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1.0 INTRODUCTION

As part of its review of Canadian Zinc Corporation's (CZN) Developer's Assessment Report (DAR) for the Prairie Creek Mine All-Season Road Project, the Mackenzie Valley Review Board (MVRB) requested a desktop magnitude/frequency assessment for landslide along the proposed alignment. The details of the request are included in Section 5.3 of the December 21, 2015 document titled "Reasons for Decision of the Adequacy of the Developer's Assessment Report," provided by MVRB. In response to that request, Tetra Tech EBA Inc. (Tetra Tech EBA) was retained by CZN to complete a desktop magnitude/frequency analysis for landslide hazards, which was provided in a technical memo (2016c).

The purpose of the magnitude/frequency analysis was to provide a preliminary assessment of the susceptibility of the proposed road to geohazards along the 184 km route alignment, including one alternate route alignment. CZN subsequently requested that Tetra Tech EBA incorporate the findings of the magnitude/frequency analysis into an update of the risk analysis for the landslide-related hazards along the proposed route. The previous qualitative risk analysis for landslides and ground movement was presented as part of Table 7.2.2-1 in the geotechnical report for the route (Tetra Tech EBA 2015a). This memo presents the results of the updated analysis. The analysis is specific to potential risks to the road.

2.0 RISK-RELATED RATINGS

2.1 Definitions and Criteria

The definitions used in the updated risk analysis are consistent with those in the geotechnical report and the magnitude/frequency analysis (Tetra Tech EBA 2015a, 2016c), and are summarized here for convenience, along with some additional definitions that describe the risk analysis procedure as carried out for this memo. The criteria are based on those used in the magnitude/frequency analysis:

- A hazard [or geohazard] is a harmful or potentially harmful event expressed qualitatively; in this memo, landslides are the hazards analyzed (Wise et al. 2004). Hazards identified along the route were mapped and discussed as part of the geotechnical report (Tetra Tech EBA 2015a) and subsequent submissions (Tetra Tech EBA 2015b, 2015c, 2016b). The geohazard mapping provides the supporting data for "Landslide Analysis," "Hazard Analysis," and/or various levels of "Risk Analysis" for the route (as per Wise et al. 2004);
- Risk can be described qualitatively or quantitatively as:

 $Risk = P_H x P_{S:H} x P_{T:S} x V x E$

(Porter and Morgenstern 2013; Wise et al. 2004)

Risk is the likelihood of a specific adverse consequence (loss of life/injury, loss of infrastructure, damage to infrastructure) arising from a geohazard within a stated period and area. Mathematically, risk is defined as the product of landslide probability (P_H - likelihood of occurrence), spatial probability (P_{S:H} - the likelihood of a landslide reaching or affecting the proposed road or an individual), temporal probability (P_{T:S} - the potential of the proposed road or an individual being present at the time of a slide), vulnerability (V - the probability of damage to the road or harm/loss of life to an individual), and the value or worth of the element (E - number of people at risk or value of road) (Porter and Morgenstern 2013). In the case of the present analysis, the risk being considered is that which results from the potential effect of a landslide on a road.

The component parameters of "Risk" are described in more detail as follows:

- Likelihood is the probability of occurrence of a specific hazardous landslide; that is, the potential for the landslide to occur, designated as P_H in the formula presented above. Elements at risk are considered only in general terms for P_H (Wise et al. 2004).
- The likelihood that a specific landslide will affect the route, also known as "encounter probability," is designated as P_H x P_{S:H} in the equation. This value was determined in qualitative terms in the magnitude-frequency analysis. "Frequency," as defined in that analysis, is a subjective estimate of likelihood (probability), and is described in Table 2.1 below (Tetra Tech EBA 2016c; as per Wise et al. 2004, Porter and Morgenstern 2013). The qualitative risk analysis in the geotechnical report also used this concept to estimate the "likelihood of hazard affecting the element" (Tetra Tech EBA 2015a), similar to a typical evaluation presented in Porter and Morgenstern (2013).
- Magnitude (also a partial proxy for consequence) defines both the size and the spatial probability of a landslide reaching or affecting the proposed route, designated as P_{S:H} in the formula above. Magnitude can be equated to the relative size or destructive potential of a particular hazard type, as shown in Table 2.2 below. For landslide hazards, it is usually equated to the volume of material involved, the potential depth of erosion, or the amount of ground displacement. The latter two are difficult to determine, so the former is used as the best proxy for this analysis.
- Temporal probability, P_{T:S}, is the probability that the element at risk, in this case, the road, will be present at the affected site at the time the event occurs (based on Wise et al. 2004). Since the road is assumed to be present during the proposed service life, as well as during construction and decommissioning, P_{T:S} would be numerically equal to 1 in a quantitative analysis, and thus does not affect risk analysis results related specifically to effects on the road itself. The temporal probability would account for the presence of people, understood to be during daytime only and very intermittently, therefore tending to significantly reduce risk. Vulnerability would likely be higher for people, however, which would conversely tend to increase risk. Risks to personnel are not shown in the tables or further discussed here.
- Vulnerability, V, takes into account how robust (or fragile) the element is, and its exposure to (or protection from) the landslide. Vulnerability forms part of the evaluation of consequence. Quantitatively, vulnerability can be considered as the estimated probability of total loss or damage, or the estimated proportion of loss or damage, with a range from 0 (no chance of loss or damage) to 1 (total loss or highest estimated proportion of loss). Since the entire road length is unlikely to be lost or damaged from any one event, an estimated proportion of loss or damage would be more appropriate. Qualitatively, the rating could be defined as *no loss or damage*, *low loss or damage, moderate loss or damage, high loss or damage*, and *total loss or damage* (Wise et al. 2004). Loss or damage could be considered in terms of the probability that some repairs would need to be made to the road as a result of a landslide, for example, soil or rock materials sloughing or falling onto the road that need to be cleaned up, or part of the road grade failing and needing to be replaced or repaired. Wise et al. (2004) also provide a useful description of what might constitute a "low loss or damage" rating compared to

"moderate" or "high" ratings, by presenting the loss in terms of the length of time the transportation corridor might be disrupted because of the event.

- Vulnerability is partly dependent on magnitude, since a larger event would be expected to have a larger impact on the requirements for cleanup or repair. This aspect relates to the road having a greater or lesser exposure, depending on the size of the landslide.
- Vulnerability is also dependent on the velocity of an event, with more rapid intense events such as rockfall, rockslides or debris flows potentially having a much greater impact than gradual soil creep, or a slowly slumping hillside. A velocity rating of "moderate" was used for anticipated intermediate velocities or for event velocities that can be more difficult to categorize, including earthflows and gully erosion. This aspect relates to the road having a greater or lesser resistance against an event, or how robust the road is against that event. For events that deposit material on the road, a rockfall event could have a higher momentum than a soil slide, causing more damage to the road surface due to rock impacts. For events that move rapidly across or alongside the road, quickly-moving materials would have higher erosive potential.
- The road would be expected to be less vulnerable to events where material falls on the road than for events that scour out the road. That is, if two events of the same size affect the road, a scouring event or a slope instability resulting in the loss of part of the embankment would likely cause more damage, resulting in higher vulnerability rating.
- Consequence is considered as P_{S:H} x P_{T:S} x V (Wise et al. 2004). P_{S:H} is accounted for in the encounter ratings (likelihood of a hazard to affect the road, Table 2.1), and P_{T:S} is invariable in the analysis of the road itself (equal to 1). The remaining contributor to consequence is therefore accounted for by V, as defined above. Consequence thus incorporates the effect on the road of a particular event type of a specified (probable) size or size range.
- The value or worth of the element, E, is sometimes added to a risk analysis, and could include direct costs such as the cost of rebuilding or repair or clearing debris, or indirect costs such as the economic loss resulting from the road being blocked or needing repair to make it usable again. This component is not included in the analysis described in this memo.

Likelihood Rating (Probability of occurrence) ³	Annual Probability of Occurrence	Probability of Occurrence over a 20-Year Design Life ²	Qualitative Description
High	>1:50	> 33%	Landslide is probable within the design life of the proposed road.
Moderate	1:50 to 1:250	8% to 33%	Landslide is unlikely, but possible within the design life of the proposed road.
Low	<1:250	< 8%	Landslide is a remote possibility within the design life of the proposed road.

