ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION AND ECONOMIC CORRIDORS GRMP NORTH CENTRAL (ATHABASCA AND FORT McMURRAY DISTRICTS) INSTRUMENTATION MONITORING - FALL 2025



Site Number	Location	Name	Hwy	km
NC008	HWY 63:02 L1 15.635	North of La Biche River	63:02	km 15.6
Legal Description	ı: 7-3-69-17 W4	UTM Co-ordinates		
		12U E 403478	N 608	39488

Current Monitoring:	17-Sep-2025	Previous Monitoring	25-May-2025
Instruments Read By:	Mr. Niraj Regmi, G.	I.T and Mr. Angelo Castillo, of Thurber	

Instruments Read During This Site Visit								
Slope Inclinometers (SIs): SI1B	Pneumatic Piezometers (PN): N/A	Vibration Wire Piezometers (VW): N/A	Standpipe Piezometers (SP): SP20-1					
Load Cell (LC): Strain Gauges: N/A SAAs: N/A Others:								

Readout Equipment Used								
Slope Inclinometers: RST Digital Inclinometer probe with a 2 ft. wheelbase and a RST Pocket PC readout.	Pneumatic Piezometers:	Vibration Wire Piezometers:	Standpipe Piezometers: DGSI dipmeter					
Load Cell: Strain Gauges: SAAs: Others:								

Notes:

SI20-2, VW20-2A, and VW20-2B were damaged since the Spring of 2024 readings.

	Discussion
Zones of New Movement:	None
Interpretation of Monitoring	SI1B showed no discernable movement over 4.8 m to 8.4 m since the spring of 2025 readings.
Results:	Standpipe piezometer SP20-1 showed a increase in groundwater level of 0.06 m compared to the spring of 2025 readings.
Future Work:	The instruments should be read again in the spring of 2026.
Instrumentation Repairs:	SI20-2, VW20-2A and VW20-2B are critical instruments and consideration should be given to repairing these instruments in the spring of 2026.
Additional Comments:	

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	 Field Inspector's report Site Plan Showing Approximate Instrument Locations (Drawing No. 32122-NC008) SI Reading Plots Figure NC008-1 (Piezometric Depths)

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. Tarek Abdelaziz, Ph.D., P. Eng. Partner | Senior Geotechnical Engineer

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Table NC008-1: Fall 2025 – Hwy 63:02 North of La Biche River Slope Inclinometer Instrumentation Reading Summary

Date Monitored: September 17, 2025

INSTRUMENT #	DATE INITIALIZED	TOTAL CUMULATIVE RESULTANT MOVEMENT AND DEPTH OF MOVEMENT TO DATE (mm)	MAXIMUM RATE OF MOVEMENT (mm/yr)	CURRENT STATUS OF SI	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)
SI1A	December 6, 25.9 over 3.5 m to 5.4 m 13.1 in Sheared or In 302° direction October 1997 blocked at May 22,		May 22,	N/A	N/A	N/A		
3777	1996	16.1 over 6.0 m to 8.4 m in 302° direction	6.3 in May 1997	3.2 m depth	2003	N/A	N/A	N/A
SI1B	December 6, 1996	91.0 over 4.8 m to 8.4 m depth in 246° direction	16.3 in October 1997	Operational	May 25, 2025	No Discernible Movement	N/A	-5.0
SI4A	October 21, 1997	54.3 over 0.5 m to 2.4 m depth in 271° direction	17.7 in May 2003	Not read*	Sep. 28, 2020	N/A	N/A	N/A
SIAR	October 21,	27.8 over 1.1 m to 2.9 m depth in 308° direction	20.8 in June 1998	Presumed	May 22,	N/A	N/A	N/A
SI4B	1997	16.5 over 5.9 m to 7.8 m depth in 308° direction	10.3 in June 1998	destroyed	2003	N/A	N/A	N/A
SI20-2	December 21, 2021	12.8 over 3.8 m to 7.4 m depth in 297° direction	15.8 in March 2021	Damaged	June 8, 2024	N/A	N/A	N/A

Drawing 32122-NC008 in Appendix A provides a sketch of the approximate location of the monitoring instrumentation for this site.

