# ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION AND ECONOMIC CORRIDORS GRMP PEACE REGION – (PEACE RIVER DISTRICT) INSTRUMENTATION MONITORING - SPRING 2024



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Site Number	Location	Name	Hwy	km
PH048	HWY 88:18 C1 29.441	Abutments Fort Vermilion Bridge	88:18	29.4
Legal Description	:	UTM Co-ordinates		
1-29-108-13 W5		11U E 550921	N 64	73794

Current Monitoring:	24-May-2024	Previous Monitoring	18-Jun-2023
Instruments Read By:	Mr. Niraj Regmi, G.		

Instruments Read During This Site Visit							
Slope Inclinometers (SIs):	Pneumatic	Vibration Wire	Standpipe				
	Piezometers (PN):	Piezometers (VW):	Piezometers (SP):				
SI-3 SI13-2 SI24-7*	PN13-2A PN13 2B	VW24-7A* VW24-7B*	SP13-5				
Load Cell (LC):	Strain Gauges:	SAAs:	Others:				
N/A	N/A	N/A					

Readout Equipment Used							
Slope Inclinometers: RST Digital Inclinometer probe with a 2 feet wheelbase and a RST Pocket PC readout	Pneumatic Piezometers: RST C108 pneumatic piezometer reader	Vibration Wire Piezometers: Geokon 404 VW Readout	Standpipe Piezometers: DGSI Dipmeter				
Load Cell:	Strain Gauges:	SAAs:	Others:				
Note:							

\* Read on June 25, 2024. SI13-2 will also be cut down to match the new headslope grading.

	Discussion
Zones of New Movement:	None
	Slope inclinometer SI-3 continued to show no discernible movement.
	Slope inclinometer SI13-2 showed a rate of movement of 17.6 mm/yr over 0.0 m to 4.1 m depth since the spring of 2023 readings. The overall rate of movement in SI13-2 (since initialization) is 18.2 mm/year. SI13-2 has shown a cumulative movement of 206.5 mm over this shallow zone.
Interpretation of Monitoring Results:	The movement in SI13-2 has been somewhat cyclical with a higher movement rate in the spring and a slower movement rate in the fall (based on historic monitoring events prior to 2021). The movement pattern will be reviewed once this inclinometer is lowered following regrading of the north headslope.
	SI24-7 was initialized during the June 25, 2024, site visit; no movement zones have been determined yet.
	Pneumatic piezometer PN13-2A showed an increase in groundwater level of 0.14 m since the spring of 2023 readings, while PN13-2B

	showed a decrease in groundwater level of 0.33 m since the spring of 2023 readings. Vibrating wire piezometers VW23-7A and VW23-7B showed decrease of 1.41 m and 1.51 m, respectively, since the previous readings on May 31, 2024. The May 31, 2024 readings were taken 1 day after installation, so the groundwater level may not have been stabilized. These preliminary readings indicate hydrostatic groundwater conditions in the bedrock.
	Standpipe piezometer SP13-5 showed a decrease in groundwater level of 0.01 m since the spring of 2023 readings.
Future Work:	The instruments will be read again in the spring of 2025.
Instrumentation Repairs:	No instrument repairs are required at this time.
Additional Comments:	Following the spring of 2024 reading, slope inclinometer SI24-7, and two vibrating wire piezometers VW24-7A and VW24-7B were installed as part of north headslope improvements being undertaken as part of a large bridge repair contract. This replaced the damaged SI15-4. The logging of the test hole and installation of the instrumentation was done by Beairsto & Associates Engineering & Survey (BARE). The test hole log for BH-01 is attached which was renamed SI24-7 by Thurber when these instruments were read on June 25, 2024.