Table 2.1: Likelihood¹ of Hazard Affecting the Route (modified from Wise et al. (2004)

¹Frequency as defined in Tetra Tech EBA (2016c).

²Probability that at least one landslide event will occur within the assumed 20-year design life of the road.

³Encounter probability, or likelihood that a specific hazardous landslide will affect the route, designated as P_H x P_{S:H} in the equation above.

Definitions, criteria, and qualitative descriptions of the landslide frequency and magnitude ratings adopted for this study are provided in Table 2.1 above and Table 2.2 below. These definitions are based on the examples provided in Wise et al. (2004), with some modifications to suit the scope of this study and terrain conditions along the alignment. The ratings for the geohazards evaluated are shown in Table A1, attached at the back of this memo.

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Magnitude Rating ²	Area affected (ha)	Minimum volume involved (m ³) ¹	Magnitude Proxy for Contribution to Vulnerability Rating ³
Very Large	> 2.5	> 25,000	High
Large	0.5 to 2.5	5,000 - 25,000	Moderate
Medium	0.05 to 0.5	500 - 5,000	Low
Small	< 0.05	< 500	Very Low

Table 2.2: Magnitude (modified from Wise et al. (2004))

¹Based on area affected and assuming landslide debris is on average 1 m thick.

²Magnitude as indicator of spatial probability or likelihood of a landslide reaching or affecting the proposed route, designated as P_{S:H} ³Magnitude used as a proxy for primary estimation of vulnerability of proposed road (see Table 2.3).

Tables 2.3 and 2.4 below show how the magnitude, velocity, and deposition vs. scouring proxies contribute to the vulnerability of the road and the probable consequence of an event impacting the road. Table 2.3 shows approximate ranges of velocities assigned to the velocity ratings, and the velocity rating assigned to each geohazard evaluated is shown in Table A1. It is noted that some variation may occur in the velocities observed for each type of geohazard, and the ratings assigned are approximations only. For example, a thaw flow slide could be rapid, resulting in a "high" velocity rating, but based on the observations of the conditions at the KP053.7 thaw flow slide, an overall velocity rating of "moderate" appears reasonable. Slumps in bedrock could in fact be rapid, depending on the trigger, for example, due to loss of toe support during deglaciation. Continued or intermittent movement could be slow to moderate, and a moderate velocity rating has been adopted to account for possible future slumping. Similarly, a lateral spread can refer to a slide or slump area and the velocity can vary from slow to moderate. Soil creep can be faster than suggested by the "low" rating if the soils are cut into, or if climate warming results in increasing plasticity of the ice in the soil. The analysis using the Table 2.3 criteria showed a vulnerability range from "extremely low" to "very high" resulting from the combination of magnitude and velocity proxies (Table A1).

Table 2.3: Vulnerability Estimate – Magnitude and Velocity Proxies

	Vulnerability			Magnitud	e Proxy ¹	
(Magr	nitude and Velocity P	roxies)	Very Low Low		Moderate	High
	< 1.5 m/year	Low	Extremely Low	Very Low	Low	Moderate
Velocity Proxy ²	1.5 m/year to 2 m/h	Moderate	Very Low	Low	Moderate	High
FICKY	> 2 m/h	High	Low	Moderate	High	Very High

¹From Table 2.2, based on estimated range of magnitude.

²Velocity of event used as a secondary proxy for estimation of vulnerability, based on WP/WLI 1995 and Cruden and Varnes 1996 (see also Table 2.4 below).

When deposition vs. scouring proxies are accounted for in accordance with the criteria shown in Table 2.4 below, consequence ranges from "extremely low" to "very high," with no "extremely high" consequences noted in the analysis results (Table A1).

Consequenc	•		,	-Velocity P	roxy ¹				
(Using Vuln Proxie	-	Extremely Low	Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	oderate High		
Deposition vs.	Low	Negligible	Extremely Low	Very Low	Low	Moderate	High		
Scouring	Moderate	Extremely Low	Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High		
Proxy ²	High	Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High	Extremely High		

Table 2.4: Consequence Rating (Using Vulnerability Proxies)

¹From Table 2.3, based on magnitude and velocity proxies.

