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Provincial Building
9621-96 Avenue
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Attention: Mr. Max Shannon

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

SECTION C

SITE PH045: HWY 35:08, MEIKLE RIVER (km 26.2 PILE WALL)

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 (GRMP) 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

Repairs were carried out at the Hwy 35:08 Meikle River Pile Wall site in 2016 after the spring instrument readings. The repairs consisted of installing steel H-piles and timber lagging against the downslope side of the wall to retain fillcrete placed to fill the voids that had developed under and behind (upslope) of the pile wall.

Three slope inclinometers (SI-49, 50 and 51) were read at the Meikle River Pile Wall site on June 16, 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 casings.



2. DATA PRESENTATION

2.1 General

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

2.2 Zones of Movement

Zones of new movement were not observed in the SIs since the previous readings in the spring of 2021.

Zones of movements are summarized in Table PH045-1 below. Table PH045-1 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.



**TABLE PH045-1
 SPRING 2022 – MEIKLE RIVER (KM 26.2 PILE WALL)
 SLOPE INCLINOMETER INSTRUMENTATION READING SUMMARY**

Date Monitored: June 16, 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-49	Dec. 15, 1997	155.3 mm over 1.5 m to 14.3 m depth in 216° direction	15.2 mm/y In June 1999	Operational	July 12, 2021	5.4	5.7	0.9
SI-50	Dec. 15, 1997	160.0 mm over 1.7 m to 13.9 m depth in 241° direction	14.2 mm/yr in Sept. 2011	Operational	July 12, 2021	4.1	4.4	1.5
SI-51	Dec. 15, 1997	73.3 mm over 1.8 m to 12.2 m depth in 267° direction	48.8 mm/yr In May 1998	Operational	July 12, 2021	2.6	2.8	6.9

Drawing 32121-PH045 in Appendix A provides a sketch of the approximate location of the monitoring instrumentation for this site.



3. INTERPRETATION OF MONITORING RESULTS

Slope inclinometers SI-49, 50, and 51 were installed inside the pile wall along the shoulder of the highway. The movement zones for the slope inclinometers installed in the piles are defined over the length of the pile and waler.

Since the spring of 2021 readings, slope inclinometer SI-49 showed a rate of movement of 5.7 mm/yr over 1.5 m to 14.3 m depth with a total cumulative deflection to date of 155.3 mm. Although this rate is slightly slower than overall rate (since initialization) of 6.3 mm/year, the trend has been steady. SI-50 showed a rate of movement of 4.4 mm/yr over 1.7 m to 13.9 m depth since the spring of 2021 readings with a total cumulative movement to date of 160.0 mm. This rate is slower than the overall rate of 6.5 mm/year but there are indications that the movement rate has accelerated slightly since Spring 2020. SI-51 showed a rate of movement of 2.8 mm/yr since the spring of 2021 readings with a total cumulative movement to date of 73.3 mm. The rate of movement had been negative over the last two cycles which has also happened in the past. The trend in this inclinometer appears to be inconsistent.

Overall, the movement pattern at SI-49 appears to have been unaffected by the repairs undertaken in 2016. SI-50 showed a marked reduction in movement rate and SI-51 is somewhat inconclusive due to the irregular movement trends.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 Future Work

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

4.2 Instrumentation Repairs

No instrumentation 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,
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Geotechnical Engineer
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Attachments:

- Statement of Limitations and Conditions
- Appendix A
 - Field Inspector's report
 - Site Plan Showing Approximate Instrument Locations (Drawing No. 32121-PH045)
 - SI Reading Plots



STATEMENT OF LIMITATIONS AND CONDITIONS

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**APPENDIX A
DATA PRESENTATION**

SITE PH045: HWY 35:08, MEIKLE RIVER (km 26.2 PILE WALL)

**ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION
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INSTRUMENTATION MONITORING FIELD SUMMARY (PH045)
SPRING 2022**

