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



Site Number	Location	Name	Hwy	km
NC087	HWY 63:02	Fischer Trail	63:02	km 20.67
Legal Description	on: 8-22-69-17 W4	UTM Co-ordinates		•
		12U E 404181	N 60)94051

Current Monitoring:	25-May-2025	Previous Monitoring	16-Sep-2024
Instruments Read By:	Mr. Niraj Regmi, G.	I.T and Mr. Godfred Etiendem, of Thur	ber

Instruments Read During This Site Visit								
Slope Inclinometers (SIs): N/A	Pneumatic Piezometers (PN): PN17-3 and PN17-5	Vibration Wire Piezometers (VW): N/A	Standpipe Piezometers (SP): SP17-4 and SP17-6					
Load Cell (LC): N/A	Strain Gauges: N/A	SAAs: N/A	Others:					

Readout Equipment Used								
Slope Inclinometers:	Pneumatic Piezometers: RST C108 pneumatic piezometer reader	Vibration Wire Piezometers:	Standpipe Piezometers: DGSI dipmeter					
Load Cell:	Strain Gauges:	SAAs:	Others:					
Notes: - PN17-3 was found to be damaged since the Fall 2024 readings, and the reading did not stabilize.								

Discussion								
Zones of New Movement:	None							
Interpretation of Monitoring	PN17-5 showed an increase in groundwater level of 0.09 m since the fall of 2024 readings, corresponding to an above-ground (artesian) groundwater level of 0.16 m.							
Results:	Standpipe piezometers SP17-4 and SP17-6 showed increases in groundwater level of 0.31 m and 0.20 m, respectively, since the fall of 2024 readings.							
Future Work:	The instruments should be read again in the fall of 2025.							
Instrumentation Repairs:	PN17-3 should be checked again in the fall of 2025 and deleted from the readings program if deemed irreparable.							
Additional Comments:								

Client: Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors File:32122

	 Table NC087-1 Spring 2025 – HWY 63:02 Fischer Trail (km 20.67) Slope Inclinometer Instrumentation Reading Summary
	 Table NC087-2 Spring 2025 – HWY 63:02 Fischer Trail (km 20.67) Pneumatic Piezometer Instrumentation Reading Summary
Attachments:	 Table NC087-3 Spring 2025 – HWY 63:02 Fischer Trail (km 20.67) Standpipe Piezometer Instrumentation Reading Summary
	Statement of Limitations and Conditions
	 APPENDIX A – NC087-1 SPRING 2025 Field Inspector's report Site Plan Showing Approximate Instrument Locations (Drawing No. 32122-NC087) Figure NC087-1 (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

Lucas Green, P.Eng. Geotechnical Engineer



Table NC087-1 Spring 2025 – Hwy 63:02 Fischer Trail (Km 20.67) Slope Inclinometer Instrumentation Reading Summary

Date Monitored: Not Monitored

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)
SI17-1	September 15, 2017	37.9 over 6.9 m to 8.7 m depth in 230° direction	103.1 on October 18, 2017	Sheared at 8.1 m depth	May 26, 2018	N/A	N/A	N/A
SI17-2	September	46.3 over 5.0 m to 6.8 m depth in 240° direction	154.8 on October 18, 2017	Sheared at	May 26, 2018	N/A	N/A	N/A
5/1/-/	15, 2017	12.0 over 9.9 m to 11.7 m depth in 220° direction	22.4 on October 18, 2017	6.6 m depth	2010	N/A	N/A	N/A
SI17-3	September 15, 2017	43.3 over 4.2 m to 6.0 m depth in 220° direction	133.2 on October 18, 2017	Sheared at 5.6 m depth	May 26, 2018	N/A	N/A	N/A
SI17-5	September 15, 2017	10.2 over 0.1 m to 1.3 m depth in 234° direction	54.6 on February 22, 2018	Damaged at 1.2 m below top of casing	May 27, 2019	N/A	N/A	N/A

Drawing 32122-NC087 in Appendix A provides a sketch of the approximate location of the monitoring instrumentation for this site.



Table NC087-2 Spring 2025 – Hwy 63:02 Fischer Trail (Km 20.67) Pneumatic Piezometer Instrumentation Reading Summary

Date Monitored: May 25, 2025

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)
PN17-1 (37672)	September 15, 2017	13.00	-	Damaged	-0.31 on February 22, 2018	N/A	N/A	0.86 (May 28, 2022)	N/A
PN17-3 (37673)	September 15, 2017	7.60	-	Damaged	0.48 on September 20, 2020	N/A	N/A	1.27 (September 16, 2024)	N/A
PN17-5 (37671)	September 15, 2017	12.70	-	Operational	-5.09 on September 15, 2017	126.20	-0.16*	-0.07*	0.09

Drawing 32122-NC087 in Appendix A provides a sketch of the approximate location of the monitoring instrumentation for this site.

^{*} Negative values correspond to an above-ground (artesian) groundwater level.



Table NC087-3 Spring 2025 – Hwy 63:02 Fischer Trail (Km 20.67) Standpipe Piezometer Instrumentation Reading Summary

Date Monitored: May 25, 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)
SP17-4	August 25, 2017	14.62	-	Operational	0.24 on October 18, 2017	0.88	1.19	0.31
SP17-6	August 25, 2017	14.70	-	Operational	0.13 on October 18, 2017	0.86	1.06	0.20

Drawing 32122-NC087 in Appendix A provides a sketch of the approximate location of the monitoring instrumentation for this site.



