- The increase in RO treated water as a result of the RO system and RO recirculation put in operation is estimated to be approx. 80m<sup>3</sup>/d. (Amount to be generated: 480m<sup>3</sup>/d, amount to be used for reactor injection: approx. 400m<sup>3</sup>/d)
- Concentrated water will be stored in H9 tank while the treated water will be stored in the buffer tank (as reactor injection water).
- Since the amount of RO treated water will increase as a result of RO recirculation, the RO treated water will be transferred to Units 1-4 CST to ensure the appropriate storage amount (Approx. 3,400m<sup>3</sup>).

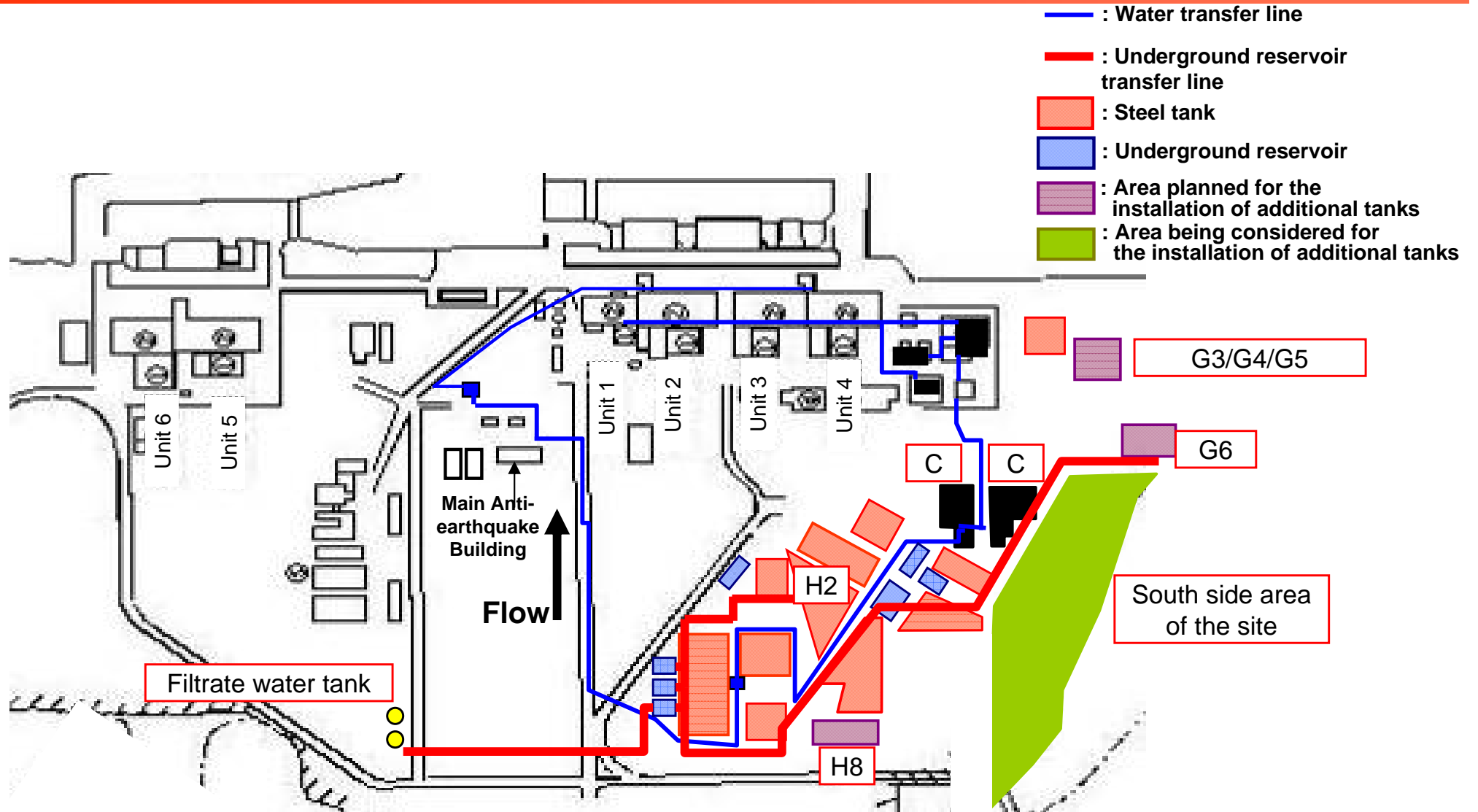
### 3. ALPS treated water

- The increase in ALPS treated water as a result of ALPS (one system) put in operation is estimated to be approx. 165m<sup>3</sup>/d. (with the chemical (10%) taken into account).
- Water is to be stored in G3 area tank being installed (Total: 70,000m<sup>3</sup>).