²Whether an event is likely to result in deposition (Low) or scour (High) is used as a tertiary proxy for estimation of vulnerability and consequence.

Table 2.5 below shows the risks resulting from the combination of the likelihood of a hazard affecting the route (from Table 2.1) and the consequence of the event if it occurs (from Table 2.4). No "extremely high" risk ratings were noted in the risk analysis (Table A1).

Table 2.5: Risk Rating

Dist			Conse	quence Rating	g ¹		
RISK	Rating	Extremely Low	Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High
	Low	Negligible	Extremely Low	Very Low	Low	Moderate	High
Likelihood Rating ²	Moderate	Extremely Low	Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High
Rating	High	Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High	Extremely High

¹From Table 2.4, based on magnitude, velocity, and deposition vs. scour proxies for vulnerability (V, part of consequence). ²From Table 2.4, based on based in based (R,) and spatial probability (R,)

 2From Table 2.1, based on hazard likelihood (P_H) and spatial probability (P_{S-H}).

It is noted that the ratings used in the magnitude/frequency analysis and this updated risk analysis have been refined somewhat from those used in the geotechnical report, reflecting the additional information available from the terrain mapping carried out since that time (Tetra Tech EBA 2015a, 2015c, 2016b, 2016c). As well, the route has been divided into smaller subsections than were used in the geotechnical report, allowing further refinement of the analysis. The findings are generally consistent with the previous findings, with some additional features and considerations flagged as a result of the intervening studies. Highlights of the risk analysis results are presented in Section 3.4 below.

2.2 Methods for Estimation of Landslide Frequency and Magnitude

Landslide frequency and magnitude were estimated in the desktop magnitude/frequency analysis (Tetra Tech EBA 2016c). The methods for that work are summarized below for convenience and the definitions are presented above in Tables 2.1 and 2.2.

Various geohazards have been mapped from air photos for three dates along the proposed alignment (generally 1949 and 1994 air photos and 2012 LiDAR images, but other photo years cover some parts of the route). The magnitude (volume) of a landslide hazard was estimated based on the runout length and width of an event (e.g., the length and width of a rockfall or rock slide scar and its deposits), or by the mapped areal extent of larger slides. Runout lengths are shown by symbols and areal extents by mapped terrain stability polygons on the terrain stability map figures provided within the Mapping Summary Report (Tetra Tech EBA 2015c). The year of the air photo that a geohazard first appears on is shown by the colour of the feature in the same figures. Landslide frequency and magnitude were estimated using this data. A minimum landslide debris thickness of 1 m was used to estimate magnitude, as this cannot be determined via air photo interpretation alone. Frequency can only be approximated based on professional judgement and the activity levels observed on air photos and the LiDAR image.

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3.0 **RISK ANALYSIS**

3.1 General

The risk analysis was carried out in accordance with the definitions and criteria described in Section 2.1 above. The results of the analysis are presented in Table A1.

3.2 Magnitude and Hazard (Likelihood) Ratings

As previously described by Tetra Tech EBA (2016c), landslide hazards were analyzed along the 184 km of the proposed alignment and magnitude/frequency ratings were assigned to various portions of the route according to the criteria given in Tables 2.1 and 2.2. The assessment was conducted at about a 1:10,000 scale and only those hazards having potential to affect the road were analyzed. Due to the scale of the mapping, the groupings of some portions of the route may contain localized areas of benign or potentially unstable terrain within the defined kilometre range, regardless of their magnitude and frequency ratings.

The assigned magnitude and frequency (hazard likelihood or encounter) ratings are presented in Table A1, along with descriptions of each portion of the route, including hazard types present, and whether the hazard occurs upslope or downslope of the road. In some areas, more than one hazard is present. For the purposes of this study, magnitude and hazard likelihood ratings were only assigned for the dominant hazard process (the hazard most likely to affect the proposed road). Dominant hazards are identified by bold and italicized text in Table A1. Secondary hazards are listed and described; however, magnitude and likelihood ratings were not assigned to these unless they were considered equally dominant (co-dominant) or subdominant but nearly co-dominant.

