

### SOUTHERN REGION GRMP SITE INSPECTION FORM



SITE NUMBER AND NAME S075 - Pekisko Creek Slides	HIGHWAY & KM 540:02, 5.772	PREVIOUS INSPECTION DATE	INSPECTION DATE May 9, 2023	
LEGAL DESCRIPTION 12-13-017-02 W5M	NAD 83 COORDINATES UTM Northing Easting 11 5590917 701863	RISK ASSESSMENT PF: 9 CF: 4 TOTAL: 36		
AVERAGE ANNUAL DAILY T 700 (east), (Ref. No. 71130)	RAFFIC (AADT):	CONTRACTOR MAINTENANCE AREA (CMA): 27		

SUMMARY OF SITE INSTRUMENTATION:

3 slope inclinometers and 3 vibrating wire piezometers are functional.

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LAST READING DATE: June 2023

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. The head scarp at site A has encroached onto highway right-of-way and undermined the highway ditch re-directing ditch flows onto the failed slopes.

#### APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS:

Site A has undermined approximately 30 m of fence line, with total length of the slide being approximately 100 m and the head scarp is located approximately 6.5 m from the white line on the highway. Site B has a width of approximately 20 m, and the head scarp is located 1.7 m in from the fence line.

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

ITEM	CONDITION EXISTS		DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION		NOTICABLE CHANGE FROM LAST INSPECTION	
	YES	NO	]		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.		х	
Slope Movement	Х		Large retrogressive landslide at site A & B.	Х		
Erosion	Х		Surface water discharges onto the slide surface.	Х		
Seepage	х		Wet on bench below slide, runoff from ditch draining into slide. Ditch runoff is causing erosion, with sediment being deposited on the slope.	х		
Culvert Distress		х			х	

#### COMMENTS

No distress in road pavement; the failures at Sites A and B have not reached the pavement but with further retrogression, the pavement will eventually be impacted.-

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.



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The head scarp at Site A appears to have retrogressed approximately 0.5 m since 2020, 6.5 m from the white line on the highway compared to 7.0 m in 2020. Eight fence posts are hanging at Site A (unchanged from 2020). A broken utility cable is visible in the Site A slope failure. Between Site A and B is an existing section of slope and a power pole.

The back slope at Site A appeared saturated with visible seepage flow in the erosion channel. Recent displaced topsoil and grass was noted at the head scarp at Site A.

The head scarp of Site B slide area is 1.70 m away from the fence line (no change from 2020). The ditch at the head of the slide is well defined and ditch flows are conveyed past the slide area.

Sites A and B should continue to be inspected on a bi-annual basis.

**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.

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Legend			0		50 Metres
GPS Waypoint (May 9, 2023)	NOTES: 1. HORIZONTAL DATUM: NAD83 2. GRID ZONE: UTM ZONE 11N 1. MAGE DURDE: FORMANAE FARTURAR	CLIENT Mbarta	PROJECT SOUTHERN RE	GION GEOHAZARD RISK MANA	GEMENT PROGRAM
—— GPS Track (May 9, 2023)	3. IMAGE SOURCE: ESRI, MAXAR, EARTHSTAR GEOGRAPHICS AND THE GIS USER COMMUNITY.	Alberta	TITLE	Site Plan	
↓-→ Slope Failure				S075 - Pekisko Slide	s
×— Fence		Klohn Crippen Berger		Hwy 540:02, km 5.77	2
			SCALE 1:1,000	PROJECT №. A05116A03	FIG No. 1



# Photo 1 Head scarp at Site A. Photo was taken facing south on May 9, 2023.

Photo 2 Site A looking downslope. Photo was taken facing southwest on May 9, 2023.







## Photo 3 Site A, fence undermined. Photo was taken facing south on May 9, 2023.

Photo 4 Head scarp Site B. Photo was taken facing north on May 9, 2023.







## Photo 5 Site B slope. Photo was taken facing north on May 9, 2023.