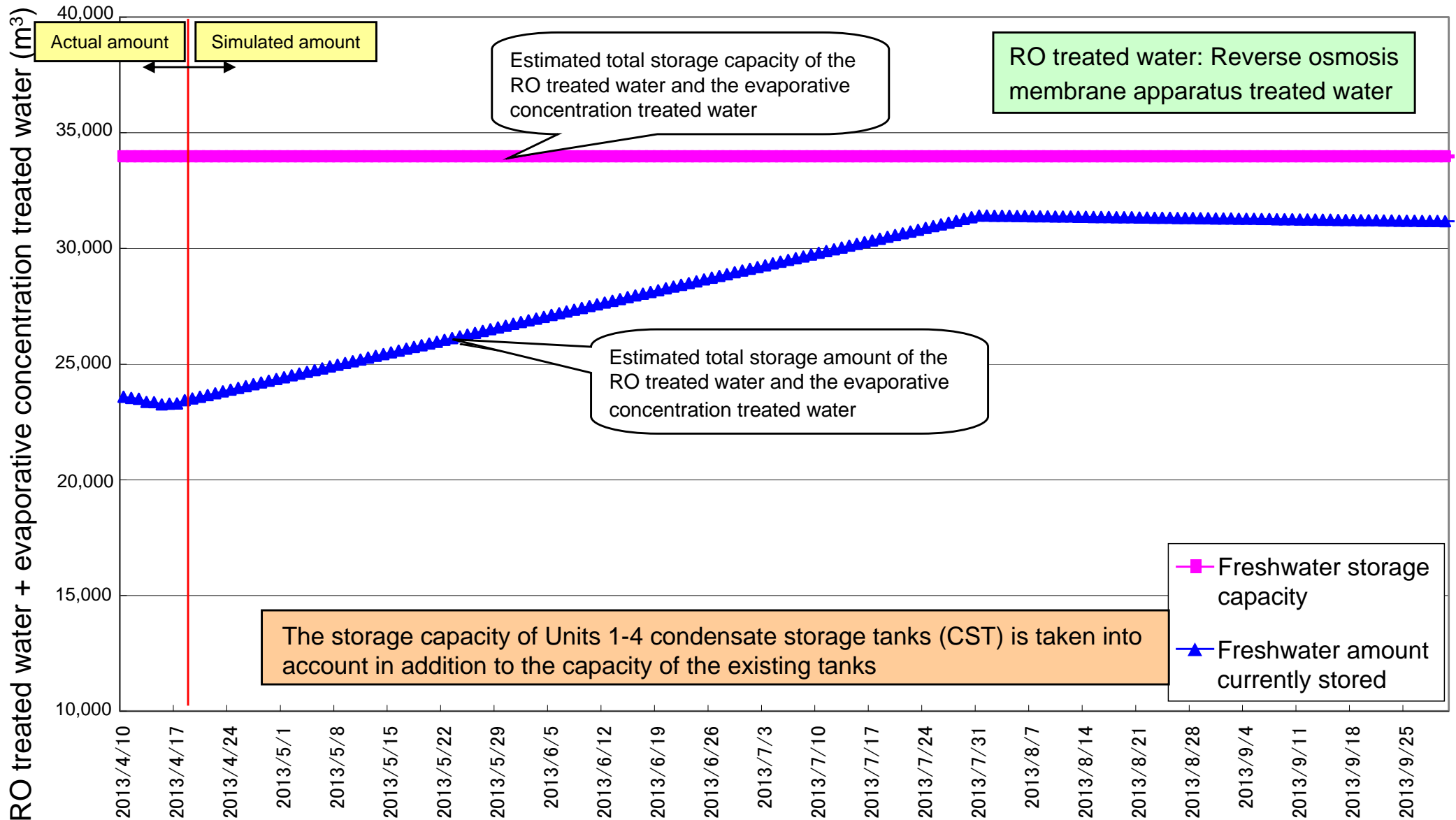
# Operation of the Water Treatment Facilities



