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## STORM-INDUCED EROSION OF NOTSUKEZAKI SAND SPIT, JAPAN



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# Outline

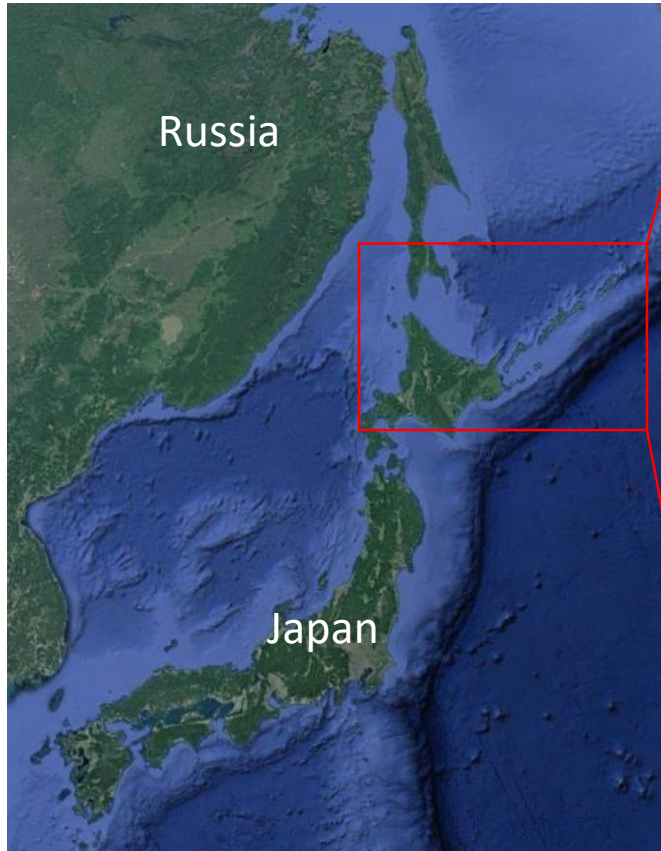
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# 1. Introduction

## ( 1 ) Location of Notsukezaki Sand Spit

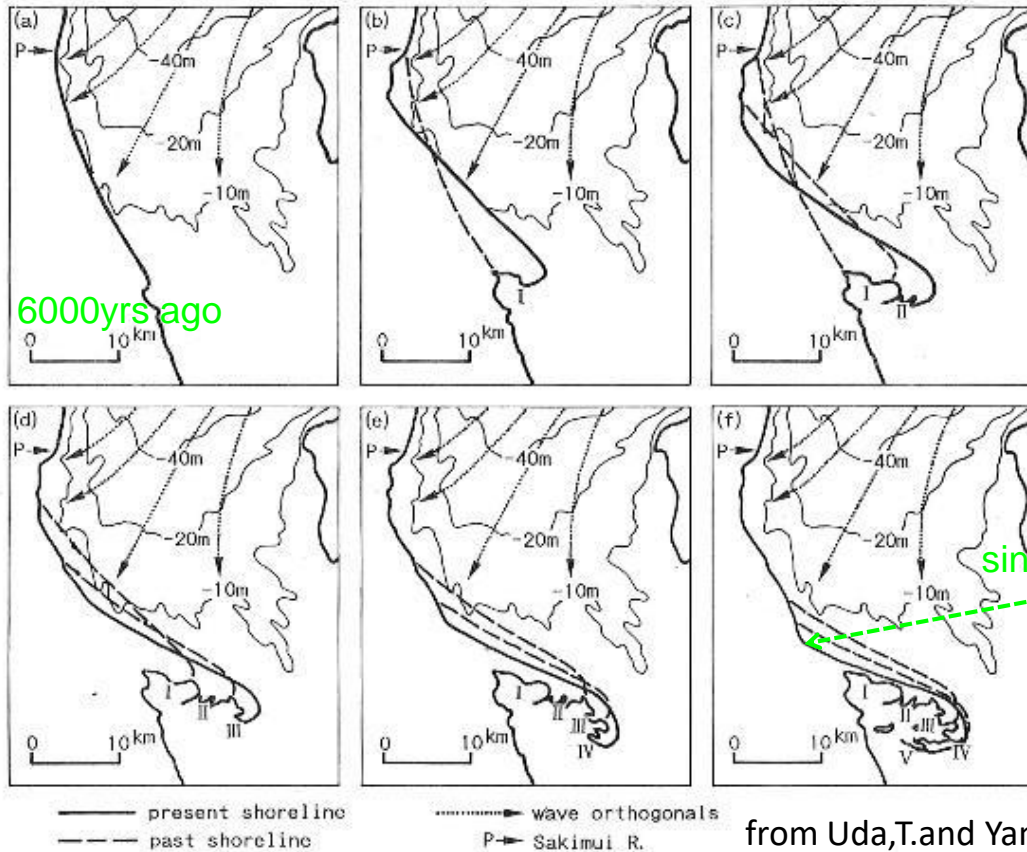


- Notsukezaki Sand Spit is the **largest sand spit in Japan**, which is located in the eastern Hokkaido, Japan.
- The length of the sand spit is about **26 km** from the Shibetsu fishing port. Every winter, **drift ice floating** from the Ohktsuku sea covers the Nemuro Strait. The **tidal range is 1.6 m**.

# 1. Introduction

## (2) Back Ground

### Formation of Notsukezaki Sand Spit



### Construction of Shibetsu Fishing Port



from Uda,T.and Yamamoto,K.(1992)

Severe Erosion had started in front of continuous seawall and detached breakwaters

Reduction of Sediment transport in 1990's

Natural longshore sediment transport toward sand spit = 0



# 1. Introduction

## ( 3 ) about **Notukezaki** Sand Spit

Inner Bay and Land

Coastal Zone

Wild Birds



shrimp



Traditional fishery



clam



Wild Animals



Fishing Port

Fishing Port

Bay of Notsuke

Nature Center for tourist

Salmon



Scallops

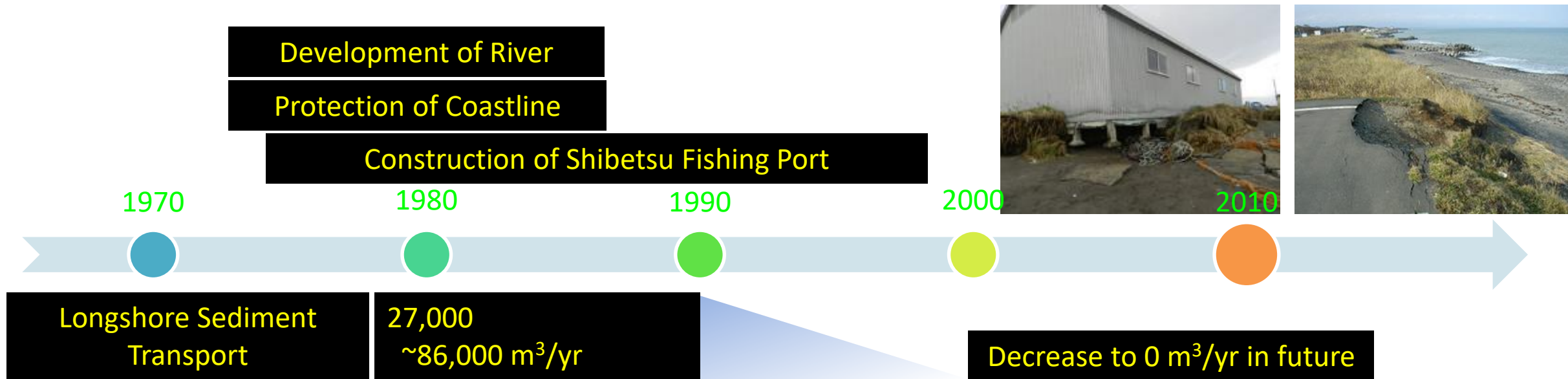


Other fish for eating



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## (4) Shore Protection of **Notsukezaki** Sand Spit

