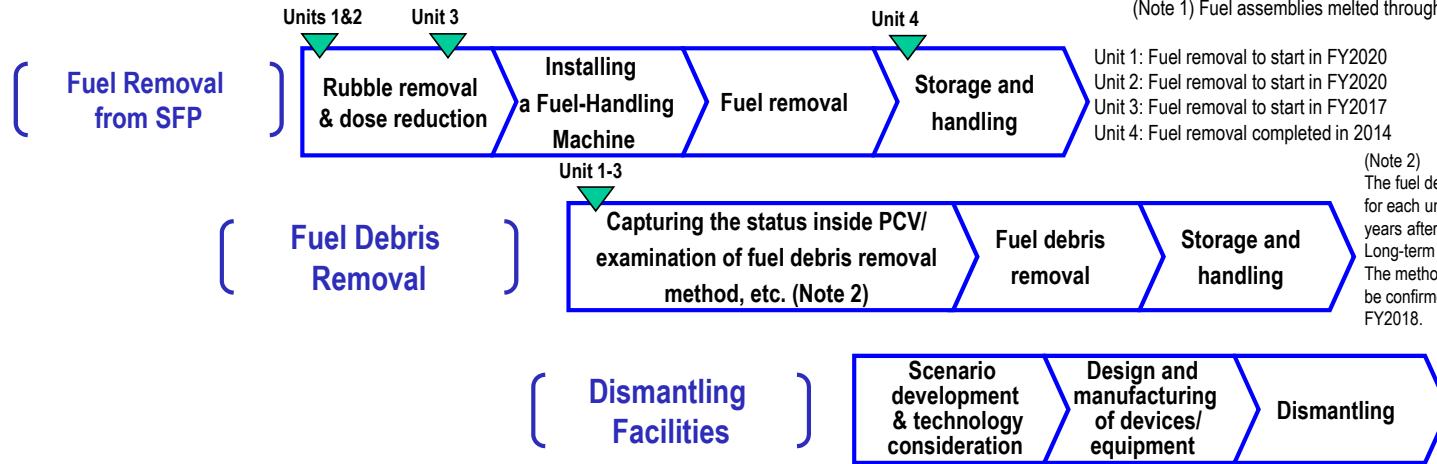


Main works and steps for decommissioning

Fuel removal from Unit 4 SFP had been completed and preparatory works to remove fuel from Unit 1-3 SFP and fuel debris (Note 1) removal are ongoing.

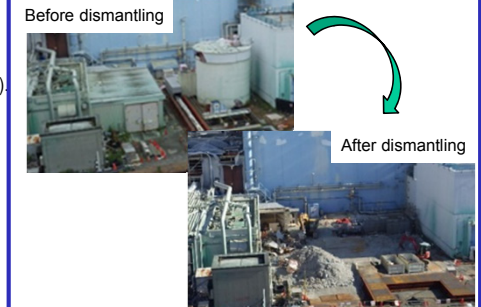
(Note 1) Fuel assemblies melted through in the accident.



Toward fuel removal from pool

Toward fuel removal from Unit 2 SFP, preparation around the building is underway.

Dismantling of hindrance buildings around the Reactor Building has been underway since September 2015 to clear a work area within which to install large heavy-duty machines, etc.



Three principles behind contaminated water countermeasures

Countermeasures for contaminated water are implemented in accordance with the following three principles:

1. Eliminate contamination sources

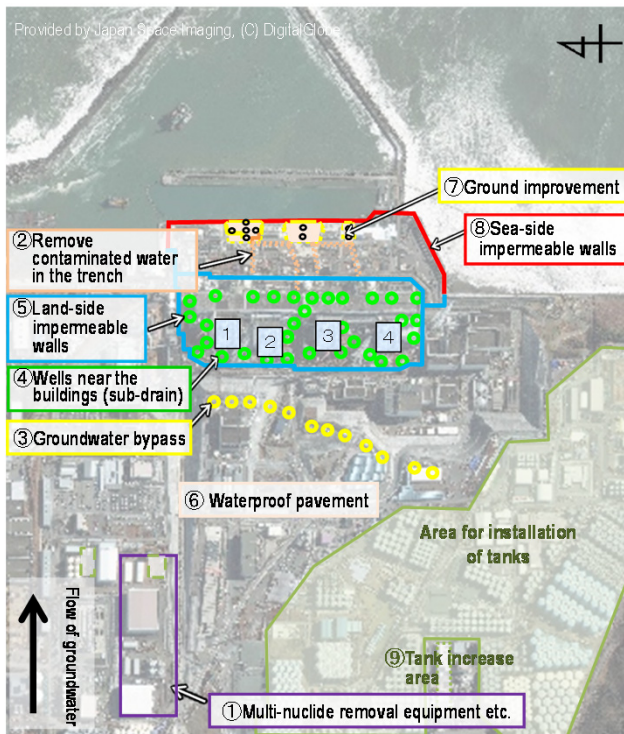
- Multi-nuclide removal equipment, etc.
 - Remove contaminated water in the trench (Note 3)
- (Note 3) Underground tunnel containing pipes.

2. Isolate water from contamination

- Pump up groundwater for bypassing
- Pump up groundwater near buildings
- Land-side impermeable walls
- Waterproof pavement

3. Prevent leakage of contaminated water

- Soil improvement by sodium silicate
- Sea-side impermeable walls
- Increase tanks (welded-joint tanks)



Multi-nuclide removal equipment (ALPS), etc.

- This equipment removes radionuclides from the contaminated water in tanks and reduces risks.
- Treatment of contaminated water (RO concentrated salt water) was completed in May 2015 via multi-nuclide removal equipment, additional multi-nuclide removal equipment installed by TEPCO (operation commenced in September 2014) and a subsidy project of the Japanese Government (operation commenced in October 2014).
- Strontium-treated water from equipment other than ALPS is being re-treated in ALPS.



Land-side impermeable walls

- Land-side impermeable walls surround the buildings and reduce groundwater inflow into the same.
- On-site tests have been conducted since August 2013. Construction work commenced in June 2014.
- Construction on the mountain side was completed in September 2015.
- Construction on the sea side will be completed in February 2016.
- Freezing started from March 2016.



Sea-side impermeable walls

- Impermeable walls are being installed on the sea side of Units 1-4, to prevent the flow of contaminated groundwater into the sea.
- The installation of steel pipe sheet piles was completed in September 2015 and they were connected in October 2015. These works completed the closure of sea-side impermeable walls.



Progress status

◆ The temperatures of the Reactor Pressure Vessel (RPV) and the Primary Containment Vessel (PCV) of Units 1-3 have been maintained within the range of approx. 15-35°C¹ for the past month. There was no significant change in the density of radioactive materials newly released from Reactor Buildings in the air². It was evaluated that the comprehensive cold shutdown condition had been maintained.

* 1 The values varied somewhat depending on the unit and location of the thermometer.

* 2 In March 2016, the radiation exposure dose due to the release of radioactive materials from the Unit 1-4 Reactor Buildings was evaluated as less than 0.00087 mSv/year at the site boundary. The annual radiation dose by natural radiation is approx. 2.1 mSv/year (average in Japan).

1st International Forum on the Decommissioning of the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station

On April 10 and 11, the 1st International Forum on the Decommissioning of the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station was held in Iwaki City, Fukushima Prefecture (Spa Resort Hawaiians).

More than 600 people from 15 countries including Japan attended the forum. In addition to notifying the latest status of the measures for the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station and engaging in professional debates related to decommissioning, attendees also participated in lively discussions about how to communicate with local communities to facilitate decommissioning.

This forum continues to be held based on these discussions.



<Forum venue>

A Certificate of gratitude offered to the work teams involved in decommissioning and measures for contaminated water

Aiming to express respect to the dedicated workers involved in long-term activities on site toward safe and steady decommissioning, a certificate of gratitude is offered to work teams comprising prime contractors and partner companies, which boldly took on difficult challenges and rendered distinguished services, from the Prime Minister, the Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry and the State Minister of METI (Chief of Onsite Task Force for Nuclear Disasters) at the 1st International Forum on the Decommissioning of the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station.

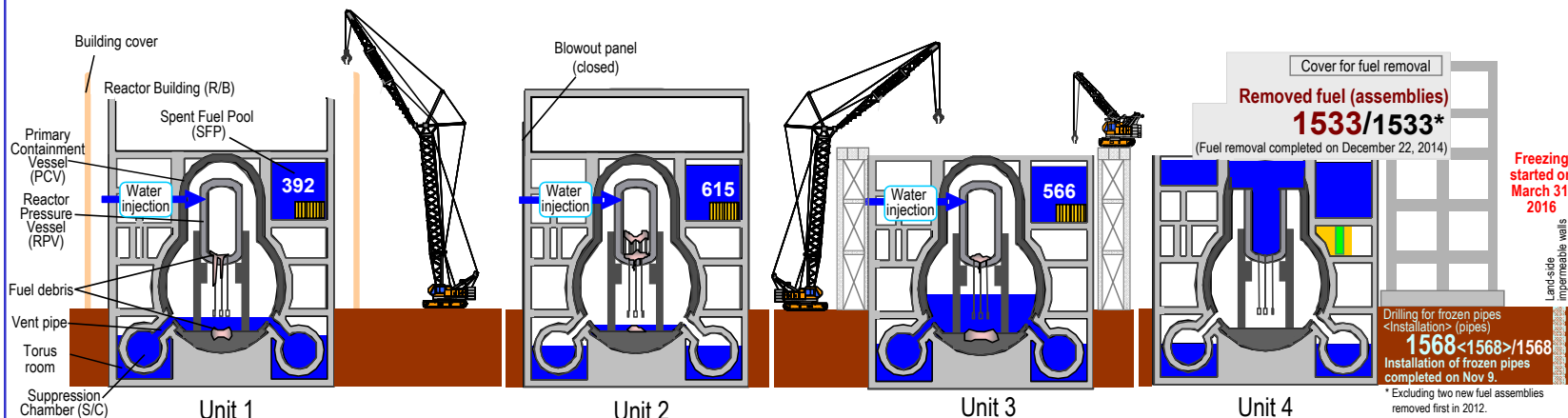
The Prime Minister also received a courtesy call by the team, to which he offered a certificate of gratitude in his name.



<Courtesy call by the work team>

Drillage from a pipe near a tank

On April 20, drillage (approx. 2.7L) was detected at the pipe flange used to transfer Sr-treated water to a tank. Given that the distance to the nearest drainage channel was approx. 70 m, there was no discharge into the sea. Soil around the drillage was collected. The cause will be investigated and recurrence prevention measures implemented.



Dose reduction on site

To reduce the exposure dose of workers, decontamination on site has continued.

It was confirmed that the dose rate was reduced to the target (5 μSv/h or lower) by the end of FY2015 except for areas around Unit 1-4 buildings.

Rise of the accumulated water level in HTI

On April 8, it was confirmed that the water level exceeded LCO* in the High Temperature Incinerator (HTI) Building, which stored contaminated water. The water level was reduced below the limit the same day.

Given the significant difference from the groundwater level around the building, no contaminated water was deemed to have leaked outside the building.

Operation and monitoring methods will be reviewed and appropriate recurrence prevention measures implemented.

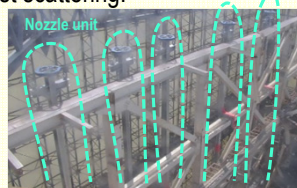
* LCO (Limiting Condition for Operation): Limit specified to secure safe functions, etc.

Installation of sprinkler nozzle units completed inside Unit 1 R/B cover

To facilitate rubble removal on the upper part of Unit 1 Reactor Building (R/B), installation of sprinklers has been underway from February as a measure to control dust scattering.

Work to install sprinkler nozzle units started on April 6 and all 13 units were installed by April 28.

Following this work, construction such as installation of pipes to sprinkler nozzle units will be conducted.



<Installation of nozzle units>

Installation of shields started on the Unit 3 R/B top floor

To facilitate installation of the cover for Unit 3 spent fuel removal, the radiation dose is being reduced on the Reactor Building top floor.

As the planned decontamination was almost finished, installation of shields started on April 12.



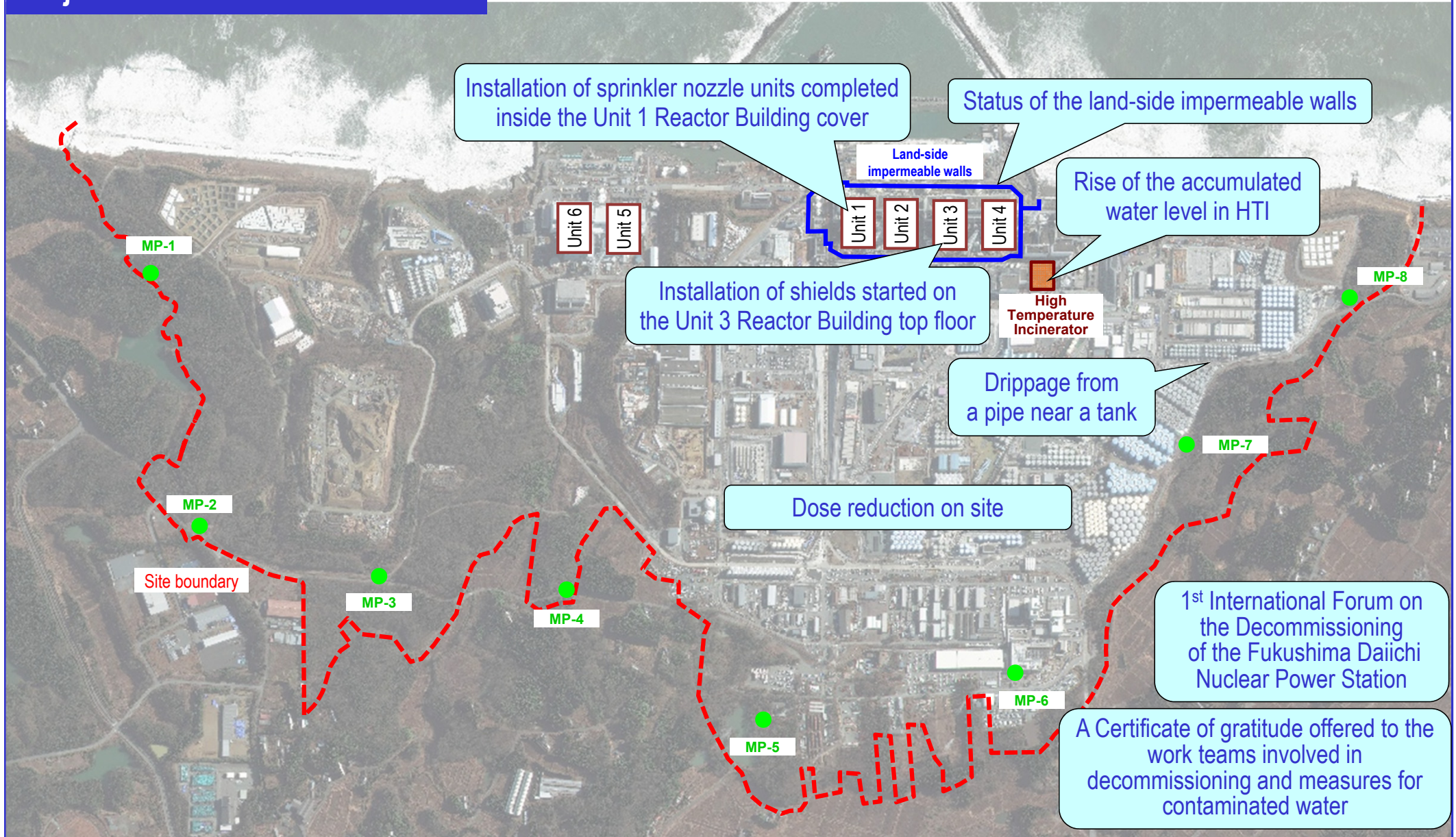
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Status of the land-side impermeable walls

For land-side impermeable walls which control the increase of contaminated water, freezing started on March 31 on the sea side and a portion of the mountain side. The underground temperature began decreasing and changes were observed in the groundwater levels.

