

# CENTRAL REGION GRMP SITE INSPECTION FORM



SITE NUMBER AND NAME: C055-I and -II Galahad Slide and			HIGHWAY & KM: 861:02, 26.00		PREVIOUS INSPECTION DATE:		INSPECTION DATE: May 31, 2022		
Riverbank Erosion					July 12, 2019		<b>J</b> ,		
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:		NAD 83	COORDINATES:		RISK ASSESSMENT:				
13-14-040-14 W4M		UTM	Northing	Easting					
	C055-I	12	5811270	437304	C055-I	PF: 5	CF	: 4	TOTAL: 20
	C055-II	12	5811329	437306	C055-II	PF: 8	CF	: 3	TOTAL: 24
AVERAGE ANNUAL DAILY TRAFFIC (AADT):					CONTRACT MAINTENANCE AREA (CMA):				
60 (north) & 60 (south) (Ref No. 70000159)				518				. ,	

SUMMARY OF SITE INSTRUMENTATION:	INSPECTED BY:				
	Chris Gräpel (KCB)				
Operational: One slope inclinometer and one vibrating wire piezometers installed in	James Lyons (KCB)				
March 2017.	Rocky Wang (AT)				
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Inoperable: One slope inclinometer and one vibrating wire piezometers installed in					
2017 One standpipe piezometer installed in June 2013					
LAST READING DATE <sup>,</sup> September 17, 2021 (no longer reading)					
PRIMARY SITE ISSUE: C055 – I: Slide affecting gravel road on south slope of Battle River valley. C055-II:					
Frosion of the outside hank of the Battle River approaching H861:02					
ADDROVIMATE DURING NO. 00551 Average the 000 motion 1004 00, 00551 Averaging the 000 motion					
APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: C055-I: Approximately 90 m along H861:02. C055-II: Approximately 200 m along					
H861:02.					
DATE OF ANY REMEDIAL ACTION: 2013 – Road realigned into backslope ditch adjacent to slide and culvert					

installed to convey ditch flows. 2021 – C055-I: Material was added at the top of the slide, the guardrail was repaired, and the slope was graded.C055-II: berms were built in the west ditch to divert surface water flows.

ITEM	CONDITION EXISTS		DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION		NOTICABLE CHANGE FROM LAST INSPECTION	
	YES	NO		YES	NO	
Pavement Distress	х		C055-I: Gravel surfaced road has been graded since the previous inspection.		х	
Slope Movement	х		C055-I: Guardrail was repaired since the previous inspection.	х		
Erosion	Х		C055-II: Riverbank erosion	Х		
Seepage		Х	N/A – none observed		Х	
Culvert Distress		Х	Cannot see through culvert in south ditch		Х	

## COMMENTS

At C055-I:

- From previous inspections there appeared to be two slope failures below the highway, one upper and one lower. The toe of the upper slide appears to be halfway down slope. The lower slide appears to be rotational or translational, with back tilting of the head of the slide.
- In 2018, some cracking was previously observed on the backslope above the highway. A depression at the backslope was observed during the 2022 inspection.
- Trees cleared at crest of natural slope above slide. Timing of tree clearing unknown.
- A ditch culvert was installed at the south ditch to allow for the road to be shifted to the south, away from the slide. There was erosion observed at culvert inlet.

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- In late-2021 the site was repaired. The repair included guardrail replacement, material placement at the edge of the highway beneath where the guardrail was settled, and slope grading from the crest to toe (Photo 1 and 2). During construction, the instrumentation at the top of the slide was removed (one SI and two piezometers) but the instrumentation at the toe (one SI and one piezometer) was not. The SI at the crest of the slope was inoperable (sheared at an approximate depth of 7.7 m at the silty clay till-mudstone bedrock contact) but one of the piezometers was still active before being buried during construction.
- There is erosion near the edge of the north (southbound) lane that should be graded (Photo 3).
- A black cable was observed on the north side of the highway (Photo 4) that ran from the C055-I site to the C055-II site. The cable is indicated by old delineators at the C055-I site and wooden stakes at the C055-II site.

### At C055-II:

- Riverbank erosion appears to be progressing at a slow but consistent rate and has progressed towards the edge of the highway since the 2019 inspection (Photo 3).
- Two berms were built in the west (southbound) ditch between the 2019 and 2022 inspections (Photo 3 and 4). KCB and AT believe the berms were built to reduce surface flows from the ditch over the erosion scarp in an effort to reduce the rate of erosion towards the edge of the highway.
- Stakes that were installed in an attempt to track the erosion rate were missing. The stakes may have been removed during mowing or the 2021 construction.

Maintenance/Repair/Monitoring Recommendations:

- C055-I: If the 2021 repair is not successful, a berm should be constructed on lower half of slope to buttress the slope, with finger drains to convey seepage water from the slope face to the toe of the berm; and re-construct upper slope with geosynthetic reinforced fill. The toe berm will require land acquisition after a stability assessment has been completed to assess the amount of land required for the toe berm.
- C055-II: As a short-term measure, AT should install a guardrail. Installing sheet pile walls along the toe of the embankment to reduce the rate of erosion and stabilize the slope. However, vibration caused by installing sheet pile walls may impact sensitive fish species and impact erosion along other locations of the Battle River. Eventually, AT may have to realign this portion of the highway further away from outside bend and erosion zone of the Battle River.

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# **Inspection Photographs**

Photo 1 Oblique aerial view of the C055-I site. The instrumentation installed at the top of the slide was buried during the late-2021 repair, and the active instrumentation at the toe of the slide is indicated by the red circle. Minor erosion observed along the north edge of the highway is indicated by the red circle. The south extent of the C055-II site is shown in the background of the photo. Photo taken May 31, 2022, facing east.





# Photo 2 Oblique aerial view of the C055-I site. Photo taken May 31, 2022, facing west.





Photo 3 Erosion was observed along the north (southbound) edge of the highway. Photo taken May 31, 2022, facing east.



Photo 4 A black cable was observed along the north side of the highway, marked by old delineators. The cable was observed at both the C055-I and-II sites. Photo taken May 31, 2022, facing east.





Photo 5 Aerial photo of the C055-II riverbank erosion. Two berms were constructed in late-2021 near the northeast and southwest extent of the riverbank erosion (indicated by the red arrows) in an attempt to divert flow in the west ditch away from the eroding bank. Photo taken May 31, 2022, facing south.





Photo 6 A length of the ditch near the southwest extent of the C055-II site where a berm was built to divert flow away from the eroding bank. Photo taken May 31, 2022.