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^{*} SI4A was deleted from the current GRMP.



Table NC008-2: Fall 2025 – Hwy 63:02 North of La Biche River Pneumatic Piezometer Instrumentation Reading Summary

Date Monitored: Not monitored.

INSTRUMENT #	DATE INITIALIZED	TIP DEPTH** (m)	GROUND ELEV. (m)	CURRENT STATUS	HIGHEST MEASURED GROUNDWATER LEVEL BGS (m)	MEASURED PORE PRESSURE (kPa)	CURRENT GROUNDWATER LEVEL BGS (m)	PREVIOUS GROUNDWATER LEVEL BGS (m)	CHANGE IN WATER LEVEL SINCE PREVIOUS READING (m)
PN1 (34455)	November 20, 1996	17.06	-	Active	-0.77 m on September 28, 2020	N/A	N/A	-0.77*	N/A
PN2 (18199)	November 20, 1996	7.60	-	Active	-1.03 on September 28, 2020	N/A	N/A	-1.03*	N/A

^{*} Installed within the limits of the repaired site in 1997; negative values correspond to an above-ground (Artesian) groundwater level.

Note: pneumatic piezometers are not included in the current GRMP, and readings were therefore not included.

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^{**} Reported tip depths, based on previous reports, may not account for fill placed during berm construction in 1997.



Table NC008-3: Fall 2025 – Hwy 63:02 North of La Biche River Standpipe Piezometer Instrumentation Reading Summary

Date Monitored: September 17, 2025

INSTRUMENT #	DATE INITIALIZED	TIP DEPTH (m)	GROUND ELEV. (m)	CURRENT STATUS	HIGHEST MEASURED GROUNDWATER LEVEL BGS (m)	CURRENT GROUNDWATER DEPTH BGS (m)	PREVIOUS GROUNDWATER DEPTH BGS (m)	CHANGE IN WATER LEVEL SINCE PREVIOUS READING (m)
SP20-1	Nov. 28, 2020	20.70	-	Operational	1.42 on October 1, 2023	1.59	1.65	0.06
SP20-3	Nov. 26, 2020	20.80	-	Damaged	2.45 on December 21, 2020	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Table NC008-4: Fall 2025 – Hwy 63:02 North of La Biche River Vibrating Wire Piezometer Instrumentation Reading Summary

Date Monitored: Not Monitored

INSTRUMENT#	DATE INITIALIZED	TIP DEPTH (m)	GROUND ELEV. (m)	CURRENT STATUS	HIGHEST MEASURED GROUNDWATER LEVEL BGS (m)	CURRENT GROUNDWATER DEPTH BGS (m)	PREVIOUS GROUNDWATER DEPTH BGS (m)	CHANGE IN WATER LEVEL SINCE PREVIOUS READING (m)
VW20-2A (70909)	December 21, 2020	7.32	-	Damaged	2.32 on June 8, 2024	N/A	2.32 (June 8, 2024)	N/A
VW20-2B (70910)	December 21, 2020	15.09	-	Damaged	2.43 on October 1, 2023	N/A	2.49 (June 8, 2024)	N/A

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FALL 2025

APPENDIX A DATA PRESENTATION

SITE NC008: HWY 63:02 NORTH OF LA BICHE RIVER

ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION AND ECONOMIC CORRIDORS NORTH CENTRAL REGION - ATHABASCA AND FORT McMURRAY DISTRICTS INSTRUMENTATION MONITORING FIELD SUMMARY (NC008) **FALL 2025**

Location: North of La Biche River (HWY 63:02 L1 15.635)

Casing Diameter: 3.34"/2.75"

