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Attention: Mr. Max Shannon

# ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION GRMP (CON0022164) PEACE REGION (PEACE RIVER DISTRICT) INSTRUMENTATION MONITORING RESULTS – FALL 2022

### **SECTION C**

SITE PH059: HWY 2:60, PEACE RIVER EAST HILL (SITE # 2, STATION 34+770 TO 35+680)

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This report provides the results of the annual geotechnical instrumentation monitoring for the above-mentioned site as part of Alberta Transportation's Geohazard Risk Management Program for Peace Region – Peace River District (CON0022164).

It is a condition of this letter report that Thurber's performance of its professional services will be subject to the attached Statement of Limitations and Conditions.

## 1. FIELD PROGRAM AND INSTRUMENTATION STATUS

Four slope inclinometers (SI-67, SI-69, SI-75, and SI-81), one pneumatic piezometer (PN-004) and two standpipe piezometers (SP-003 and SP-004) were read at the Hwy 2:60 Peace River East Hill Site # 2 (Station 34+770 to 35+680) on September 27, 2022, by Mr. Niraj Regmi, G.I.T. and Mr. Kyle Crooymans, both of Thurber Engineering Ltd. The damage to PN-004 found during the spring of 2022 readings was confirmed, and PN-004 couldn't be read.

The SIs were read using two RST Digital Inclinometer probes with 2 ft. wheelbases and RST Pocket PC readouts. Inclinometer reading depths were defined as per cable markings with respect to the top of the inclinometer casings. The pneumatic piezometer was read using a RST C108 pneumatic piezometer reader. The standpipes were read using a Heron dipmeter.



## 2. DATA PRESENTATION

## 2.1 General

SI plots for A and B directions are included in in Appendix A. Where movement has been recorded the resultant plot (X direction, if applicable) and rate of movement have also been provided. Piezometer reading plots are also included in Appendix A.

Slope inclinometer and piezometer reading summary tables are provided below. These tables also include instruments deleted from the GRMP program, for reference.

### 2.2 Zones of Movement

Zones of new movement were not observed in the SIs since the previous readings in the spring of 2022.

Zones of movement are summarized in Table PH059-1 below. Table PH059-1 also provides a historical account of the total movement, the depth of movement and the maximum rate of movement that has occurred in the SIs since initialization.

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# TABLE PH059-1 FALL 2022 – PEACE RIVER EAST HILL SITE # 2 SLOPE INCLINOMETER INSTRUMENTATION READING SUMMARY

Date Monitored: September 27, 2022

INSTRUMENT #	DATE INITIALIZED	TOTAL CUMULATIVE RESULTANT MOVEMENT AT NOTED DEPTH SINCE INITIAL READING (mm)	MAXIMUM RATE OF MOVEMENT (mm/yr)	CURRENT STATUS	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)
SI-67	Sept. 24, 1996	No discernible movement	N/A	Operational	June 15, 2022	N/A	N/A	N/A
SI-69	Oct. 2, 1996	No discernible movement	N/A	Operational	June 15, 2022	N/A	N/A	N/A
SI-75	Oct. 2, 1996	59.5 mm over 0 m to 5.4 m depth in 208° direction	33.7 mm/yr In Nov. 1996	Operational	June 15, 2022	2.3	8.2	7.3
SI-76	Oct. 2, 1996	Not Known	Not Known	Discontinued	May 20, 2004	N/A	N/A	N/A
SI-81	Oct. 2, 1996	96.0 mm over 1.9 m to 6.1 m depth in 191° direction	34.9 mm/yr in September 1997	- Operational	June 15, 2022	No discernible movement	N/A	-5.7
31-01	Oct. 2, 1990	72.2 mm over 6.1 m to 9.2 m depth in 179° direction	16.9 mm/yr in September 1997	Орегаципа	Julie 15, 2022	1.3	4.4	1.6
SI-82	Oct. 2, 1996	59.5 mm over 11 m to 14 m depth in 220° direction	19.6 mm/yr between Nov. 1996 and Oct. 1997	Sheared at 11.7 mBGS	September 30, 2012	N/A	N/A	N/A

Drawing 32121-PH059 in Appendix A provides a sketch of the approximate locations of the monitoring instrumentation for this site.

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# TABLE PH059-2 FALL 2022 – PEACE RIVER EAST HILL SITE # 2 PNEUMATIC PIEZOMETER INSTRUMENTATION READING SUMMARY

Date Monitored: September 27, 2022

INSTRUMENT#	DATE INITIALIZED	TIP DEPTH (m)	GROUND ELEV. (m)	CURRENT STATUS	HIGHEST MEASURED WATER LEVEL BGS (m)	MEASURED PORE PRESSURE (kPa)	CURRENT WATER LEVEL BGS (m)	PREVIOUS WATER LEVEL BGS (m)	CHANGE IN WATER LEVEL SINCE PREVIOUS READING (m)
PN-001 (26207)	N/A	19.8	N/A	Damaged	13.50 on May 24, 2008	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
PN-002 (26210)	N/A	19.8	N/A	Destroyed	9.60 on Oct .3, 2002	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
PN-004 (26205)	N/A	20.6	N/A	Damaged	18.05 on Oct. 3, 2002	N/A	N/A	20.59 (October 13, 2021)	N/A

Drawing 32121-PH059 in Appendix A provides a sketch of the approximate locations of the monitoring instrumentation for this site.