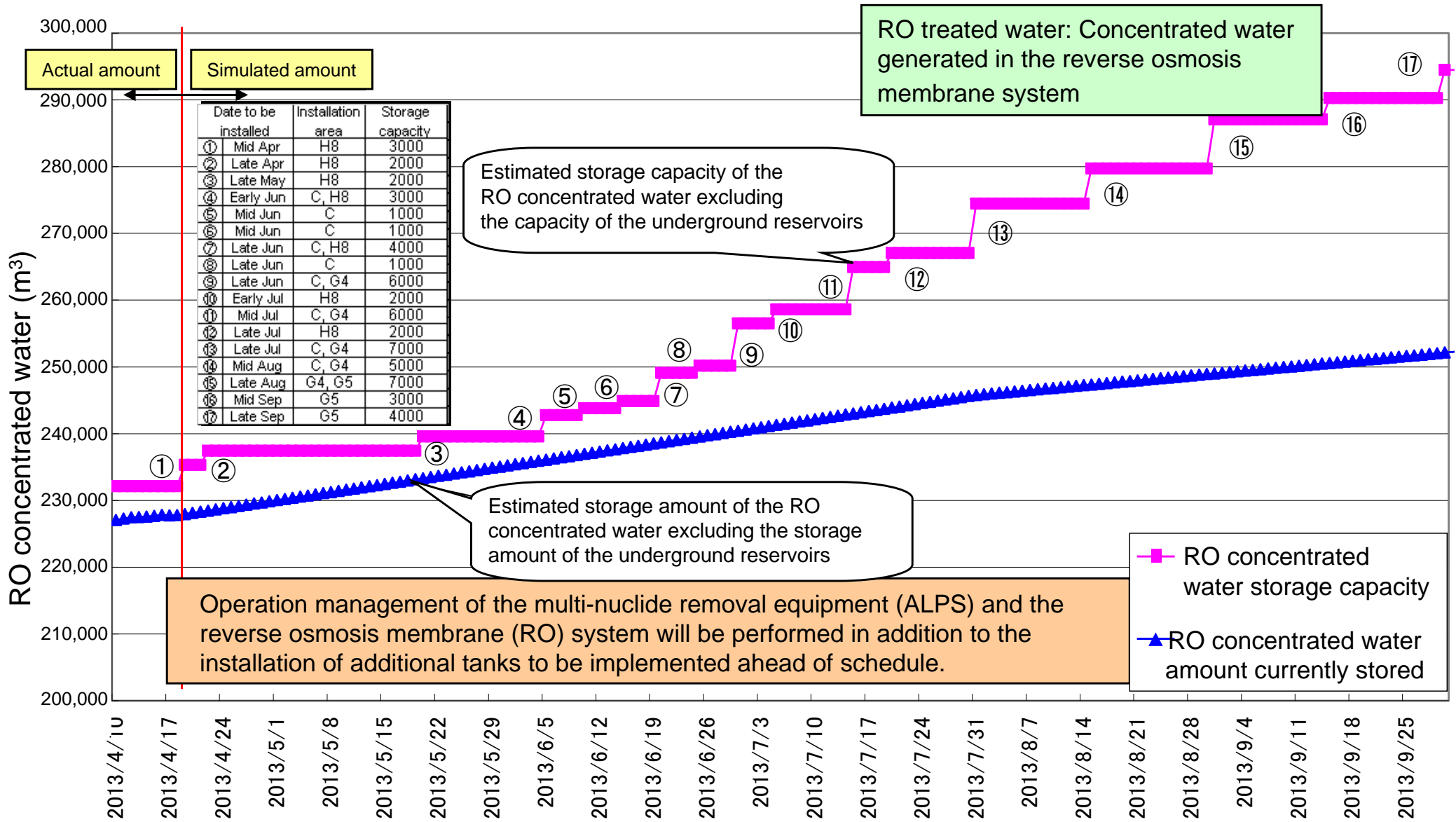
# Locations for Installing Additional Tanks