Location: Meikle River Retaining Wall (HWY 35:08 C1 26.266) File Number: 32121 Probe: RST set 5R & 8R Cable: RST set 5R & 8R	Readout: Casing Size: 3.34 Temp: 23 Read by: NKR/JD
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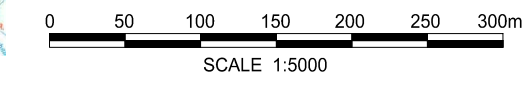
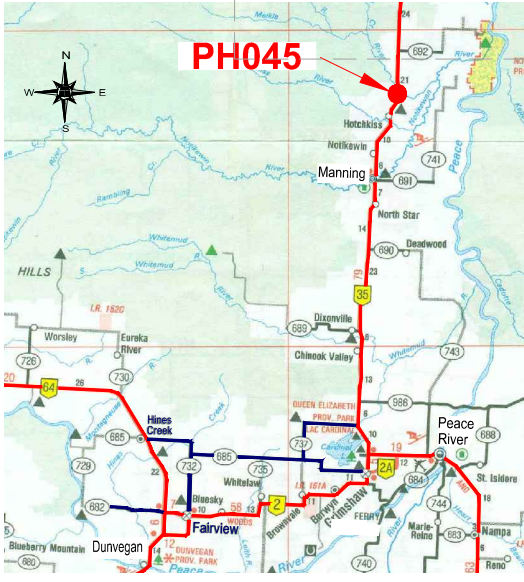
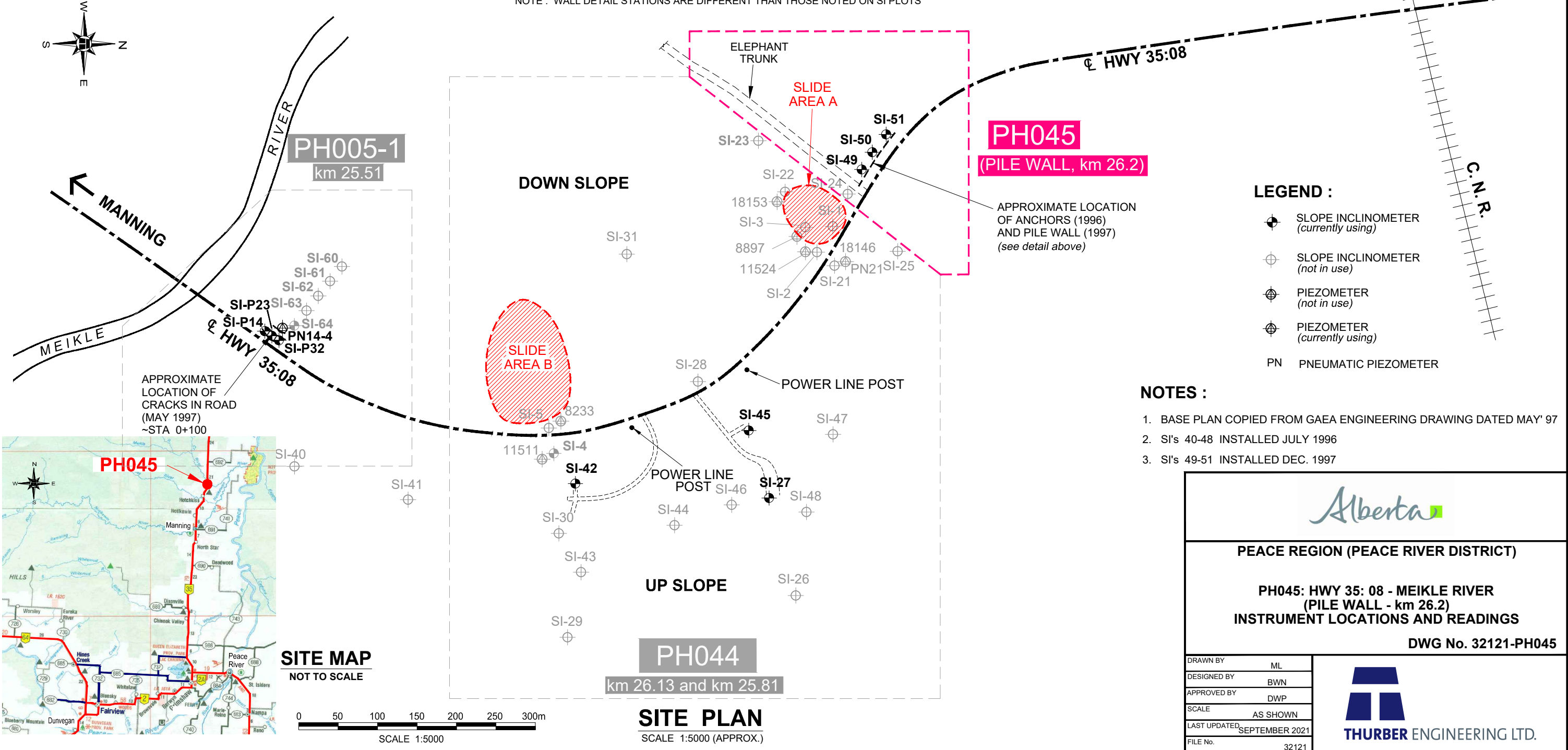
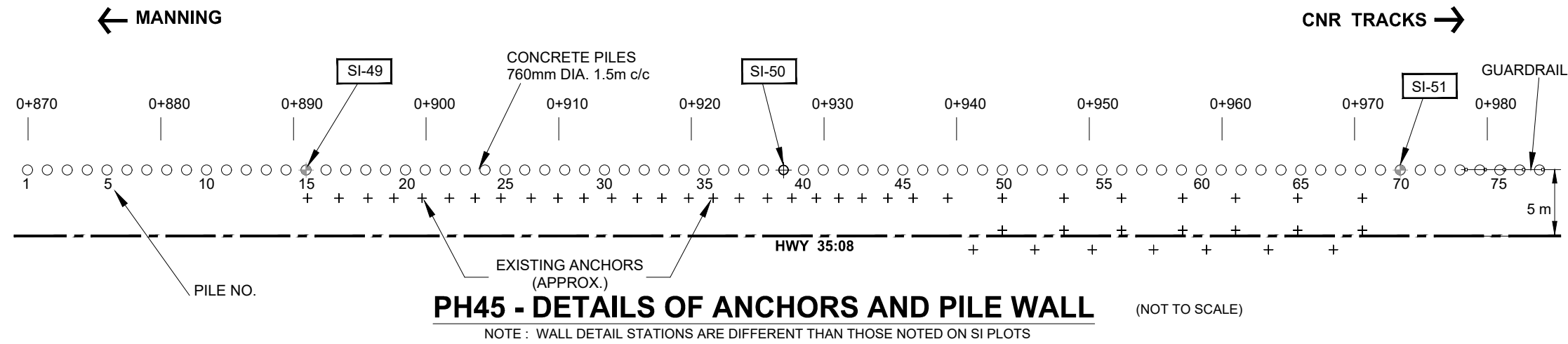
SLOPE INCLINOMETER (SI) READINGS

SI#	GPS Location (UTM 11)		Date	Stickup (m)	Depth from top of casing (ft)	Magn. North A+ Groove	Current Bottom Depth Readings				Probe/ Reel #	Remarks
	Easting (m)	Northing (m)					A+	A-	B+	B-		
SI-49	467580.75	6333080.85	16-Jun-22	0.37	78 to 2	215°	111	-99	90	-86	8R/8R	
SI-50	467545.56	6333099.72	16-Jun-22	0.10	76 to 2	225°	80	-63	238	-232	8R/8R	**
SI-51	467545.72	6333120.09	16-Jun-22	0.00	70 to 2	145°	175	-219	-312	280	5R/5R	*

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* SI-51 probe comes to surface not in grooves, may be damaged at 2 feet depth. Top of casing damaged
** SI-50 - top of SI slightly damaged