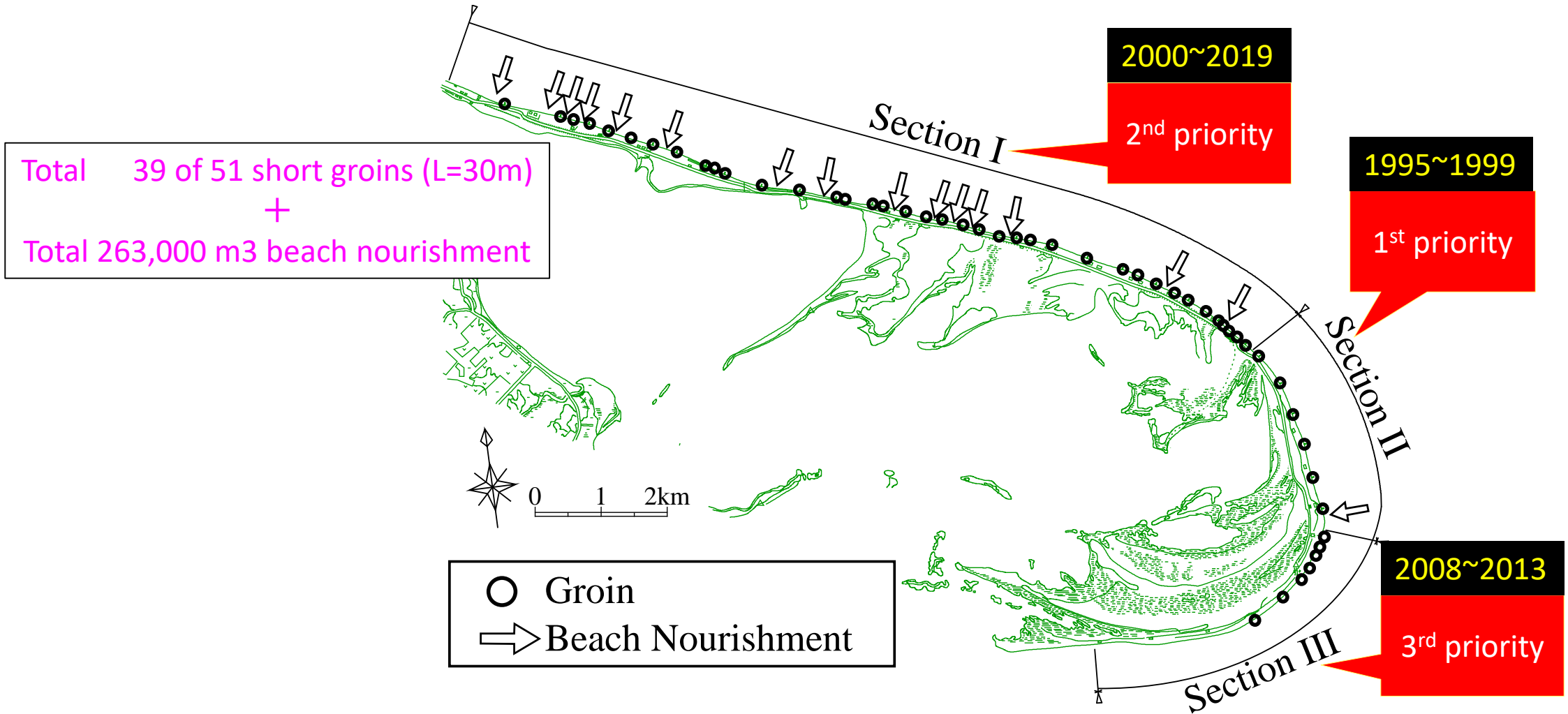


Concept for design of protection in 1999

- ① Keeping Special Landscape based on Sandy Beach and Lagoon
- ② Keeping Sustainability of Wild Animal Lives and Fishermen Lives
- ③ There will be less Natural Longshore sediment supply after 2000
- ④ Sand Management will be more important on Japanese coast

# 1. Introduction

## (4) Shore Protection of Notsukezaki Sand Spit



# 2. Field Observation

## ( 1 ) Overview of field data

Category	Year	Additional Information
Arial Photograph	1947 <sup>1</sup> , 1990 <sup>2</sup> , 1995 <sup>2</sup> , 2000 <sup>2</sup> , 2004, 2009, 2015	<sup>1</sup> U.S. Armed Forces <sup>2</sup> Geographical Survey Institute
Shoreline Position and vegetation boundary	2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015	By a man with Real Time Kinematic-GPS(GNSS)
Beach Profile	1992 <sup>*</sup> , 1999 <sup>*</sup> , 2003, 2004, 2007 <sup>*</sup> , 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 <sup>*</sup> , 2014, 2015	Cross—shore profile from shoreline
Beach Materials	2008, 2013	Sieve analysis

data by Hokkaido Government

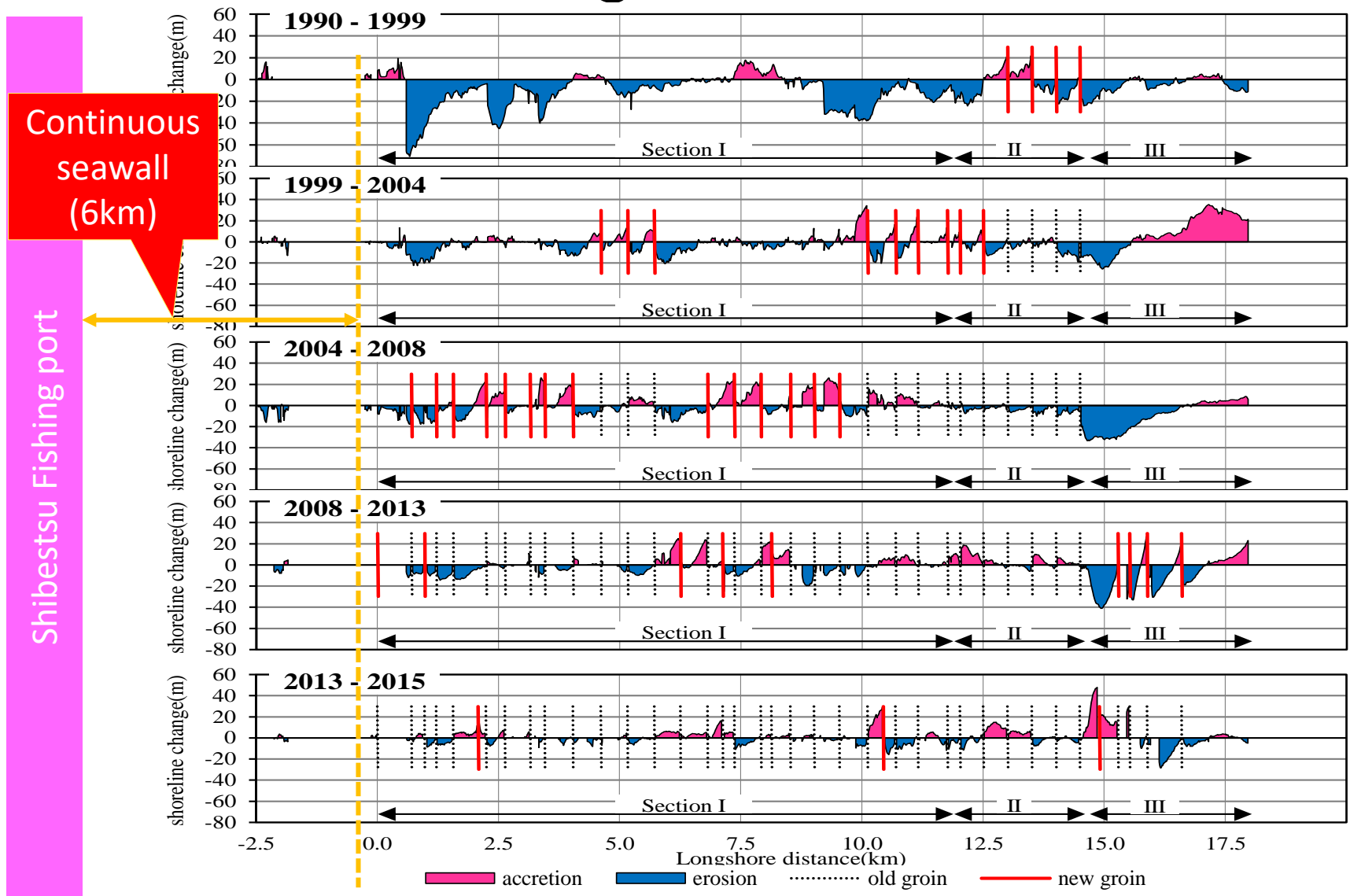
How do we get shoreline position (ground height  $\approx$  0m) and boundary of vegetation ?





