

October 26, 2022

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Alberta Transportation Construction and Maintenance Division North Central Region Box 4596, 4513 – 62 Avenue Barrhead, Alberta T7N 1A5

Attention: Ms. Amy Driessen, P.Eng.

ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION GRMP (CON0022163) NORTH CENTRAL (ATHABASCA AND FORT McMURRAY DISTRICTS) INSTRUMENTATION MONITORING RESULTS – FALL 2022

SECTION C

SITE NC071: HWY 663:04 LITTLE PINE CREEK

Dear Ms. Driessen:

This report provides the results of the bi-annual geotechnical instrumentation monitoring for the above-mentioned site as part of Alberta Transportation's Geohazard Risk Management Program for North Central – Athabasca and Fort McMurray Districts (CON0022163).

It is a condition of this letter report that Thurber's performance of its professional services will be subject to the attached Statement of Limitations and Conditions.

1. FIELD PROGRAM AND INSTRUMENTATION STATUS

Five slope inclinometers (SI12-1 to SI12-4, and SI12-9), eight pneumatic piezometers (PN12-1B, 12-2A, 12-2B, 12-3B, 12-4A, 12-4B, 12-6, and 12-8) and four standpipe piezometers (SP1, SP2, SP12-10, and SP12-11) were read at the Hwy 663:03 Little Pine Creek site on September 24, 2021, by Mr. Niraj Regmi, G.I.T. and Mr. Kyle Crooymans, both of Thurber Engineering Ltd.

A site plan showing approximate instrumentation locations is included in Appendix A.

The SIs were read using a RST Digital Inclinometer probe with a 2 ft. wheelbase and a RST Pocket PC readout. Inclinometer reading depths were defined as per cable markings with respect to the top of the inclinometer casings. The pneumatic and standpipe piezometers were read using a RST C108 pneumatic piezometer reader and a DGSI dipmeter, respectively.



2. DATA PRESENTATION

2.1 General

SI plots for A and B directions are presented in Appendix A and are summarized below. Where movement has been recorded, the resultant plot (X direction, if applicable) and rate of movement have also been provided. The standpipe and pneumatic piezometer plots are also provided in Appendix A. The slope inclinometer and piezometer reading summary tables are provided below. These tables also include instruments that were deleted from the GRMP or not read during this monitoring event for future reference.

2.2 Zones of Movement

No new zones of movement were observed in the SIs since the spring of 2022 readings.

Zones of movement are summarized in Table NC071-1 at the end of this report. Table NC071-1 also provides a historical account of the total movement, the depth of movement and the maximum rate of movement that has occurred at this site since the initialization of the slope inclinometers.



TABLE NC071-1FALL 2022 – HWY 663:04 LITTLE PINE CREEKSLOPE INCLINOMETER INSTRUMENTATION READING SUMMARY

Date Monitored: September 24, 2022

INSTRUMENT #	DATE INITIALIZED	TOTAL CUMULATIVE RESULTANT MOVEMENT AND DEPTH OF MOVEMENT TO DATE (mm)	MAXIMUM RATE OF MOVEMENT (mm/yr)	CURRENT STATUS OF SI	DATE OF PREVIOUS READING	INCREMENTAL MOVEMENT SINCE PREVIOUS READING (mm)	CURRENT RATE OF MOVEMENT (mm/yr)	CHANGE IN RATE OF MOVEMENT SINCE PREVIOUS READING (mm/yr)
SI12-1	December 8, 2012	48.6 over 1.8 m to 5.5 m depth in 230° direction	26.0 in September 2015	Operational	June 4, 2022	<0.1	0.1	-6.6
SI12-2	December 8, 2012	102.9 over 9.8 m to 12.3 m depth in 203° direction	31.0 in October 10, 2021	Operational	June 4, 2022	6.1	19.8	5.6
SI12-3	December 12, 2012	38.1 over 11.3 m to 13.1 m depth in 179° direction	14.1 in September 2020	Operational	June 4, 2022	1.2	3.8	-3.8
SI12-4	December 12, 2012	No discernible movement	N/A	Operational	June 4, 2022	N/A	N/A	N/A
SI12-9	December 9,	49.0 over 6.8 m to 8.6 m depth in 202º direction	23.9 in September 2015	Operational	lupo 4, 2022	3.3	10.7	6.3
5112-9	2012	5.9 over 17.2 m to 19.6 m depth in 202° direction	1.6 in May 2016		June 4, 2022	0.1	0.3	-1.3



TABLE NC071-2FALL 2022 – HWY 663:04 LITTLE PINE CREEKPNEUMATIC PIEZOMETER INSTRUMENTATION READING SUMMARY

Date Monitored: September 24, 2022

INSTRUMENT #	DATE	TIP DEPTH (m)	GROUND ELEV. (m)	CURRENT STATUS	HIGHEST MEASURED GROUNDWATER LEVEL BGS (m)	MEASURED PORE PRESSURE (kPa)	CURRENT GROUNDWATER LEVEL BGS (m)	PREVIOUS GROUNDWATER LEVEL BGS (m)	CHANGE IN WATER LEVEL SINCE PREVIOUS READING (m)
PN12-1A	December 12, 2012	15.0	589.4	Non- Operational	4.12 in February 2013	N/A	N/A	4.12 (February 2013)	N/A
PN12-1B	December 12, 2012	25.0	589.4	Active	14.42 in September 2018	102.3	14.54	14.58	0.04
PN12-2A	December 7, 2012	15.9	583.3	Active	6.81 in June 2022	88.8	6.87	6.81	-0.06
PN12-2B	December 7, 2012	19.9	583.3	Active	10.48 in June 2022	91.8	10.57	10.48	-0.09
PN12-3A	December 12, 2012	11.0	573.9	Malfunctioning	2.06 in February 2013	N/A	N/A	3.19 (May 2017)	N/A
PN12-3B	December 12, 2012	15.3	573.9	Active	0.92 in June 2022	138.9	1.09	0.92	-0.17



TABLE NC071-2 – CONTINUED... FALL 2022 – HWY 663:04 LITTLE PINE CREEK PNEUMATIC PIEZOMETER INSTRUMENTATION READING SUMMARY

