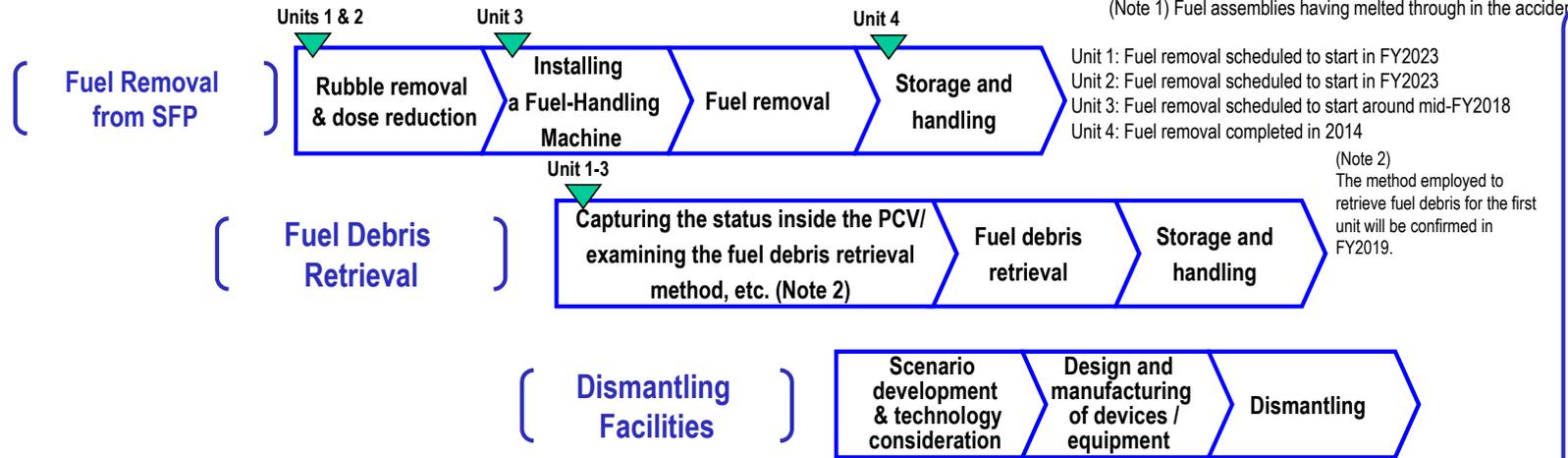


## Main decommissioning works and steps

All fuel has been removed from Unit 4 SFP and preparatory work to remove fuel from Unit 1-3 SFP and fuel debris (Note 1) retrieval is ongoing.



### Toward fuel removal from pool

Toward fuel removal from Unit 3 SFP, works to install the cover are underway.

As measures to reduce the dose on the Reactor Building operating floor, the decontamination and installation of shields were completed in June and December 2016 respectively. Installation of a cover for fuel removal started from January 2017.



Installation of a cover for fuel removal at Unit 3 (September 27, 2017)

## Three principles behind contaminated water countermeasures:

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

### 1. Eliminate contamination sources

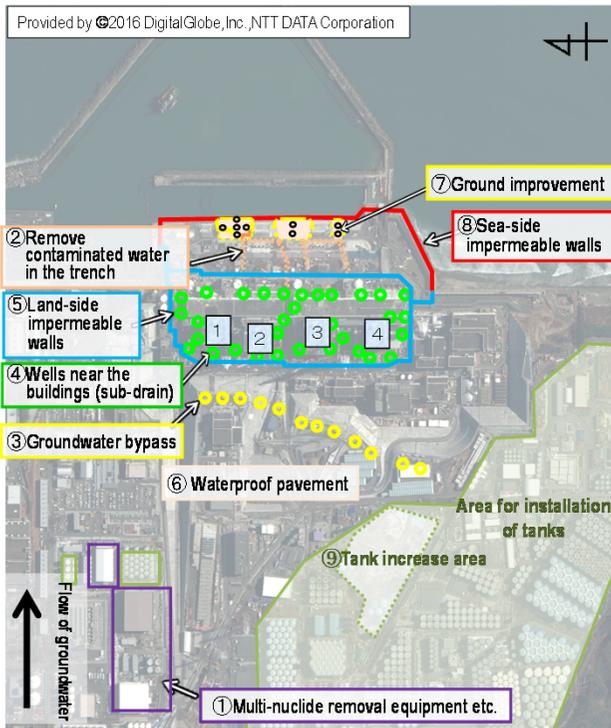
- ① Multi-nuclide removal equipment, etc.
- ② Remove contaminated water from the trench (Note 3)  
(Note 3) Underground tunnel containing pipes.

### 2. Isolate water from contamination

- ③ Pump up groundwater for bypassing
- ④ Pump up groundwater near buildings
- ⑤ Land-side impermeable walls
- ⑥ Waterproof pavement

### 3. Prevent leakage of contaminated water

- ⑦ Enhance soil by adding sodium silicate
- ⑧ Sea-side impermeable walls
- ⑨ Increase the number of (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.



(High-performance multi-nuclide removal equipment)

### Land-side impermeable walls

- Land-side impermeable walls surround the buildings and reduce groundwater inflow into the same.
- Freezing started on the sea side and part of the mountain side from March 2016 and on 95% of the mountain side from June 2016. Freezing of the remaining unfrozen sections advanced with a phased approach and freezing of all sections started in August 2017.
- On the sea side, the underground temperature declined below 0°C throughout the scope requiring freezing, except for the unfrozen parts under the seawater pipe trenches and the areas above groundwater level in October 2016.



(Opening/closure of frozen pipes)

### Sea-side impermeable walls

- Impermeable walls are being installed on the sea side of Units 1-4, to prevent contaminated groundwater from flowing 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 the sea-side impermeable walls.



(Sea-side impermeable wall)

# Progress Status and Future Challenges of the Mid- and Long-Term Roadmap toward Decommissioning of TEPCO Holdings' Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station Units 1-4 (Outline)

## Progress status

- ◆ The temperatures of the Reactor Pressure Vessel (RPV) and Primary Containment Vessel (PCV) of Units 1-3 have been maintained within the range of approx. 25-35°C<sup>\*1</sup> over the past month. There was no significant change in the density of radioactive materials newly released from Reactor Buildings in the air<sup>\*2</sup>. 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 August 2017, the radiation exposure dose due to the release of radioactive materials from the Unit 1-4 Reactor Buildings was evaluated as less than 0.00021 mSv/year at the site boundary. The annual radiation dose from natural radiation is approx. 2.1 mSv/year (average in Japan).

### Results of rubble status investigation in the Unit 1 R/B

Regarding the rubble on the Unit 1 Reactor Building (R/B) roof, previous investigations identified misalignment of the well plug\* (dose rate on the top surface: max. approx. 200 mSv/h, average approx. 125 mSv/h). An additional investigation, conducted using a 3D scanner for two of the three units of the well plug upper layer by August, identified deflection. The dose investigation inside the well plug will continue and measures for the well plug will be examined based on the results of this investigation.

\* A concrete member installed on the PCV, which consists of three layers (upper, middle and lower) and each layer is divided into three units.

### Removal of roof protection layer of the Unit 2 R/B

The roof protection layer (roof block, gravel, etc.) which is a contamination source on the Unit 2 R/B will be removed from October. Water will be sprinkled before the removal to reduce the dust scattering risk, though little risk is expected in this work to stack the formed blocks.

### Installation of the Unit 3 fuel removal cover

Toward fuel removal from Unit 3, dome roofs are being installed. The second Dome Roof (of eight) was hung on September 4 and 6 and the installation was completed on September 15. Installation of the facility related to the fuel-handling machine and crane started.

Preparation will continue toward fuel removal in mid-FY2018.

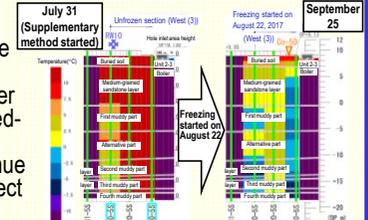


<Installation of dome roof (September 26)>

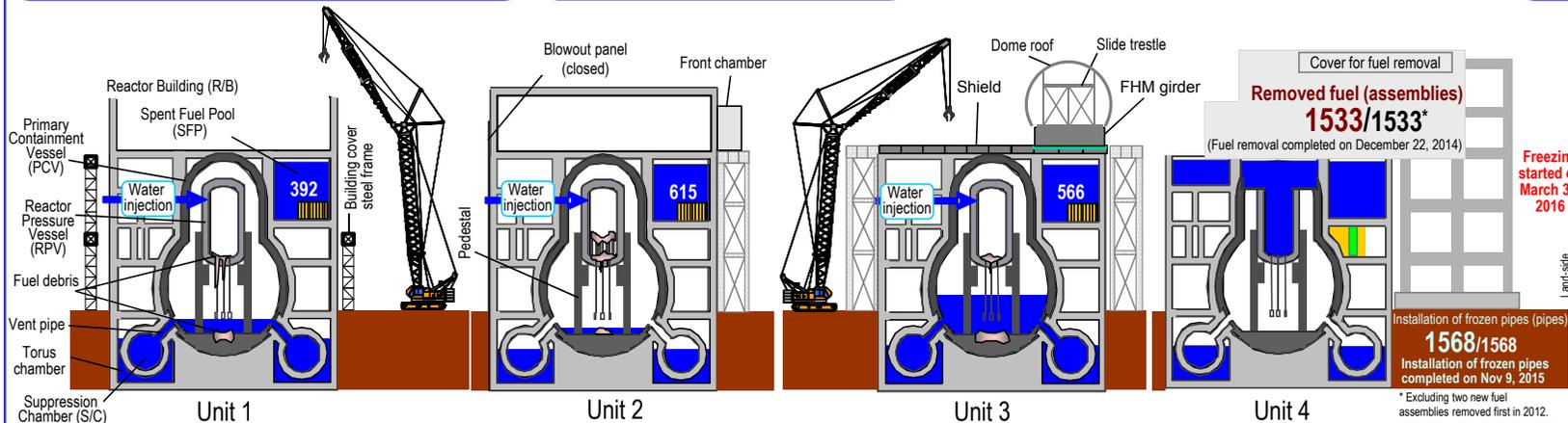
### Status of the land-side impermeable walls

Regarding West (3), a section of the land-side impermeable walls (on the mountain side) for which freezing started from August 22, the underground temperature has already declined below 0°C in part of the section, while the difference between the inside and outside of the land-side impermeable walls near the same section increased.

Monitoring of the underground temperature, water levels and pumped-up groundwater volume will continue to confirm the effect of the land-side impermeable walls.



<Temperature in West (3)>



### Revision of the Mid- and Long-term Roadmap

At the Inter-Ministerial Council for Contaminated Water and Decommissioning Issues held on September 26, the Mid- and Long-term Roadmap was revised.

Spotlighted in this revision: decision of the policy to retrieve fuel debris: measures prioritizing safety during fuel removal from pools; maintaining of contaminated water management; establishment of a basic concept for waste control and emphasizing and enhancing interactive communications.

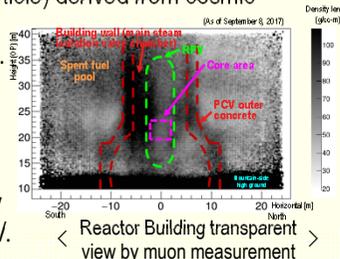
### Results of the spent fuel pool cooling suspension test

To verify that pools can be cooled by natural cooling in the event that the cooling facility for spent fuel pools is suspended, a cooling suspension test was conducted from August 21 at the Unit 2 spent fuel pool. The results confirmed that the water temperature would not reach the level of the limiting condition for operation (65°C) during natural cooling in a high-temperature summer season and reaffirmed the appropriate accuracy of the SFP water temperature evaluation formula.

