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Dear Mr. Mayfield:

**Central Region Landslide Assessment Site C15
SH575 Carbon Creek Embankment
May 2003 Instrumentation Monitoring Report**

This Instrumentation Monitoring report was prepared by Klohn Crippen Consultants Ltd. for Alberta Transportation Central Region under Contract No. CE053/2000. The instruments were read by Mr. Joel Hilderman, EIT, of Klohn Crippen Consultants Ltd. on May 15, 2003.

1. PROJECT BACKGROUND

An embankment located on SH575 about 16 km east of Carbon, Alberta across a steep narrow gully is experiencing slope instability and erosion problems which has affected the pavement on top of the embankment. The slope instability on the north side of the embankment appears to have been caused by seepage saturating the fill. Another area of concern is the deep vertical erosion channel present along the southwest side in the area of cut to fill interface.

The slide location, site plan and cross-sections are illustrated on Figures 1 to 3.

2. SITE OBSERVATIONS

A summary of the instrumentation at the site is provided in Table 1.

Table 1 Instrumentation Summary

ID	Ground Elevation (m)	Tip Elev (m)	Stick-up (m)	Zone Interval	Current Piezometric Elevation (m)	Nov 02 Piezometric Elevation (m)	Change in Piezometric Elevation (Observed Range)
Slope Indicators							
2000-3	86.37	68.5	1.25				
Standpipe Piezometers							
2000-1	94.36	84.8		84.80-92.50			Destroyed
2000-2A	90.08	79.36	1.00	79.36-80.96	82.64	82.02	+0.6 m (82.0-82.6)
2000-2B	90.08	87.96	0.96	87.96-90.06	Dry		- (87.8-88.8)
2000-5A	74.14	66.52	0.90	66.52-71.12	70.45	69.83	+0.7 m (69.3-70.5)
2000-5B	74.14	72.12	0.90	72.02-74.12	72.74	72.89	-0.2 m (72.7-72.9)
2000-7	84.82	75.72	0.75	75.72-84.62	Dry		
2000-8	82.15	72.63	0.92	72.63-81.63	74.21	74.11	+0.1 m (73.9-74.2)

One inclinometer and six piezometers are still operational and are in good condition as noted on the attached "Field Summary of Instrumentation Monitoring Form". The casing protector for instrument 2000-2 has slipped down into the hole leaving the PVC standpipes exposed. No damage has occurred to the standpipes and the casing protector will be pulled back into position on a subsequent visit when the ground has thawed.

The following data plots are provided for SI #2000-3:

- Cumulative and incremental displacement in A direction on same page.
- Cumulative and incremental displacement in B direction on same page.
- Resolved single movement vector plots.

There has been essentially no movement of the slide area in 2002-2003 as indicated by the installed slope inclinometer. Since installation, the instrument was indicating movement at the following depths:

- Surface to 2 m (elev. 84 m) – total movement of about 80 mm over this depth interval. The total cumulative movement at the surface since installation is 115 mm.

- 8 m to 12 m (elev. 74 m) – total movement of about 20 mm at the fill/bedrock interface.

3. INTERPRETATION

Groundwater levels have typically risen since the last instrument monitoring report, with some of the groundwater levels above the previous historical limits for the site.

The data from the installed slope inclinometer indicates that the slide has not moved since the last inspection.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

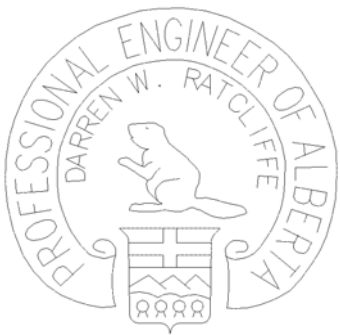
It is recommended that maintenance crews should monitor the culvert on a regular basis to ensure that it remains clear and free flowing.

It is understood that a design is being prepared by other consultants for the complete replacement of the culvert and the reconstruction of the embankment.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions regarding this report.

Yours truly,

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