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Alberta Transportation Provincial Building 9621-96 Avenue Peace River, Alberta T8S 1T4

Attention: Mr. Max Shannon

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

# **SECTION C**

# SITE PH070: HWY 2:60, PEACE RIVER EAST HILL RETAINING WALL SITE (km 33.84)

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

From August 2016 to October 2017, a 135 m long reinforced concrete tied-back tangent pile wall and a 41 m long reinforced concrete cantilever wall were constructed at the Hwy 2:60 Peace River East Hill Retaining Wall site (km 33.84) to mitigate the landslide affecting the highway. Four new slope inclinometers (SI-P40, SI-P58, SI-P90 and SI-P116) were installed in selected piles in the new pile walls. One shape accelerometer array (SAA-P74) and thirty vibrating wire strain gauges were installed in pile P74 of the tied back pile wall. Sixteen vibrating wire load cells were installed on selected anchors to monitor changes in anchor loads over time. The SAA, strain gauges and load cells were wired to a Campbell Scientific CR6 datalogger.

In addition to the instruments installed during construction, there are four SIs (SI13-3, SI14-2, SI14-3, and SI14-4), eight pneumatic piezometers (PN13-2A, PN13-3A, PN13-3B, PN14-2A, PN14-2B, PN14-3A, PN14-3B, and PN14-4A) and one standpipe piezometer (SP14-1) which were installed prior to construction.

The SIs, pneumatic piezometers, and standpipe piezometer were read on June 13, 2022, by Mr. Niraj Regmi, G.I.T. and Mr. Jayden Del Cid, both of Thurber Engineering Ltd.



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 casing. The pneumatic piezometers were read using an RST C108 pneumatic piezometer reader. The standpipe was read using a Heron dipmeter.

During previous readings cycles, the CR6 datalogger was downloaded manually at the site to a field laptop. Prior to the spring of 2022 readings, several upgrades were completed by Thurber to the datalogger station to allow for automated readings of the pile wall instruments. The updates included the installation of a new dual battery enclosure, replacing the single 12-volt battery powering the logger with two new batteries, and installation of a modem to allow remote connection to the datalogger. A computer was set up at Thurber's Edmonton office to automatically download the data once per day. The data from the automated readings for the East Hill CR6 datalogger is included in this report.

As of the current readings, three of the thirty strain gauges installed in pile P74 are no longer functional.

# 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 and load cell reading plots are also included in Appendix A.

Slope inclinometer, SAA, load cell, vibrating wire strain gauge, 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 or SAA since the previous readings in the spring of 2021.

Zones of movements are summarized in Tables PH070-1 for the SIs and PH070-2 for the SAA. These tables also provide a historical account of the total movement, the depth of movement and the maximum rate of movement that has occurred in the SIs and the SAA since initialization.



# TABLE PH070-1SPRING 2022 – HWY 2:60 PEACE RIVER EAST HILL RETAINING WALL SITE (km 33.84)SLOPE INCLINOMETER INSTRUMENTATION READING SUMMARY

Date Monitored: June 13, 2022

INSTRUMENT #	DATE INITIALIZED	TOTAL CUMULATIVE RESULTANT MAXIMUM MOVEMENT AT RATE OF NOTED DEPTH MOVEMENT SINCE INITIAL (mm/yr) READING (mm)		CURRENT STATUS	DATE OF PREVIOUS READING	INCREMENTAL MOVEMENT SINCE PREVIOUS READING (mm)	RATE OF MOVEMENT (mm/yr)	CHANGE IN RATE OF MOVEMENT SINCE PREVIOUS READING (mm/yr)
		53.4 mm over 0 m to 3.0 m depth in 173° direction	52.1 mm/yr. in September 2013			N/A	N/A	N/A
SI10-1	March 4, 2010	13.1 mm over 3.6 m to 6.6 m depth in 173° direction	3.8 mm/yr. in May 2015	Removed during construction	September 15, 2016	N/A	N/A	N/A
		3.8 mm over 26.2 m to 28.0 m depth in 173° direction	3.3 mm/yr. in May 2010			N/A	N/A	N/A
SI10-2	March 4,	27.5 mm over 4.1 m to 5.9 m depth in 330° direction	54.7 mm/yr. in September 2010	Sheared at	luno 1 2011	N/A	N/A	N/A
5110-2	2010	1.8 mm over 24.2 m to 26.0 m depth in 250° direction	4.4 mm/yr. in May 2010	~6.1 m depth	June 1, 2011	N/A	N/A	N/A
SI13-2	113-2 August 4, to 19.1 m d	33.3 over 15.5 m to 19.1 m depth in 17° direction	16.5 in September 2015	Removed during construction	June 2, 2016	N/A	N/A	N/A
SI13-3	August 4, 2013	No discernible movement	No discernible movement	Operational	July 7, 2021	N/A	N/A	N/A



## TABLE PH070-1 – CONTINUED... SPRING 2022 – HWY 2:60 PEACE RIVER EAST HILL RETAINING WALL SITE (km 33.84) SLOPE INCLINOMETER INSTRUMENTATION READING SUMMARY

Date Monitored: June 13, 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)	RATE OF MOVEMENT (mm/yr)	CHANGE IN RATE OF MOVEMENT SINCE PREVIOUS READING (mm/yr)
		6.5 mm over 2.8 m to 5.8 m depth in 185° direction	24.7 mm/yr in December 2014			No discernible movement	N/A	-0.1
SI14-2	December 16, 2014	12.8 mm over 17.4 m to 21.0 m depth in 185° direction	18.9 mm/yr in December 2014	Operational	July 7, 2021	1.7	1.8	0.9
		8.5 mm over 24.7 m to 27.1 m depth in 185° direction	4.2 mm/yr in May 2015			1.3	1.4	1.1
SI14-3	December 16, 2014	19.9 mm over 3.3 m to 9.4 m depth in 171° direction	85.8 mm/yr in December 2014	Operational	July 7, 2021	0.8	0.9	0.4
SI14-4	December 20, 2014	44.7 mm over 17.3 m to 19.7 m depth in 171° direction	18.1 mm/yr in September 2016	Operational	July 7, 2021	4.0	4.2	1.3



# TABLE PH070-1 – CONTINUED... SPRING 2022 – HWY 2:60 PEACE RIVER EAST HILL RETAINING WALL SITE (km 33.84) SLOPE INCLINOMETER INSTRUMENTATION READING SUMMARY

Date Monitored: June 13, 2022

INSTRUMENT	DATE	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)	RATE OF MOVEMENT (mm/yr.)	CHANGE IN RATE OF MOVEMENT SINCE PREVIOUS READING (mm/yr.)
SI-P40	October 19,	0.9 mm over 2.4 m to 19.5 m depth in 188° direction	-39.8 mm/yr. on April 4, 2017	Operational	luk 7, 2021	2.1	2.2	1.2
51-P40	2016	-3.0 mm over 0 m to 19.5 m depth in 188° direction	-57.3 mm/yr. on April 4, 2017	Operational	July 7, 2021	2.7	2.9	3.5
SI-P58	October 18,	-7.5 mm over 2.4 m to 23.7 m depth in 209° direction	-70.8 mm/yr. on June 24, 2017	Operational	luk 7, 2021	No discernible movement	N/A	-5.3
31-F30	2016	-9.2 mm over 0.5 m to 23.7 m depth in 209° direction	-65.7 mm/yr. on June 24, 2017	• Operational	July 7, 2021	No discernible movement	N/A	-3.8
SI-P90	October 18,	-12.3 mm over 1.9 m to 23.3 m depth in 174° direction	-76.0 mm/yr. on April 8, 2017	Onenting	luk 7, 2024	No discernible movement	N/A	1.1
51-P90	2016	-15.4 mm over 0.1 m to 23.3m depth in 174° direction	-97.5 mm/yr. on April 8, 2017	• Operational	July 7, 2021	0.1	0.1	3.2
SI-P116	November	6.4 mm over 1.6 m to 18.1 m depth in 209° direction	24.6 mm/yr. on October 4, 2017	Operational	luk 7, 2021	0.9	0.9	-1.5
51-110	25, 2016	2016 7.2 mm over 0.4 m to 18.1 m depth in 209° direction 27.1 mm/yr. o October 4, 20°		Operational	July 7, 2021	1.2	1.2	-0.8



# TABLE PH070-2SPRING 2022 – HWY 2:60 PEACE RIVER EAST HILL RETAINING WALL SITE (km 33.84)SHAPE ACCELEROMETER ARRAY INSTRUMENTATION READING SUMMARY

Date Monitored: June 13, 2022

INSTRUMENT #	TOTAL CUMULATIVE RESULTANT DATE MOVEMENT AT INITIALIZED NOTED DEPTH SINCE INITIAL READING (mm)		CURRENT STATUS	DATE OF PREVIOUS READING*	INCREMENTAL MOVEMENT SINCE PREVIOUS READING (mm)	AVERAGE RATE OF MOVEMENT SINCE PREVIOUS READING (mm/yr.)	CHANGE IN AVERAGE RATE OF MOVEMENT SINCE PREVIOUS READING (mm/yr.)
		-2.9 over 2.0 m to 31.0 m depth in 194° direction	On and family	huhu 7, 0004	1.1	1.1	-0.9
SAA-P74	January 31, 2017	-7.5 over 1.0 m to 31.0 m depth in 194° direction	Operational	July 7, 2021	0.6	0.6	-0.9

Drawings 32121-PH070-1 and 32121-PH070-2 in Appendix A provide a sketch of the approximate locations of the monitoring instrumentation for this site. \* SAA readings are taken once per day and collected to datalogger. Movement rates are an average rate compared to the previous readings in Spring 2021



# TABLE PH070-3SPRING 2022 – HWY 2:60 PEACE RIVER EAST HILL RETAINING WALL SITE (km 33.84)VIBRATING WIRE STRAIN GAUGE INSTRUMENTATION READING SUMMARY

DEPTH FROM TOP OF PILE P74 (m)	GAUGE #	TOTAL MICROSTRAIN (με)	CHANGE IN MICROSTRAIN SINCE PREVIOUS READINGS* (με)	MEASURED TEMPERATURE (°c)	GAUGE #	TOTAL MICROSTRAIN (με)	CHANGE IN MICROSTRAIN SINCE PREVIOUS READINGS* (με)	MEASURED TEMPERATURE (°c)
		UPSLOPE PIL		·		DOWNS	LOPE PILE FACE	·
0.2	29	-108.3	4.6	14.5	28	-78.1	-1.1	17.4
2.4	8	-14.1	6.8	12.1	3	-2.3	-1.2	13.9
4.2	5	Not functioning	N/A	N/A	22	36.6	4.0	8.2
6.2	14	-167.7	-13.0	6.8	12	16.9	4.7	6.7
8.2	13	-147.6	-9.3	7.3	7	9.9	-7.3	7.1
10.2	4	-150.2	-9.9	7.9	25	18.6	12.1	7.9
12.2	1	-143.7	-7.7	8.4	11	-3.9	6.8	8.3
14.2	15	-126.2	-5.9	8.6	16	26.4	9.0	8.5
16.2	9	-120.4	-6.4	8.6	21	2.2	4.1	8.6
18.2	27	-85.7	-3.8	8.6	23	14.6	0.9	8.6
20.2	6	-105.3	-2.0	8.5	20	-62.3	-6.0	8.5
22.2	30	-46.6	2.8	8.4	19	Not functioning	N/A	8.5
24.2	2	-38.6	N/A	8.4	24	-122.2	-9.4	8.4
26.2	26	-39.7	-4.4	8.3	17	-107.9	-6.1	8.3
28.2	10	-66.5	-2.1	8.2	18	Not functioning	N/A	8.3

Drawings 32121-PH070-1 and 32121-PH070-2 in Appendix A provide a sketch of the approximate locations of the monitoring instrumentation for this site. \* Previous readings on September 5, 2020



# TABLE PH070-4SPRING 2022 – HWY 2:60 PEACE RIVER EAST HILL RETAINING WALL SITE (km 33.84)PNEUMATIC PIEZOMETER INSTRUMENTATION READING SUMMARY

Date Monitored: June 13, 2022

INSTRUMENT #	DATE	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)
PN10-1 (33089)	Feb. 21, 2010	9.1	-	Removed during construction	8.06 on May 20, 2015	N/A	N/A	8.94 (Sep. 15, 2016)	N/A
PN10-2 (33091)	Feb. 21, 2010	19.0	-	Damaged/ Sheared	11.62 on May 20, 2015	N/A	N/A	17.46 (Sep. 27, 2017)	N/A
PN13-2A (35449)	August 4, 2013	6.1	490.6	Operational	4.35 on August 4, 2013	8.5	5.23	5.59	0.36
PN13-2B (35446)	August 4, 2013	26.7	490.6	Removed during construction	16.92 m on May 20, 2015	N/A	N/A	18.11 (June 2, 2016)	N/A
PN13-3A (35451)	August 4, 2013	9.1	486.4	Operational	7.27 on August 4, 2013	1.9	8.91	8.81	-0.10
PN13-3B (35444)	August 4, 2013	18.3	486.4	Operational	13.40 On May 20, 2017	37.8	14.45	14.78	0.33
PN14-2A (35757)	November 23, 2014	13.0	490.5	Operational	11.95 on May 20, 2015	3.1	12.68	12.66	-0.02
PN14-2B (35867)	November 23, 2014	28.0	490.5	Operational	19.14 on November 23, 2014	63.6	21.51	21.92	0.41
PN14-3A (35759)	November 23, 2014	13.0	490.9	Operational	11.59 on May 20, 2015	4.2	12.57	12.36	-0.21
PN14-3B (35866)	November 23, 2014	25.0	490.9	Operational	23.17 on November 23, 2014	3.9	24.60	24.60	0.00



## TABLE PH070-4 – CONTINUED... SPRING 2022 – HWY 2:60 PEACE RIVER EAST HILL RETAINING WALL SITE (km 33.84) PNEUMATIC PIEZOMETER INSTRUMENTATION READING SUMMARY

Date Monitored: June 13, 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)
PN14-4A (35758)	November 23, 2014	10.5	486.5	Operational	9.02 on November 23, 2014	2.3	10.27	10.26	-0.01
PN14-4B (35865)	November 23, 2014	28.0	486.5	Not functioning	13.94 on November 23, 2014	N/A	N/A	27.82 (Sep. 29, 2019)	N/A



# TABLE PH070-5SPRING 2022 – HWY 2:60 PEACE RIVER EAST HILL RETAINING WALL SITE (km 33.84)STANDPIPE PIEZOMETER INSTRUMENTATION READING SUMMARY

