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CON0022161 Southern Region GRMP Instrumentation Monitoring
Site S002; H22:14, km 12.95 Priddis
Section C – 2025 Spring Readings

1 GENERAL

Three vibrating wire piezometers (VWPs) (VW98081, VW98077, and VW98079) and two slope inclinometers (SI#9 and SI#11) were read at the S002 site in the Southern Region on May 30, 2025, by Mr. Shawn Keegan, E.I.T., of Klohn Crippen Berger Ltd. (KCB). These instruments were read as part of the Southern Region Geohazard Risk Management Program (GRMP). The site is located on Hwy 22:14, approximately 10 km southeast of Bragg Creek, Alberta. The approximate site coordinates are 5642649 N, 678037 E (UTM Zone 11, NAD 83) and the legal land description for the site is NE 22-19-08-W5. A site plan is presented in Figure 1.

The geohazard at the S002 site consists of a slope failure on the north side of the highway, which is impacting the westbound lane and north shoulder. Previous remedial actions at this site include installing a concrete pile wall in 1992, along the north shoulder (westbound lane) of Hwy 22:14 in an effort to stabilize the highway. Additionally, a row of gravel columns was installed on the upslope (south) side of the highway. Pumps were installed in two of the columns with water level activated switches. The pumps are operable but are turned off during the winter months. Regular pavement patching has also been completed at the site.

Between the early 1990s and 2009, several geotechnical site investigations, some of which included installing instruments, were conducted at the S002 site by the previous consultants. The encountered stratigraphy at the site and construction drawings have not been provided to KCB.

1.1 Instrumentation

KCB has been reading the instruments at this site since 2016. Instrumentation installation details are tabulated in Table 1.1. Instrument locations are shown in Figure 1. Any instruments not included in

Table 1.1 or shown in Figure 1 are assumed to be inoperable and are not presented or discussed herein.

Between the early 1990s and 2009, several SIs, piezometers, and a settlement gauge were installed at the site by the previous consultants to monitor movement, groundwater conditions, and the post-construction performance of the concrete pile wall and drainage improvements. Most of these instruments are now inoperable (e.g., destroyed, sheared, or lost).

The remaining operable instruments are protected by flush-mounted protectors.

The operable VWP's were read using an RST VW2106 vibrating wire readout. The VWP's were previously attached to data loggers. However, all three data loggers were found inoperable in October 2021, and manual readings have been taken since.

The operable SIs were read using a metric RST Digital MEMS Inclinometer System.

Table 1.1 Instrument Installation Details¹

Instrument ID	Instrument Type	Date Installed	UTM Coordinates ²		Ground Surface Elevation ³ (m)	Stick Up (m)	Depth (mbgs ⁴)	Condition
			Northing	Easting				
SI#9	SI	Apr. 2001	5642597	677978	Unknown	-0.4	9.5	Operable
SI#11	SI	Jun. 2000	5642587	677956	Unknown	-0.3	10.0	Operable
VW98077	VWP	Mar. 2009	5642596	677998	1300	N/A	9.3	Operable
VW98079	VWP	Mar. 2009	5642641	677977	1300	N/A	8.7	Operable
VW98081	VWP	Apr. 2009	5642596	677998	1300	N/A	7.0	Operable
VW98083	VWP	Apr. 2009	5642641	677977	1300	N/A	10.9	Inoperable

Notes:

¹ Instrument installation details taken from reports and data files prepared or provided by the previous consultant(s) or Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors.

² Coordinates confirmed by KCB with a handheld GPS. The handheld GPS has a horizontal accuracy of +/- 5 m.

³ Elevations are relative to an approximate site datum reported by the previous consultant.

⁴ Meters below ground surface (mbgs). Bottom reading depth for SIs and tip depth for piezometers.

2 INTERPRETATION

2.1 General

The SI plots presented in the report include the cumulative displacement, incremental displacement, and displacement-time data (Appendix I). The displacement-time data is plotted in the A-direction (i.e., the direction of the A0-groove). In 2016, KCB performed a reinitialization of the SI data after taking over the instrument readings. Since October 2021, KCB has been using a new Inclinator Probe and Reel, which might lead to slight differences in data compared to earlier readings. However, during the review of the SI data for this report, all prior data corrections were removed to facilitate better interpretation of displacement trends.

For the operable VWPs, the recorded porewater pressures were converted to an equivalent water/piezometric elevation and plotted relative to ground surface elevation and the tip elevation for each instrument.

Monthly precipitation data is also plotted with the piezometer data. The data was obtained from the Alberta Climate Information Service (ACIS) database, referencing legal subdivision TWP022-04-W5.

The piezometer and SI data plots are included in Appendix I, and a summary of the SI and piezometer data is provided in Table 2.1 and Table 2.2, respectively.

2.2 Zones of Movement

Both SI#9 and SI#11 are located above (upslope of) the concrete pile wall. Distributed movement was reported by the previous consultant near surface in SI#9 from approximately 0 m to 2 m below ground surface (approximately El. 1300 m to El. 1298 m) and in SI#11 from approximately 0 m to 3 m below ground surface (approximately El. 1300 m to El. 1297 m).

