

# NORTH CENTRAL REGION GRMP EDSON / STONY PLAIN SITE INSPECTION FORM



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SITE NUMBER AND NAME:	HIGHWAY AND KM:	PREVIOUS INSPECTION:	CURRENT INSPECTION:	
NC048 – Fred Creek Slide	40:30, km 48.808	May 26, 2020	June 11, 2024	
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	NAD83 COORDINATES:		RISK ASSESSMENT:	
SE-28-53-1-W6M	UTM11U 594003N, 4	4283399E	PF: 5 CF: 3 Total: 15	
AVERAGE ANNUAL DAILY TRA	AFFIC (AADT):	CONTRACTOR MAINTENANCE AREA (CMA):		
1,690 (2023)		508		

SUMMARY OF INSTRUMENTATION: INSPECTED BY:

One slope inclinometer and six pneumatic piezometers are operational at this site.

this site.

LAST READING DATE: May 13, 2024

TEC: Kristen Tappenden, Kathleen Davis

PRIMARY SITE ISSUE:

Shallow slide with high pore pressures.

**APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS:** 

150 m along the highway by 40 m wide.

#### DATE OF ANY REMEDIAL ACTION:

Asphalt patched and upstream end piece of upper culvert replaced in 2012. The asphalt was patched again in 2015. In 2016, the slide was repaired and a berm with granular blanket and wick drains was installed. The asphalt appeared to have been recently patched in 2017/2018, however no records from TEC were available to support this.

ITEM	CONDITIONS EXIST		DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION		NOTICEABLE CHANGE FROM LAST INSPECTION	
	YES	NO		YES	NO	
Pavement Distress	Х		Cracks reflecting through patches.	X		
Slope Movement		Х				
Erosion		Х				
Seepage	х		Seepage south of PZ7 near toe, south of PZ6 near mid- slope and south of PZ2 observed in 2020. Areas dry during 2024 inspection.	Х		
Culvert Distress		Х				
Other		Х				

### COMMENTS

- The crack patterns appeared similar to the 2020 inspection, as shown in Photos 1 to 3, and are reflecting through the pavement patch.
- Several seepage locations previously observed on the south embankment were found to be dry during the 2024 inspection (Photos 4 & 5).
- Generally, piezometric levels have remained stable since completion of the berm and wick drain construction. However, high pore pressures continue to be observed in the piezometers at the site with 3 of 6 piezometers showing artesian conditions of up to 2.1 m above ground surface. The non-artesian piezometric levels range from 0.4 m to 0.8 m below ground surface.
- SI1 showed 20 mm of movement since the reading in 2023, however the cumulative displacement is similar to what was observed in 2021. Overall, SI1 has shown 7 mm of movement between 0.2 m and 2.8 m deep, and 5 mm of movement between 4.2 m and 6.2 m deep since the date of installation.
- A ground crack 7 m long and 0.15 m deep was observed in the north ditch, near PZ4. It is possible that the
  ground crack may be caused by mowing equipment; however, the toe of the highway embankment appears to



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be sharply sloped which may not allow for mowing equipment within the ditch. PZ4 is also leaning into the ditch (Photo 6).

• A possible sinkhole was observed west of the ground crack, in the north ditch east from the entrance to the gravel access road. The area was approximately 3 m long, 1 m wide and 0.15 m deep (Photo 7).

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Short term recommendations include sealing of any cracks to reduce surface water infiltration into the slope and pavement structure. Stantec was informed by TEC that a maintenance overlay of 30 mm may be applied in summer 2024.
- The silt fence remaining from construction should be removed from the site.
- Site inspection frequency should remain at once per contract cycle with instrumentation monitoring completed annually in the spring.

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ENGINE SOLUTION A. PHARAGA OCT. 15 2024		