# 2. Field Observation

## (2) Shoreline Changes in each section



1995~2005

-0.6m/year

Average retreat rate has been decreasing

2005~2015

-0.2m/year

# 2. Field Observation

## (3) Wave Climates

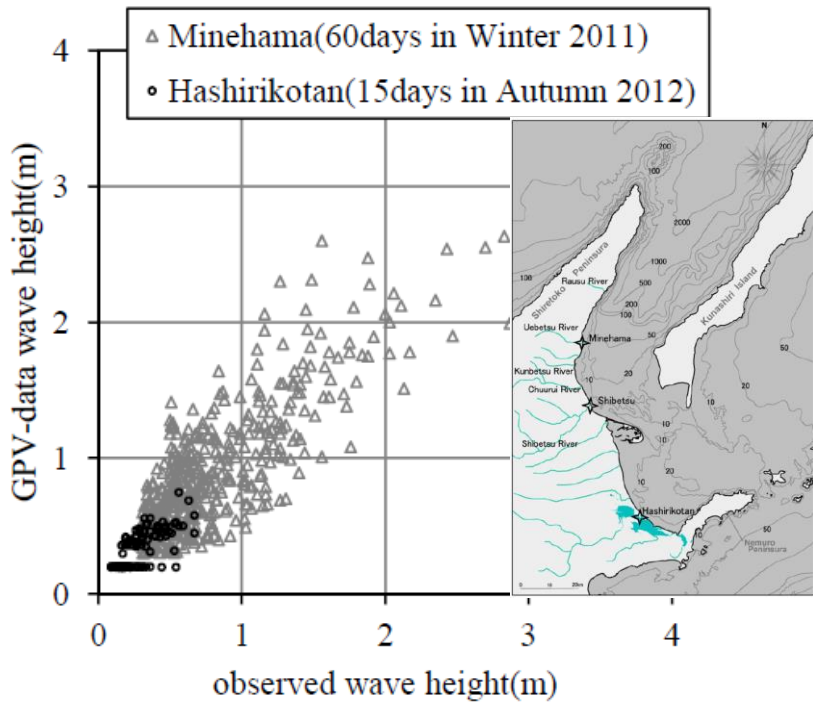
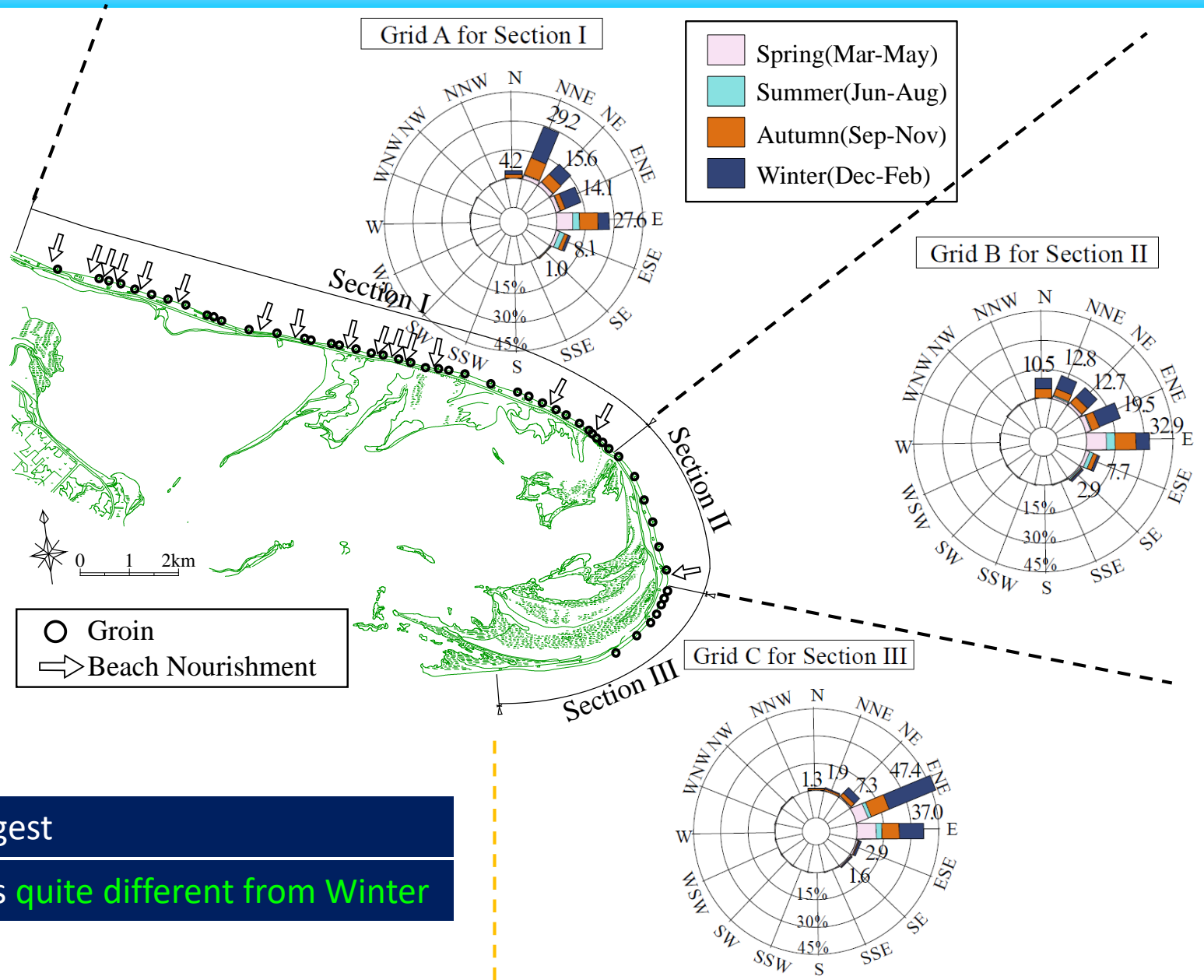


Figure 7. Correlation of significant wave height

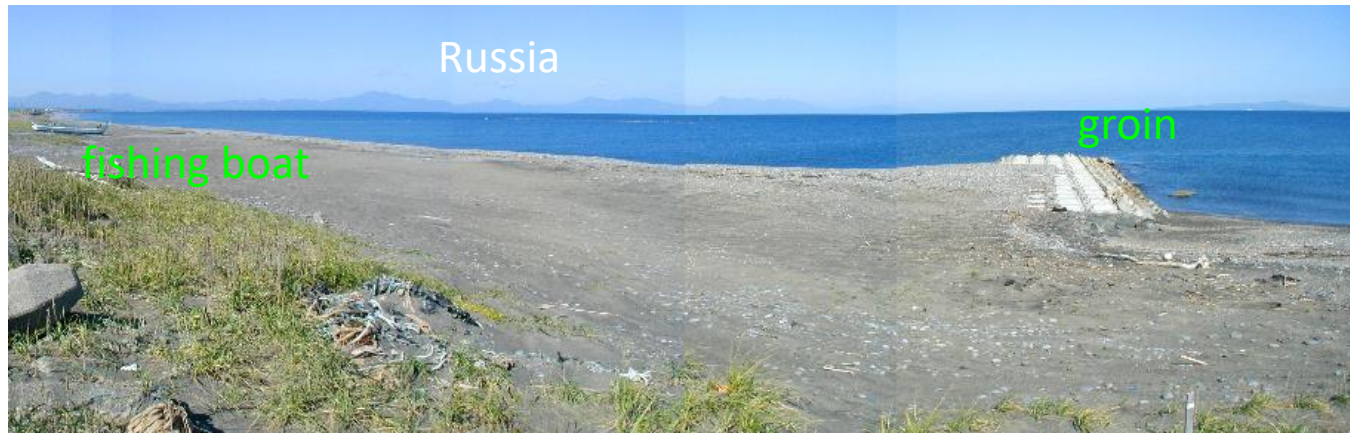
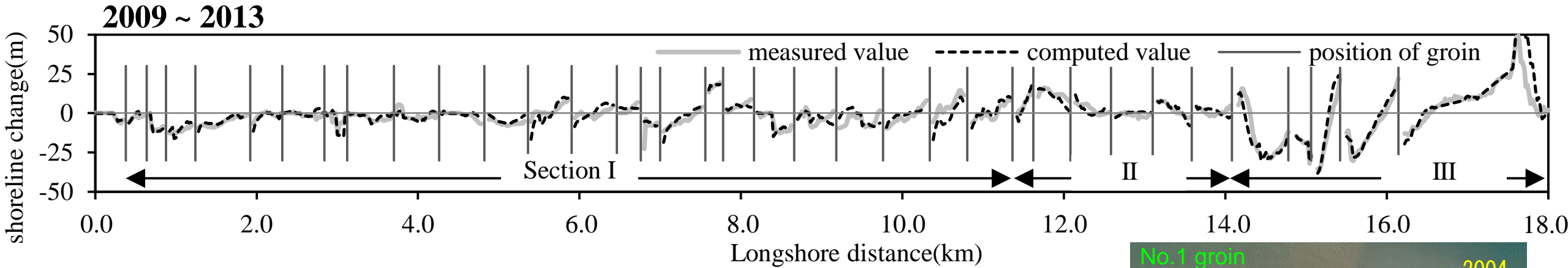


Wave Energy during Winter is the largest

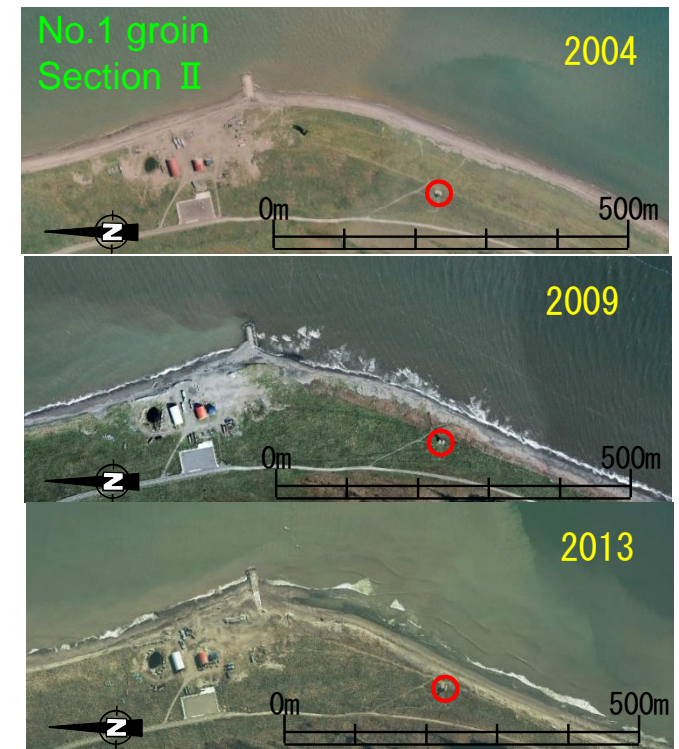
Wave Energy in Spring and Summer is quite different from Winter

# 3. Numerical modeling for Shoreline Changes

Reproduction of shoreline changes using one-line model



One-line model calibrated using mean tide level does not predict beach profile changes during storms





# 4. Storm-Induced Erosion

## ( 1 ) Overview of Nemuro Storm Surge in December 2014

- In December 2014, a remarkable high tide occurred in Nemuro region due to the approach of rapidly developing low pressure
- In Nemuro city, total of 95 buildings flooded due to storm surge



