



## Policy for the future:

Since 2010, we have been working to conserve biodiversity and maintain the natural environment through the “Hokku Fund”, which supports organizations working to protect rare species and improve their habitats in Hokkaido. We also participated in the Taskforce on Nature-related Financial Disclosures (TNFD) forum. Through this forum, we will promote the disclosure of nature-related financial information and the protection of Hokkaido’s natural environment.

In regards to addressing climate change issues, by fiscal 2030 we aim to reduce our CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (scope 1 & 2) by 60% compared to fiscal 2013 and achieve carbon neutrality by 2050.

### < Examples of specific initiatives >

#### The Hokku Fund

Since its establishment, the Hokku Fund has provided grants to a total of 166 organizations totaling 85.4 million yen.

Ishikari River Sphagnum Moss Wetland Restoration



Conservation of Japanese Hutchen in the Kushiro River basin



### < Future issues, etc. >

Realization of nature-related financial disclosures based on TNFD recommendations.

### < Message to society >

Surrounded by three oceans, Hokkaido is blessed with a rich natural environment, including vast forests made up of diverse tree species and one of the largest wetlands in Japan. We, as a financial institution deeply rooted in Hokkaido, will further advance our efforts to conserve Hokkaido’s biodiversity.