Changes in underground temperature and water levels, etc. continue to be monitored to carefully assess the effect of the land-side impermeable walls.

Major initiatives – Locations on site



* Data of Monitoring Posts (MP1-MP8.)

Data (10-minute value) of Monitoring Posts (MPs) measuring airborne radiation rate around site boundaries show 0.643 – 2.734 $\mu\text{Sv/h}$ (March 30 – April 26, 2016).

Monitoring posts 1 to 8 are being replaced from December 4, 2015 because they reached the time for replacement. During this work, some data may not be obtained and mobile monitoring posts or other equivalent facilities will be installed as alternatives.

We improved the measurement conditions of monitoring posts 2 to 8 for precise measurement of air dose rate. Construction works such as tree-clearing, surface soil removal and shield wall setting were implemented from Feb. 10 to Apr. 18, 2012.

Therefore monitoring results at these points are lower than elsewhere in the power plant site.

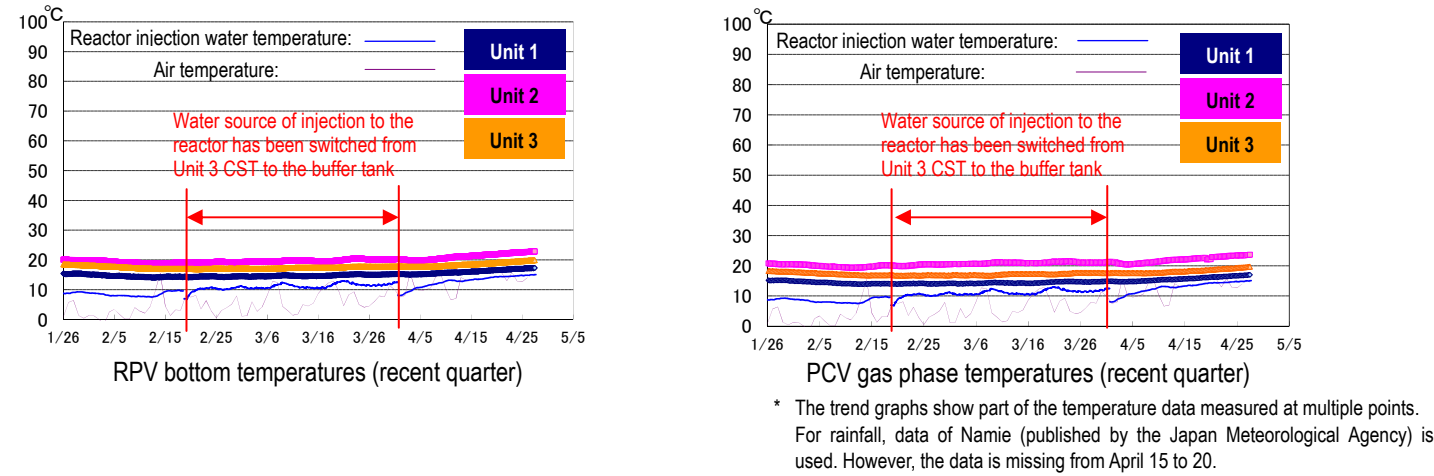
The radiation shielding panel around monitoring post No. 6, which is one of the instruments used to measure the radiation dose of the power station site boundary, were taken off from July 10-11, 2013, since the surrounding radiation dose has largely fallen down due to further cutting down of the forests, etc.

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I. Confirmation of the reactor conditions

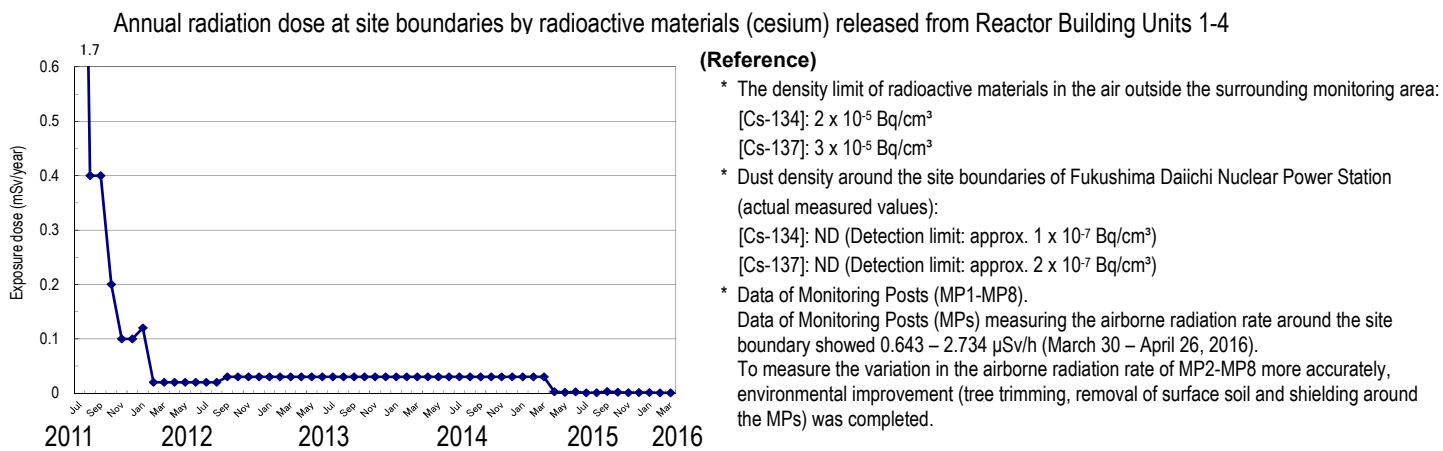
1. Temperatures inside the reactors

Through continuous reactor cooling by water injection, the temperatures of the Reactor Pressure Vessel (RPV) bottom and the Primary Containment Vessel (PCV) gas phase have been maintained within the range of approx. 15 to 35°C for the past month, though they vary depending on the unit and location of the thermometer.



2. Release of radioactive materials from the Reactor Buildings

As of March 2016, the density of radioactive materials newly released from Reactor Building Units 1-4 in the air and measured at the site boundary was evaluated at approx. 1.8×10^{-11} Bq/cm³ for Cs-134 and 6.8×10^{-11} Bq/cm³ for Cs-137 respectively. The radiation exposure dose due to the release of radioactive materials was less than 0.00087 mSv/year at the site boundary.



Note: Different formulas and coefficients were used to evaluate the radiation dose in the facility operation plan and monthly report. The evaluation methods were integrated in September 2012. As the fuel removal from the spent fuel pool (SFP) commenced for Unit 4, the radiation exposure dose from Unit 4 was added to the items subject to evaluation since November 2013. The evaluation has been changed to a method considering the values of continuous dust monitors since FY2015, with data to be evaluated monthly and announced the following month.

3. Other indices

There was no significant change in indices, including the pressure in the PCV and the PCV radioactivity density (Xe-135) for monitoring criticality, nor was any abnormality in the cold shutdown condition or criticality sign detected.

Based on the above, it was confirmed that the comprehensive cold shutdown condition had been maintained and the reactors remained in a stabilized condition.

II. Progress status by each plan

1. Contaminated water countermeasures

To tackle the increase in accumulated water due to groundwater inflow, fundamental measures to prevent such inflow into the Reactor Buildings will be implemented, while improving the decontamination capability of water treatment and preparing facilities to control the contaminated water

➤ Operation of groundwater bypass

- From April 9, 2014, the operation of 12 groundwater bypass pumping wells commenced sequentially to pump up groundwater. The release started from May 21, 2014 in the presence of officials from the Intergovernmental Liaison Office for the Decommissioning and Contaminated Water Issue of the Cabinet Office. As of April 26, 2016, 183,077 m³ of groundwater had been released. The pumped-up groundwater was temporarily stored in tanks and released after TEPCO and a third-party organization had confirmed that its quality met operational targets.
- For pumping well No. 9, pumping of groundwater was suspended for cleaning (No. 9: March 14 – April 7).

➤ Status of water-treatment facilities, including subdrains

- To reduce the groundwater flowing into the buildings, work began to pump up groundwater from wells (subdrains) around the buildings on September 3, 2015. The pumped-up groundwater was then purified at dedicated facilities and released from September 14, 2015. As of April 26, 2016, a total of 100,796 m³ had been drained after TEPCO and a third-party organization had confirmed that the quality of this purified groundwater met operational targets.
- Due to the level of the groundwater drain pond rising since the closure of the sea-side impermeable walls, pumping started on November 5, 2015. As of April 26, 2016, a total of approx. 45,600 m³ had been pumped up. Approx. 120 m³/day is being transferred from the groundwater drain to the Turbine Buildings (average for the period March 24 – April 20, 2016).
- On April 21, a leakage of pumped-up groundwater was detected at the pipe flange within the fences for the subdrain No. 4 relay tank. The supposed cause was a small overlap allowance of the relevant flange, which had been replaced during the recovery from disassembly and cleaning of pipes from April 15 to 19. The flange became misaligned and a gap emerged. Henceforth, checks will be made to ensure no difference between new and old parts, such as consumable supplies, when pipes, etc. are overhauled.
- The effect of ground water inflow control by subdrains is evaluated by correlating both the “subdrain water levels” and the “difference between water levels in subdrains and buildings” for the time being.
- However, given insufficient data on the effect of rainfall after the subdrains went into operation, the effect of the inflow into buildings will be reviewed as necessary by accumulating data.
- Inflow into buildings declined to approx. 100 - 200 m³/day during times when the subdrain water level decreased to approx. T.P. 3.5 m or when the difference with the water levels in buildings decreased to approx. 2 m after the subdrains went into operation.

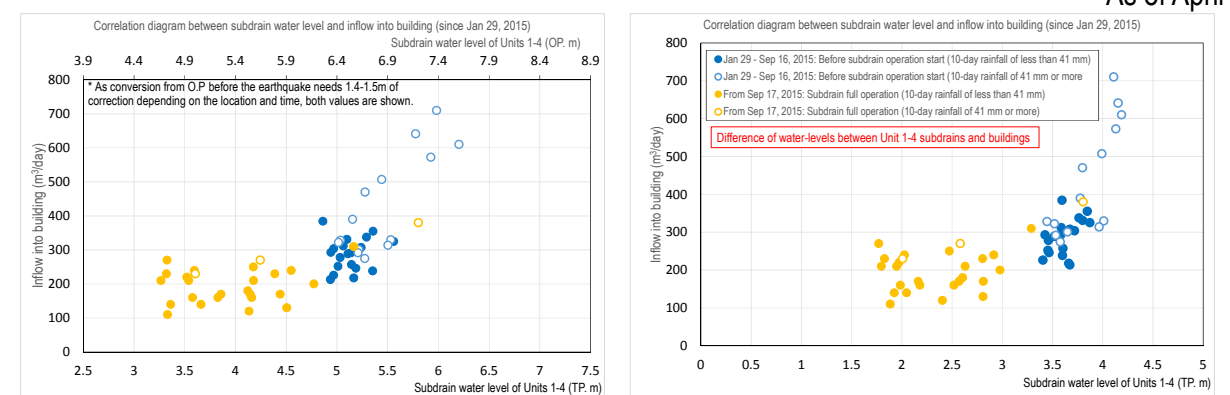


Figure 1: Evaluation of inflow into buildings after the subdrains went into operation

➤ Construction status of the land-side impermeable walls

- Regarding the installation of land-side impermeable walls surrounding Units 1-4 (a subsidy project of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry), preparation for freezing was completed on February 9, 2016.
- For the scope of Stage 1: (Phase 1), freezing started from March 31.
- The underground temperature began decreasing around the frozen pipes which circulate brine.
- Though the water level of the medium sandstone layer began increasing after freezing commenced, the increase rate declined. The water head of the alternate layer began declining at a rate which decreased on the sea side.

Though the water-head difference between the medium sandstone and alternate layers inside the land-side impermeable walls (sea side) had stabilized before freezing started, it began fluctuating since the start of freezing.

- ✓ Stage 1: (Phase 1) "Whole sea side," "part of the north side" and "preceding frozen parts of the mountain side (parts with difficulty in freezing due to significant intervals between frozen pipes, etc.)" will be frozen simultaneously.
(Phase 2) The remaining parts on the mountain side will be frozen except the "unfrozen parts" of Stage 1 when the effect of sea-side impermeable walls begins to emerge.
- ✓ Stage 2: The stage between Stages 1 and 3.
- ✓ Stage 3: The stage of complete closure.

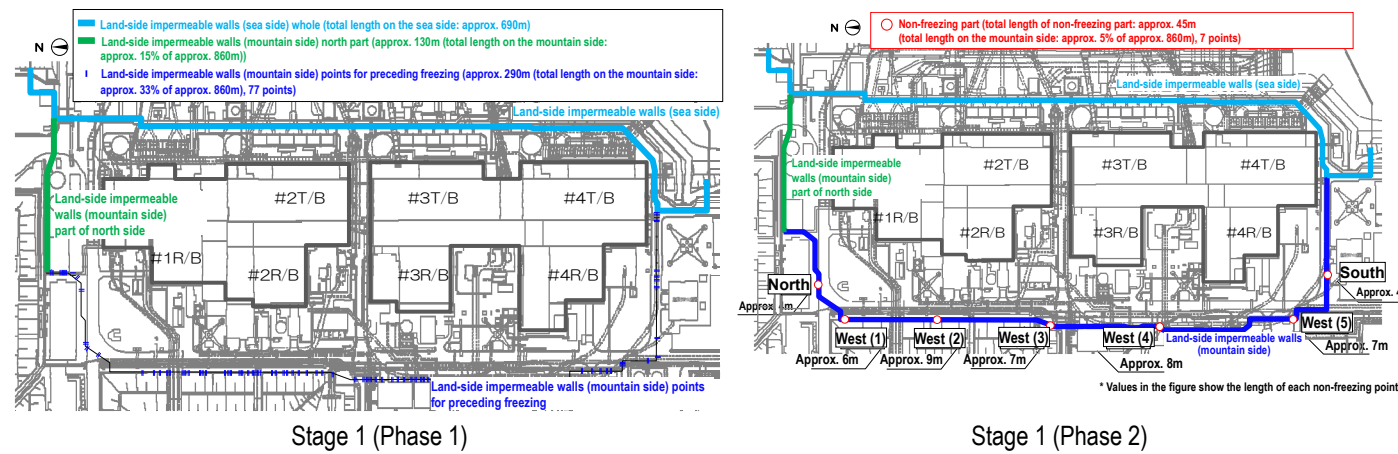


Figure 2: Scope of freezing of land-side impermeable walls

➤ Operation of multi-nuclide removal equipment

- Regarding multi-nuclide removal equipment (existing, additional and high-performance), hot tests using radioactive water have been underway (for existing equipment, System A: from March 30, 2013, System B: from June 13, 2013, System C: from September 27, 2013; for additional equipment, System A: from September 17, 2014, System B: from September 27, 2014, System C: from October 9, 2014; for high-performance equipment, from October 18, 2014).
- As of April 21, the volumes treated by existing, additional and high-performance multi-nuclide removal equipment were approx. 277,000, 253,000 and 103,000 m³ respectively (including approx. 9,500 m³ stored in the J1(D) tank, which contained water with a high density of radioactive materials at the System B outlet of existing multi-nuclide removal equipment).
- On April 14, an alert was issued from the leakage detector under the pH meter rack in the existing multi-nuclide removal equipment System B. On-site inspection identified and wiped the evidence of a leakage, at least 40cm³ or so. A slight leakage was also confirmed at the connection of the pH-detector holder. Though the relevant leakage detector was removed to check the O ring and other parts, no abnormality was found. Later the detector was recovered, for which inspections confirmed no abnormality such as leakage.
- For System B of the existing multi-nuclide removal equipment, facility inspections and the installation of additional absorption vessels to improve its performance have been underway since December 4, 2015. The system resumed operation from April 18.
- For the additional multi-nuclide removal equipment, facility inspections have been underway (System A: since December 1, 2015; System C: February 8 – April 15, 2016).