from Nemuro City



No.26 groin  
Section I

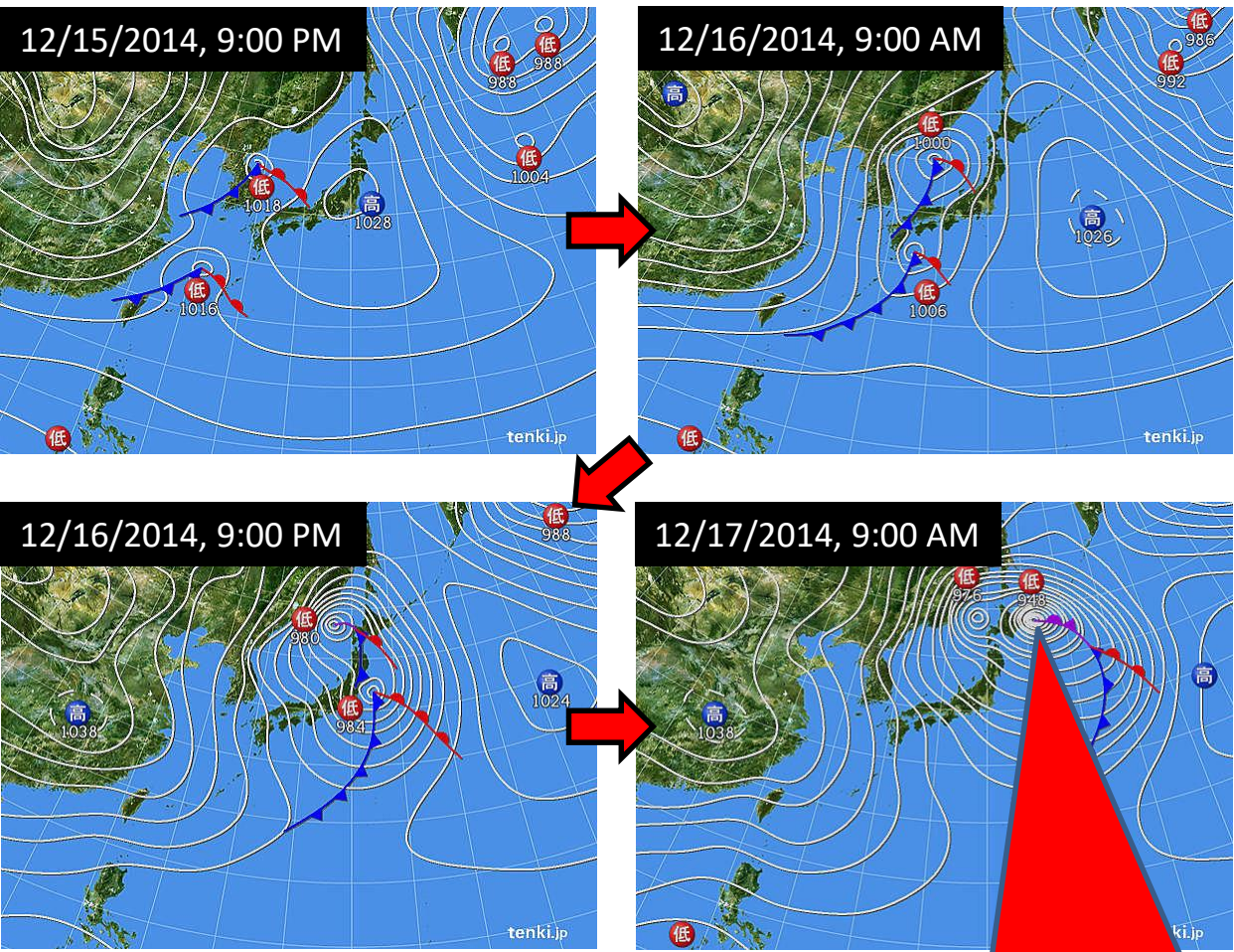


No.5 groin  
Section II



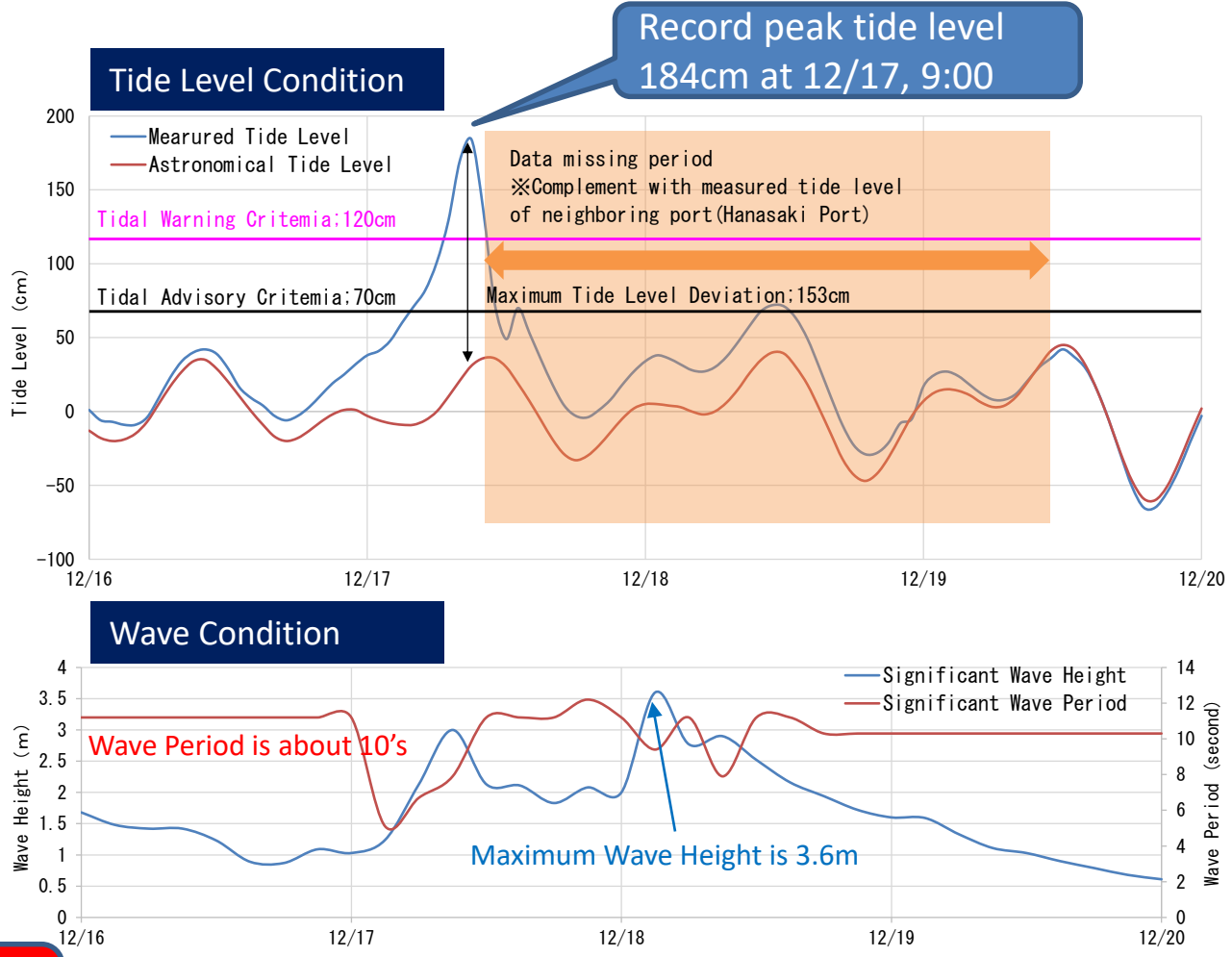
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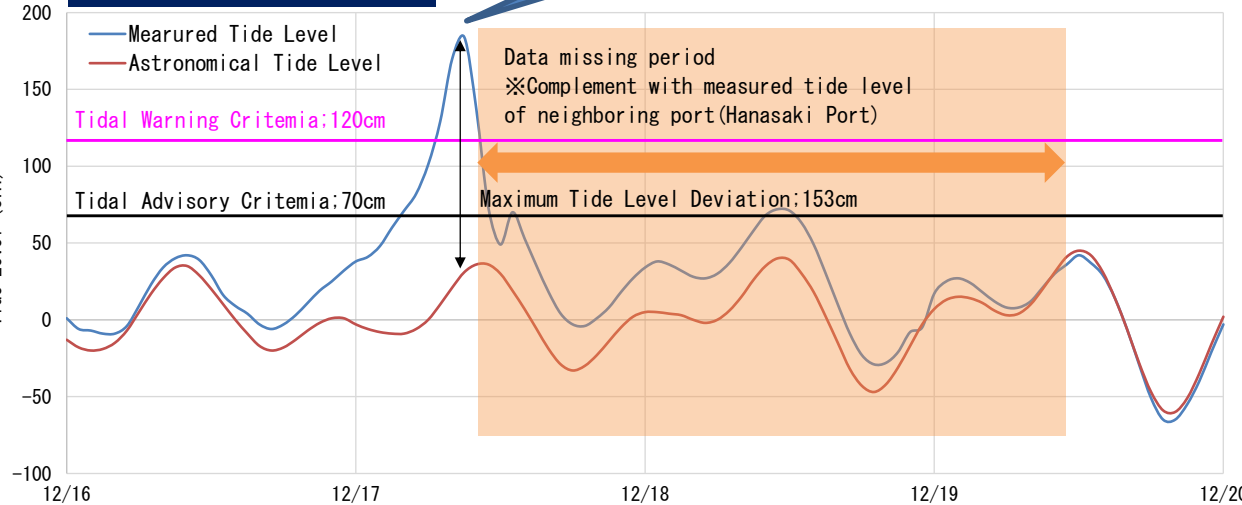
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**Record peak Atmospheric Pressure 948hPa at 12/17, 9:00 AM**