Date Monitored: June 13, 2022

INSTRUMENT #	DATE INITIALIZED	TIP DEPTH (m)	GROUND ELEV. (m)	CURRENT STATUS	MAXIMUM GROUNDWATER LEVEL (m)	MEASURED GROUNDWATER DEPTH (m)	PREVIOUS READING (m)	CHANGE IN GROUNDWATER LEVEL SINCE PREVIOUS READING (m)
SP13-1	August 4, 2013	14.9	490.8	Blocked at 0.9 m below top of casing	1.18 on June 2, 2016	N/A	N/A	N/A
SP14-1	November 23, 2014	15.5	490.2	Operational	3.81 on September 15, 2016	3.21	3.76	0.55



# TABLE PH070-6SPRING 2022 – HWY 2:60 PEACE RIVER EAST HILL RETAINING WALL SITE (km 33.84)VIBRATING WIRE LOAD CELL INSTRUMENTATION READING SUMMARY

Date Monitored: June 13, 2022

ANCHOR NUMBER	LOAD CELL SERIAL #	SLS DESIGN LOAD / LOCK- OFF LOAD (kN)	MAXIMUM RECORDED LOAD (kN)	RECORDED LOAD <sup>(1)</sup> (JUNE 13, 2022) (kN)	PREVIOUS RECORDED LOAD <sup>(1)</sup> (JULY 7, 2021) (kN)	CHANGE IN LOAD SINCE PREVIOUS READING (kN)
G39WL	VC1977	253/253	242.18 on June 10, 2022	241.69	233.17	8.52
G40WU	VC1975	331/331	322.30 on June 3, 2022	321.52	315.00	6.52
G58WU	VC1972	366/358	375.01 on June 2, 2022	374.82	370.31	4.51
G59WL	VC1973	325/308	269.36 on June 3, 2022	268.42	268.37	0.05
G80WU	VC1969	246/331	307.89 on October 2, 2017	300.74	300.45	0.29
G80WL	VC1970	293/337	314.86 on January 3, 2018	313.68	311.37	2.31
G102WU	VC1974	366/358	343.61 on October 2, 2017	339.46	339.11	0.35
G102WL	VC1976	325/308	343.70 on April 7, 2017	316.83	316.12	0.71
G118PU	VC1980	320/257	217.20 on June 24, 2017	206.91	207.00	-0.09
G134PU	VC1979	288/229	222.80 on May 27, 2017	206.86	204.70	2.16
G150PU	VC1978	288/229	236.60 on May 28, 2017	218.56	218.41	0.15

Drawings 32121-PH070-1 and 32121-PH070-2 in Appendix A provide a sketch of the approximate locations of the monitoring instrumentation for this site.

(1) Load cell data is recorded daily with datalogger on site. See Figures PH070-5 to PH070-8 in Appendix A for combined historical instrument readings.



# TABLE PH070-6- CONTINUED... SPRING 2022 - HWY 2:60 PEACE RIVER EAST HILL RETAINING WALL SITE (km 33.84) VIBRATING WIRE LOAD CELL INSTRUMENTATION READING SUMMARY

Date Monitored: June 13, 2022

ANCHOR NUMBER	LOAD CELL SERIAL #	DESIGN LOAD / LOCK-OFF LOAD (KN)	MAXIMUM RECORDED LOAD (kN)	RECORDED LOAD <sup>(1)</sup> (JUNE 13, 2022) (kN)	PREVIOUS RECORDED LOAD <sup>(1)</sup> (JULY 7, 2022) (kN)	CHANGE IN LOAD SINCE PREVIOUS READING (kN)
G167PM	VC1971	302/175	179.15 on July 8, 2017	170.62	167.71	2.91
G190PL	VC1968	302/105	125.19 on June 4, 2022	125.19	124.16	1.03
G182PL <sup>(2)</sup>	VC2023	302/0	13.96 on September 26, 2017	13.46	13.49	-0.03
G188PL <sup>(2)</sup>	VC2024	302/0	16.38 on September 4, 2020	15.77	15.64	0.13
G202PL' <sup>(2)</sup>	VC2025	302/0	11.32 on November 9, 2019	11.13	10.72	0.41

Drawings 32121-PH070-1 and 32121-PH070-2 in Appendix A provide a sketch of the approximate locations of the monitoring instrumentation for this site.

(1) Load cell data is recorded daily with datalogger on site. See Figures PH070-5 to PH070-8 in Appendix A for combined historical instrument readings.

(2) Stiff anchors left with slack in the anchor nut during construction.



# 3. INTERPRETATION OF MONITORING RESULTS

Slope inclinometer SI14-2, located upslope of the new pile wall, showed no discernible movement over 2.8 m to 5.8 m depth, a rate of movement of 1.8 mm/yr over 17.4 m to 21.0 m depth, and a rate of movement of 1.4 mm/yr over 24.7 m to 27.1 m depth since the spring of 2021 readings. Slope inclinometer SI14-3, also located upslope of the new pile wall, showed a rate of movement of 0.9 mm/yr over 3.3 m to 9.4 m depth since the spring of 2021 readings.

SI13-3, located downslope of the new pile wall, continued to show no discernible movement. Based on the instrument readings and observations on site, it is believed that SI13-3 is not installed deep enough to intercept the shear surface of the landslide. SI14-4, also located downslope of the pile wall, showed a rate of movement of 4.2 mm/yr over 17.3 m to 19.7 m depth since the spring of 2021 readings.

Zones of movement in the piles were defined over the length of the pile and over the combined length of the pile and waler.

SI-P40, installed in Pile 40, showed a rate of movement of 2.2 mm/yr in the downslope direction over the length of the pile and a rate of movement of 2.9 mm/yr in the downslope direction over the combined length of the pile and waler since the spring of 2021 readings. Pile 40 has shown a total cumulative pile head movement of 0.9 mm in the downslope direction and a total cumulative movement of 3.0 mm in the upslope direction over the combined length of the pile and waler.

SI-P58, installed in Pile 58, showed no discernible downslope movement over either the length of the pile or over the combined length of the pile and waler since the spring of 2021 readings. The cumulative pile head movement was 7.5 mm in the uphill direction and the cumulative movement at the top of the water was 9.2 mm in the uphill direction.

SI-P90, installed in Pile 90, showed no discernible movement in the downslope direction over the length of the pile and a rate of movement of 0.1 mm/yr in the downslope direction over the combined length of the pile and waler since the spring of 2021 readings. Pile 90 has shown a total cumulative pile head movement of 12.3 mm in the upslope direction and a total cumulative movement of 15.4 mm in the upslope direction over the combined length of the pile and waler.

SI-P116, installed in Pile 116, showed a rate of movement of 0.9 mm/yr over the length of the pile and a rate of movement of 1.2 mm/yr over the combined length of the pile and waler since the spring of 2021 readings. Pile 116 has shown a total cumulative pile head movement of 6.4 mm in the downslope direction and a total cumulative movement of 7.2 mm in the downslope direction over the combined length of the pile and waler.

SAA-P74, installed in pile P74 of the pile wall, showed an average rate of movement of 1.1 mm/yr in the downslope direction over the length of the pile and an average rate of movement of 0.6 mm/yr over the combined length of the pile and waler in the downslope direction since the spring of 2021 readings. SAA-P74 has shown a total cumulative pile head movement of 2.9 mm in the upslope direction and a total cumulative movement of 7.5 mm in the upslope direction over the combined length.



The strain gauge readings are summarized in Table PH070-3 and plotted on Figures PH070-1 and PH070-2 included in Appendix A. In general, the strain gauges showed small increases in negative (compressive) strain on the upslope pile face, while the strain gauges on the downslope pile face showed small increases in positive (tension) stress. The maximum change in microstrain since the previous readings was -13.0  $\mu\epsilon$ .

Pneumatic piezometers PN13-2A, PN13-3B and PN14-2B showed increases in groundwater level of 0.36 m, 0.33 m, and 0.41 m, respectively, since the spring of 2021 readings. PN13-3A, PN14-2A, PN14-3A and PN14-4A showed decreases in groundwater level of 0.10 m, 0.02 m, 0.21 m, and 0.01 m, respectively. The current groundwater readings in PN13-3A, PN13-3A and PN14-4A were the lowest levels measured in the respective instruments since initialization. PN14-3B showed no change in groundwater level compared to the spring of 2021 readings.

Standpipe piezometer SP14-1 showed an increase in groundwater level of 0.55 m since the spring of 2021 readings.

The pneumatic and standpipe piezometer readings are summarized in Tables PH070-4 and PH070-5, and are plotted on Figures PH070-3 (by elevation) and PH070-4 (by depth) in Appendix A.

The majority of the load cells showed an increase in measured load compared to the spring of 2021 readings, ranging from 0.05 kN in VC1973 (anchor G59WL) to 8.52 kN in VC1875 (anchor G40WU). Load cells VC1980 (anchor G118PU) and VC2023 (G182PL) showed decreases in measured load of 0.09 kN and 0.03 kN, respectively, since the spring of 2021 readings. Load cells VC1977 (anchor G39WL), VC1975 (anchor G40WU) VC1972 (anchor G58WU) and VC1973 (anchor G59WL) registered all-time high loads during a period between June 2-10, 2022.

Overall, the load cells show a trend of relatively stable loads. Anchors G39WL and G40WU in Wall Section 2 currently show a trend of gradually increasing load, although these loads are still below the SLS design loads. Anchor G190PL, in the bottom (fifth) row of anchors in Wall Section 4, also shows a trend of slowly increasing load, however the design of the wall assumes that the anchors installed through the piles in this wall section will pick up load over time. Some of the load cells have also shown somewhat higher load values during the winter months, similar to what has been observed in other tied-back pile walls of similar configuration.

Load cells VC2023, VC2024, and VC2025 were installed on stiff anchors (G182PL, G188PL and G202PL', respectively) that were left with some slack to allow the piles to deform before the anchors pick up load. These anchors are located in wall Design Section 4. These load cells were connected to the datalogger on September 27, 2017. These load cells indicate current loads ranging from 11.13 kN to 15.77 kN, and these anchors have not shown significant changes in the loads since the end of construction, suggesting that there may still be some slack at the nut in these anchors.

The load cells on G80WU and G80WL in Design Section 4 are showing loads that are 54.74 kN and 20.68 kN above SLS design load, respectively. However, these anchors were intentionally locked off at a higher load than the SLS load during construction, with the expectation that they



would slacken over time. It should also be noted that anchor G58WU, in Wall Section 3A, is currently showing a load that is 8.82 kN above its SLS design load.

The load cell readings are summarized in Table PH070-6 above and plotted on Figures PH070-5 to 8, in Appendix A.

# 4. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

# 4.1 Future Work

The instruments should be read again in the spring of 2023.

It is recommended that the readings be used to complete a pile wall system performance review to compare the measured responses to the expected design values, especially for Design Section 4 to confirm that the performance is within expected limits.

Since the new movements noted in SI14-2 are below the tips of the pile wall, special attention should be paid when reviewing future readings to check for potential increases in the rate of movement. Although the movement to date had been very small, the road surface should also be visually monitored at this location to check for any subsidence or new cracks.

# 4.2 Instrumentation Repairs

No repairs are required at this time.



# 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. Tarek Abdelaziz, Ph.D., 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 Plans Showing Approximate Instrument Locations (Drawings No. 32121-PH070-1 and 32121-PH070-2)
  - SI Reading Plots
  - SAA Reading Plots
  - Figure PH070-1 (Downslope Strain Gauge Values)
  - Figure PH070-2 (Upslope Strain Gauge Values)
  - Figure PH070-3 (Piezometric Elevations)
  - Figure PH070-4 (Piezometric Depths)
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# ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION GRMP (CON0022164) PEACE REGION (PEACE RIVER DISTRICT) INSTRUMENTATION MONITORING RESULTS

SPRING 2022

# APPENDIX A DATA PRESENTATION

SITE PH070: HWY 2:60, PEACE RIVER EAST HILL RETAINING WALL SITE (km 33.84)

#### ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION PEACE REGION (PEACE RIVER DISTRICT) INSTRUMENTATION MONITORING FIELD SUMMARY (PH070) SPRING 2022

Location: East Hill Retaining Wall Site (HWY 2:60 C1 33.840)	Readout:	
File Number: 32121	Extension: 2.75"	
Probe: RST set 5R & 8R	<b>Temp:</b> 13	
Cable: RST set 5R & 8R	Read by: NKR/JD	

### SLOPE INCLINOMETER (SI) READINGS

SI#	GPS L	location	Date	Stickup	Depth from top	Magn. North		Current	Bottom		Probe/	Remarks
	(UT	M 11)		(m)	of Casing (ft)	A+ Groove		Depth Readings		Reel		
	Easting (m)	Northing (m)					A+	A-	B+	B-	#	
SI13-3	485285	6230649	13-Jun-22	1.32	66 to 2	170	-1101	1122	-1453	1433	5R/5R	
SI14-2	485222	6230662	13-Jun-22	1.21	98 to 2	160	436	-412	43	-71	5R/5R	
SI14-3	485260	6230664	13-Jun-22	1.23	98 to 2	150	-420	433	526	532	5R/5R	
SI14-4	485261	6230648	13-Jun-22	0.70	102 to 2	175	939	-989	602	-614	5R/5R	Use Dummy Probe for spring readings
SI-P40	485240	6230661	13-Jun-22	0.94	66 to 2	212	-158	169	205	-198	8R/8R	Pile Wall
SI-P58	485263	6230633	13-Jun-22	1.00	80 to 2	131	-1844	1858	-728	732	8R/8R	Pile Wall
SI-P90	485312	6230668	13-Jun-22	0.80	78 to 2	143	-343	358	322	-315	8R/8R	Pile Wall
SI-P116	485348	6230622	13-Jun-22	1.12	62 to 2	203	227	-220	-895	902	8R/8R	Pile Wall