No clear discernible movements have been observed after the reinitialization in 2016; however, SI#9 and SI#11 might be starting to show some signs of movement since 2023. Both SIs are located above (upslope of) the concrete pile wall.

2.3 Interpretation of Monitoring Results

Previous reports have indicated that the majority of the movement in the SIs was recorded before 2014. This has been interpreted as though the concrete pile wall has picked up load, stabilizing the sliding mass and reducing the rate of movement. Nevertheless, both SI#9 and SI#11 have begun to exhibit an increase in displacement since 2023 both in the A and B direction. The movement observed might be noise in the recorded data and will need to be confirmed with subsequent readings.

Since June 2024, water levels have increased between 0.4 m and 1.6 m in the three operable VWPs (VW98077, VW98079, and VW98081). These increases are greater than those noted in previous years. Future measurements will confirm if this is the start of a new trend. Historical rainfall data was

only available up to December 31, 2024, at the time of writing this report. Water levels recorded in the VWP appear to fluctuate seasonally, with the spring readings typically being higher than fall ones because of rainfall infiltration and groundwater flow, which then dissipate in the fall and winter when infiltration slows or stops due to lack of rainfall or freezing temperatures conditions.

Table 2.1 Slope inclinometer Reading Summary

Instru ment ID	Date				Ground Surface Elevation (m)	Depth of Movement (mbgs ¹)	Direction of Movement	Movement (mm)				Rate of Movement (mm/year)		
	Initialized ² (Re-initialization) ³	Previous Maximum Cumulative Movement Recorded ²	Previous Reading	Most Recent Reading				Maximum Cumulative			Incremental Since Previous Maximum Cumulative	Previous Maximum	Most Recent Reading	Change from Previous Reading
								Initialization	Re-Initialization ⁴	Total				
SI#9	Apr. 2001 ² (June, 2016) ³	N/A	Jul. 3, 2024	May 30, 2025	1300	0.5 – 10.0	A-Direction	3.0 ²	9.2	12.2	-0.92	11.9	-1.02	-10.9
SI#11	Jun. 2000 ² (Jun. 13, 2016) ³	N/A	Jul. 3, 2024	May 30, 2025	1300	0.5 – 10.0	A-Direction	17.0 ²	10.45	27.4	5.8	-3.24	-6.38	3.14

Notes:
¹ Meters below ground surface (mbgs).
² Movement recorded before 2016 was taken from reports prepared by the previous consultant.
³ SI#9 and SI#11 were re-initialized in June 2016 when KCB took over the readings from the previous consultant and changed the SI reading equipment.

Table 2.2 Vibrating Wire Piezometer Reading Summary

Instrument ID	Date			Ground Surface Elevation (m)	Tip Depth (mbgs ¹)	Water Level		
	Installed	Previous Reading	Most Recent Reading			Previous Reading (mbgs ¹)	Most Recent Reading (mbgs ¹)	Change from Previous Reading (m)
VW98077	Mar. 2009	Jul. 3, 2024	May 30, 2025	1300	9.3	5.6	5.0	0.6
VW98079	Mar. 2009	Jul. 3, 2024	May 30, 2025	1300	8.7	5.9	4.3	-1.6
VW98081	Apr. 2009	Jul. 3, 2024	May 30, 2025	1300	7.0	5.3	4.9	0.4

Notes:
¹ Meters below ground surface (mbgs).

3 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 Future Work

Instruments that remain operational should continue to be read once per year (spring).

The site should continue to be inspected by the Maintenance Contract Inspector (MCI) and as part of the Southern Region GRMP Section B inspections.

3.2 Instrument Repairs and Maintenance

No instrument repairs are required.

SI#9 and SI#11 are recessed below the pavement surface in the westbound lane of Hwy 22:14. Fine-grained material (e.g., silt and sand) continues to be observed inside the flush-mounted casing protectors, and the material must be removed to facilitate the instrument readings and avoid depth corrections of the data. Currently, the material has filled approximately 1 m of the SI casing. Previous efforts to plug the casing protector caps and sleeve the top of the SI casing with larger-diameter pipe to reduce material migration have been moderately successful.

Alternative methods should be explored to minimize the material entering the flush-mounted casing protectors and the SI casing. Examples include plugging the holes in the caps or replacing the casing protectors entirely, a strategy successfully implemented in the Central Region. This issue still affects the accuracy of the readings. If necessary, the SIs should be cleaned out by injecting the SI casing with water and flushing out any accumulated sediment.