Date Monitored: September 24, 2022

INSTRUMENT #	DATE INITIALIZED	TIP DEPTH (m)	GROUND ELEV. (m)	CURRENT STATUS	HIGHEST MEASURED GROUNDWATER LEVEL BGS (m)	MEASURED PORE PRESSURE (kPa)	CURRENT GROUNDWATER LEVEL BGS (m)	PREVIOUS GROUNDWATER LEVEL BGS (m)	CHANGE IN WATER LEVEL SINCE PREVIOUS READING (m)
PN12-4A	December 12, 2012	9.4	565.1	Active	2.84 in May 2013	51.4	4.14	3.98	-0.16
PN12-4B	December 12, 2012	20.6	565.1	Active	4.76 in June 2020	149.3	5.36	5.10	-0.26
PN12-5	December 5, 2012	20.0	590.5	Malfunctioning	13.32 in December 2012	N/A	N/A	19.93 (September 2018)	N/A
PN12-6	December 5, 2012	12.0	585.6	Active	7.50 in May 2016	32.2	8.72	8.60	-0.12
PN12-8	December 2, 2012	5.3	588.9	Active	-0.36 in May 2017	41.5	1.10	0.49	-0.61
PN12-9	December 7, 2012	18.3	582.3	Malfunctioning	1.58 in February 2013	N/A	N/A	3.05 (September 2018)	N/A



TABLE NC071-3 FALL 2022 – HWY 663:04 LITTLE PINE CREEK STANDPIPE PIEZOMETER INSTRUMENTATION READING SUMMARY

Date Monitored: September 24, 2022

INSTRUMENT #	DATE INITIALIZED	TIP DEPTH (m)	GROUND ELEV. (m)	CURRENT STATUS	HIGHEST MEASURED GROUNDWATER LEVEL BGS (m)	CURRENT GROUNDWATER DEPTH BGS (m)	PREVIOUS GROUNDWATER DEPTH BGS (m)	CHANGE IN WATER LEVEL SINCE PREVIOUS READING (m)
SP1	December 1979	12.3	587.0	Operational	6.49 on June 29, 2021	6.74	7.08	0.34
SP2	December 1979	11.3	576.5	Operational	1.98 on June 4, 2022	2.23	1.98	-0.25
SP12-7	December 8, 2012	19.8	578.3	Blocked at 1 m depth	4.95 on September 28, 2020	N/A	4.95	N/A
SP12-10	December 12, 2012	19.8	571.6	Operational	0.78 on June 4, 2022	1.08	0.78	-0.3
SP12-11	December 12, 2012	15.2	556.2	Operational	7.58 on June 4, 2022	8.50	7.58	-0.92



3. INTERPRETATION OF MONITORING RESULTS

Slope inclinometer SI12-4 has continued to show no discernible movement since initialization.

SI12-1 showed a rate of movement of 0.1 mm/yr since the spring of 2022 readings. SI12-2 showed a rate of movement of 19.8 mm/yr over 9.8 m to 12.3 m depth since the spring of 2022 readings. SI12-3 showed a rate of movement of 3.8 mm/yr over 11.3 m to 13.1 m depth since the spring of 2022 readings. SI12-9 showed a rate of movement of 10.7 mm/yr over 6.8 m to 8.6 m depth since the spring of 2022 readings. SI12-9 showed a rate of movement of 0.3 mm/yr over 17.2 m to 19.6 m depth.

It was noted that the SI probe was hard to pull near the shear zones in SI12-2, SI12-3 and SI12-9 during the current readings, which likely indicates that the SIs are close to shearing off.

Pneumatic piezometers PN12-2A, PN12-2B, PN12-3B, PN12-4A, PN12-4B, PN12-6, and PN12-8, and PN12-6 showed decreases in groundwater level of 0.06 m, 0.09 m, 0.17 m, 0.16 m, 0.26 m, 0.12 m, and 0.61 m, respectively, since the spring of 2022 readings. PN12-1B showed an increase in groundwater level of 0.04 m since the spring of 2022 readings.

Standpipe piezometer SP1 showed an increase in groundwater level of 0.34 m since the spring of 2022 readings. Standpipe piezometers SP2, SP12-10 and SP12-11 showed decreases in groundwater level of 0.25 m, 0.30 m, and 0.92 m, respectively, since the spring of 2022 readings.

Overall, the groundwater levels measured in the pneumatic and standpipe piezometers are in line with historic groundwater readings at the site. The piezometer readings are summarized in Tables NC071-2 and NC071-3, and are plotted on Figure NC071-1 in Appendix A.

4. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

4.1 Future Work

The instruments should be read again in the spring of 2023.

4.2 Instrumentation Repairs

No instrument repairs are required at this time.



5. CLOSURE

We trust this report meets your requirements at present. If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at your convenience.

Yours very truly, Thurber Engineering Ltd. Tarek Abdelaziz, Ph.D., P.Eng. Principal | Senior Geotechnical Engineer

Bruce Nestor, P.Eng. Geotechnical Engineer

Attachments:

- Statement of Limitations and Conditions
- Appendix A
 - Field Inspector's report
 - Site Plan Showing Approximate Instrument Locations (Drawing No. 32122-NC071)
 - SI Reading Plots
 - Figure NC071-1 (Piezometric Depths)



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ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION GRMP (CON0022163) NORTH CENTRAL (ATHABASCA AND FORT MCMURRAY DISTRICTS) INSTRUMENTATION MONITORING RESULTS

FALL 2022

APPENDIX A DATA PRESENTATION AND SITE PLANS

SITE NC071: HWY 663:04 LITTLE PINE CREEK

ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION NORTH CENTRAL REGION - ATHABASCA AND FORT McMURRAY DISTRICTS INSTRUMENTATION MONITORING FIELD SUMMARY (NC071) FALL 2022

Location: Little Pine Creek Slide (HWY 663:04 C1 6.987)	Readout: RST PN C108 Unit 1/DGSI Dipmeter	
File Number: 32122	Casing Diameter: 2.75"	
Probe: RST SI Set 8R	Temp: 16	
Cable: RST SI Set 8R	Read by: KTC/NKR	

	SLOPE INCLINOMETER (SI) READINGS											
SI#	GPS L	ocation	Date	Stickup	Readings Depth from	Azimuth of	Current Bottom		Current Bottom		Probe/	Remarks
	(UTI	A 12)		(m)	top of casing (ft)	A+ Groove	Depth Readings		Reel			
	Northing	Easting				degree	A+	A-	B+	B-	#	
SI12-1	6054601	355844	24-Sep-22	0.91	94 to 2	183	-335	348	539	-528	8R/8R	
SI12-2	6054552	355828	24-Sep-22	0.85	84 to 2	175	6	-17	79	-77	8R/8R	About to shear at 33ft, use dummy probe
SI12-3	6054465	355789	24-Sep-22	0.63	68 to 2	180	60	-46	-309	326	8R/8R	About to shear at 35ft, use dummy probe
SI12-4	6054381	355753	24-Sep-22	0.75	80 to 2	187	172	-156	38	-26	8R/8R	
SI12-9	6054576	355750	24-Sep-22	0.8	84 to 2	180	-6	-16	-97	113	8R/8R	About to shear at 24ft, use dummy probe