Notes:

PN - pneumatic piezometer. BGS - below ground surface

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# TABLE PH059-3 FALL 2022 – PEACE RIVER EAST HILL SITE # 2 STANDPIPE PIEZOMETER INSTRUMENTATION READING SUMMARY

Date Monitored: September 27, 2022

INSTRUMENT#	DATE INITIALIZED	TIP DEPTH (m)	GROUND ELEV. (m)	CURRENT STATUS	HIGHEST MEASURED WATER LEVEL BGS (m)	MEASURED WATER LEVEL BGS (m)	PREVIOUS READING (m)	CHANGE IN WATER LEVEL SINCE PREVIOUS READING (m)
SP-001	N/A	N/A	N/A	Discontinued	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
SP-002	N/A	N/A	N/A	Discontinued	0.6 m on Oct. 1, 2003	N/A	N/A	N/A
SP-003	N/A	19.42	N/A	Active	10.23 in June 2016	10.60	10.63	0.03
SP-004	N/A	10.60	N/A	Active	3.76 in September 2014	4.96	4.92	-0.04

Drawing 32121-PH059 in Appendix A provides a sketch of the approximate locations of the monitoring instrumentation for this site

### Notes:

SP - standpipe (for water level monitoring, 1" diameter PVC).

BGS - below ground surface.

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## 3. INTERPRETATION OF MONITORING RESULTS

Some of the slope inclinometers located in active slide areas have been previously destroyed or sheared off and hence could not be monitored.

Slope inclinometers SI-67 and SI-69 continued to show no discernible movement. SI-75 showed a rate of movement of 8.2 mm/yr over 0.0 m to 5.4 m depth since the spring of 2022 readings. SI-81 showed no discernible movement over 1.9 m to 6.1 m depth and a rate of movement of 4.4 mm/yr over 6.1 m to 9.2 m depth since the spring of 2022 readings.

Standpipe piezometers SP-003 showed an increase in water level of 0.03 m since the spring of 2022 readings. SP-004 showed a decrease in groundwater level of 0.04 m since the spring of 2022 readings. The pneumatic and standpipe piezometer readings are summarized in Tables PH059-2 and PH059-3, and are plotted on Figure PH059-1 in Appendix A.

### 4. RECOMMENDATIONS

## 4.1 Future Work

The instruments should be read again in the spring of 2023. PN-004 hasn't functioned for two reading cycles in a row and should be removed from future readings.

## 4.2 Instrumentation Repairs

Consideration should be given to extending SP-003 and adding a casing protector, to reduce the risk of damage to this instrument (this instrument has a stickup of only 0.35 m).

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## 5. CLOSURE

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. Don Proudfoot, M.Eng., P. Eng. Principal | Senior Geotechnical Engineer

Bruce Nestor, P.Eng. Geotechnical Engineer

## Attachments:

- Statement of Limitations and Conditions
- Appendix A
  - Field Inspector's report
  - Site Plan Showing Approximate Instrument Locations (Drawing No. 32121-PH059)
  - SI Reading Plots
  - Figure PH059-1 (Piezometric Readings)

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**FALL 2022** 

# APPENDIX A DATA PRESENTATION

SITE PH059: HWY 2:60, PEACE RIVER EAST HILL (SITE # 2, STATION 34+770 TO 35+680)

# ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION PEACE REGION (PEACE RIVER DISTRICT) INSTRUMENTATION MONITORING FIELD SUMMARY (PH059) FALL 2022

Location: Peace River East Hill (HWY 2:60 C1 35.241)

Readout: RST PN C108 Unit 1/DGSI Dipmeter

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Casing: 3.34 " Ø Temp: 18 Read by: NKR/KTC

**Probe:** RSTSI SET 5R and 8R **Cable:** RSTSI SET 5R and 8R

### SLOPE INCLINOMETER (SI) READINGS

Site#	SI#	GPS	Location	Date	Stickup	Depth from top	Magn. North	(	urrent l	Bottom		Probe/	Remarks
		(U'	TM 11)		(m)	of casing(ft)	A+ Groove	Ι	Depth Readings		Reel		
		Easting (m)	Northing (m)					A+	A-	$\mathrm{B}^{+}$	B-	#	
	SI-67	484136.86	6231088.27	27-Sep-22	0.55	150 to 2	210	-257	267	1082	-1068	8R/8R	
2	SI-69	484090.16	6231034.68	27-Sep-22	0.45	148 to 2	187	603	-585	587	-603	5R/5R	
	SI-75	484042.68	6231057.12	27-Sep-22	0.37	148 to 2	192	942	-925	-106	91	5R/5R	
	SI-81	484000.42	6231079.54	27-Sep-22	0.56	148 to 2	175	47	-25	-43	25	5R/5R	