	<ul> <li>Table PH048-1 Spring 2024 – HWY 88:18 Fort Vermilion Bridge, Slope Inclinometer Reading Summary</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Table PH048-2 Spring 2024 – HWY 88:18 Fort Vermilion Bridge, Pneumatic Piezometer Instrumentation Reading Summary</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Table PH048-3 Spring 2024 – HWY 88:18 Fort Vermilion Bridge, Standpipe Piezometer Instrumentation Reading Summary</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Statement of Limitations and Conditions</li> </ul>
Attachments:	<ul> <li>APPENDIX A - PH048 SPRING 2024</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Field Inspector's report</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Site Plan Showing Approximate Instrument Locations (Drawing No. 32121 PH048)</li> </ul>
	SI Reading Plots
	Figure PH048-1 (Piezometric Depths)
	BARE Test Hole BH-01 Log for SI24-7

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. Roger Skirrow, M.Sc., P. Eng. Senior Geotechnical Engineer

Lucas Green, P.Eng. Geotechnical Engineer



## Table PH048-1 Spring 2024 – Hwy 88:18 Fort Vermilion Bridge Slope Inclinometer Instrumentation Reading Summary

#### Date Monitored: May 24, 2024

Date Monitored. N	nay 24, 2024							
INSTRUMENT #	DATE INITIALIZED	TOTAL CUMULATIVE RESULTANT MOVEMENT AT NOTED DEPTH SINCE INITIAL READING (mm)	MAXIMUM RATE OF MOVEMENT (mm/yr)	CURRENT STATUS	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)
SI-3	October 25, 2005	No discernible movement	N/A	Operational	June 16, 2022	N/A	N/A	N/A
SI13-2	January 16, 2013	206.5 mm over 0 m to 4.1 m depth in 116° direction	108.4 mm/yr in February 2013	Operational	June 18, 2023	16.4	17.6	-5.4
SI13-4	January 16, 2013	N/A	N/A	Damaged by river ice after Fall 2013	September 26, 2013	N/A	N/A	N/A
SI15-4 (replaced SI13-4)	July 5, 2014	N/A	N/A	Broken at 1.5 m depth, Blocked at 6.7 m depth	October 4, 2016	N/A	N/A	N/A
SI13-6	January 16, 2013	No discernible movement	N/A	Destroyed by vehicle traffic	October 1, 2017	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sl24-7 (replaced Sl15-4)	June 25, 2024	This was the initial reading	N/A	Operational	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Drawing 32121-PH048 in Appendix A provides a sketch of the approximate location of the monitoring instrumentation for this site.



## Table PH048-2 Spring 2024 – Hwy 88:18 Fort Vermilion Bridge Pneumatic Piezometer Instrumentation Reading Summary

## Date Monitored: May 24, 2024

INSTRUMENT #	DATE	TIP DEPTH (m)	GROUND ELEV. (m)	CURRENT STATUS	HIGHEST MEASURED WATER LEVEL BGS (m)	MEASURED PORE PRESSURE (kPa)	CURRENT WATER LEVEL BGS (m)	PREVIOUS WATER LEVEL BGS (m)	CHANGE IN WATER LEVEL SINCE PREVIOUS READING (m)
PN13-1A (35108)	January 15, 2013	22.0	N/A	Non- operational	Dry since initialization	0.0 (May 23, 2015)	Dry (May 23, 2015)	Dry (December 18, 2014)	N/A
PN13-1B (35104)	January 15, 2013	9.0	N/A	Non- operational	3.20 on May 31, 2013	N/A	N/A	4.37 (June 29, 2019)	N/A
PN13-2A (35109)	January 15, 2013	6.0	N/A	Active	3.35 on May 24, 2024	26.0	3.35	3.49	0.14
PN13-2B (35103)	January 15, 2013	25.0	N/A	Active	15.33 on June 16, 2022	73.6	17.50	17.17	-0.33
PN13-4A (35107)	January 15, 2013	10.0	N/A	Damaged by ice after Fall 2013	1.11 on May 31, 2013	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
PN13-4B (35102)	January 15, 2013	28.0	N/A	Damaged by river ice after Fall 2013	1.57 on May 31, 2013	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
PN13-6A (33274)	January 15, 2013	15.0	N/A	Damaged by river ice after Fall 2013	2.28 on February 21, 2013	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
PN13-6B (30459)	January 15, 2013	38.0	N/A	Damaged by river ice after Fall 2013	2.58 on September 26, 2013	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Drawing 32121-PH048 in Appendix A provides a sketch of the approximate location of the monitoring instrumentation for this site. Notes: PN - pneumatic piezometer. BGS - below ground surface.



