Ogasawara city's development that deserves a World Natural Heritage site

Areas subject to plans

The whole areas of Chichijima and Hahajima Islands in Ogasawara Village

Concept and contents of plans

The Ogasawara Islands lie in the Pacific Ocean, about 1,000 km south off the coast of Tokyo, and have many endemic and rare species in an ecological sense, which can be called a treasure house of nature. The Japanese government, TMG and Ogasawara Village will conserve and inherit the natural environment of Ogasawara as the common heritage of human beings, which was registered as a World Natural Heritage site in June 2011.

As for Chichijima and Hahajima Islands of the Ogasawara Islands, there are core plans such as the Ogasawara Islands Promotion and Development Plan that are based on the Act on Special Measures Concerning Promotion and Development of the Ogasawara Islands; however, there have been no instances of designation of use districts, detailed land use plans based on area or block units, and policies on guiding regulations for town development. In this regard, their formulation is awaited.

Thus, in May 2007, TMG formulated the Ogasawara Regional Development Guidelines as the basic guidelines for TMG and the Village to carry out the town development in Ogasawara.

Also, TMG formulated the Guidelines for Public Facility Development Considering Landscape in Ogasawara in June 2008, and then revised the Tokyo Landscape Plan in July, thereby designating the areas around Chichijima Futami Port as the Special Area for Landscape Formation and starting the operations.

Future plan, etc.

Based on the abovementioned Guidelines, and in cooperation with the Village and other relevant bodies, TMG will support and guide land scape measures and the Village's efforts on town development, and consider the development of landscape that is suitable to the region, and the city plan and land use policy.