The Regional Development Plan

A. Application for changes in zoning and utility of non-urban land

Since the implementation of regional development plan in Taiwan, land use and conversion applications for non-urban lands contains the lands of residential communities, golf courses, schools, traffic, recreation area, special purpose enterprises, industrial area, industrial and commercial integrated districts, etc. In 2013, land use and conversion applications for non-urban lands had been approved for 5 cases. The total area of the conversion cases was 225.45 hectares which increase 9.51% in comparison with last year's figure. Yunlin County had 2 cases, and Yilan County, Taoyuan County, and Hualien County each had 1 conversion case. In terms of land area, Hualien County's conversion case covered the largest area at 103.34 hectares, followed by Taoyuan County with 58.05 hectares, Yunlin County with 40.65 hectares and Yilan County with 23.41 hectares. Some of the applications of conversion cases in 2013 had not been approved and were not counted into the area calculation due to the facts that some were not related with area conversion or the change of utility locations in the approved applications.

B. Operation of Construction Surplus Soil & Gravel Dumping Ground

Construction Surplus Soil & Gravel Dumping Ground (called dumping ground) is a place which is used for storing, piling, filling and burying, transporting, recycling, classifying, working, calcining and reusing for garbage for construction surplus soil and a place for storing machinery equipments. Through the management regulations planed by local government and established with private investment, the dumpling grounds can process the construction surplus soil well. In the past, dumping ground was used for temporary storage, piling, filling and burying. Since 2003, it was converted into a processing place of classifying, working and reusing. As of the year end of 2013, a total of 163 dumping grounds were approved for establishment capable of storing, with an increase of 11 place in comparison with last year, and processing 91,176,000 cubic meters which increased 3.05% in dumping ground.

In terms of the location of dumping grounds, 18 dumping grounds were located in New Taipei City, followed by Yilan County (15 dumping grounds), Taoyuan County (14 dumping grounds). In terms of the processing volume, 16,570,000 cubic meters of which were processed in Hsinchu County and followed by New Taipei City (16,161,000 cubic meters) and Kaohsiung City (9,941,000 cubic meters).