## Table PH048-3 Spring 2024 – Hwy 88:18 Fort Vermilion Bridge Standpipe Piezometer Instrumentation Reading Summary

Date Monitored: May 24, 2024

INSTRUMENT #	DATE	TIP DEPTH (m)	GROUND ELEV. (m)	CURRENT STATUS	HIGHEST MEASURED WATER LEVEL BGS (m)	MEASURED WATER LEVEL BGS (m)	PREVIOUS READING BGS (m)	CHANGE IN WATER LEVEL SINCE PREVIOUS READING (m)
SP13-5	May 31, 2013	14.95	N/A	Active	13.20 on June 16, 2022	14.86	14.85	-0.01

Drawing 32121-PH048 in Appendix A provides a sketch of the approximate location of the monitoring instrumentation for this site.

Notes:

SP - standpipe (for water level monitoring, 1" diameter PVC).

BGS - below ground surface.



## Table PH048-3 - SPRING 2024 – Hwy 88:18 Fort Vermillion Bridge Vibrating Wire Piezometer Instrumentation Reading Summary

Date Monitored: June 25, 2024

INSTRUMENT	DATE INITIALIZED	GROUND ELEVATION (m)	TIP DEPTH (m)	CURRENT STATUS	MAXIMUM GROUNDWATER DEPTH (m)	CURRENT GROUNDWATER DEPTH (m)	PREVIOUS GROUNDWATER DEPTH (May 31, 2024)* (m)	CHANGE IN WATER LEVEL SINCE PREVIOUS READING (m)
VW24-7A	May 31, 2024	N/A	19.13	Operational	8.08 on May 31, 2024	9.49	8.08	-1.41
VW24-7B	May 31, 2024	N/A	12.42	Operational	7.72 on May 31, 2024	9.23	7.72	-1.51

Drawing 32121-PH048 in Appendix A provides a sketch of the approximate location of the monitoring instrumentation for this site.

\* - Taken by BARE during and following installation.



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# ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION AND ECONOMIC CORRIDORS GRMP (CON0022164) PEACE REGION (PEACE RIVER DISTRICT) INSTRUMENTATION MONITORING RESULTS

# SPRING 2024

APPENDIX A DATA PRESENTATION

SITE PH048: HWY 88:18, FORT VERMILION BRIDGE

### ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION AND ECONOMIC CORRIDORS PEACE REGION (PEACE RIVER DISTRICT) INSTRUMENTATION MONITORING FIELD SUMMARY (PH048) SPRING 2024

Location: Abutments Fort Vermillion Bridge (HWY 88:18 C1 29.441)	Readout: RST PN C108 L	
File Number: 32121	<b>Casing Size</b> 3.34" / 2.75 Ø	
Probe: RST SI SET 8R	<b>Temp:</b> 21	
Cable: RST SI SET 8R	Read by: NRM/NKR	

## SLOPE INCLINOMETER (SI) READINGS

SI#	GPS Location		Date	Stickup	Depth from top	Magn. North		Current	Bottom		Probe/		Remarks
	(UTM 11)			(m)	of casing (ft)	A+ Groove	Depth Readings		Reel				
	Northing (m)	Easting (m)					A+	A-	B+	B-	#	Size (")	
SI-3	6473794	550921	24-May	1.03	146 to 4	25	769	-758	137	-142	8R/8R	3.34"	
SI13-2	6474324	550948	24-May	1.05	102 to 2	130	-95	106	179	-180	8R/8R	3.34"	
SI24-7	6474298	550949	25-Jun-24	0.84	130 to 2	186	-255	267	311	-310	8R/8R	2.75"	

