



2015 Super Storm Thank You Breakfast

Hunter Water Corporation

Thursday 25 June 2015



# Reconstructing the community after the Tsunami

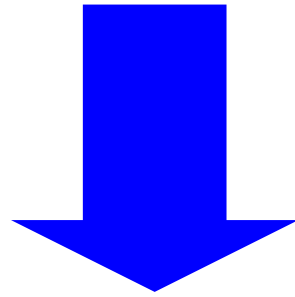
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# About my organization ...

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Council of Local Authorities for  
International Relations

# Tiers of Government

## <JAPAN>

**Central  
Government**

### **Local Government**

**Prefectural  
Government**

**Municipal  
Government  
(City, Town & Village)**

## <AUSTRALIA>

**Commonwealth**

**State  
Government**

**Local  
Government  
(Council, Shire..)**

# About my career

( my involvement with big disasters)

1995    **Great Hanshin Earthquake**

2000    **Tottori Earthquake**

2004    **Niigata Earthquake**

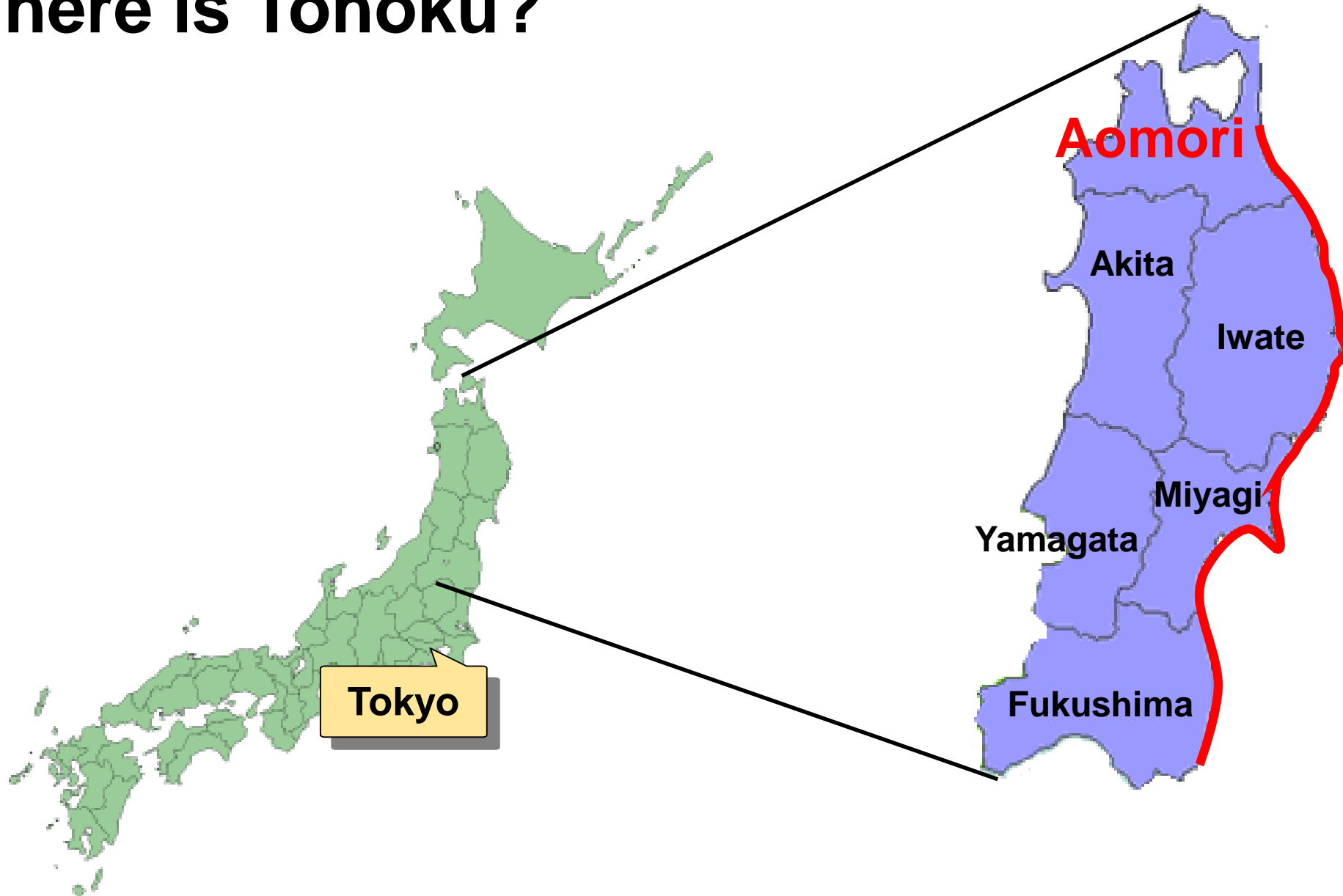
**Boxing Day Tsunami**

2005    **Hurricane Katrina**

2011    **Great East Japan Earthquake**

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# Where is Tohoku?