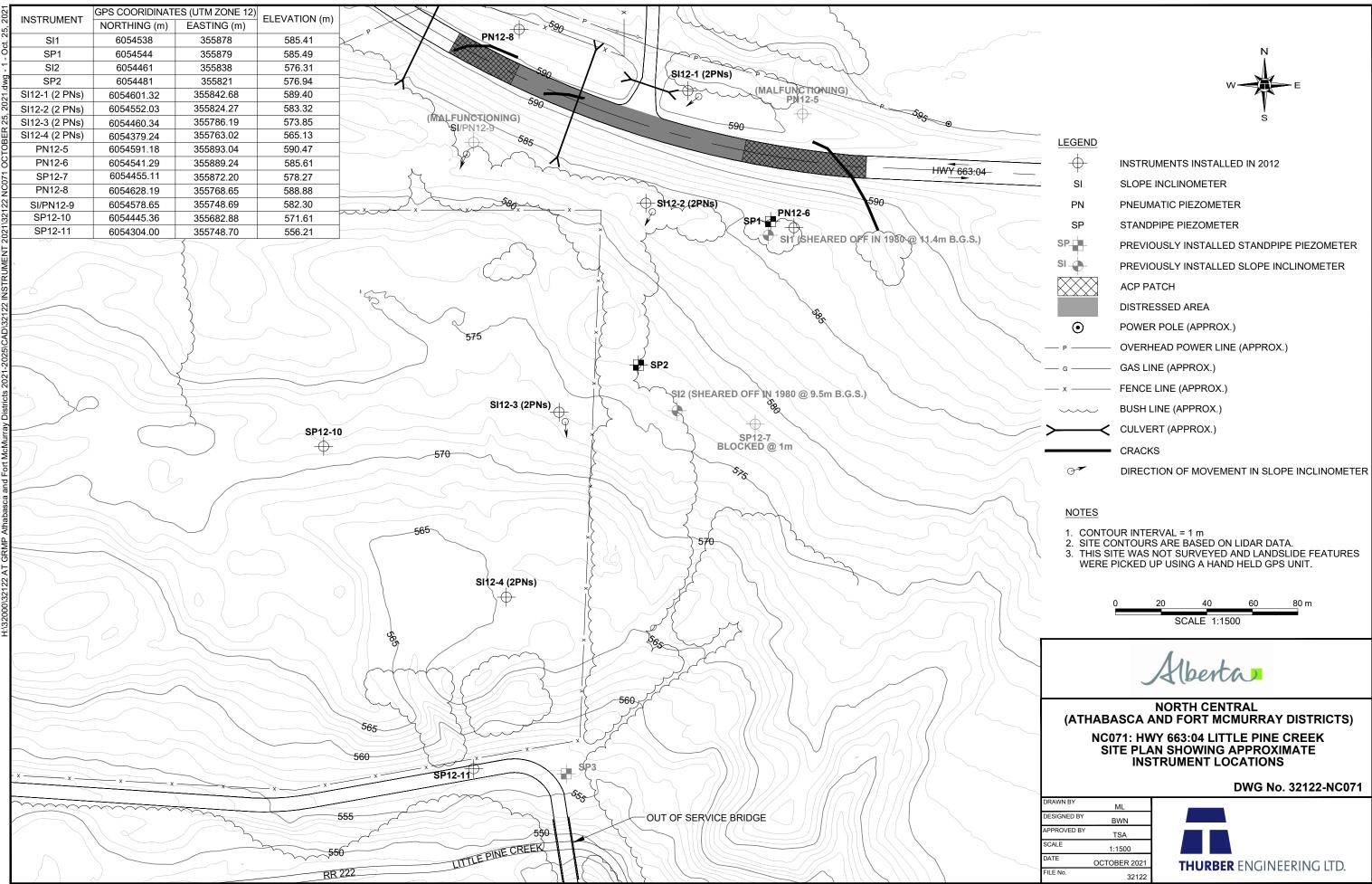
	PNEUMATIC PIEZOMETER (PN) READINGS											
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		(UTM 12)										
		Northing	Easting			(kPa)						
PN12-1B	35011	6054601	355844	Attached to SI12-1	24-Sep-22	102.3	Water Return, reading was fluctuated					
PN12-2A	35015	6054552	355828	Attached to SI12-2	24-Sep-22	88.8						
PN12-2B	35008	6054552	355828	Attached to SI12-2	24-Sep-22	91.8						
PN12-3B	35007	6054465	355789	Attached to SI12-3	24-Sep-22	138.9						
PN12-4A	35014	6054381	355753	Attached to SI12-4	24-Sep-22	51.4						
PN12-4B	35009	6054381	355753	Attached to SI12-4	24-Sep-22	149.3	Water return					
PN12-6	35018	6054544	355889	PN12-6	24-Sep-22	32.2						
PN12-8	35017	6054628	355765	PN12-8	24-Sep-22	41.5						

STANDPIPE PIEZOMETER (SP) READINGS

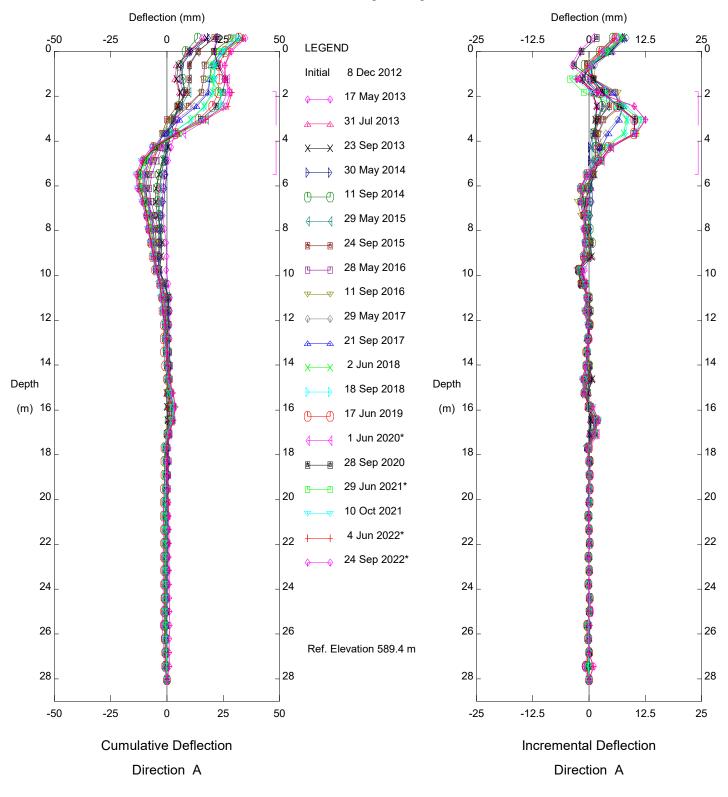
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	(UTM 12)		(UTM 12)			(m)	top of pipe (m)	
	Northing	Easting						
SP1	6054544	355892	24-Sep-22	0.81	7.55			
SP2	6054476	355820	24-Sep-22	1.02	3.25	TD = 11.3m		
SP12-10	6054454	355673	24-Sep-22	0.57	1.65			
SP12-11	6054310	355747	24-Sep-22	0.77	9.27			