#### VIBRATING WIRE PIEZOMETER (VW) READINGS

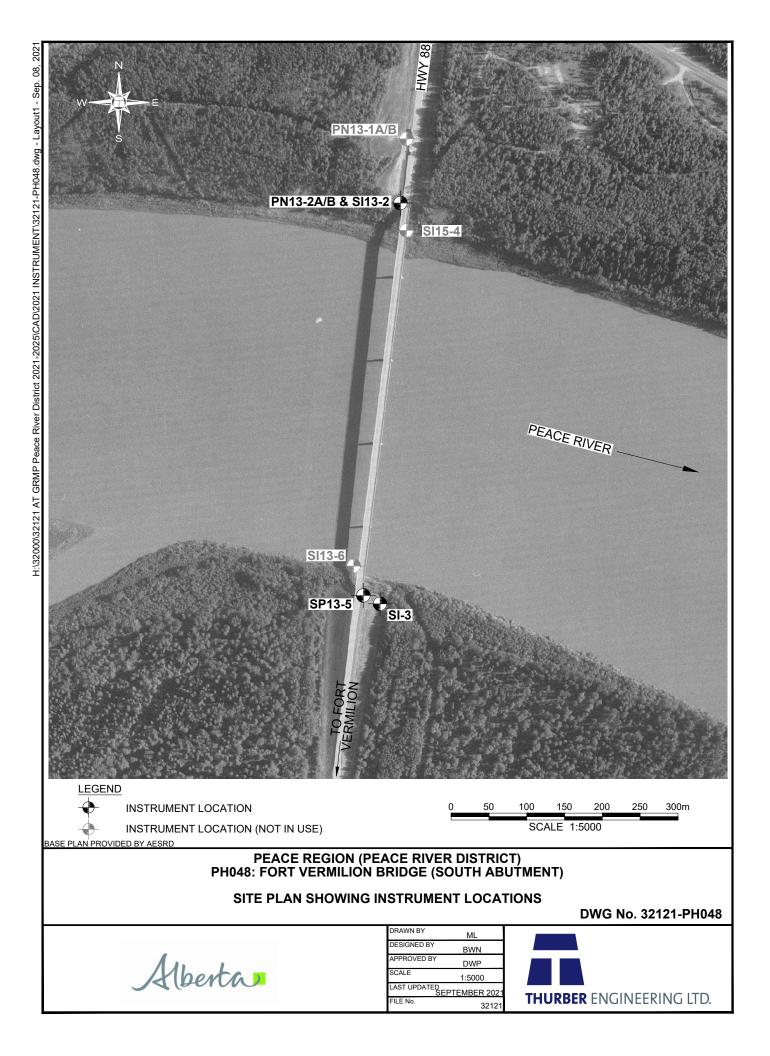
		GPS Loca	tion (UTM 11)							
VW #	Serial Number	Easting (m)	Northing (m)	Date	Reading I	Dg Temperature (	deg C)			
VW24-7A	VW184660	550949	6474298	25-Jun-24	8305.4	4 5.8				
VW24-7B	VW184679	550949	6474298	25-Jun-24	8311.4	6.0				
PNEUMATIC PIEZOMETER (PN) READINGS										
PN#	GPS Lo	Location Date		Reading		Tip Depth Below		Identification		
	Northing (m)	Easting (m)		kPa		Ground Surface (m)		Number		
PN13-2A	6474324	550948	24-May	26		6		35109		
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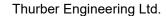
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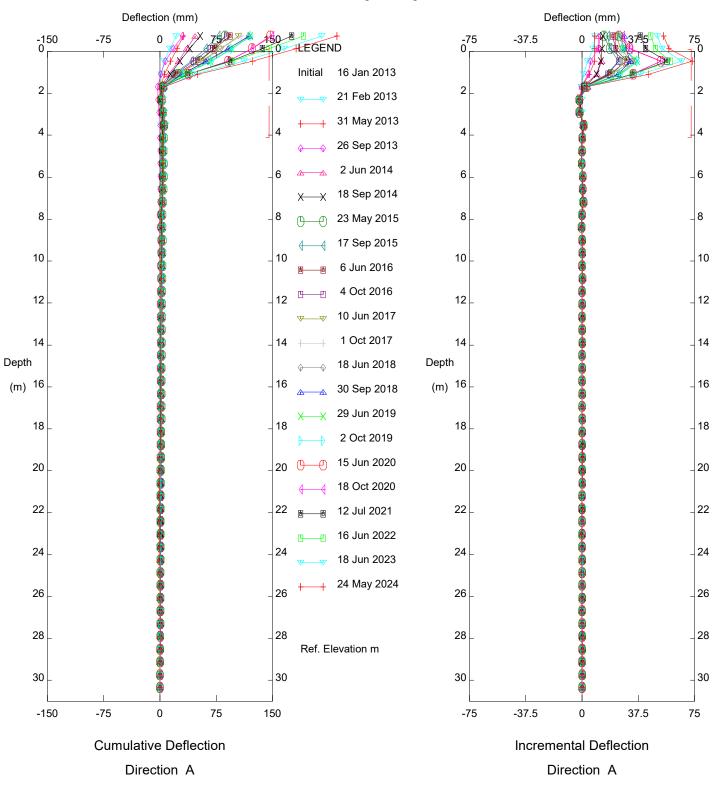
ĺ	SP#	GPS Location		GPS Location Date		Reading below	Bottom Pipe Depth	
		Northing (m) Easting (m)			(m) top of casing (m)		(below top of casing (m)	
	SP13-5	6473805	550899	24-May	0.15*	15	15.58	