4 CLOSING

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Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions or comments regarding this report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Figure
Appendix I Instrumentation Plots

FIGURE

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Legend

- Slope Inclinator (SI)
- ⊗ Vibrating Wire Piezometer (VW)
- Guardrail
- ×× Fence
- Slide Extent
- Gravel Column Wall
- Concrete Pile Wall

NOTES:
1. HORIZONTAL DATUM: NAD83
2. GRID ZONE: UTM ZONE 11N
3. IMAGE SOURCE: 2022 MICROSOFT CORPORATION,
2022 MAXAR CNES, DISTRIBUTION AIRBUS DS
4. STRIKETHROUGH INDICATES INSTRUMENT IS
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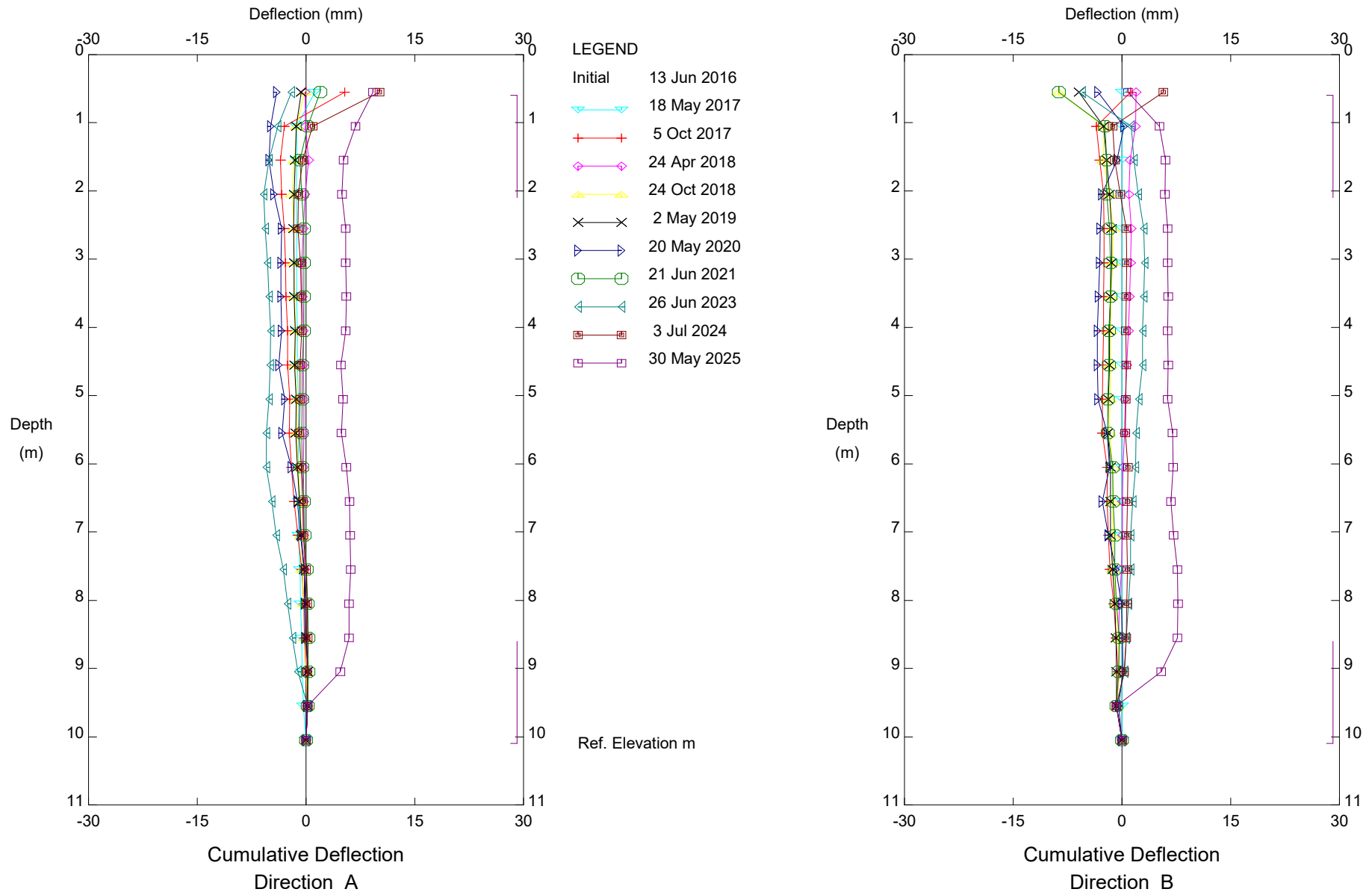
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APPENDIX I