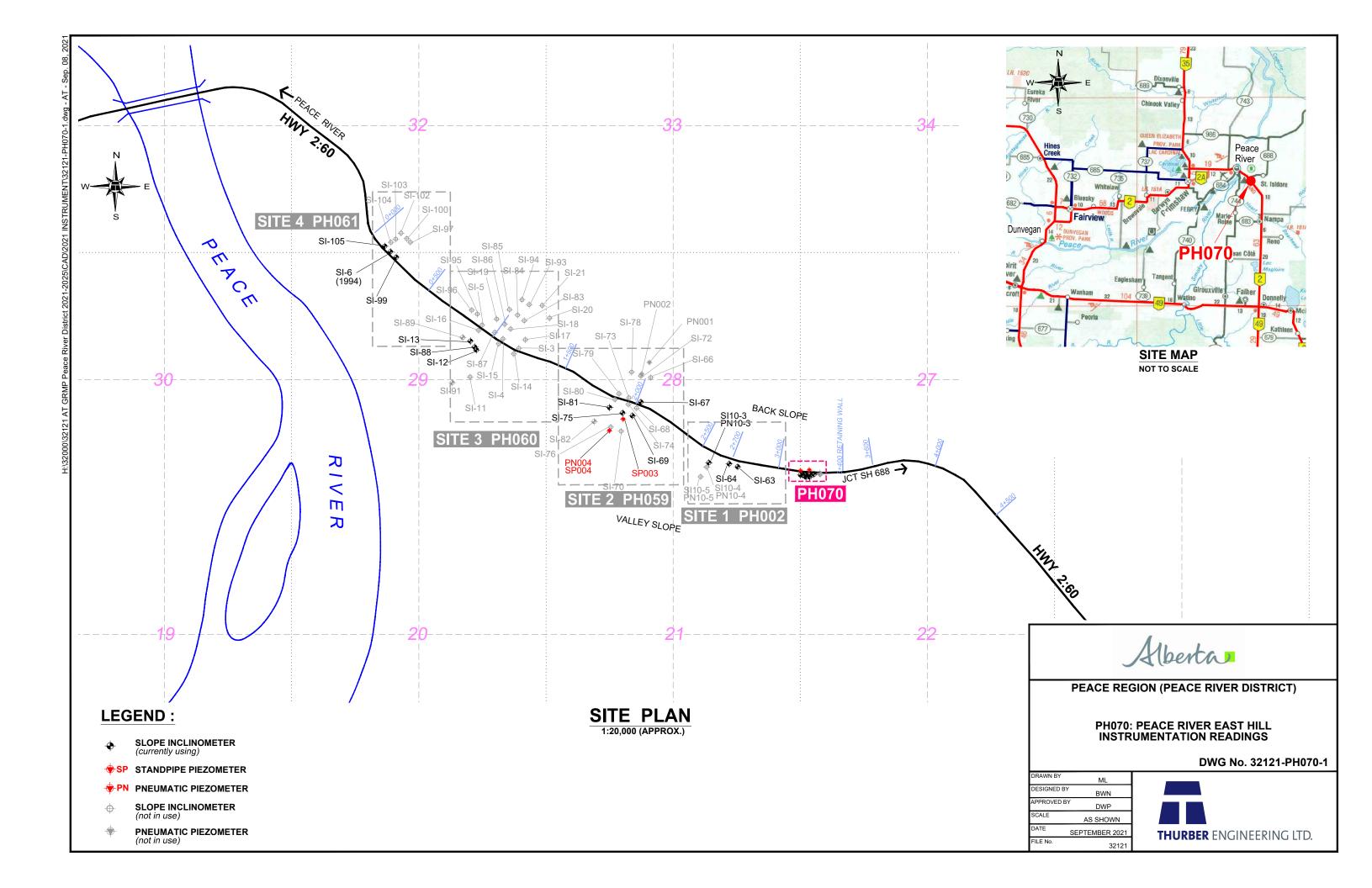
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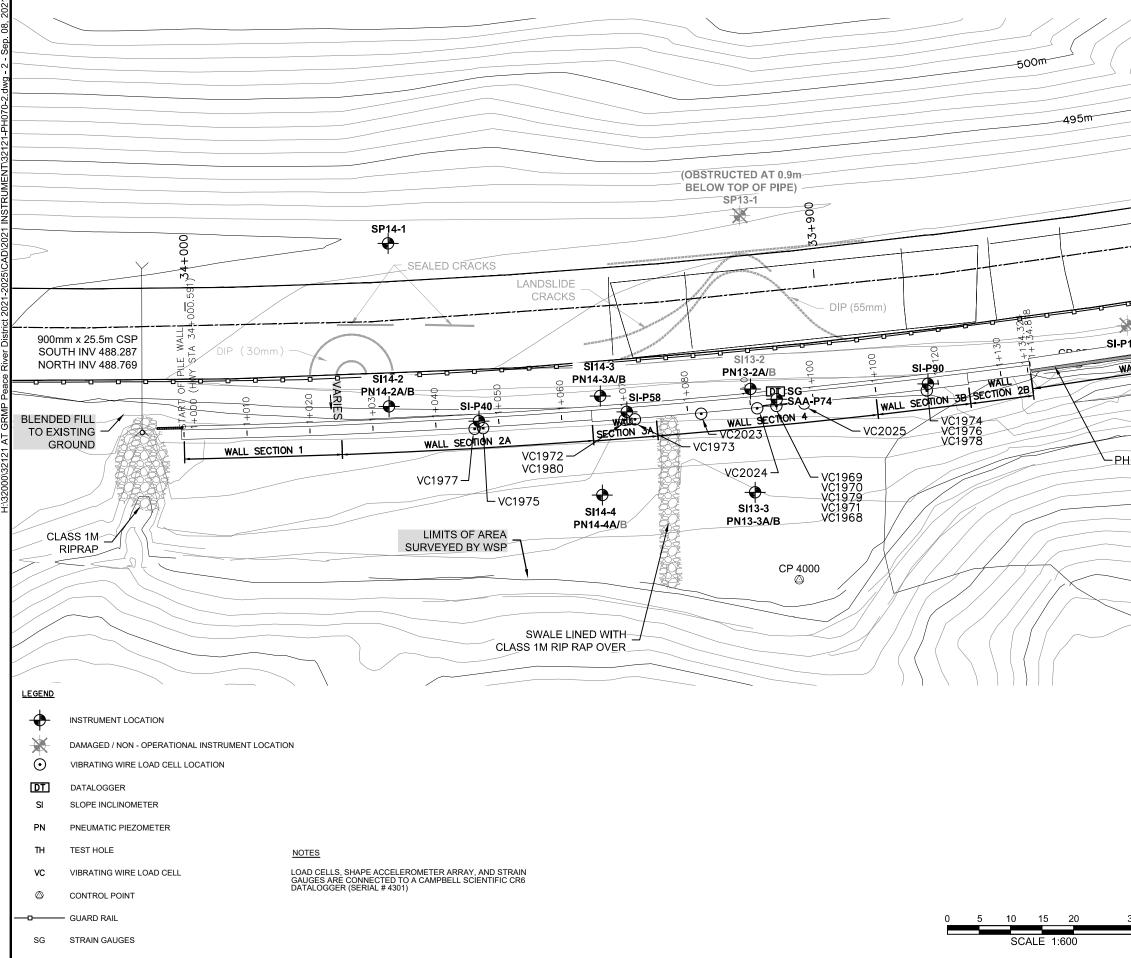
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	Easting (m)	Northing (m)		(kPa)	Number
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PN13-3A	485284.52	6230648.64	13-Jun-22	1.9	35451
PN13-3B	485284.52	6230648.64	13-Jun-22	37.8	35444
PN14-2A	485221.85	6230662.44	13-Jun-22	3.1	35757
PN14-2B	485221.85	6230662.44	13-Jun-22	63.6	35867
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PN14-3B	485260.48	6230664.41	13-Jun-22	3.9	35866
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### **STANDPIPE PIEZOMETER (SP) READINGS**

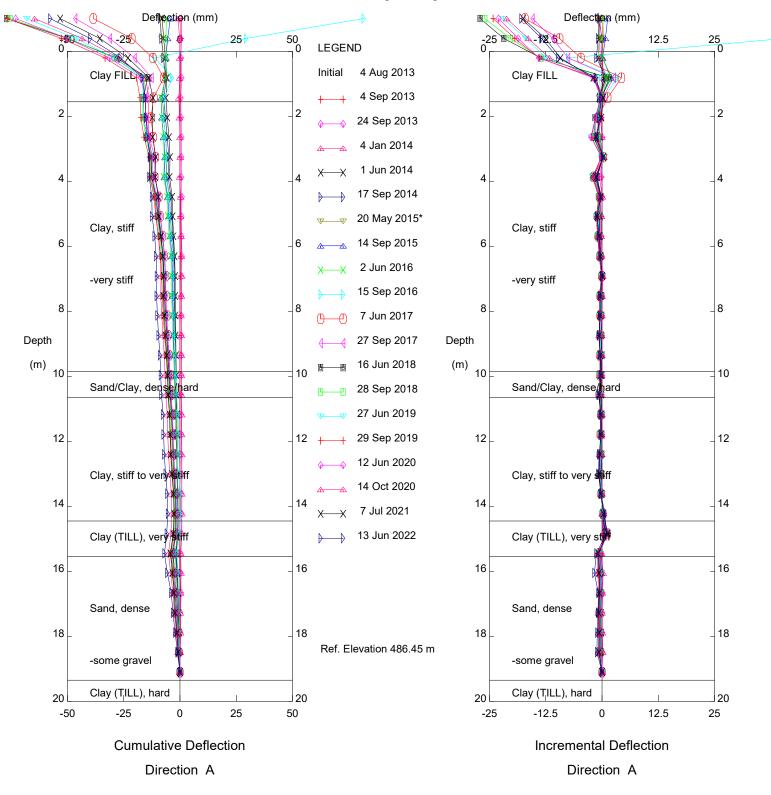
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	Easting (m)	Northing (m)		(m)	top of casing (m)	(below top of casing (m)
SP14-1	485221.459	6230689.704	13-Jun-22	1.00	4.21	15.45

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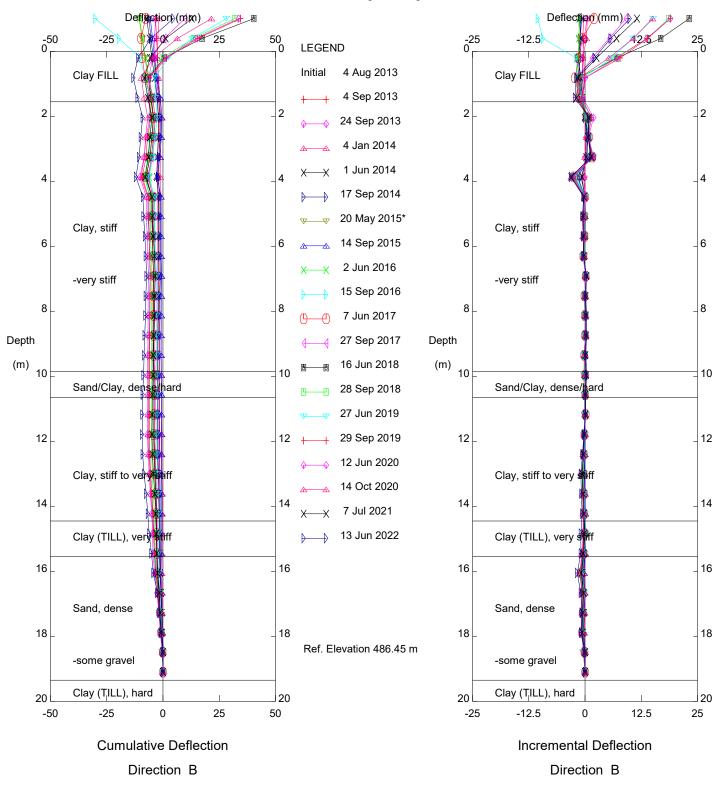


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SI	-10-1				
ALL S	ECTION 5 SI10-2	490m			
PN10-2 485m 4002-7 PILE WALL					
480m 475m					
>		470m			
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PEACE REGION (PEACE RIVER DISTRICT) PH070: HWY 2:60 PEACE RIVER EAST HILL RETAINING WALL SITE (km 33.84) INSTRUMENTATION READINGS					
	DRAWN BY	DWG No. 32121-PH070-2			
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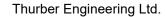
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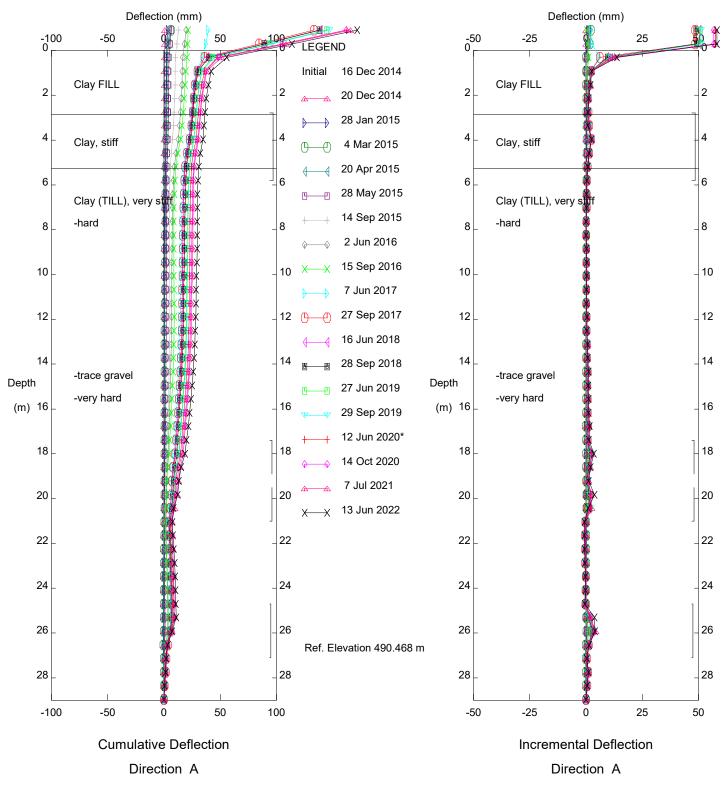
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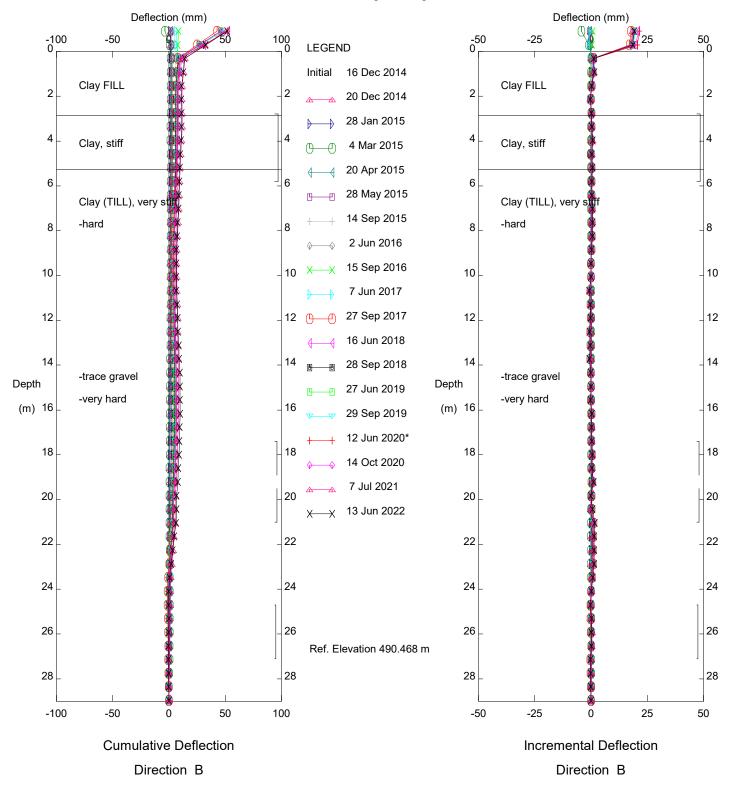
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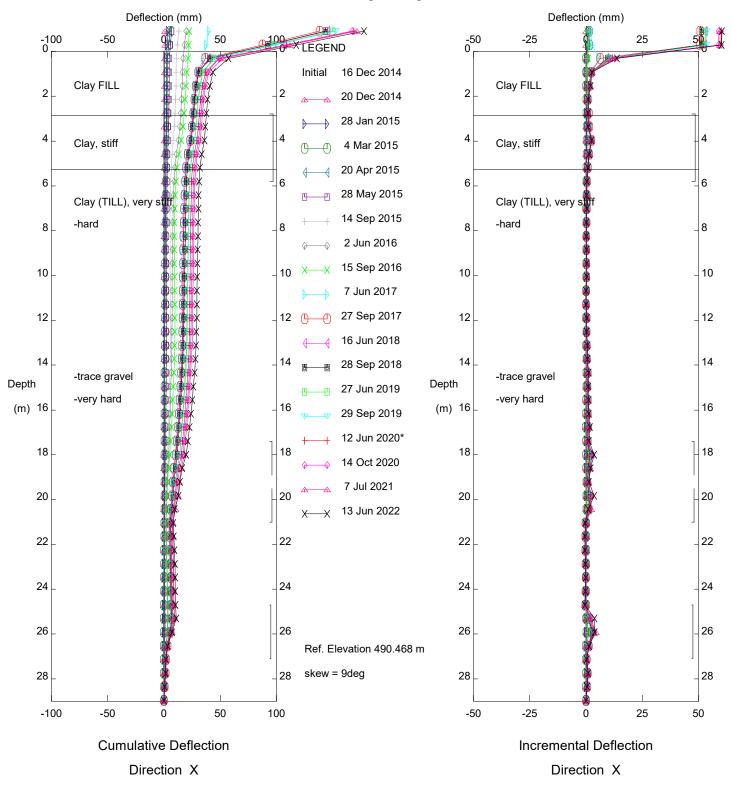