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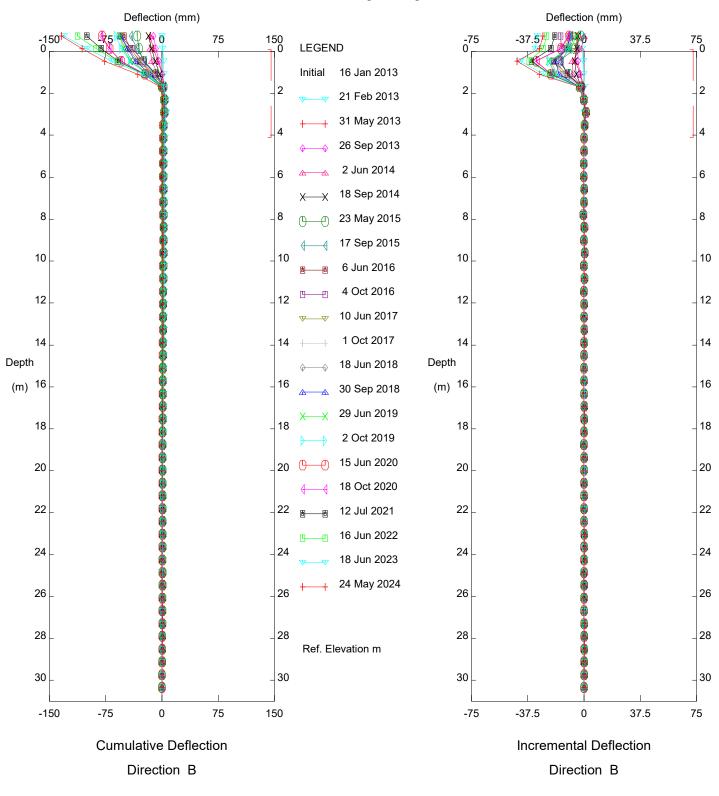
SP13-5 Standpipe broken by lawnmower, see photo.



