

SOUTHERN REGION GRMP SITE INSPECTION FORM



SITE NUMBER AND NAME: S056-II West of Gorge Creek Steep Slope Slides		HIGHWAY & KM: 25002:02 8.196		PREVIOUS INSPECTION DATE: July 5, 2021		INSPECTION DATE: May 16, 2022	
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: 01-32-19-05 W5M		ORDIN rthing 13067	NATES: Easting 666206	RISK ASS PF: 8	SESSMENT: CF: 10 T	OTAL: 80	
MONTHLY AVERAGE DAILY TRAFFIC (MADT): May 2020 390 (west) & 382 (east) (Reference No. 55460220)				CONTRA 27	CTOR MAINTE	ENANCE AREA (CMA):	

SUMMARY OF SITE INSTRUMENTATION:	INSPECTED BY:
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There is no instrumentation at the S056-II site.	Laura Assaad (KCB)
	Roger Skirrow (AT)
LAST READING DATE: N/A	Alex Frotten (AT)

PRIMARY SITE ISSUE: Slope failure on the south side of the highway due to surface runoff and river erosion at the slope toe. The highway is located at the crest of a steep valley slope above Sheep Creek River. The highway was realigned in 2014 due to slope instability, and slide retrogression is continuing.

APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: The head scarp of the slide is approximately 15 m to 20 m long

DATE OF ANY REMEDIAL ACTION: 2014 - the highway was realigned/shifted north by approximately 5 m

ITEM CONDITION EXISTS			DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION		NOTICABLE CHANGE FROM LAST INSPECTION	
Y	YES	NO		YES	NO	
Pavement Distress		Х	Slide retrogression continues to impact the old highway alignment, not impacting realigned highway yet.		Х	
Slope Movement	Х		Slope failure on south side of highway.		Χ	
Erosion	Х		Erosion due to surface water runoff and river erosion at the slope toe.		Х	
Seepage		Х	N/A – none observed		X	
Culvert Distress		Х	N/A – none observed		Х	

COMMENTS

Ongoing slope erosion due to surface water runoff, frost and seepage. The erosion is leading to undermining of the crest of the slope. No current impact to the realigned highway.

Undermining of the old pavement is leading to the old highway surface cracking and dropping away. Current edge erosion slope is approximately 3.3 m from the guardrail (approximately 5.4 m in 2019 and 5.0 m in 2020) (WP 87). Slope erosion was visible east of the main erosion feature. The edge of the eroding slope is approximately 6 m from the edge of pavement at WP 88.

Cut slope to the north of the highway is poorly vegetated and should be seeded to reduce surface water runoff erosion. During the 2022 inspection, some riling was observed along the slope. A proposal was issued AT for review and comment in January 2019 for evaluation of hydro-seed mixes to promote vegetation.

A large block failure near the top of the slope does not appear to have changed significantly since the 2021 inspection (WP 87) (Photo 4).



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Maintenance/Repair/Monitoring Recommendations:

- The site should be inspected by AT's MCI and annually as part of the Southern Region GRMP Section B inspections.
- The cut slope should by hydro-seeding to promote vegetation growth using a suitable seed mix.

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Site Plan

S056-2 - West of Gorge Creek Steep Slope Slides Hwy 25002:02, km 8.196

SCALE 1:1,500

PROJECT No. A05116A03

Fort McMurray

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Location

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Inspection Photographs

Photo 1 The highway was realigned/shifted north in 2014 (right-hand side of the photo) since the slide was impacting the south (eastbound) lane of the old highway. Photo taken May 16, 2022, facing southwest.



Photo 2 The head scarp is retrogressing towards the highway and is approximately 3 m from the edge of pavement. Photo was taken May 16, 2022, facing east-northeast.



Photo 3 The cut slope from highway realignment is unvegetated. Photo was taken May 16, 2022, facing east.



Photo 4 A large block has failed and dropped downslope (WP 87). The block does not appear to have changed significantly since the 2021 inspection. Photo taken May 16, 2022, facing east.