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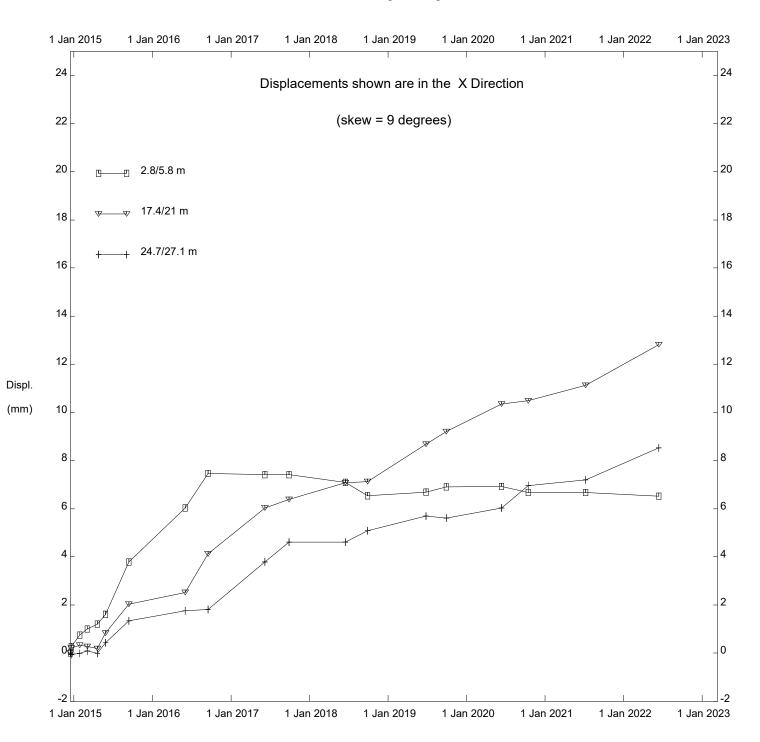
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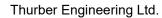


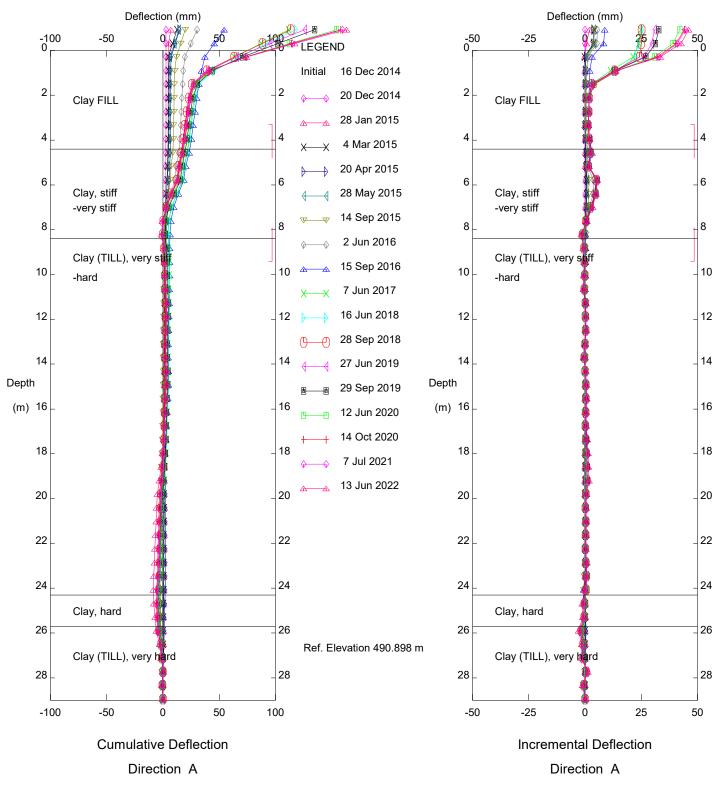
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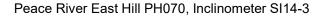
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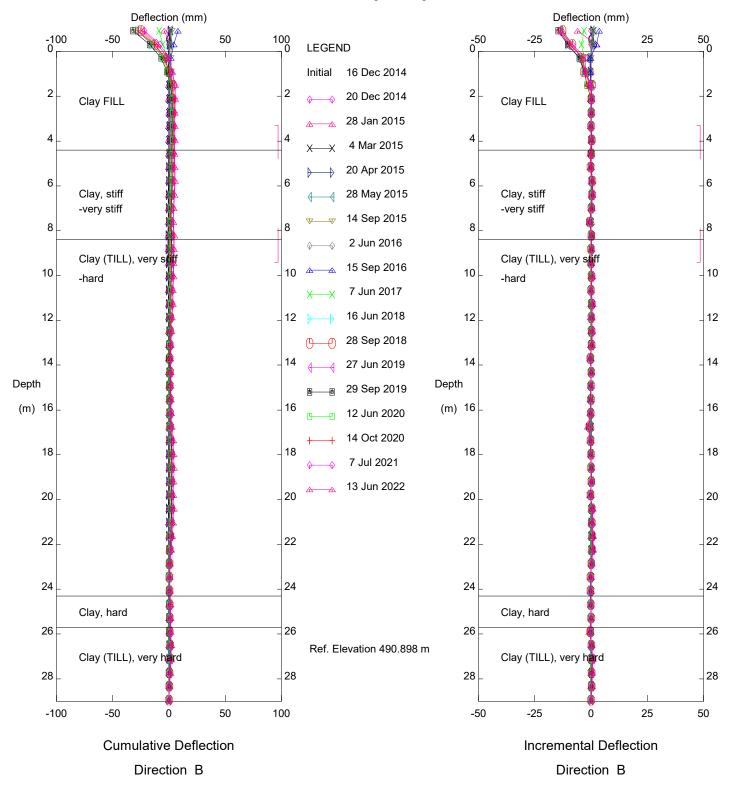


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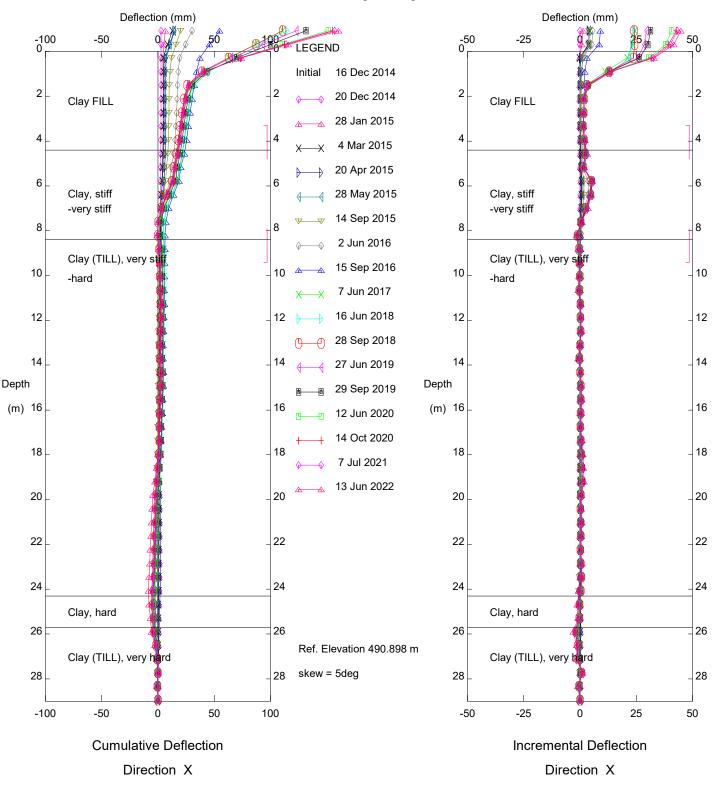




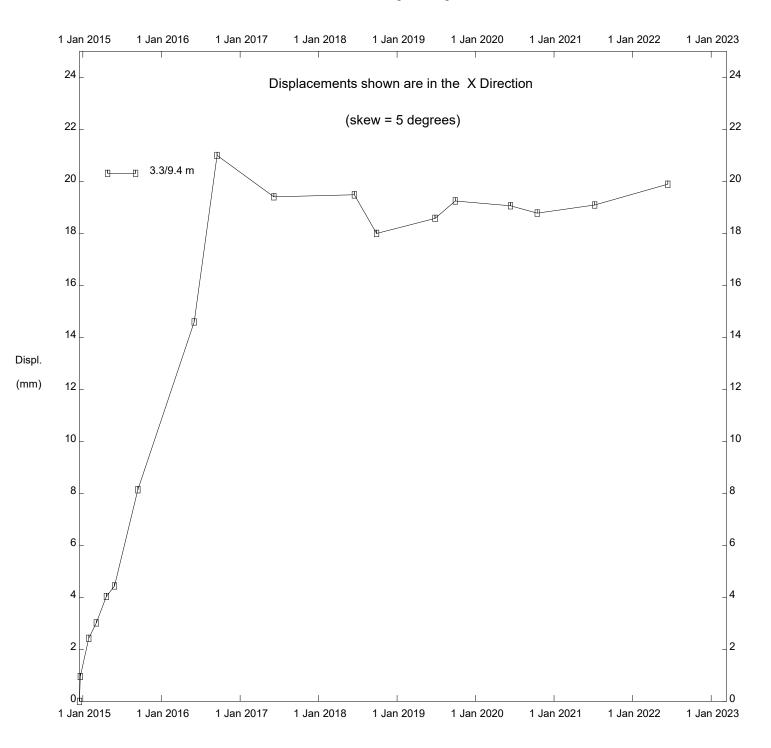




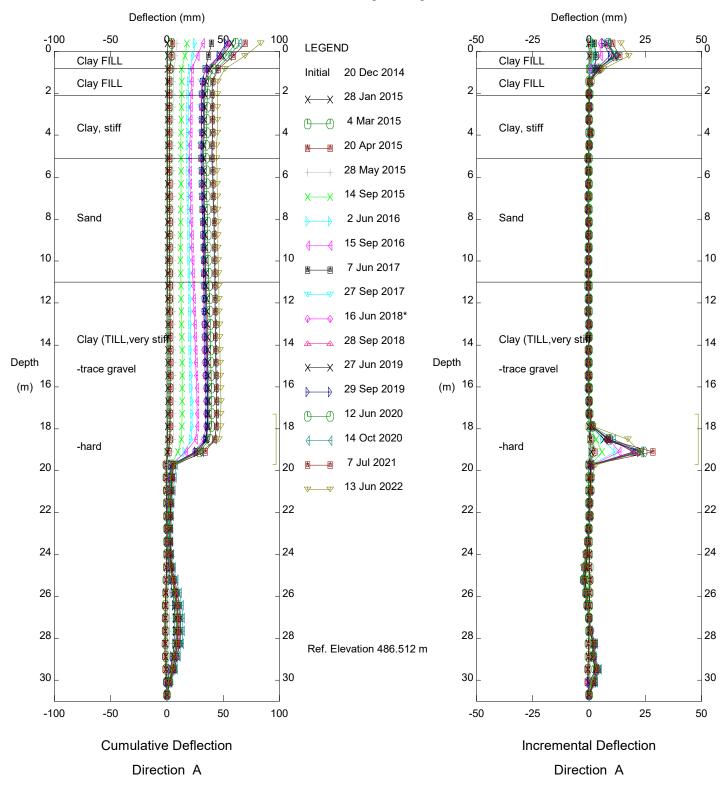




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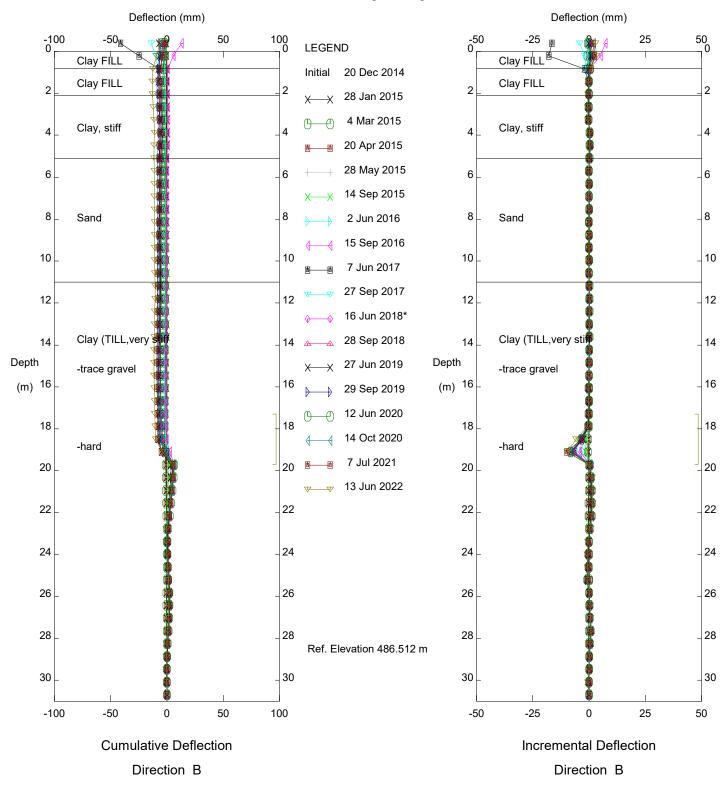


