

PEACE REGION GRANDE PRAIRIE SOUTH GRMP SITE INSPECTION FORM



SITE NUMBER AND NAME: GP016 2 km West of Hwy 40 and		HIGHWAY & KM: 666:02, 34.837		PREVIOUS INSPECTION DATE:		PECTION DATE: 1 20, 2021	
Hwy 666 Junction		000.02, 34.	007	May 27, 2020	July	20, 2021	
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	NAD 83 COORDINATES:			RISK ASSESSMENT:			
NE 15-70-06-W5M	UTM 11	Northing 6103361	Easting 383748	\ /	CF: 7 CF: 5 CF: 4	TOTAL: 91 TOTAL: 55 TOTAL: 44	
AVERAGE ANNUAL DAILY TRAFFIC (AADT):				CONTRACT MAINTENANCE AREA (CMA):			
2740 (west) & 2740 (east) (Reference No. 28690 & 70000759)				504			

SUMMARY OF SITE INSTRUMENTATION:

Operational: Four SIs and four PNs were installed between 1989 and 2003. Two

SPs, and one VWPs were installed in 2014

Inoperable: Two SIs and three PNs were installed between 1989 and 2003. Two

PNs, and two VWPs were installed in 2014

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LAST READING DATE: June 27, 2021

PRIMARY SITE ISSUE: Three landslide features are affecting the embankment of Hwy 666:02 along the south slope of the Wapiti River Valley. The entire south slope of Wapiti River valley is a landslide zone with varying rates of movement.

APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS:

Lower Slide (Site 2): 300-m-wide backscarp at guardrail, extending 300 m in length to the river valley floor with backscarp extending across roadway into the EBL ditch. Depth to failure plane is assessed to be at about 10 m along the highway and about 20 m approximately 150 m downslope towards the river.

Middle Slide (Site 1): 300-m-wide backscarp, (65 m wide at guardrail) and extends to the centerline. Depth to failure plane is assessed to be about 20 m near the highway.

Upper Slide (Site 3): 250 m wide backscarp and extends 1.5 m past edge of shoulder. Depth to failure plane is assessed to be about 7 m to 11 m at the highway.

DATE OF ANY REMEDIAL ACTION: Milling and paving in 2020, additional milling in 2021

ITEM CONDITION EXISTS			DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION		NOTICABLE CHANGE FROM LAST INSPECTION	
	YES	NO		YES	NO	
Pavement Distress	Х			Х		
Slope Movement	Х			Х		
Erosion	Х				Х	
Seepage	Х				Х	
Culvert Distress		Χ				

COMMENTS

Lower Slide (Site 2)

- Pavement paved fall 2020 and milled in spring this year. Movements started to occur soon after paving.
- The passing lane is decommissioned. The pavement has only been raised on two lanes with two lifts of pavement, pavement is 0.2 to 0.25 m thick where raised above old pavement. The former passing lane is blocked with wooden barricades and orange delineators.



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- WP087, a void opened through the pavement where landslide deformations created a void or widened a crack at depth that the pavement started to deflect into (a "pothole" or "sinkhole")
- WP088 pavement looks like it is 1.5 m thick at edge of pavement
- 9 cm of vertical movement in latest paved surface near upper (west) barricade. Recent milling done at this location to improve smoothness of surfacing has deflected by 1 to 2 cm since milling. Recent cracks in unmilled pavement are 0.5 cm wide.

Middle Slide (Site 1)

- Patched spring 2020. Approximately 2 m of pavement total at edge of pavement
- Asphalt settled up to 4 cm across backscarp since then, cracking extends through climbing and passing lanes to centreline, cracking approximately 1 cm wide
- WP089, top of guardrail is at elevation of pavement (second row of old guardrail posts about 1.5 m horizontal below existing edge of pavement
- Backslope where the road was realigned to the south (i.e., into the slope) has some failures.
- Very steep and high sharp shoulders at edge of pavement
- AT will close passing lane, and add more wooden barricades, delineators, sharp shoulder signs and nopassing signs to discourage aggressive driving.

Upper Slide (Site 3)

- Backscarp of sliding extends into shoulder
- Wooden barricades in place to keep drivers away from the shoulder
- 0.5 to 1.0 m drop off at edge of pavement

Other work

- CIMA+ is doing a planning study with Thurber based on Karl's 2016 recommendations. Highway decommissioning is being considered as one of the options.

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GP016 Wapiti River Valley Slide – Lower Slide (Site 2)

Photo 1 The asphalt surface was milled in spring 2021 to remove a ridge in the eastbound and westbound lane, caused by settlement. Photo taken July 20, 2021 facing east.



Photo 2 Asphalt cracking observed near the east extent of the lower slide, running diagonally across the highway. Photo taken July 20, 2021 facing east.



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Photo 3 Edge of the recent asphalt patches after the highway was realigned approximately 8 ft (2.4 m) upslope (south). The height of the new asphalt is approximately 0.2 m to 0.3 m above the previous road surface. Photo taken July 20, 2021 facing west.



Photo 4 A recent patch at WP 0087 completed in the north (westbound) lane in spring 2021 after cracking and a sinkhole (void under pavement) was observed by the Maintenance Contract Inspector (MCI). Photo taken July 20, 2021 facing south.



Photo 5 Existing asphalt on the north (westbound) shoulder is breaking away from the highway. Photo taken July 20, 2021 facing west.



GP016 Wapiti River Valley Slide - Middle Slide (Site 1)

Photo 6 Asphalt cracking observed in the north (westbound) lane of Hwy 666, after the westbound lane was patched in 2020. Photo taken July 20, 2021 facing west.



Photo 7 Asphalt cracking observed in the north (westbound) lane of Hwy 666, just east of the asphalt cracking shown in Photo 1. Photo taken July 20, 2021 facing east.



Photo 8 A close-up photo of the asphalt cracking observed near the west extent of the asphalt patch (shown in Photo 8). Photo taken July 20, 2021 facing east.



Photo 9 North (downslope) edge of the highway, showing the location of the new and existing guardrail (WP 0089). Photo taken July 20, 2021 facing west.



GP016 Wapiti River Valley Slide – Upper Slide (Site 3)

Photo 10 Longitudinal asphalt cracking observed in the north (westbound) travel lane. Photo taken July 20, 2021 facing west.



Photo 11 The thickness of the asphalt at the upper slide was estimated to be approximately 1.5 m. Photo taken July 20, 2021 facing southeast.



Photo 12 The left flank of the upper slide. Photo taken July 20, 2021 facing northeast.



Photo 13 The asphalt of the north (westbound) shoulder is failing. Photo taken July 20, 2021 facing west.