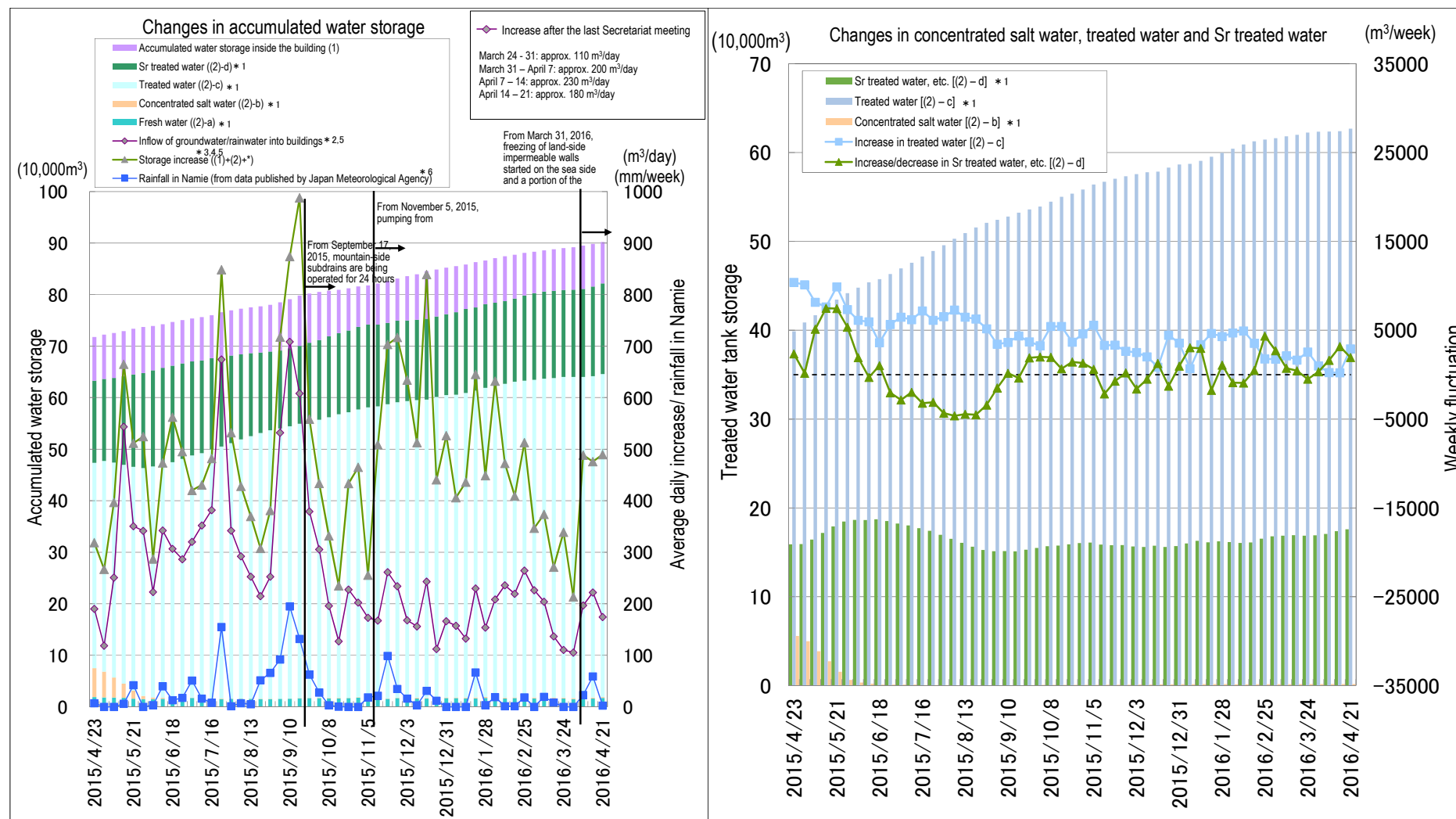


Figure 3: Status of accumulated water storage

As of April 21, 2016

- *1: Water amount with which water-level gauge indicates 0% or more
- *2: Since September 10, 2015, the data collection method has been changed
(Evaluation based on increased in storage: in buildings and tanks → Evaluation based on increase/decrease in storage in buildings)
"Inflow of groundwater/rainwater into buildings" =
"Increase/decrease of water held in buildings"
+ "Transfer from buildings to tanks"
- "Transfer into buildings (water injection into reactors and transfer from well points, etc.)"
- *3: Since April 23, 2015, the data collection method has been changed
(Increase in storage (1)+(2) → (1)+(2)+*)
- *4: On February 4, 2016, corrected by reviewing the water amount of remaining concentrated salt water
- *5: Values calculated including the calibration effect of the building water-level gauge
(March 10-17, 2016: Main Process Building,
March 17-24, 2016: High-Temperature Incinerator Building (HTI))
- *6: For rainfall, data of Namie (from data published by the Japan Meteorological Agency) is used. However, due to missing values, data of Tomioka (from data published by the Japan Meteorological Agency) is used alternatively (April 14-21, 2016)

- To reduce the risks of strontium-treated water, treatment by additional and high-performance multi-nuclide removal equipment has been underway (existing: from December 4, 2015; additional: from May 27, 2015; high-performance: from April 15, 2015). As of April 21, approx. 188,000 m³ had been treated.
- Toward reducing the risk of contaminated water stored in tanks
 - Treatment measures comprising the removal of strontium by cesium absorption apparatus (KURION) (from January 6, 2015) and secondary cesium absorption apparatus (SARRY) (from December 26, 2014) have been underway. As of April 21, approx. 219,000 m³ had been treated.
- Measures in Tank Areas
 - Rainwater, under the release standard and having accumulated inside the fences in the contaminated water tank area, was sprinkled on site after eliminating radioactive materials using rainwater-treatment equipment since May 21, 2014 (as of April 25, 2016, a total of 53,040 m³).
- Rise in the density of radioactive materials around underground reservoirs
 - Around the underground reservoirs (Nos. 1-3) at which operation has been suspended since a leakage was identified in April 2013, an Observation Hole was subsequently installed to continuously monitor the density of radioactive materials in the groundwater.
 - Though gross β radioactive materials were identified at this Observation Hole on March 1, 2016 and at almost all Observation Holes temporarily, they were not detected at present. On April 6, the density of gross β radioactive materials rose at the underground reservoir No. 1 Observation Hole, whereupon monitoring was enhanced and efforts are underway to investigate the cause.
 - From the perspective of responding to the risks of remaining water in the underground reservoir and effective site utilization, consideration has been underway to dismantle and remove underground reservoir Nos.1-3 with which leakages were detected previously.
- Status of investigation into accumulated water in communication ducts with the waste treatment building
 - Annual inspections are conducted for trenches, etc. connected with buildings in which high-level contaminated water is accumulated. For communication ducts with the waste treatment building, among the inspected facilities, the cause was investigated due to the increased density of radioactive materials included in the accumulated water since FY2014.
 - The cause analysis could not identify the contamination source. However, as no continuous inflow into the ducts was found, all accumulated water in the ducts will be transferred and part of the filling will be conducted.
 - Given that the contamination source has yet to be identified, monitoring will continue after filling and water transfer.
- Leakage inside the fences in the High-Temperature Incinerator Building
 - On March 23, a leakage of at least 5.25 m³ was detected at a separated pipe in the north-side area of the High-Temperature Incinerator Building.
 - Based on the investigative results, this leakage is considered primarily attributable to two factors:
 - [Factor 1] The relevant pipe was separated without work permission due to inappropriate communication within the construction company concerning the agreement with TEPCO.
 - [Factor 2] The valve isolating the separated pipe from the operation system of the cesium absorption apparatus was opened.
 - The following measures will be implemented for each factor:
 - [Factor 1]
 - Strengthening work management processes in the construction company
 - Enhancing education related to rules to operate work permission and a description of the work plan in the construction company
 - Clarifying TEPCO requirements for construction companies
 - Strictly confirming the daily work plan by TEPCO [Factor 2]
 - Education about the open/closure status of ball valves
 - Removing and storing control rods
- Deviation from the operational limit* for the accumulated water level in High-Temperature Incinerator Building
 - On April 8, it was confirmed that the accumulated water level exceeded the operational level (T.P. 2,754 mm) in the High-Temperature Incinerator (HTI) Building, which stored contaminated water. With the aim of maintaining the water level in the relevant building below the operational limit, the secondary cesium absorption apparatus (SARRY) was started to reduce the water level in the building. The same day, it was confirmed that the level satisfied the operational limit.
 - Based on the fact that the water level of subdrains around the building exceeded that of the HTI building by 3,909 mm, no high-density contaminated water was deemed to have leaked.
 - The causes in the water-level monitoring were:
 - The lack of a facility alert system, which hampered efforts to monitor the water-level trend.
 - Collection of water-level data and confirmation of trend were insufficient.
 The causes in the accumulated-water transfer plan and operation were:
 - Insufficient information sharing on the water-treatment operation plan.
 - Insufficient confirmation of actual operation status against the calculation conditions for the water-level simulation.
 - The following measures will be implemented for the water-level monitoring system:
 - Temporarily measures:
 - Increasing the monitoring frequency of the accumulated water in the Main Process building and the High-Temperature Incinerator Building.
 - Installing a tentative alert system (on April 18).
 - Permanent measures:
 - Installing a permanent alert system for accumulated water levels in the Main Process and High-Temperature Incinerator Buildings
 - Installing a trend-monitoring function
 - The following measures will be implemented for the accumulated-water transfer plan and operation:
 - Improving the method to share information of the water-treatment facility operation plan.
 - Confirming the conformity of equipment status by operators of the relevant equipment
- Drillage from the G6 area tank transfer pipe (Sr-treated water)
 - On April 20, drillage of Sr-treated water was detected at the pipe flange (connection between the steel and PE pipes) used to transfer Sr-treated water from the desalination equipment to the G6 tank. The part was immediately covered by plastic sheets and water-suction materials and sandbags were installed as an emergency measure. The estimated drillage amount was approx. 2.7L. Given the approx. 70 m distance to the nearest drainage channel C, there was no release into drainage channels linked to the sea.
 - On April 21, water was removed from the relevant pipe and the following day, contaminated soil was collected. A rainwater prevention cover was installed to cover the entire drillage part. Investigation of the cause confirmed that despite slight corrosion at the pipe flange (on the steel pipe side), no abnormality was observed on the gasket seal. Given that the evidence of drillage was relatively new, pulsation of startup/shutdown of the pump during transfer likely exacerbated the drillage.
 - The gasket of the relevant flange was replaced and after confirming no abnormality, the system was recovered. For flanges which resume use following the repeated startup/shutdown of pumps as in this case, more careful patrol will be performed for early discovery and subsequently to facilitate prompt response. Ongoing measures will be taken to improve the reliability of pipes, as well as planning and implementing appearance inspections annually or so for flanges with insulation removed.

2. Fuel removal from the spent fuel pools

Work to help remove spent fuel from the pool is progressing steadily while ensuring seismic capacity and safety. The removal of spent fuel from the Unit 4 pool commenced on November 18, 2013 and was completed on December 22, 2014

➤ Main work to help remove spent fuel at Unit 1

- On July 28, 2015, work started to remove the roof panels of the building cover. By October 5, 2015, all six roof panels had been removed. The installation of a sprinkler system has been underway (from February 4). Work to install sprinkler nozzle units started on April 6 and all 13 units were installed by April 28. The building cover is being dismantled with anti-scattering measures steadily implemented and safety prioritized above all.
- During the annual inspection of the 750t crawler crane used to dismantle the Unit 1 Reactor Building cover, distortion and corrosion were detected in the jib and a new jib for replacement is being arranged. On April 18, leakage of hydraulic oil was detected from another 750t crawler crane currently in use. The supposed cause was friction due to vibration and displacement of hydraulic pressure, which resulted in the hydraulic-oil hose cracking. The hose in which the leakage was detected was replaced on April 20 and the installation of sprinklers resumed.
- To facilitate the formulation of a rubble-removal plan from the Reactor Building operating floor, the rubble status under the fallen roof will be investigated. A precedent investigation using actual machines was conducted to examine the applicability of the investigation method and equipment prepared for the rubble status investigation (March 28 - April 7). Based on the results of the precedent investigation, a future rubble investigation plan under the fallen roof will be formulated.

➤ Main work to help remove spent fuel at Unit 2

- To help remove the spent fuel from the pool of the Unit 2 Reactor Building, dismantling of hindrance buildings around the Reactor Building has been underway since September 7, 2015 to clear a work area within which large heavy-duty machines, etc. will be installed.

➤ Main work to help remove spent fuel at Unit 3

- On April 5, failure was identified with the lifting winch and the motor of the 600t crawler crane used to decontaminate and shield the Reactor Building operating floor. During the annual inspection from April 15, the relevant lifting winch and motor will be replaced.
- From April 12, shields are being installed in areas of the Reactor Building operating floor where decontamination was completed (see Figure 4).

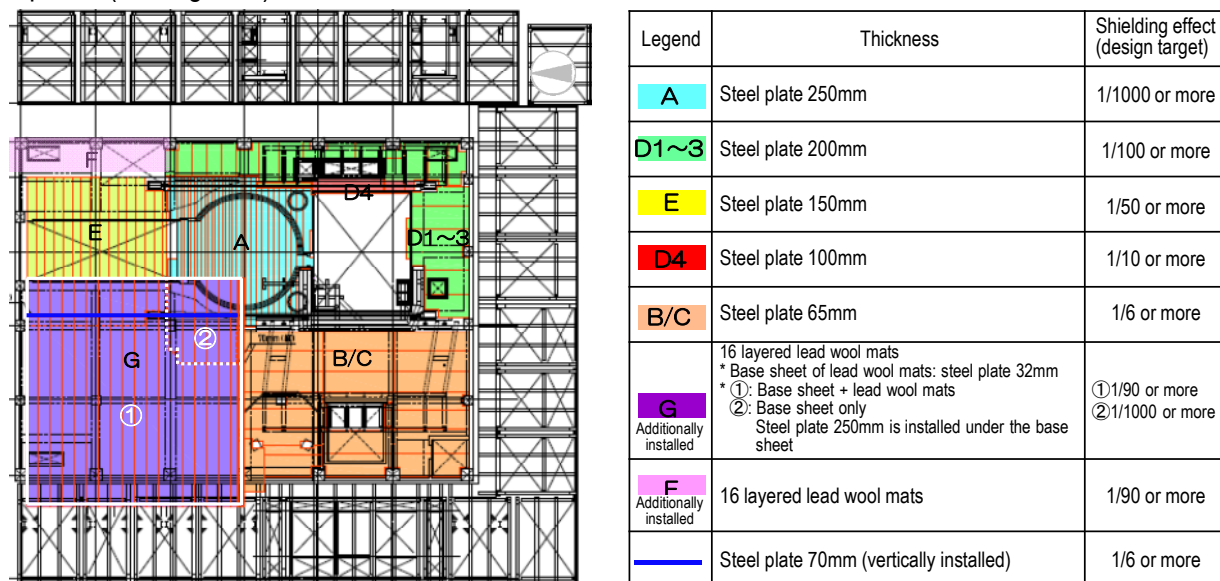


Figure 4: Plan to install large shields

3. Plans to store, process and dispose of solid waste and decommission of reactor facilities

Promoting efforts to reduce and store waste generated appropriately and R&D to facilitate adequate and safe storage, processing and disposal of radioactive waste

➤ Management status of rubble and trimmed trees

- As of the end of March 2016, the total storage volume of concrete and metal rubble was approx. 182,200 m³ (-1,600 m³ compared to at the end of February, with an area-occupation rate of 66%). The total storage volume of trimmed trees was approx. 82,800 m³ (-2,300 m³ compared to at the end of February, with an area-occupation rate of 78%). The total storage volume of protective clothing was approx. 70,300 m³ (with an area-occupation rate of 94%). The decrease in rubble was mainly attributable to construction related to the installation of tanks and the reuse of broken concrete. The decrease in trimmed trees was mainly attributable to the removal of branches and leaves to be processed into tips.