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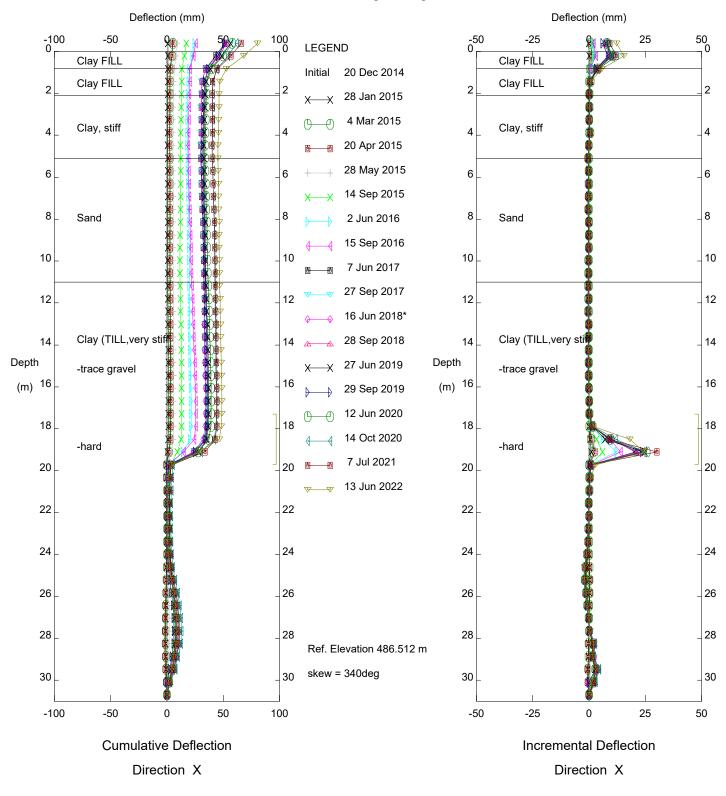


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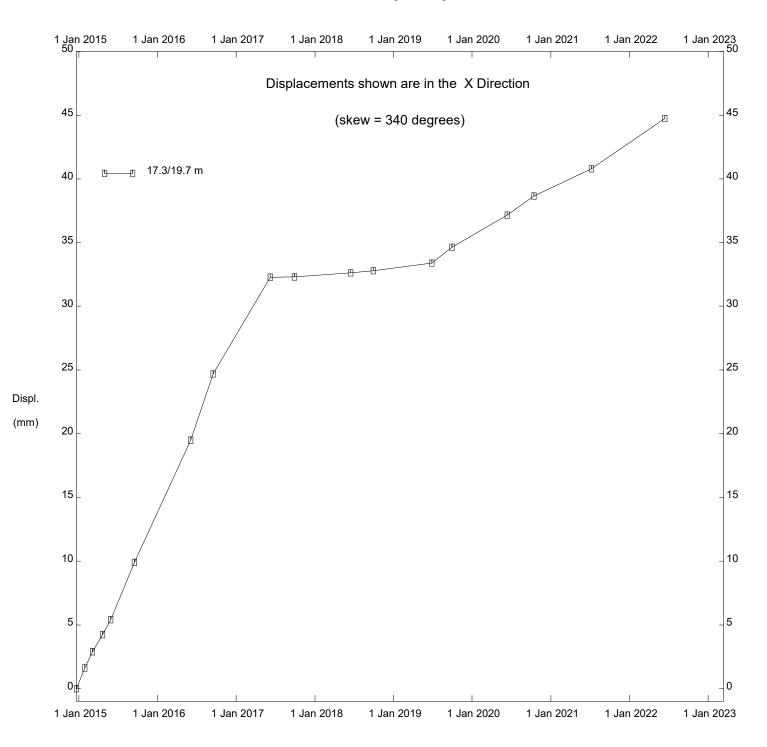
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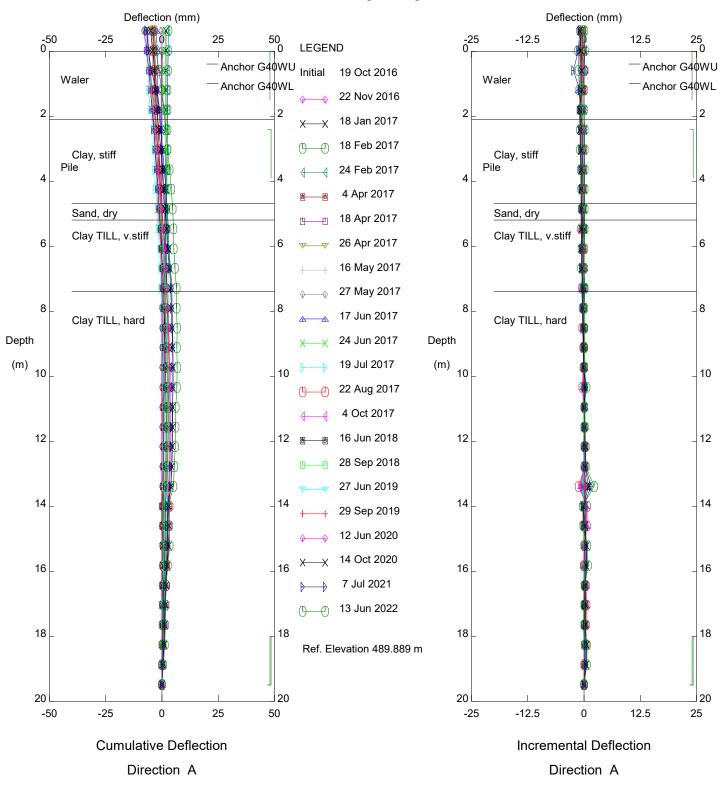


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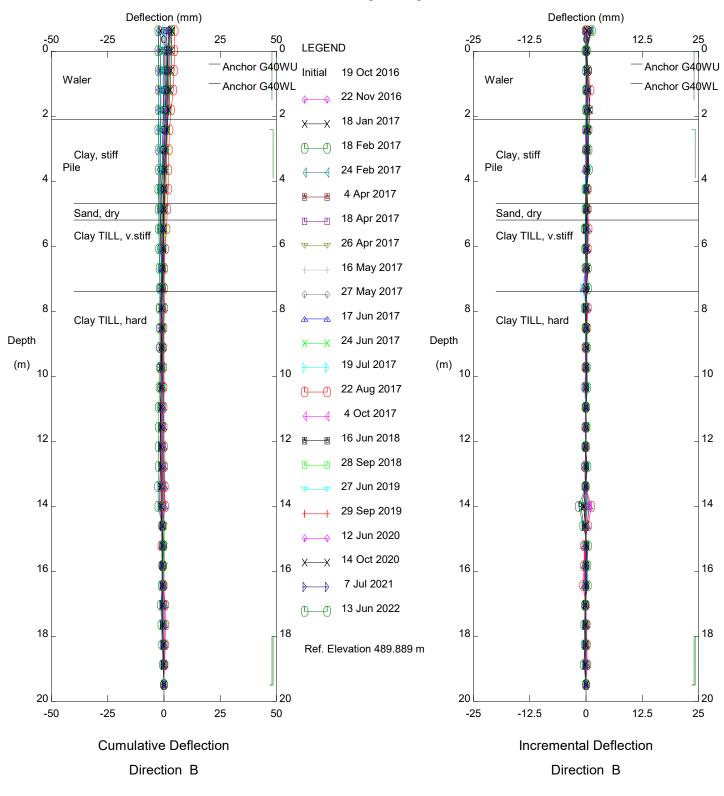
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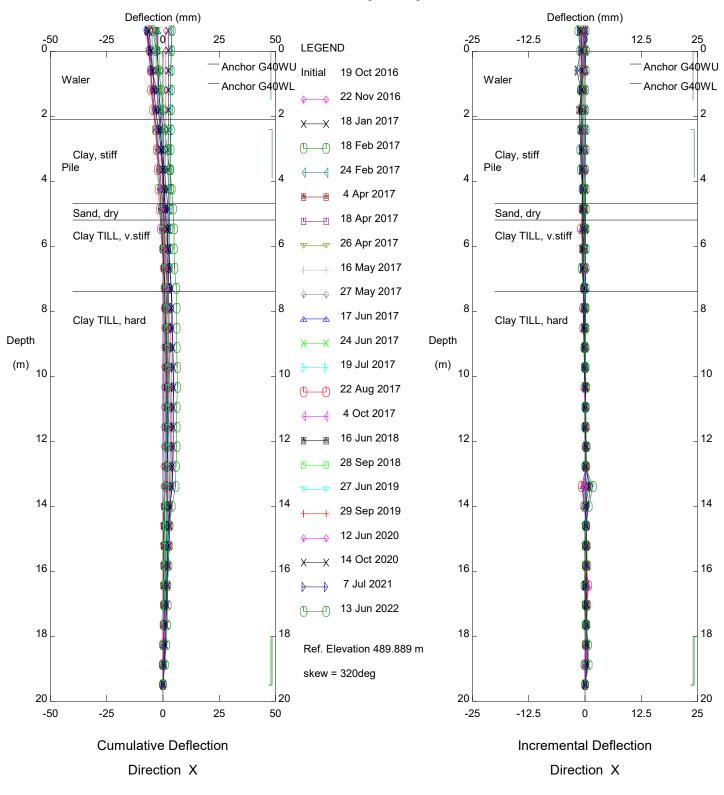
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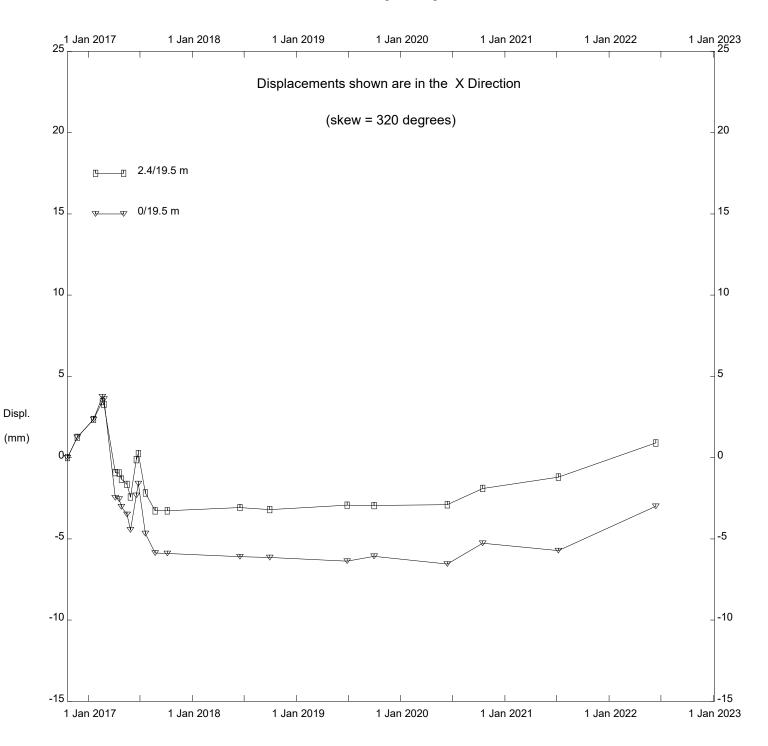




