ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION GEOHAZARD ASSESSMENT PROGRAM PEACE REGION – HIGH LEVEL 2019 CALLOUT



Site Number	Location	Name	!	Hwy	km
691-2-1	Manning, Alberta			691:02	0.06
Legal Description		UTM (Co-ordinates		
South Abutment: NE21-091-23-W5M		11U	E 461,782	N 6,	,308,097

	Date	PF	CF	Total
Previous Inspection:				
Current Inspection:	06-August-2019	10	4	40
Road AADT:	400		Year:	2018
Inspected By:	Ed Szmata, TRANS Don Proudfoot, Thurber		nurber	
Report Attachments: ✓ Photographs ✓ Plans ☐ Maintenance		ce Items		

Primary Site Issue:	Landslide affecting the side slope of Hwy 691		
Dimensions:	The active slide is about 36 m wide parallel to the highway and 20 long in the downslope direction. Tension cracks extend an additional 15 m to the east. The slope is about 11 m high at the slide location. The bare backslope of the slide is inclined at 32 degrees and the side slopes outside the slide are inclined at 28 degrees to the horizontal.		
Date of Remediation:	None to date		
Maintenance:	Warning signs and barricades have been placed at the site		
Observations:	Description	Worsened?	
✓ Pavement Distress	Tension cracks located 0.5 to 0.8 m into the pavement from the guardrail		
✓ Slope Movement	There was a massive sudden movement/failure in the slope on July 26, 2019. Tension cracks were also noted near the top of the slope in the bush to the east of the main slide area		
☑ Erosion	There are signs of erosion rills in the bare backslope of the landslide		
✓ Seepage	Seepage was noted coming out of the top of the bare backslope from a pit run gravel layer under the pavement as well as lower in the slope from the till		
■ Bridge/Culvert Distress	The outlet of a 600 mm dia. C.S.P. centreline culvert drains onto the west flank of the slide from the intersecting ditches of Hwy. 691 and Hwy.35. The downstream riprap apron of the culvert has been disturbed by the slide movement. The outlet of a 600 mm dia. concrete pipe is also present lower on the west flank of the slide but the inlet of this pipe and where it drains from are unknown		

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✓ Other	The toe of the landslide is about 12 m from an alley that services some mobile homes located at the base of the slope in a residential subdivision.				
Instrumentation:					
There is no instrumentation at th	is site				

Assessment:

The site is located along the north side of Hwy. 691 near its intersection with Hwy. 35, at Manning, Alberta. At this location, Hwy. 35 descends a hill on an embankment fill into the Notikewin River valley to the north of the site, while Hwy 691 is located along the top edge of the valley. Based on available published surficial geology maps (attached) and satellite images, the Notikewin River created many meander bends as it cut its way down to form the present valley and the site is located along the outside edge/valley slope of one of these bends.

Clay till was exposed in the bare backscarp of the landslide and seepage was noted coming from the slope. It is possible that the till has lost its cohesion over time and that the wet weather that has occurred this year has resulted in a higher than usual water table that has triggered the slope movement. The landslide has left the slope in an over steep unvegetated condition and it is likely that the backscarp of the slide, which is currently right at the guardrail, will retrogress into the pavement over time if left un-remediated.

The risk level for this site has been assessed a Probability factor of 10 (active with moderate movement) and Consequence Factor of 4 (high fill slope where a partial closure of the road would result from a further slide movement and residential subdivision is close by) for a total Risk Level of 40.

