Status of Progress of the installation of ALPS treated water dilution/discharge facility and related facilities



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1. Status of construction

 Measurement/confirmation facility and transfer facility

The installation of pipe supports and pipes for the measurement/confirmation facility and the transfer facility began on August 4 from the area around K4 tank area. Pre-service inspection was started on January 16.



Installing circulation pipes and pipe supports



Circulation pump

- Installing the piping supports/pipes [Measurement/confirmation
- facility]
- Supports
- Approx. 540 out of approx. 540m
- Pipes
- Approx. 1,000 out of approx. 1,000m
- [Transfer facility]
- Supports
- Approx. 1,495 out of approx. 1,500m ^{×1}
- Pipes
- Approx. 1,463 out of approx. 1,500m ^{&1} &1 Descriptions have been

revised <As of April 24>

[Measurement/confirmation facility]

March 15

- Received the use inspection completion certificate March 17~27
 Started circulation/agitation
- operation
- March 27
- Took samples from the
- B tank group

Dilution facilities

The driving of piles for the foundation and construction of the foundation frame for the seawater transfer pipes have been completed. Installation of pipes and other equipment are currently underway.





[Dilution facilities]
Constructing the foundation of pipe foundation

11 out of 11 complete

- Support facility 0 out of 320 m complete
- Pipe facility

 0 out of 320 m complete
 <as of April 24>

Building the seawater transfer pipes foundation and installing the seawater pipe header

1. Progress in construction (cont.)

Treatment

Dilution facility: Discharge vertical shaft (upper-stream storage) The installation and assembly of the blocks (manufactured outside of the premises) started on January 12 and the concrete pouring for the deck slab (base) started on February 9 were completed. It will now be painted with a waterproof coating. Discharge vertical shaft (downstream storage) Installation of Wier **Blocks** Middle Wall Partition (side walls and partitions) Discharge vertical shaft (upper-stream storage) West Side Seawater pipe Water hole The image is shown in the 110th Secretariat of the Team for the Countermeasures for Decommissioning and **Concrete pouring for the end walls** Contaminated Water

is complete



1. Progress in construction (cont.)



Discharge facility: discharge tunnel

Date	Item (progress)
April 1	Started digging the remaining 200m of the tunnel
April 22	Main tunneling (tunneling of the bedrock) is completed. Started tunneling the arrival areas (connection to the discharge port caisson)*
April 25	Arrived at the tip of the fluidized soil inside the arrival tube. Started fixing the shield machine in place.
April 26	Tunneling complete

[Discharge facilities]

 \cdot Discharge tunnel: Tunneling complete (tunnel length: 1031 m) $<\!\!As$ of April 26>



<image>

*See slides 5 and 6 for details of the work

performed after tunneling was complete

Overhead crane with hoist

1. Progress in construction (cont.)

Discharge facilities: discharge port caisson

The temporary guiding scaffolds* that were attached to the caisson were removed. It was separated into the upper and lower halves, and the upper half was removed on April 9 and the lower half on April 13.

*The guiding scaffolds were used to mark the location of the caisson to ensure the tunnel arrived at the right location. Measuring instruments were loaded onto the top of the scaffolds to obtain location information.









Guiding scaffolds (upper half) being removed



(Reference) Preparations to remove the arrival tube (shield machine) **TEPCO**

Equipment removal	 Connecting wagons that were used with the shield machine, the overhead crane with the hoist and the sludge transportation pipes will be removed.
Waterproofing works	 To prevent the groundwater within the bedrock and from the joint between the discharge port caisson and the backfilling (projected water routes) from sprouting out, those areas will be waterproofed with backfilling fillers and other chemicals (areas in green in the diagram below). One segment (at the 1,030m mark of the tunnel) near the seawater injection tube will be removed (area in yellow in the diagram below). Iron plates will be installed on both ends of the area where the segment was removed to stop water from seeping in (area in red in the diagram below).
■ Cleaning up the inside of the tunnel and the lower-stream storage	 Light fixtures, water feeding and discharge tubes, rails within the tunnel and the stairs within the down-stream storage will be removed.

■ Seawater injection

- Once cleanup inside the tunnel is complete, a diver will install an air removal hose and open the air bleeder.
- Once the air bleeder is confirmed to be open, a diver will open the water injection valve to inject water into the tunnel.



(Reference) Removal of the arrival tube (shield machine) **TEPCO**

[Removal of the arrival tube (shield machine)]

Once the tunnel is full of seawater, a diver will separate the arrival tube from the connection for the discharge outlet caisson. The arrival tube will then be removed using a crane ship.



Discharge outlet caisson

1. Status of construction (cont.)

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Other (building a partition weir, etc.) In the Units 5 and 6 sea-side construction area, the heavy machinery scaffolding was completed on December 29. The scaffolding has been in use for building the upper-stream storage since January 5. The removal of silt from the open intake channel (dredging) and the building of the partition weir (completed on April 13) are being done simultaneously. Partial removal of permeation prevention wall was started on April 18.