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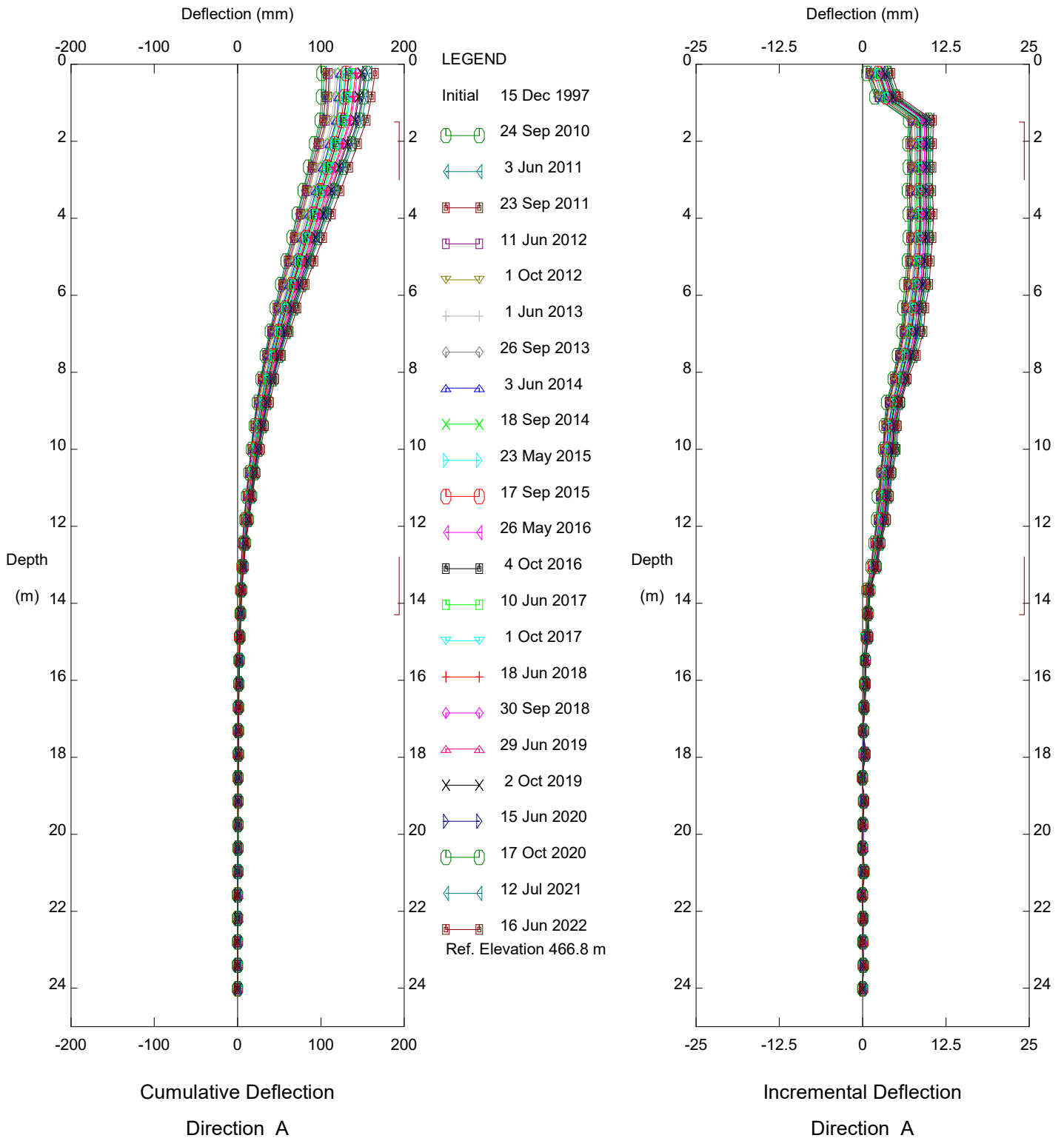
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INSTRUMENT LOCATIONS AND READINGS

