

SOUTHERN REGION GRMP SITE INSPECTION FORM



SITE NUMBER AND NAME S051 A, B, & C - Pekisko Cre Erosion and Slides	HIGHWAY & KM 540:02, 5.649 & 4.591	PREVIOUS INSPECTION DATE April 30, 2018	INSPECTION DATE May 6, 2019	
LEGAL DESCRIPTION 08-14-017-02 W5M 12-13-017-02 W5M	NAD 83 COORDINATES UTM Northing Easting 11 5590542 701680	RISK ASSESSMENT Site A & B: PF: 9 CF: Site C: PF: 10 CF: 3	4 TOTAL: 36 TOTAL: 30	
AVERAGE ANNUAL DAILY T 540 (east), (Ref. No. 71130)	RAFFIC (AADT):	CONTRACTOR MAINTENANCE AREA (CMA): 27		

SUMMARY OF SITE INSTRUMENTATION:	INSPECTED BY:		
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Site A & B: 3 slope inclinometers and 3 vibrating wire piezometers.	Alex Frotten (AT)		
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LAST READING DATE: May 2019			

PRIMARY SITE ISSUE: Site A & B are at the head scarps of two landslides located approximately 30 m apart, likely caused by elevated groundwater in the steep bank during rainfall events, further accelerated by surface water draining down the slope from the ditch. Site C is bank erosion on the outside of a sharp (110° attack angle) meander bend. The head scarps at sites A & C have encroached onto highway right-of-way and undermined the highway ditch re-directing ditch flows onto the failed slopes.

APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS:

Site A has a width of approximately 20 m, and the head scarp is located 1.7 m in from the fence line. Site B has undermined approximately 30 m of fence line, with total length of the slide being approximately 100 m. Site C bank erosion is approximately 100 m long with fence undermined for a length of approximately 25 m.

DATE OF ANY REMEDIAL ACTION: Drilling program was carried out in July 2017 at Site A & B. Bridge construction was undertaken to the east of Site B in summer 2017, and the work included an overlay and HTCB.

ITEM	CONDITION EXISTS		DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION	NOTICABLE CHANGE FROM LAST INSPECTION	
	YES	NO		YES	NO
Pavement Distress		Х	Pavement not affected at the time of the site visit. The head scarp of A has encroached into the slope as far as the highway drainage ditch.		X
Slope Movement	X		Large retrogressive landslide at site A & B.		Х
Erosion	х		Site C: Erosion apparent on the bank erosion (along the outside bend) with a large scour hole. Erosion has retrogressed to the ditch with additional gully erosion occurring where the ditch discharges water onto the slide surface.	х	
Seepage	х		Site A: Wet on bench below slide, runoff from ditch draining into slide. Ditch runoff is causing erosion, with sediment being deposited on the slope. Site C: Seepage apparent on the lower slope but no significant seepage erosion apparent.	Х	
Culvert Distress		Х			Х



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COMMENTS

No distress in road pavement; the failures at Sites A, B and C have not reached the pavement.

The east portion of the Site A slide area is a rotational-block failure, and the midslope bench looks like it is rotated by 15°. The west portion of the Site A slide area is shallow and translational (estimated depth of failure of 4 to 5 m). The failure scarp has extended past the fence line and undermined the highway ditch, redirecting ditch flows into the failure zone. Eight fence posts are hanging at Site A. Between Site A and B is an existing section of slope and a power pole.

The head scarp of Site B slide area is 1.75 m away from the fence line (no change from 2018). The ditch at the head of the slide is well defined and ditch flows are conveyed past the slide area.

The Site A and B 2019 inspection noted that the slide zone was generally unchanged. Surface runoff erosion adjacent to the highway appears worse, and water seepage around the SI casing continues. Backfill around the SI appears to have sunk slightly and the area is persistently wet. Sites A and B should continue to be inspected on an annual basis.

Site C: Erosion gullies at outside bend of creek are undermining highway fence line. The failure scarp has extended past the fence line and undermined the highway ditch, redirecting ditch flows into the failure zone. The Site C creek attack angle is 110°.

The Site C erosion gully appeared to have widened since 2018, with a 5 to 10 m wide slide block to the west of the existing back scarp.

Recommendations:

Site A & B

- Short-Term
 - Monitor location during and after high flows and significant antecedent rain or snow melt.
 - Ditch-flow containment should be re-established with a ditch berm. The base of the ditch should be lined with a membrane covered by gravel; the liner should extend over the edges of the ditch.
- Long-Term
 - A pile wall with geosynthetic-reinforced fill may be required to stabilize the upper slide mass and
 minimize potential for further retrogression. Slope stabilization repairs should include subsurface
 drainage with provision for conveying water to toe of slope without causing erosion. Another
 option is to construct a gravel shear key and geosynthetic reinforced slope on stable soil or
 bedrock.
 - A toe berm may also be possible but will require a large volume of fill. A borrow area for bridge
 construction is present in the valley bottom, near the creek. The volume of fill available from the
 borrow should be assessed if a toe berm is selected.

Site C:

- Short-Term
 - Monitor location during and after high flows and significant antecedent rain or snow melt.
 - The highway ditch should be re-established with a ditch berm. The base of the ditch should be lined with a membrane covered by gravel.
 - Ditch reconstruction may require slope reconstruction.
- Long-Term
 - Slope reconstruction using Longitudinal Peaked Stone Toe Protection or traditional riprap armouring to protect the erosion zone.



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Flow Direction

Photo 1 Site A: Head scarp undermining fence line and ditch. Photo was taken facing north on May 6, 2019.



Photo 2 Site A: Instrumentation bench at mid slope of slide. Area around SI is wet. Photo was taken facing west on May 6, 2019.



Photo 3 Site A: View from mid-slope looking up slope. Head scarp at the southern end of Site A has not progressed to the fence line. Photo was taken facing east on May 6, 2019.



Photo 4 Site A and Site B: View of head scarps. Photo was taken facing east on May 6, 2019.



Site C: Slope erosion extending past fence line. Photo was taken facing northeast on Photo 5 May 6, 2019.



Site C: Creek erosion failure extending into highway ditch. Utility cable hanging Photo 6 across failure. Photo was taken facing southwest on May 6, 2019.



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