### PNEUMATIC PIEZOMETER READINGS

PN#	GPS Location	on (UTM 11)	Date	Reading	Identification
	Easting (m)	Northing (m)		kPa	Number
PN-004	483976.22	6230977.57	27-Sep-22	0.1*	26205

### STANDPIPE PIEZOMETER READINGS

SP#	GPS Location (UTM 11)		GPS Location (UTM 11)		GPS Location (UTM 11)		GPS Location (UTM 11)		Date	Stick-up	Reading below top	Bottom Pipe Depth
	Easting (m)	Northing (m)		(m)	of casing (m)	(below top of casing (m)						
SP-003	484042.59	6231031.19	27-Sep-22	0.33	10.95	20.12						
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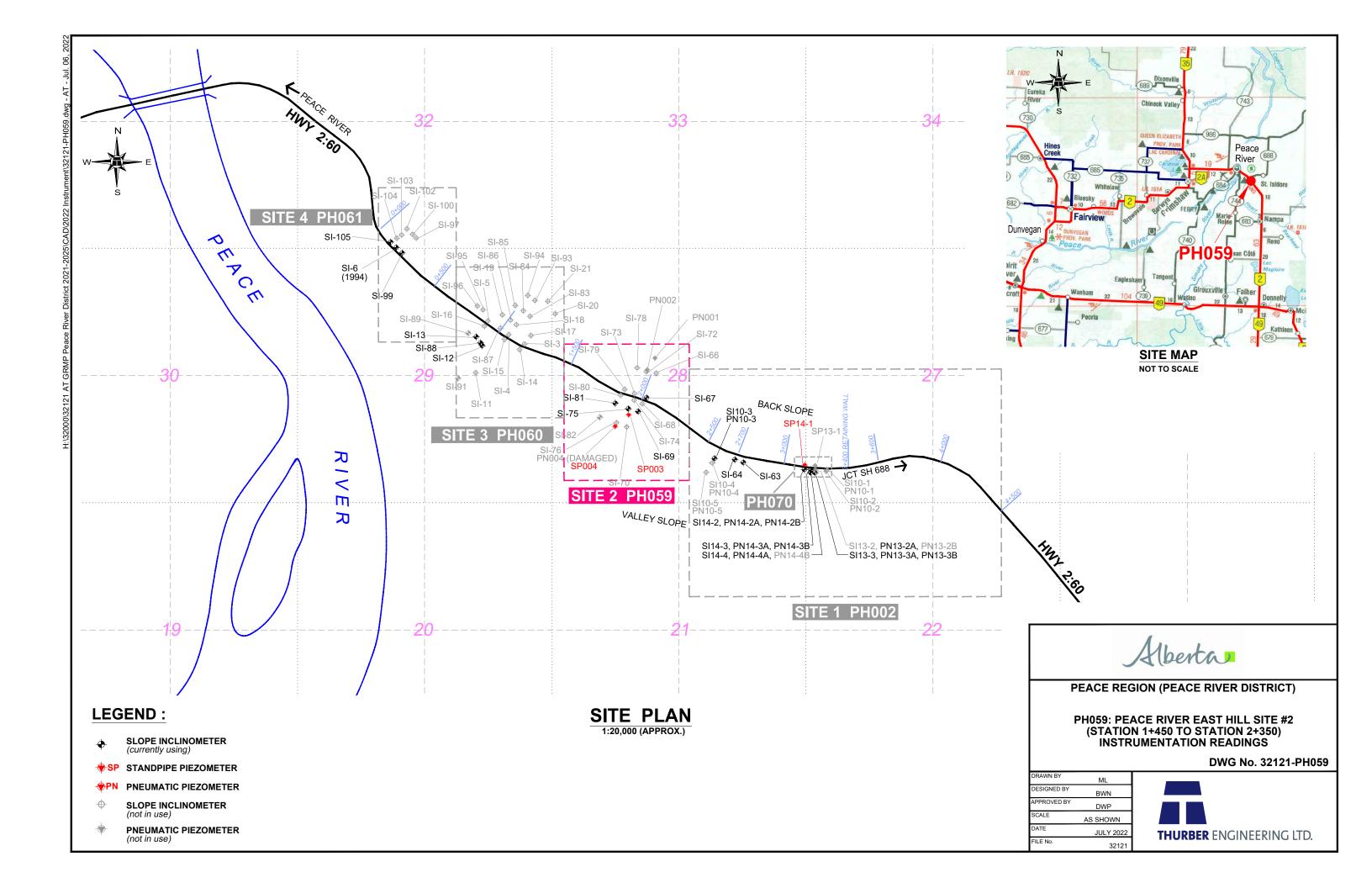
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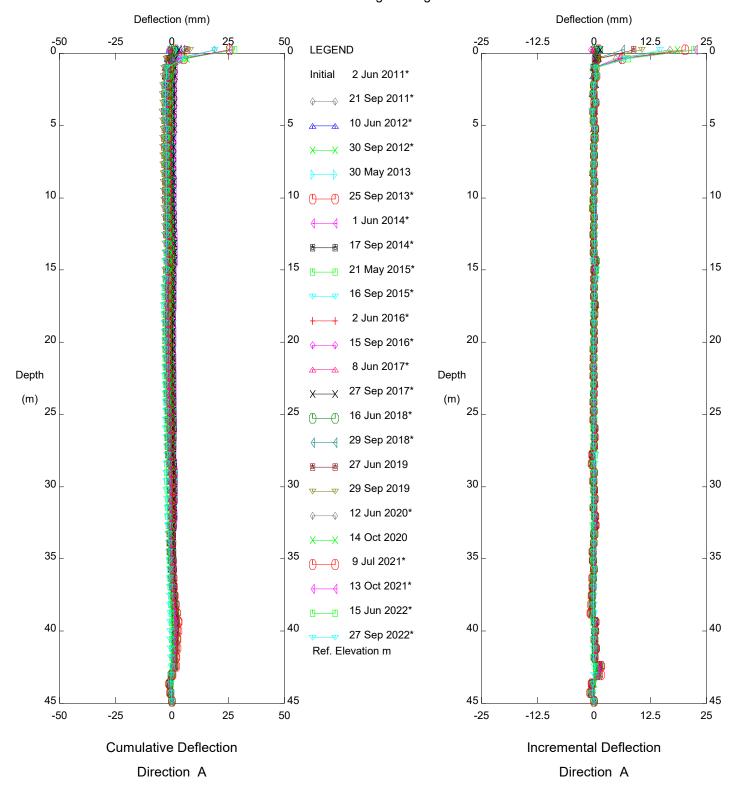
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SP-003 Need repair, stick up is too short, no protector