INSPECTOR REPORT

Rita /Allyn do not live on the property anymore, they have rented the place. Have to find the number to contact the renter for access (Contact - Rita/Allyn Nelson: 780-675-9295)



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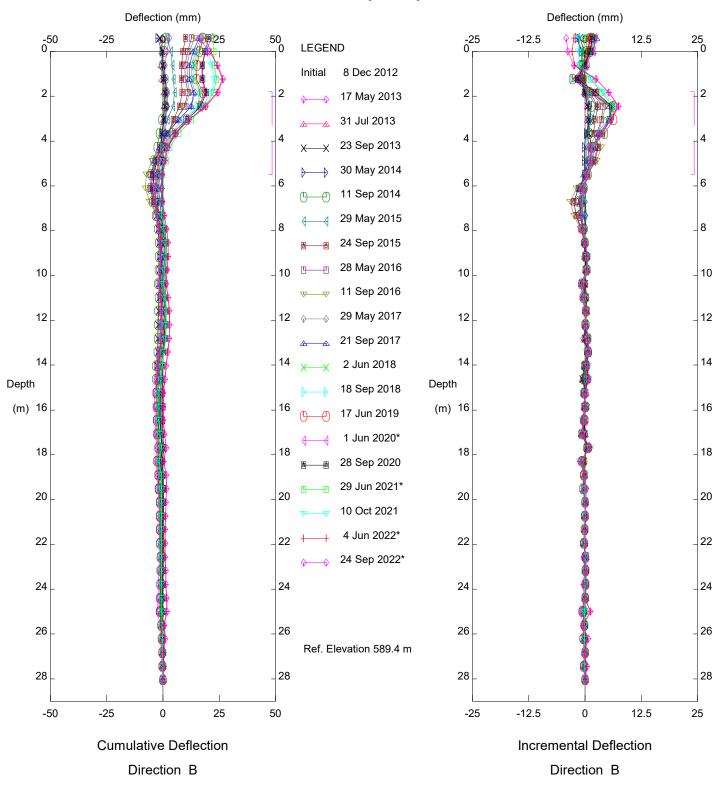




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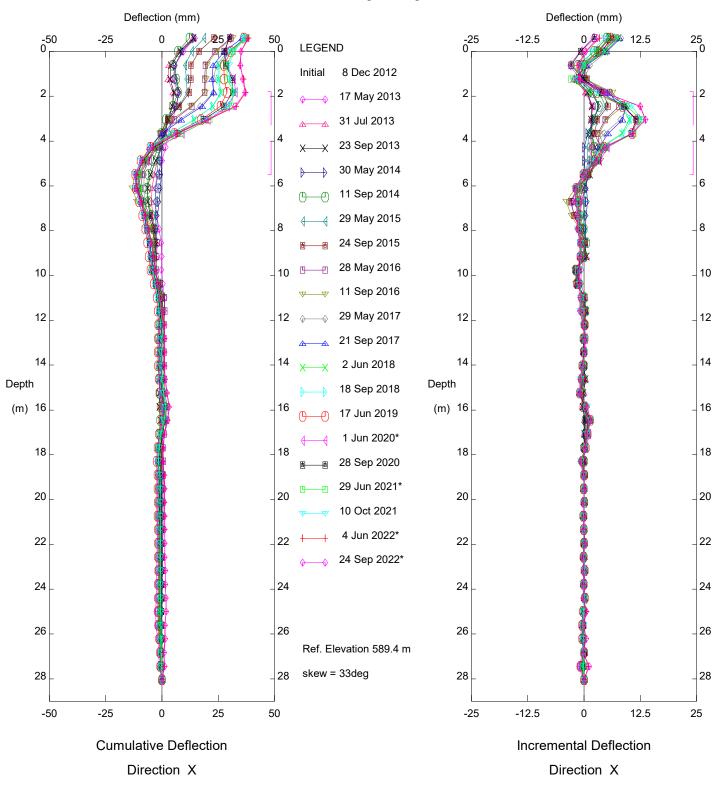


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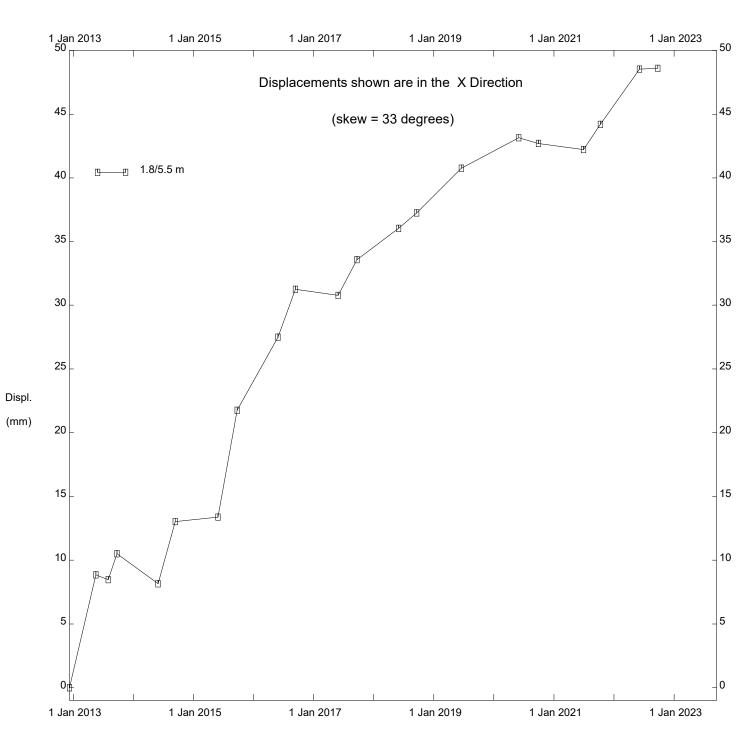