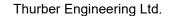


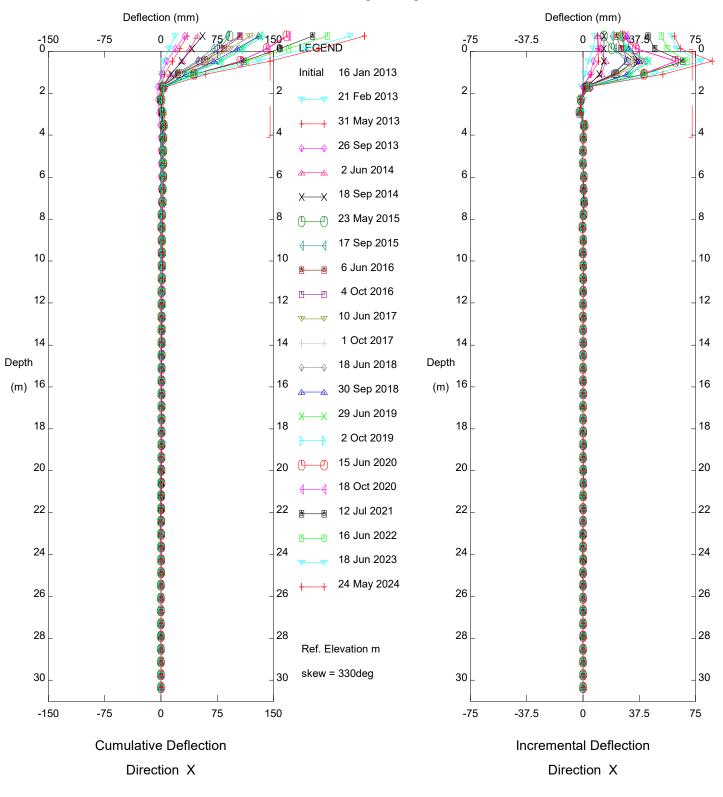




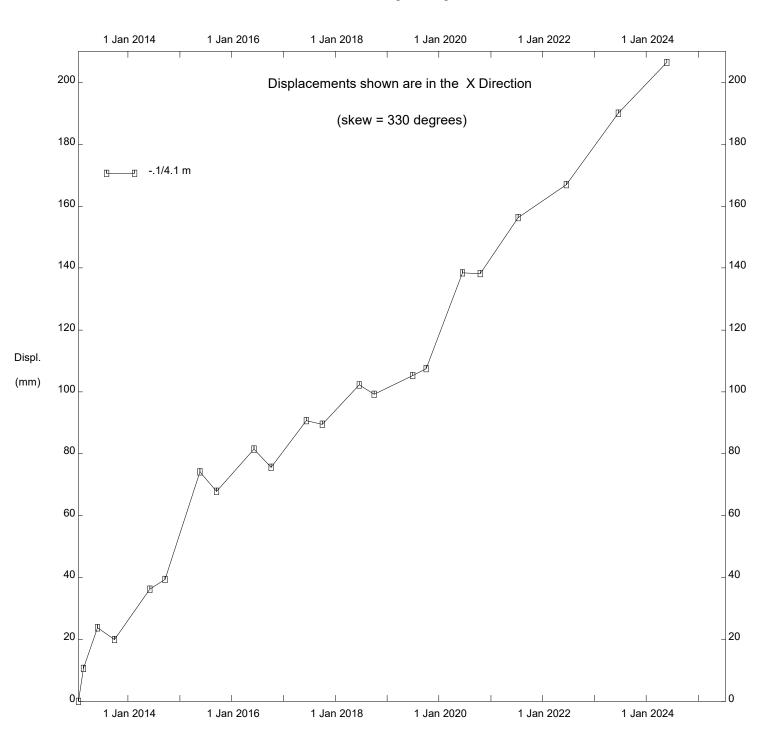




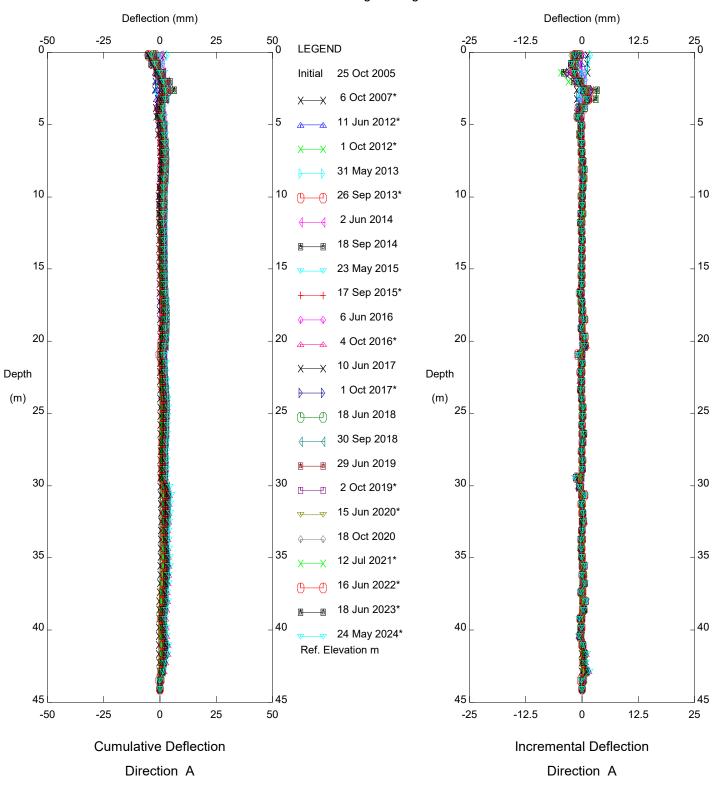








Fort Vermillion Bridge (PH048), Inclinometer SI13-2