➤ Management status of secondary waste from water treatment

- As of April 21, 2016, the total storage volume of waste sludge was 597 m³ (area-occupation rate: 85%) and that of concentrated waste fluid was 9,238 m³ (area-occupation rate: 83%). The total number of stored spent vessels, High-Integrity Containers (HICs) for multi-nuclide removal equipment, etc. was 3,126 (area-occupation rate: 50%).

➤ Selection requirements of slurry stabilization technology and results of the applicability test

- For long-term stable storage of liquid slurry generated from the multi-nuclide removal equipment, "heated rotational disk dryer" and "filter press" were selected as technologies to stabilize slurry. In a test using simulant slurry, these technologies could be dehydrated (see Figure 5).
- Based on the results, consideration will be made in terms of on-site operations and on requirements for storage containers for expected long-term storage; stabilization-treatment equipment will be selected; and a conceptual design will be drawn.

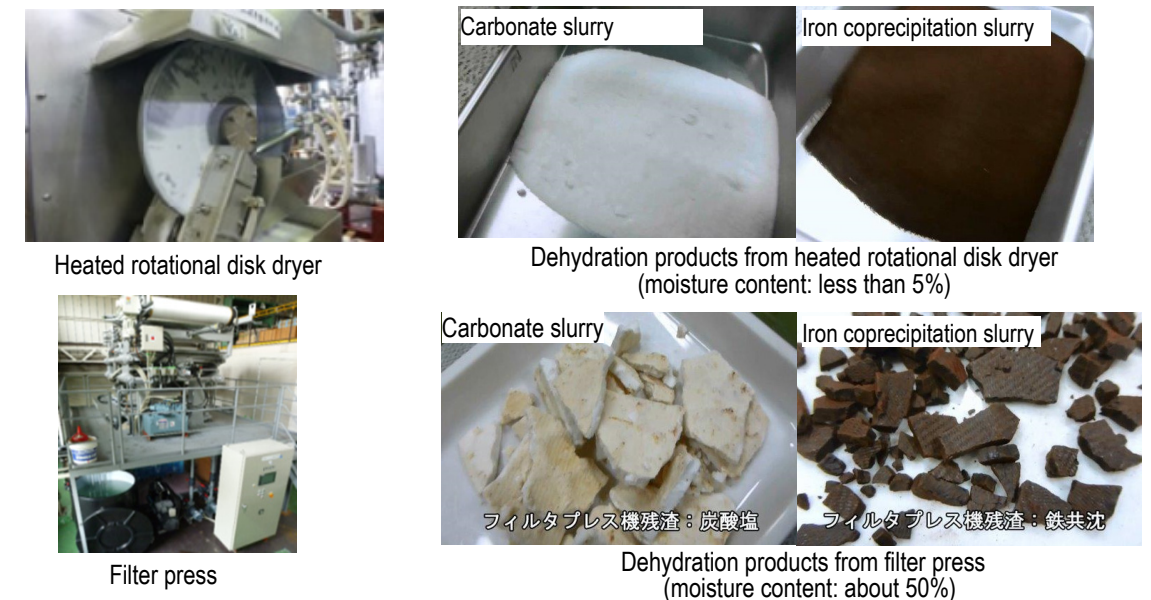


Figure 5: Dehydration products produced from slurry stabilization technologies

4. Reactor cooling

The cold shutdown condition will be maintained by cooling the reactor by water injection and measures to complement the status monitoring will continue

➤ Progress of construction to minimize the circulation loop

- With the aim of reducing the risk of leakage from the outdoor transfer pipe by shortening the loop, a reverse osmosis (RO) device will be installed in the Unit 4 Turbine Building within the circulation loop, comprising the transfer of contaminated water, water treatment and injection into Reactor Buildings, which will shorten the circulation loop (outdoor transfer pipe) from approx. 3 to 0.8 km (approx. 2.1 km including the accumulated-water transfer line).

- For the RO circulation facility installed in the building by this measure, construction requiring no modification of existing facilities was completed. As the implementation plan was authorized on January 28, 2016, the installation of pipes and valves requiring modification of existing facilities has been underway. To facilitate this construction, the water source for injection into the reactor was switched from the Unit 3 condensate storage tank (CST) to the elevated buffer tank (February 18 - March 31).
- During the function validation test, the presence of a foreign body (washer) in a pump was identified. The pump was recovered and the foreign substance removed. The cause is now being investigated and appropriate measures considered.
- During the function validation test, the pump stopped before reaching the rated flow rate due to low inlet pressure. Given that more serious pipe-pressure damage than expected was supposed to have occurred, the cause is being investigated and measures considered.

5. Reduction in radiation dose and mitigation of contamination

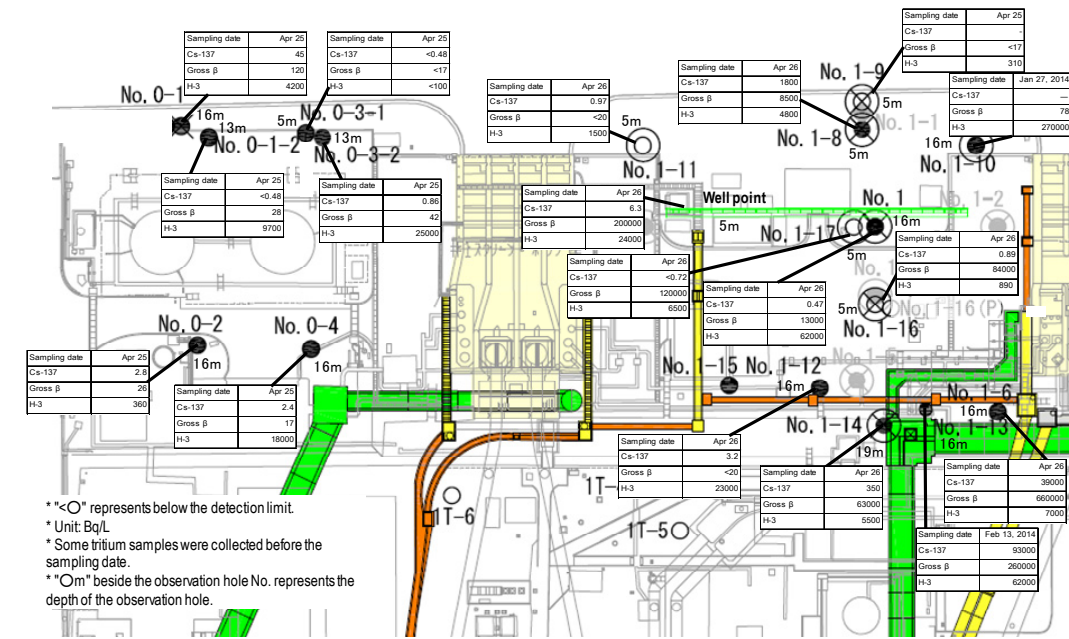
Effective dose-reduction at site boundaries and purification of port water to mitigate the impact of radiation on the external environment

➤ Status of groundwater and seawater on the east side of Turbine Building Units 1 to 4

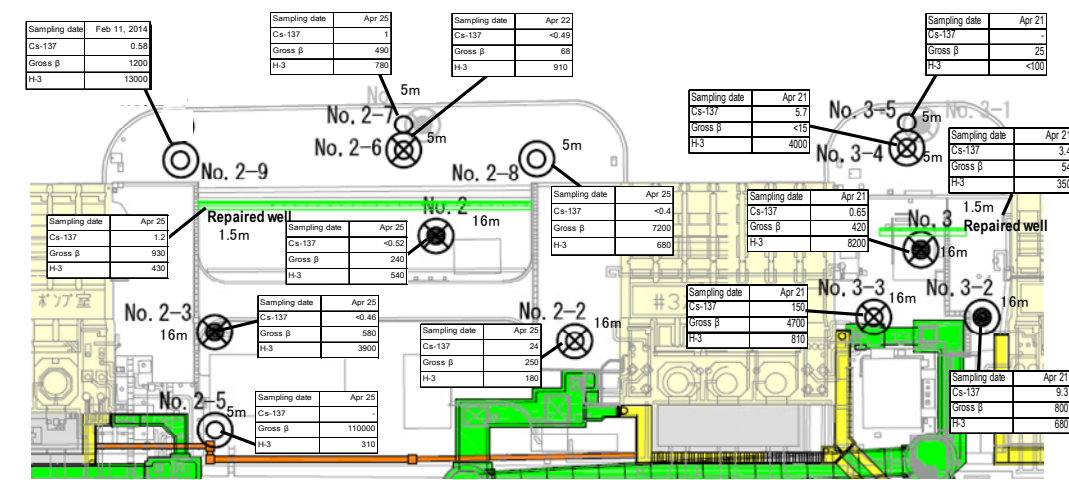
- Regarding the radioactive materials in the groundwater near the bank on the north side of the Unit 1 intake, the tritium density at groundwater Observation Hole No. 0-1 has been increasing since December 2015 and currently stands at around 4,000 Bq/L.
- Regarding the groundwater near the bank between the Unit 1 and 2 intakes, though the tritium density at groundwater Observation Hole No. 1-9 has been increasing to approx. 800 Bq/L since December 2015, it currently stands at around 300 Bq/L. Though the tritium density at groundwater Observation Hole No. 1-17 had remained constant at around 50,000 Bq/L, it has been increasing after having declined to 2,000 Bq/L since March 2016, and currently stands at around 7,000 Bq/L. Though the density of gross β radioactive materials at the same groundwater Observation Hole had remained constant at around 7,000 Bq/L, it has been increasing since March 2016 and currently stands at around 100,000 Bq/L. Since August 15, 2013, pumping of groundwater continued (at the well point between the Unit 1 and 2 intakes: August 15, 2013 – October 13, 2015 and from October 24; at the repaired well point: October 14 - 23, 2015).
- Regarding radioactive materials in the groundwater near the bank between the Unit 2 and 3 intakes, though the density of gross β radioactive materials at groundwater Observation Hole No. 2-5 had remained constant at around 10,000 Bq/L, it has been increasing since November 2015 and currently stands at around 100,000 Bq/L. Since December 18, 2013, pumping of groundwater continued (at the well point between the Unit 2 and 3 intakes: December 18, 2013 - October 13, 2015; at the repaired well point: from October 14, 2015).
- Regarding radioactive materials in the groundwater near the bank between the Unit 3 and 4 intakes, though the density of gross β radioactive materials at groundwater Observation Hole No. 3-2 had been increasing to around 1,200 Bq/L since December 2015, it currently stands at around 800 Bq/L. Since April 1, 2015, pumping of groundwater continued (at the well point between the Unit 3 and 4 intakes: April 1 – September 16, 2015; at the repaired well point: from September 17, 2015).
- Regarding the radioactive materials in seawater outside the sea-side impermeable walls and within the open channels of Units 1 - 4, as well as those inside the port, the density was declining due to the effect of the completed installation and the connection of steel pipe sheet piles for the sea-side impermeable walls.
- Regarding the radioactive materials in seawater outside the port, the densities of cesium 137 and tritium have remained within the same range previously recorded.

➤ Progress of dose reduction on site

- To reduce the exposure dose of workers, decontamination on site has continued. It was confirmed that the dose rate had been reduced to the target (5 μSv/h or lower) by the end of FY2015 except for areas around Unit 1-4 buildings (see Figure 8).