SI 69, 75, 81 Stickup low, need protector

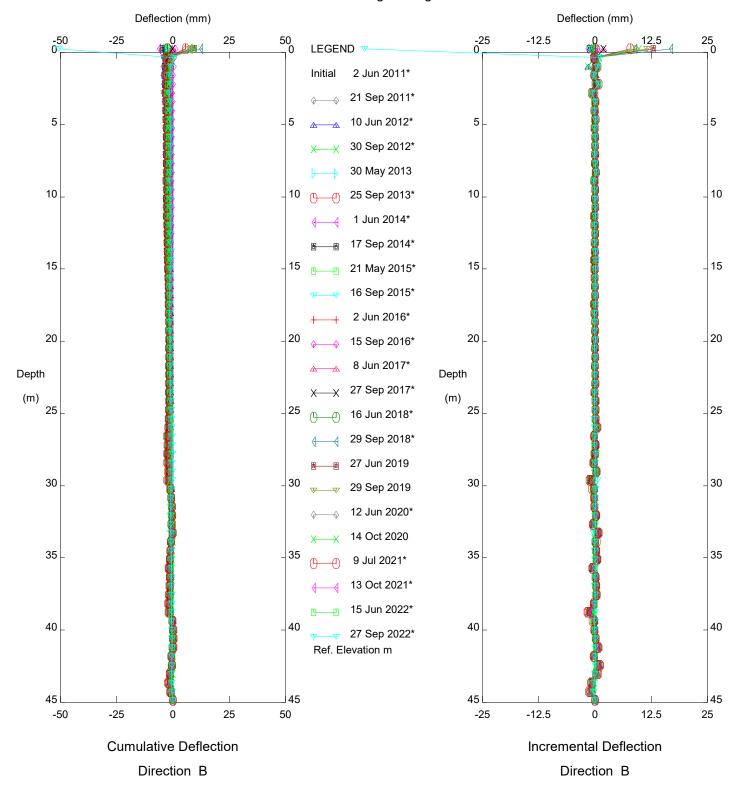
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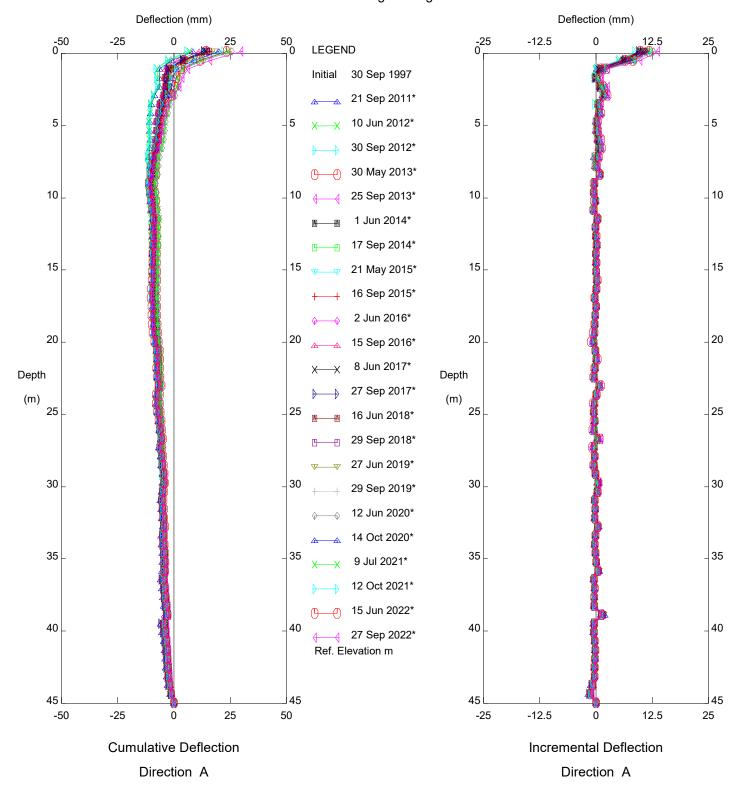
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