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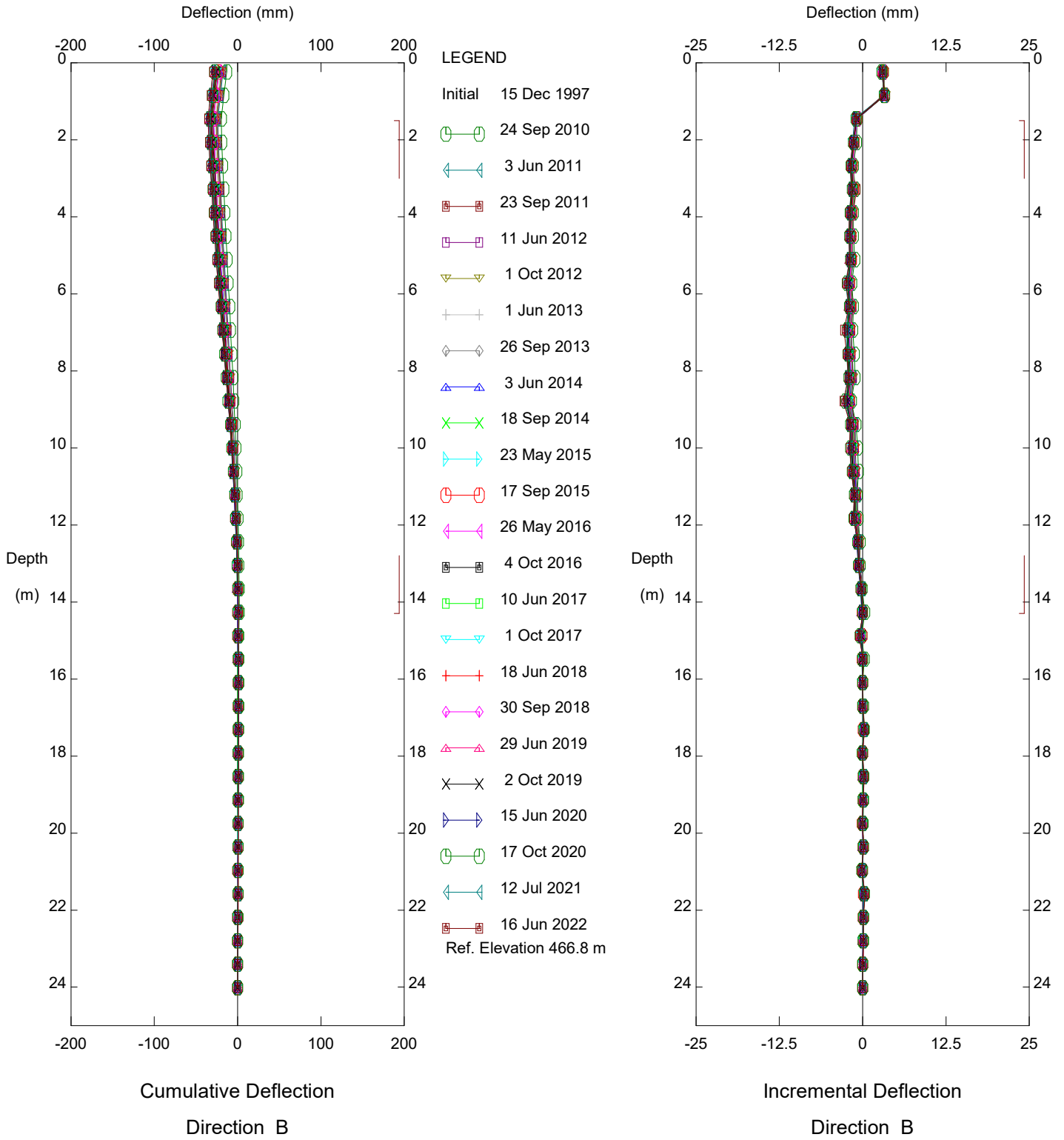
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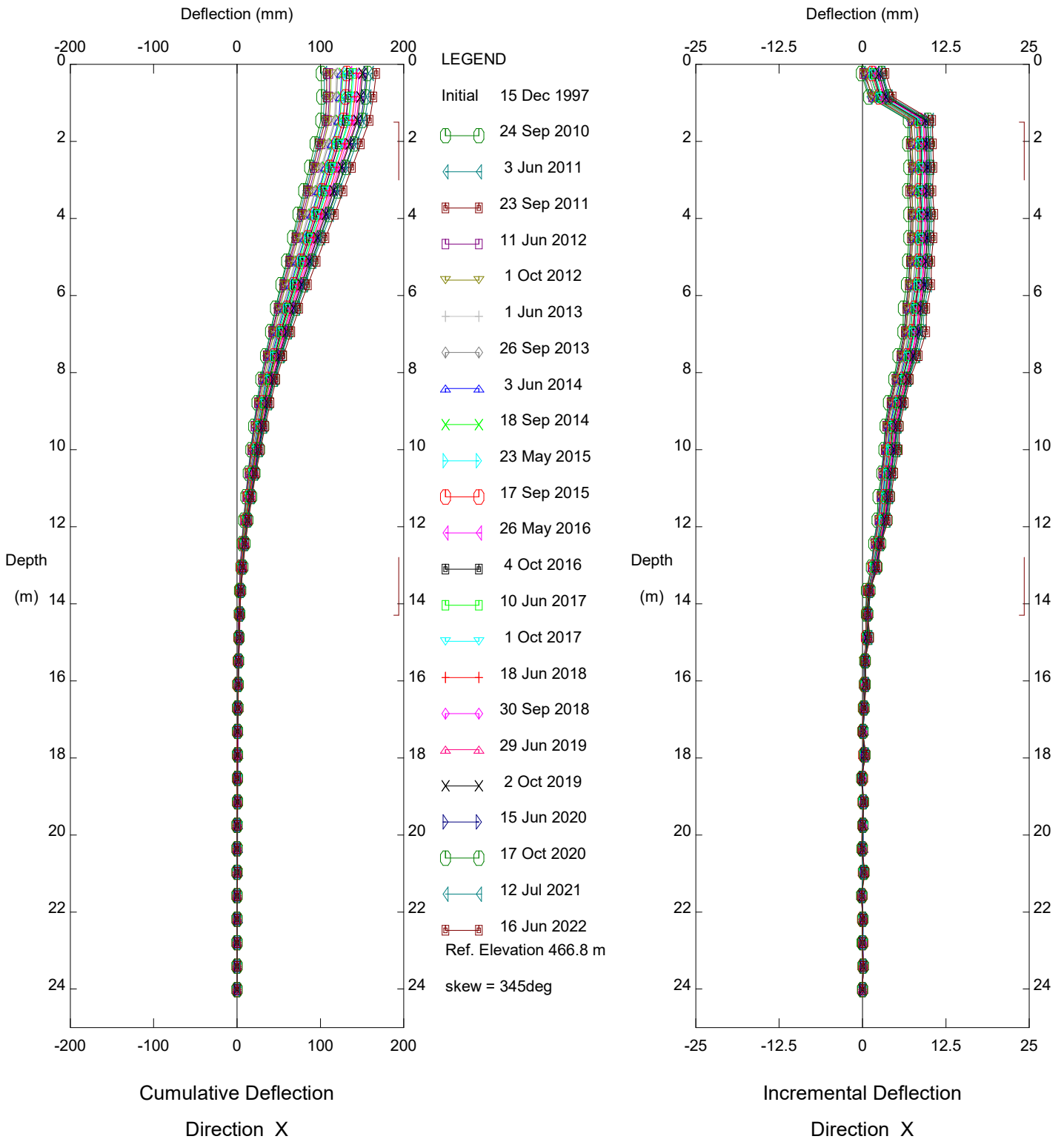
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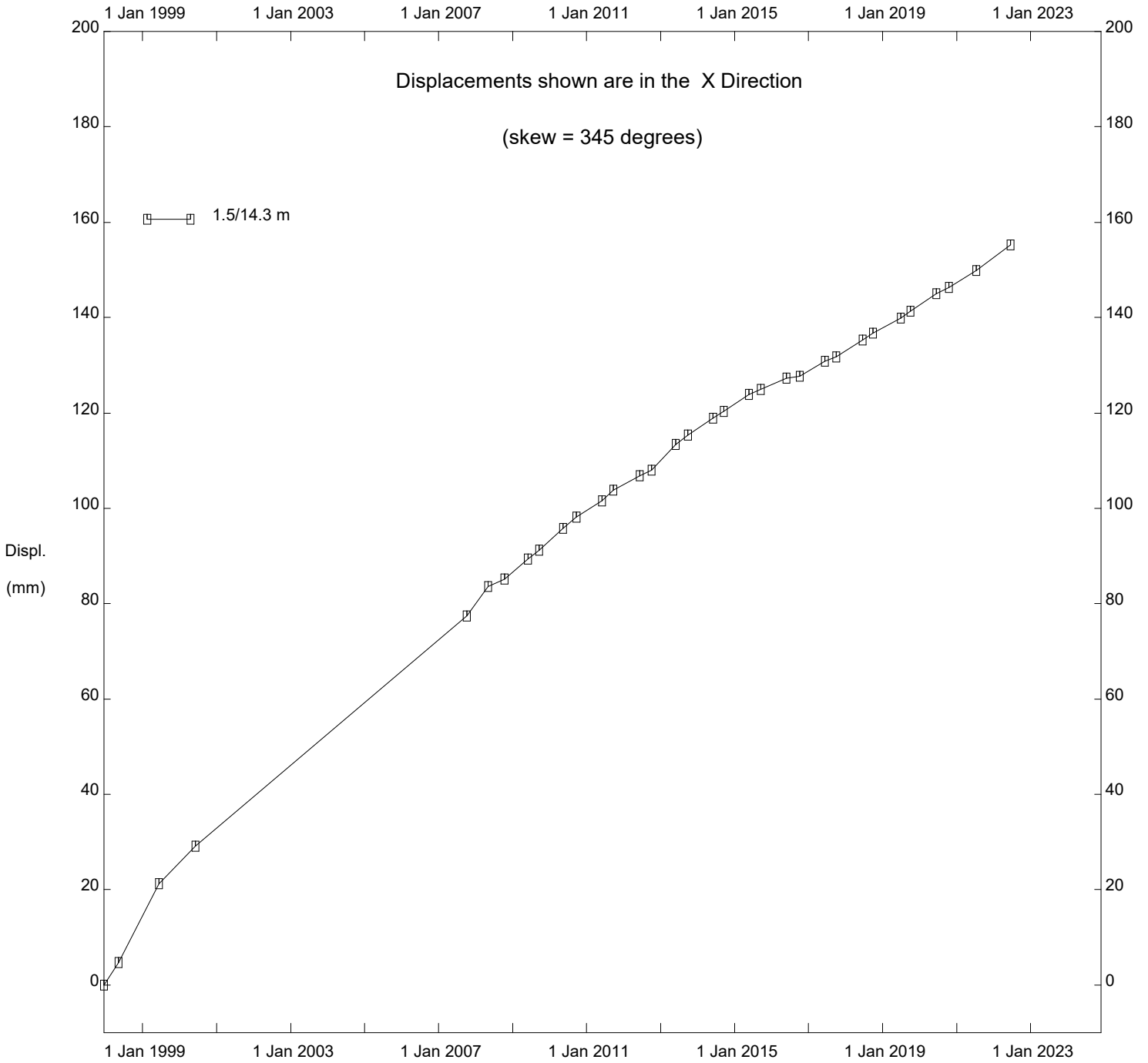