File Number: 32122 Probe: RST SET 8R

Temp: 13

Cable: RST SET 8R

Read by: NKR/AFC

Readout: DGSI Dipmeter

SLOPE INCLINOMETER (SI) READINGS

SI#	GPS L	ocation	Date	Stickup	Depth from top	Azimuth of	Azimuth of Current Bottom		Probe/			
	(UTI	M 12)		m	of casing (ft)	A+ Groove	Proove Depth Readings		Reel			
	Easting (m)	Northing (m)					A+	A-	B+	B-	#	Remarks
SI1B	403478	6089488	17-Sep-25	1.02	66 to 4	225	1134	-1121	938	-933	8R/8R	
SI20-2	403494	6089482	17-Sep-25	0.82	70 to 2	293	-280	245	-925	921	8R/8R	

STANDPIPE PIEZOMETER (SP) READINGS

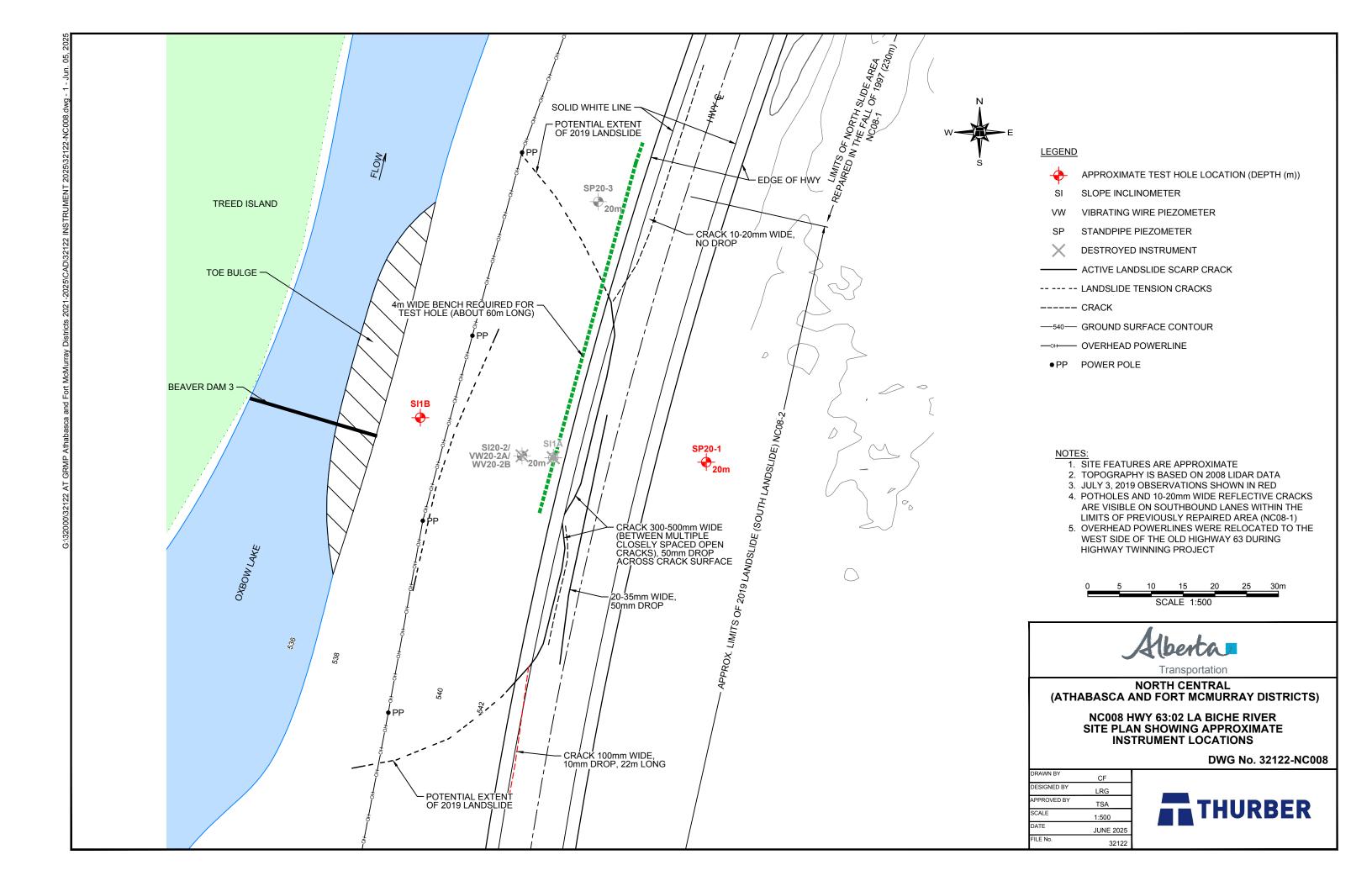
SP#	GPS Location (UTM 12)		Date	Stick-up	Reading below	Bottom Pipe Depth
	Easting (m) Northing (m)		17-Sep-25	(m)	top of casing (m)	(below top of casing (m)
SP20-1	403523	6089481	17-Sep-25	0.84	2.43	20.24