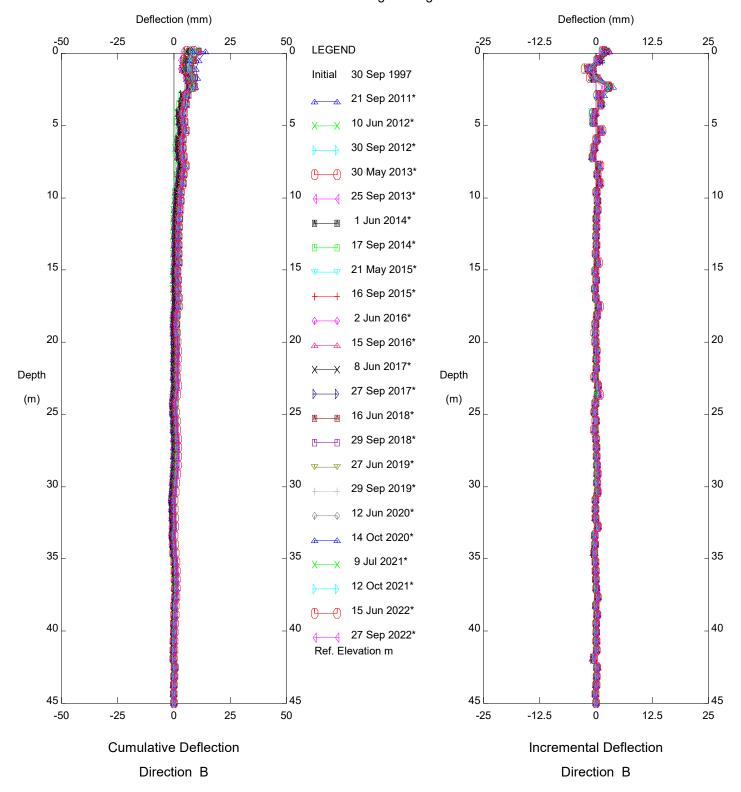
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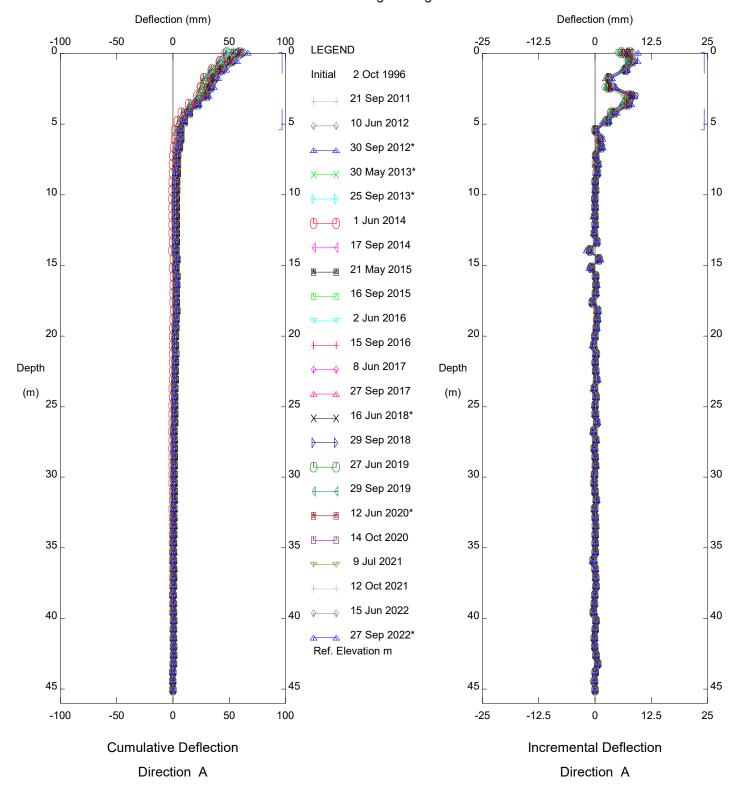
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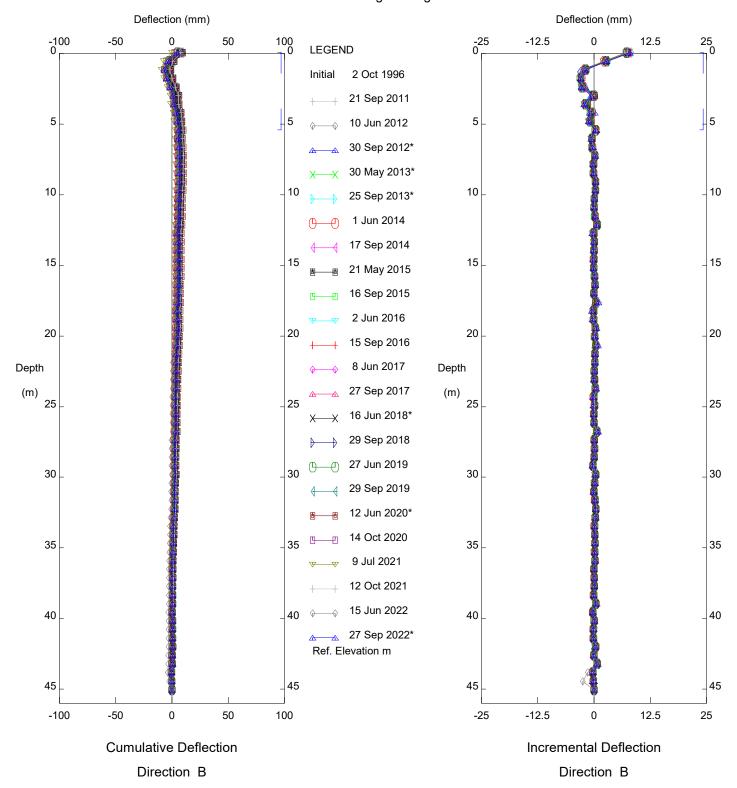