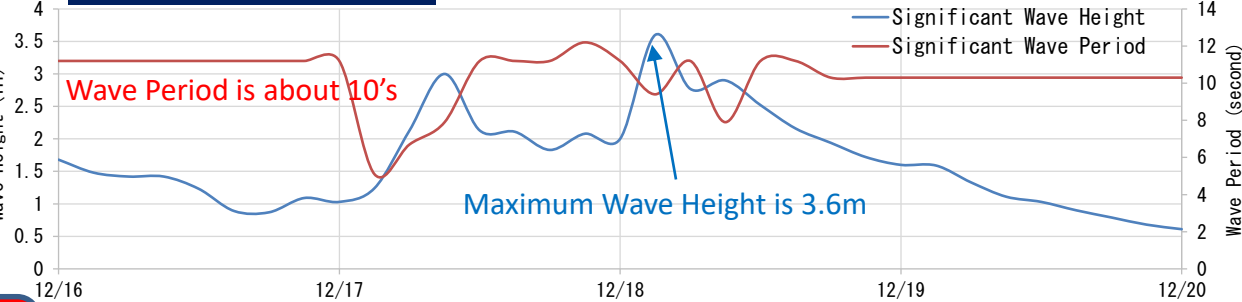


### Tide Level Condition

**Record peak tide level 184cm at 12/17, 9:00**



### Wave Condition

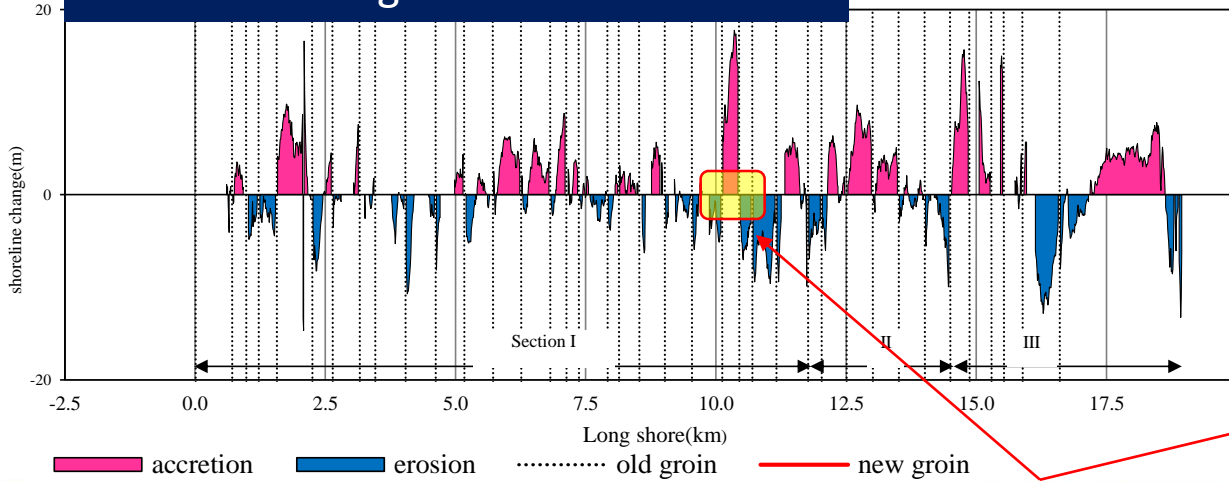




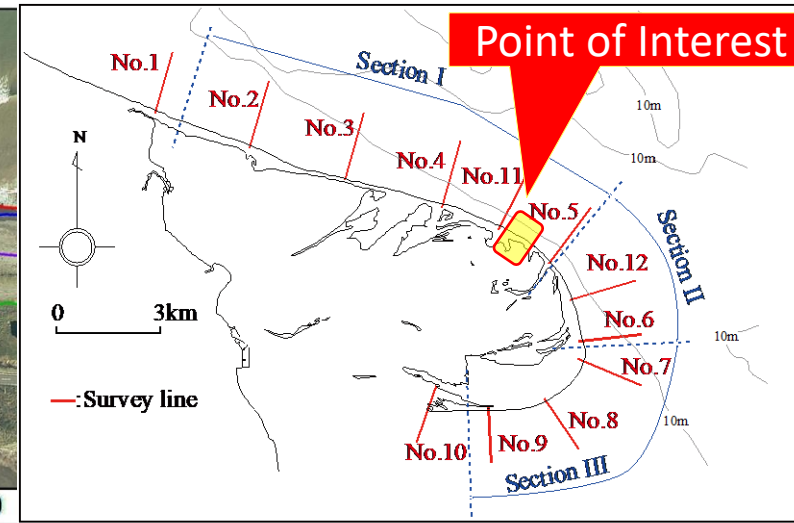
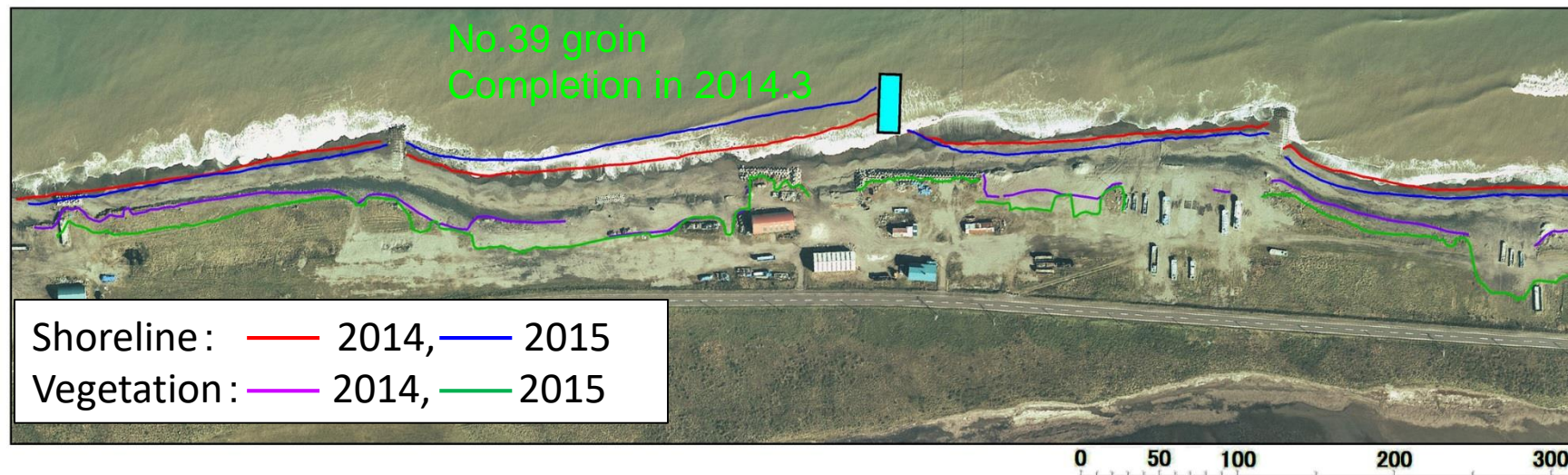
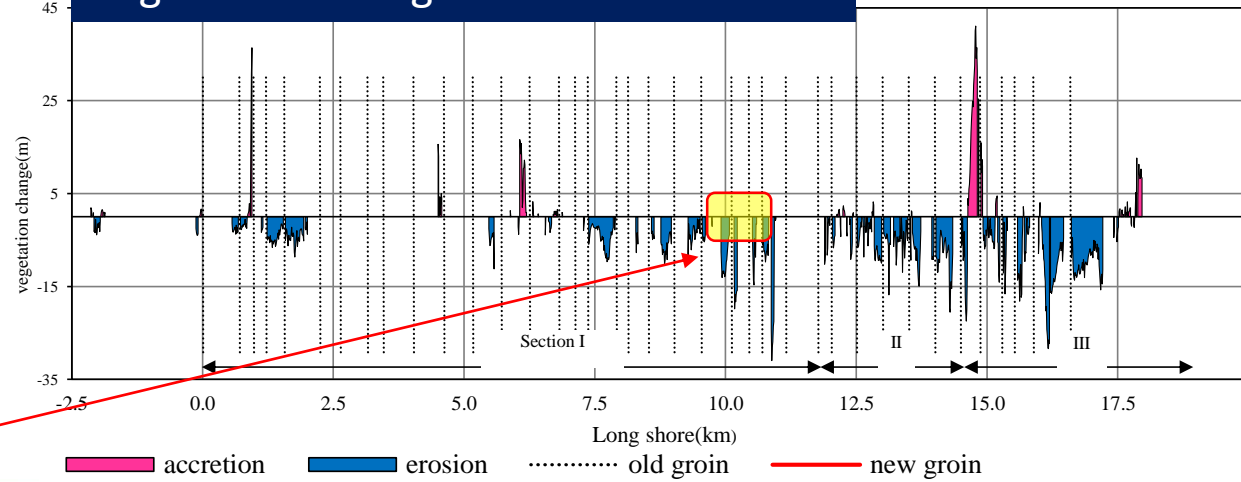
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## ( 2 ) Shoreline and Vegetation Boundary Changes Before and After Storm Surge

