

**Forest management project
based on the partnership among local
community, Forestry Agency and NGO
(AKAYA-project)**

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■ **What is NACS-J ?**

The Nature Conservation Society of Japan

Work for 58 years.

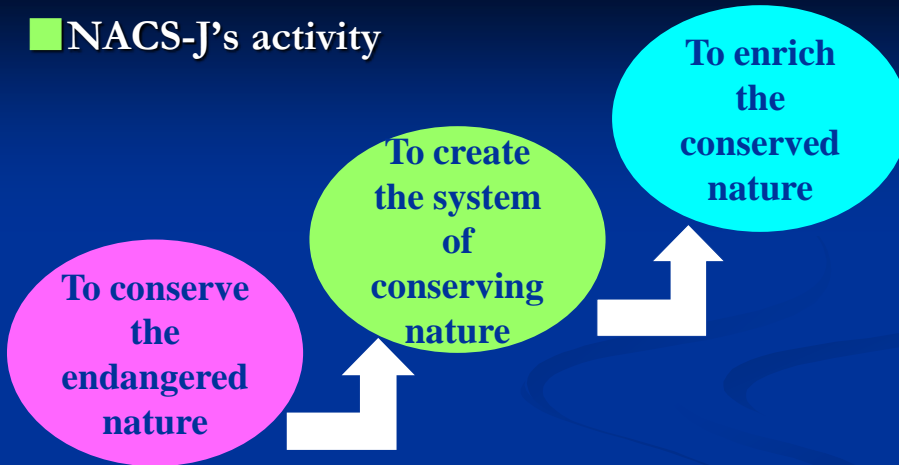
NGO supported by the membership fee and the donation.

About 24,000 members.

Collaborative activities with members throughout Japan.



■ NACS-J's activity

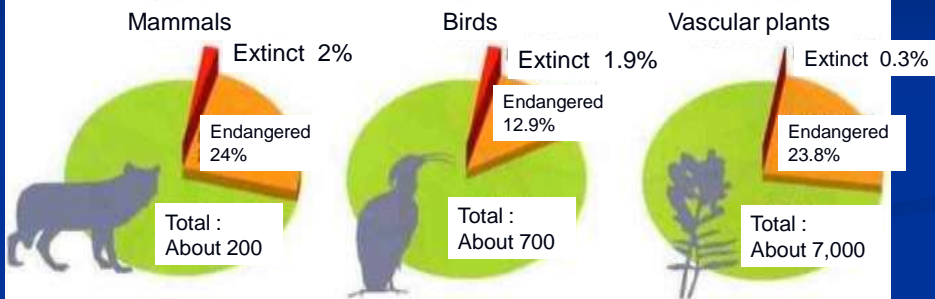


Build the Japanese society which regards the benefit of biodiversity as important

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Endangered wildlife species in Japan

Present situation of species in Japan



One out of four species.
1,665 species.
Many plants in Japan are endangered.

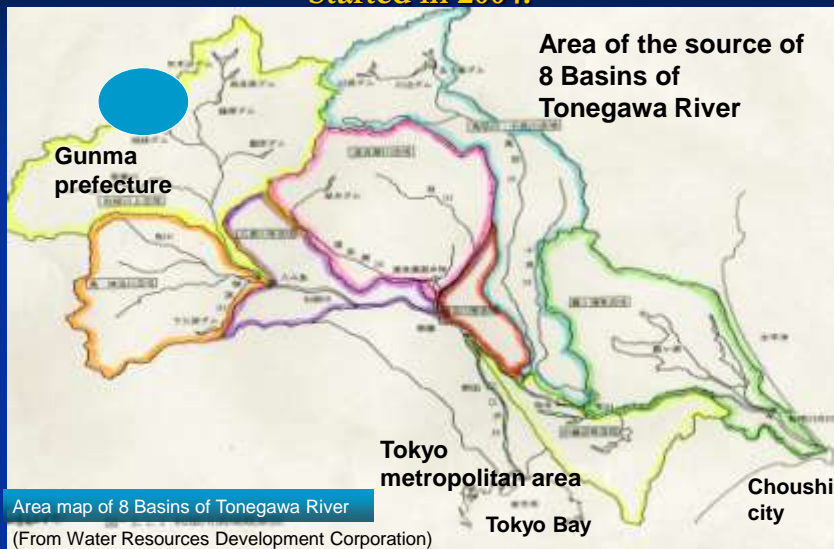
Mountainous region of Mikuni/ Akaya River
Biodiversity Restoration Project
(Abbrev.) **AKAYA Project**