# Water Balance Simulation (Freshwater, Until the End of September 2013)

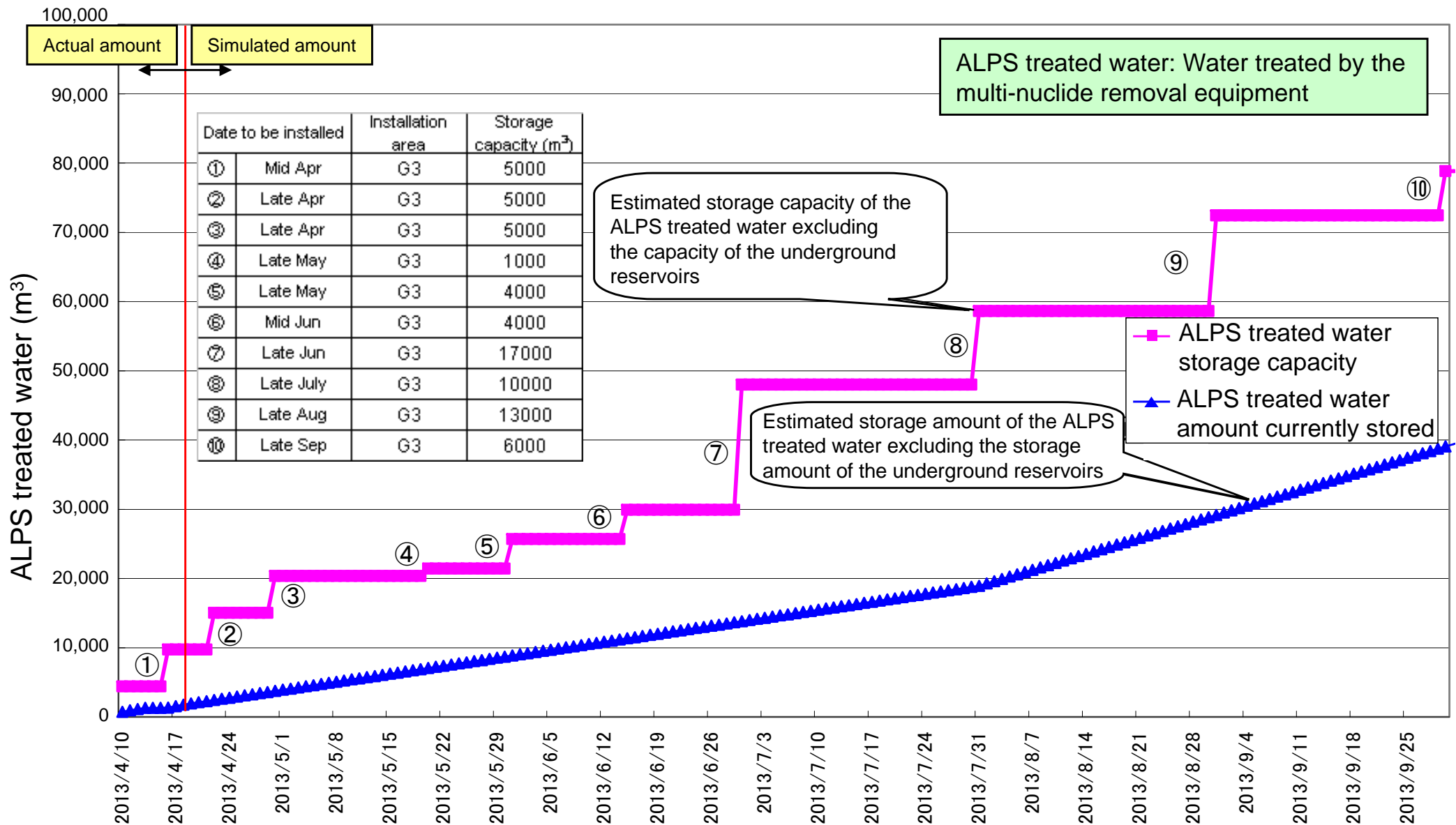


# Water Balance Simulation (RO Concentrated Water, Until the End of September 2013)

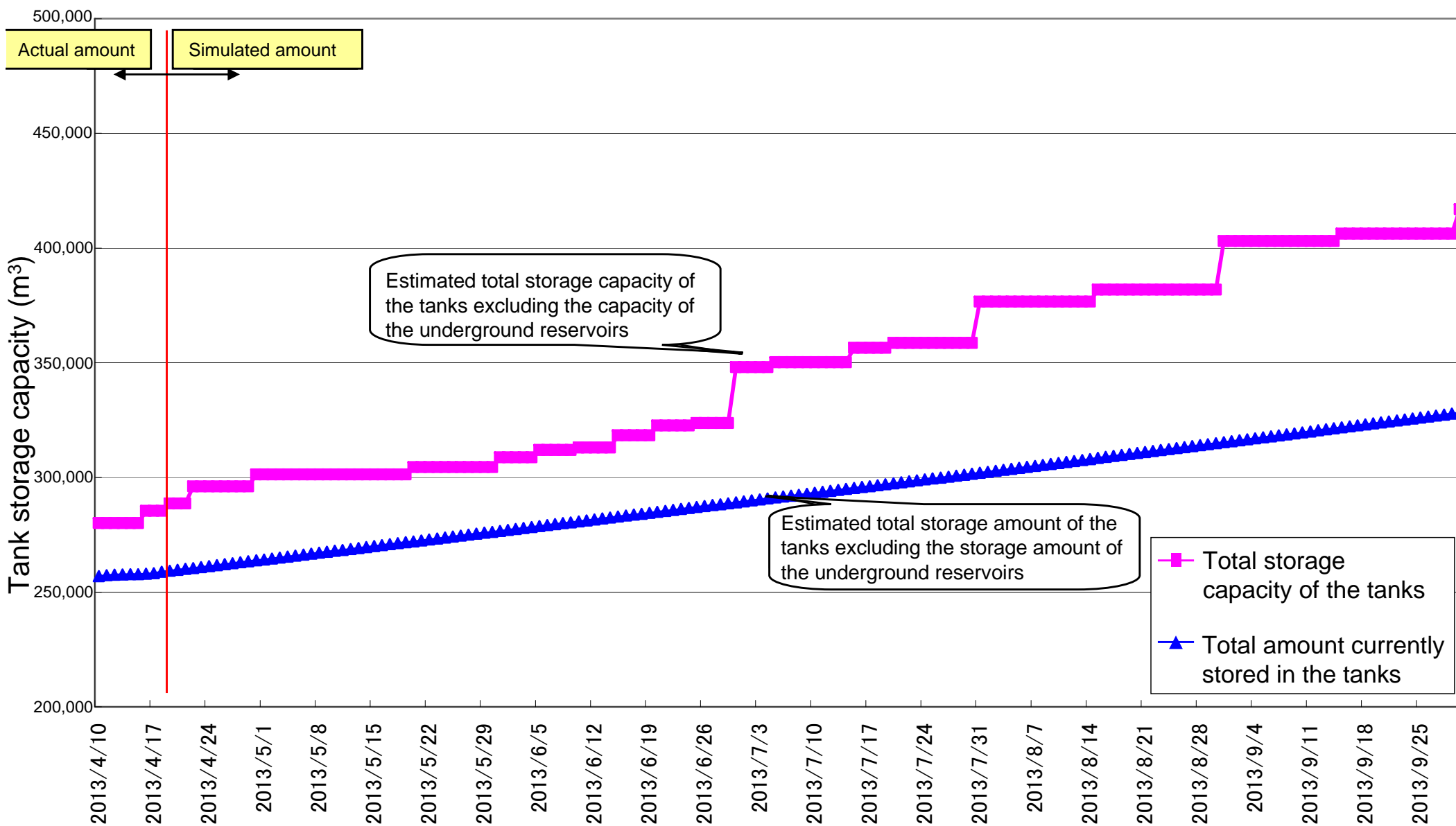




# Water Balance Simulation (ALPS Treated Water, Until the End of September 2013)



# Comparison of the total tank storage capacity and the estimated storage amount



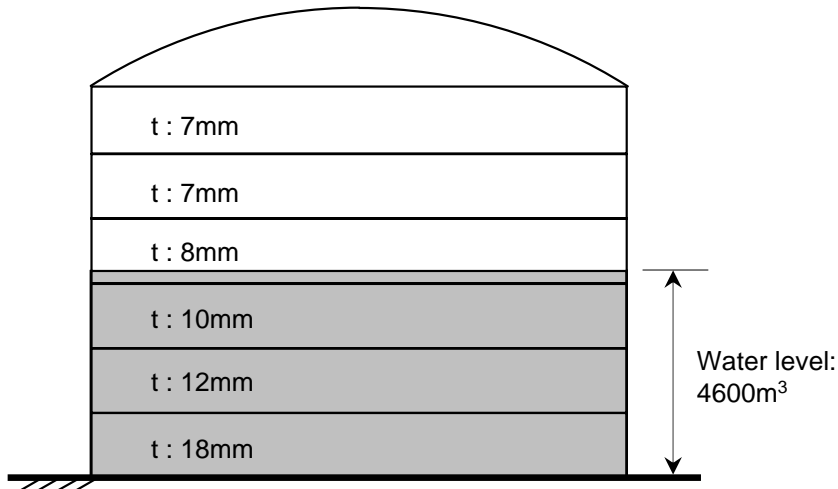
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# Usage of the Filtrate Water Tank in Response to the Disuse of the Underground Reservoirs

# Filtrate Water Tank Specifications



- Capacity: 8,000m<sup>3</sup>  
4,600m<sup>3</sup> of the RO concentrated water in the underground reservoir 1 will be stored.