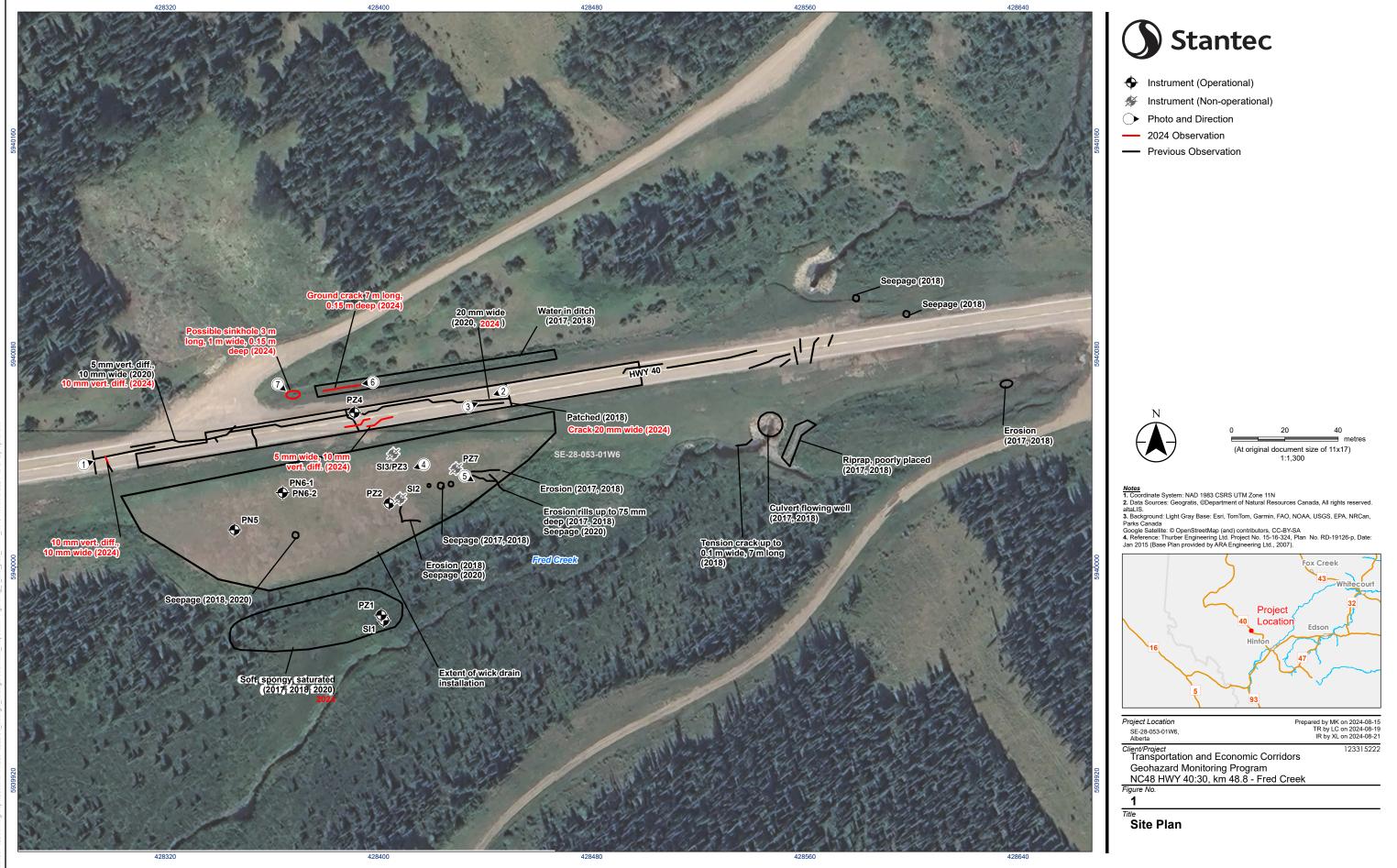






Photo 1: Pavement cracks in front of access road. Looking east.



Photo 2: Pavement cracking east of PZ4. Looking west.





Photo 3: Pavement cracks at east end of patch. Looking east.



Photo 4: Overall embankment slope. Looking west.





**Photo 5:** Previous areas of seepage were dry. Silt fence remains on site. Looking east.



Photo 6: Ground crack in north ditch, near PZ4. Looking west.





Photo 7: Possible sinkhole in the north ditch. Looking southeast.

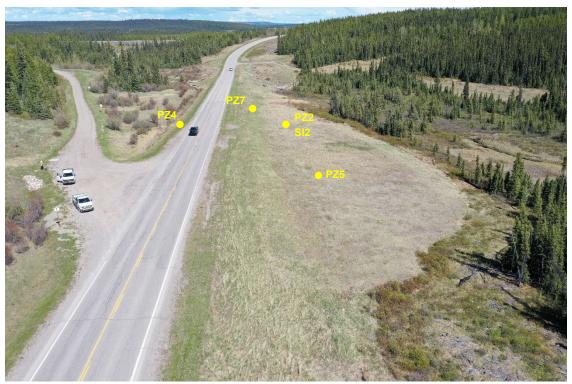


Photo 9: Overview of site. Photo taken by drone, looking east.





Photo 10: Overview of embankment slope. Photo taken by drone, looking north.