<Unit 1 intake north side, between Unit 1 and 2 intakes>



<Between Unit 2 and 3 intakes, between Unit 3 and 4 intakes>

Figure 6: Groundwater density on the Turbine Building east side

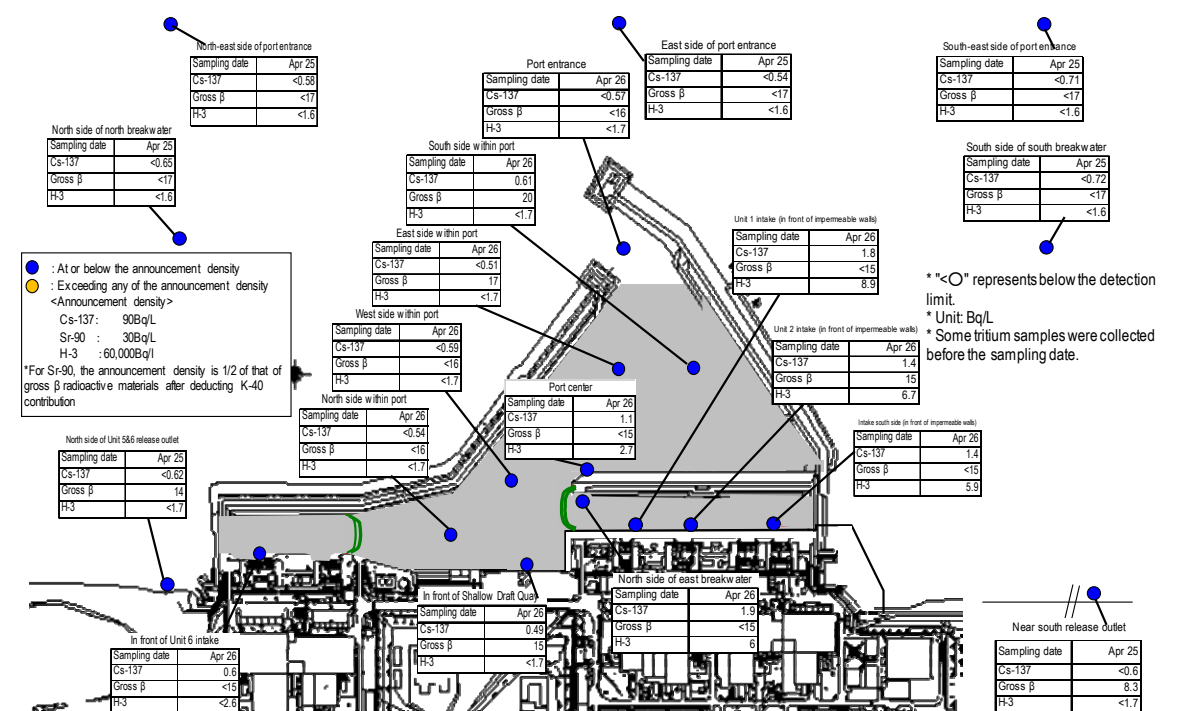


Figure 7: Seawater density around the port

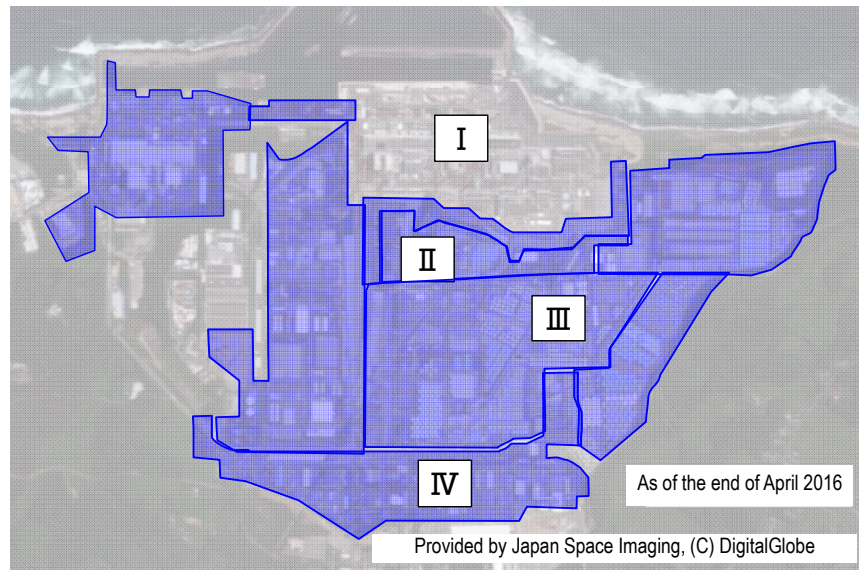


Figure 8: Areas that achieved the target of area-average dose of 5 μSv/h

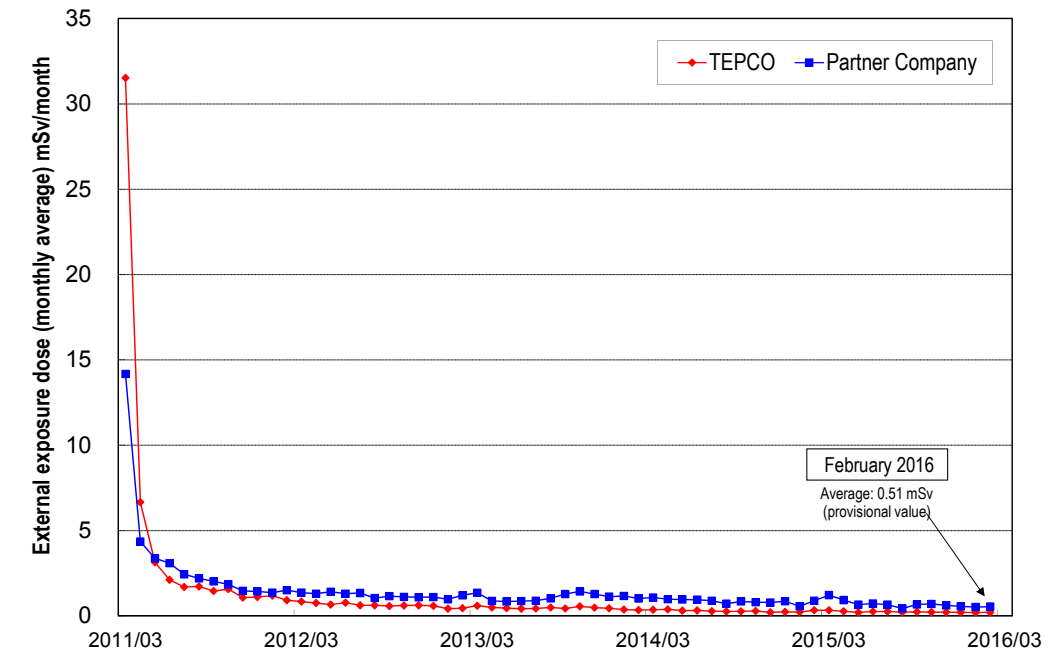


Figure 10: Changes in monthly individual worker exposure dose (monthly average exposure dose since March 2011)

6. Review of the number of staff required and efforts to improve the labor environment and conditions

Securing appropriate staff long-term while thoroughly implementing workers' exposure dose control. Improving the work environment and labor conditions continuously based on an understanding of workers' on-site needs

➤ Staff management

- The monthly average total of people registered for at least one day per month to work on site during the past quarter from December 2015 to February 2016 was approx. 13,600 (TEPCO and partner company workers), which exceeded the monthly average number of actual workers (approx. 10,500). Accordingly, sufficient people are registered to work on site.
- It was confirmed with the prime contractors that the estimated manpower necessary for the work in May 2016 (approx. 5,680 per day: TEPCO and partner company workers)* would be secured at present. The average numbers of workers per day for each month (actual values) were maintained, with approx. 4,500 to 7,500 since FY2014 (see Figure 9).
Some works for which contractual procedures have yet to be completed were excluded from the estimate for May 2016.
- The total number of workers from Fukushima Prefecture has increased. The local employment ratio (TEPCO and partner company workers) as of March 2016 remained at around 50%.
- The monthly average exposure dose of workers remained at approx. 1 mSv/month during FY2013, FY2014 and FY2015. (Reference: Annual average exposure dose 20 mSv/year \div 12 months = 1.7 mSv/month)
- For most workers, the exposure dose was sufficiently within the limit and allowed them to continue engaging in radiation work.

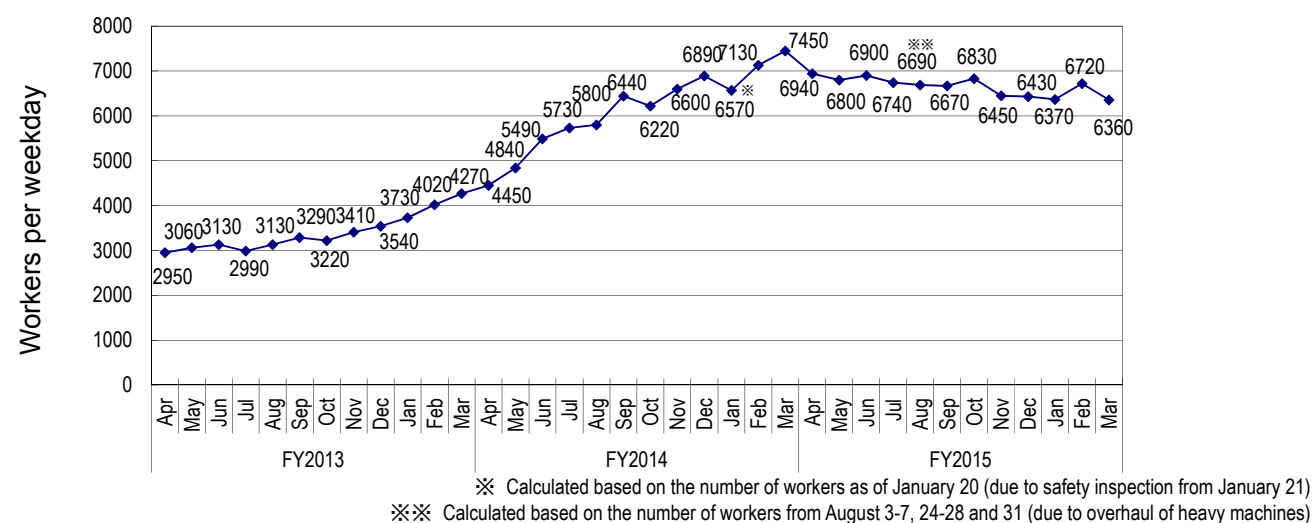


Figure 9: Changes in the average number of workers per weekday for each month since FY2013

➤ Status of influenza and norovirus infections

- Up to the 16th week of 2016 (April 18-24, 2016), there were 372 influenza infections and 15 norovirus infections. The totals for the entire previous season (November 2014 - March 2015) showed 353 influenza infections and ten norovirus infections.

➤ Installation of shower facilities at the large rest house

- To improve the labor environment for workers, shower facilities were installed in the large rest house by March 31. Operation started on April 11.

➤ Safety activity plan of the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station

- The number of work accidents in FY2015 was significantly reduced from 64 in the previous fiscal year to 38. The number of heat stroke cases was also reduced from 15 to 12.
- In FY2016, based on the positive performance of the previous year, measures including efforts to improve the management, which had been implemented since last year, continue as well as striving for further improvement and enhancement according to the implementation status.
- In particular, horizontal deployment will be enhanced for accidents occurring on site to reduce more work accidents.

7. Other

➤ 1st International Forum on the Decommissioning of the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station

- On April 10 and 11, the 1st International Forum on the Decommissioning of the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station was held in Iwaki City, Fukushima Prefecture (Spa Resort Hawaiians).
- More than 600 people from 15 countries, including Japan, attended. In addition to notifying the latest status of the measures for the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station and engaging in professional debates related to decommissioning, attendees also participated in lively discussions about how to communicate with local communities to facilitate decommissioning.
- This forum continues to be held based on these discussions.

➤ A certificate of gratitude offered to the work teams involved in decommissioning and measures for contaminated water

- Aiming to express respect to the dedicated workers involved in long-term activities on site toward safe and steady

- decommissioning, a certificate of gratitude is offered to work teams comprising prime contractors and partner companies, which boldly took on difficult challenges and rendered distinguished services, from the Prime Minister, the Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry and the State Minister of METI (Chief of On-site Task Force for Nuclear Disasters) at the 1st International Forum on the Decommissioning of the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station.
- The Prime Minister also received a courtesy call by the team, to which he offered a certificate of gratitude in his name.
- Implementers of R&D projects for decommissioning measures (METI FY2015 supplementary budget) were decided on.
- Public offerings were made regarding the following projects (offering period: March 10-24):
(1) Advanced comprehensive assessment of situations inside the reactor; (2) Development of technologies to investigate inside PCV; (3) Development of technologies to investigate inside RPV; (4) Development of technologies to prevent corrosion of RPV/PCV; (5) Development of methods to evaluate quake resistance of and impact on RPV/PCV; (6) Development of technologies to control fuel debris criticality; (7) Development of technologies to repair PCV leakage points; (8) R&D related to full-scale testing for technologies to repair PCV leakage points.
 - Following screening by the review board, comprising external experts, eight project implementers above were decided on March 31 and April 15.
- Technology Strategy Plan for Decommissioning of Tokyo Electric Power Company Holdings, Inc. Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station 2016
- In the Fukushima Advisory Board on Decommissioning and Contaminated Water Management (11th meeting), the Nuclear Damage Compensation and Decommissioning Facilitation Corporation introduced a draft outline of the above strategy plan.
- Overview of the Decommissioning Research and Development Cooperation Council (3rd meeting)
- On April 18, the 3rd meeting of the Decommissioning Research and Development Cooperation Council established by the Nuclear Damage Compensation and Decommissioning Facilitation Corporation was held. Discussions were made concerning the progress of specific activities for enhancing collaboration as well as programs for R&D and human resource development and efforts regarding needs-seeds matching, etc.
- Accumulated water identified in the Incineration Workshop Building
- On April 12, 2016, accumulated water was detected on the 1st floor of the Incineration Workshop Building. It was confirmed that the accumulated water remained within the building without leakage outside the building and that there was no leakage from the pipes installed in the area of detection. The supposed cause was ingress of rainwater from the outside of the building.
- Smoke generated in the Unit 5 Reactor Building pump room
- On April 25, smoke was detected from the cover mat (static mat) installed at the cable end during the insulation diagnosis of the Unit 5 Reactor Building residual heat removal system (A) pump motor. The supposed cause was a ground fault which occurred through the covering static mat when electric voltage was applied for the insulation diagnosis and probably burned as a result.

Status of seawater monitoring within the port (comparison between the highest values in 2013 and the latest values)

“The highest value” → “the latest value (sampled during April 18-26)”; unit (Bq/L); ND represents a value below the detection limit

Source: TEPCO website Analysis results on nuclides of radioactive materials around Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station <http://www.tepco.co.jp/nu/fukushima-np/f1/smp/index-j.html>

Sea side impermeable wall
Silt fence

Cesium-134: 3.3 (2013/10/17) → ND(0.51) Below 1/6
Cesium-137: 9.0 (2013/10/17) → ND(0.51) Below 1/10
Gross β: **74** (2013/ 8/19) → 17 Below 1/4
Tritium: 67 (2013/ 8/19) → ND(1.7) Below 1/30

Cesium-134: 4.4 (2013/12/24) → ND(0.51) Below 1/8
Cesium-137: 10 (2013/12/24) → ND(0.59) Below 1/10
Gross β: **60** (2013/ 7/ 4) → ND(16) Below 1/3
Tritium: 59 (2013/ 8/19) → ND(1.7) Below 1/30

Cesium-134: 5.0 (2013/12/2) → ND(0.58) Below 1/8
Cesium-137: 8.4 (2013/12/2) → ND(0.54) Below 1/10
Gross β: **69** (2013/8/19) → ND(16) Below 1/4
Tritium: 52 (2013/8/19) → ND(1.7) Below 1/30

Cesium-134: 2.8 (2013/12/2) → ND(0.56) Below 1/5
Cesium-137: 5.8 (2013/12/2) → 0.60 Below 1/9
Gross β: **46** (2013/8/19) → ND(15) Below 1/3
Tritium: 24 (2013/8/19) → ND(2.6) Below 1/9

Cesium-134: ND(0.73)
Cesium-137: 1.1
Gross β: ND(15)
Tritium: 2.7 *

Cesium-134: 3.3 (2013/12/24) → ND(0.52) Below 1/6
Cesium-137: 7.3 (2013/10/11) → ND(0.57) Below 1/10
Gross β: **69** (2013/ 8/19) → ND(16) Below 1/4
Tritium: 68 (2013/ 8/19) → ND(1.7) Below 1/40

Cesium-134: 3.5 (2013/10/17) → ND(0.52) Below 1/6
Cesium-137: 7.8 (2013/10/17) → 0.61 Below 1/10
Gross β: **79** (2013/ 8/19) → 20 Below 1/3
Tritium: 60 (2013/ 8/19) → ND(1.7) Below 1/30

Cesium-134: **32** (2013/10/11) → 0.48 Below 1/60
Cesium-137: **73** (2013/10/11) → 1.9 Below 1/30
Gross β: **320** (2013/ 8/12) → ND(15) Below 1/20
Tritium: 510 (2013/ 9/ 2) → 6.0 Below 1/80

Cesium-134: ND(0.56)
Cesium-137: 1.8
Gross β: ND(15)
Tritium: 8.9 *

Cesium-134: ND(0.78)
Cesium-137: 1.4
Gross β: 15
Tritium: 6.7 *

Cesium-134: ND(0.49)
Cesium-137: 1.4
Gross β: ND(15)
Tritium: 5.9 *

* Monitoring commenced in or after March 2014. Monitoring inside the sea-side impermeable walls was finished because of the landfill.

	Legal discharge limit	WHO Guidelines for Drinking Water Quality
Cesium-134	60	10
Cesium-137	90	10
Strontium-90 (strongly correlate with Gross β)	30	10
Tritium	60,000	10,000

Cesium-134: 5.3 (2013/8/ 5) → ND(0.42) Below 1/10
Cesium-137: 8.6 (2013/8/ 5) → 0.49 Below 1/10
Gross β: **40** (2013/7/ 3) → 15 Below 1/2
Tritium: 340 (2013/6/26) → ND(1.7) Below 1/200

Note: The gross β measurement values include natural potassium 40 (approx. 12 Bq/L). They also include the contribution of yttrium 90, which radioactively balance strontium 90.