Instrumentation Plots

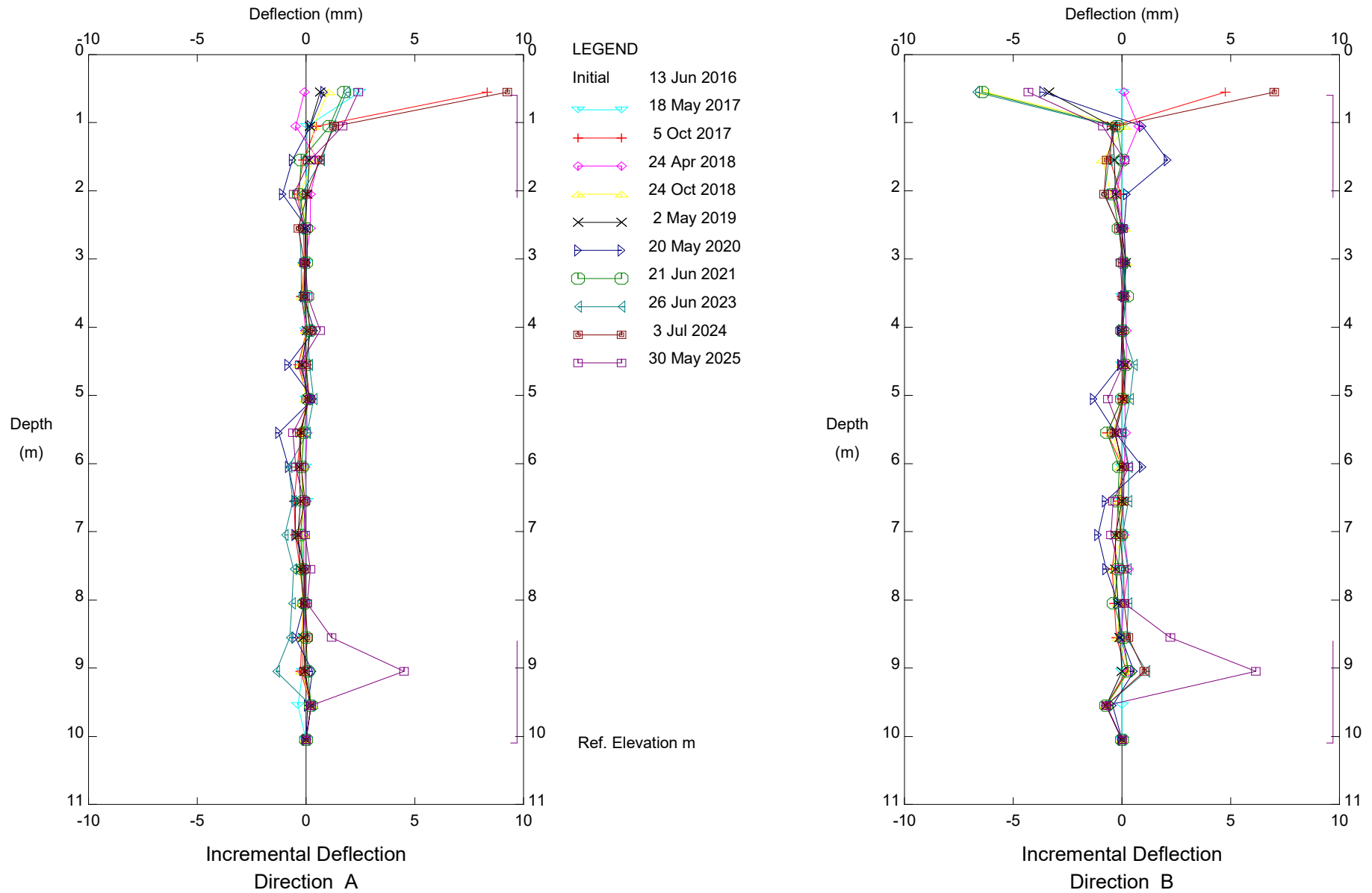
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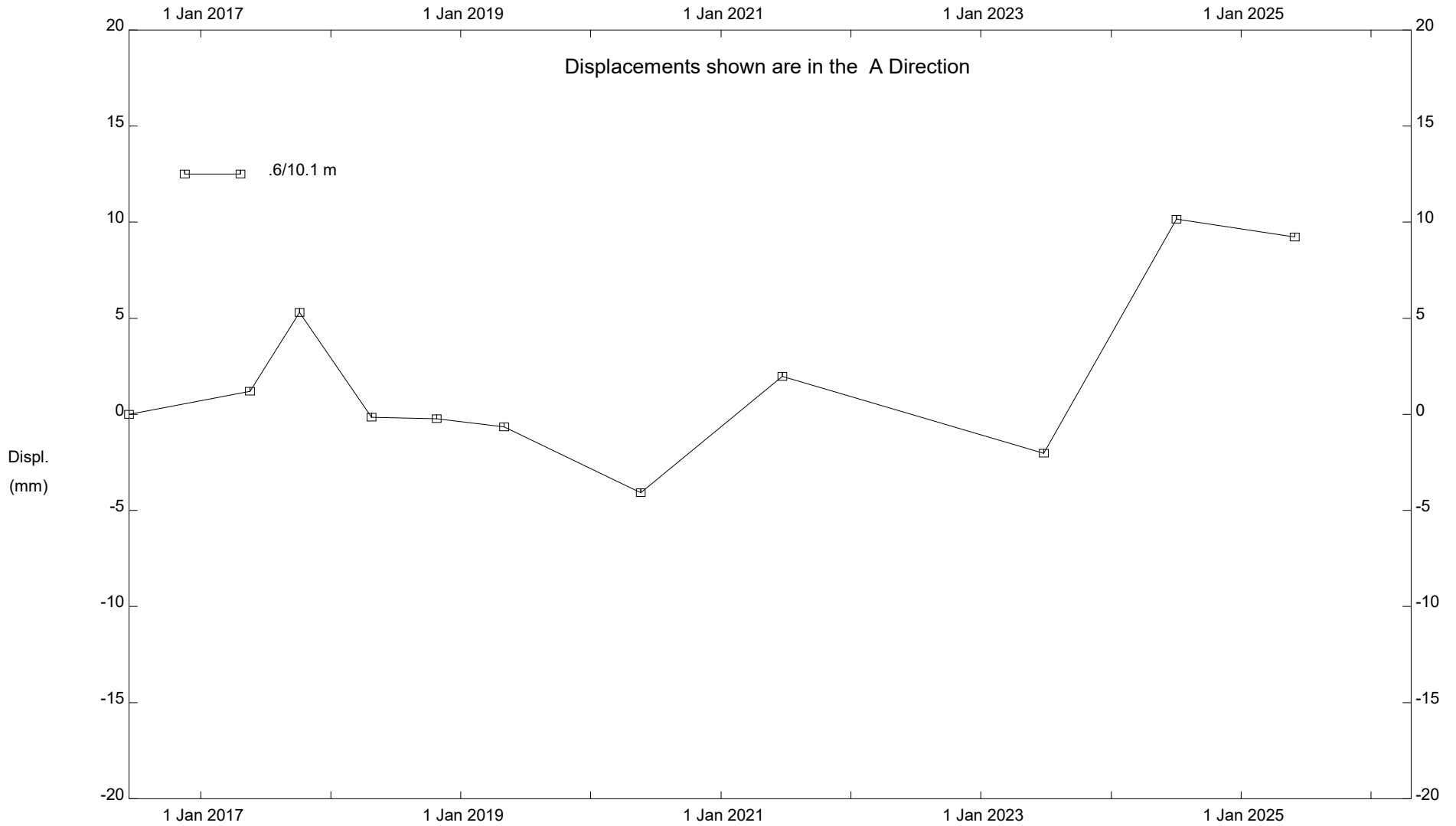
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