### Results of the fuel debris investigation using muon inside the Unit 3 reactor

To identify the status of fuel debris inside the Unit 3 reactor, muons (a type of elementary particle) derived from cosmic radiation were measured during the period May 2 - September 8.

Quantitative evaluation confirmed that no large lump existed in the core area where fuel had been placed and that part of the fuel debris potentially existed at the bottom of the RPV.



### Unload the Reprocessed uranium fuel\* from dry casks

Four spent fuel assemblies using Reprocessed uranium has been stored in two of the dry casks in Temporary Dry Cask Custody Area since 2013 and these assemblies will be unloaded in October and stored in the common pool.

No abnormality in the two casks has been identified to date during the monitoring and patrol inspection.

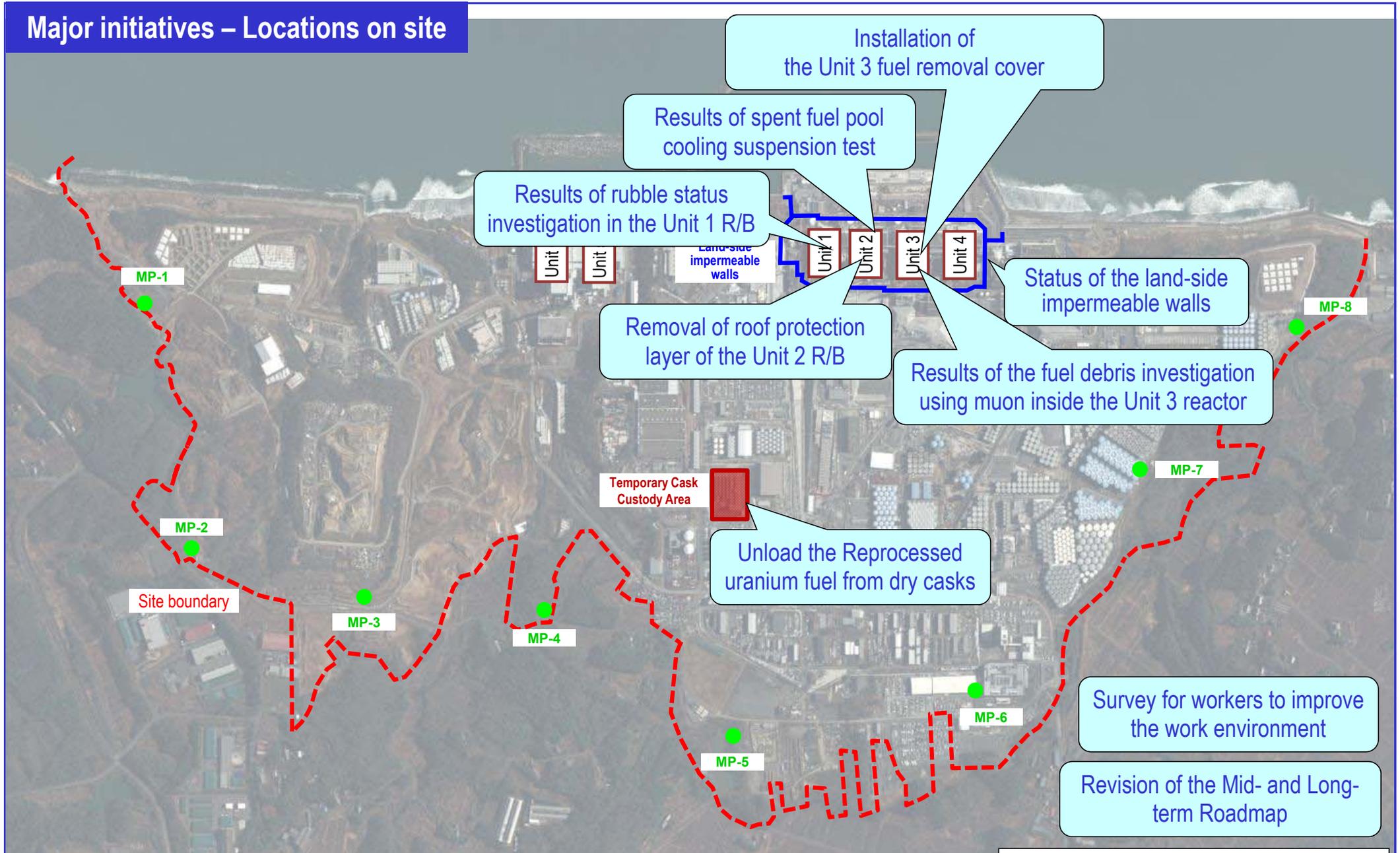
\* Fuel using uranium obtained from spent fuel reprocessing.

### Survey for workers to improve the work environment

With the aim of improving the work environment for power station workers, the annual survey (8th) is being conducted from September 28.

The answers will be collected in October and the results will be compiled in December and utilized to improve the work environment. The survey this fiscal year was improved to make the questionnaire easier for respondents to understand, such as adding reference information regarding the labor conditions.

# Major initiatives – Locations on site



\* Data of Monitoring Posts (MP1-MP8.)

Data (10-minute values) of Monitoring Posts (MPs) measuring the airborne radiation rate around site boundaries show 0.454 – 1.828  $\mu\text{Sv/h}$  (August 30 – September 26, 2017).

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

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

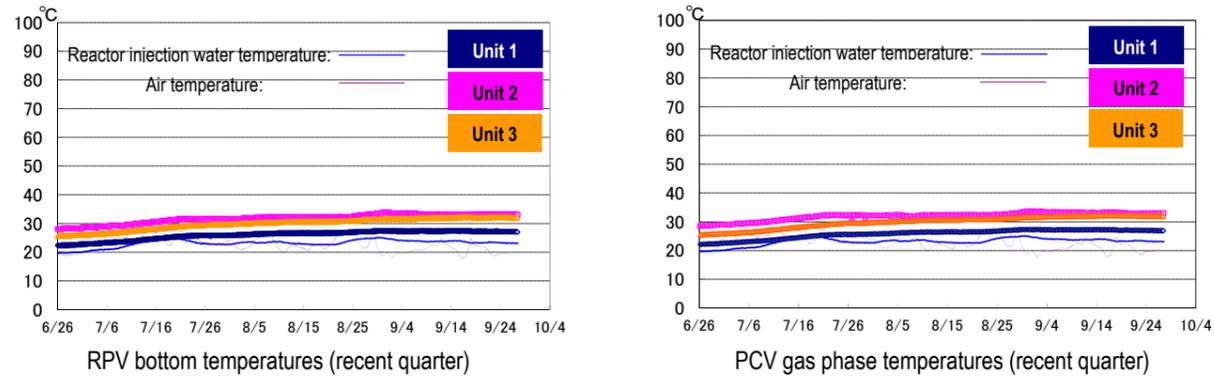
The radiation shielding panels around monitoring post No. 6, which is one of the instruments used to measure the radiation dose at the power station site boundary, were taken off from July 10-11, 2013, since further deforestation, etc. has caused the surrounding radiation dose to decline significantly.

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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 were maintained within the range of approx. 25 to 35°C for the past month, though it varied depending on the unit and location of the thermometer.

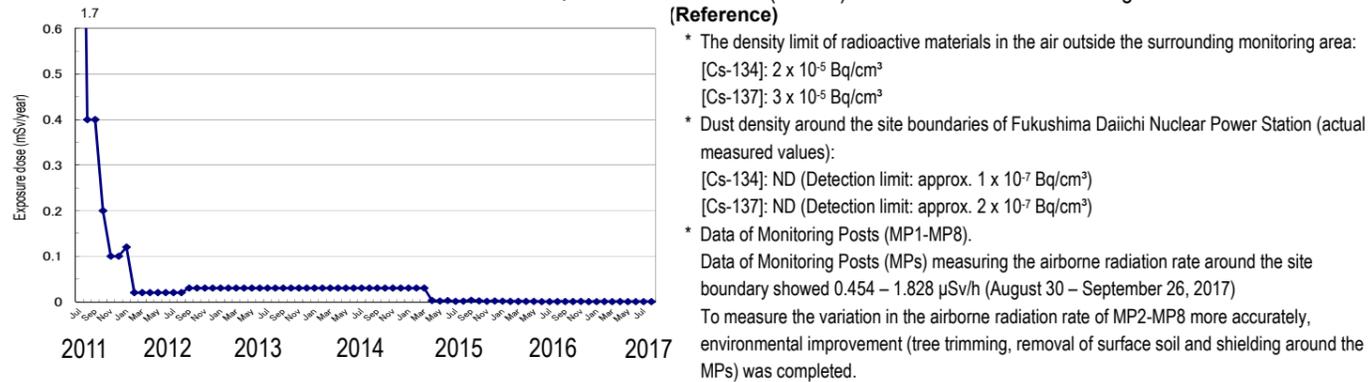


\* The trend graphs show part of the temperature data measured at multiple points.

### 2. Release of radioactive materials from the Reactor Buildings

As of August 2017, 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.  $1.5 \times 10^{-12}$  Bq/cm<sup>3</sup> for Cs-134 and  $3.7 \times 10^{-12}$  Bq/cm<sup>3</sup> for Cs-137, while the radiation exposure dose due to the release of radioactive materials there was less than 0.00021 mSv/year.

Annual radiation dose at site boundaries by radioactive materials (cesium) released from Reactor Building Units 1-4



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 the 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. Up until September 26, 2017, 313,755 m<sup>3</sup> 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.

- Pumps are inspected and cleaned as required based on their operational status.
- Water Treatment Facility special for Subdrain & Groundwater drains
  - To reduce the level of 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 onwards. Up until September 26, 2017, a total of 413,873 m<sup>3</sup> had been drained after TEPCO and a third-party organization had confirmed that its quality met operational targets.
  - Due to the level of the groundwater drain pond rising after the sea-side impermeable walls were closed, pumping started on November 5, 2015. Up until September 26, 2017, a total of approx. 148,800 m<sup>3</sup> had been pumped up. A volume of fewer than 10 m<sup>3</sup>/day is being transferred from the groundwater drain to the Turbine Buildings (average for the period August 24 – September 20, 2017).
  - As an enhancement measure, the treatment facility for subdrains and groundwater drains is being upgraded. Additional water collection tanks and temporary water storage tanks were installed and the installation of fences, pipes and ancillary facilities is also underway. The treatment capacity is being enhanced incrementally to accommodate the increasing volume of pumped-up groundwater during the high rainfall season (before measures: approx. 800 m<sup>3</sup>/day, from August 22: approx. 900 m<sup>3</sup>/day, after temporary storage tanks put into operation: approx. 1,200 m<sup>3</sup>/day and after water collection tanks put into operation: approx. 1,500 m<sup>3</sup>/day).
  - As a measure to enhance subdrains and groundwater drains, the capability of the treatment facility for subdrains and groundwater drains is being improved. Additional water collection tanks and temporary water storage tanks were installed and the installation of fences, pipes and ancillary facilities is underway. The treatment capacity is being enhanced incrementally to accommodate the increasing volume of pumped-up groundwater during the high rainfall season (before measures: approx. 800 m<sup>3</sup>/day, from August 22: approx. 900 m<sup>3</sup>/day, after operation start of the temporary storage tanks: approx. 1,200 m<sup>3</sup>/day, after operation start of the water collection tanks: approx. 1,500 m<sup>3</sup>/day).
  - To maintain the level of groundwater pumped up from subdrains, work to install additional subdrain pits and recover existing subdrain pits is underway. They will go into operation sequentially from a pit for which work is completed (the number of pits which went into operation: 6 of 15 additional pits, 0 of 4 recovered pits).
  - Since the subdrains went into operation, the inflow into buildings tended to decline to fewer than 150 m<sup>3</sup>/day when the subdrain water level declined below T.P. 3.0 m, while the inflow increased during rainfall.