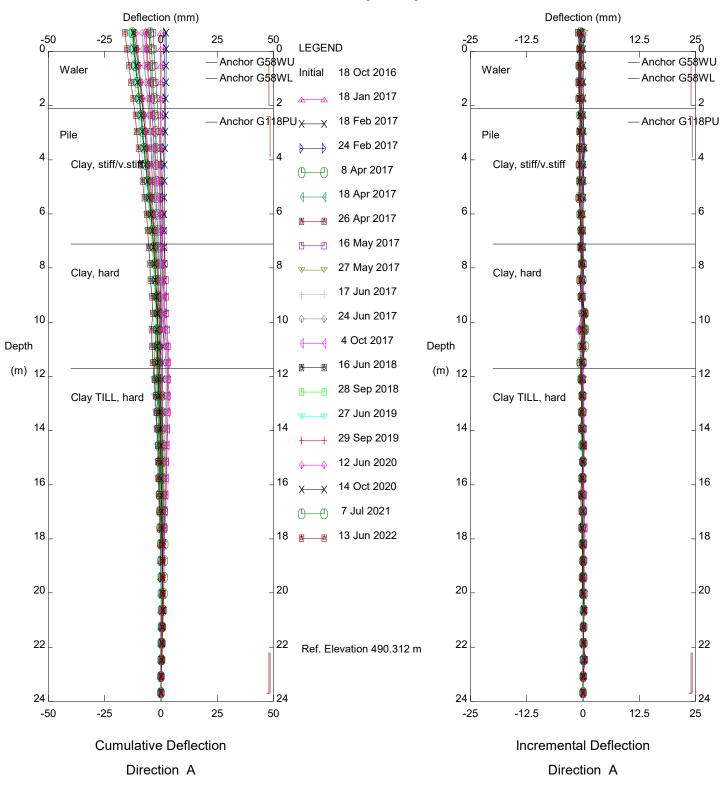




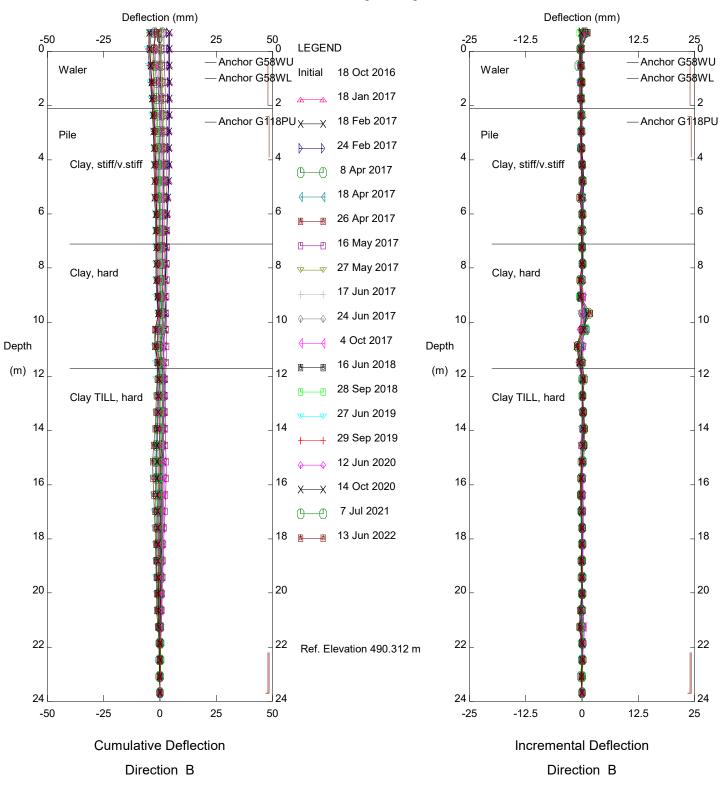




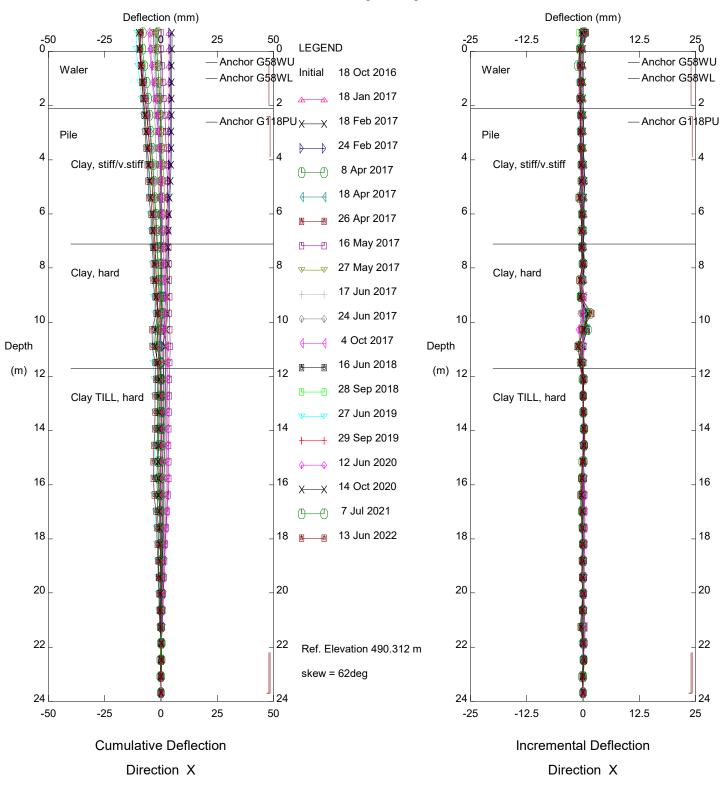
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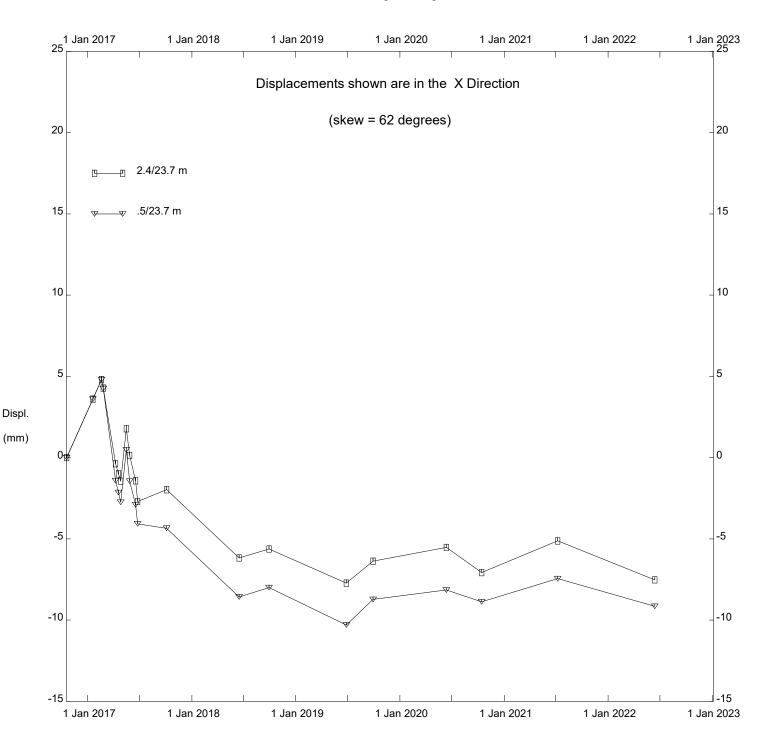
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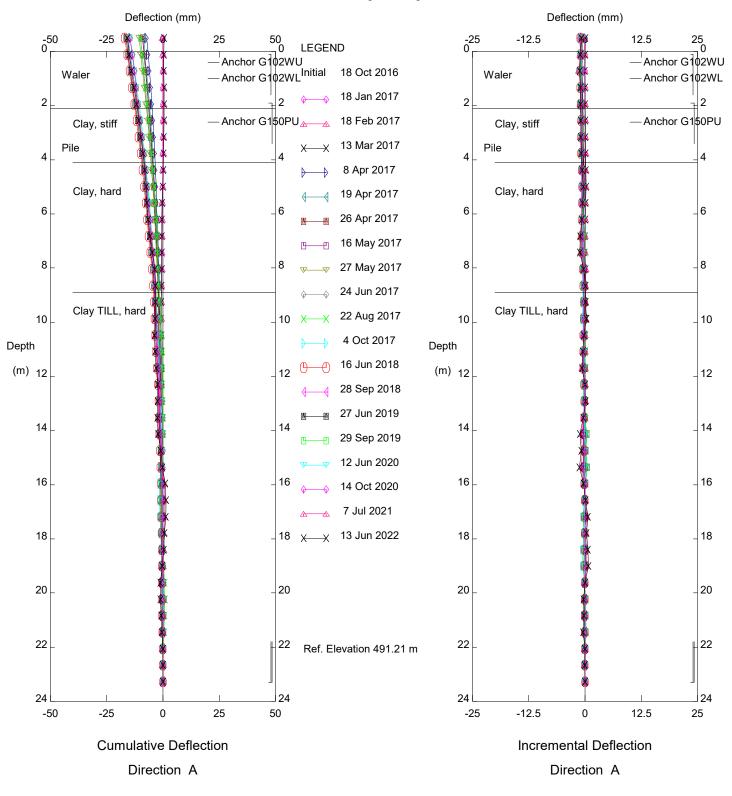




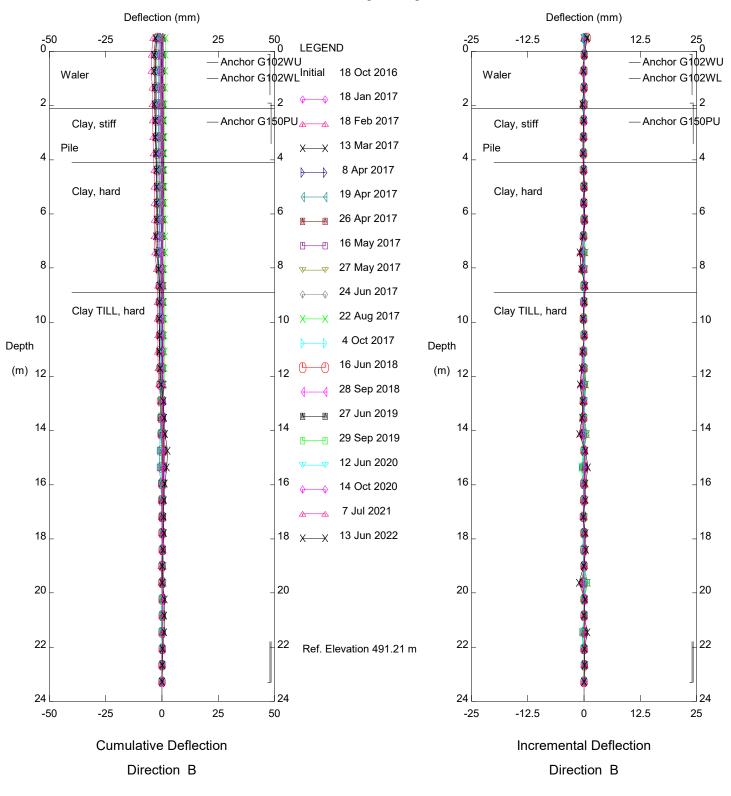




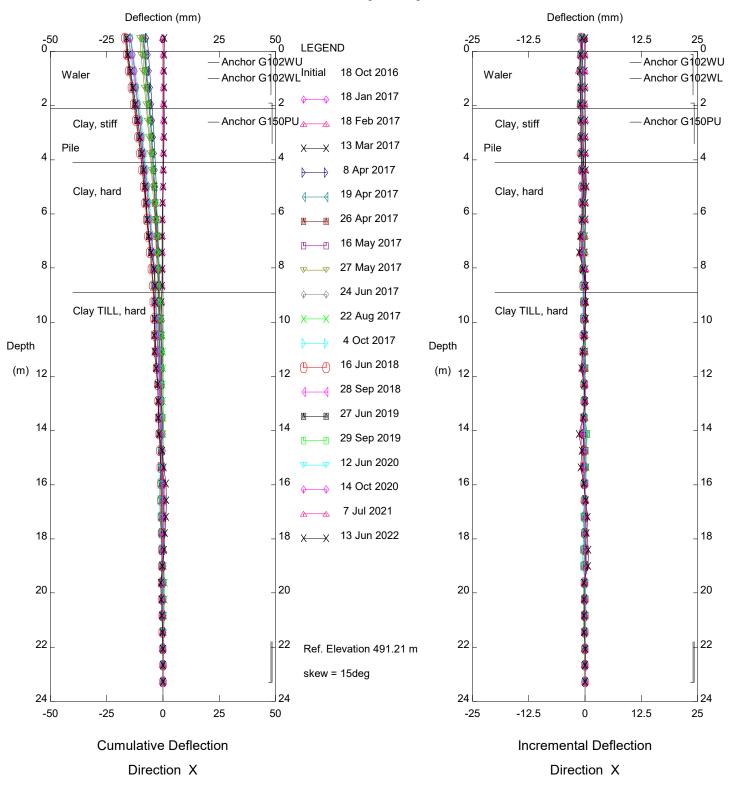
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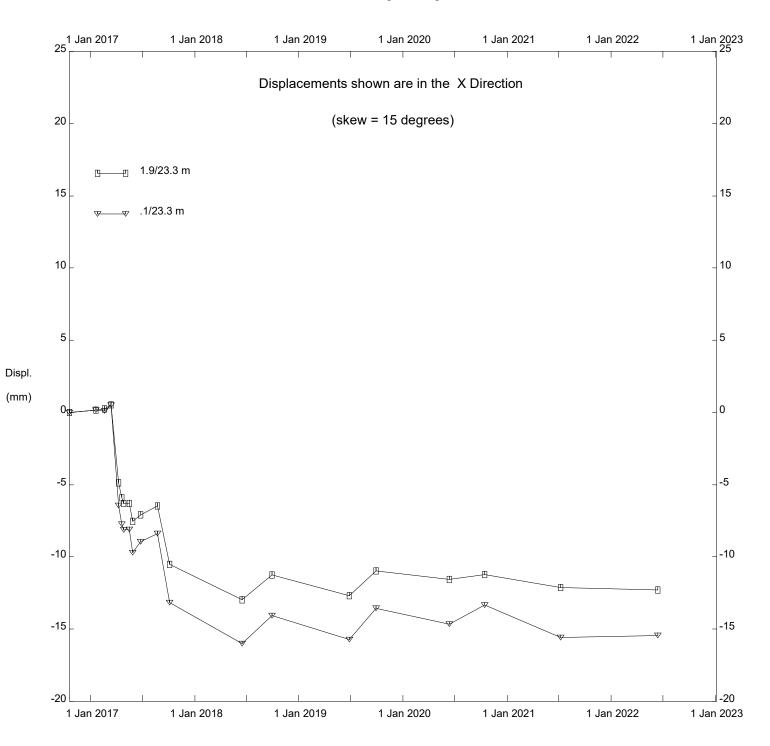