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SPRING 2025

APPENDIX A DATA PRESENTATION AND SITE PLANS

SITE NC087: HWY 63:02 FISCHER TRAIL (km 20.67)

ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION AND ECONOMIC CORRIDORS NORTH CENTRAL REGION - ATHABASCA AND FORT McMURRAY DISTRICTS INSTRUMENTATION MONITORING FIELD SUMMARY (NC087) SPRING 2025

Location: HWY 63:02 (km 20.666) - Fischer Trail Readout: RST PN C108 Unit 8/ Dgsi Dipmeter

File Number: 32122

Temp (deg C): 18

Read by: NKR/GE

PNEUMATIC PIEZOMETER (PN) READINGS

PN#	Serial	GPS Location		GPS Location		GPS Location		GPS Location		Location	Date	Reading	Comments
		(UTM 12)											
		Easting	Northing			(kPa)							
PN17-3	37673	404181	6094051	Attached to SI17-3	25-May-25	62.1	Water return, Reading does not stabilize, keeps fluctuating, DAMAGED						
PN17-5	37671	404173	6094098	Attached to SI17-5	25-May-25	126.2							

STANDPIPE PIEZOMETER (SP) READINGS

SP#	GPS Location Date		GPS Location Date		Stick-up	Water level below	Comments
	(UTM 12)		(UTM 12)		(m)	top of pipe (m)	
	Easting	Northing					
SP17-4	404145	6094147	25-May-25	0.97	1.85		
SP17-6	404205	6094050	25-May-25	0.95	1.81		

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*PN17-3 Damaged	

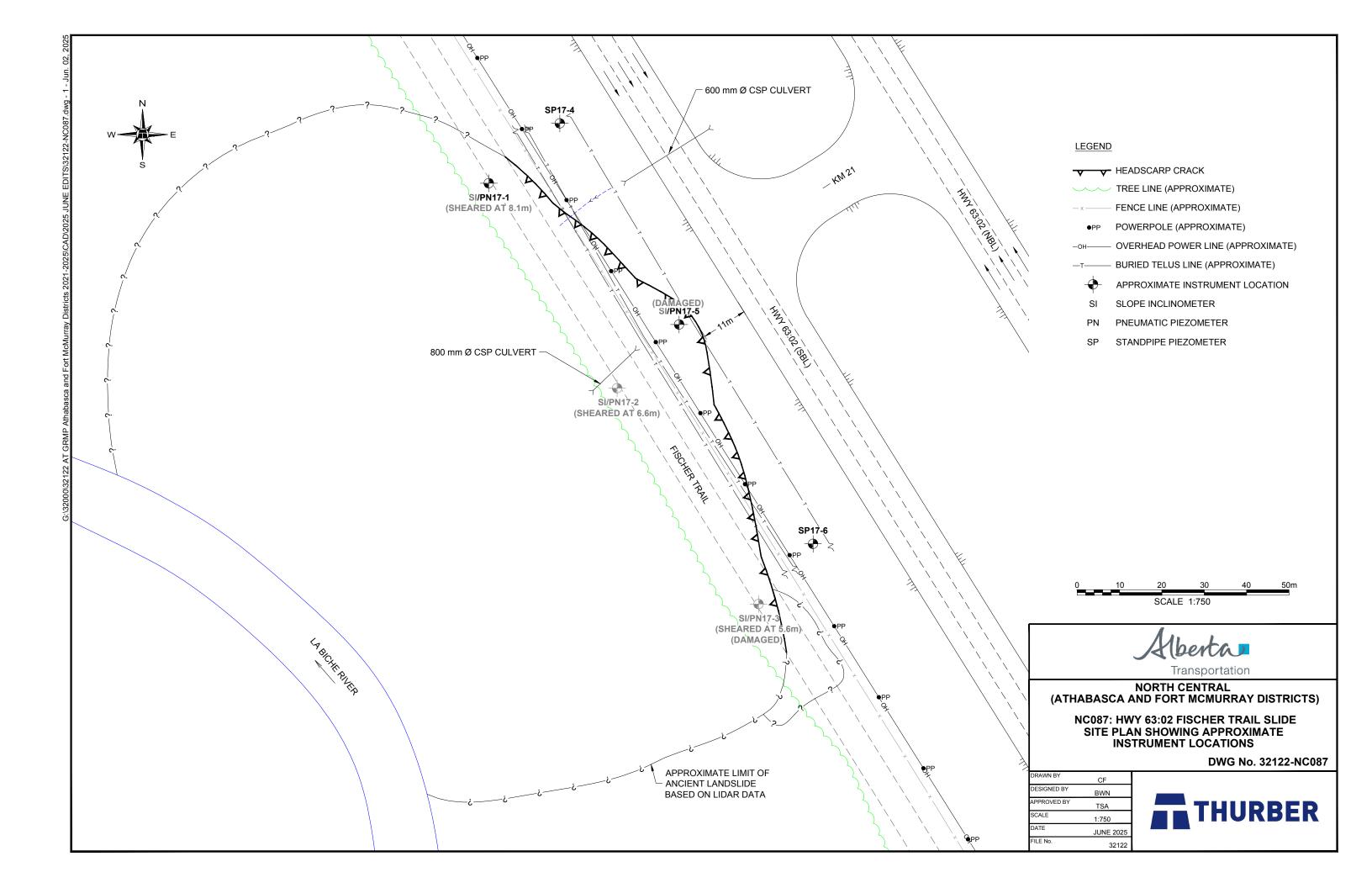


FIGURE NC087-1
PIEZOMETER DATA FOR HWY 63:02 - FISCHER TRAIL