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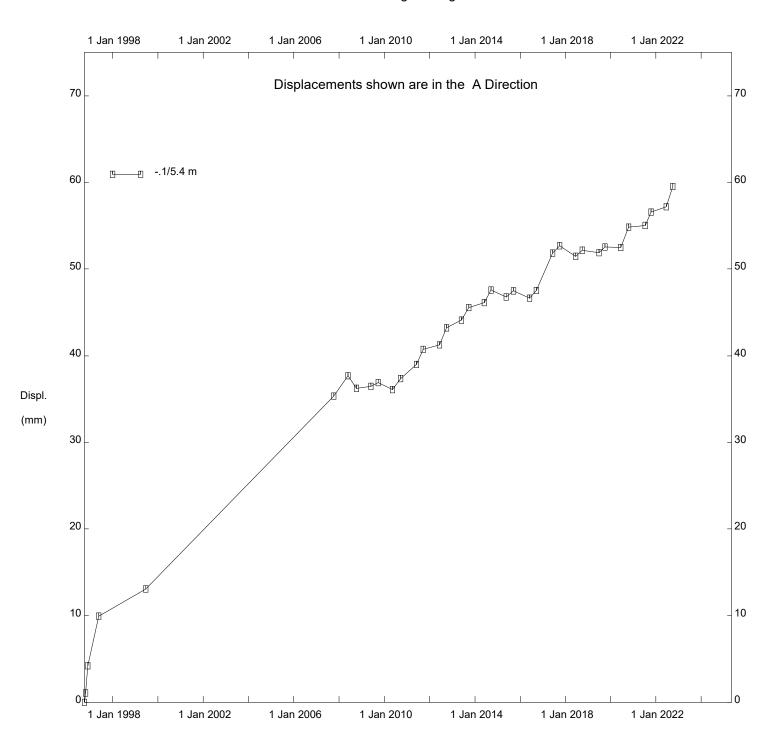
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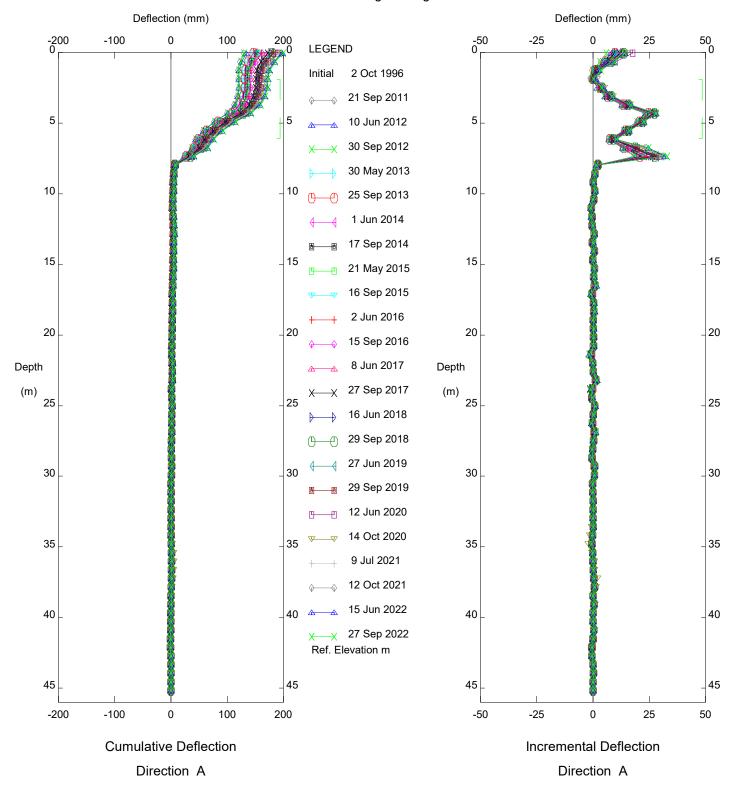
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