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Water security of Sameura dam project under the influence of global climate changes in the western part of Japan

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This study examine the vulnerability of water resources under the influence global climate changes in the western part of Japan since 1970s when the sea surface water temperature along the pacific coast of Kochi prefecture has started to increase by steps.

The sea surface water temperature along the coast of Kochi prefecture rose more than 2 °C in the past 25 years from 1975 to 2000, of which the increasing rate is alarming and among the highest in Japan island, owing to the direct effect of warm Kuroshio (Black) current.

Frequent change of sea surface water temperature along the off-shore of Koch has a relation with effect of global scale climatic changes such as La-Nina and El-Nino



Bonito ride the warm Kuroshio or Black Current north to Sanriku from spring to summer. Fishing season may often be delayed in the future if **global warming** continues







SASHIMI, Raw Fish of Bonito

Sea Surface Water Temperature Monitoring







Fig.6 Annual change of sea surfaced water temperature from 1975 to 2000

Sea Surface Water Temperature



E-Nino - La Nina and Annual Sea Surface Water Temperature Change in August at Tosa Bay in Kochi, Japan

Global Sea Surface Water Temperature (El-Nino)



Global Sea Surface Water Temperature (La-Nina)



Atmospheric general circulation model (MRI-AGCM

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Down Scale Modeling

GCM ⇔ Down Scale Modeling

Atmospheric general circulation model (MRI-AGCM), which has just been developed by Japan meteorological agency in 1997, suggests the significant influence of global warming on the long-term changes in rainfall patterns and intensity up to the middle of 21^{st} century (2050).

The temporal result of long-term forecasting is alarming with irregular extreme events of droughts and floods to fear the sustainable water use in the western part of Japan.

It is, however, the grid size of GCM with 20kmx20m is not favor to simulate the local scale climatic changes including the river basins in Japan.







Mizuta et al. (2006) JMSJ Kitoh and Kusunoki (2007) ClimDyn

East Asian monsoon

Future change in annual mean temperature and precipitation in and around Japan island, projected by 20-km-grid MRI-AGCM

(Meteorological Research Institute, Atmospheric General Circulation Model)



Vulnerability of Water Resources

Under the influence of global climatic changes

A Case of SAMEURA Dam in Kochi, Japan



Rainfall

(mm)

2,000 Annual Rainfall Trend 5 years average 1,800 1,600 1,400 1,200 1,000 800 2000 (Year) 1900 1910 1920 1930 1940 1950 1960 1970 1980 1990

Long-term trend of annual rainfall changes in Japan (1900–2000)



Fig.2 Anomaly of annual rainfall in Japan (1900–2000)



Fig.3 Anomaly of annual rainfall in Takamatsu (1900–2000)



Fig.4 Anomaly of annual rainfall in Sameura (1900–2000)





Drying up SAMEURA Dam in Kochi, Japan (31 July 1994)

Daily Maximum Rainfall at Nakamura, Kochi (1951~2006)



Extreme Event

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Creeping Return Period of Daily Maximum Rainfall at Nakamura, Kochi

(Comparison between [1951-1982] and [1951-2006] by Gumbel Method)



Influence of Global – Regional Climatic Changes

On

Eco-Security (Fish Ecology)







Fig. 5 Monitoring points of sea surface water temperature



Fig.7 Monthly change of sea surfaced water temperature from 1975 to 2000



Fig.2 The annual fish production







AYU (Plecoglossus altivelis) Life Cycle



Upper Reaches

Summer Season

Middle Reaches





Lower Reaches



Autumn Season











http://www.agri.pref.kanagawa.jp/suisoken/naisui/fishfile/syumei.htm



Ayu (Plecoglossus altivelis) stays at off shore of Pacific ocean during winter season

The Change of seawater surface temperature and annual fish production of the Shimanto river



Fig.3-A

The relation between annual fish production and sea surface water temperature (in October to December) <Takahashi;Nishinihon Institute of Technology >



Fig.3-C



Sea Surface Water Temperature of the Average from October and December

24(°C)

Fig. 8 Correlation between annual fish production of *Ayu* (*Plecoglossus altuvelis*) and sea surface water temperature from October to December

Summary

River Improvement Works

dam, weirs, embankment, dykes for flood protection and water use

Amount of AYU (Plecoglossus altivelis) and Salmon

River Restoration Works

(Naturnaher Wasserbau)

Global Warming

El Nino and La Nina sea surface water temperature

Shimanto River

Concluding Remarks

Vulnerability assessment of water resources and prediction of future climatic changes in a framework of the basin scale downscale modeling under the influence of global scale climate change is a new agenda for the integrated water resources policy to manage the future natural disasters including floods, drought and eco-system.





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