

## Comment Form 【FR2( Penultimate Year )】

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<b>Title of the Project</b>	<b>Long-term Sustainability through Place-Based, Small-scale Economies: Approaches from Historical Ecology</b>		
<b>Research Term</b>	<b>FR2</b>	<b>Project Leader</b>	<b>HABU Junko</b>
<b>General advice and comments of the PEC:</b> As the project enters its final year, the PEC noted solid work in the archeological segment of the research. Some members voiced careful satisfaction with the overall project, but several members also raised serious concerns about whether the overall goal would be achieved in the remaining time.  The key concern is how to relate the archeological strand with the contemporary ethnographic and practice/policy-oriented strands. This relates to the fundamental structure of the project and similar concerns have been raised in previous years. This thematic concern is reflected in observations that it was difficult to see how, organizationally, the work of the working groups is integrated. Also, while allowing for the fact that the activities of Working Groups 2 and 3 has not progressed as smoothly as that of Working Group 1, PEC members noted that it is hard to gain insight into what the work of the second and third group concretely entails. This side of the project will need major emphasis during the next, final, year.			