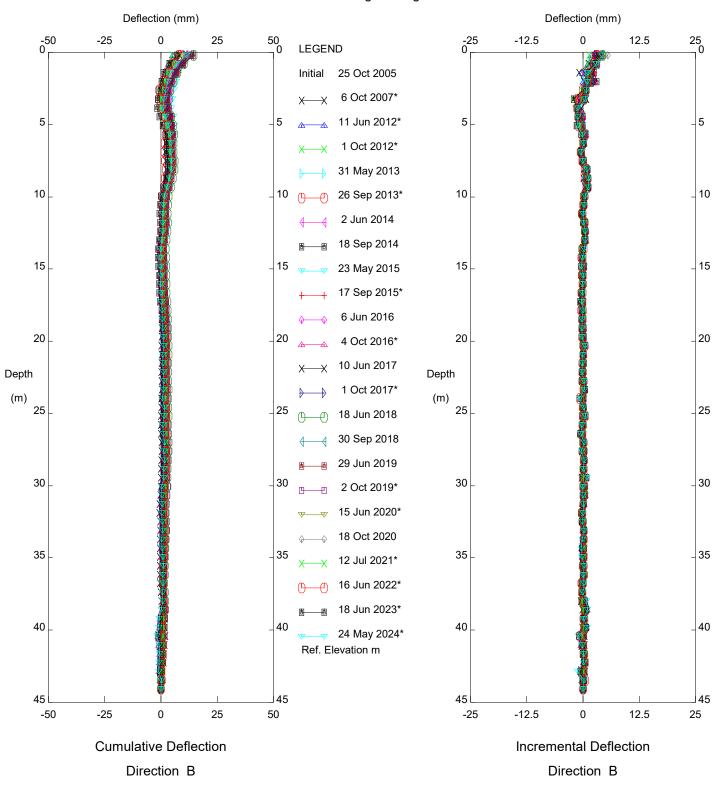


Fort Vermillion Bridge (PH048), Inclinometer SI-3

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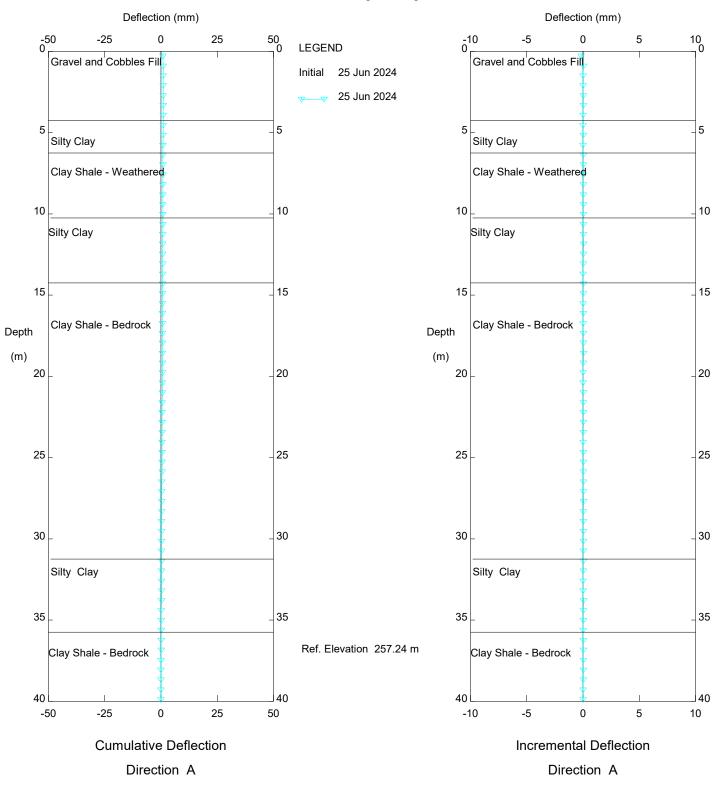