- Number of units: 2  
One of them will be used for storing the RO concentrated water. The other one will be used as a backup water source for reactor water injection.
- Thickness: 7mm (top) - 18mm (bottom)
- Status of usage  
No damage or leakage was found with the tanks due to the earthquake occurred on March 11, 2011. Since part of the side plate was found to be deformed, a soundness evaluation was performed. The tanks are currently in use with the storage limit of 60% to ensure safety.

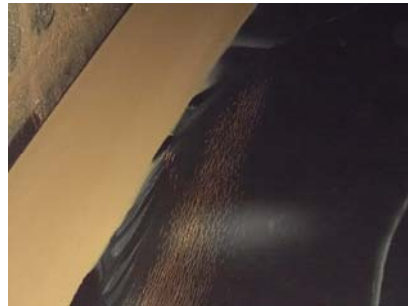


# Filtrate Water Tank No.1 Inspection Results

Paint coming off of the bottom plate



Paint cracks along almost all circumference



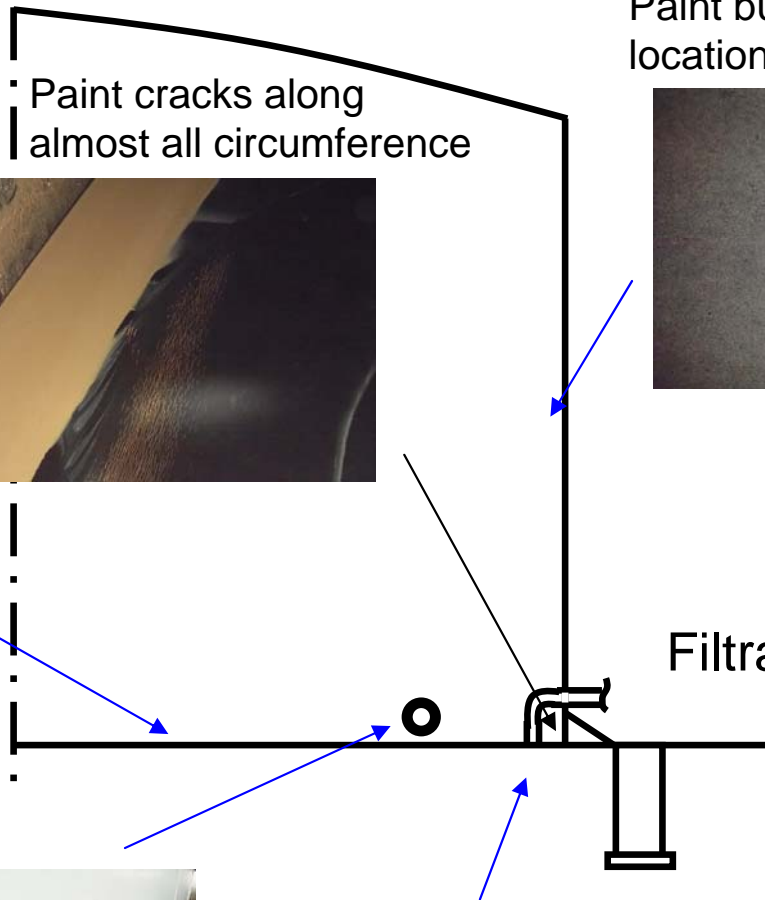
Paint bubbles in some locations of the side surface