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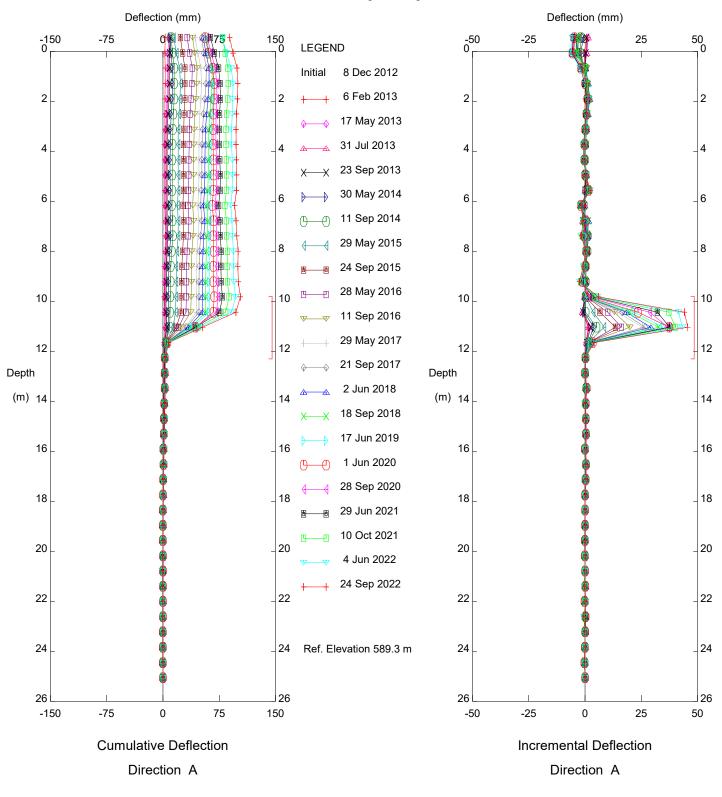
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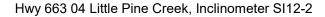
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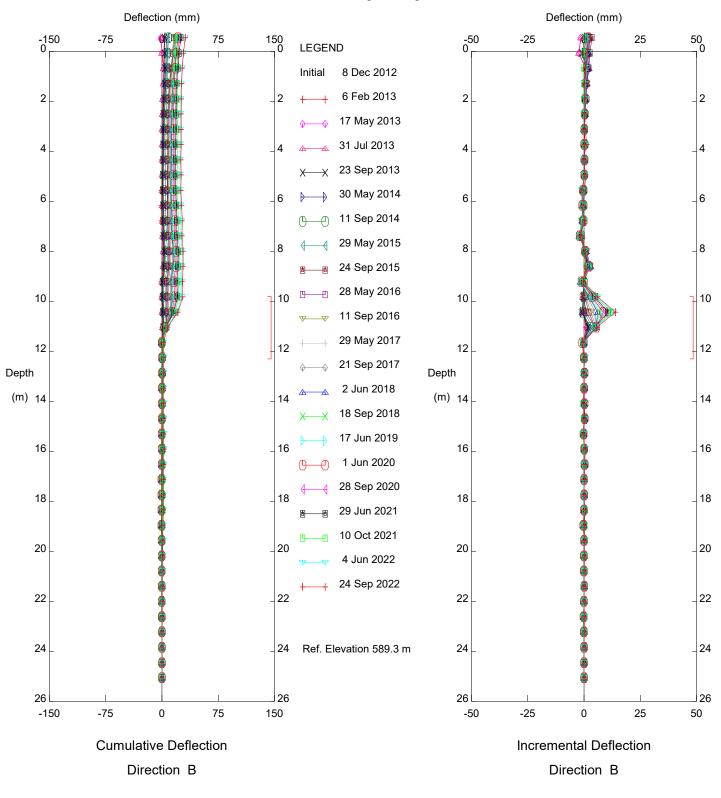
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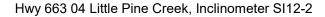


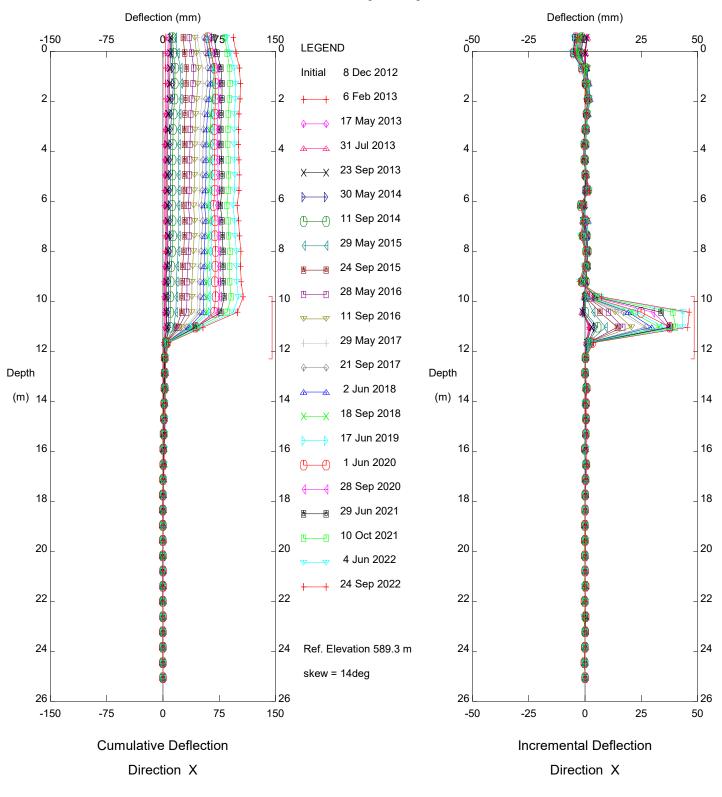
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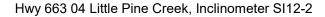