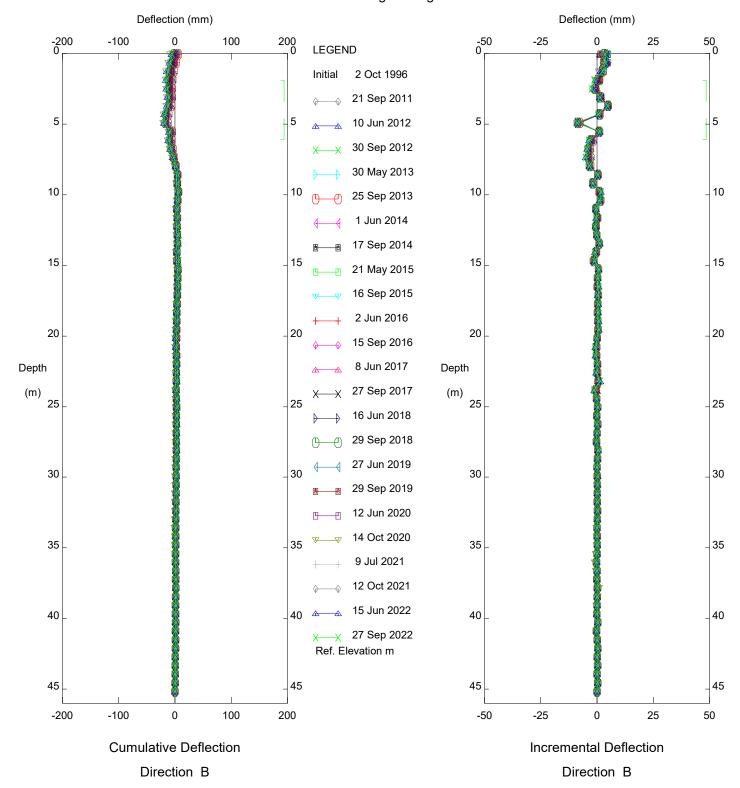
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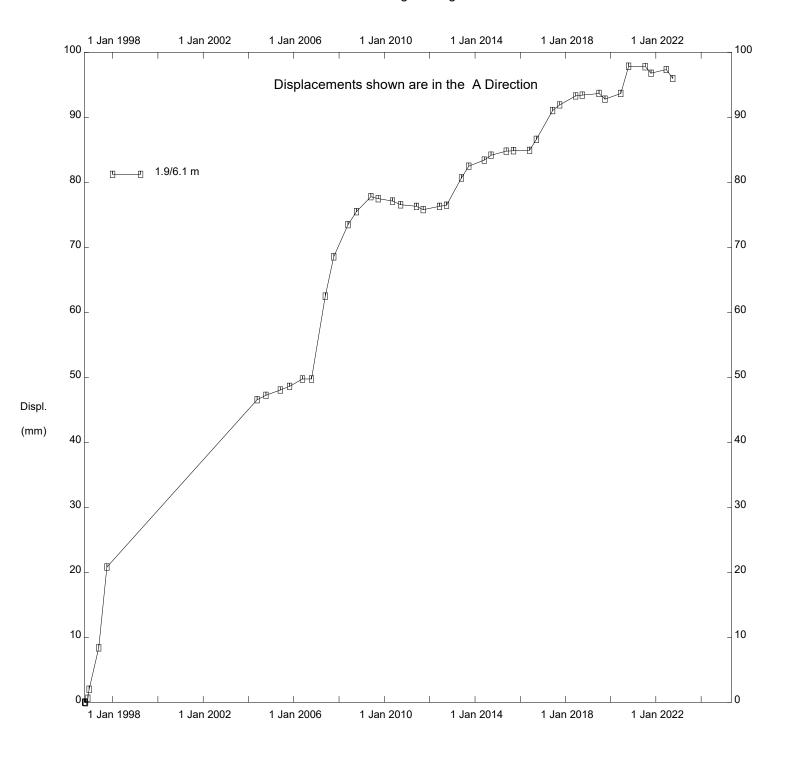
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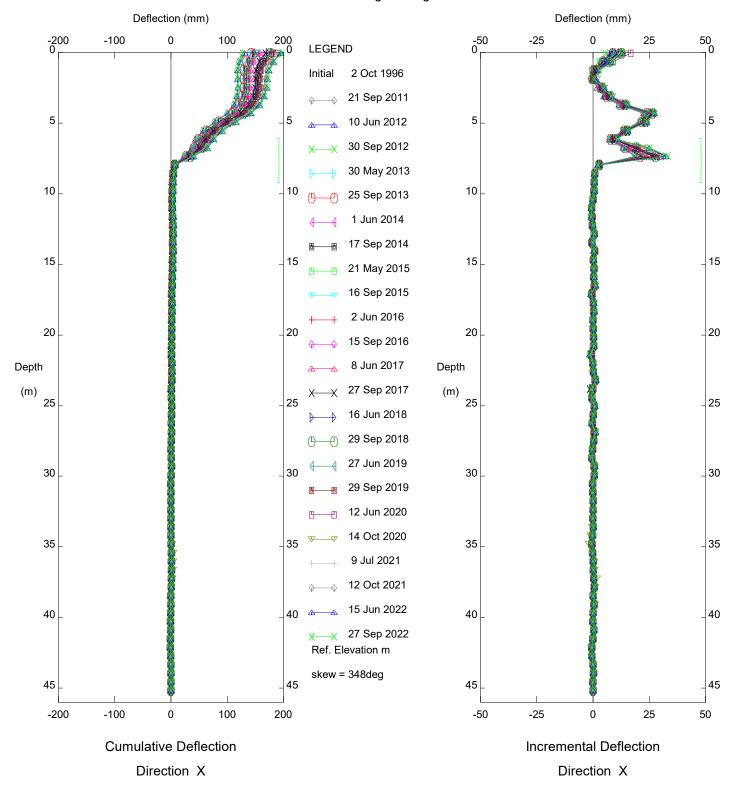
