

Plastic-Free Jeju Jeju's Pledge and Practice

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Invisible Connections, Plastic-Created Climate Crisis





Plastic Production and Consumption

At least 10% of the causes of the climate crisis



CO2, methane gas, etc

Concentration of Greenhouse Gases in the atmosphere

The highest in the 800,000 years of Earth's history

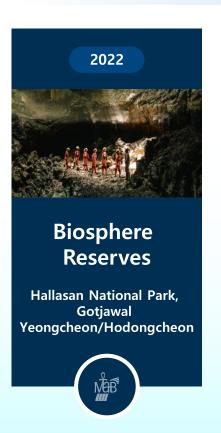
2024, the Hottest Year Since 175 Years of Weather Observations

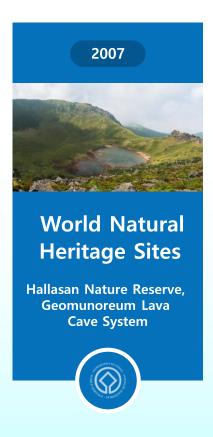


Choices for Biodiversity, Plastic-Free

World's First MIDA (Multiple International Designated Area)

Marine Protected Area











2040 Plastic Zero Jeju, Vision and Journey

— 2010 ~ 2015 —

A period of shifting and spreading awareness about waste

- Over 10 million tourists, the highest per capita daily waste generation in the nation
- Changing perceptions around waste separation and recycling

2022

2040
Declaration of Plastic Zero Island (PZI) Jeju

2006

Nation's first hub-based separation and disposal system

Door-to-door collection Hub-based collection [Clean House]

2016 ~ 2019

Transition to a resourcecirculating policy model

- First in the country to implement designated recycling collection days by type (2017)
- Only province with a recycling support system (Recyclables Help Center)

2021

2030 Waste-Free Island (WFI) Jeju

By 2030, plastic waste generation compared to 2020,

30% reduction

Over 90% recycling rate

Jeju's Pioneering Policies Recognized by the International Community









2024
Designated as a Leading
Carbon-neutral City

2024
World Bank
Korea Green Innovation Day

World Environment Day

2025 World Bank Knowledge-sharing Event (K-POK)

2040 Plastic Zero Island Jeju





Reduction of Plastic Waste and Expansion of Recycling

Reusable **Container Initiatives**

- Promotion of Reusable Container Use (since 2022)
- 1.37 million reusable containers provided for events and festivals (since 2024) × 34 tons of plastic reduced
- Operation of reusable container washing centers (1 public, 1 private)

Deposit System for Disposable Cups

- Nation's first implementation (since Dec. 2022)
- 281 participating stores
- Over 11.09 million single-use cups collected (May 2025)
- **X** 155 tons of plastic reduced



Pilot Project for Reusable Delivery Containers

- Jeju Value Meal Support Service (May 2025)
- Integration with delivery apps (August 2025)
- Expansion to multi-use facilities such as public campgrounds (June 2025)
- Support for tumbler discounts and dishwashing machines (May 2025)





Reduction of Plastic Waste and Expansion of Recycling



Recycling by Designated Collection Days

 Separated collection of styrofoam, bottles, clothing, paper, plastics, clear PET, vinyl, and more



The Nation's Only Hub-Based Collection System

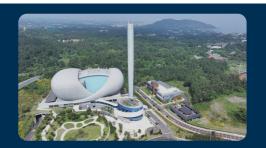
- 182 Recycling Support Centers (to expand to 500 by 2030)
- 1,707 Cleaning Houses
- Exported to Bontang City, Indonesia (selected for KOICA ODA)



Incentives for Collecting Recyclable Resources

- Clear PET bottles, used batteries, etc.
- Collected 1,971 tons (since 2021, with 940,000 participants)

Strengthening the foundation for clean energy and a circular economy



Jeju Environmental Resource Circulation Center (December 2019)

 Facility capacity: incineration 500 tons/day, waste heat power generator 19.2 MW Revenue from electricity and REC sales 63.6 billion KRW (since 2019)



Jeju Metropolitan Living Resource Recovery Center (June 2023)

• Facility capacity: 140 tons/day

Multi-stage sorting, Al-based sorting robots

Sorting rate 75.2%, 18.7% higher than previous facilities



Jeju Resource Circulation Cluster (2022–2028)

• Facility size: 227,061 m²

New business base for future waste resources

Used electric vehicle batteries, solar waste panels, wind turbine blades

Expanding Nationwide Participation for Plastic Zero



Launch and Pledge Event of the Jeju Plastic Zero Provincial Committee

2023

Participation from 232 organizations and groups



Nation's First
Plastic Zero
Zone and Declaration
of Plastic Zero
Clean Udo

2024

Conversion to reusable containers at 36 coffee shops in Udo (155,000 units)

Reduction of 3.4 tons of plastic



Jeju Eco-Fhyriendly
Tourism Green
Road (2024)
Eco-friendly travel
pledge signed by
14,013 people
(May 2025)





Plastic Zero Jeju Expedition Team and Jeju Waste Pop-up Events

2024

Jeju Expedition Team (12 sessions), Zero Waste Pop-up (3 sessions)



[Identifying Tasks for the New Administration]

Jeju's Challenges and Strategies for Becoming a Leading Region in Resource Circulation Innovation



Korea's First Environmental Organization for Southern Bottlenose Dolphins