Paint bubbles in some locations of the bottom plate



Filtrate water tank No.1



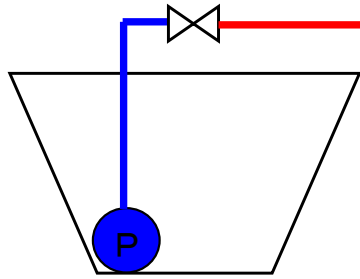
Corrosion of the spare nozzle flange



Trace of the drain pipe touching the bottom plate



# Method of Water Transfer from the Underground Reservoir No.1 to the Filtrate Water Tank



Underground reservoir No.1

- P** : Permanent pump
- (blue) : Permanent PE pipe (Valve unit installed on the upper part of the reservoir)
- (red) : Temporary pressure hose (approx. 500m)

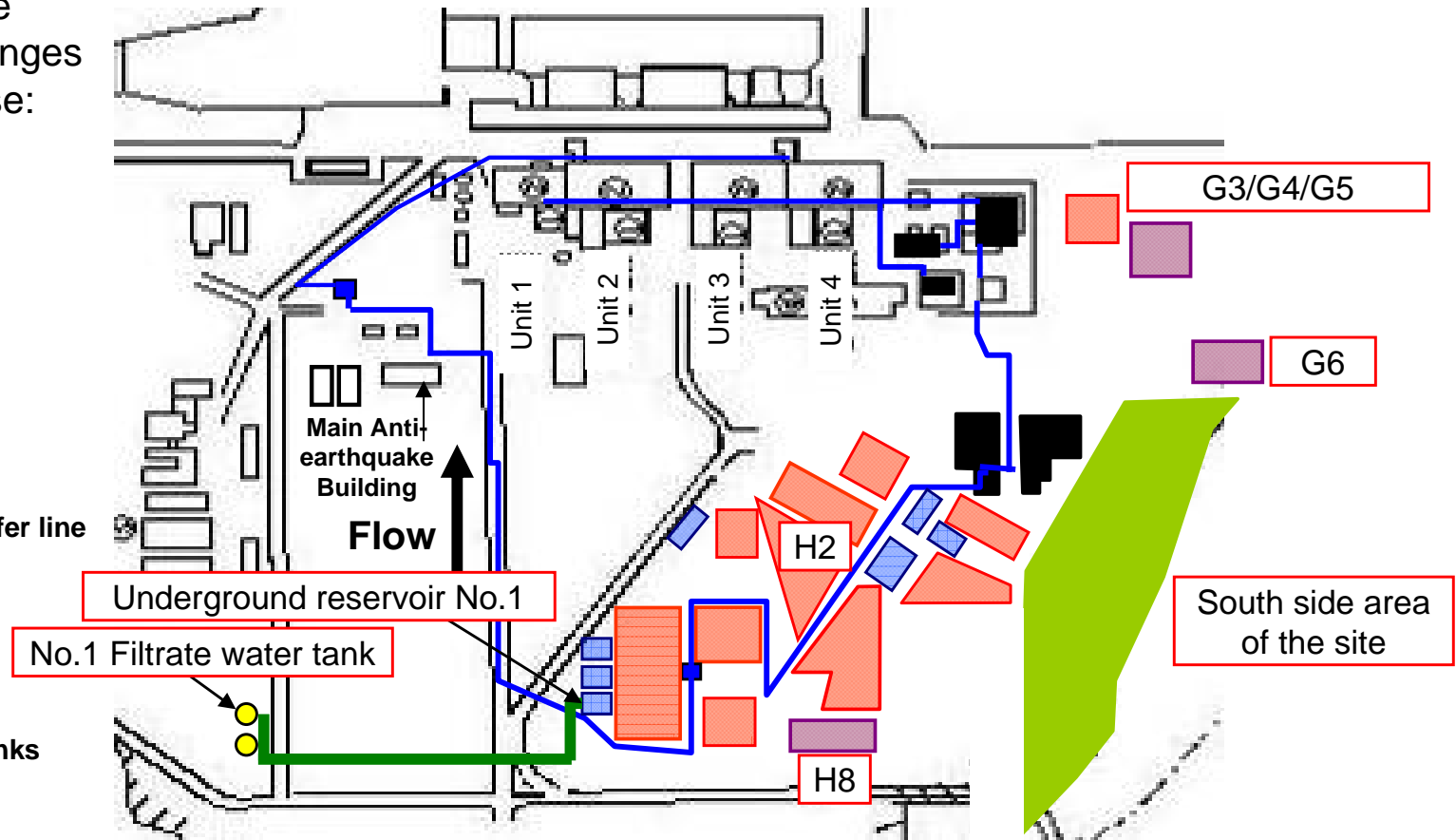
↓ 4,600m<sup>3</sup>

Filtrate water tank

The following measures have been implemented for the flanges installed on the pressure hose:

- Clamp installed for fall-out prevention
- Protection implemented to prevent the expansion of contaminated water leakage.
- Receiving pan installation

- (blue) : Circulatory water injection line
- (green) : No.1→Filtrate water tank transfer line
- (red) : Steel tank
- (blue) : Underground reservoir
- (purple) : Area planned for the installation of additional tanks
- (green) : Area being considered for the installation of additional tanks