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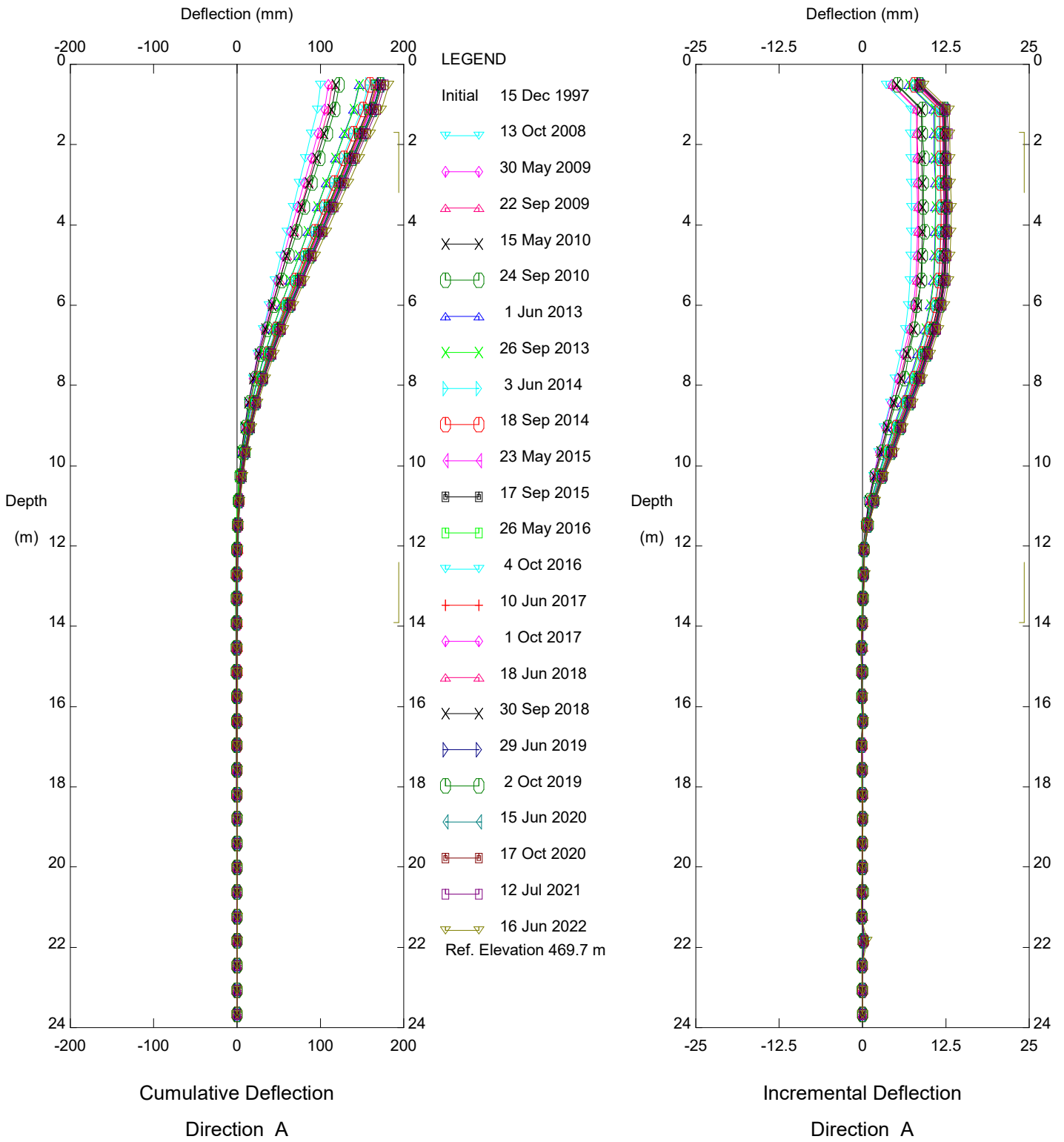
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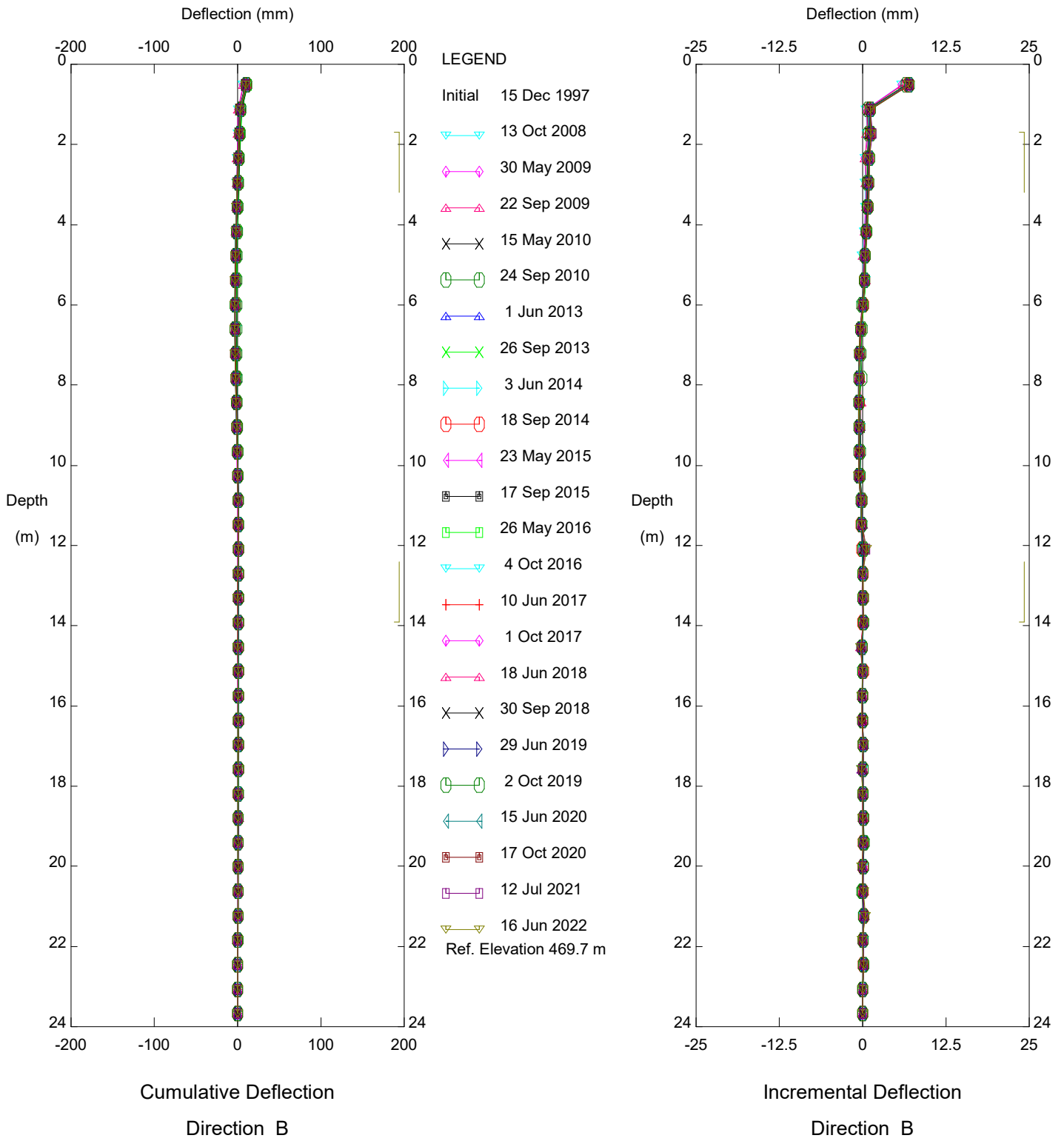