Shoreline Change from 2014 to 2015



Vegetation Change from 2014 to 2015

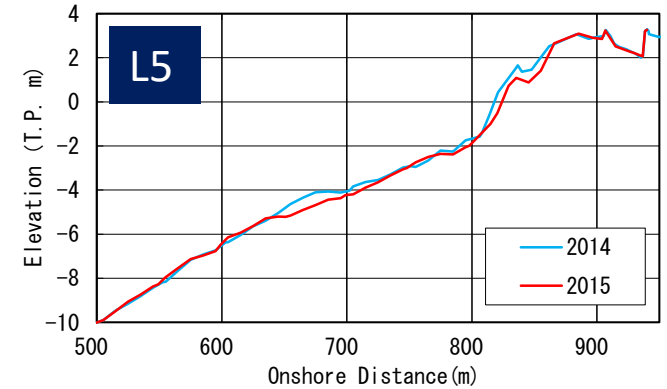
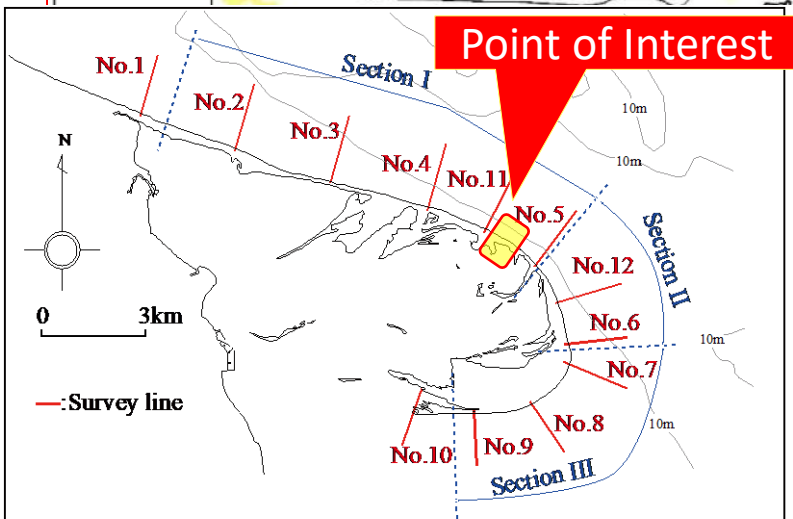
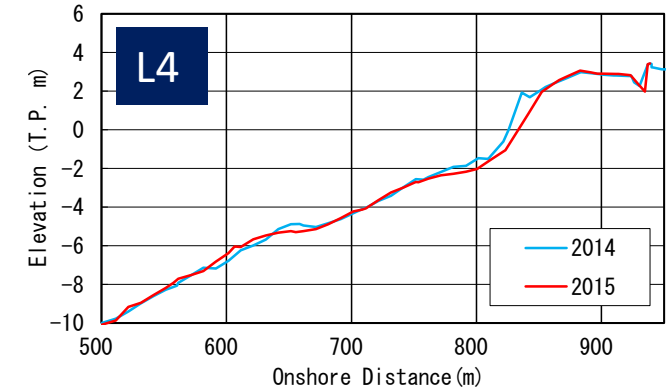
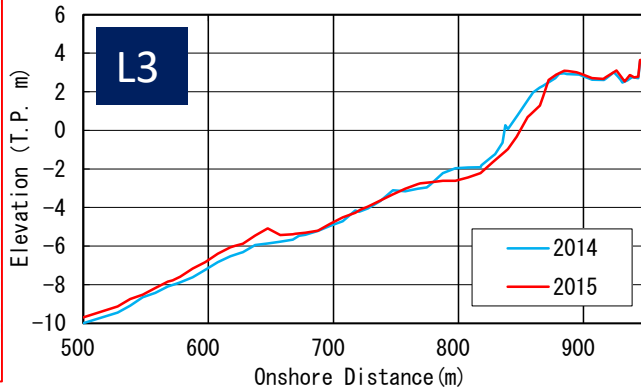
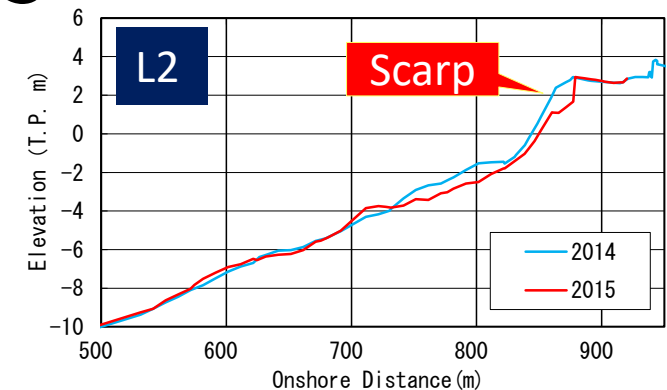
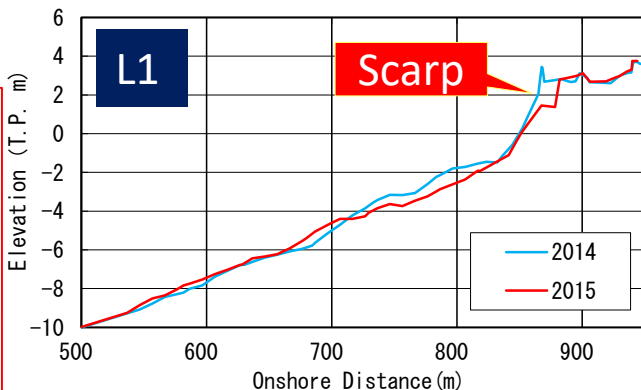
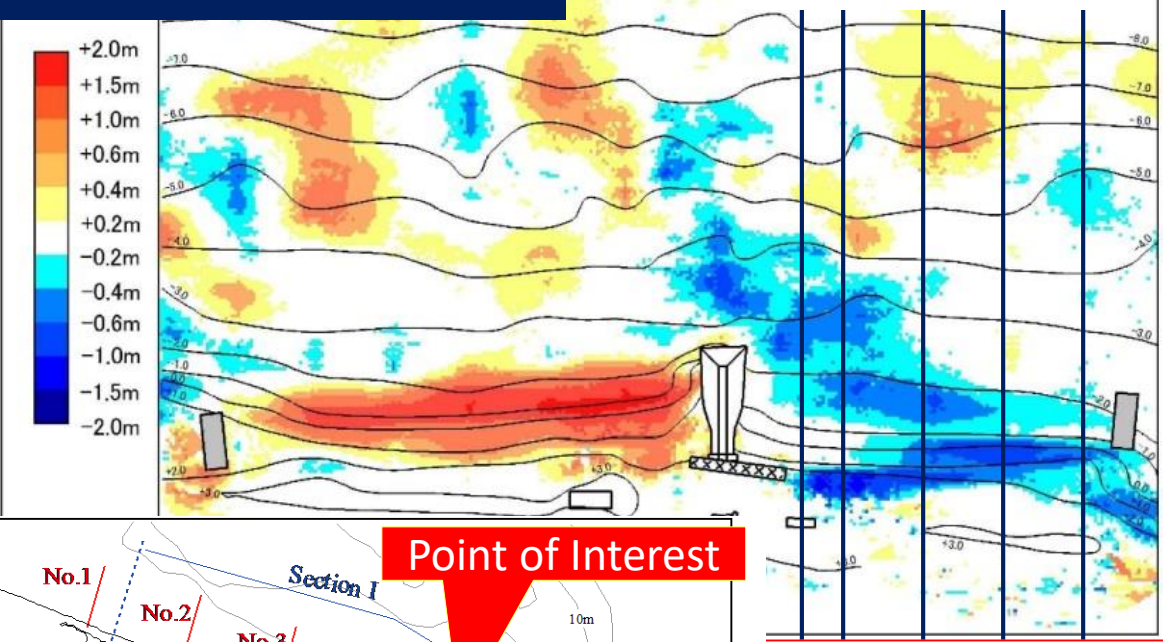