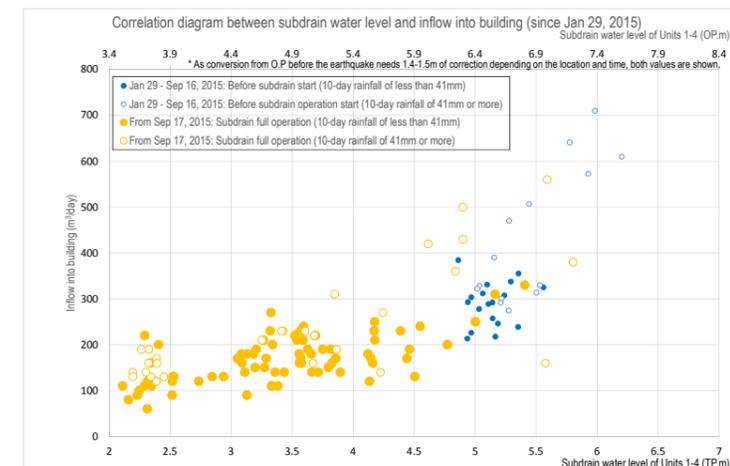


Figure 1: Correlation between inflow such as groundwater and rainwater into buildings and the water level of Unit 1-4 subdrains

➤ Construction status of the land-side impermeable walls

- For the remaining unclosed section (West (3)) of the land-side impermeable walls (on the mountain side), a supplementary method was implemented (July 31 – September 15). Freezing started from August 22 and the underground temperature has already declined below 0°C in part of the section, while the difference between the inside and outside of the land-side impermeable walls near the same section increased.
- Monitoring of the underground temperature, water levels and pumped-up groundwater volume will continue to confirm the effect of the land-side impermeable walls.
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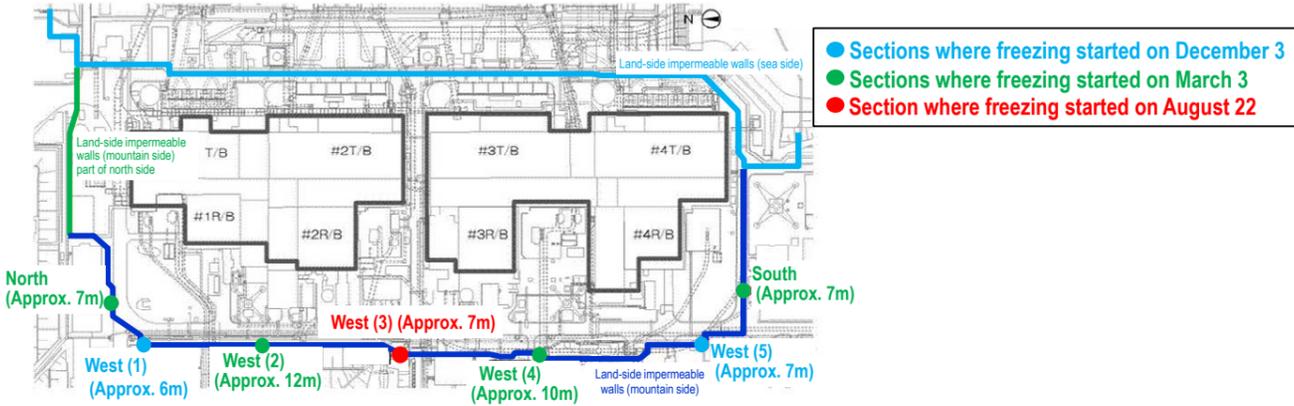


Figure 2: Closure of part of the land-side impermeable walls (on the mountain side)

➤ Operation of multi-nuclide removal equipment

- Regarding the multi-nuclide removal equipment (existing, additional and high-performance), hot tests using radioactive water were 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 and for high-performance equipment, from October 18, 2014).
- As of September 21, the volumes treated by existing, additional and high-performance multi-nuclide removal equipment were approx. 369,000, 378,000 and 103,000 m<sup>3</sup> respectively (including approx. 9,500 m<sup>3</sup> 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).
- To reduce the risks of strontium-treated water, treatment using existing, 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). Up until September 21, 390,000 m<sup>3</sup> 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 the secondary cesium-absorption apparatus (SARRY) (from December 26, 2014) have been underway. Up until September 21, approx. 396,000 m<sup>3</sup> had been treated.

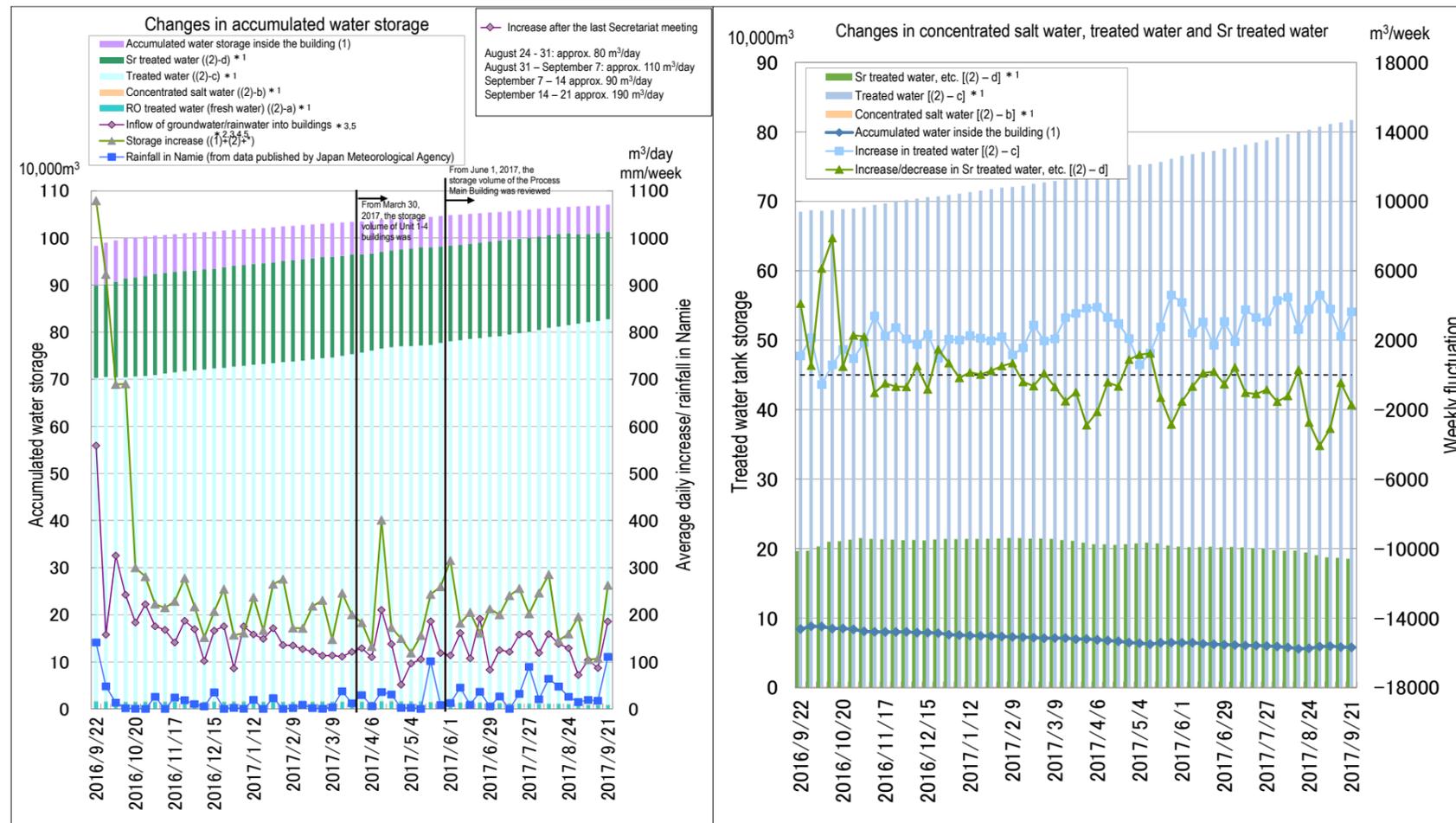


Figure 3: Status of accumulated water storage

As of September 21, 2017

- \*1: Water amount for which the water-level gauge indicates 0% or more
- \*2: On January 19, 2017, the water volume was reviewed by reevaluating the remaining volume of concentrated salt water and the data was corrected.
- \*3: "Increase/decrease of water held in buildings" used to evaluate the "Inflow of groundwater/rainwater into buildings" and "Storage increase" is calculated based on data from the water-level gauge. During the following evaluation periods, when the gauge was calibrated, these two values were evaluated as lower than anticipated. (September 22-29, 2016: Unit 3 Turbine Building)
- \*4: Including the effect of variation in water volume stored in tanks with the change in temperature.
- \*5: The increase is considered attributable to the uncertain cross-section area (evaluated value) for the water level needed to calculate the water volume stored in the Centralized Radiation Waste Treatment Facility. Since the calculation of June 1, 2017, the cross-section area (evaluated value) has been reviewed.
- \*6: Including the rainwater volume, which could not be treated in the rainwater treatment facilities, transferred to Sr-treated water tanks (May 25 – June 1, 2017: 700m<sup>3</sup>/week).
- \*7: Corrected based on the result of an investigation conducted on July 5, 2017 that the water volume in the uninvestigated areas in Unit 1 T/B was less than assumed.

### ➤ Measures in Tank Areas

- Rainwater, under the release standard and having accumulated within 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 September 25, 2017, a total of 90,946 m<sup>3</sup>).

### ➤ Internal exposure of a flange tank dismantling worker

- On September 8, internal exposure was confirmed with a worker for flange dismantling from whom contamination was identified inside the nasal cavity. The incident was considered attributable to aspiration of contamination through erroneously touching his face with his contamination-attached hand when the worker removed the full-face mask after work. The amount of the internal exposure was evaluated approx. 0.01 mSv.

### ➤ Leakage of system water from the reverse osmosis (RO) device inside the building

- On September 19, a puddle formed by leakage from the reverse osmosis (RO) device (B) installed on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Unit 4 Turbine Building was identified. All the leaked water remained within the RO device (B) reception pan and no leakage outside the building was identified. The leakage volume was approx. 650 L. An inspection following collection of the leaked water on September 20 confirmed the leakage was originated from the exit plate at the first RO osmosis unit of the RO device (B). The part will be overhauled to identify the cause. Water injection into the reactor is currently maintained by operating the existing RO device.

## 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

- The removal of pillars and beams of the building cover started from March 31, 2017 and was completed on May 11. Work to install windbreak fences, which will reduce dust scattering during rubble removal, is underway. Modified pillars and beams were installed during the period August 29-31 and installation will continue sequentially.
- Toward formulating a work plan for rubble removal, the rubble status and dose rate measurement on the well plug were additionally investigated during the period May 22 – August 25 to identify the conditions around the well plug. The investigation identified misalignment and deflection of the well plug and confirmed the status of rubble in the dryer separator pit. These results will be utilized in future formulation of the work plan.
- As a preparation for the planned rubble removal, two dust monitors were added during the period September 6-21 to increase the number of sampling points on the operating floor from four to six.