3.3 Vulnerability Proxies and Consequence Ratings

As described in Section 2.1 above, three proxies for vulnerability were estimated to derive the consequence ratings. The proxies considered were the magnitude of an event; the anticipated relative velocity of typical types of events: rockfalls and rockslides, compared to debris flows and slides, compared to lateral spread and permafrost creep; and a deposition vs. scouring proxy. The criteria for these proxies are shown in Tables 2.3 and 2.4 above. The consequence ratings are presented in Table A1.

3.4 Risk Ratings

As described in Section 2.1 above, the risk ratings were estimated from the likelihood of hazard affecting the road (encounter ratings) and the consequence ratings, according to the criteria in Table 2.5. The results are presented in Table A1.

Road sections with "high" or "very high" risk ratings, and selected "moderate" risk ratings, are situated at the following locations:

- "High" or "Very High" risk rating:
 - KP026.2 to KP026.3 Debris flow of moderate likelihood and high consequence. A sinuous ridge of debris above the road is of unknown origin. It appears to have directed water flow across the proposed road alignment in the past, scouring out the area below and forming a small depositional fan adjacent to the creek. Uncertain if debris flows have formed above road or not. Mapped as debris flow to be conservative. Culvert mitigation to be considered as described below for KP155.9 to KP159.3;

- KP027.2 to KP027.4 Debris slide or flow with high likelihood and consequence, resulting in very high risk. This feature is to be spanned with a bridge. Regular monitoring is advisable in case additional mitigations are required in the future.
- KP028.2 to KP028.4 Part of re-route to south side of valley: Minor rockfall activity in limited areas in 1994 and 2012 with high likelihood but moderate consequence; shaded in 1949, so unable to determine activity level at that time. Activity should be monitored and mitigation considered, if necessary.
- KP049.7 to KP050.0 The realignment was adjusted after Terrain Stability Mapping to shift the road back from potentially retrogressive slides; the road is already well back from slide areas that are being eroded by the creek. The likelihood of ongoing movements is considered moderate and the consequence is very high (the latter areas would have a high frequency). Further shifting of the road upslope is not practical in this section due to steeper side-slopes and road grades, and another proposed stream crossing further upstream was determined to be less amenable to development due to slope stability issues. The current road location is therefore likely to receive fewer impacts from possible future slope movements than the adjacent routes that were considered. Should movement resume along existing slide paths in this section, it may be necessary to consider additional mitigations including possible erosion protection at the creek, retaining or buttressing parts of the slope, and/or implementing additional water drainage measures. Appropriate mitigations will be considered at the time of detailed design, and would include monitoring and/or specific measures. The latter would be determined in accordance with the likely contributors to, and types of, movement considered to be likely;
- KP053.7 to KP054.2 A thaw flow slide visible on 2012 LiDAR image nearby, but offset 100 m from the road alignment at the closest point, and set back 125 m from road route upslope. Although the likelihood of continued climate change means that the thaw flow slide might continue to retrogress, the route is now located outside of the apparent near-surface permafrost area, and the increased setback compared to the originally proposed route has reduced the likelihood that possible future movements will affect the road. However, monitoring is required, to keep track of slope movements that might require future mitigation;
- KP059.7 to KP60.4 Route crosses a few older slides visible in 1949 photos. Debris slide of moderate likelihood and high consequence because part of feature is below road and potentially could cut into road. Monitoring is warranted, in case slope mitigations are needed in the future;
- KP083.5 to KP085.5 Debris slides on slope above river and below alignment have moderate likelihood but high consequence. Road is well back from older and younger debris slides and tension cracks. Regular monitoring of the slope below this road section is advisable, to keep track of slope movements that might require additional mitigation;
- KP095.5 to KP101.7 Large rotational to translational slide or slump in bedrock that likely occurred quite some time ago. Although this location has a low hazard likelihood, due to its size and potentially low to high velocity, it has a very high consequence and therefore a "high" risk rating. Because of its very large size, mitigation requirements could be considerable if movement renews. In particular, the large amount of gullying indicates that there is abundant water movement on this slope. Drainage planning will be very important here to prevent lubrication of old slide planes during exceptional rain or rain-on-snow events. As noted in the geotechnical report (Tetra Tech EBA 2015a), the goal is to have sufficient drainage measures such that surface water does not flow in channels in locations where water would naturally flow as sheet flow. The design of appropriate drainage measures is especially important at switchback locations. Also on this slope are some newer soil debris slides that have occurred in the colluvial soils overlying the bedrock slide, as well as some larger debris slides/flows to the south and north of the alignment in similar terrain. While such slides/flows are likely to continue, the soil debris slides tend to be small, and appropriate