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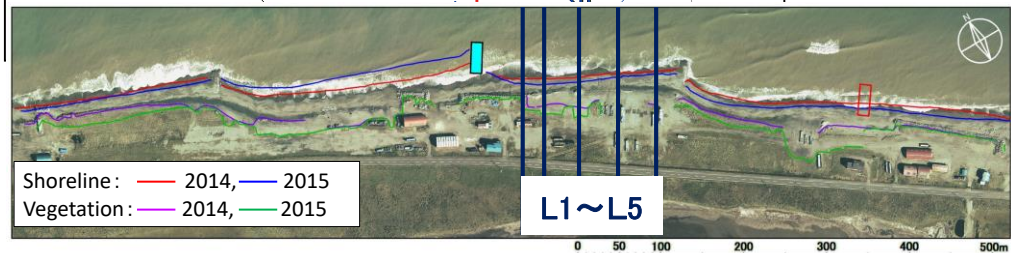
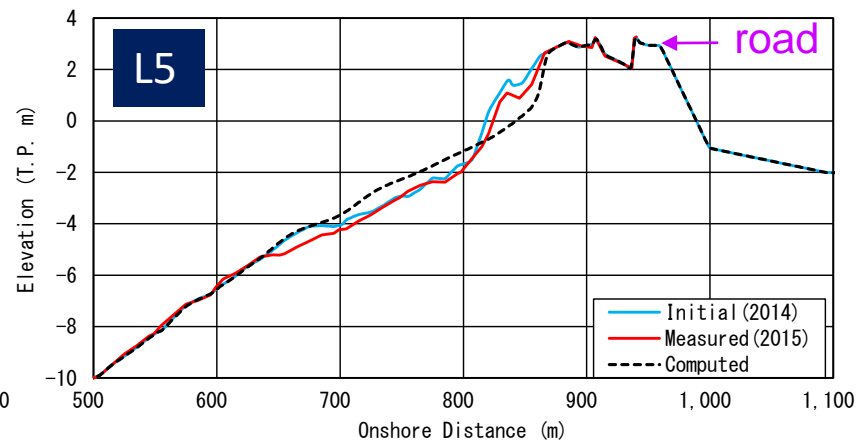
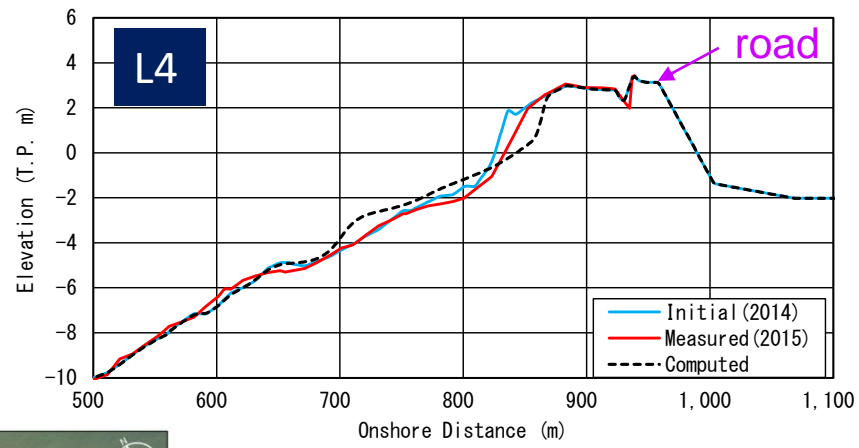
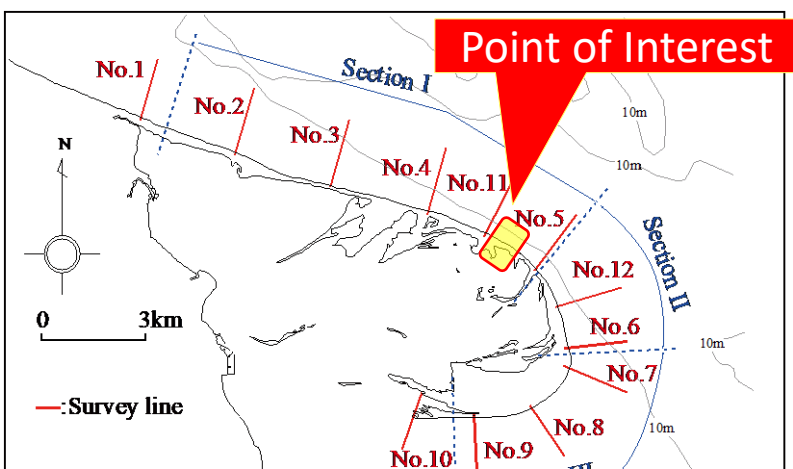
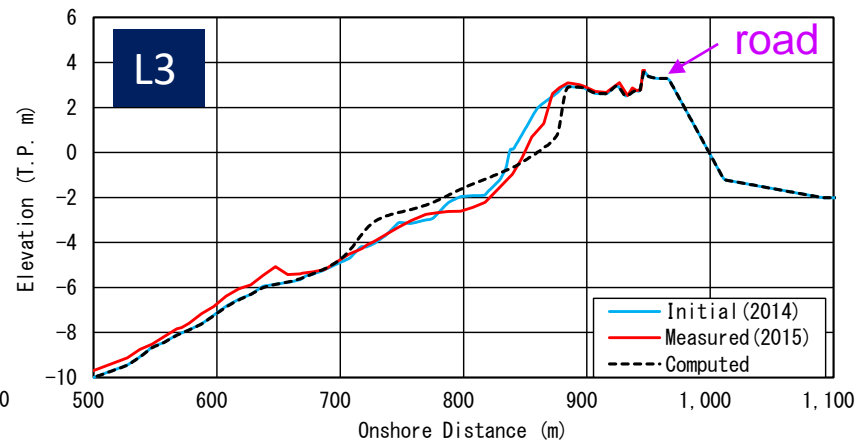
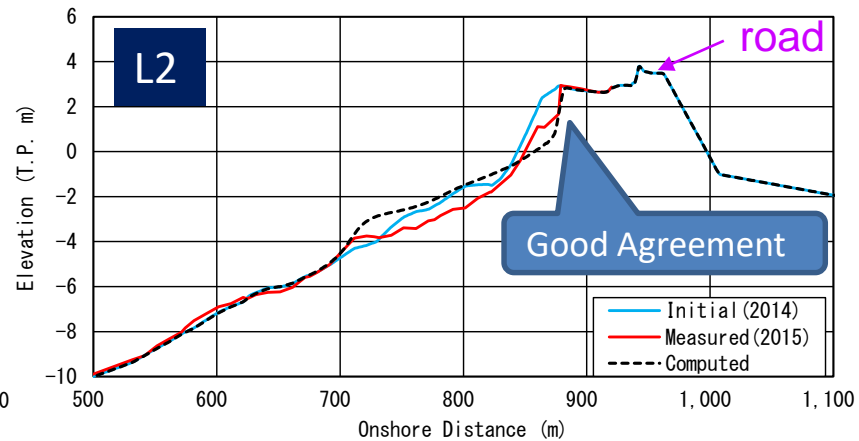
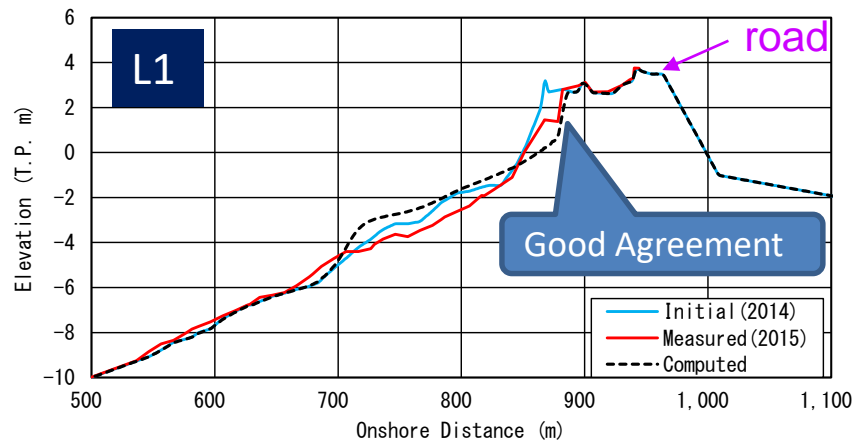
## ( 3 ) Beach Profiles Before and After Storm Surge

Geomorphological Change from 2014 to 2015



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## ( 4 ) Computed (using CSHORE) Beach Profile Evolution

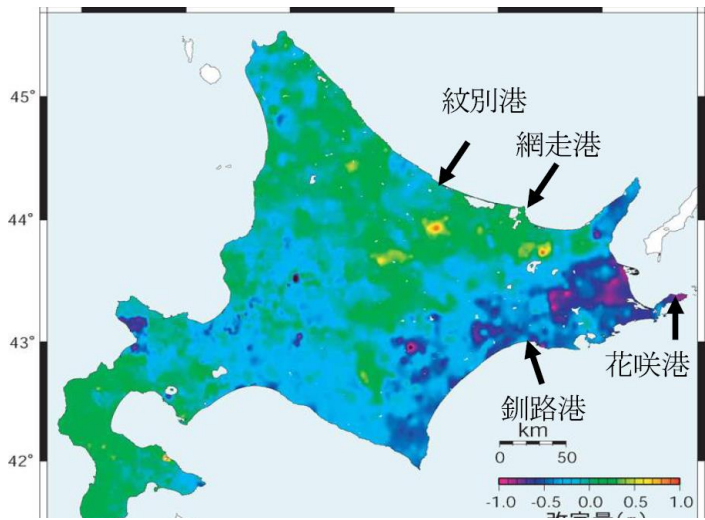
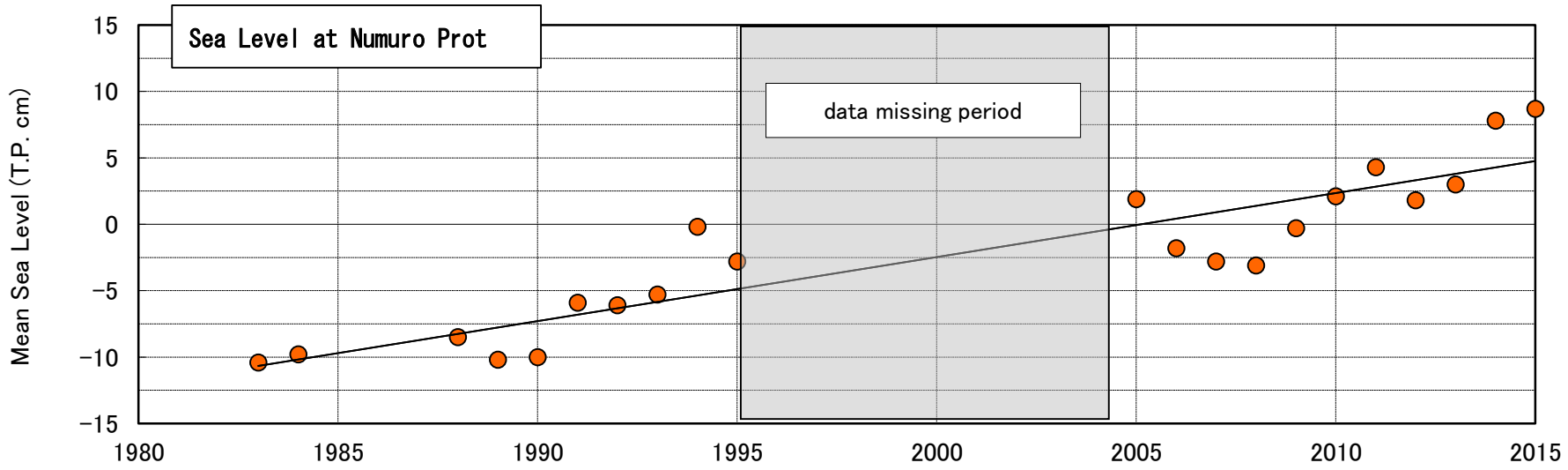


Measured 6 months after Nemuro Storm Surge



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## (5) Risk Assessment of Sand Spit Breach