Recommendations:

Short-Term:

• In the short-term AT should visually monitor the site and be prepared to adjust the locations of the barricades and add additional warning signs if the landslide backscarp retrogresses further into the paved road surface

Medium-Term:

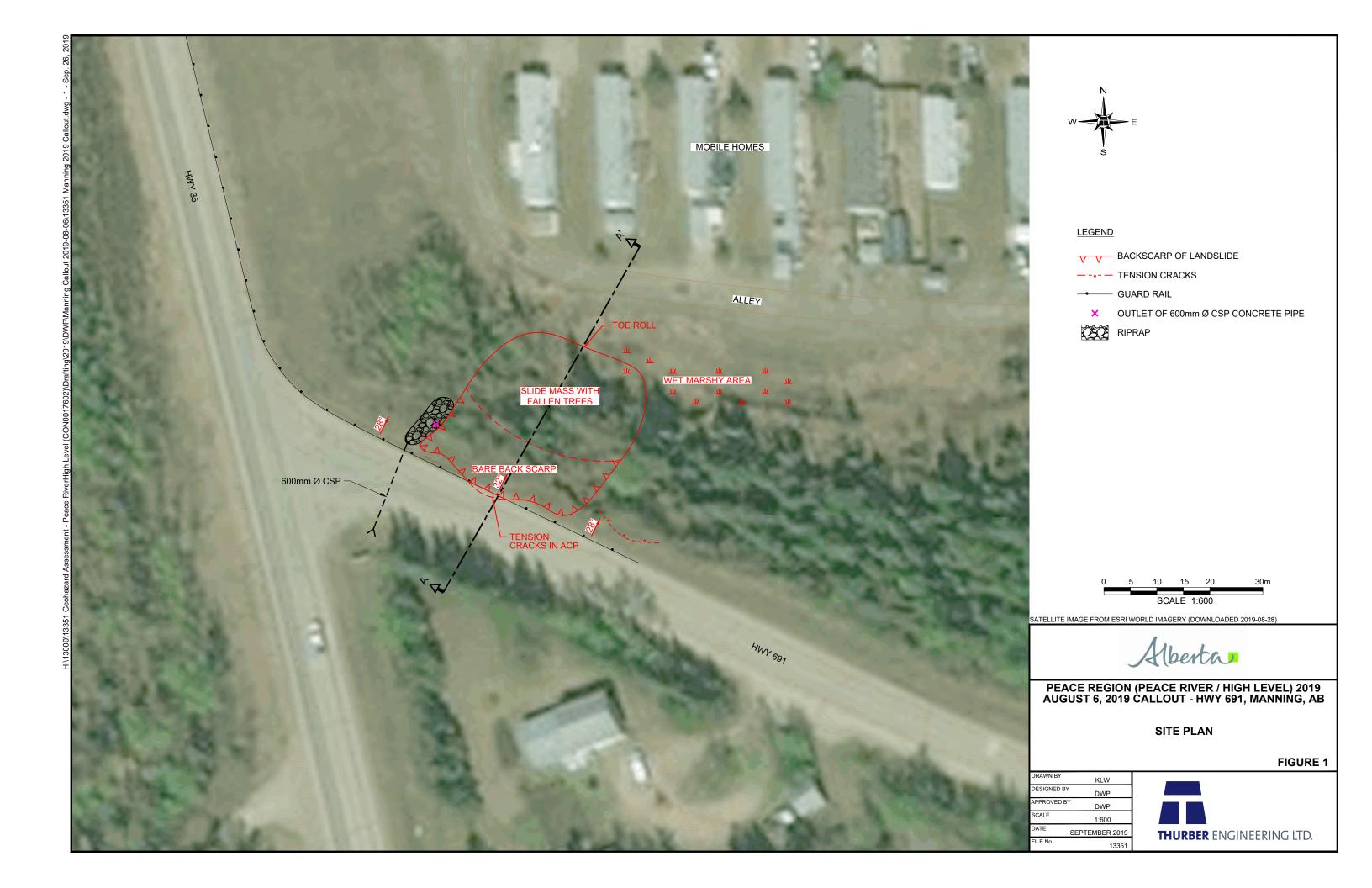
Consideration could be given to installing 3 rows of soil nails and a reinforced soil covering mesh to reinforce the soil in the upper part of the slope to try to slow future retrogression of the slide until more permanent measures can be put in place. A continuous pipe could also be attached to the end of the culvert to carry water all the way down to the bottom of the slope to reduce the amount of water that is spilt into the slide area. A ballpark cost for these measures is about \$300,000 if a soil nailing rig is currently available in Alberta. The cost could be higher if a rig is mobilized from out of province. This would be a temporary fix that might delay more permanent measures by a few years.