Summary of TEPCO data of April 27

Status of seawater monitoring around outside of the port (comparison between the highest values in 2013 and the latest values)

(The latest values sampled during April 18-26)

Unit (Bq/L); ND represents a value below the detection limit; values in () represent the detection limit; ND (2013) represents ND throughout 2013

	Legal discharge limit	WHO Guidelines for Drinking Water Quality
Cesium-134	60	10
Cesium-137	90	10
Strontium-90 (strongly correlate with Gross β)	30	10
Tritium	60,000	10,000

○【Northeast side of port entrance(offshore 1km)】

Cesium-134: ND (2013) → ND (0.76)
 Cesium-137: ND (2013) → ND (0.58)
 Gross β: ND (2013) → ND (17)
 Tritium: ND (2013) → ND (1.6)

○【East side of port entrance (offshore 1km)】

Cesium-134: ND (2013) → ND (0.75)
 Cesium-137: 1.6 (2013/10/18) → ND (0.54) Below 1/2
 Gross β: ND (2013) → ND (17)
 Tritium: 6.4 (2013/10/18) → ND (1.6) Below 1/4

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○【Southeast side of port entrance(offshore 1km)】

Cesium-134: ND (2013) → ND (0.81)
 Cesium-137: ND (2013) → ND (0.71)
 Gross β: ND (2013) → ND (17)
 Tritium: ND (2013) → ND (1.6)

Cesium-134: ND (2013) → ND (0.71)
 Cesium-137: ND (2013) → ND (0.65)
 Gross β: ND (2013) → ND (17)
 Tritium: 4.7 (2013/ 8/18) → ND (1.6) Below 1/2

○【South side of south breakwater(offshore 0.5km)】

Cesium-134: ND (2013) → ND (0.59)
 Cesium-137: ND (2013) → ND (0.72)
 Gross β: ND (2013) → ND (17)
 Tritium: ND (2013) → ND (1.6)

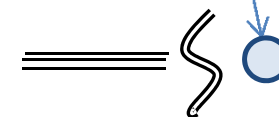
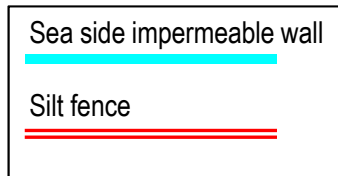
○【North side of north breakwater(offshore 0.5km)】

○【Port entrance】

Cesium-134: 3.3 (2013/12/24) → ND (0.52) Below 1/6
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 Gross β: 69 (2013/ 8/19) → ND (16) Below 1/4
 Tritium: 68 (2013/ 8/19) → ND (1.7) Below 1/40

Cesium-134: ND (2013) → ND (0.63)
 Cesium-137: 3.0 (2013/ 7/15) → ND (0.60) Below 1/5
 Gross β: 15 (2013/12/23) → 8.3
 Tritium: 1.9 (2013/11/25) → ND (1.7)

○【Around south discharge channel】

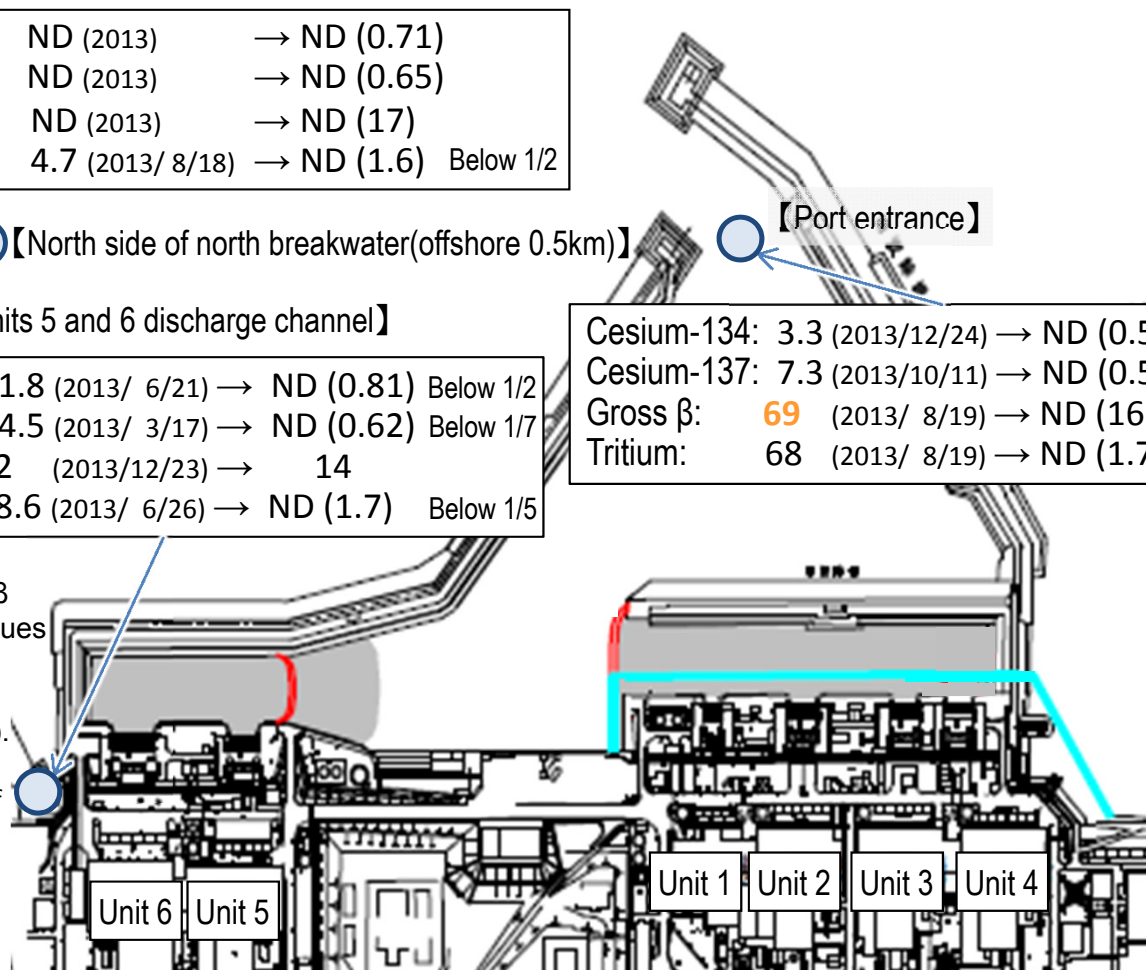


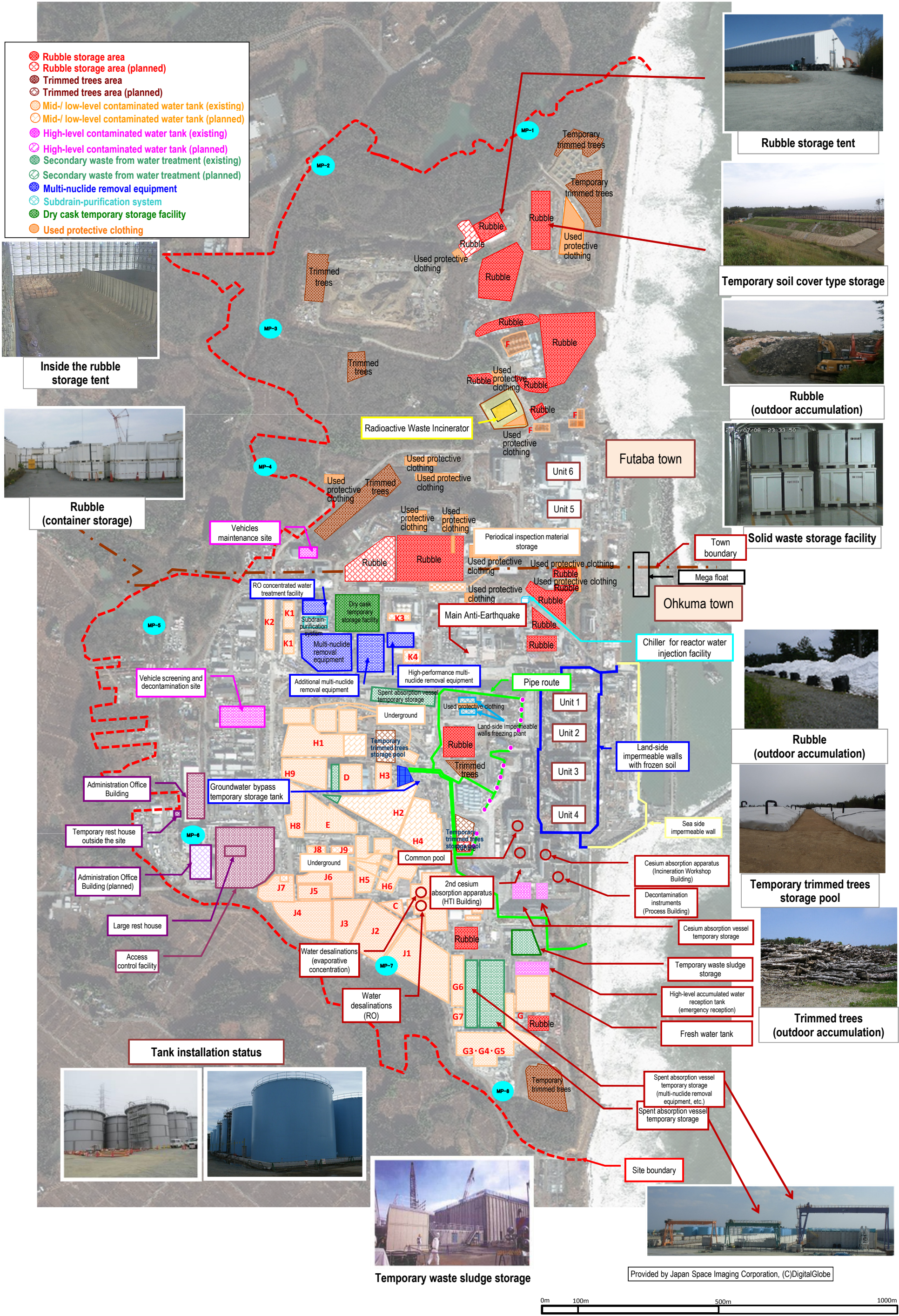
Summary of TEPCO data as of April 27

○【North side of Units 5 and 6 discharge channel】

Cesium-134: 1.8 (2013/ 6/21) → ND (0.81) Below 1/2
 Cesium-137: 4.5 (2013/ 3/17) → ND (0.62) Below 1/7
 Gross β: 12 (2013/12/23) → 14
 Tritium: 8.6 (2013/ 6/26) → ND (1.7) Below 1/5

Note: The gross β measurement values include natural potassium 40 (approx. 12 Bq/L). They also include the contribution of yttrium 90, which radioactively balance strontium 90.





Progress toward decommissioning: Fuel removal from the spent fuel pool (SFP)

Immediate target Commence fuel removal from the Unit 1-3 Spent Fuel Pools

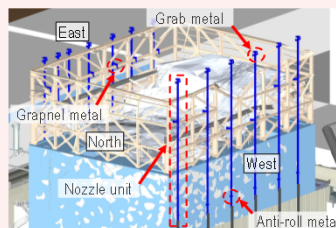
Unit 1

Regarding fuel removal from Unit 1 spent fuel pool, there is a plan to install a dedicated cover for fuel removal over the operating floor^(*).

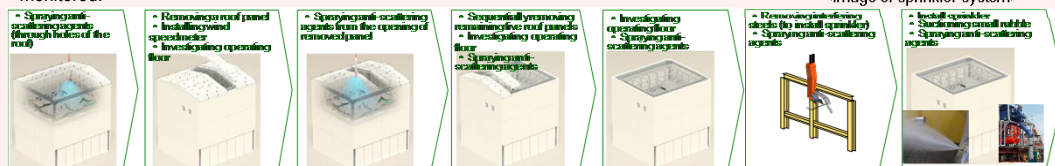
Before starting this plan, the building cover will be dismantled to remove rubble from the top of the operating floor, with anti-scattering measures steadily implemented.

All panels were removed by October 5, 2015. Installation of sprinklers as measures to prevent dust scattering has been underway since February 4, 2016.

Dismantling of the building cover will proceed with radioactive materials thoroughly monitored.



<Image of sprinkler system>



Flow of building cover dismantling

Unit 2

To facilitate removal of fuel assemblies and debris in the Unit 2 spent fuel pool, the scope of dismantling and modification of the existing Reactor Building rooftop was examined. From the perspective of ensuring safety during the work, controlling impacts on the outside of the power station, and removing fuel rapidly to reduce risks, we decided to dismantle the whole rooftop above the highest floor of the Reactor Building.

Examination of the following two plans continues: Plan 1 to share a container for removing fuel assemblies and debris from the pool; and Plan 2 to install a dedicated cover for fuel removal from the pool.

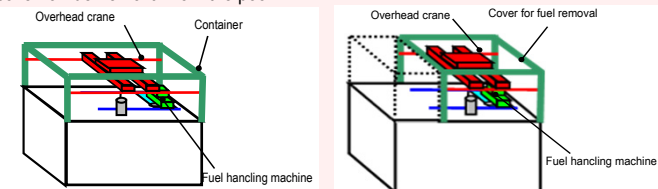


Image of Plan 1

Image of Plan 2

Unit 3

To facilitate the installation of a cover for fuel removal, removal of large rubble from the spent fuel pool was completed in November 2015. Measures to reduce dose (decontamination and shielding) are underway. (from October 15, 2013)

To ensure safe and steady fuel removal, training of remote control was conducted at the factory using the actual fuel-handling machine which will be installed on site (February – December 2015).

After implementing the dose-reduction measures, the cover for fuel removal and the fuel-handling machine will be installed.



Fuel gripper (mast)



Manipulator

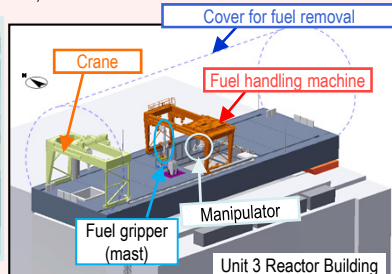


Image of entire fuel handling facility inside the cover

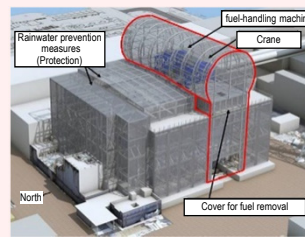


Image of the cover for fuel removal

Unit 4

In the Mid- and Long-Term Roadmap, the target of Phase 1 involved commencing fuel removal from inside the spent fuel pool (SFP) of the 1st Unit within two years of completion of Step 2 (by December 2013). On November 18, 2013, fuel removal from Unit 4, or the 1st Unit, commenced and Phase 2 of the roadmap started.

On November 5, 2014, within a year of commencing work to remove the fuel, all 1,331 spent fuel assemblies in the pool had been transferred. The transfer of the remaining non-irradiated fuel assemblies to the Unit 6 SFP was completed on December 22, 2014. (2 of the non-irradiated fuel assemblies were removed in advance in July 2012 for fuel checks)

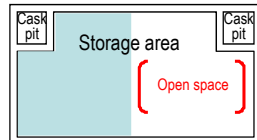
This marks the completion of fuel removal from the Unit 4 Reactor Building. Based on this experience, fuel assemblies will be removed from Unit 1-3 pools.

* A part of the photo is corrected because it includes sensitive information related to physical protection.



Fuel removal status

Common pool

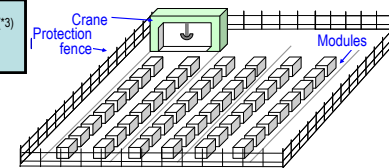


An open space will be maintained in the common pool (Transfer to the temporary dry cask storage facility)

Progress to date

- The common pool has been restored to a condition allowing it to re-accommodate fuel to be handled (November 2012)
- Loading of spent fuel stored in the common pool to dry casks commenced (June 2013)
- Fuel removed from the Unit 4 spent fuel pool began to be received (November 2013)

Temporary dry cask^(*) storage facility



Spent fuel is accepted from the common pool

Operation commenced on April 12, 2013; from the cask-storage building, transfer of 9 existing dry casks completed (May 21, 2013); fuel stored in the common pool sequentially transferred.

<Glossary>

(*) Operating floor: During regular inspection, the roof over the reactor is opened while on the operating floor, fuel inside the core is replaced and the core internals are inspected.

(**) Cask: Transportation container for samples and equipment, including radioactive materials.