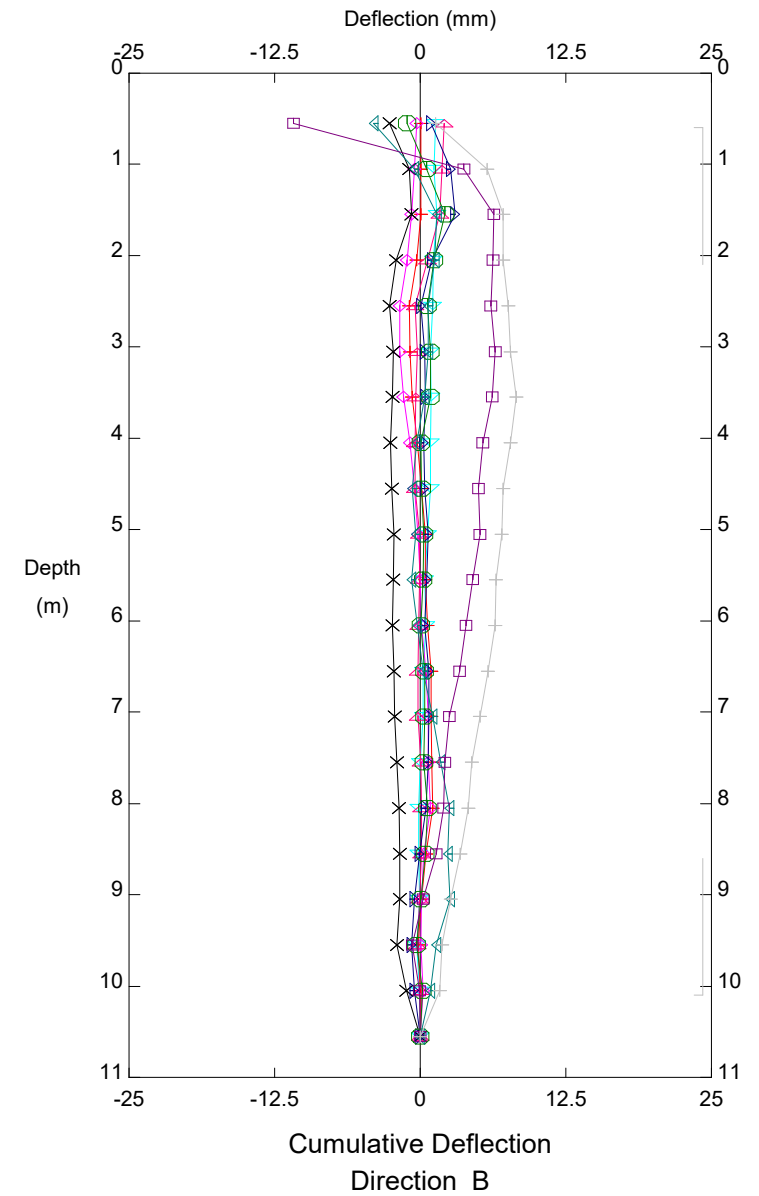
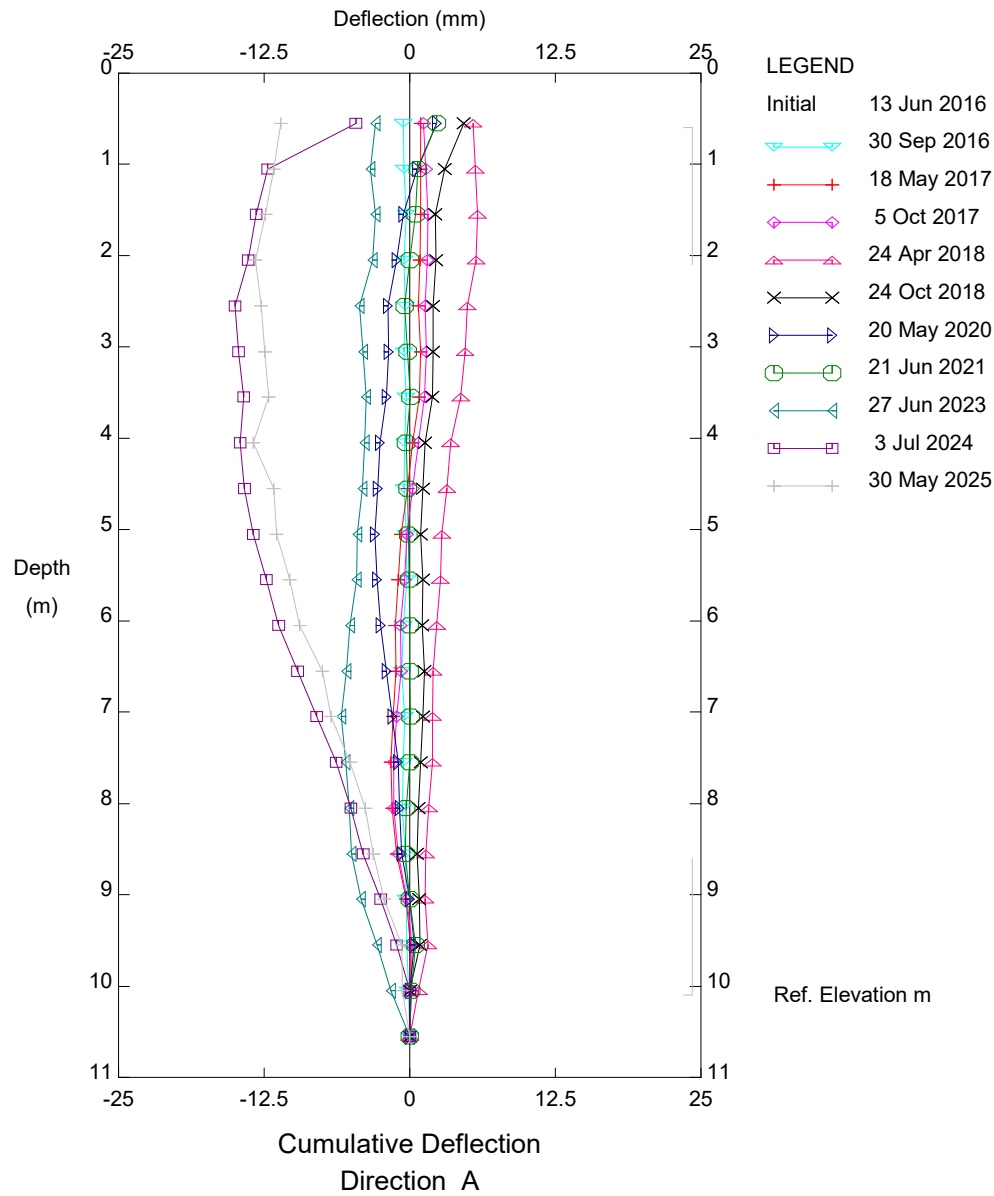
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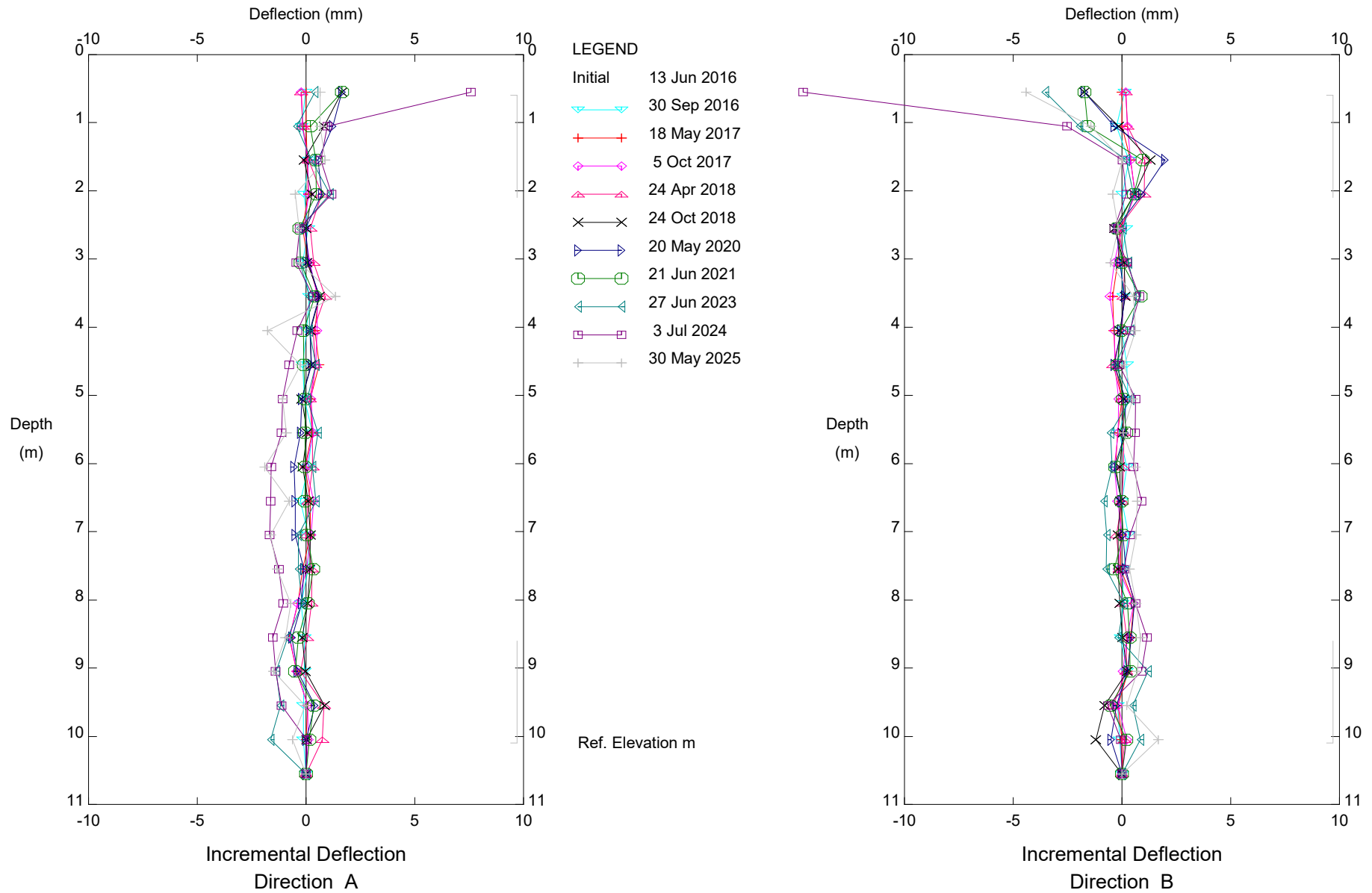