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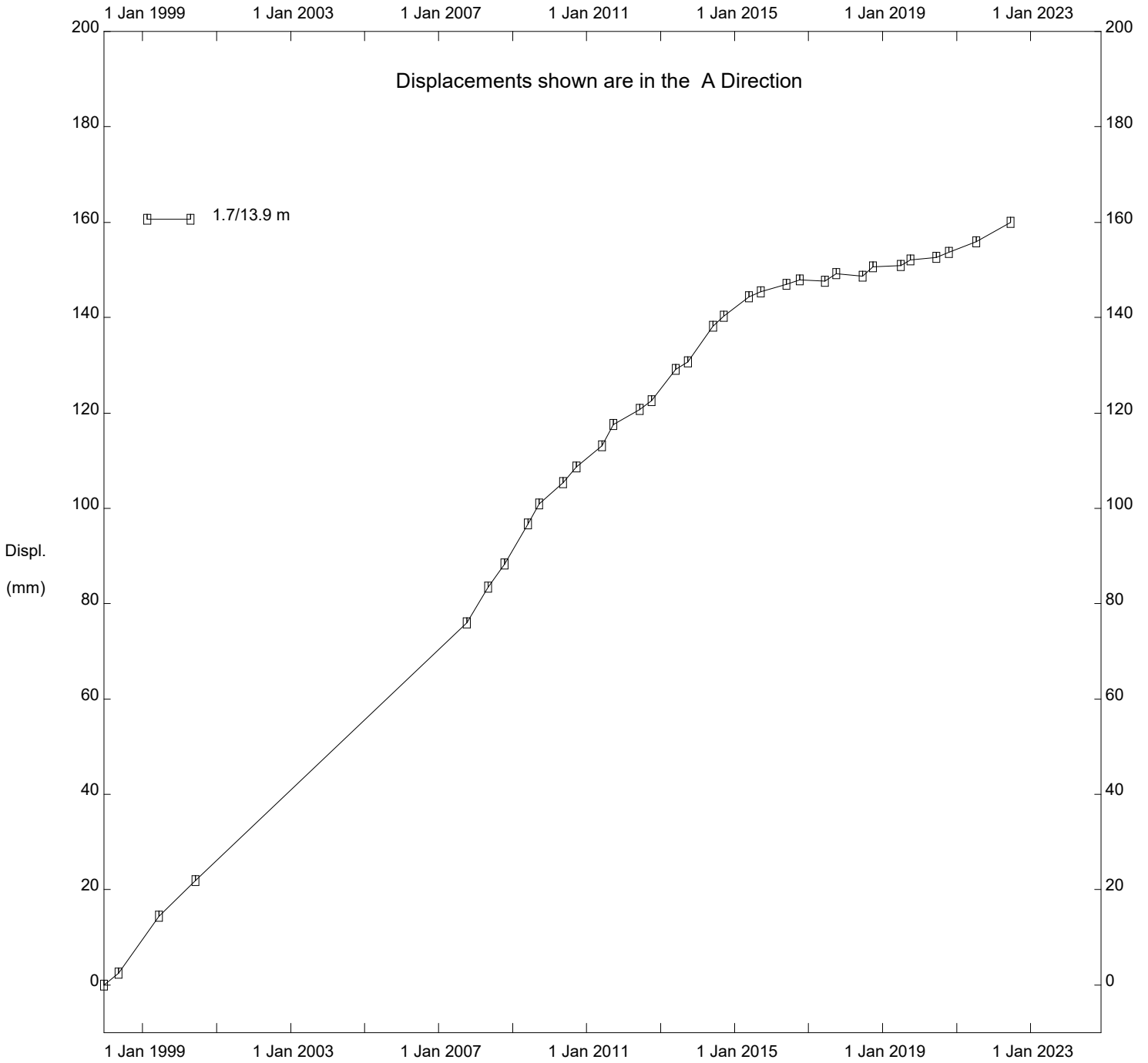
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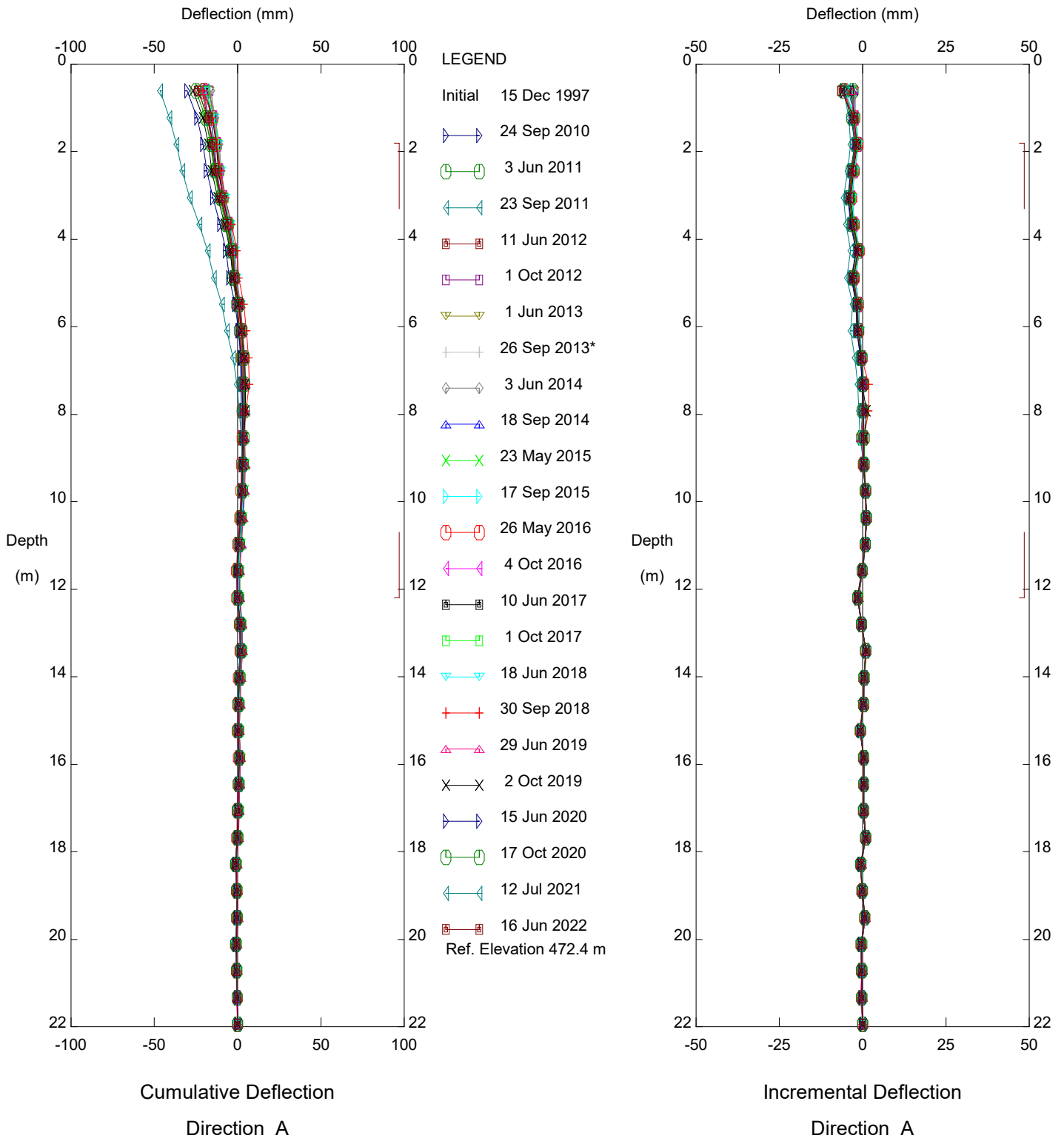
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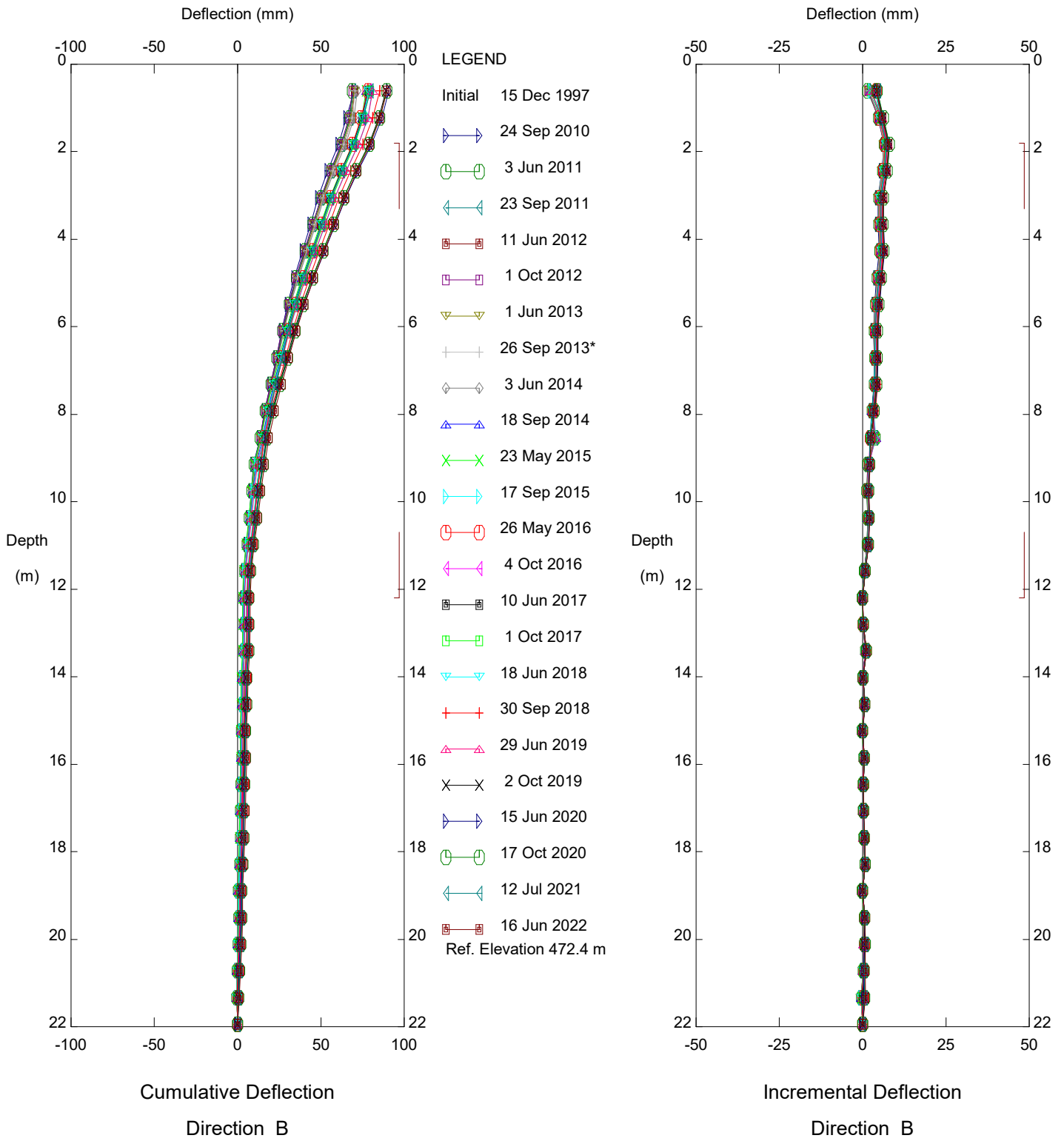