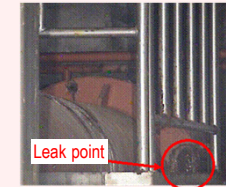
Immediate target Identify the plant status and commence R&D and decontamination toward fuel debris removal

Investigation into TIP Room of the Unit 1 Reactor Building

- To improve the environment for future investigations inside the PCV, etc., an investigation was conducted from September 24 to October 2, 2015 at the TIP Room^(*). (Due to high dose around the entrance in to the TIP Room, the investigation of dose rate and contamination distribution was conducted through a hole drilled from the walkway of the Turbine Building, where the dose was low)
- The investigative results identified high dose at X-31 to 33 penetrations⁽²⁾ (instrumentation penetration) and low dose at other parts.
- As it was confirmed that work inside the TIP room would be available, the next step will include identification of obstacles which will interfere the work inside the TIP Room and formulation of a plan for dose reduction.

Investigation in the leak point detected in the upper part of the Unit 1 Suppression Chamber (S/C^(*))

Investigation in the leak point detected in the upper part of Unit 1 S/C from May 27, 2014 from one expansion joint cover among the lines installed there. As no leakage was identified from other parts, specific methods will be examined to halt the flow of water and repair the PCV.



Leak point

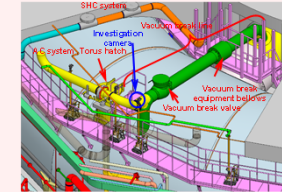
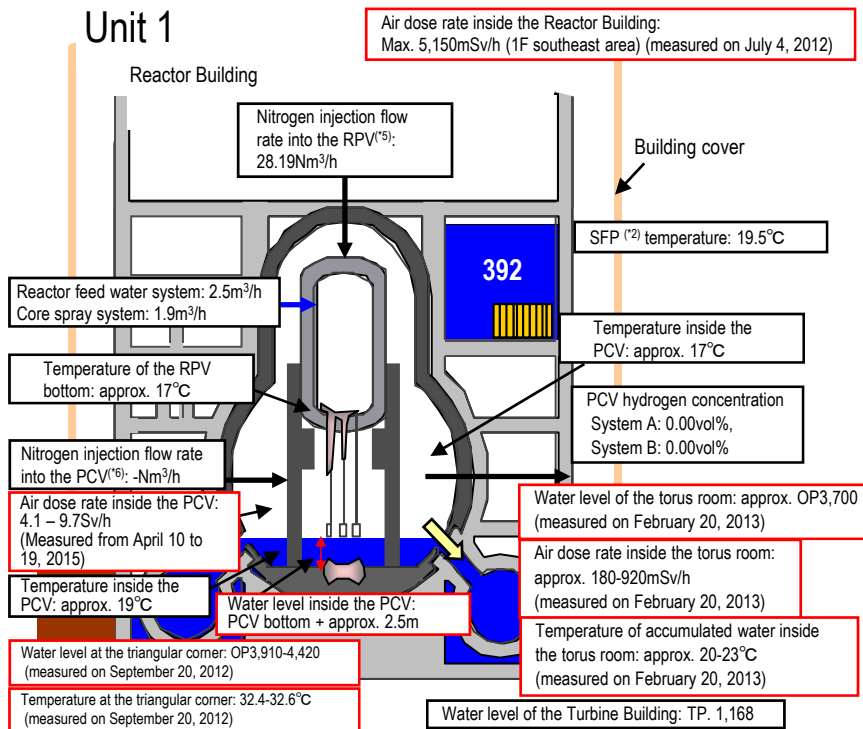


Image of the S/C upper part investigation



* Indices related to the plant are values as of 11:00, April 27, 2016

Investigations inside PCV	1st (Oct 2012)	- Acquiring images - Measuring air temperature and dose rate - Measuring water level and temperature - Sampling accumulated water - Installing permanent monitoring instrumentation
	2nd (Apr 2015)	Confirming the status of PCV 1st floor - Acquiring images - Measuring air temperature and dose rate - Replacing permanent monitoring instrumentation
Leakage points from PCV	- PCV vent pipe vacuum break line bellows (identified in May 2014) - Sand cushion drain line (identified in November 2013)	

Status of equipment development toward investigating inside the PCV

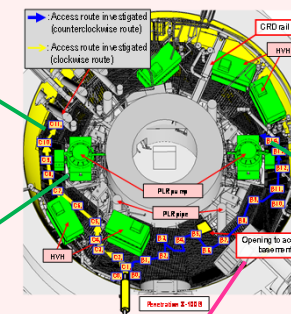
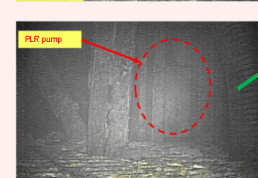
Prior to removing fuel debris, to check the conditions inside the Primary Containment Vessel (PCV), including the location of the fuel debris, investigation inside the PCV is scheduled.

[Investigative outline]

- Inserting equipment from Unit 1 X-100B penetration⁽⁵⁾ to investigate in clockwise and counter-clockwise directions.

[Status of investigation equipment development]

- Using the crawler-type equipment with a shape-changing structure which allows it to enter the PCV from the narrow access entrance (bore: ϕ 100mm) and stably move on the grating, a field demonstration was implemented from April 10 to 20, 2015. Through this investigation, information including images and airborne radiation inside the PCV 1st floor was obtained.
- Based on the investigative results in April 2015 and additional information obtained later, an investigation on the PCV basement floor will be conducted in a method of traveling on the 1st floor grating and dropping cameras, dosimeters, etc. from above the investigative target to increase feasibility.



Investigation inside PCV

<Glossary>

- (*) TIP (Traversing In-core Probe)
- (2) Penetration: Through-hole of the PCV
- (3) S/C (Suppression Chamber): Suppression pool, used as the water source for the emergent core cooling system.
- (4) SFP (Spent Fuel Pool):
- (5) RPV (Reactor Pressure Vessel)
- (6) PCV (Primary Containment Vessel)

Progress toward decommissioning: Works to identify the plant status and toward fuel debris removal

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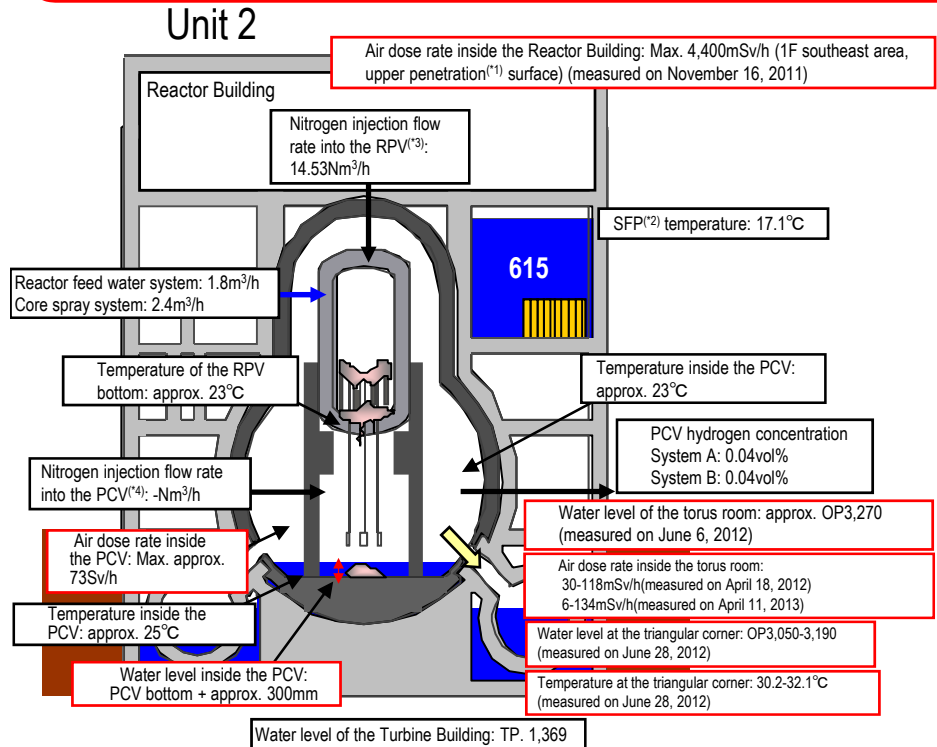
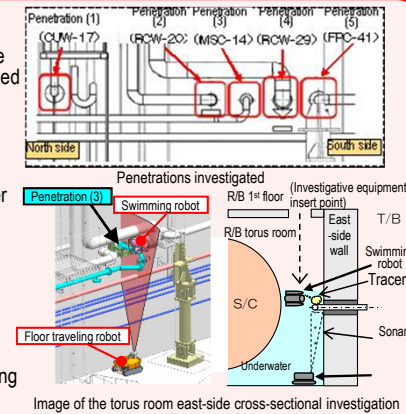
Immediate target Identify the plant status and commence R&D and decontamination toward fuel debris removal

Installation of an RPV thermometer and permanent PCV supervisory instrumentation

- Replacement of the RPV thermometer
 - As the thermometer installed at the Unit 2 RPV bottom after the earthquake had broken in February 2014, it was excluded from the monitoring thermometers.
 - On April 2014, removal of the broken thermometer failed and was suspended. Rust-stripping chemicals were injected and the broken thermometer was removed on January 2015. A new thermometer was reinstalled on March. The thermometer has been used as a part of permanent supervisory instrumentation since April.
- Reinstallation of the PCV thermometer and water-level gauge
 - Some of the permanent supervisory instrumentation for PCV could not be installed in the planned locations due to interference with existing grating (August 2013). The instrumentation was removed on May 2014 and new instruments were reinstalled on June 2014. The trend of added instrumentation will be monitored for approx. one month to evaluate its validity.
 - The measurement during the installation confirmed that the water level inside the PCV was approx. 300mm from the bottom.

Investigative results on torus room walls

- The torus room walls were investigated (on the north side of the east-side walls) using equipment specially developed for that purpose (a swimming robot and a floor traveling robot).
- At the east-side wall pipe penetrations (five points), "the status" and "existence of flow" were checked.
- A demonstration using the above two types of underwater wall investigative equipment showed how the equipment could check the status of penetration.
- Regarding Penetrations 1 - 5, the results of checking the sprayed tracer (¹⁵) by camera showed no flow around the penetrations. (investigation by the swimming robot)
- Regarding Penetration 3, a sonar check showed no flow around the penetrations. (investigation by the floor traveling robot)



* Indices related to plant are values as of 11:00, April 27, 2016

Investigations inside PCV	1st (Jan 2012)	- Acquiring images - Measuring air temperature
	2nd (Mar 2012)	- Confirming water surface - Measuring water temperature - Measuring dose rate
	3rd (Feb 2013 - Jun 2014)	- Acquiring images - Sampling accumulated water - Measuring water level - Installing permanent monitoring instrumentation
Leakage points from PC	- No leakage from torus room rooftop - No leakage from all inside/outside surfaces of S/C	

Status of equipment development toward investigating inside the PCV

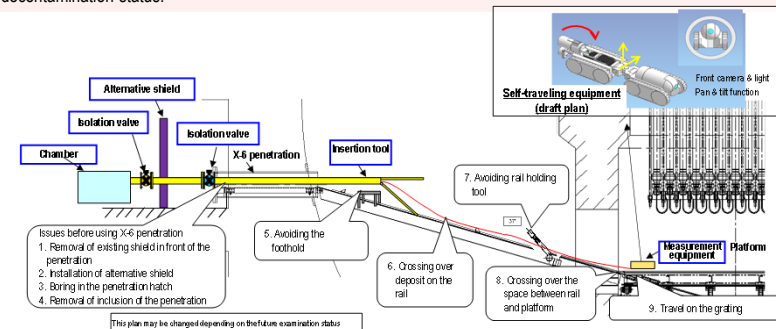
Prior to removing fuel debris, to check the conditions inside the Primary Containment Vessel (PCV), including the location of the fuel debris, investigations inside the PCV are scheduled.

[Investigative outline]

- Inserting the equipment from Unit 2 X-6 penetration⁽¹⁾ and accessing inside the pedestal using the CRD rail to conduct investigation.

[Status of investigative equipment development]

- Based on issues confirmed by the CRD rail status investigation conducted in August 2013, the investigation method and equipment design are currently being examined.
- As a portion of shielding blocks installed in front of X-6 penetration could not be moved, a removal method using small heavy machines was planned. The work for removing these blocks resumed on September 28, 2015 and removal of interfering blocks for future investigations was also completed on October 1, 2015.
- To start the investigation into the inside of PCV, dose on the floor surface in front of X-6 penetration needs to be reduced to approx. 100 mSv/h. As the dose was not decreased to the target level through decontamination (removal of eluted materials, decontamination by steam, chemical decontamination, surface grind), dose reduction methods including anti-dust scattering measures will be re-examined. Investigations inside the PCV will be conducted according to the decontamination status.



Investigative issues inside the PCV and equipment configuration (draft plan)

<Glossary>

- (¹) Penetration: Through-hole of the PCV
- (²) SFP (Spent Fuel Pool)
- (³) RPV (Reactor Pressure Vessel)
- (⁴) PCV (Primary Containment Vessel)
- (⁵) Tracer: Material used to trace the fluid flow. Clay particles

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Immediate target Identify the plant status and commence R&D and decontamination toward fuel debris removal

Water flow was detected from the Main Steam Isolation Valve* room

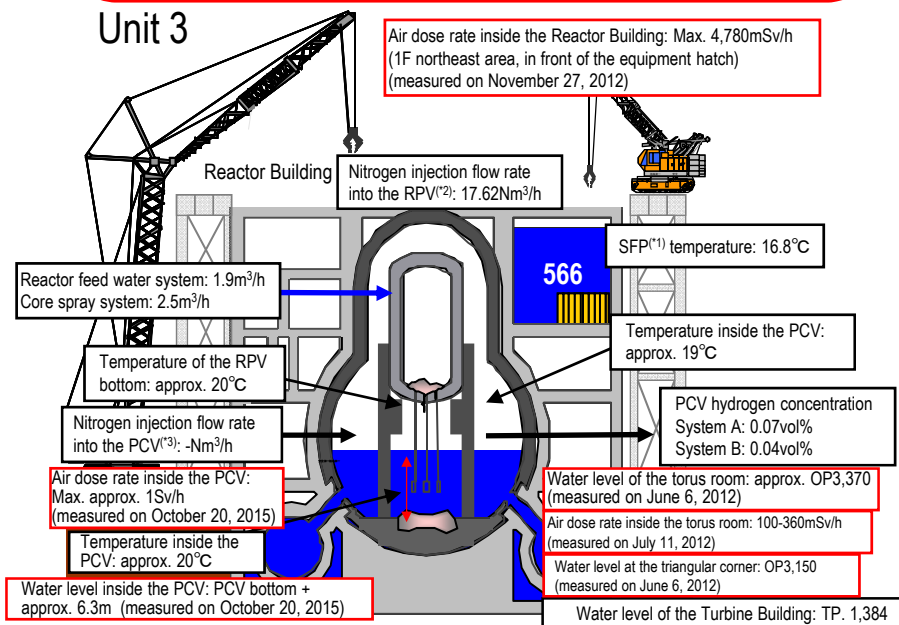
On January 18, 2014, a flow of water from around the door of the Steam Isolation Valve room in the Reactor Building Unit 3 1st floor northeast area to the nearby floor drain funnel (drain outlet) was detected. As the drain outlet connects with the underground part of the Reactor Building, there is no possibility of outflow from the building.

From April 23, 2014, image data has been acquired by camera and the radiation dose measured via pipes for measurement instrumentation, which connect the air-conditioning room on the Reactor Building 2nd floor with the Main Steam Isolation Valve Room on the 1st floor. On May 15, 2014, water flow from the expansion joint of one Main Steam Line was detected.

This is the first leak from PCV detected in the Unit 3. Based on the images collected in this investigation, the leak volume will be estimated and the need for additional investigations will be examined. The investigative results will also be utilized to examine water stoppage and PCV repair methods.