An average of 1.36cm/year of land subsidence has occurred

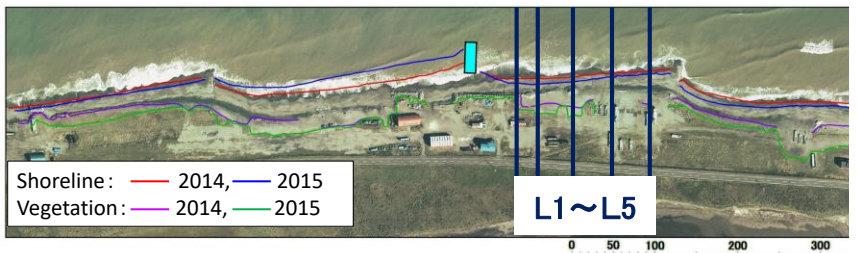
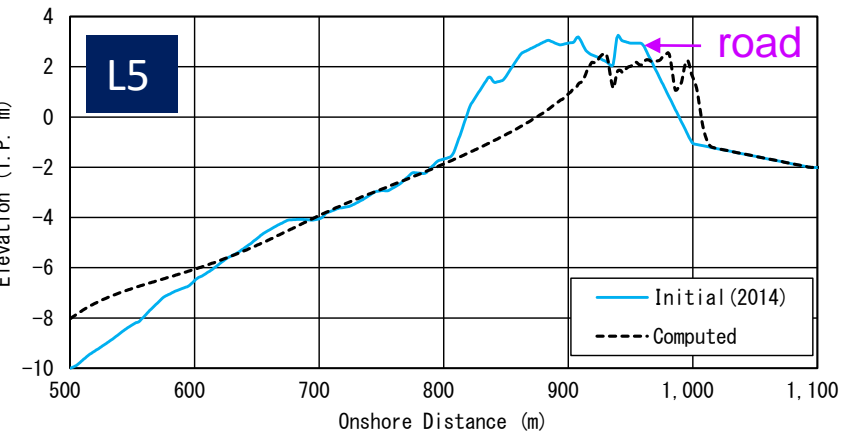
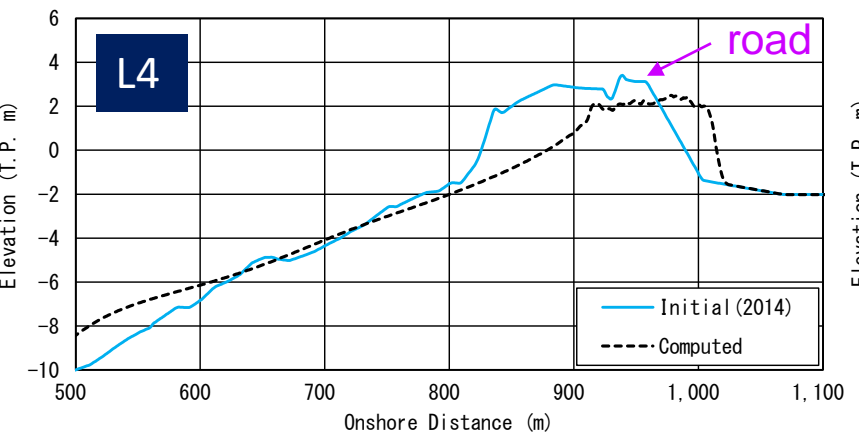
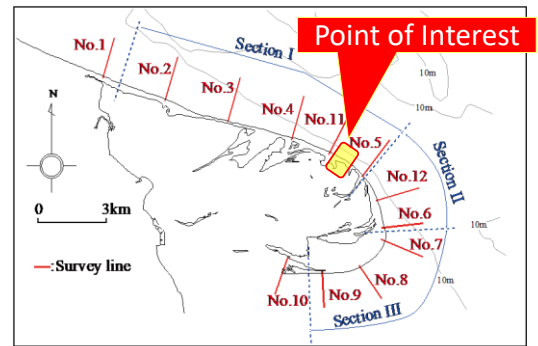
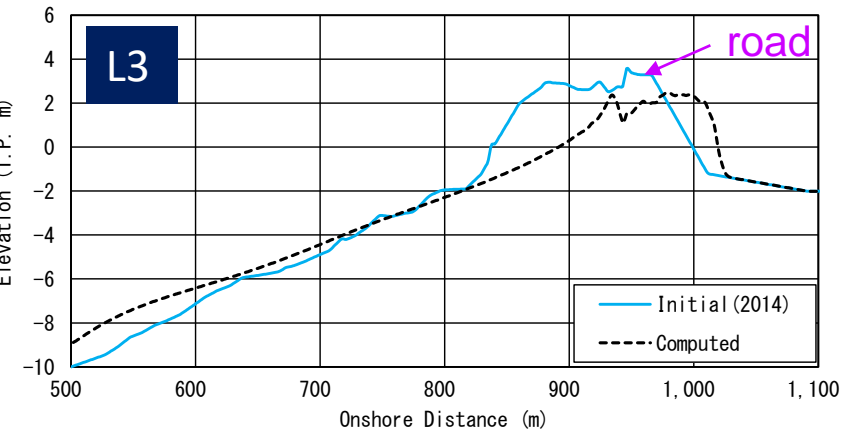
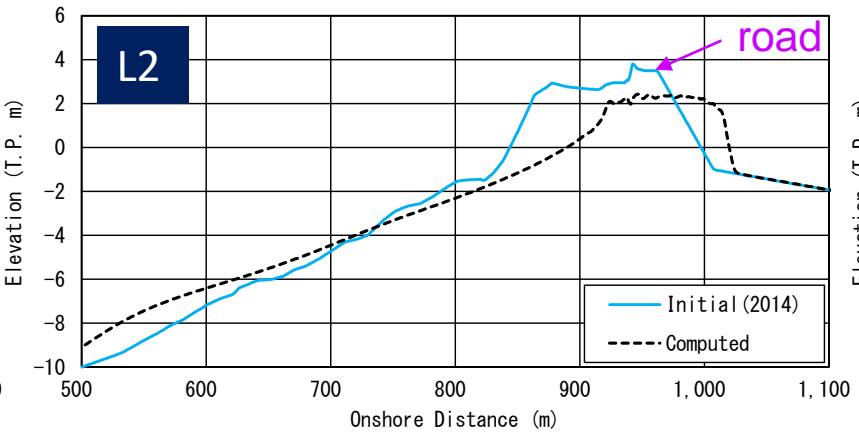
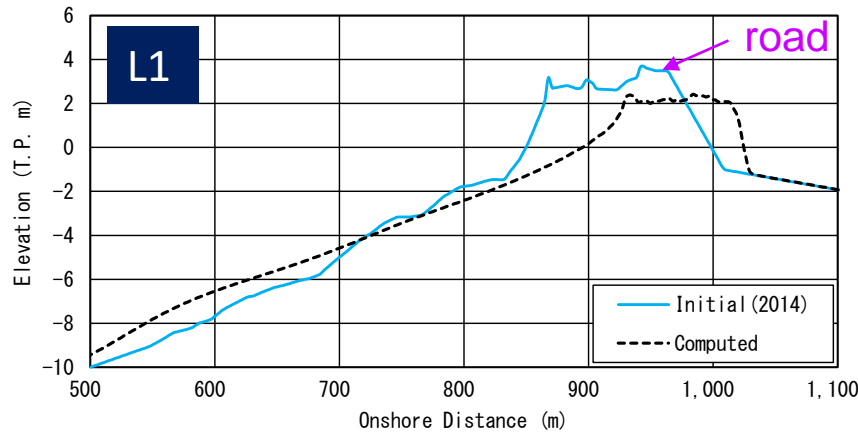
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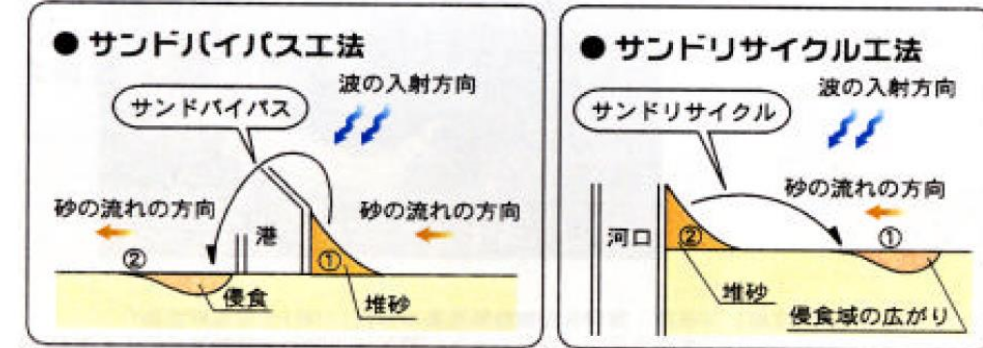
## ( 5 ) Risk Assessment of Sand Spit Breach

**【Tide Level Condition】**Nemuro Storm Surge + 0.7m (1.36cm/year × 50year)  
**【Wave Condition】**50 year Storm Wave (Significant wave height : 5.4m, Significant wave period : 11.4s)



# 4. Conclusion

① Sand recycle system or extension of groins will be required for management of longshore sediment transport to sustain Notsukezaki sand spit.

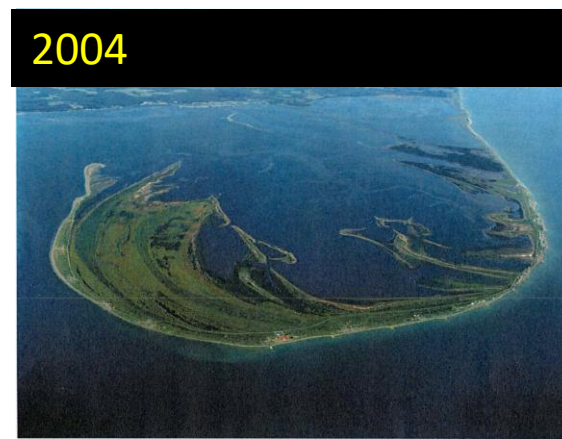
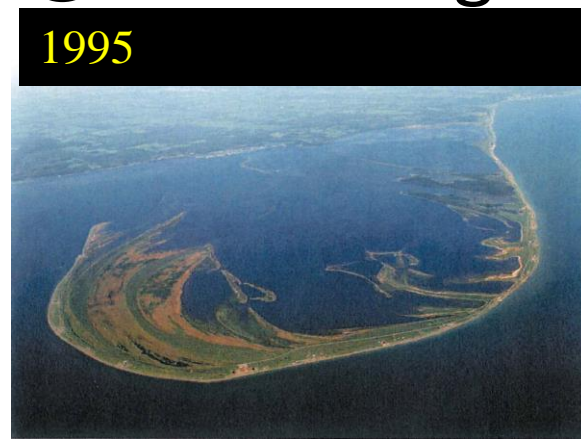


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Beach materials offshore of the 4-m closure depth should be included in sediment analysis

② The beach scarping countermeasure against storm surge will need to be devised.

③ Monitoring must be continued



To 2025