# The next morning



# **Preparation - Are you ready for disasters?**

When a disaster happens,

- **Do you know what you have to do?**
- **Do you know whom you will contact?**
- **Do you know what will happen next?**
- **Are you safe?**



# When disaster strikes your council

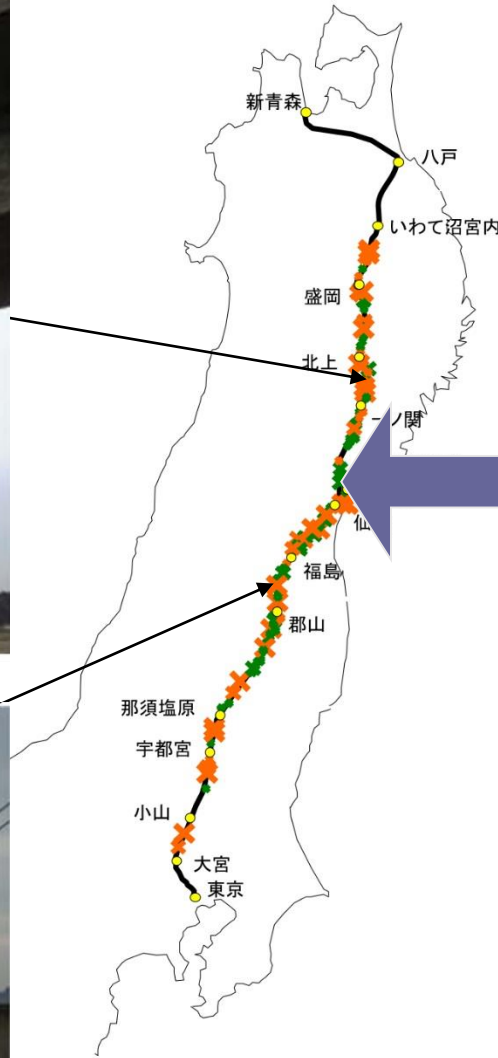




# Aomori Recovery Plan (May 2011)

- The fastest recovery plan in Japan
- The message is the recovery of Japan and Tohoku begins with Aomori
- The fastest roadmap to Aomori as it was

# Damage to the Tohoku bullet train infrastructure





# Astounding recovery

Restart of Tohoku Bullet Train ( April 2011 )





# Astounding recovery

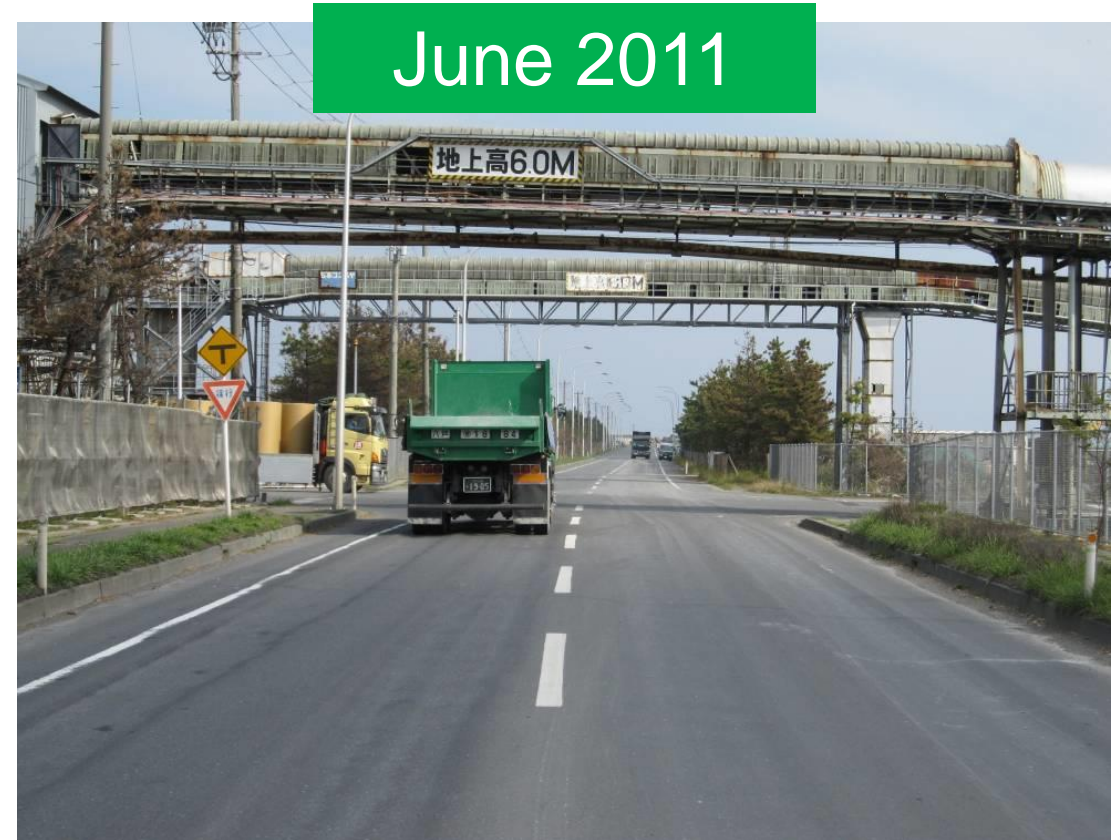
Hirosaki Cherry Blossom Festival (April 2011)





# Infrastructure

## <Roads>





# Infrastructure

## <Roads>

March 2011



June 2011



# Infrastructure

## <Port facilities>

March 2011



May 2011





# Infrastructure

## <Fishing port>

March 2011



March 2012





# Economic

## < Fish processing industry >

March 2011



March 2012





# Economic

## < Rice fields >

March 2011



September 2011





# Economic

## < Paper mill >

March 2011



November 2011



# Social / Recreation & Culture

Nebuta Festival (August 2011)









# For the future

After a disaster,  
we can overcome hardship  
and rebuild the community  
through strong bonds.

# Community Bonds





# International Bonds





# Regional Bonds





# Bonds for the future





# Bonds for the future







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