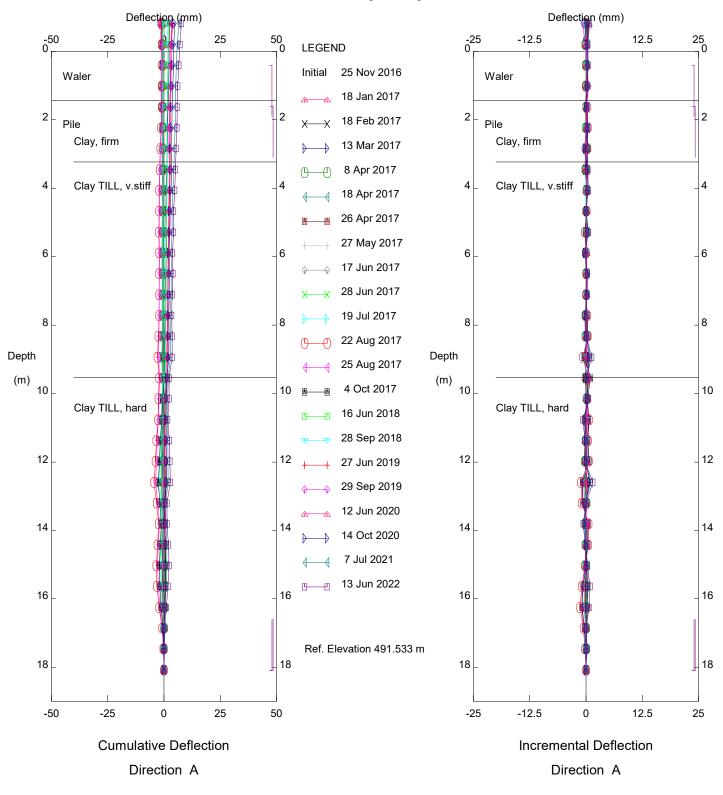




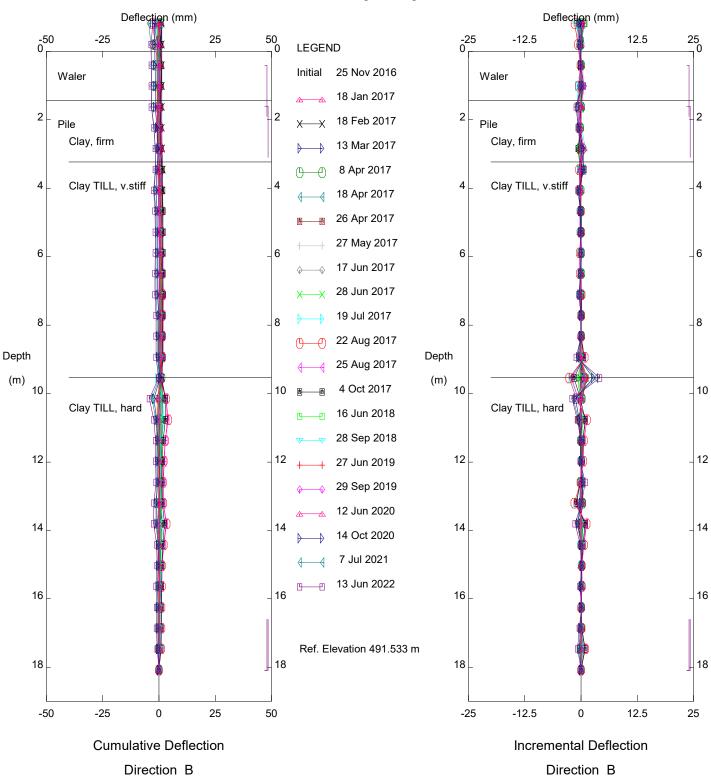




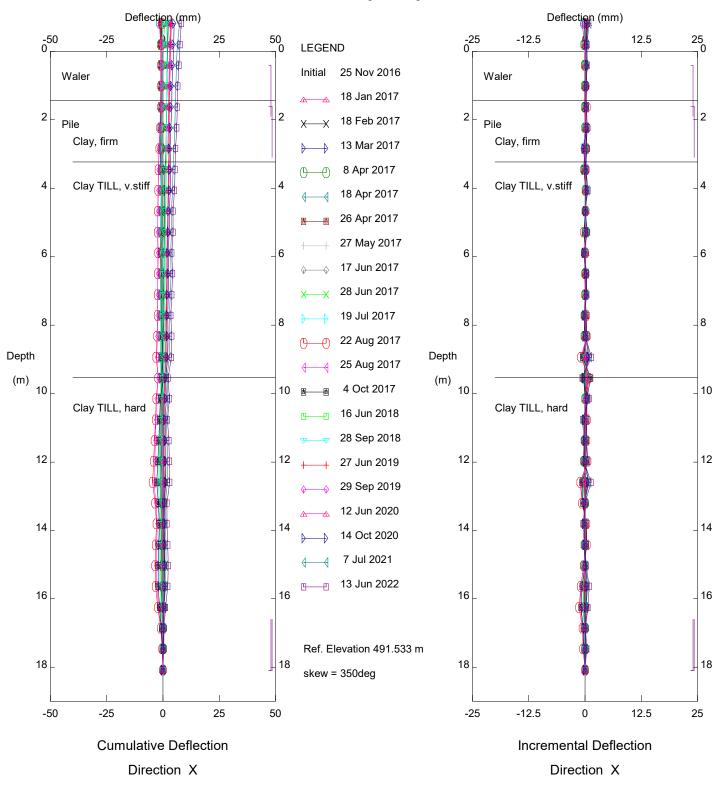
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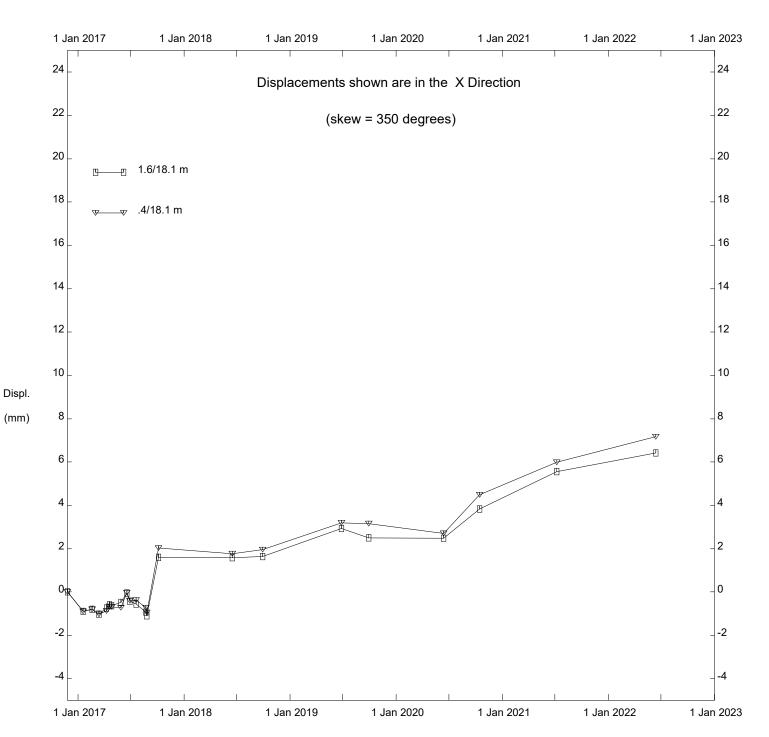




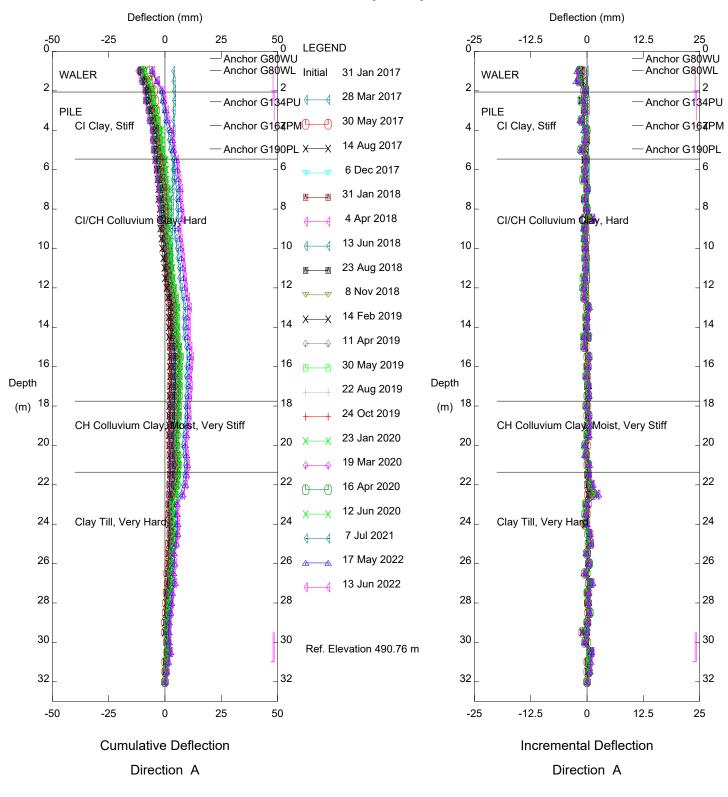
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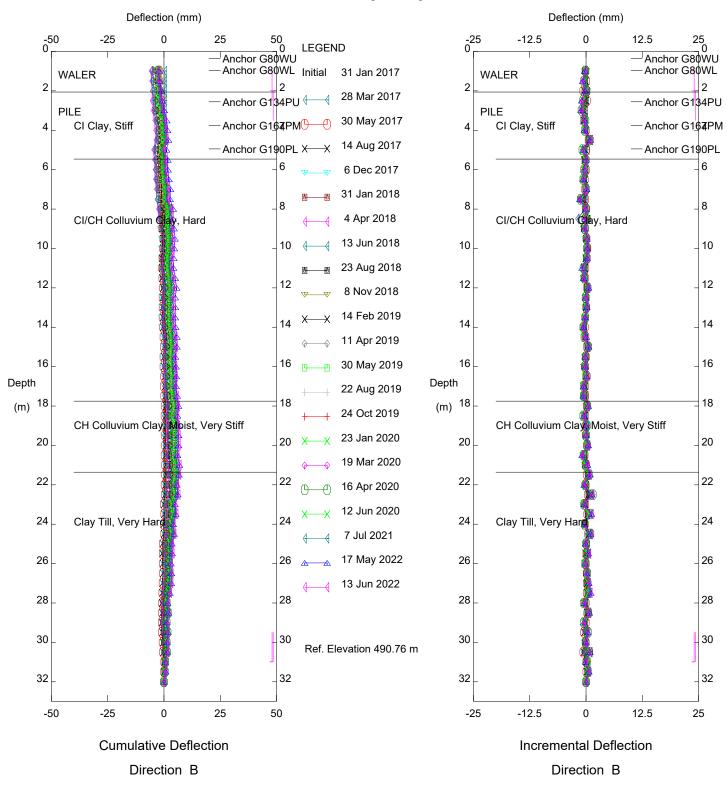




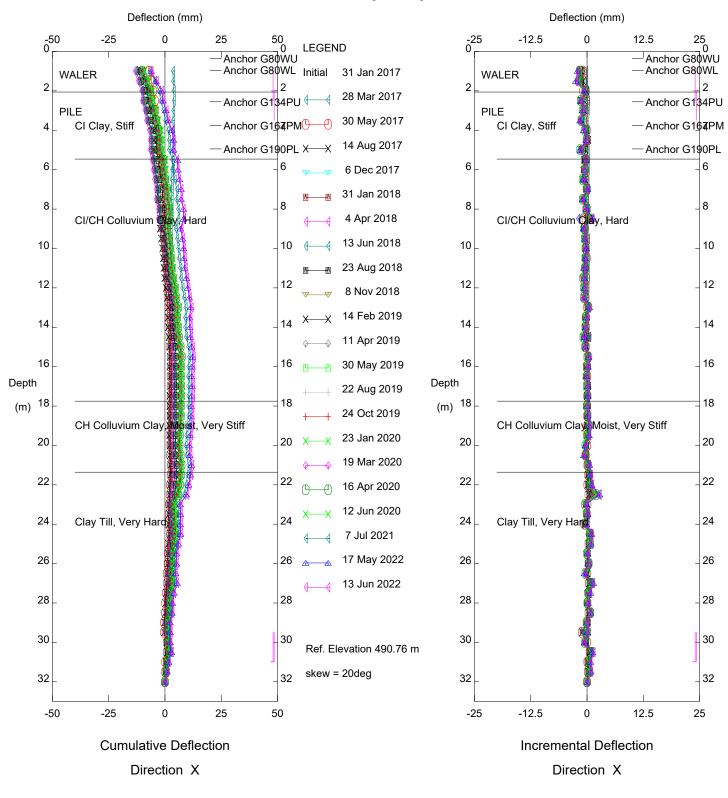
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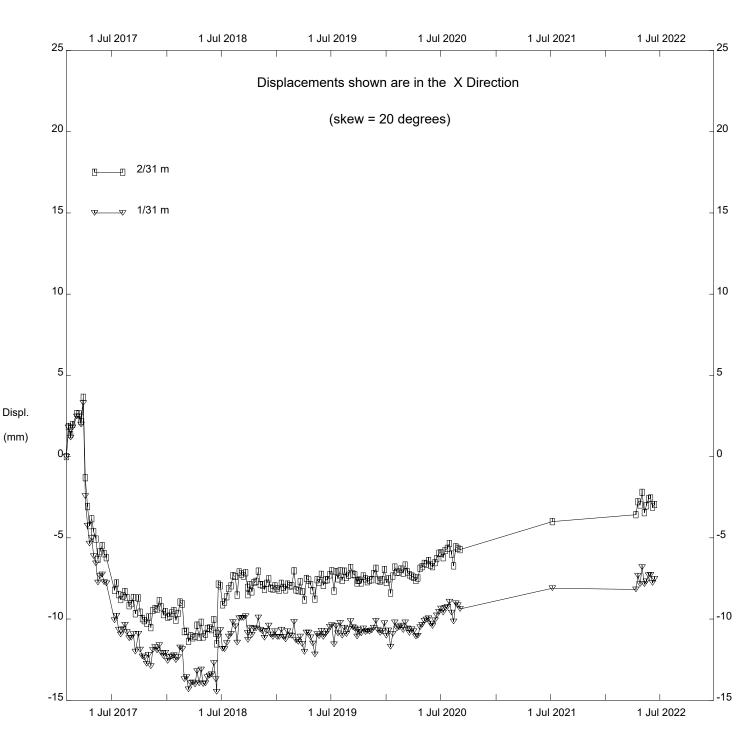






