

For the Geopark promotion of the bottom up type that became inhabitant of Shimonita

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Introduction

Shimonita in Gunma is the town which is full of nature which assumed Shimonita-negi(green reek) and konjac(devil's tongue) a main special product. In the town which prospered in industry using underground resources and the topography including a mandarin konjac flour milling and Nakaosaka mine including Arafune fu-ketsu (World heritage), the trace stays now. It is the place where geological feature phenomena crowd, and a trace of the diastrophism is left in the town.

We began Geopark promotion as the citizen-based town planning that utilized local resources. Re-examination to maintain the quality of the Geopark is carried out last year; Shimonita town called the authorization with the condition it followed. In this announcement, I reported it about the problem of the Shimonita Geopark that became clear by Re-examination of Geopark and the later countermeasure.

Reexamination for Geopark

We received reexamination in November, 2015. In reexamination, hearing was carried out about the 4-year activity contents and administration method of the Geopark Shimonita council. Shimonita Junior High School, Shimonita nature research center, Nihon-Geopark-Shimonita-Quendan introduced activity. They exchanged opinions with a judge.

The problem of Shimonita Geopark and the future promotion system

By this reexamination, it was a good evaluation about each activity contents of the group about the Shimonita Geopark. However, the following things were pointed out. Primarily those activity was active by the policy of individual groups, and what Geopark Shimonita council to take the center of the Geopark administration on did not place for this local overall Geopark activity had it pointed out. Second it was pointed out that was not organized that a meeting organization drew up the opinion of inhabitants enough.

Therefore the We decided to organize a meeting again. We organized the sectional meeting(Sectional meeting specialized in the arts and sciences, industrial tourism sectional meeting, guide sectional meeting, education sectional meeting) that I composed of the member of each group which played an active part in a town in the lower part of the meeting and decided to perform the problem solution along the theme each. We are going to change it to the administration of the bottom up method to let Geopark promotion reflect content discussed by a sectional meeting.

In the Geopark Shimonita council that became the new system, We want to make the solution to local problem and the vision of Shimonita Geopark in the future.

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