Photo④ Building the partition weir

Unit 5/6 intake open channel

Work area on the sea side of Unites 5/6

(Reference) Overview of the intake method



* 5mm-thick flexible PVC mat

- The partition weir (sloping embankment made of rubble + plastic sheet*) will separate the Units 5/6 open intake channel from the harbor on the Units 1 through 4 side. Part of the permeation prevention works near the north seawall will be modified to allow seawater for dilution to be taken in from outside of the harbor.
- By cutting off the open intake channel from the harbor on the Units 1 through 4 side and taking in water from outside of the harbor, seawater within the harbor with relatively high radioactive concentrations will be less likely to be used in dilution.



Overview of the water intake method

Source: Japan Space Imaging (Photo taken on April 8, 2021) Product(C)[2021] DigitalGlobe, Inc., a Maxar company.

(Reference) Improving the environment inside of the Units 5/6 open intake channel for taking in water



- Since October 2022, dredging work has been performed to improve the environment inside of the Units 5/6 open intake channel for taking in water.
- The inside of the Units 5/6 open intake channel has been monitored since August 2022, before the dredging started. While the dredging is being performed, radioactive material concentration analysis will be performed on the seawater (every day that there is work being done) and seabed soil (silt; monthly basis).
- The seabed soil (silt) monitoring has found that the radioactive material concentration in front of the Unit 5 intake was 12,290Bq to 144,000Bq (Cs-137; 2 to 22 times previously taken measurements) since January 2023. There was no significant fluctuations in the radioactive material concentration in seawater during the same period.
- Silt removal from the area in front of the Unit 5 intake was completed in November to December 2022, and our evaluations seem to shown that no seabed soil (silt) was moved when taking in water for dilution. However, to further improve the environment inside of the Units 5/6 open intake channel for taking in water, we have decided to carefully remove the silt from the area outside of the Unit 5 intake that is within our premises to be completed before discharge starts.
- Seabed soil monitoring will be continued even once discharge starts and if high cesium concentrations is observed in the silt in the seabed soil and there is significant fluctuations in the cesium concentration in seawater, we will remove the silt to maintain a good environment within the Units 5/6 open intake channel for taking in water.

(Reference) Results of the seawater monitoring of the Units 5/6 open intake channel while in construction



Removed part of the permeation prevention works (approx. 40m worth

 $(\mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbf{d})$

Unit 6

Overview

While construction was being performed inside the Units 5/6 open intake channel, a pollution prevention fence was installed in front of the intake to reduce the amount of radioactive materials in the water taken into Units 5/6. Seawater sampling found that the concentration of cesium within the seawater does not rise due to the construction.

\triangleright Results

As of April 23, 2023, no significant fluctuation in cesium concentration in seawater has been identified. We will continue to perform appropriate seawater monitoring while working in the Units 5/6 open intake channel.





(Reference) Results of the seabed soil monitoring of the Units 5/6 open intake channel while in construction



- Results of the seabed soil monitoring performed from before construction was started is shown below.
- While there had been no significant fluctuations in measurements taken near the Unit 5 intake until December 2022 after construction was started, values increased in January 2023 and has been high since. There have been no significant change in the seawater values measured in the same period.
- Prior to 2021, measurements taken near the silt fence (where the partition weir current is) used to show similarly high figures.





(Reference) Results of the seabed soil monitoring of the Units 5/6 open intake channel while in construction



- Point A is where sand with relatively low radioactive material concentration that flowed in from the north seawall side, piled up after the Great East Japan Earthquake.
- > Points B and C are where sand with relatively high radioactive material concentration flowed in from the Units 1-4 open intake channel side, piled up.
- Point D is where the silt fence used to be located immediately after the Great East Japan Earthquake. Sand with relatively high radioactive material concentration from the Units 1-4 open intake channel side that was caught in the silt fence, piled up locally.
- > There has been no significant fluctuations in seawater measurements during this period.



*Greyed out areas were below the detection threshold. Within the Units 5/6 open intake channel, the area near the partition weir (silt fence) is exhibiting relative high concentrations of radioactive material.

(Reference) How the silt in front of the Unit 5 intake



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- Seawater monitoring has found no significant fluctuations in cesium concentration. However, because high cesium levels were observed in the seabed soil samples taken outside of the Unit 5 intake, silt will be carefully removed before discharge starts.
- Using a backhoe dredger or an underwater pump, the seabed soil from the Unit 5 intake to the station site boundary (14m area) will be moved up to the concrete bottom of the intake (T.P.-5.0m).
- Dredging will be performed carefully and slowly at a pace of 10 to 20m3/day^(*) to reduce the amount of radioactive material that may spread into the water that will be taken into Units 5 and 6. To prevent the Unit 5 intake from sucking in sand, the pollution prevention fence will be kept at the front of the Unit 5 intake. The concentration of radioactive materials within the harbor will continue to be monitored and turbidity will be checked to ensure silt is not spreading.
 - (*) Last year, silt had been removed from within the Units 5/6 open intake channel at a pace of 200m3/day.