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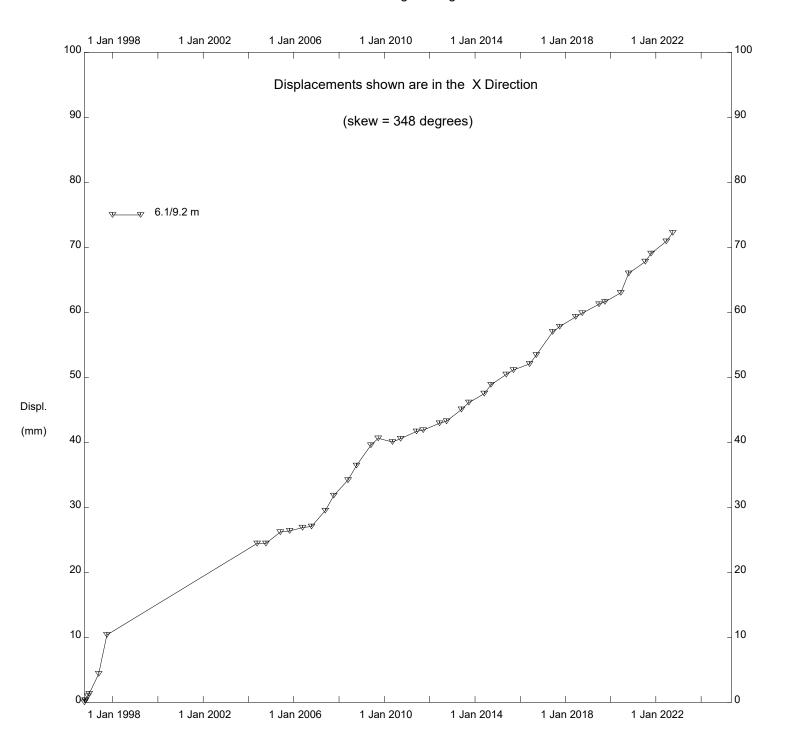
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FIGURE PH059-1
PIEZOMETER DATA: PEACE RIVER EAST HILL SITE #2