### ➤ 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, preparatory work to form an opening, which would allow access to the operating floor, was completed in the external wall on the west side of the building.
- The roof protection layer (roof block, gravel, etc.) will be removed from October. Water will be sprinkled before the removal to reduce the dust scattering risk, though little risk is expected in this piling work of formed blocks.

### ➤ Main work to help remove spent fuel at Unit 3

- Installation of the FHM girder\* and work floor started on March 1 and was completed on July 15. Installation of the traveling rail started on June 12 and was complete on July 21. Installation of dome roofs started on July 22. The slide trestle was hung over the traveling rail on July 27 and the Dome Roof 1 (of eight) was mounted on the slide trestle on August 2. Dome Roof 1 mounted on the slide trestle was then transferred to the prescribed location on August 5 and its installation was completed on August 29, following the fixation and installation of east-side exterior materials. The installation of Dome Roof 2 started on August 30 and was completed on September 15. Installation of the facility related to the fuel-handling machine and crane is underway.

\* Horizontal members comprising the gate structure. A rail will be mounted on the girder where the fuel-handling machine (FHM) and crane will travel.

### ➤ Unload the Reprocessed uranium fuel\* from dry casks

- Four spent fuel assemblies using Reprocessed uranium has been stored in two of the dry casks in the Temporary Cask Custody Area since 2013. The two casks will be transferred to the common pool in October. All 138 fuel assemblies including collected uranium fuel will be removed from the casks and stored in the common pool.
- No abnormality was identified in the two casks during the monitoring and patrol inspection to date.

\* Fuel using uranium obtained from spent fuel reprocessing

## 3. Retrieval of fuel debris

*Promoting the development of technology and collection of data required to prepare fuel debris retrieval, such as investigations and repair of PCV's leakage parts as well as decontamination and shielding to improve PCV accessibility.*

### ➤ Results of the fuel debris investigation using muon inside the Unit 3 reactor

- To identify the status of fuel debris inside the Unit 3 reactor, muons (a type of elementary particle) derived from cosmic radiation were measured during the period May 2 - September 8. The quantitative evaluation confirmed that no large lump existed in the core area where fuel had been placed and that a part of fuel debris potentially existed at the bottom of the RPV.

## 4. 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 the rubble and trimmed trees

- As of the end of August 2017, the total storage volume of concrete and metal rubble was approx. 214,000 m<sup>3</sup> (+2,900 m<sup>3</sup> compared to at the end of July, with an area-occupation rate of 66%). The total storage volume of trimmed trees was approx. 120,400 m<sup>3</sup> (0 m<sup>3</sup>, with an area-occupation rate of 65%). The total storage volume of used protective clothing was approx. 64,300 m<sup>3</sup> (-2,100 m<sup>3</sup>, with an area-occupation rate of 90%). The increase in rubble was mainly attributable to construction related to tank installation. The decrease in used protective clothing was mainly attributable to the operation of the incinerator.

### ➤ Management status of secondary waste from water treatment

- As of September 24, 2017, the total storage volume of waste sludge was 597 m<sup>3</sup> (area-occupation rate: 85%) and that of concentrated waste fluid was 9,387 m<sup>3</sup> (area-occupation rate: 88%). The total number of stored spent vessels, High-Integrity Containers (HICs) for multi-nuclide removal equipment, etc., was 3,775 (area-occupation rate: 59%).

## 5. 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*

### ➤ Cooling suspension test of the Unit 2 SFP circulating cooling facility (passing water suspension test of the secondary system)

- The result of the Unit 1 cooling suspension test confirmed that the SFP temperature was stable below the level of the limiting condition for operation (LCO) and that the SFP water temperature evaluation formula was appropriately accurate taking natural heat release into consideration.
- In Unit 2 as a representative unit subject to significant decay heat, a cooling suspension test was conducted for the SFP circulating cooling facility (passing water suspension of the secondary system) from August 21. The results confirmed that the water temperature would not reach the level of the limiting condition for operation (LCO) during natural cooling and reaffirmed the appropriate accuracy of the SFP water temperature evaluation formula.
- Cooling will resume if the SFP water temperature exceeds the most stringent criteria in the water temperature evaluation taking natural heat release into consideration, or if generated steam affects the work.

- Water injection solely by the FDW system during PE pipe installation work for the Unit 1-3 reactor water injection line
  - In the Unit 1-3 reactor water injection equipment, SUS flexible tubes within and outside the Turbine Building of the core spray system (CS system) line will be replaced with PE pipes to improve reliability. When connecting the newly installed PE pipes to the CS system line, water will be injected into the reactor solely via the feed water (FDW) system.
  - Prior to the replacement, a water injection test solely from the FDW system was conducted in Units 1-3. The results confirmed no abnormality in the cooling condition of the reactor.  
(Test periods: Unit 1 July 25 – August 8, Unit 2 August 22 – September 4, Unit 3 September 5 -19, including the periods of effect assessments during and after sole water injection from the FDW system.)
  - For Unit 1, sole water injection from the FDW system prior to the replacement will be conducted during the period October 2-12.

## 6. 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 1-4
  - Regarding radioactive materials in the groundwater near the bank on the north side of the Unit 1 intake, despite the tritium density at groundwater in Observation Hole No. 0-1 gradually increasing since October 2016, it currently remains constant at around 10,000 Bq/L.
  - Regarding the groundwater near the bank between the Unit 1 and 2 intakes, though the density gross  $\beta$  radioactive materials at groundwater Observation Hole No. 1 had remained constant at around 18,000 Bq/L, it has been increasing since June 2017 and currently stands at around 30,000 Bq/L. Though the density of gross  $\beta$  radioactive materials at groundwater Observation Hole No. 1-6 had been increasing since March 2017, it has been declining since June 2017 and currently stands at around 200,000 Bq/L. Though the tritium density at groundwater Observation Hole No. 1-8 had remained constant at around 5,000 Bq/L, it has been declining since May 2017 and currently stands at around 1,500 Bq/L. Though the density of gross  $\beta$  radioactive materials at the same groundwater Observation Hole had remained constant at around 8,000 Bq/L and had been declining since April 2017, it has been increasing since July 2017 and currently stands at around 5,000 Bq/L. Though the density of gross  $\beta$  radioactive materials at the groundwater Observation Hole No. 1-12 had remained constant at around 20 Bq/L, it had been increasing to 4,000 Bq/L since May 2017 and then decreased and currently stands at around 1,500 Bq/L. Though the tritium density at groundwater Observation Hole No. 1-14 had remained constant at around 10,000 Bq/L, it has been declining since April 2017 and currently stands at around 3,000 Bq/L. Though the tritium density at groundwater Observation Hole No. 1-17 had been increasing from 1,000 Bq/L since February 2017 and currently stands at around 40,000 Bq/L. Though the density of gross  $\beta$  radioactive materials at the same groundwater Observation Hole increased from 200,000 to 600,000 Bq/L in May 2017 and then declining, it currently stands at around 40,000 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: October 14 - 23, 2015).
  - Regarding radioactive materials in the groundwater near the bank between the Unit 2 and 3 intakes, the tritium density at groundwater Observation Hole No. 2-2 has been increasing from around 300 Bq/L since May 2017 and currently stands at around 700 Bq/L. Though the tritium density at groundwater Observation Hole No. 2-3 had declined from around 4,000 Bq/L since November 2016 before remaining constant at around 600 Bq/L, it has been increasing since March 2017 and currently stands at around 1,200 Bq/L. The density of gross  $\beta$  radioactive materials at the same groundwater Observation Hole had been increasing from 600 since June 2017 and currently stands at around 1,200 Bq/L. Though the tritium density at groundwater Observation Hole No. 2-5 had remained constant at

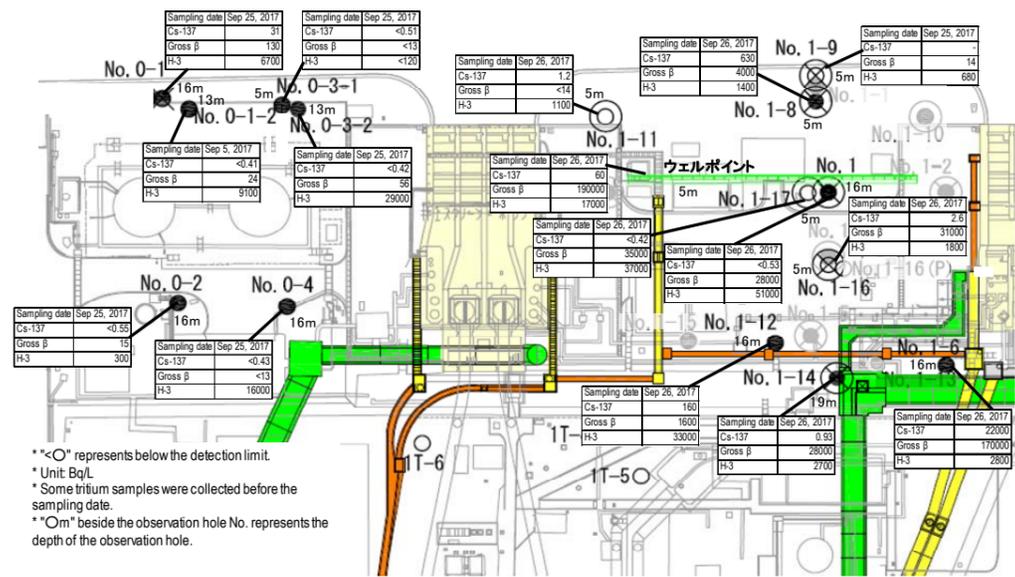
- around 500 Bq/L, it has increased to 2,000 Bq/L since November 2016, then declined and currently stands at around 1,000 Bq/L. Though the density of gross  $\beta$  radioactive materials at the same groundwater Observation Hole had been increasing from 10,000 to 80,000 Bq/L since November 2016, it increased to 80,000 Bq/L, then has been declining and currently stands at around 30,000 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: from October 14, 2015).
- Regarding radioactive materials in the groundwater near the bank between the Unit 3 and 4 intakes, though the tritium density at groundwater Observation Hole No. 3 had remained constant at around 9,000 Bq/L, it has been gradually declining since October 2016 and currently stands at around 4,000 Bq/L. Though the density of gross  $\beta$  radioactive materials at the same groundwater Observation Hole had remained constant at around 500 Bq/L, it has been gradually declining since November 2016 and currently stands at around 200 Bq/L. The tritium density at groundwater Observation Hole No. 3-2 has been gradually declining from 3,000 Bq/L since October 2016 and currently stands at around 800 Bq/L. The density of gross  $\beta$  radioactive materials at the same groundwater Observation Hole has been gradually declining from 3,500 Bq/L since October 2016 and currently stands at around 500 Bq/L. The tritium density at groundwater Observation Hole No. 3-3 has been declining from 1,200 Bq/L since July 2017 and currently stands at around 500 Bq/L. The density of gross  $\beta$  radioactive materials at the same groundwater Observation Hole has been gradually declining from 6,000 Bq/L since September 2016 and currently stands at around 1,500 Bq/L. At groundwater Observation Hole No. 3-4, though the tritium density had been declining since March 2017 and currently stands at around 1,500 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: from September 17, 2015).
- Regarding the radioactive materials in seawater in the Unit 1-4 intake area, densities have remained low except for the increase in cesium 137 and strontium 90 during heavy rain. They have been declining following the completed installation and the connection of steel pipe sheet piles for the sea-side impermeable walls. The density of cesium 137 has been increasing since January 25, 2017, when a new silt fence was installed to accommodate the relocation.
- Regarding the radioactive materials in seawater in the area within the port, densities have remained low except for the increase in cesium 137 and strontium 90 during heavy rain. They have been declining following the completed installation and the connection of steel pipe sheet piles for the sea-side impermeable walls.
- Regarding the radioactive materials in seawater in the area outside the port, densities of cesium 137 and strontium 90 have been declining and remained low following the completed installation and the connection of steel pipe sheet piles for the sea-side impermeable walls.
- Alert issued from a continuous dust monitor on the site boundary
  - “High alert” indicating an increased density of dust radiation was issued from dust monitors near the monitoring post (MP) No. 3 on September 1. The alert was considered attributable to natural nuclides for the following reasons: no abnormality was identified in plant parameters when the “high alert” was issued; no abnormality was identified in values measured by the other dust monitors; there was no on-site work around the monitor that could explain the dust increase; a gamma nuclide analysis of the filter used when the “high alert” was issued confirmed that the densities of artificial nuclides such as cesium were below the detection limit while natural nuclides (bismuth 214 and lead 214) were detected.