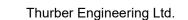


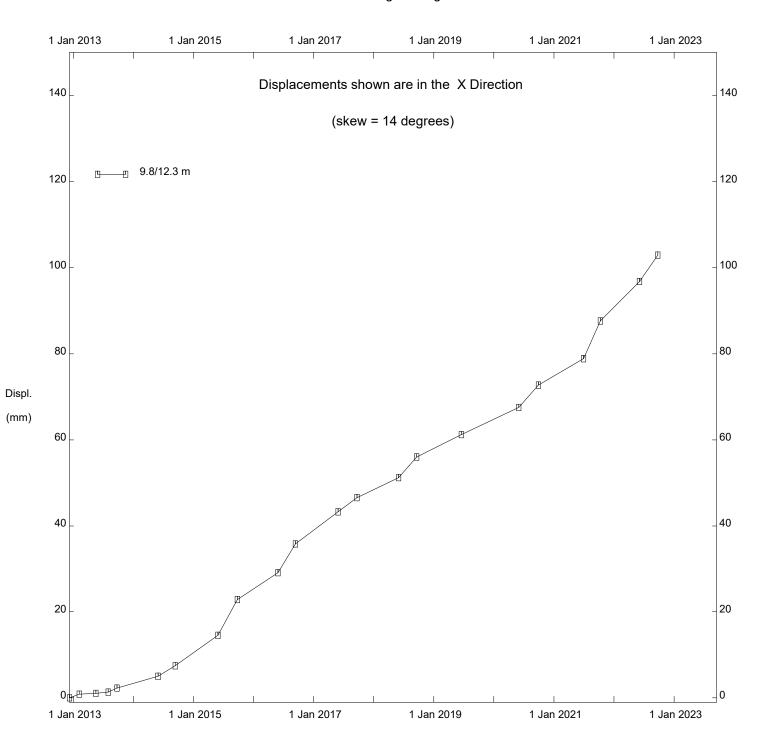




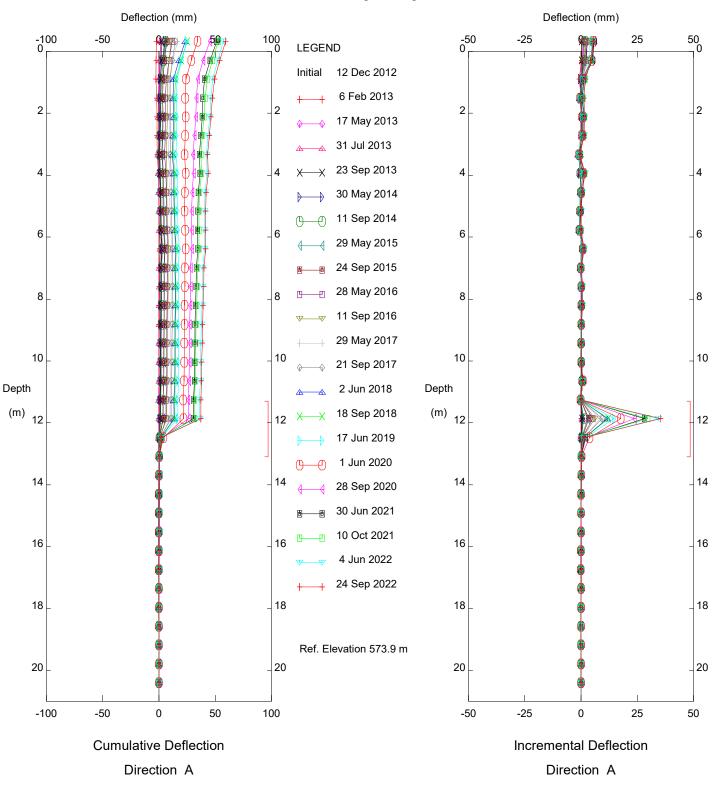


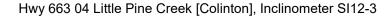


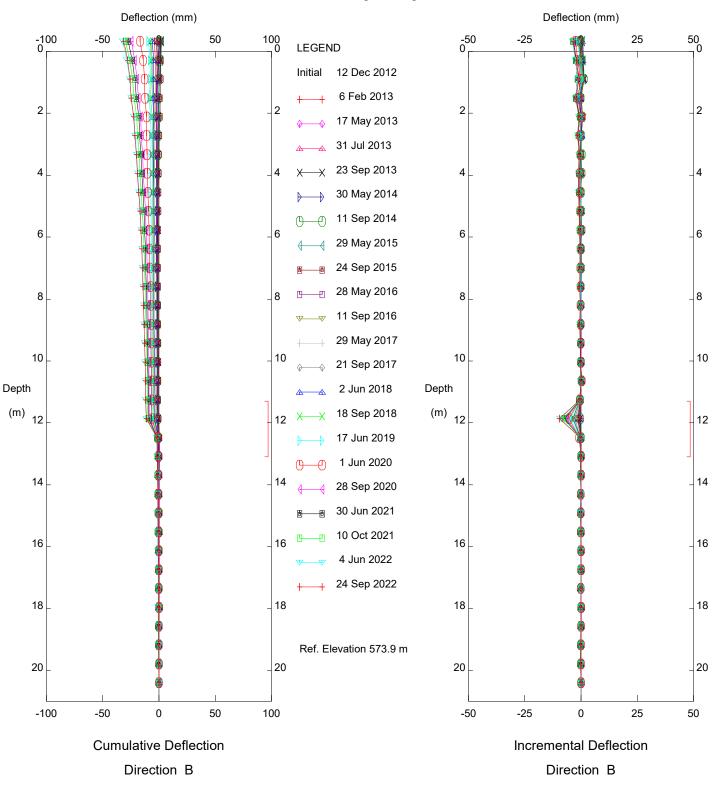


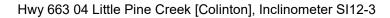


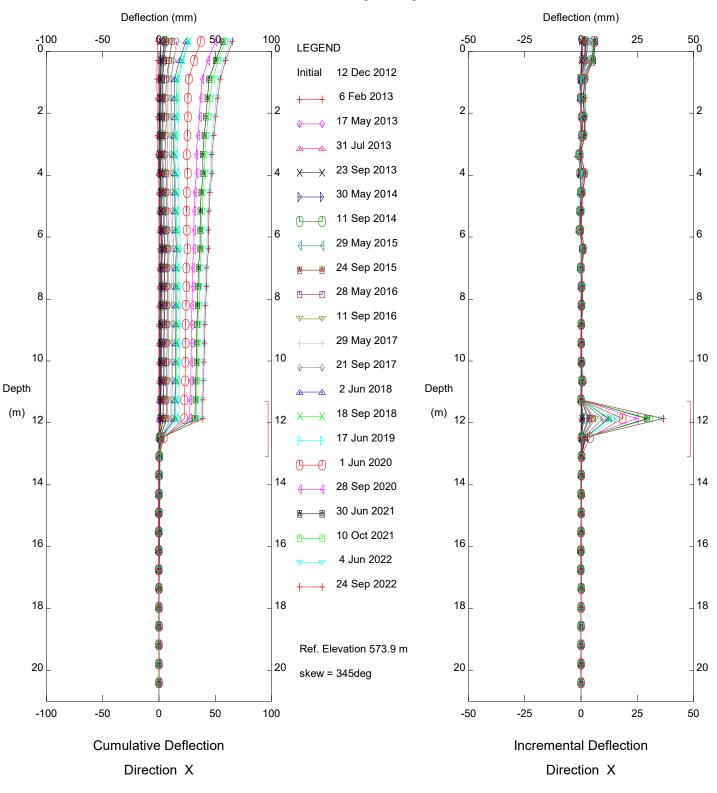
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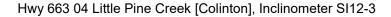