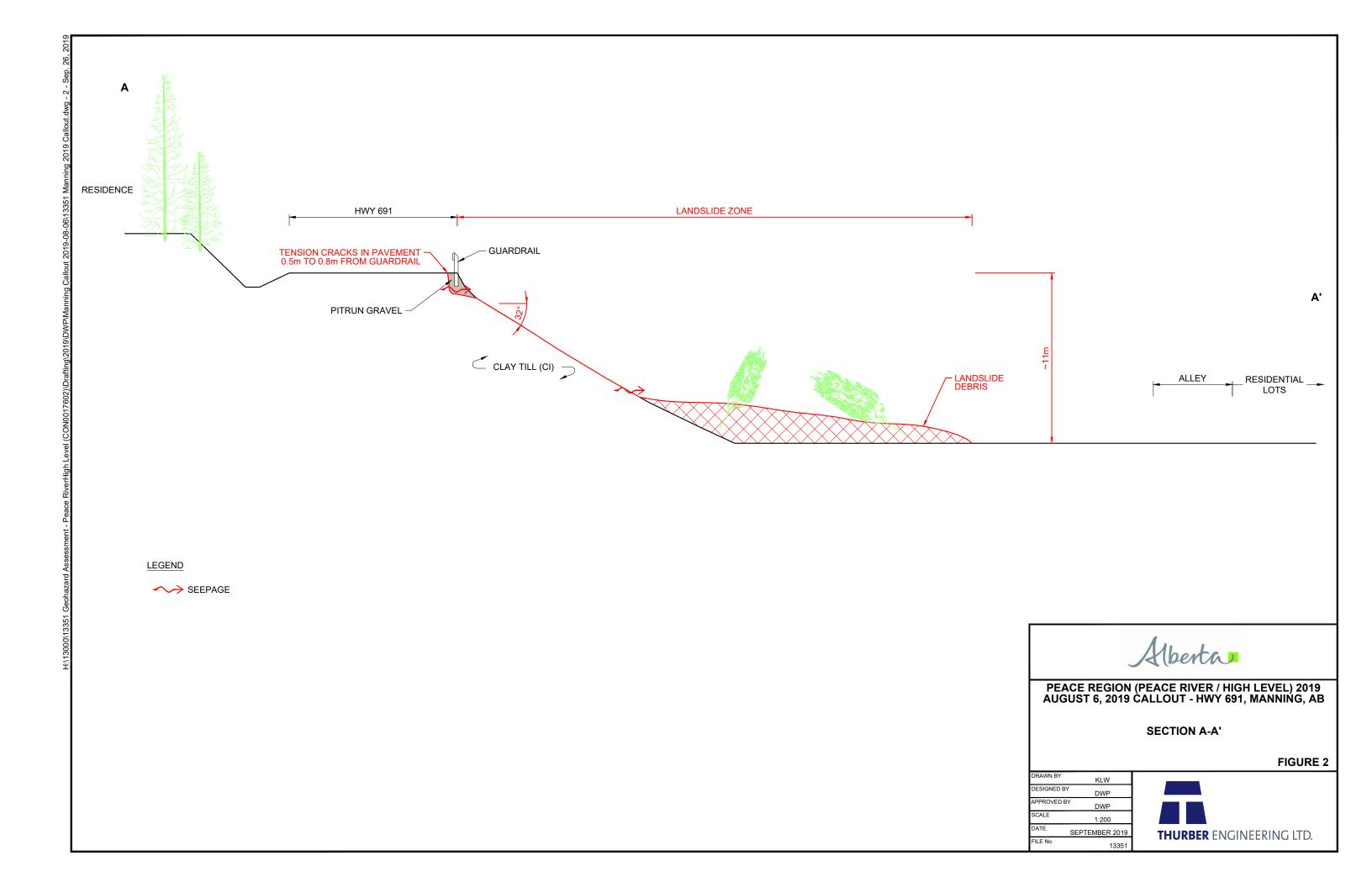
Long-Term:

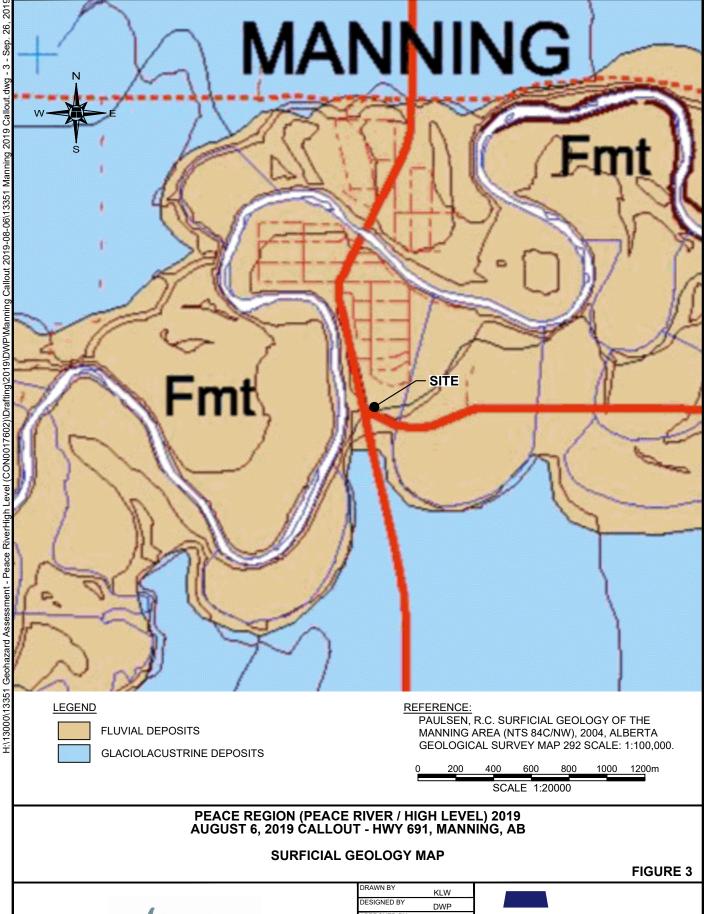
- If some land can be purchased from the resident located immediately south of the slide area, Hwy 691 could be re-aligned to the south away from the slide, the failed slope could be flattened and the graded material could be used to build a toe berm at the base of slope. The ballpark cost for this option could range from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 depending on whether a partial purchase of land vs. a total buyout of the private property is completed.
- Alternatively, a pile wall or bin wall could be built along the edge of the highway, and a slope flattening, and toe berm could be constructed with imported fill to stabilize the site for a ballpark cost of \$1,000,000.
- The soil nail option could potentially be modified to a longer-term option if soil nails and mesh are applied to the whole slope, using nails that also provide drainage, and a toe berm is built at the toe of slope after removing all the slide debris. The longer-term version would likely be similar in cost to the pile wall option.

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Photo 1, Looking East along Hwy. 691 toward the landslide.



Photo 2, Backscarp of landslide is at the guardrail along Hwy. 691.

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Photo 3, A 600 mm dia. C.S.P. outlets at the west flank of the slide. A 600 mm dia. Concrete pipe is located at the flank further down the slope.



Photo 4, Seepage coming from the till in the backscarp at the slide mass.

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Photo 5, Looking east at the failed slope. The culvert outlet is in the forefront.



Photo 6, Looking west along Hwy. 691 at the landslide.

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Photo 7, Looking west at the failed slope with slide mass and fallen/tilted trees at toe.



Photo 8, Looking south at the failed slope from the alley behind the mobile homes

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Photo 9, Looking south at the failed slope from the north end of the alley.

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