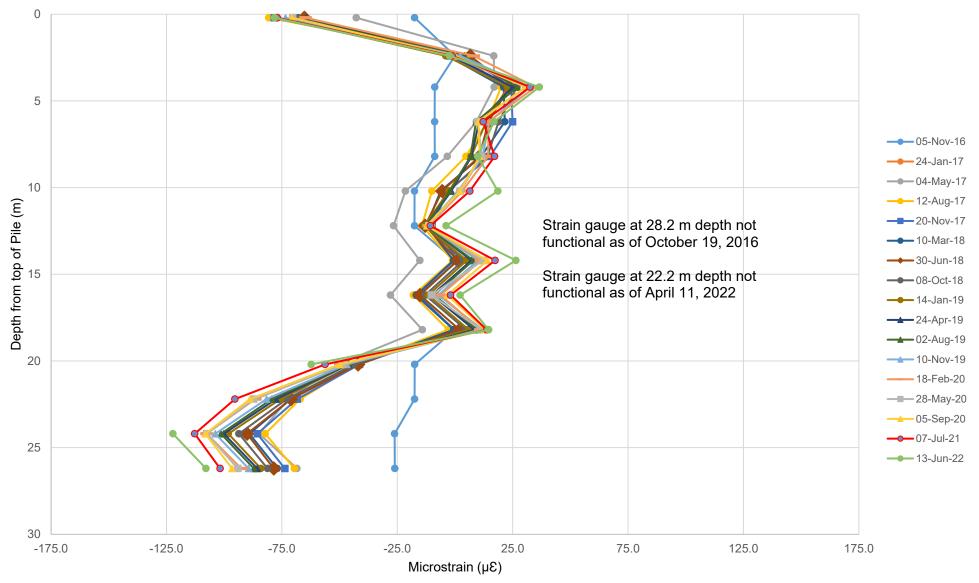






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## FIGURE PH070-1 HWY 2:60 PEACE RIVER EAST HILL RETAINING WALL SITE (km 33.84) PILE P74 DOWNSLOPE SIDE STRAIN GAUGE VALUES VS DEPTH



## FIGURE PH070-2 HWY 2:60 PEACE RIVER EAST HILL RETAINING WALL SITE (km 33.84) PILE P74 UPSLOPE SIDE STRAIN GAUGE VALUES VS DEPTH

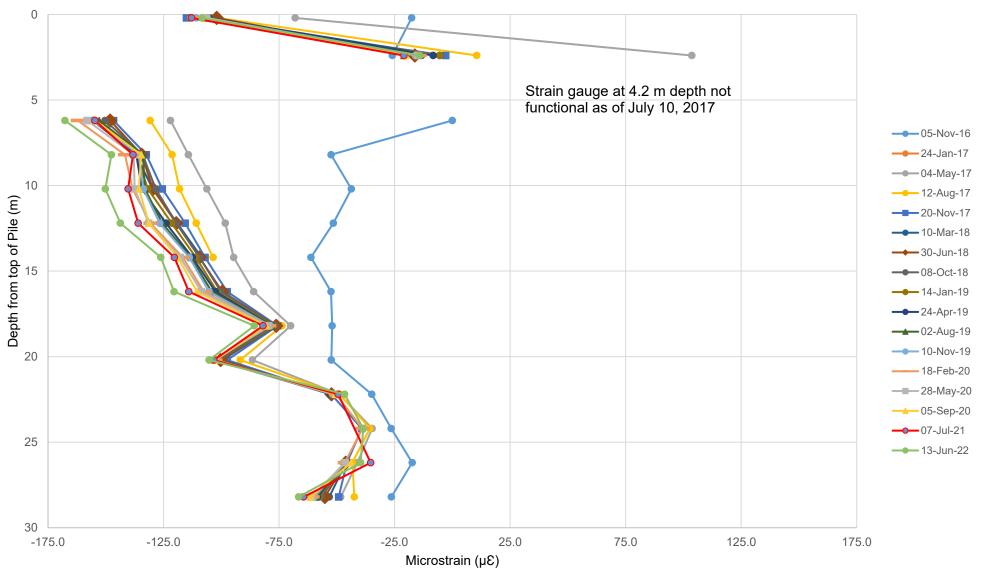
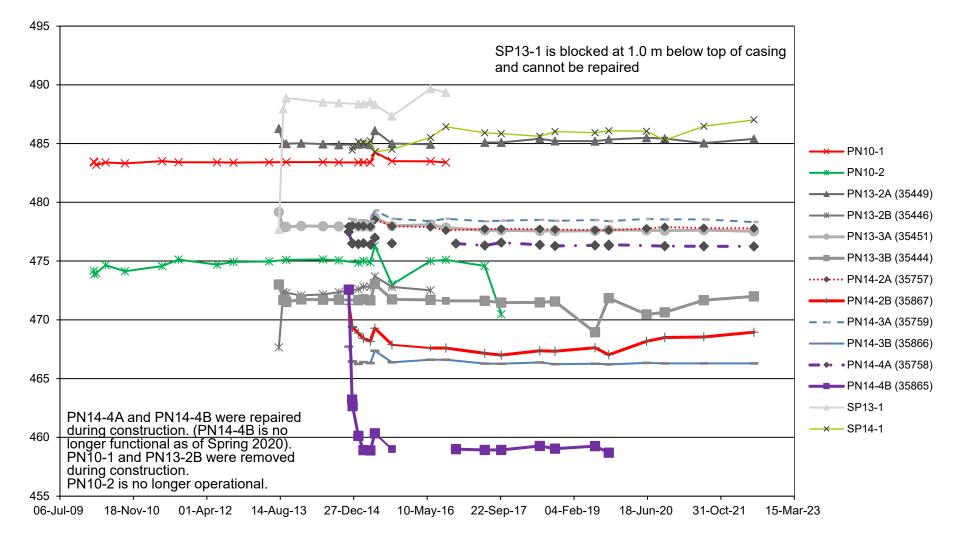
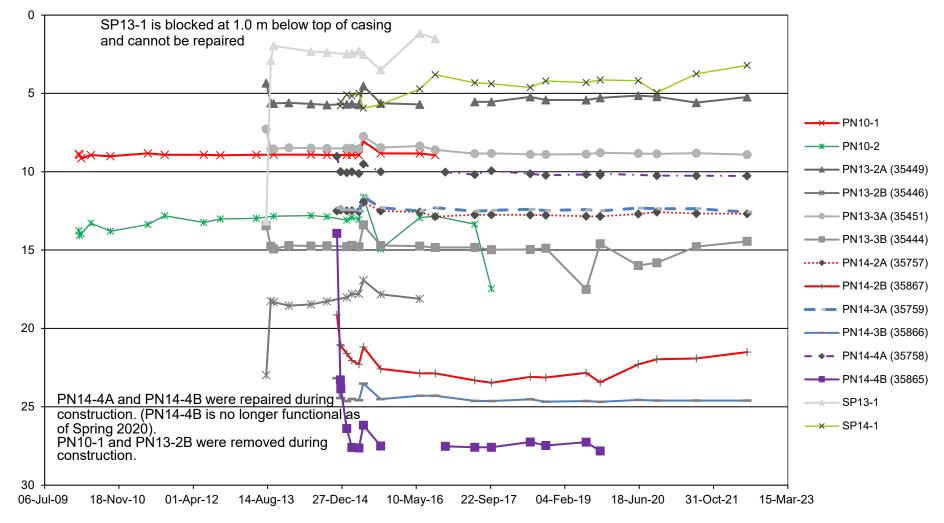
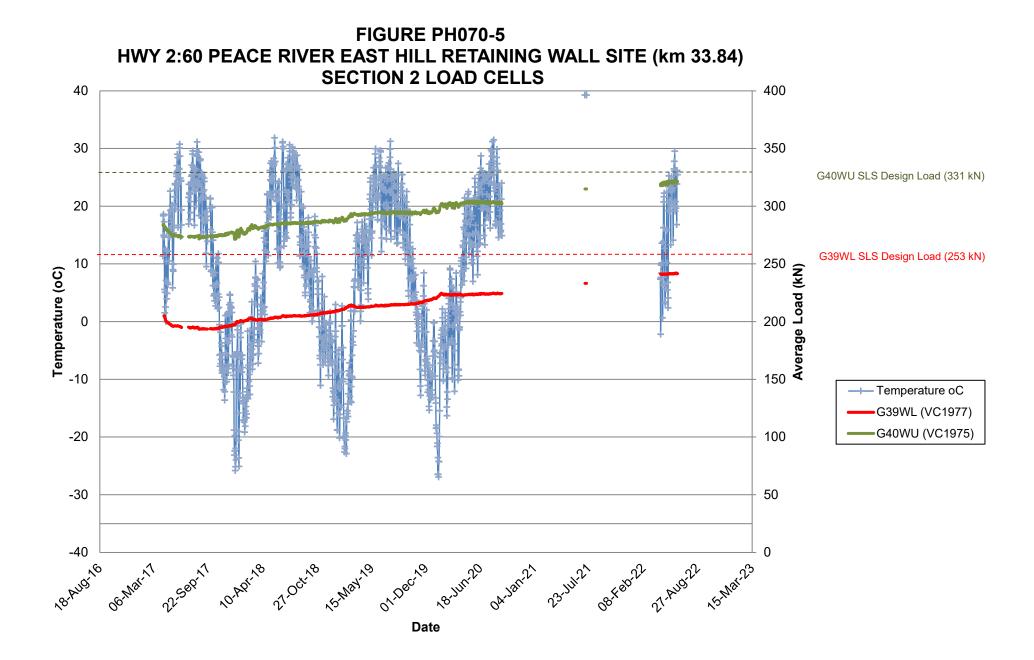


FIGURE PH070-3 HWY 2:60 PEACE RIVER EAST HILL RETAINING WALL SITE (km 33.84) PIEZOMETRIC ELEVATIONS



# FIGURE PH070-4 HWY 2:60 PEACE RIVER EAST HILL RETAINING WALL SITE (km 33.84) PIEZOMETRIC DEPTHS





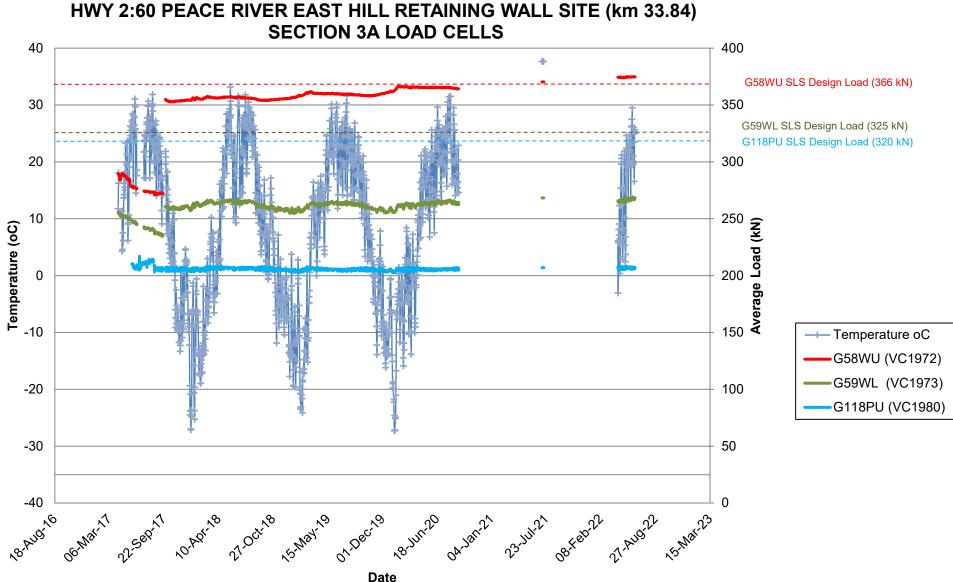


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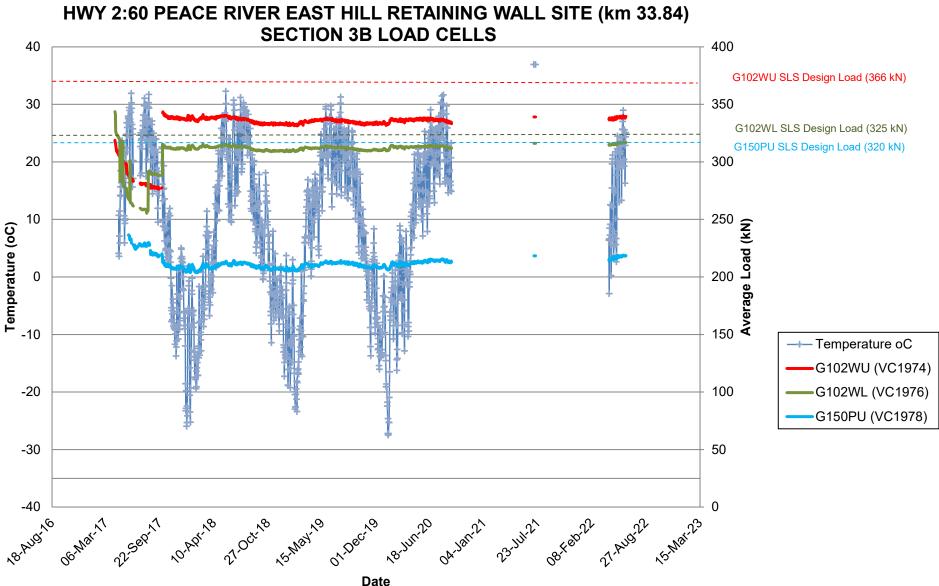
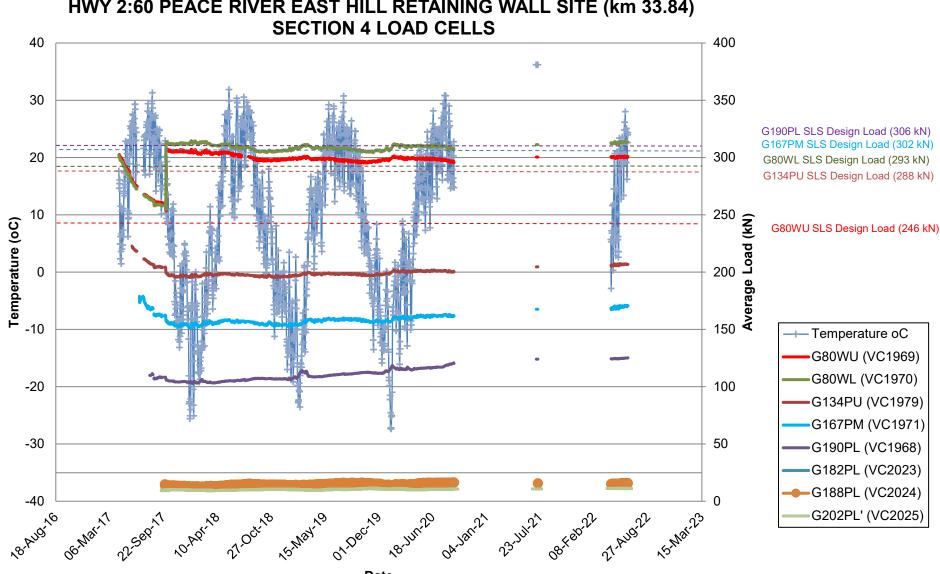


FIGURE PH070-7



**FIGURE PH070-8** HWY 2:60 PEACE RIVER EAST HILL RETAINING WALL SITE (km 33.84)

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