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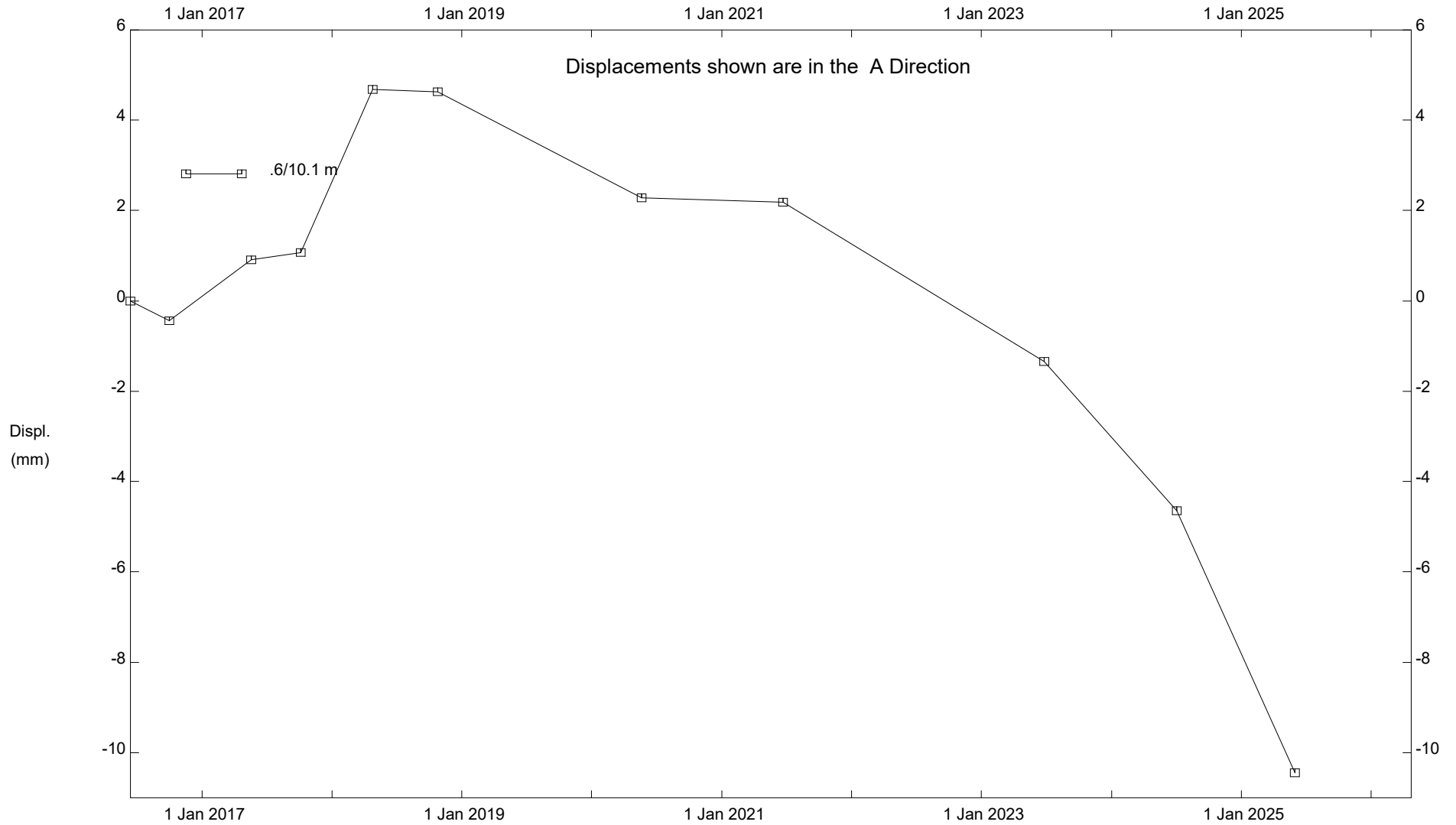
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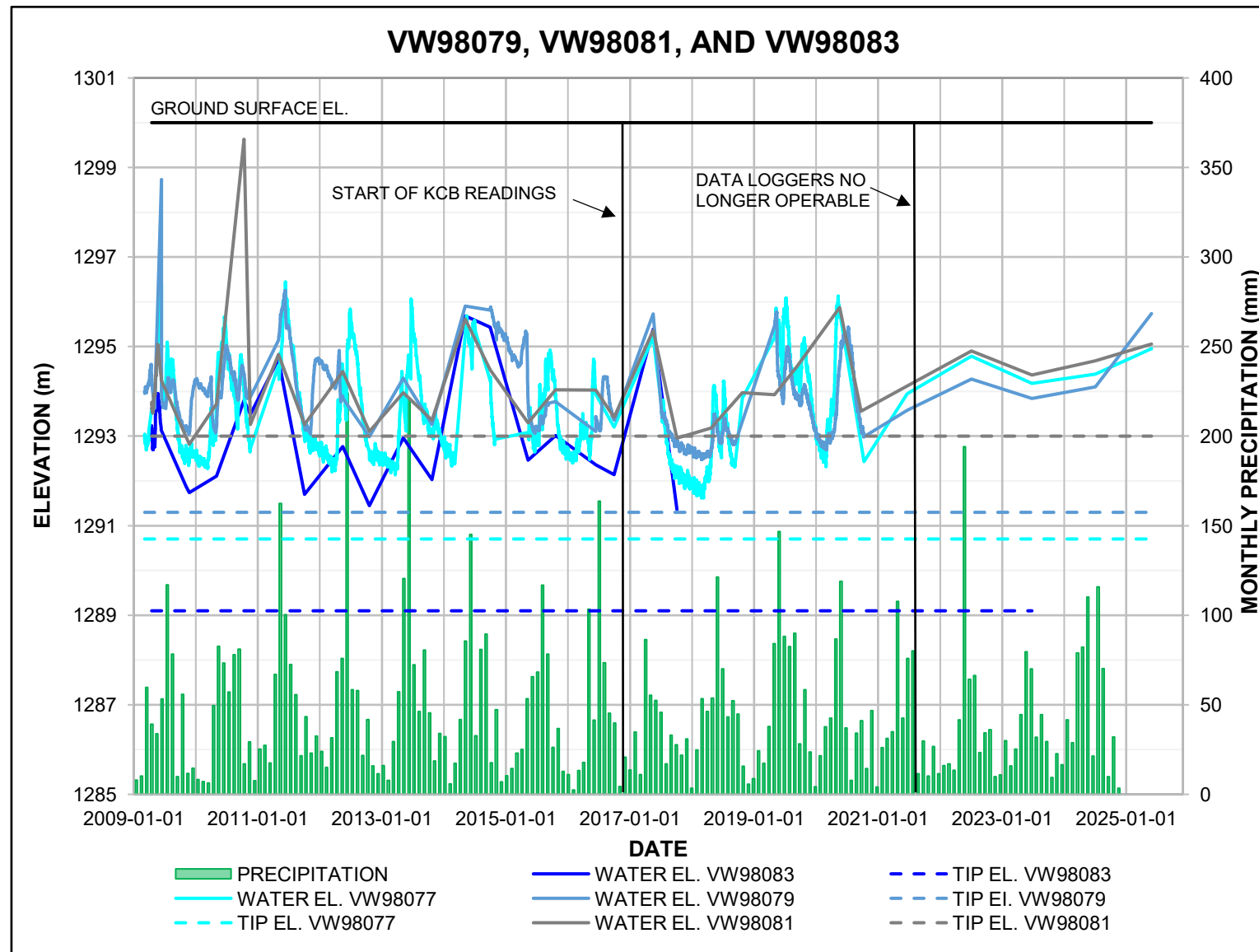


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S2 - 22:14 Priddis, Inclinometer #11

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NOTES:

1. MONTHLY PRECIPITATION DATA OBTAINED FROM THE ALBERTA CLIMATE INFORMATION SERVICE (ACIS) DATABASE, REFERENCING LEGAL SUBDIVISION T022R04W5.
2. VW98083 BECAME INOPERABLE BETWEEN THE FALL 2017 AND SPRING 2018 READINGS.

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