7. Outlook of the number of staff required and efforts to improve the labor environment and conditions

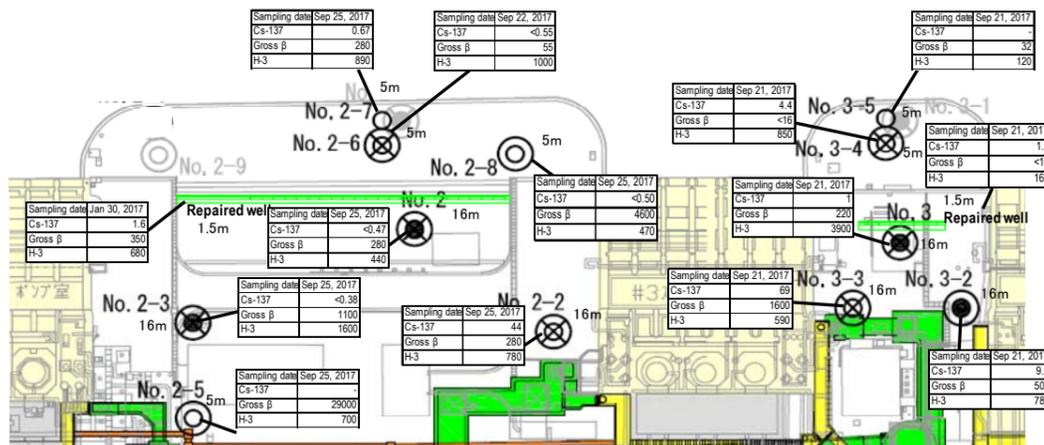
*Securing appropriate staff long-term while thoroughly implementing workers' exposure dose control. Improving the work environment and labor conditions continuously based on an understanding of workers' on-site needs*

➤ 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 May to July 2017 was approx. 11,900 (TEPCO and partner company workers), which exceeded the monthly average number of actual workers (approx. 9,100). 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 October 2017 (approx. 5,350 per day: TEPCO and partner company workers)\* would be secured at present. The average numbers of workers per day per month (actual values) were maintained, with approx. 5,400 to 7,000 since FY2015 (see Figure 6).
- Some works for which contractual procedures have yet to be completed were excluded from the estimate for October 2017.
- The number of workers from outside Fukushima Prefecture has decreased. The local employment ratio (TEPCO and partner company workers) as of August has remained at around 55%.
- The monthly average exposure dose of workers remained at approx. 0.81 mSv/month during FY2014, approx. 0.59 mSv/month during FY2015 and approx. 0.39 mSv/month during FY2016. (Reference: Annual average exposure dose 20 mSv/year  $\approx$  1.7 mSv/month)
- For most workers, the exposure dose was sufficiently within the limit and allowed them to continue engaging in radiation work.



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



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

Figure 4: Groundwater density on the Turbine Building east side

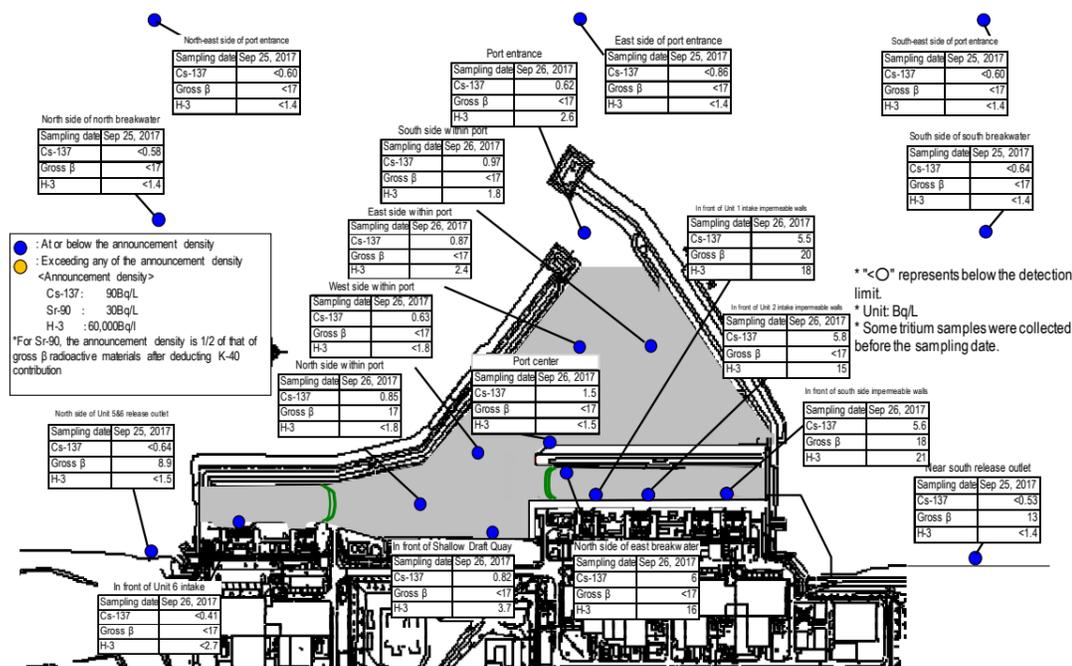
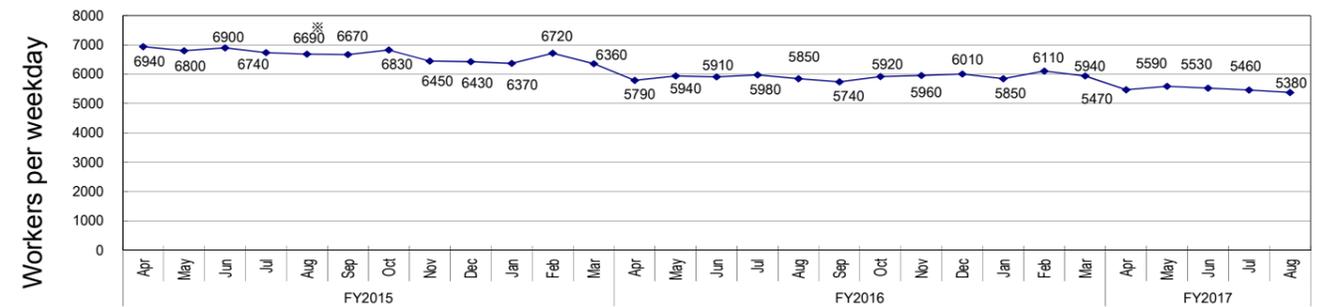


Figure 5: Seawater density around the port



\* Calculated based on the number of workers from August 3-7, 24-28 and 31 (due to overhaul of heavy machines)

Figure 6: Changes in the average number of workers per weekday for each month since FY2015 (actual values)

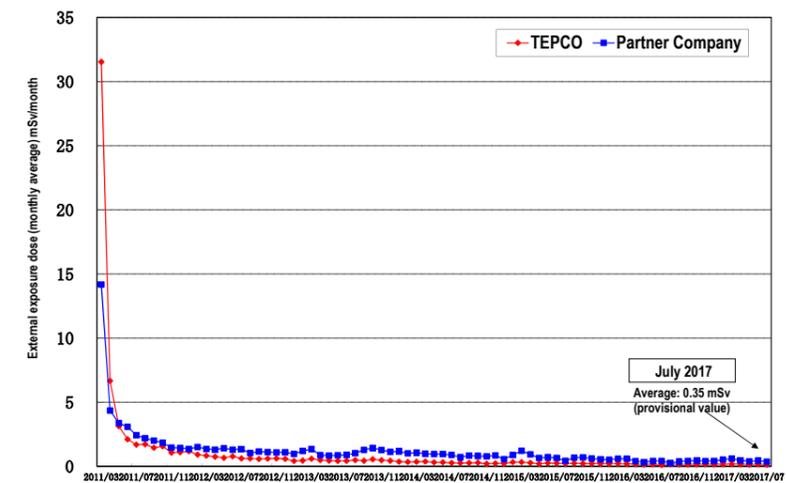


Figure 7: Changes in monthly individual worker exposure dose (monthly average exposure dose since March 2011)

➤ Status of heat stroke cases

- In FY2017, five workers suffered heat stroke due to work, but no worker had suffered light heat stroke (not requiring medical treatment) as of September 26. Ongoing measures will be taken to prevent heat stroke. (In FY2016, three workers had heat stroke due to work and two workers had light heat stroke as of the end of September.)

➤ Survey for workers to improve the work environment

- With the aim of improving the work environment for workers at the power station, a survey is being conducted from September 28. The answers will be collected in October and the results will be compiled in December to be utilized for improvement of the work environment.
- The survey of this fiscal year was improved to make the questionnaire easy-to-understand for respondents, such as adding reference information regarding the labor conditions.

8. Status of Units 5 and 6

➤ Status of spent fuel storage in Units 5 and 6

- Regarding Unit 5, fuel removal from the reactor was completed in June 2015. 1,374 spent fuel assemblies and 168 non-irradiated fuel assemblies are stored in the spent fuel pool (storage capacity: 1,590 assemblies).
- Regarding Unit 6, fuel removal from the reactor was completed in FY2013. 1,456 spent fuel assemblies and 198 non-irradiated fuel assemblies (180 of which were transferred from the Unit 4 spent fuel pool) are stored in the spent fuel pool (storage capacity: 1,654 assemblies) and 230 non-irradiated fuel assemblies are stored in the storage facility of non-irradiated fuel assemblies (storage capacity: 230 assemblies).

➤ Status of accumulated water in Units 5 and 6

- Accumulated water in Units 5 and 6 is transferred from Unit 6 Turbine Building to outdoor tanks and sprinkled after undergoing RO treatment and confirming the density of radioactive materials.
- Water treatment at the desalination equipment (using the reverse osmosis (RO)) generates highly concentrated salt water. The osmosis, clogged mainly due to the salt when the water is re-condensed, decreases the operation rate of the equipment. To ensure future continuous stable operation, a new purification unit, etc. which will reduce generation of concentrated water will be installed along with removing obstacle equipment. Preparatory work is currently underway.

9. Others

➤ Radiation distribution measurement test using a small Compton camera in the Unit 3 Turbine Building

- The Japan Atomic Energy Agency (JAEA) is developing the technology that remotely measures the dose inside the buildings at the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station.
- The JAEA recently developed a small, light Compton camera which can measure the dose in a high-dose environment as well as a technology to visualize the distribution of radioactive materials using the camera.
- A measurement test using these technologies in the Unit 3 Turbine Building confirmed that local contamination could be visualized and displayed in 3D images.