(Reference) Results of seawater monitoring during the discharge outlet **TEPC**

> Overview

Seawater was sampled during the discharge outlet caisson installation, etc. *1 conducted offshore, and results confirmed that cesium concentration had not risen due to the work.

Results *1 Discharge outlet caisson installation and backfilling work and associated preparation and cleanup work Cesium up to the most recent samples taken April 23, 2023 have not been detected (ND) and there have been no significant fluctuations in seawater cesium concentrations. We will continue to appropriately monitor the seawater during the plant offshore work.





(Reference) Results of turbidity measurement during discharge outlet caisson installation

> Overview

Turbidity measurements were taken using a turbidity meter at four locations at the work area boundary during the discharge outlet caisson installation, etc. *¹ conducted offshore, and results confirmed that turbidity had not increased due to the work outside of the work area.

Results

*1 Discharge outlet caisson installation, backfilling, and related preparation and cleanup work

The turbidity measurements taken until April 23, 2023 were all below the control value*². Visual inspection of turbidity has found that turbidity had not increased due to the work outside of the work area. We will continue to measure turbidity during the plant offshore work appropriately.

*² Control value

Turbidity is converted to SS (suspended solids; mg/L). It is confirmed that SS does not exceed the threshold of BG value (measurement before work started) + 10mg/L.

Work date	Turbidity measurement results							
(measurement date)	A		В		С		D	
Jan 31, 2023	0	(2.3)	0	(2.1)	0	(1.5)	0	(1.5)
Feb 3, 2023	0	(1.7)	0	(1.5)	0	(1.8)	0	(1.6)
Feb 4, 2023	Ο	(1.8)	0	(1.6)	Ο	(1.5)	0	(1.5)
Feb 7, 2023	0	(2.2)	0	(2.1)	0	(1.5)	0	(1.5)
March 9, 2023	Ο	(6.4)	Ο	(4.9)	0	(3.4)	0	(3.1)
April 1, 2023	0	(3.9)	0	(4.5)	0	(3.7)	0	(4.8)
April 9, 2023	Ο	(15.2)	Ο	(15.6)	Ο	(8.9)	0	(8.8)
April 10, 2023	0	(8.1)	0	(7.9)	0	(6.2)	0	(7.9)
April 13, 2023	0	(13.6)	0	(9.4)	0	(7.7)	0	(7.2)
April 14, 2023	0	(8.3)	0	(7.6)	0	(6.9)	0	(9.4)

Criteria: Less than control value O; More than control value × *Results for the last ten days. The measurement results were less than the control values going back past the last ten days.



(Reference) Overview of the ALPS treated water dilution/discharge facility and related facilities





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(Reference) The whole process



*The schedule may be revised based on progress made and other factors.

2. Installation of electrolytic

accumulation devices

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- The four incinerators in the drying and incineration pre-processing room in the chemical analysis building were removed to install the electrolytic accumulation devices*.
- 8 electrolytic accumulation devices have been delivered to the site as of December 2022 and concentration tests were completed in March 2023. Once comparison tests using actual samples are complete, the devices will be used in analyzing seawater.



*Pre-processing device to analyze tritium in extremely low concentrations 18

2. Installation of electrolytic accumulation devices (cont.)

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- To detect tritium that may exist in background levels in surface seawater, the tritium needs to be concentrated through electrolysis of the water*.
- The number of days required for analysis takes a month to 45 days more because of the electrolysis but this allows measurement with a lower detection limit.
- This method will be introduced in tritium analysis conducted at Fukushima Daiichi NPS (analysis of free water tritium in marine organisms).



(*) Concentration through electrolysis

Water releases hydrogen and oxygen gas through electrolysis. The reaction rate of becoming hydrogen gas is as follows: ${}^{1}H > {}^{2}H > {}^{3}H$ (tritium)

This means that tritium water is less easily electrolyzed. Tritium is concentrated through electrolysis using this characteristic.

[Specifications]

- Enriches 500mL of distilled sample water to 60 mL over 3 days through electrolysis
- Hydrogen and oxygen are released as the electrolysis products.

3. Low-energy photon germanium

semiconductor detector (LEPS)

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Two low-energy photon germanium semiconductor detectors (LEPS) were installed in the measurement room in the chemical analysis building in December 2022. Since verification tests were completed in March 2023, the detectors will be used to measure ALPS treated water.



3. Low-energy photon germanium semiconductor detector (LEPS) (cont.)

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- Nuclide analysis for those emit low-energy radiation such Fe-55 (nuclides other than the 62 nuclides subject to removal by ALPS) is required in ALPS treated water analysis.
- To conduct the nuclide analysis on Fukushima Daiichi premises, low-energy photon germanium semiconductor detectors (LEPS) were newly installed.



LEPS (Device in the chemical analysis building measurement room)



Reference: existing germanium semiconductor detector

(Photo of the device in the chemical analysis building measurement room)