

# NORTH CENTRAL REGION GRMP EDSON / STONY PLAIN SITE INSPECTION FORM



SITE NUMBER AND NAME: NC040 – North of N. Sask River	HIGHWAY AND KM: 759:02, km 12.587	PREVIOUS INSPECTION: June 14, 2024	CURRENT INSPECTION: May 20, 2025	
<b>LEGAL DESCRIPTION:</b> NE-12-13-50-6-W5 NW-9-14-50-6-W5	NAD83 COORDINATES: UTM11U 5909780 N, 649396 E		RISK ASSESSMENT: PF: 13 CF: 5 Total: 65	
AVERAGE ANNUAL DAILY TRA 1,790 (2024)	AFFIC (AADT):	CONTRACTOR MAINTENANCE AREA (CMA): 509		

SUMMARY OF INSTRUMENTATION:	INSPECTED BY:		
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	TEC: Kristen Tappenden, Jennifer Mazurek		

#### PRIMARY SITE ISSUE:

Slope failure of the west embankment along Highway 759. Multiple slope failures on the east embankment.

### **APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS:**

West embankment: 50 m wide by 20 m long.

East embankment: North slide is 35 m wide by 18 m long. Middle slump is about 25 m wide by 10 m long. South slump is about 15 m wide by 5 m long.

#### DATE OF ANY REMEDIAL ACTION:

Two slumps on the east embankment repaired in 2004. Repair consisted of pushing the disturbed slump material downslope to build a toe berm, backfilling the excavated area with compacted clay, and revegetating the disturbed area. Slumps on the east embankment reactivated in 2007, and a new slide was observed on the west embankment. The slide on the west embankment was repaired by regrading in 2007 but reactivated in 2008.

It is understood that the west embankment was repaired around 2011, though the method is not known.

Another slide activated on the west slope prior to 2023. The slide was regraded prior to winter 2023 to reduce water infiltration into the embankment.

ITEM CONDITIONS EXIST			DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION		NOTICEABLE CHANGE FROM LAST INSPECTION	
	YES	NO		YES	NO	
Pavement Distress		Х			Х	
Slope Movement	х		Scarp re-exposed at regraded west embankment slope.  Multiple embankment failures on east side slope, with north and middle slides becoming joined.	Х		
Erosion		Χ			Х	
Seepage		Х			Х	
Bridge/Culvert Distress		Х			Х	

### **COMMENTS**

- The regraded soils on the landslide on the west embankment have failed. The toe is still approximately 1.5 m high, and the service road has been blocked again (Photos 1 to 3). The exposed scarp is 1.8 m from the edge of the highway, similar to the measurement in 2024. The slope is moderately vegetated.
- Cracking was observed within the toe bulge of the landslide on the west embankment.
- No landslide related pavement cracks were observed along the highway as shown on Photos 4 and 5.



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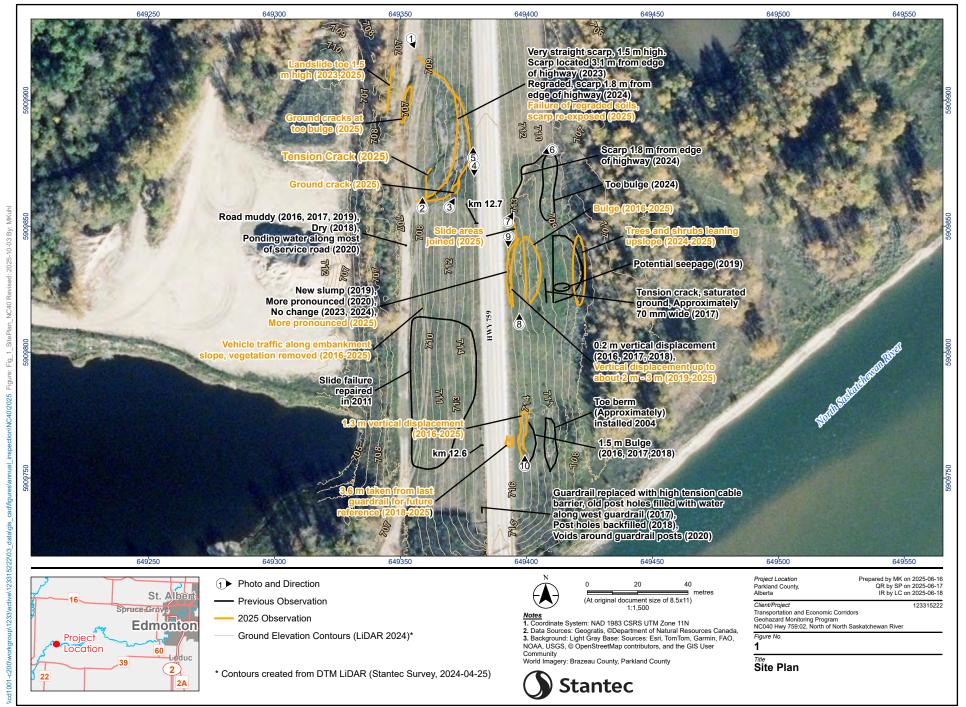