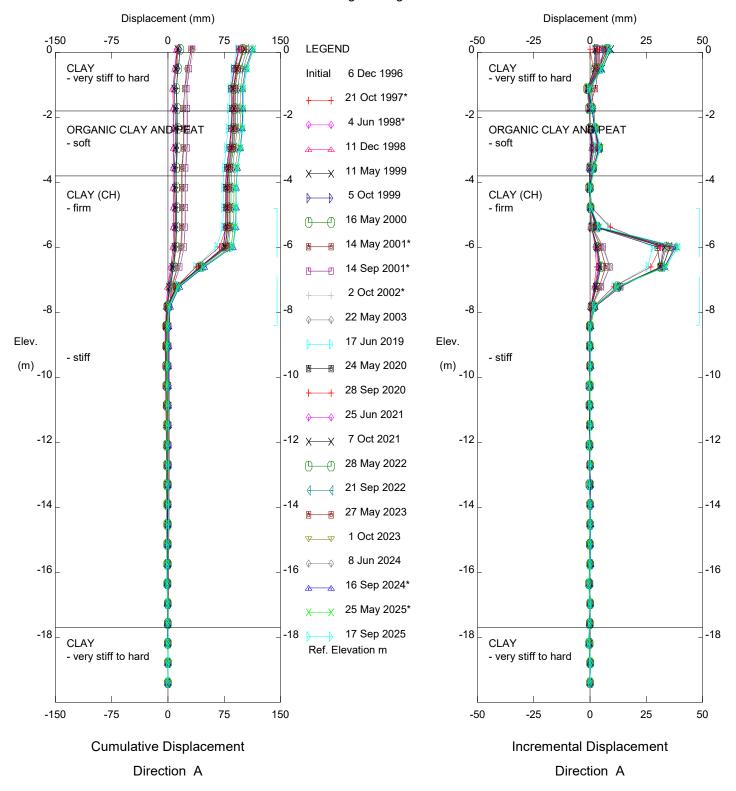
VIBRATING WIRE READINGS

		GPS Location				
VW	Serial	Latitude	Longitude	Date	Reading B(units)	Temp degree C
VW20-2A	70909	6089482	403494		8666.4	5.4
VW20-2B	70910	6089482	403494		8357.6	5

INSPECTOR REPORT

Damaged by Lawnmower, see photos				
SI20-2 stickup protector bent and damaged. Repair needed will have to dig down atleast 3-4 ft to find cut off wire and splice. SI is bent and broken along grooves, need splice				