➤ Revision of the Mid- and Long-term Roadmap

- At the Inter-Ministerial Council for Contaminated Water and Decommissioning Issues held on September 26, the Mid- and Long-term Roadmap was revised.
- Spotlighted in this revision: decision of the policy to retrieve fuel debris; measures prioritizing safety during fuel removal from pools; maintaining of contaminated water management; establishment of a basic concept for waste control measures and emphasizing and enhancing interactive communications.

# 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 September 19-26)”; 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(0.29) Below 1/10  
Cesium-137: 9.0 (2013/10/17) → 0.87 Below 1/10  
Gross β: **74** (2013/ 8/19) → ND(17) Below 1/4  
Tritium: 67 (2013/ 8/19) → 2.4 Below 1/20

Cesium-134: 4.4 (2013/12/24) → ND(0.32) Below 1/10  
Cesium-137: **10** (2013/12/24) → 0.63 Below 1/10  
Gross β: **60** (2013/ 7/ 4) → ND(17) Below 1/3  
Tritium: 59 (2013/ 8/19) → ND(1.8) Below 1/30

Cesium-134: 5.0 (2013/12/2) → ND(0.27) Below 1/10  
Cesium-137: 8.4 (2013/12/2) → 0.85 Below 1/9  
Gross β: **69** (2013/8/19) → 17 Below 1/4  
Tritium: 52 (2013/8/19) → ND(1.8) Below 1/20

Cesium-134: 2.8 (2013/12/2) → ND(0.47) Below 1/5  
Cesium-137: 5.8 (2013/12/2) → ND(0.41) Below 1/10  
Gross β: **46** (2013/8/19) → ND(17) Below 1/2  
Tritium: 24 (2013/8/19) → ND(2.7) Below 1/8

Cesium-134: ND(0.53)  
Cesium-137: 1.5  
Gross β: ND(17)  
Tritium: ND(1.5) \*

Cesium-134: 3.3 (2013/12/24) → ND(0.61) Below 1/5  
Cesium-137: 7.3 (2013/10/11) → 0.62 Below 1/10  
Gross β: **69** (2013/ 8/19) → ND(17) Below 1/4  
Tritium: 68 (2013/ 8/19) → 2.6 Below 1/20

Cesium-134: 3.5 (2013/10/17) → ND(0.26) Below 1/10  
Cesium-137: 7.8 (2013/10/17) → 0.97 Below 1/8  
Gross β: **79** (2013/ 8/19) → ND(17) Below 1/4  
Tritium: 60 (2013/ 8/19) → 1.8 Below 1/30

Cesium-134: **32** (2013/10/11) → 0.65 Below 1/40  
Cesium-137: **73** (2013/10/11) → 6.0 Below 1/10  
Gross β: **320** (2013/ 8/12) → ND(17) Below 1/10  
Tritium: 510 (2013/ 9/ 2) → 16 Below 1/30  
From February 11, 2017, the location of the sampling point was shifted approx. 50 m south of the previous point due to the location shift of the silt fence.

Cesium-134: 0.58  
Cesium-137: 5.5  
Gross β: 20  
Tritium: 18 \*

Cesium-134: ND(0.75)  
Cesium-137: 5.8  
Gross β: ND(17)  
Tritium: 15 \*

Cesium-134: 1.0  
Cesium-137: 5.6  
Gross β: 18  
Tritium: 21 \*

\* 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(0.56) Below 1/9  
Cesium-137: 8.6 (2013/8/ 5) → 0.82 Below 1/10  
Gross β: **40** (2013/7/ 3) → ND(17) Below 1/2  
Tritium: 340 (2013/6/26) → 3.7 Below 1/90

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.

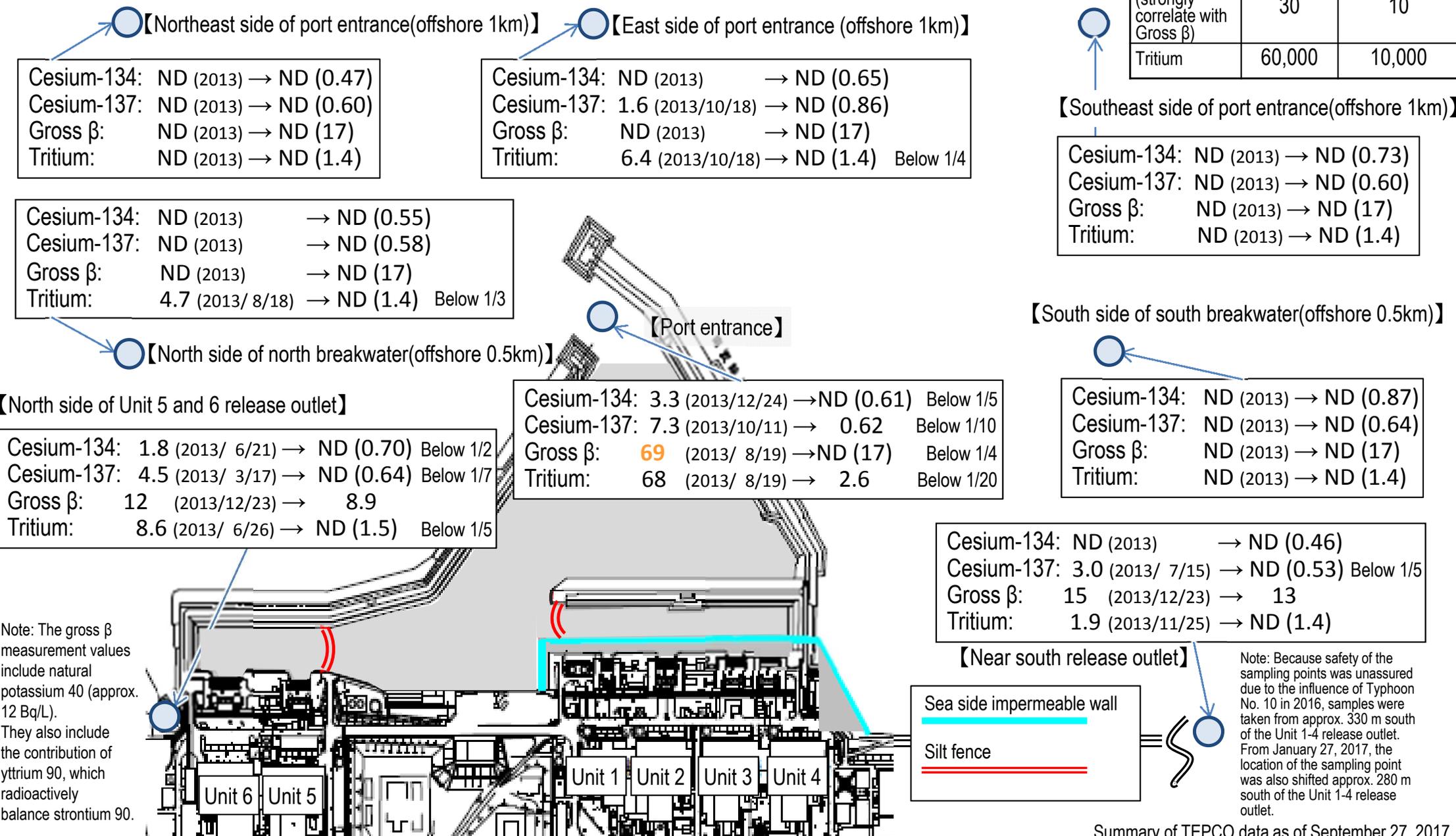
Summary of TEPCO data as of September 27, 2017

# 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 September 19-26)

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



Summary of TEPCO data as of September 27, 2017



## 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 top floor of the Reactor Building (operating floor). All roof panels and wall panels of the building cover were dismantled by November 10, 2016. Removal of pillars and beams of the building was completed on May 11. Modification of the pillars and beams (including windbreak sheets) will follow. Prior to formulating a work plan for rubble removal, additional investigation into rubble status on the operating floor is underway. Thorough monitoring of radioactive materials will continue.

<Dismantling of wall panels>



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.

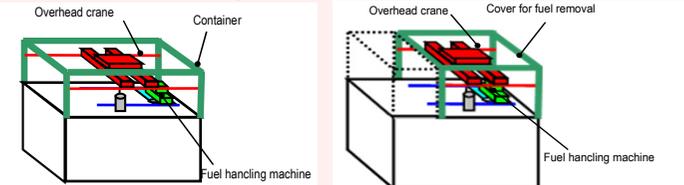


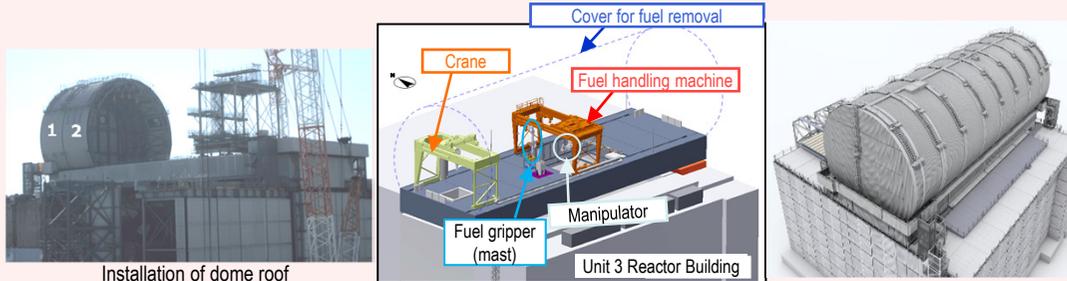
Image of Plan 1

Image of Plan 2

### Unit 3

Prior to the installation of a cover for fuel removal, removal of large rubble from the spent fuel pool was completed in November 2015. 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).

Measures to reduce dose on the Reactor Building top floor (decontamination, shields) were completed in December 2016. Installation of a cover for fuel removal and a fuel-handling machine is underway from January 2017.



Installation of dome roof  
(September 26)

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 1<sup>st</sup> Unit within two years of completion of Step 2 (by December 2013). On November 18, 2013, fuel removal from Unit 4, or the 1<sup>st</sup> 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)

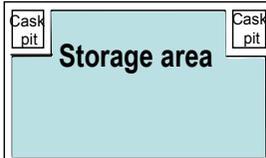
This marks the completion of fuel removal from the Unit 4 Reactor Building. Based on this experience, fuel assemblies will be removed from Unit 1-3 pools.

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



Fuel removal status

### Common pool

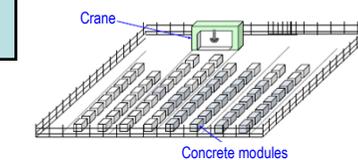


An open space will be maintained in the common pool (Transfer to the Temporary Cask Custody Area)

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 Cask<sup>(\*)</sup>  
Custody Area



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.