# Structural Strength and Seismic Capacity (1)

## ■ Thickness evaluation

Though the tanks were not originally made in accordance with the design and construction standards considering that filtrate water is stored. However, as a result of thickness evaluation based on the design and construction standards, it has been confirmed that the tanks are capable of withstanding internal pressure. The evaluation was done assuming the planned storage amount (4,600m<sup>3</sup>).

$$t = \frac{DiH\rho}{0.204S\eta}$$

t: Thickness required for trunk calculation, Di: Inner diameter of the trunk, H: Water head,  $\rho$ : Specific gravity, S: Allowable tensile stress of material at the maximum temperature,  $\eta$ : longitudinal joint efficiency

Equipment	Parts evaluated	Required thickness [mm]	Actual thickness [mm]
Filtrate water tank	Thickness (bottom part)	7.3	18
	Thickness (fourth level from the bottom*1)	6.0*2	8

\*1 Estimated water level

\*2 Inner diameter taken into account

## ■ Seismic capacity evaluation (Fall evaluation)

The tank was evaluated as a “B class facility” considering that RO concentrated water is to be stored. As a result of comparing the overturning moment due to earthquake and the stability moment under its own weight, it has been confirmed that the tank will not fall over.

Overturning moment due to earthquake:  $M_1[\text{N} \cdot \text{m}] = m \times g \times C_H \times H$

Stability moment under its own weight:  $M_2[\text{N} \cdot \text{m}] = m \times g \times L$

m: Equipment mass

H: Distance from the installation surface to the center of gravity

L: Distance from the tipping point to the center of gravity

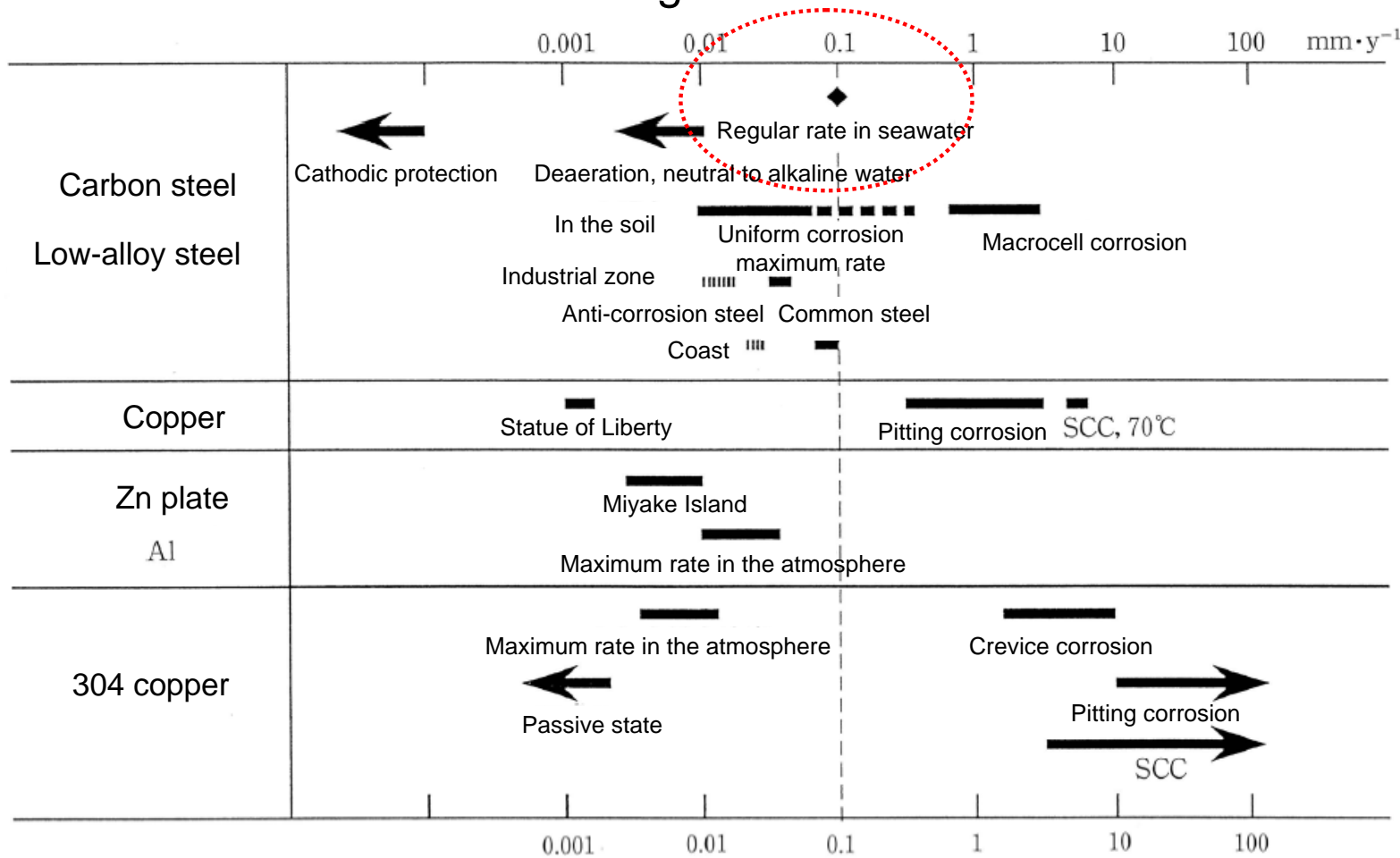
$C_H$ : Horizontal seismic coefficient

Equipment	Horizontal seismic coefficient	Overturning moment $M_1$ [kN·m]	Stability moment $M_2$ [kN·m]
Filtrate water tank	0.36	$9.2 \times 10^4$	$6.1 \times 10^5$