* Main Steam Isolation Valve: A valve to shut off the steam generated from the Reactor in an emergency

Unit 3



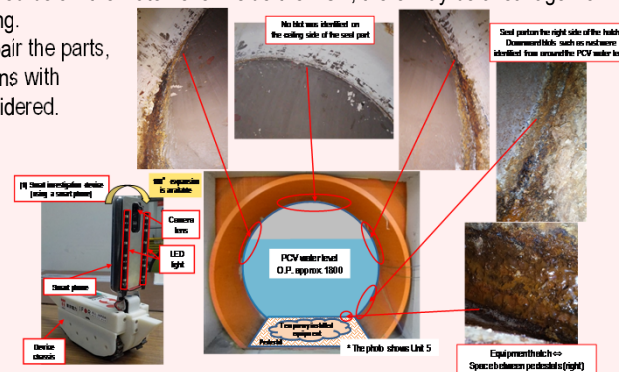
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Investigations inside PCV	1st (Oct – Dec 2015)	- Acquiring images - Measuring air temperature and dose rate - Measuring water level and temperature - Sampling accumulated water - Installing permanent monitoring instrumentation (scheduled for December 2015)
Leakage points from PC	- Main steam pipe bellows (identified in May 2014)	

Investigative results into the Unit 3 PCV equipment hatch using a small investigation device

As part of the investigation into the PCV to facilitate fuel debris removal, the status around the Unit 3 PCV equipment hatch was investigated using a small self-traveling investigation device on November 26, 2015.

Given blots such as rust identified below the water level inside the PCV, there may be a leakage from the seal to the extent of bleeding. Methods to investigate and repair the parts, including other PCV penetrations with a similar structure, will be considered.



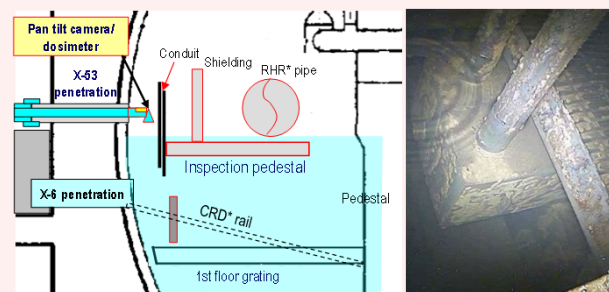
Investigation inside the PCV

Prior to removing fuel debris, to check the conditions inside the Primary Containment Vessel (PCV) including the location of the fuel debris, investigation inside the PCV was conducted.

[Steps for investigation and equipment development]

Investigation from X-53 penetration^(*)

- From October 22-24, the status of X-53 penetration, which may be under the water and which is scheduled to use to investigate the inside of the PCV, was investigated using remote-controlled ultrasonic test equipment. Results showed that the penetration is not under the water.
- For the purpose of confirming the status inside the PCV, an investigation device was inserted into the PCV from X-53 penetration on October 20 and 22, 2015 to obtain images, data of dose and temperature and sample accumulated water. No damage was identified on the structure and walls inside the PCV and the water level was almost identical with the estimated value. In addition, the dose inside the PCV was confirmed to be lower than in other Units.
- In the next step, the obtained information will be analyzed to be utilized in the consideration about the policy for future fuel debris removal.



Inspection pedestal and water surface

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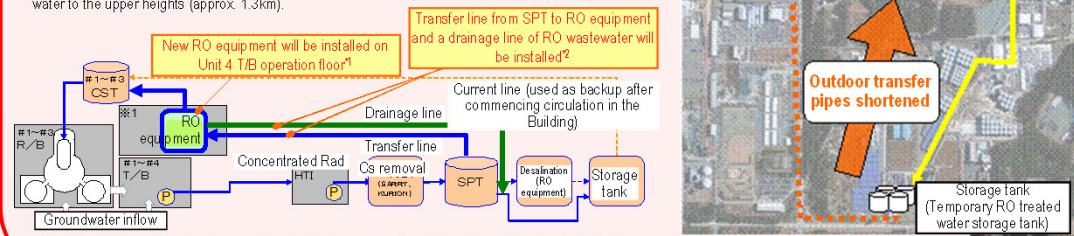
- (*) SFP (Spent Fuel Pool)
- (*) RPV (Reactor Pressure Vessel)
- (*) PCV (Primary Containment Vessel)
- (*) Penetration: Through-hole of the PCV

Progress toward decommissioning: Work related to circulation cooling and accumulated water treatment line

Immediate target Stably continue reactor cooling and accumulated water treatment, and improve reliability

Work to improve the reliability of the circulation water injection cooling system and pipes to transfer accumulated water.

- Operation of the reactor water injection system using Unit 3 CST as a water source commenced (from July 5, 2013). Compared to the previous systems, in addition to the shortened outdoor line, the reliability of the reactor water injection system was enhanced, e.g. by increasing the amount of water-source storage and enhancing durability.
- By newly installing RO equipment inside the Reactor Building, the reactor water injection loop (circulation loop) will be shortened from approx. 3km to approx. 0.8km*.
- * The entire length of contaminated water transfer pipes is approx. 2.1km, including the transfer line of surplus water to the upper heights (approx. 1.3km).



*1 Unit 4 T/B operation floor is one of the installation proposals, which will be determined after further examination based on the work environment
 *2 A detailed line configuration will be determined after further examination

Progress status of dismantling of flange tanks

- To facilitate replacement of flange tanks, dismantling of flange tanks started in H1 east/H2 areas in May 2015. Dismantling of all flange tanks (12 tanks) in H1 east area was completed in October 2015. Dismantling of all flange tanks (28 tanks) in H2 area was completed in March 2016. Dismantling of H4 flange tanks is underway.



Start of dismantling in H1 east area

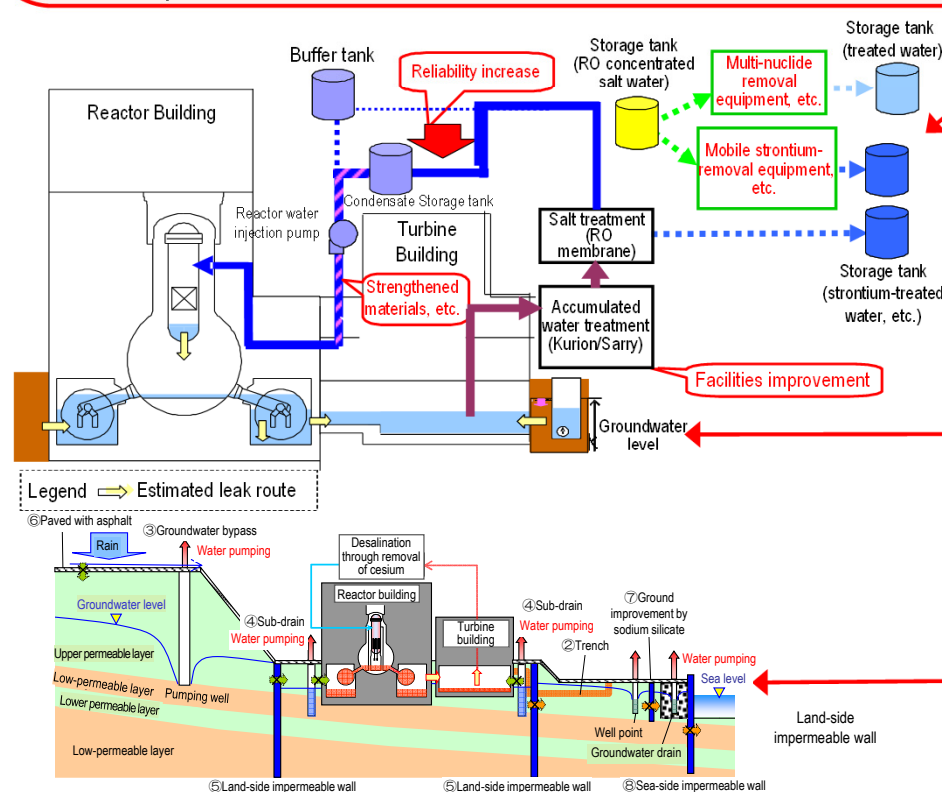


After dismantling in H1 east area

Completion of purification of contaminated water (RO concentrated salt water)

Contaminated water (RO concentrated salt water) is being treated using seven types of equipment including the multi-nuclide removal equipment (ALPS). Treatment of the RO concentrated salt water was completed on May 27, 2015, with the exception of the remaining water at the tank bottom. The remaining water will be treated sequentially toward dismantling the tanks.

The strontium-treated water from other facilities than the multi-nuclide removal equipment will be re-purified in the multi-nuclide removal equipment to further reduce risks.



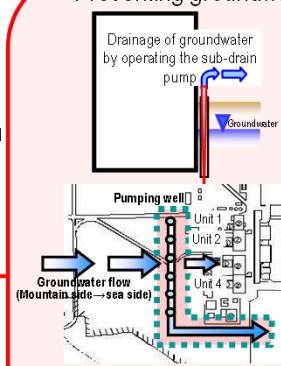
Preventing groundwater from flowing into the Reactor Buildings

Reducing groundwater inflow by pumping sub-drain water

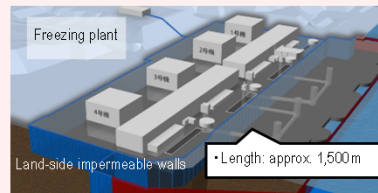
To reduce groundwater flowing into the buildings, pumping-up of groundwater from wells (sub-drains) around the buildings started on September 3, 2015. Pumped-up groundwater was purified at dedicated facilities and released after TEPCO and a third-party organization confirmed that its quality met operational targets.

Via a groundwater bypass, reduce the groundwater level around the Building and groundwater inflow into the Building

Measures to pump up groundwater flowing from the mountain side upstream of the Building to reduce the groundwater inflow (groundwater bypass) have been implemented. The pumped up groundwater is temporarily stored in tanks and released after TEPCO and a third-party organization have confirmed that its quality meets operational targets. Through periodical monitoring, pumping of wells and tanks is operated appropriately. At the observation holes installed at a height equivalent to the buildings, the trend showing a decline in groundwater levels is checked. The analytical results on groundwater inflow into the buildings based on existing data showed a declining trend.



Installing land-side impermeable walls around Units 1-4 to prevent the inflow of groundwater into R/B



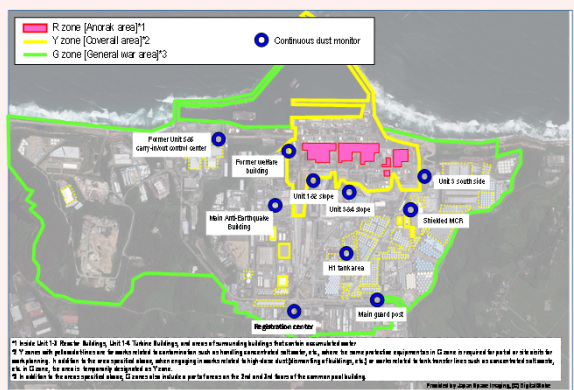
To prevent the inflow of groundwater into the Reactor Buildings, installation of impermeable walls on the land side is planned. Installation of frozen pipes commenced on June 2, 2014. Construction for freezing facilities was completed in February 2016. Freezing started in March 2016.

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 (*1) CST (Condensate Storage Tank)
 Tank for temporarily storing water used in the plant.

Progress toward decommissioning: Work to improve the environment within the site

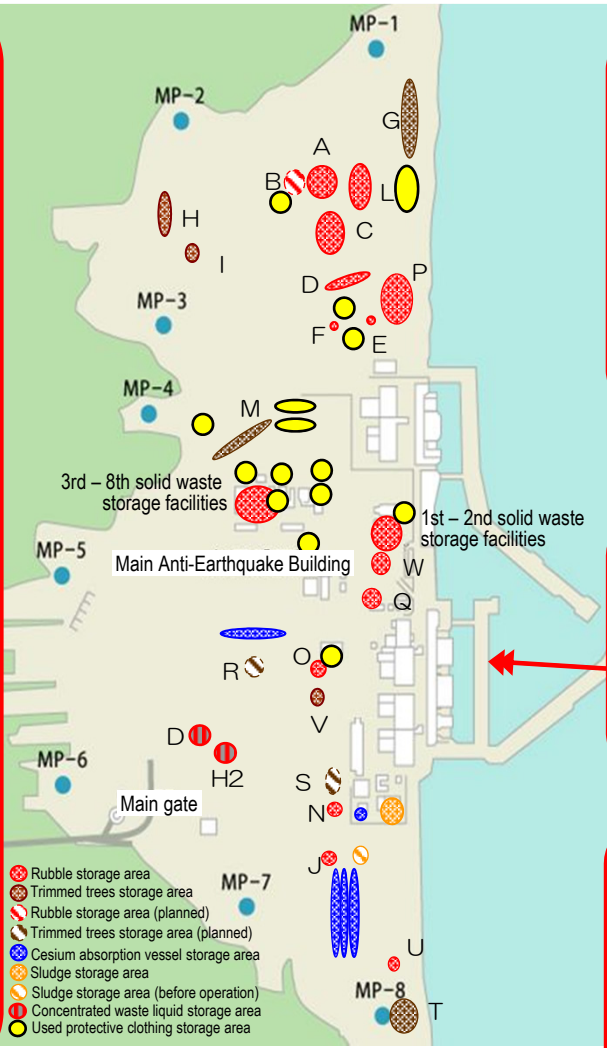
- Immediate targets**
- Reduce the effect of additional release from the entire power station and radiation from radioactive waste (secondary water treatment waste, rubble, etc.) generated after the accident, to limit the effective radiation dose to below 1mSv/year at the site boundaries.
 - Prevent contamination expansion in sea, decontamination within the site

Optimization of radioactive protective equipment
 Based on the progress of measures to reduce environmental dosage on site, the site is categorized into two zones: highly contaminated area around Unit 1-4 buildings, etc. and other areas to optimize protective equipment according to each category aiming at improving safety and productivity by reducing load during work.
 From March 8, 2016, limited operation started in consideration of workers' load.



R zone (Anorak area)	Y zone (Coverall area)	G zone (General wear)
Full-face mask 	Full-face or half-face masks *1, *2 	Disposable disposable mask
Anorak on coverall Or double coveralls 	Coverall 	General*3 Dedicated on-site wear

*1 For works in buildings including water treatment facilities (multi-nuclide removal equipment, etc.) (excluding site visits), wear a full-face mask.
 *2 For works in tank areas containing concentrated salt water or Sr-treated water (excluding works not handling concentrated salt water, etc.), patrol, on-site investigation for work planning, and site visits) and works related to tank transfer lines, wear a full-face mask.
 *3 Specified light works (patrol, monitoring, delivery of goods brought from outside, etc.)



Installation of dose-rate monitors

To help workers in the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station precisely understand the conditions of their workplaces, a total of 86 dose-rate monitors were installed by January 4, 2016.

These monitors allow workers to confirm real time on-site dose rates at their workplaces.

Workers are also able to check concentrated data through large-scale displays installed in the Main Anti-Earthquake Building and the access control facility.



Installation of Dose-rate monitor

Installation of sea-side impermeable walls

To prevent the outflow of contaminated water into the sea, sea-side impermeable walls have been installed.

Following the completed installation of steel pipe sheet piles on September 22, 2015, connection of these piles was conducted and connection of sea-side impermeable walls was completed on October 26, 2015. Through these works, closure of sea-side impermeable walls was finished and the contaminated water countermeasures have been greatly advanced.



Installation of steel pipe sheet piles for sea-side impermeable wall

Status of the large rest house

A large rest house for workers was established and its operation commenced on May 31, 2015.

Spaces in the large rest house are also installed for office work and collective worker safety checks as well as taking rest.

On March 1, 2016 a convenience store opened in the large rest house. On April 11, operation of the shower room started. Efforts will continue to improve convenience of workers.