(\*)2 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<sup>(1)</sup>. (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<sup>(2)</sup> (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<sup>(3)</sup>)

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

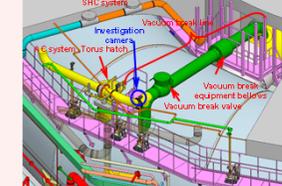
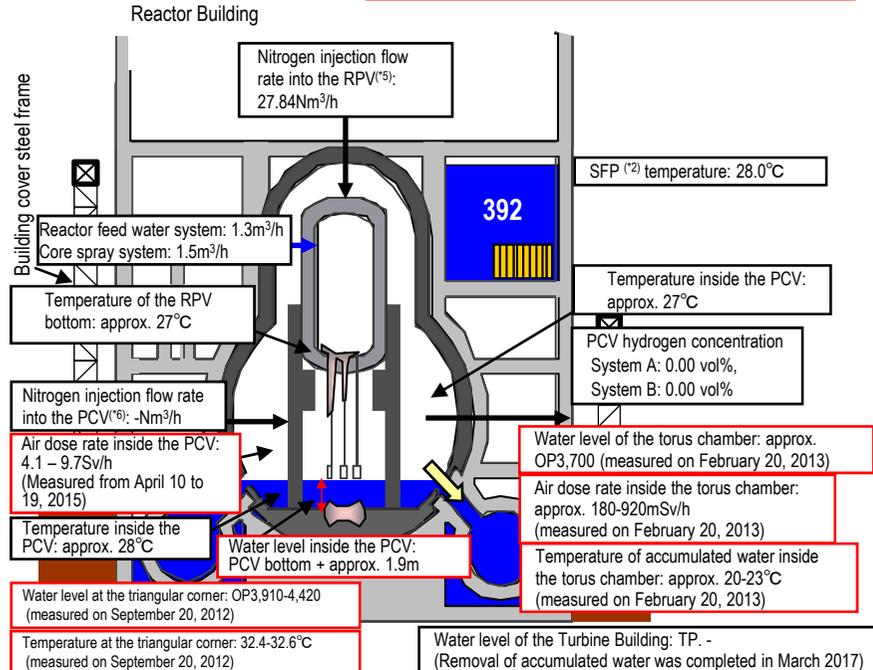


Image of the S/C upper part investigation

### Unit 1

Air dose rate inside the Reactor Building:  
Max. 5,150mSv/h (1F southeast area) (measured on July 4, 2012)



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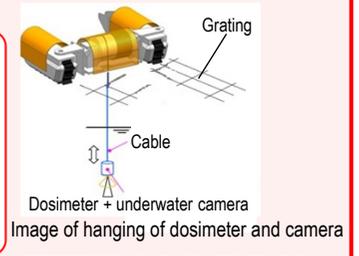
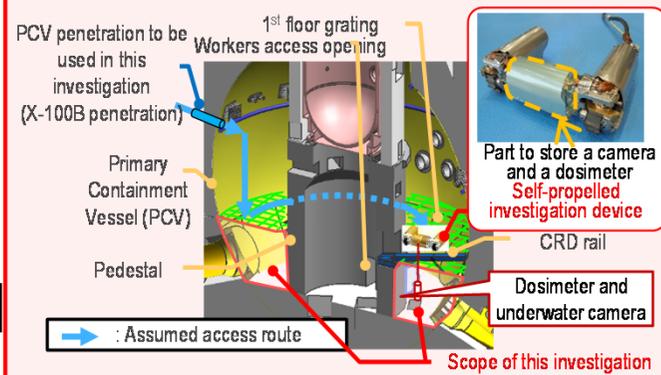
Investigations inside PCV	1st (Oct 2012)	- Acquiring images - Measuring air temperature and dose rate - Measuring water level and temperature - Sampling accumulated water - Installing permanent monitoring instrumentation
	2nd (Apr 2015)	- Confirming the status of PCV 1st floor - Acquiring images - Measuring air temperature and dose rate - Replacing permanent monitoring instrumentation
	3rd (Mar 2017)	- Confirming the status of PCV 1st basement floor - Acquiring images - Measuring air temperature and dose rate - Sampling deposit - 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 investigation inside the PCV

Prior to fuel debris removal, an investigation inside the PCV will be conducted to inspect the status there including the location of fuel debris.

[Investigative outline]

- In April 2015, a device, which entered the inside of the PCV through a narrow access opening (bore:  $\phi$  100 mm), collected information such as images and airborne dose inside the PCV 1st floor.
- In March 2017, the investigation using a self-propelled investigation device, conducted to inspect the spreading of debris to the basement floor outside the pedestal, took images of the PCV bottom status for the first time. The status inside the PCV will continue to be examined based on the collected image and dose data.



<Image of investigation inside the PCV>

### Capturing the location of fuel debris inside the reactor by measurement using muons

Period	Evaluation results
Feb - May 2015	Confirmed that there was no large fuel in the reactor core.

<Glossary>  
 (\*1) 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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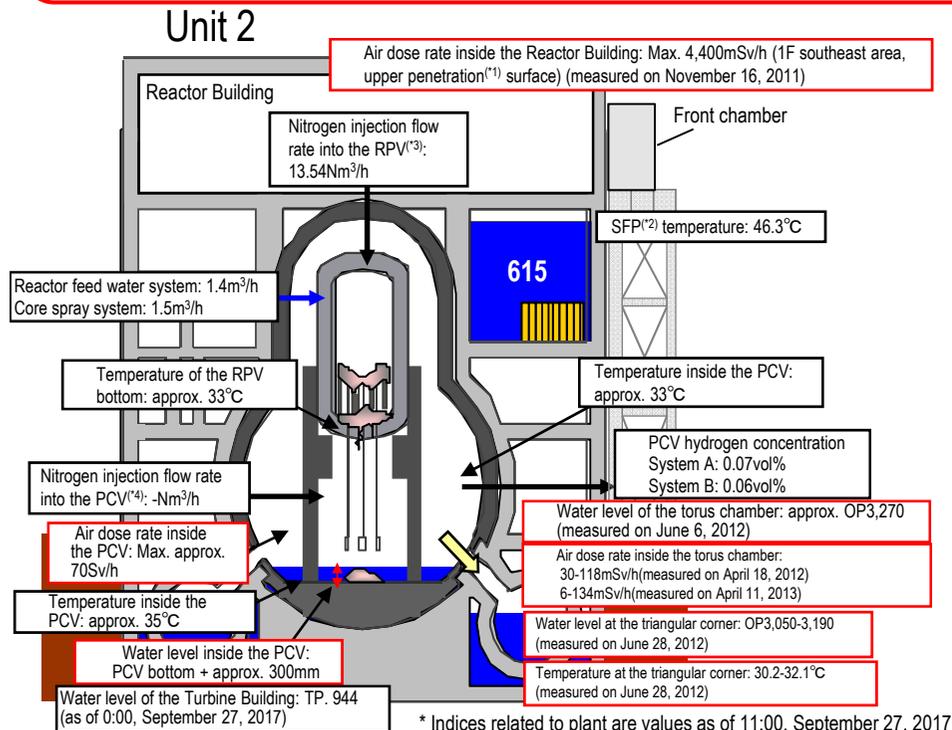
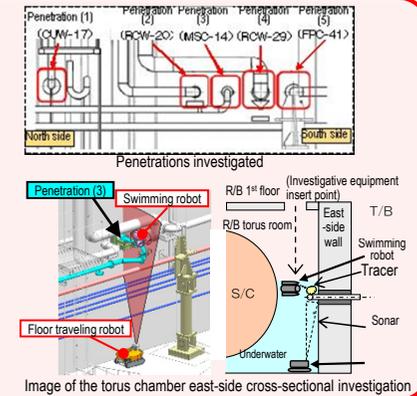
**Immediate target** Identify the plant status and commence R&D and decontamination toward fuel debris removal

## 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 chamber walls

- The torus chamber 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 (\*) 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)



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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
	4th (Jan - Feb 2017)	- Acquiring images - Measuring dose rate - Measuring air temperature
Leakage points from PCV	- No leakage from torus chamber rooftop - No leakage from all inside/outside surfaces of S/C	

## Status of investigation inside the PCV

Prior to fuel debris removal, an investigation inside the PCV will be conducted to inspect the status there including the location of fuel debris.

[Investigative outline]

- A robot, injected from Unit 2 X-6 penetration(\*1), will access the inside of the pedestal using the CRD rail.

[Progress status]

- As manufacturing of shields necessary for dose reduction around X-6 penetration was completed, a hole was made in December 2016 at the PCV penetration from which a robot will be injected.
- On January 26 and 30, 2017, a camera was inserted from the PCV penetration to inspect the status of the CRD replacement rail on which the robot will travel. On February 9, deposit on the access route of the self-propelled investigative device was removed and on February 16, the inside of the PCV was investigated using the device.
- The results of this series of investigations confirmed fallen and deformed gratings and a quantity of deposit inside the pedestal. The evaluation results of the collected information will be utilized in considering the policy for fuel debris removal.



(Reference) Inside the Unit 5 pedestal

Scope of investigation inside the PCV

## Capturing the location of fuel debris inside the reactor by measurement using muons

Period	Evaluation results
Mar - Jul 2016	Confirmed the existence of high-density materials, which was considered as fuel debris, at the bottom of RPV, and in the lower part and the outer periphery of the reactor core. It was assumed that a large part of fuel debris existed at the bottom of RPV.

<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

**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.

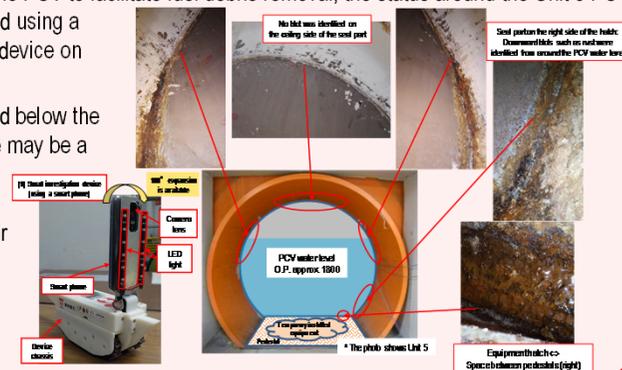
From April 23, 2014, image data has been acquired by camera and the radiation dose measured via pipes for measurement instrumentation, which connect the air-conditioning room on the Reactor Building 2nd floor with the Main Steam Isolation Valve Room on the 1st floor. On May 15, 2014, water flow from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

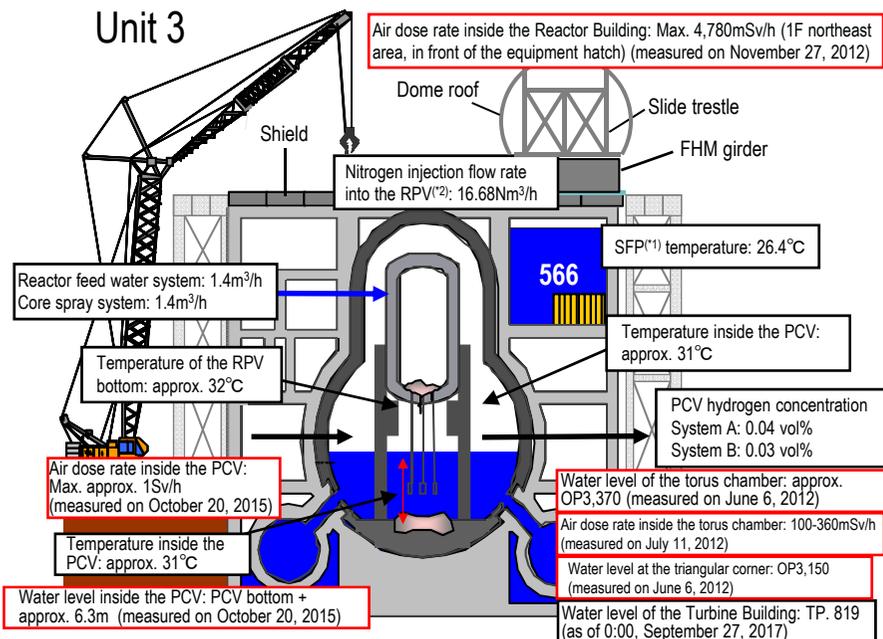
\* Main Steam Isolation Valve: A valve to shut off the steam generated from the Reactor in an emergency

### 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.



### Unit 3



\* Indices related to plant are values as of 11:00, September 27, 2017

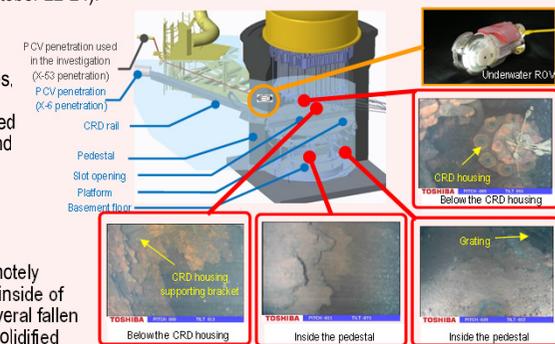
Investigations inside PCV	1st (Oct – Dec 2015)	- Acquiring images - Measuring air temperature and dose rate - Measuring water level and temperature - Sampling accumulated water - Installing permanent monitoring instrumentation (December 2015)
	2nd (Jul 2017)	- Acquiring images - Installing permanent monitoring instrumentation (August 2017)
Leakage points from PCV	- Main steam pipe bellows (identified in May 2014)	

### Investigation inside the PCV

Prior to removing fuel debris, the inside of the Primary Containment Vessel (PCV) was investigated to identify the status there including the location of the fuel debris.

