

Obihiro City, Hokkaido (Eco-Model City)

About Obihiro City

•Population: Approx. 168,000

•Area: 619.34 km²

 Blessed with abundant of nature, Obihiro is an harmonious city of urban and rural communities.
Obihiro is the only place in the world where draft-

horse racing(Ban'ei horse racing)can be seen.

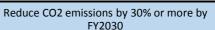




Future Vision

Emissions in 2000 (base year) 1,459,517 t-CO2

Reduce CO2 emissions by 15% or more by FY2018

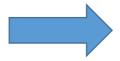


Reduce CO2emissions by 50% or more by FY2050

Ensure compatibility between the environment and economy by transforming lifestyles, making use of renewable energy, etc.

Smart Town Rokuchu

•At Smart Town Rokuchu, where an environment-conscious housing district and local community facilities have been built on the site of a former school, ground local residents are taking the initiative and pursuing activities to deal with environmental issues and the aging of society.



Creation of Global Warming Countermeasures and Regional Vitalization

-- Residential Land Development on Former School Playground --







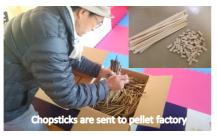
- •Residential area comprised of environment-conscious houses and zero-energy houses.
- •Model house exhibition of zero-energy houses.



- Reduction of CO2 emissions
- Dissemination of Environmental Model City
- Promotion of Settlement in Obihiro

-- Activities by Local Residents --









- Collection of used disposable wooden chopsticks (Pelletizing)
- Collection of bottle caps and ring-pulls
- providing the light playground for senior citizens; the time and place of cultural exchange for local residents.



- Alternatives to fossil fuels
- Effective use of wastes
- Revitalization of civic activities