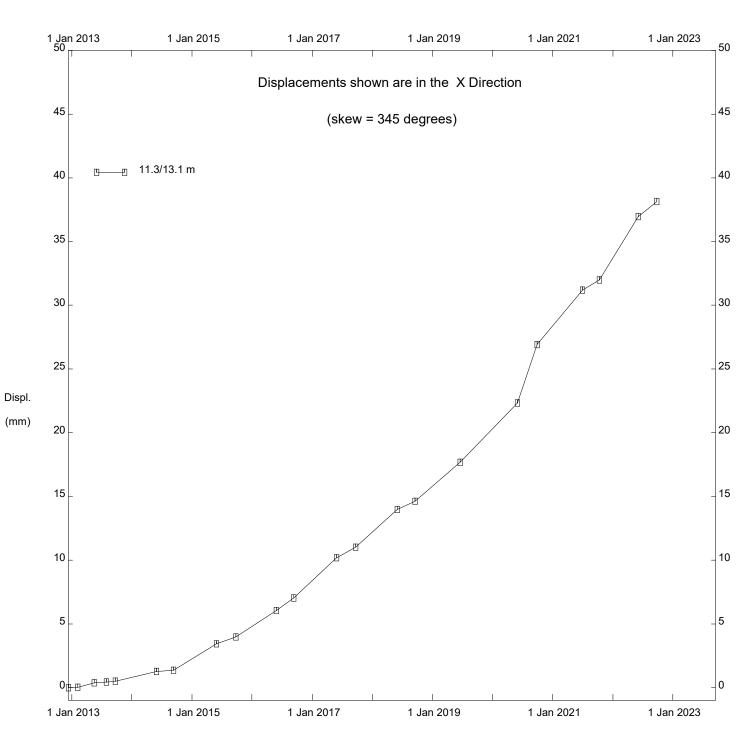




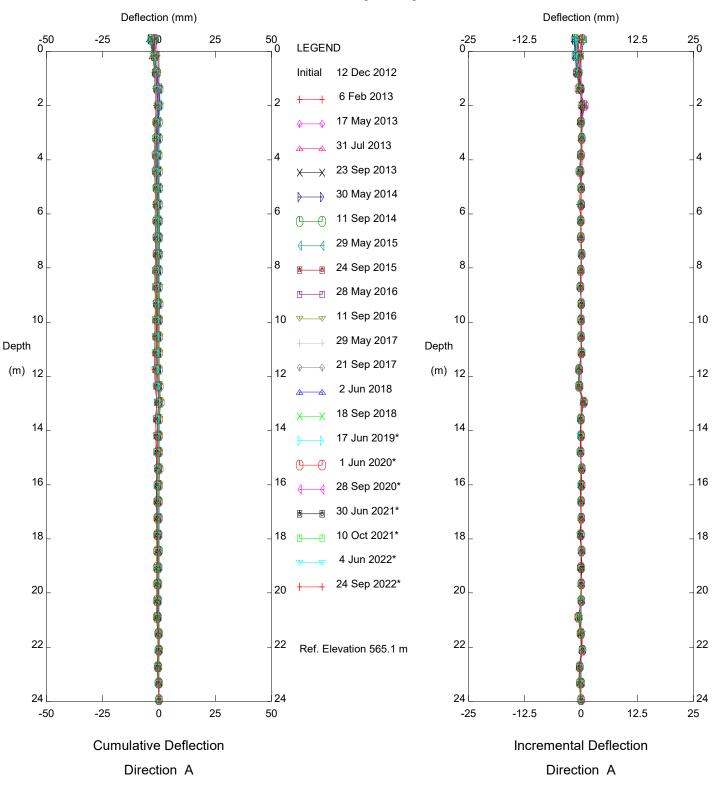








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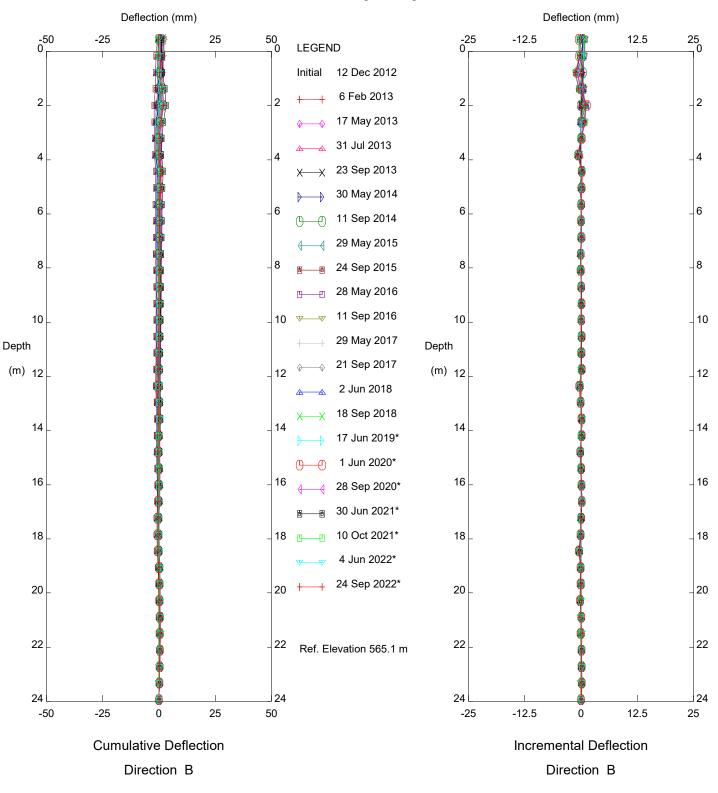


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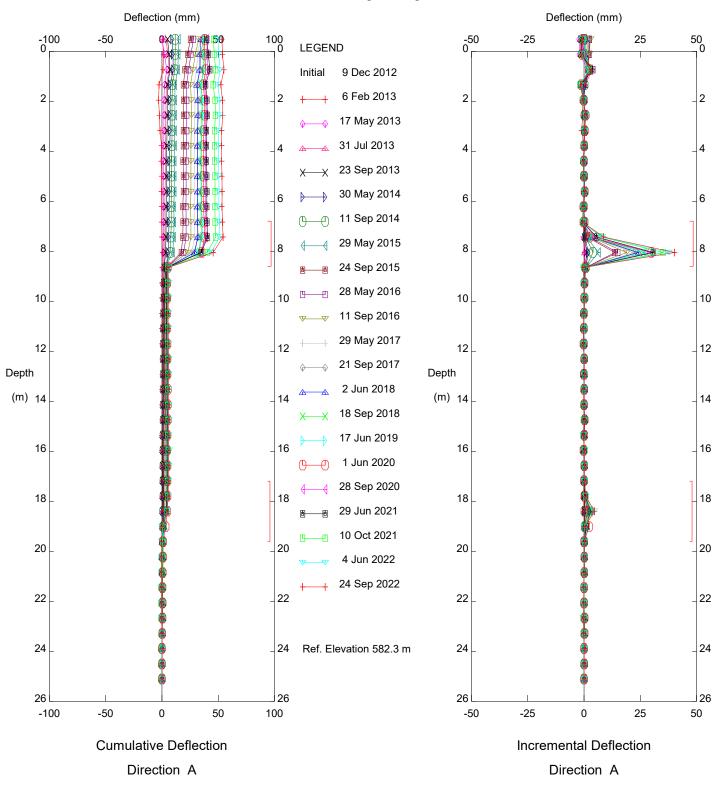
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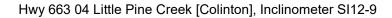