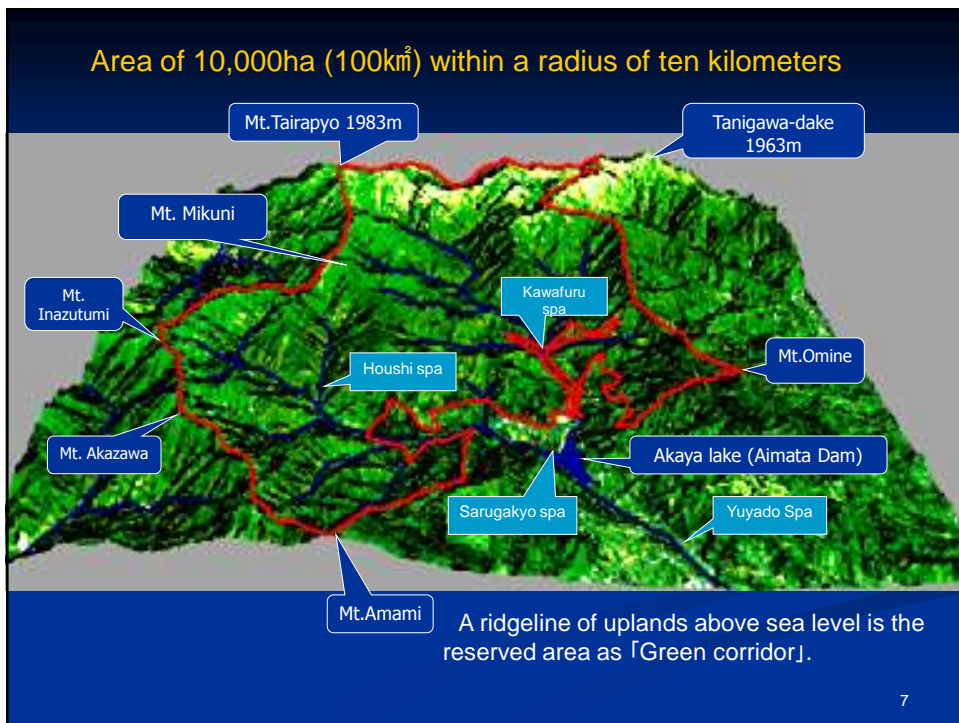
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Situated in the northwestern area of 160km from Tokyo.
Started in 2004.



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Area planned to construct a dam and a large resort in 1990.
(However, both of the plan was canceled in 2000.)

【Object of AKAYA project】

- ① To build the effective and universal foundation for the biodiversity conservation (the initiative in the national forests).
- ② To form a case study of the sustainable society by building the system of comprehensive management of local environment.
- ③ To make an example of 「The 21st century model of the activity of nature conservation」.

Organisms living in the forest 1



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Organisms living in the forest 2



Raptor originated in the northern area - Golden Eagle



Raptor originated in the southern area - Mountain Hawk-Eagle

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A success rate of reproduction of both Golden Eagle and Mountain Hawk-Eagle is declined remarkably (compared in 5 years).

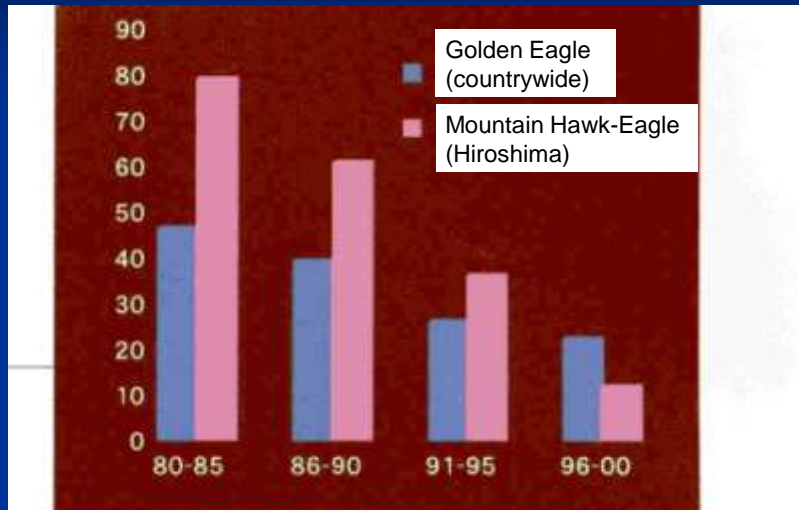


Figure 1 : Success rate (%) of reproduction of Golden Eagle and Mountain Hawk-Eagle

【Basic concept of the project】

- The community, the state, and NGO concluded an agreement of 10 years. The aim and the procedure of “joint management” and the system of “decision-making” are determined. (Concluded at 30/03/2003, the system of council for the matter about the permission in the area is included.)
- The project draws up the plan per area for the research and the conservation of the forest and of the mountain stream environment. (the restoration by **conserving the force to promote the process** of forming the environment in accordance with **the potential of ecosystem**.)
- The project aims to build the place to “learn, work, and enjoy”, and it is designed that living and visiting the project area leads to the practice of nature conservation and **the partnership**.

As a model case of restoration of the nature in Japan



The project is effective for the new strategic plan of CBD, especially for the following points

- ① Stimulation of the sense of people (Object 1)
- ② Aim in the sustainable and conservation style of forestry and management of the forest. (Object 6, 7)
- ③ Changes from the reserved area as simply area to the reserved area with the effective management. (Object 11)
- ④ Effective conservation of the habitat of endangered species. (Object 12)
- ⑤ Practice of planning, acting, and evaluation involving all sectors (Object 17)

Thank you very much for your kind attention.