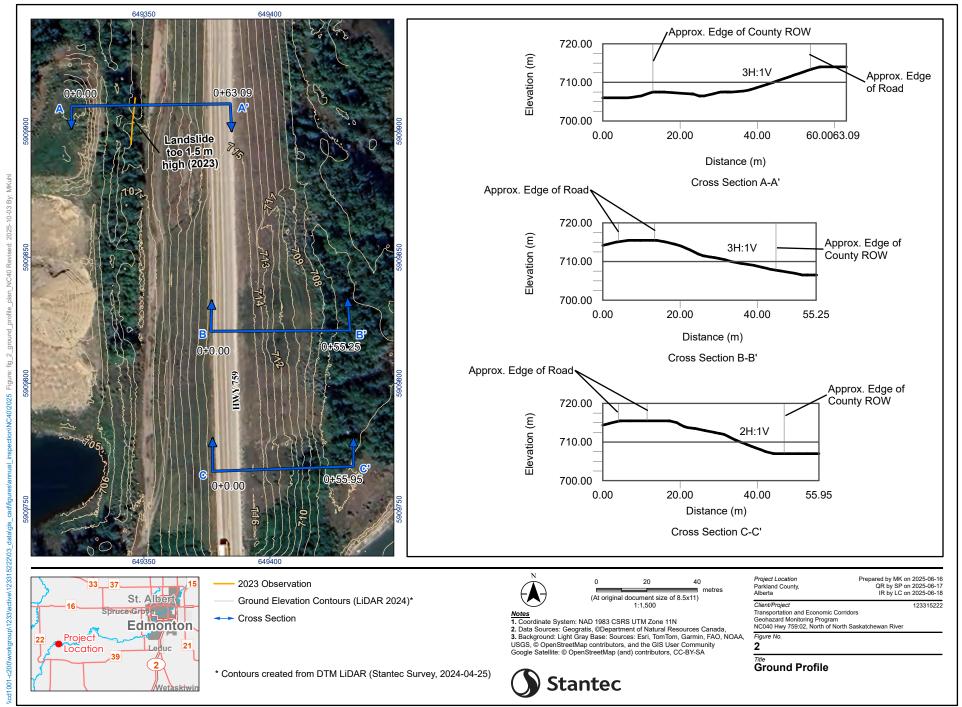
- The surrounding embankment slopes were at approximately 3H:1V and were well-covered with grass. Wheel tracks continue to be observed about one-third of the way up the embankment.
- The service road on the south side of the west landslide was observed to be muddy, with ponding water, similar to observations during previous years.
- The landslide at the north end of the east embankment has extended south to join the slumping at the middle of the embankment. The scarp of the landslide was measured to be up to 1.8 m high and 2.9 m from the edge of the highway at its closest point, similar to the previous inspection in 2024. The toe bulge appears to be pushing against the shrubs, upslope from the tree line (Photos 6 and 7). It is possible that the toe of the slide is located on private land.
- Little to no change was observed at the other two embankment failures on the east side slope since Stantec's previous inspection in 2024 (Photos 8 to 10).
- The crest of the south slump on the east side slope was measured to be 3.6 m from the guardrail at its closest point since 2018. The backscarp appears well vegetated similar to the previous inspection in 2024 (Photo 10).
- Seepage was not observed on either side of the embankment due to rain at the time of inspection.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- In the short-term, the slides should be monitored by the HMC for further movement.
- Stantec has prepared a Section F remediation design of the west embankment slope, and submitted a scope change cost estimate in early 2025 to add remediation design of the east embankment slope. The preferred remediation option is understood to be removal and replacement.
- Site inspections should continue annually.

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**Photo 1:** Failure at north extent of west side slope. Service road at landslide toe has been blocked. Looking south.



Photo 2: Failure at south extent of west side slope. Looking north.





**Photo 3:** Backslope of failure and ground cracking to the south of the scarp. Looking northeast.



Photo 4: Highway surface above west sideslope failure. Looking southeast.





Photo 5: Highway surface above west sideslope failure. Looking northeast.



Photo 6: Slump on north end of east sideslope. Looking southwest from toe.





Photo 7: Northern slump on east sideslope. Looking northeast.



Photo 8: Middle slump on east sideslope. Looking north.





Photo 9: East sideslope at middle slump. Looking south.



**Photo 10:** South slump on east sideslope relatively unchanged. Looking north.