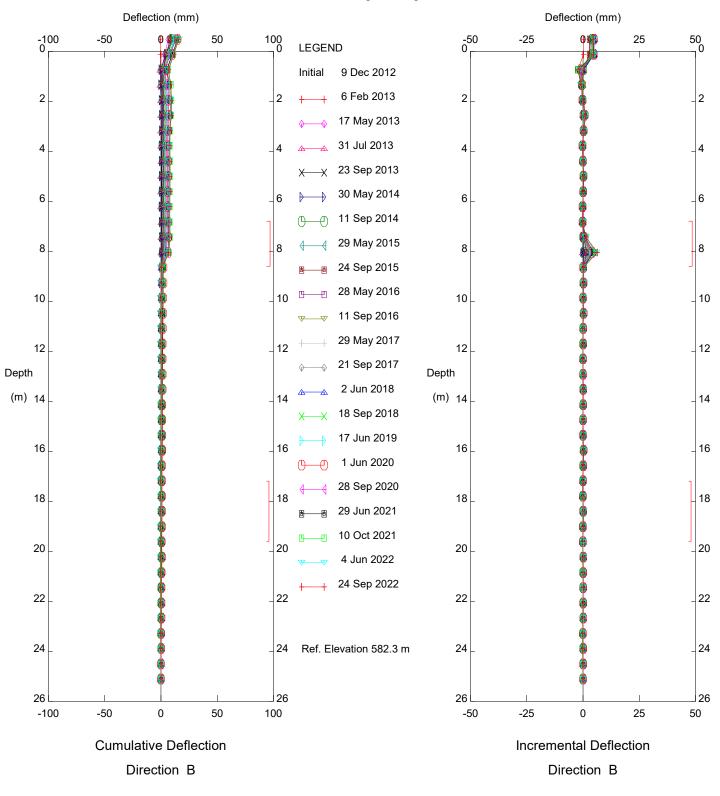
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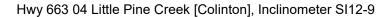
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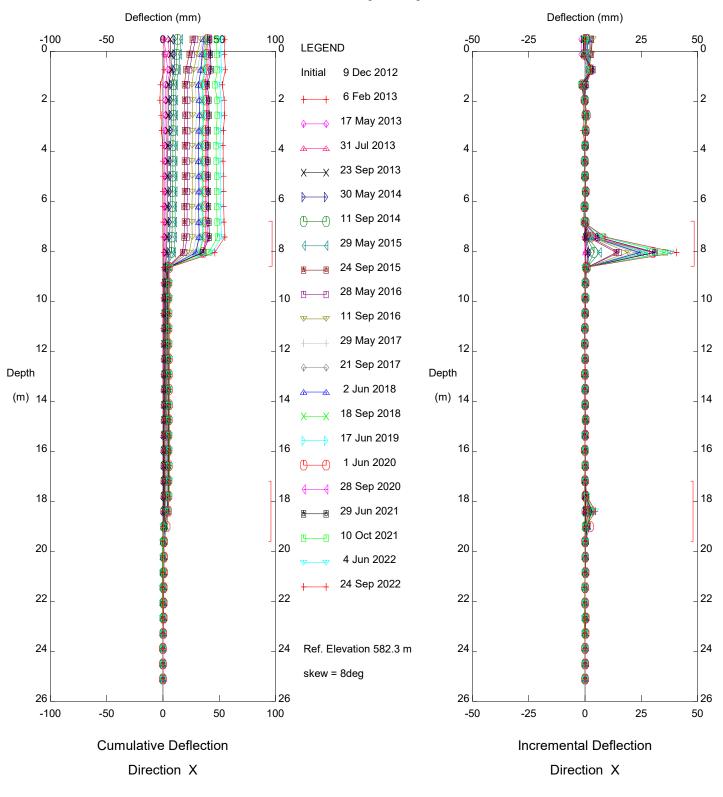
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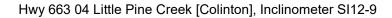




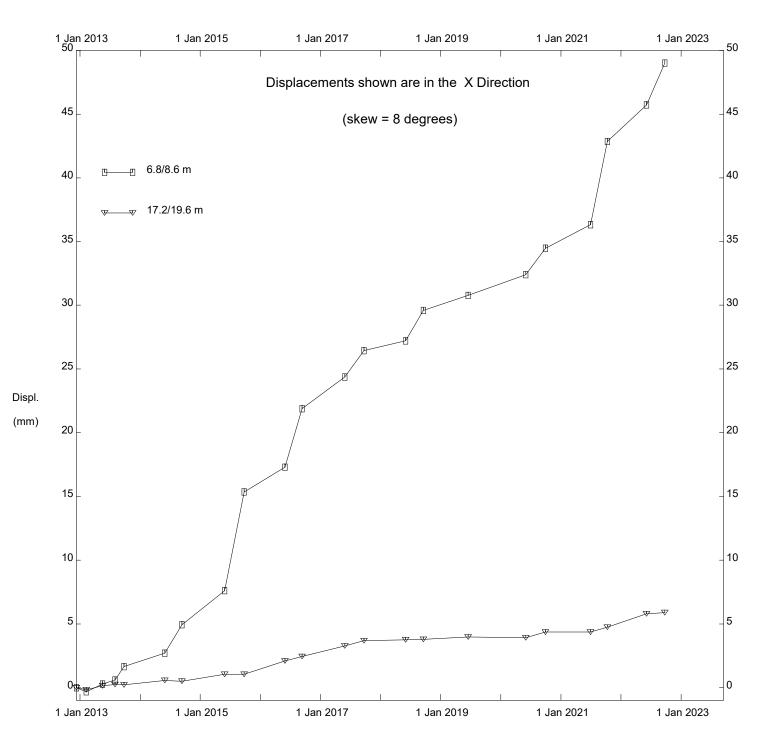












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FIGURE NC071-1 PIEZOMETER DATA FOR HWY 663:04, LITTLE PINE CREEK