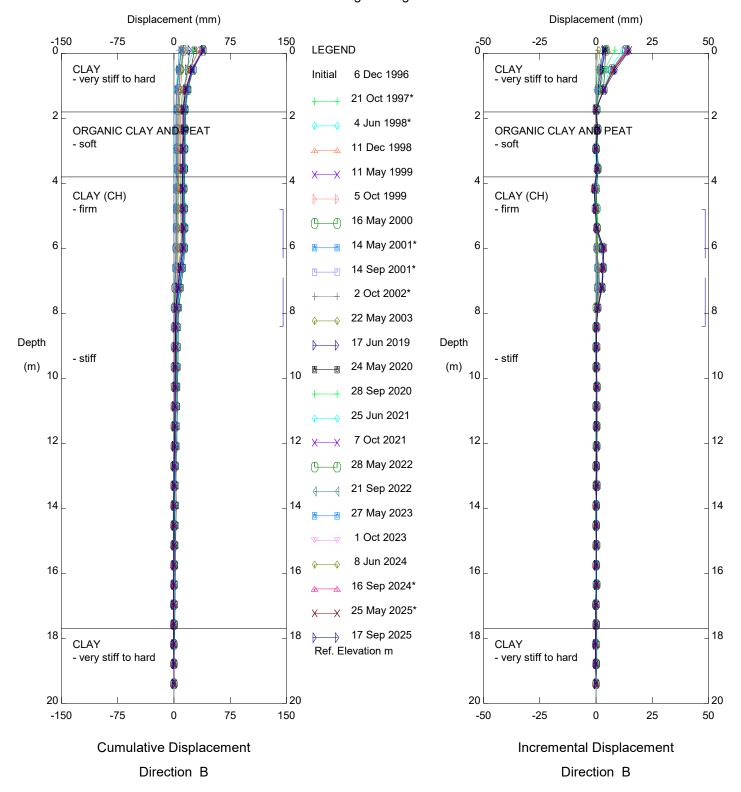




Labiche River, Inclinometer SI#1B

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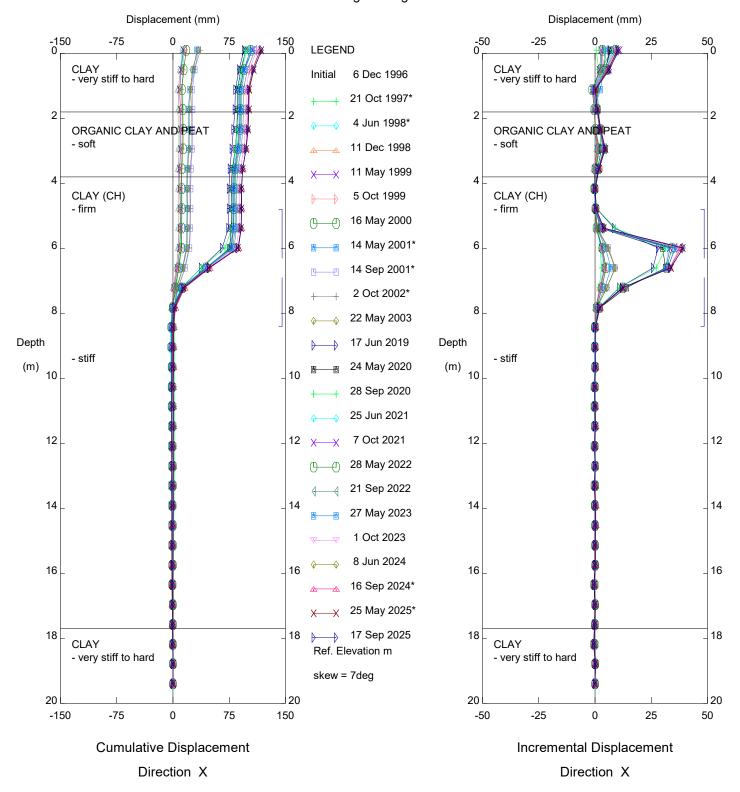
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Labiche River, Inclinometer SI#1B

