

## PEACE REGION GRANDE PRAIRIE SOUTH GRMP SITE INSPECTION FORM



SITE NUMBER AND NAME: GP041 Hwy 40:34 Ditch Erosion		HIGHWAY & KM: 40:34, 32.405		PREVIOUS INSPECTION DATE:		Ξ.	INSPECTION DATE: July 21, 2021	
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LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	NAD 83 COORDINATES:			RISK ASSESSMENT:				
	UTM Northing Easting							
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AVERAGE ANNUAL DAILY TRAFFIC (AADT):				CONTRACT MAINTENANCE AREA (CMA):				
1450 (north) & 1470 (south) (Reference No. 70000104)				504				

	INSPECTED BY:
SUMMARY OF SITE INSTRUMENTATION:	Chris Gräpel
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PRIMARY SITE ISSUE: Erosion gully has formed in the east highway ditch, alongside Class 1 riprap ditch protection placed in 2014. Site is at north limit of the Town of Grande Cache.

APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: Erosion approximately 400 m long x 2 to 3 m wide x approximately 0.5 to 1.0 m deep. Ditch is steep (approximately 7%)

DATE OF ANY REMEDIAL ACTION: Initial repairs conducted in 2006 or 2007 using design section prepared by EBA

ITEM	CONDITION		DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION	NOTICABLE CHANGE FROM LAST INSPECTION	
	YES	NO		YES	NO
Pavement Distress	Х		Where the erosion has progressed to the edge of pavement.		
Slope Movement		Х			
Erosion	Х		From edge of pavement to about 4 m away, within clear zone.	Х	
Seepage		Х			
Culvert Distress		Х			

## **COMMENTS**

- Erosion is on east side of Hwy 40 north of Grande Cache. Previous ditch riprap work was conducted that
  did not include adequate channel freeboard to contain the ditch flows. The riprap armoured ditch was
  constructed above the toe of the road embankment, leaving a secondary channel for water to flow in
  closer to the road.
- Erosion repair in 2006 or 2007 is also located on west side of highway. Repair work was conducted using conglomerate riprap from the old Savage Rail quarry. The conglomerate has poor long-term durability, requiring the addition of riprap by the HMC from once or twice since 2013 as the conglomerate breaks down.
- AT says that erosion has worsened (getting worse every year) since development on east side of highway
  upslope in Town side of the highway (clearing, grading, gas station, parking lot). AT also said that snow
  plows can put large thicknesses of snow into the ditch which can block flow during spring freshet, causing



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water to flow on un-armoured soil or fill, and that ATVs are using the ditch as a trail which can create tire ruts that can cause erosion to form.

- Short term solution Sheep Creek fill will be used to fill the erosion gully at the edge of the pavement
- Long-term solution HMC will shape a new ditch, salvage durable intact pieces of riprap from existing armouring and import some new, better-quality riprap, and rebuild the armoured ditch with adequate freeboard.

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(111)	recommendations in the report.						

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Photo 1 North extent of the ditch erosion on the east (northbound) side of Hwy 40. Photo taken July 21, 2021 facing south.



Photo 2 Exposed geotextile from a previous repair, on the east edge of the ditch erosion. Photo taken July 21, 2021 facing south.



Photo 3 Exposed geotextile on the east edge of the ditch erosion (riprap channel being bypassed and undermined by the ongoing erosion). Photo taken July 21, 2021 facing northeast.



Photo 4 The ditch erosion has retrogressed to the east edge (southbound lane) of Hwy 40 and is beginning to impact the should of the highway. Photo taken July 21, 2021 facing south.