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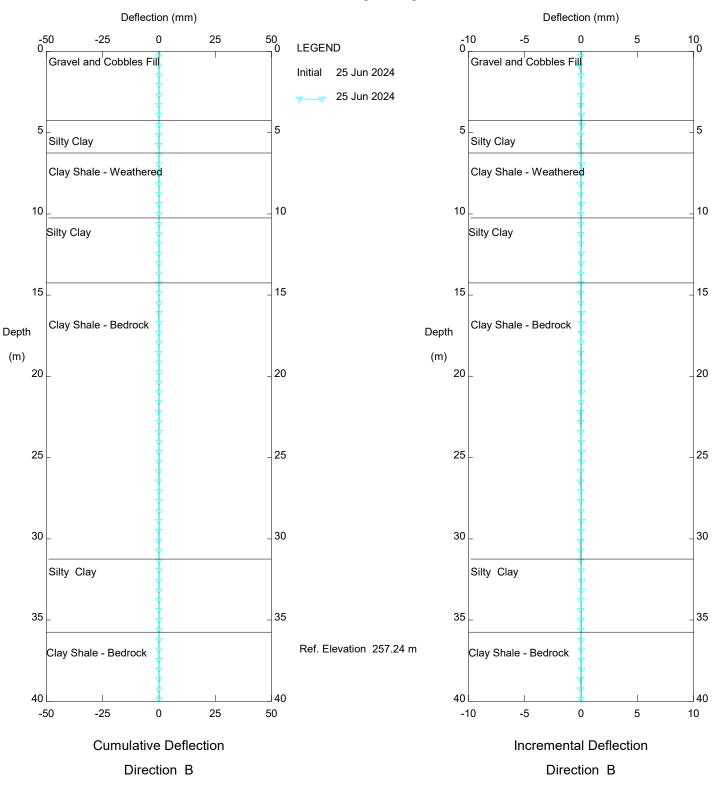
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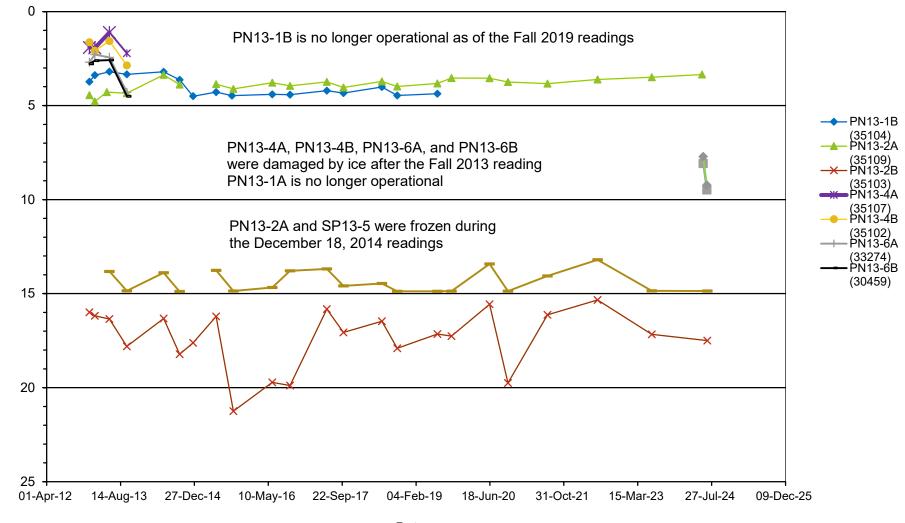


PH048-1, Inclinometer SI 24-7



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FIGURE PH048-1 PIEZOMETER DATA FOR HWY 88:18: FORT VERMILION BRIDGE



Groundwater Depth (m)