



Protecting Tideland from Landfill Development

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Background: Reassessing Coastal Natural Resources

Unlike rivers and streets that are closer to our lives, changes in the sea coastline are harder to detect. A community group decided to work to protect the coastline, and formed the Rokujogata Tideland Green Map project to assess the natural environment of Ise and Mikawa Basin on the coast of Aichi prefecture. The area's rich ecological resources were being destroyed by the city's development plan for continuous landfill development in this natural area.

Rokujogata Tideland Green Map (2006)



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Impacts: Green Map as a Communication Tool that Protects Endangered Environments

Rokujogata, a tideland located on the outlet of the Toyo River, is known for its clams. Aichi is proud to be the number one producer.

When the landfill plans were made public, the Green Map team spoke up, hoping to stop the plan by promoting the unknown treasures of the area and the possible damage the landfill could bring to the tideland and clam cultivation. As a result, the team successfully educated people on the issues. The media began to take interest in the issue and the landfill program came to a halt.



Clams are the treasure of Rokujogata