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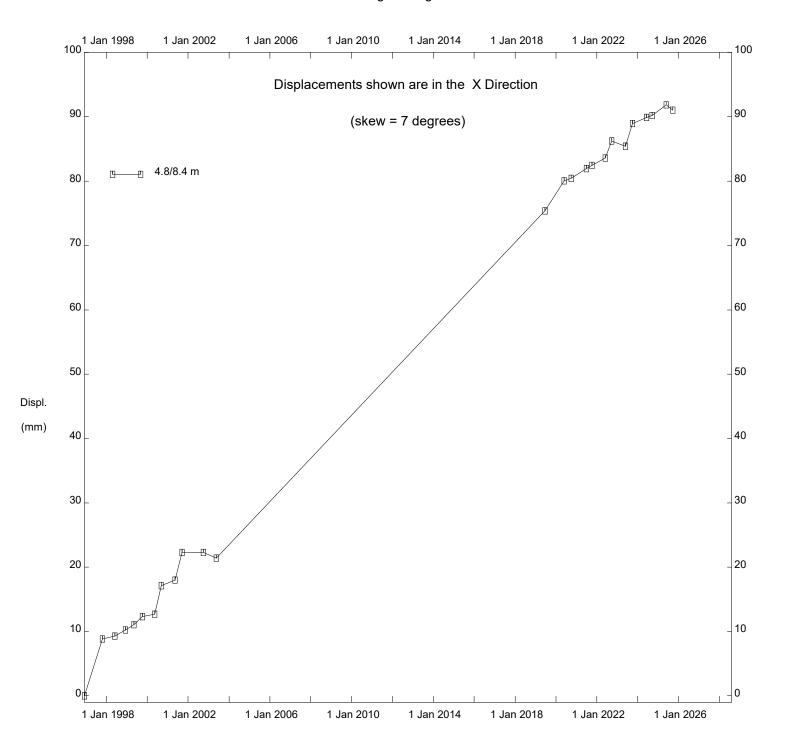
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Labiche River, Inclinometer SI#1B

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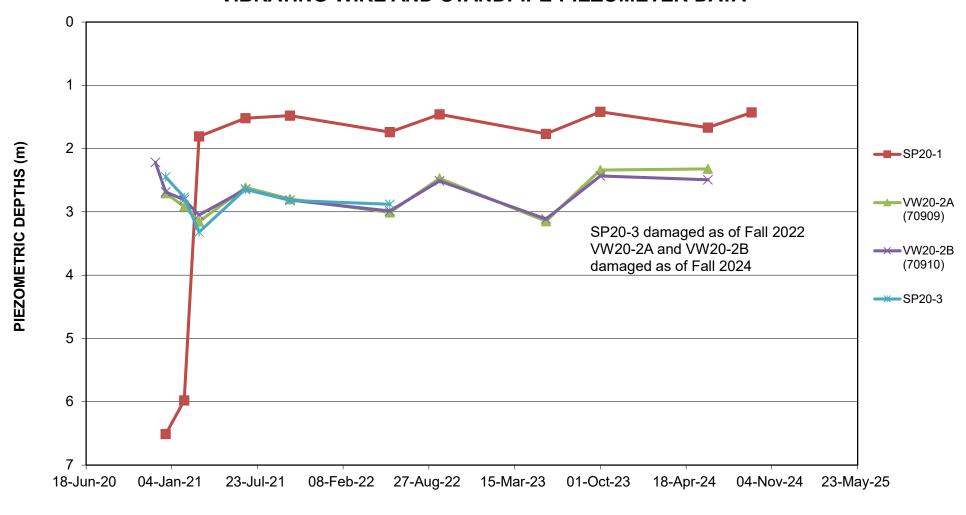
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Labiche River, Inclinometer SI#1B

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FIGURE NC008-1
HWY 63:02 NORTH OF LA BICHE RIVER BRIDGE (KM 15.6)
VIBRATING WIRE AND STANDPIPE PIEZOMETER DATA



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