# Structural Strength and Seismic Capacity (2)

## ■ Corrosion

As the uniform corrosion rate of carbon steel under standing water at normal temperature is about 0.1 mm/year, there is little possibility of thickness reduction which affects the structural strength.



\*Source: Page 28 of "Zairyō Kankyōgaku Nyūmon" (1983) by the Japan Society of Corrosion Engineering



# Operation Management Based on the Inspection Results (1)

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Since paint peeling and deformation were found inside the filtrate water tank as a result of inspection, the following measures will be implemented before the water transfer from the underground reservoirs and during water storage.

## ■ Before water transfer

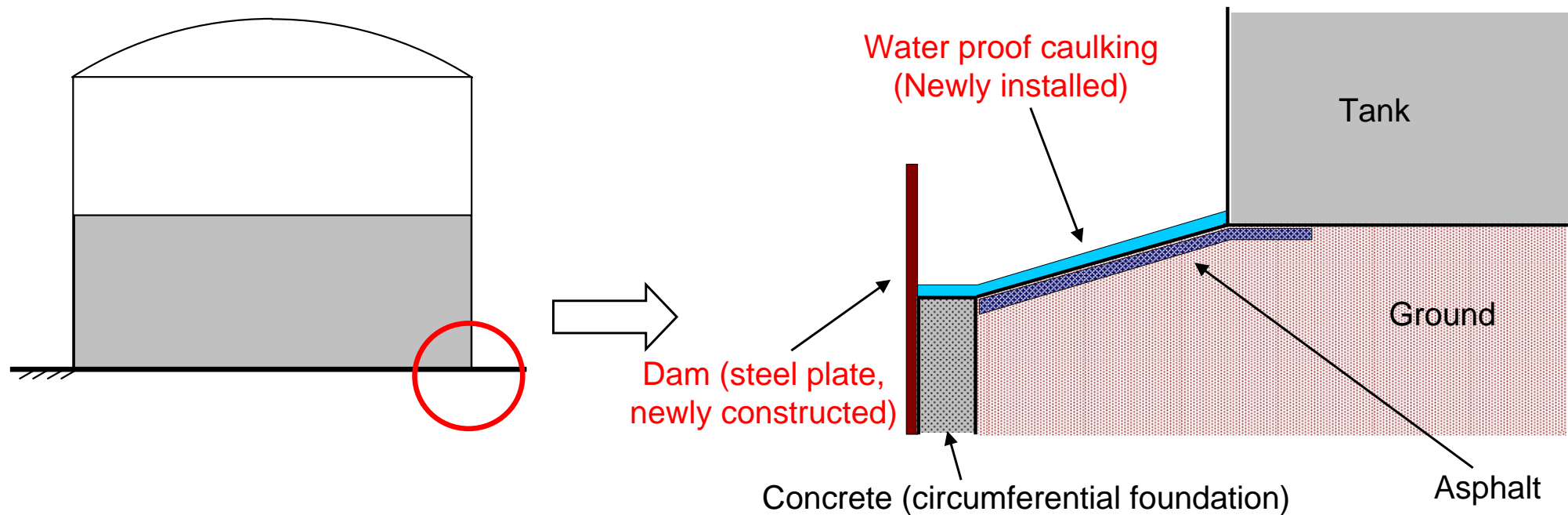
- For the areas with paint damages, the paint will be removed and repaired.
- For the corroded flanges, the flange surface will be cleaned and leakage prevention measure using repairing materials will be implemented.
- Detailed visual inspection and soundness evaluation will be performed on the areas with deformation.

## ■ During water storage

- Though it is considered that there is no problem with the soundness of the filtrate water tanks since no leakage has been found (filtrate water is currently stored in the tanks), the period in which RO concentrated water is stored in the tanks will be kept short. Once there is a sufficient amount of storage capacity of the RO concentrated water tanks with additional tanks are installed and multiple systems of the multi-nuclide removal equipment in operation, the water will be transferred back to the RO concentrated water tanks.
- A closure flange will be installed on the water intake to prevent leakage due to incorrect operation.
- Repairing equipment/materials will be prepared to allow for urgent repair in the case of leakage.
- Water level monitoring and patrol inspection will be performed for the purpose of monitoring for leakage.

# Operation Management Based on the Inspection Results (2)

- Considering that the filtrate tanks are welded structures, there is little possibility of leakage. However, a dam will be constructed around the tanks to ensure safety in the case of leakage.



Dam to prevent leakage expansion (Draft)

# [Reference] Water Transfer from the Underground Reservoirs