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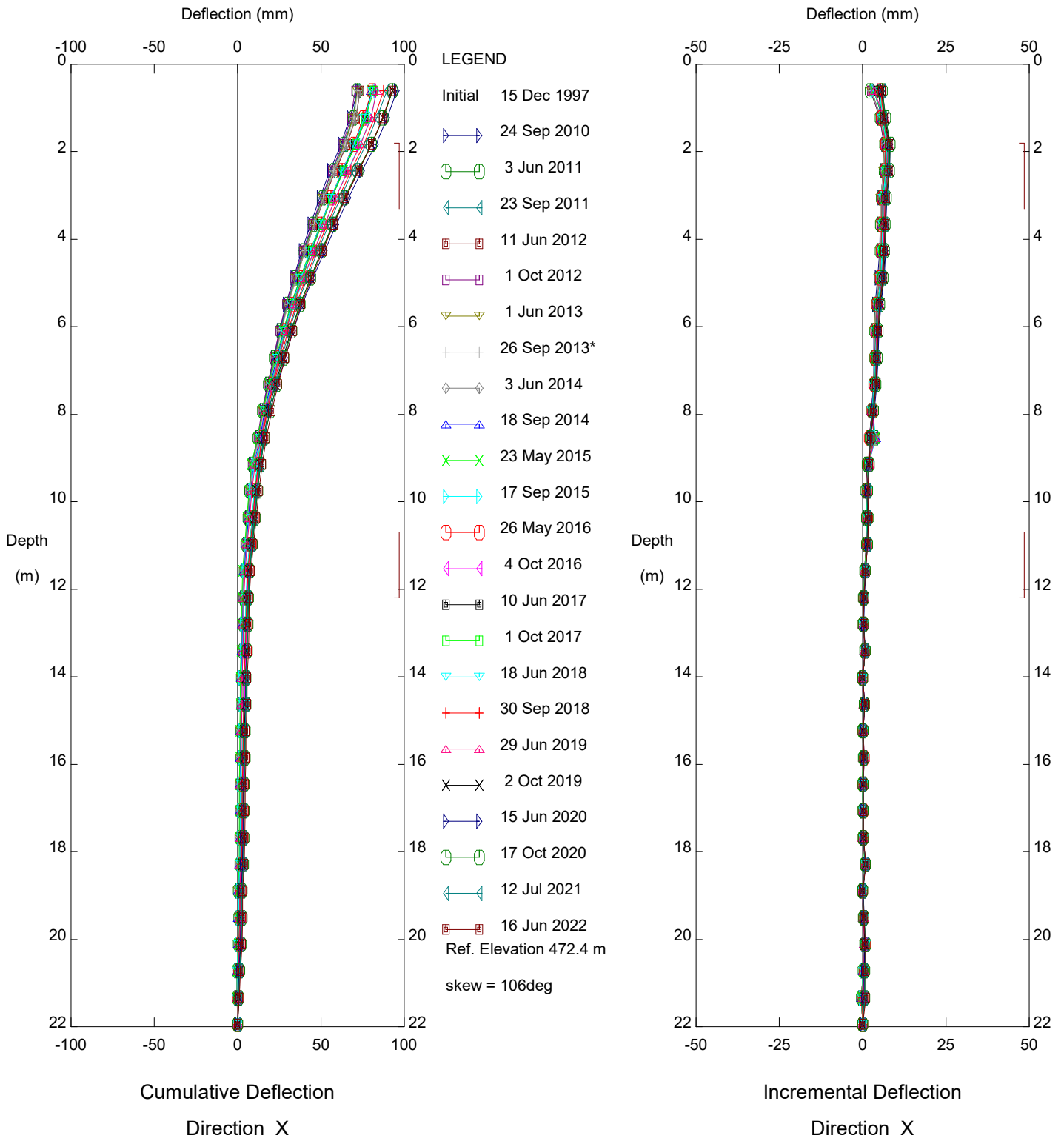