[Investigative outline]

- The status of X-53 penetration<sup>(4)</sup>, which may be under the water and which is scheduled for use to investigate the inside of the PCV, was investigated using remote-controlled ultrasonic test equipment. The results showed that the penetration was not under the water (October 22-24).
- 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 July 2017, the inside of the PCV was investigated using the underwater ROV (remotely operated underwater vehicle) to inspect the inside of the pedestal. The investigation identified several fallen obstacles and deposits, such as supposed solidified molten materials and grating, inside the pedestal.
- Image data collected in the investigation will be analyzed to identify the detailed status inside the pedestal.



Status inside the pedestal

### Capturing the location of fuel debris inside the reactor by measurement using muons

Period	Evaluation results
May – Sep 2017	The evaluation confirmed that no large lump existed in the core area where fuel had been placed and that a part of fuel debris potentially existed at the bottom of the RPV.

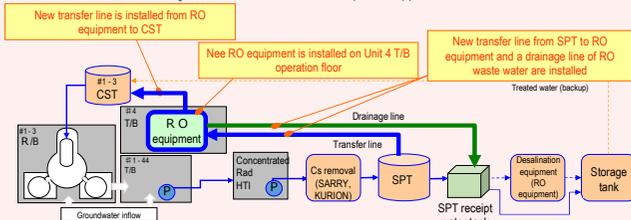
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(\*1) SFP (Spent Fuel Pool) (\*2) RPV (Reactor Pressure Vessel) (\*3) PCV (Primary Containment Vessel) (\*4) Penetration: Through-hole of the PCV

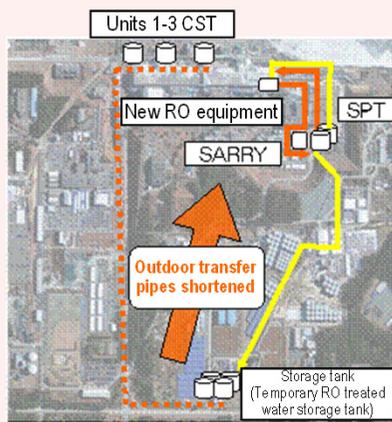
**Immediate target** Stably continue reactor cooling and accumulated water treatment, and improve reliability

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 Condensate Storage Tank (CST) as a water source commenced (from July 5, 2013). Compared to the previous systems, the reliability of the reactor water injection system was enhanced, e.g. by increasing the amount of water-source storage and enhancing durability.
- To reduce the risk of contaminated-water leakage, the circulation loop was shortened by installing a reverse osmosis (RO) device in the Unit 4 Turbine Building within the circulation loop, comprising the transfer of contaminated water, water treatment and injection into the reactors. Operation of the installed RO device started from October 7 and 24-hour operation started from October 20. Installation of the new RO device inside the building shortened the circulation loop from approx. 3 to 0.8 km.



\* 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).



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 was completed in H1 east area (12 tanks) in October 2015, in H2 area (28 tanks) in March 2016 and in H4 area (56 tanks) in May 2017. Dismantling of flange tanks in H3, H5 and B areas is underway.



Start of dismantling in H1 east area

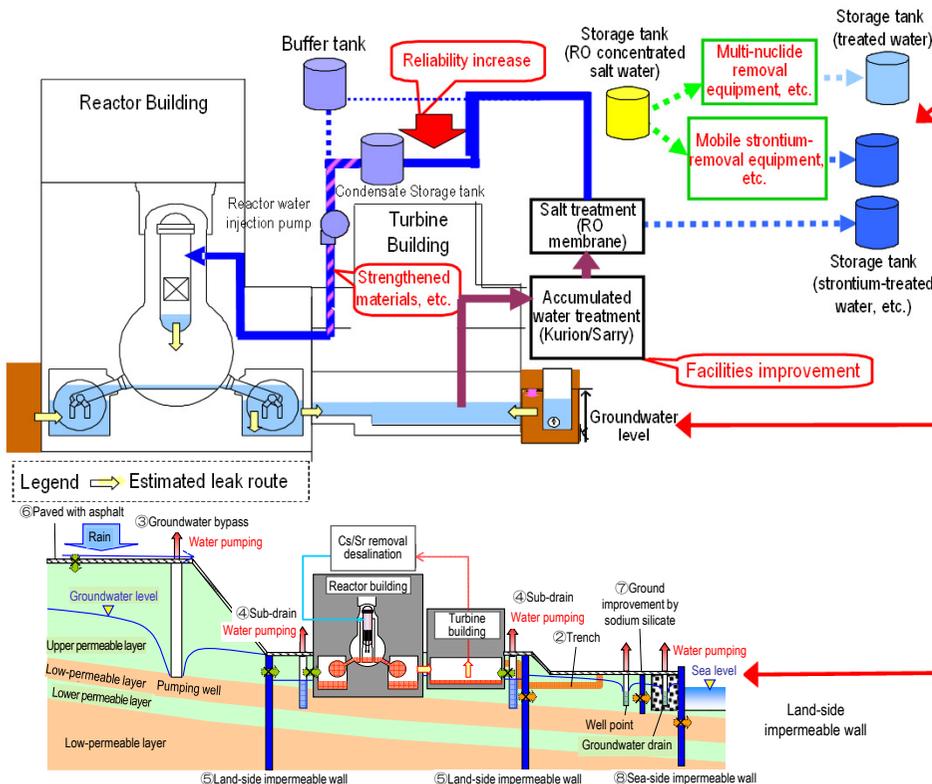


After dismantling in H1 east area

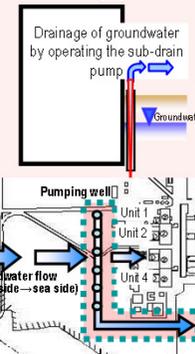
Completion of purification of contaminated water (RO concentrated salt water)

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



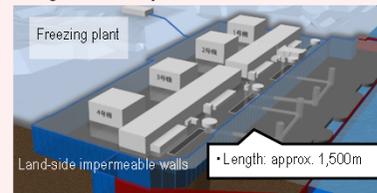
Reducing groundwater inflow by pumping sub-drain water

To reduce groundwater flowing into the buildings, pumping-up of groundwater from wells (subdrains) 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 with frozen soil around Units 1-4 to prevent the inflow of groundwater into the building



To prevent the inflow of groundwater into the buildings, installation of impermeable walls on the land side is planned.

Freezing started on the sea side and at a part of the mountain side from March 2016 and at 95% of the mountain side from June 2016. On the sea side, the underground temperature declined 0°C or less throughout the scope requiring freezing except for the unfrozen parts under the sea-water pipe trenches and the areas above groundwater level in October 2016.

Freezing started for two of seven unfrozen sections on the mountain side from December 2016, and four of the remaining five unfrozen sections from March 2017. Freezing of the remaining unfrozen section started in August 2017.

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

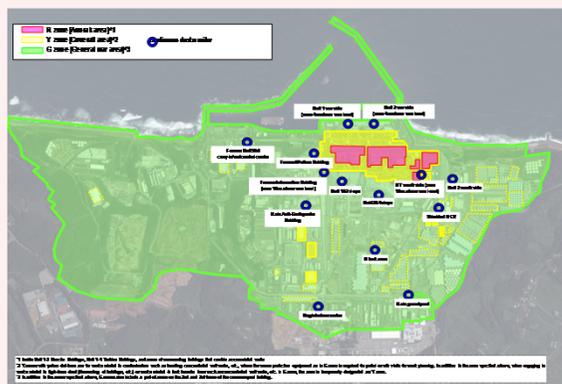
### Immediate targets

- 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

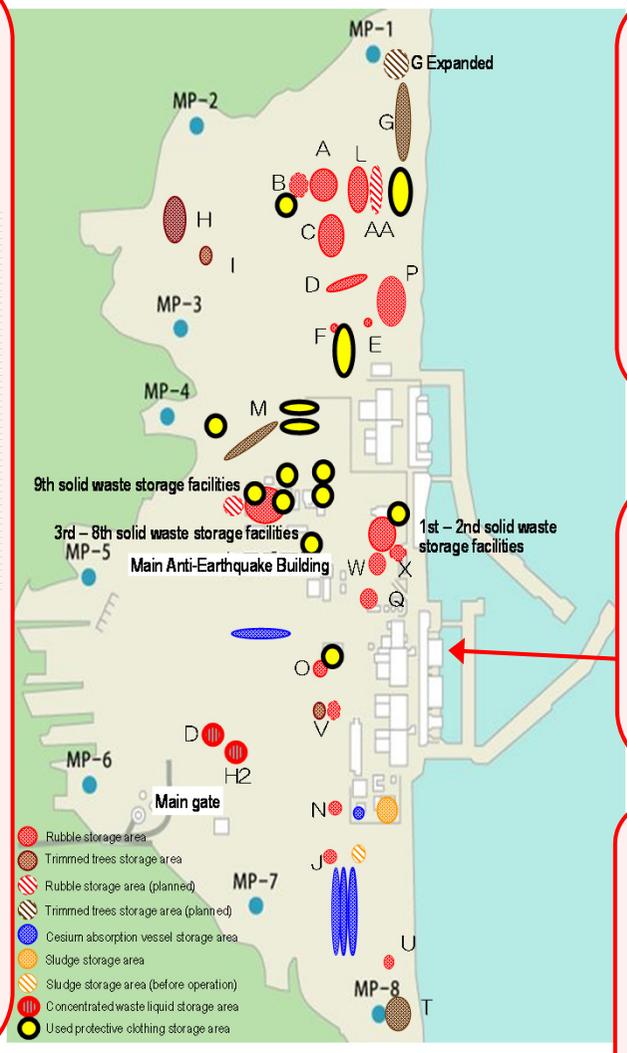
Based on the progress of measures to reduce environmental dosage on site, the site is categorized into two zones: highly contaminated area around Unit 1-4 buildings, etc. and other areas to optimize protective equipment according to each category aiming at improving safety and productivity by reducing load during work.

From March 2016, limited operation started. From March and September 2017, the G Zone was expanded.



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.

