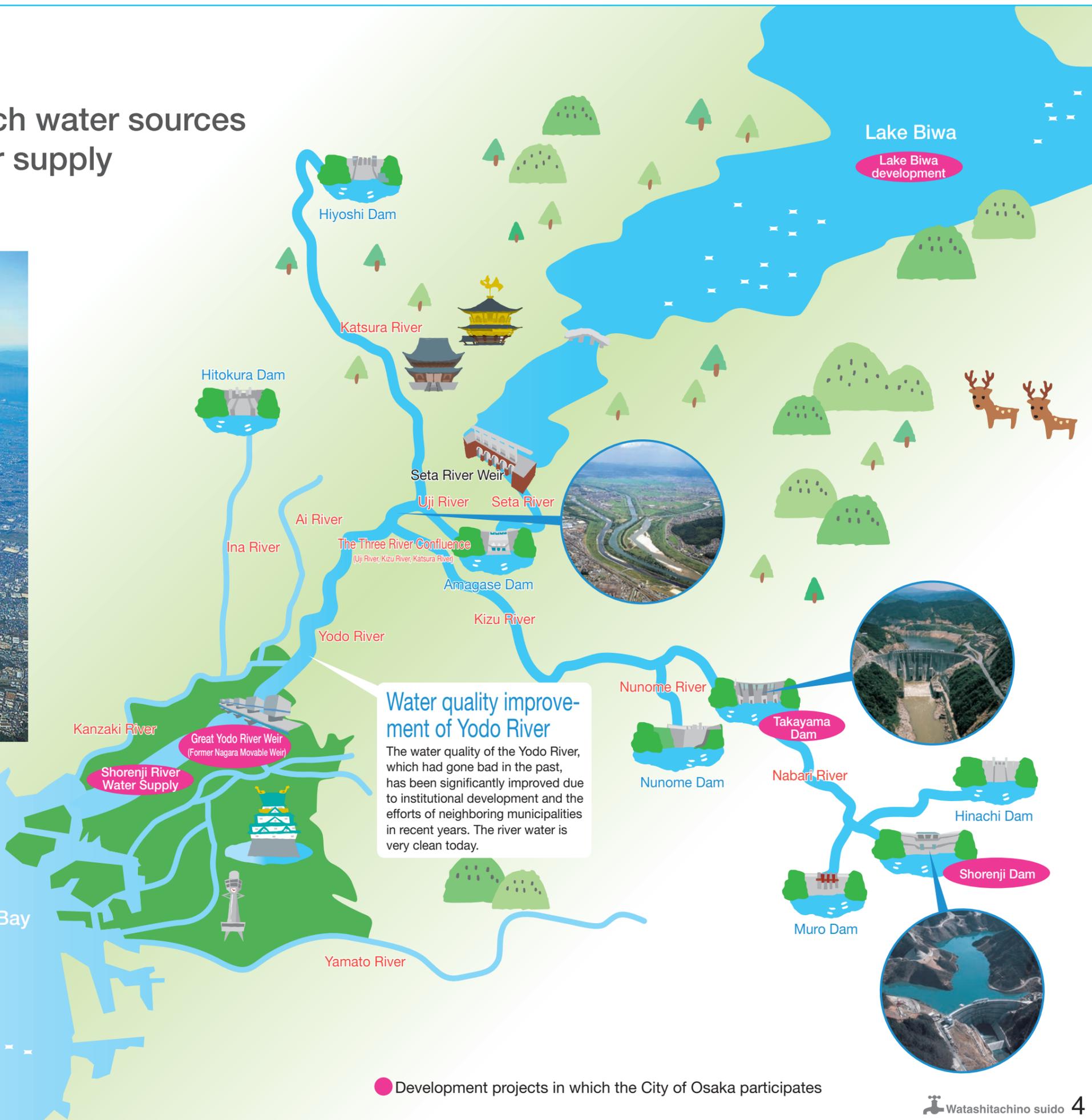
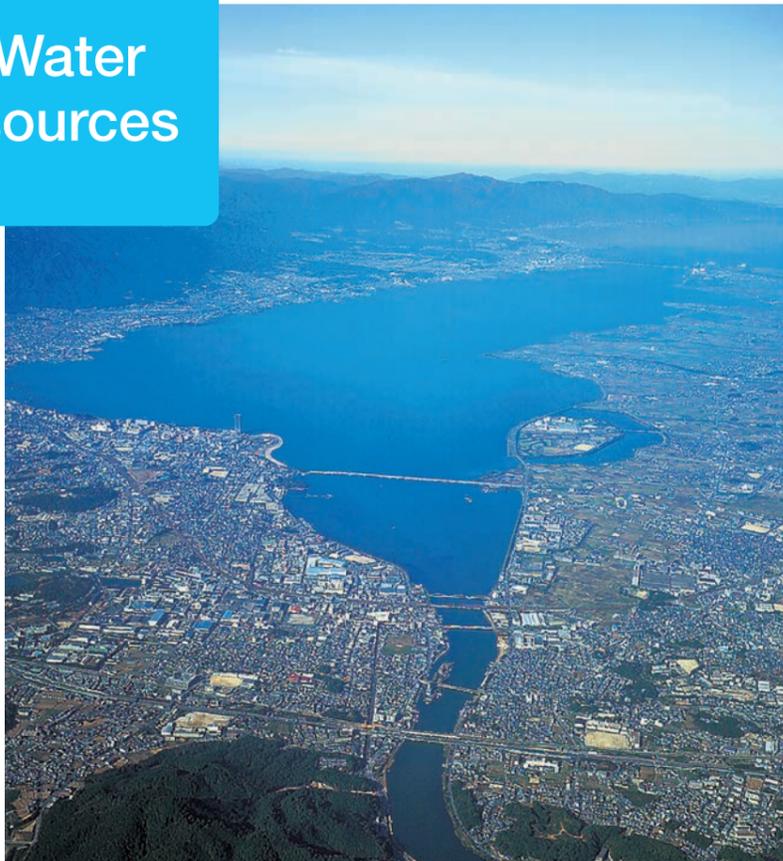


01 Taking advantage of rich water sources to provide stable water supply

Water sources



Water sources of waterworks

Lake Biwa and the Yodo River are precious water sources for people living in the Kinki region. The Yodo River, which flows from the junction of the Kizu River, Katsura River, and Uji River, is one of the greatest rivers, while Lake Biwa, which feeds the Uji River, is the largest in Japan. The plentiful natural water sources have been supporting the lives of people living in Osaka and the other parts of the Kinki region and their urban activities since ancient times.

Water Source Development

Since early on, the City of Osaka has endeavored to secure water sources in response to an increasing demand and has been actively participating in a number of water source development projects, including a Lake Biwa development project. Today, the City secures water sources necessary to satisfy the demand. Through these water source development projects, Lake Biwa and the Yodo River have become highly stable water systems against droughts.

Water quality improvement of Yodo River
 The water quality of the Yodo River, which had gone bad in the past, has been significantly improved due to institutional development and the efforts of neighboring municipalities in recent years. The river water is very clean today.

● Development projects in which the City of Osaka participates