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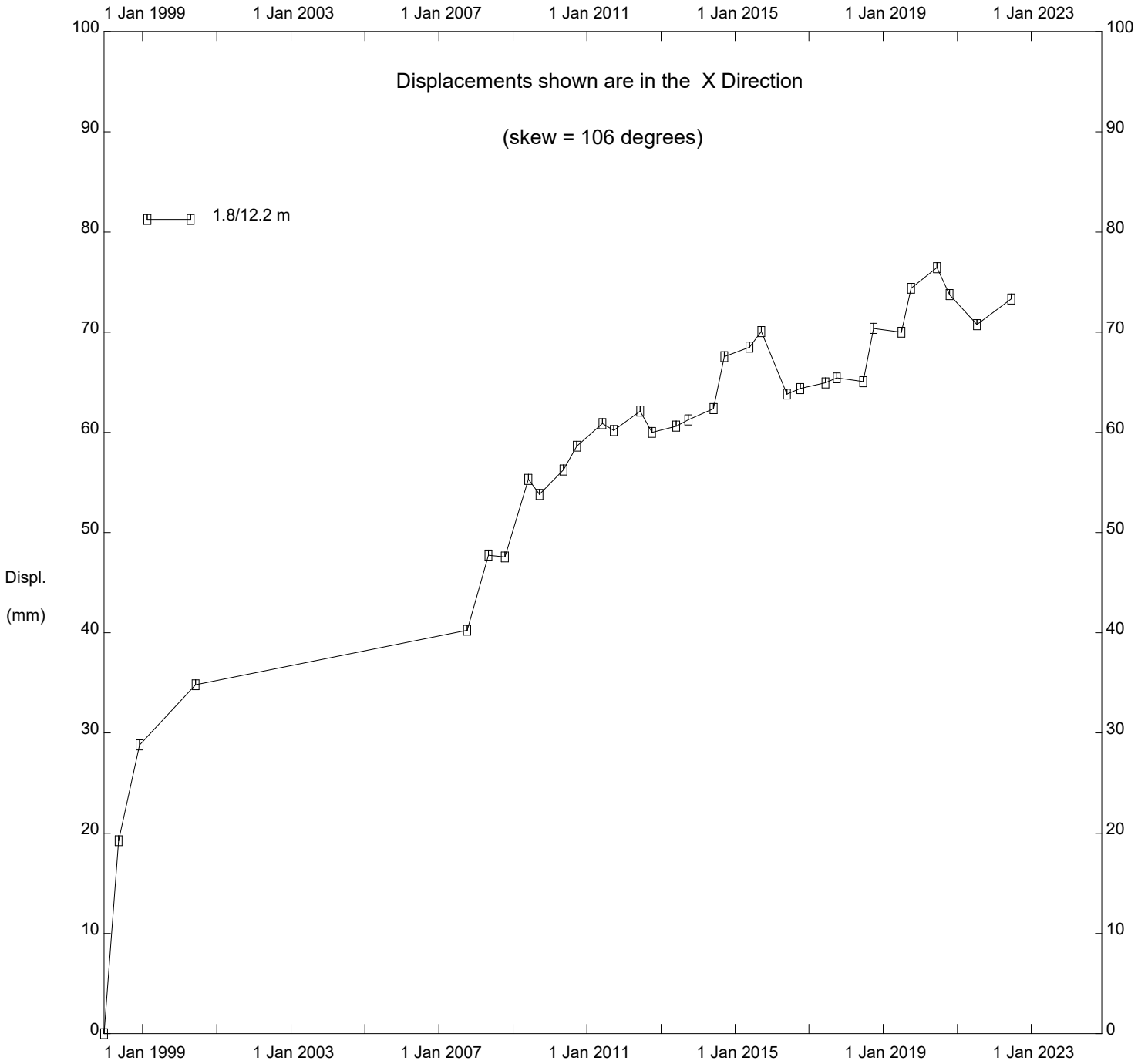


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