drainage measures will also help to reduce the possibility of the road contributing to local debris slides or flows. While no significant changes have occurred affecting the former winter road, this is not necessarily a reliable predictor of future performance;

- KP136.4 to KP137.3 Large debris slides in this section have been assigned a low likelihood and very high consequence. Potentially, a moderate likelihood exists but these features are difficult to discern on both sets of photos. One feature at KP136.4 may be a debris flow, but the feature is rather indistinct - may have a low frequency and/or may be intermixed with fluvial sediment. Monitoring is needed to track slope movements;
- KP0154.5 to KP155.3 Earth slump/flow assumed to be old, as it was inactive in 1949, but could have up to moderate likelihood; road alignment has been moved upslope to avoid this area. In the analysis, this hazard was given a low likelihood of affecting the road, but it has a very high consequence due to being about 800 m long. If the slide moves again, it could be a very large event, entailing a lot of work to repair. The adjacent section of slope (KP155.9 to 159.3), with tension cracks above a similar slope failure in similar terrain, indicates that the possibility of renewed movement should not be disregarded in this section. Although the road has been moved upslope, it is not at low risk: the risk is simply reduced from what it would be if the road was immediately above the scarp. Regular monitoring of the slope below this road section is advisable, to keep track of slope movements that might require additional mitigation.
- KP155.9 to KP159.3 Recently-developed debris flows, visible only on the 2012 LiDAR images, cross the route at KP158.4 to KP158.5. These flows are presently narrow (each about 25 m wide for the two that cross the road), but the source area for the debris is large. The debris flows have a high hazard likelihood rating and a high consequence rating, resulting in a very high risk rating. Culvert mitigation including larger culverts, strategic placement of back-up culverts, and channel armouring should be considered in the detailed design for this area. Culverts may still plug if debris flows occur, so culverts at staggered locations and elevations may be beneficial in case the lower culverts become plugged with debris. Additional mitigations may be needed if debris flow activity grows in magnitude due to increased water flow from thawing rock glaciers upslope, with possibilities including additional armouring, barriers, nets, and/or catch-basins. The road must cross the eastern portion of the same earth slump-flow that affects KP0154.5 to KP155.3 in order to reach the Liard River crossing. This part of the slide does not exhibit tension cracks and the slide frequency is low. However, if a slide occurs (or reactivates) in this road section, the consequence would be very high, due to the potentially very large earth volume that could move, resulting in a high risk rating. Below the alignment, seepage appears to be occurring; drainage planning will be important in this location. Regular monitoring of slopes and drainage provisions is advisable to keep track of events that might require additional mitigation in this section.
- "Moderate" risk rating:
 - KP030.8 to KP031.8 Three colluvial cones with potential for rock slide and debris flow material originating upslope to cross road. These hazards have a high hazard likelihood rating and a low consequence rating, resulting in a moderate risk rating. Wide dispersion of rockslide debris evident on 1949 and 1994 photos shows that up to 90 m of road alignment on each fan was affected prior to 1949, possibly by single events. Recent debris flow activity (visible on 2012 LiDAR image) is much smaller and crosses about 50 m of road. Culverts will be used in mitigation, but may not capture all debris if new debris flows occur on other parts of fans. Armouring between culverts to be considered. Some possible culvert mitigations are as described above for KP155.9 to KP159.3;
 - KP111.8 to KP113.1 (Alternative route) Road alignment crosses a debris flow area with recent activity, but it has been adjusted to the lowest possible location on the fans to avoid flows/slides that do not extend

to the edge of the fan. The flows visible on the 2012 imagery are 20 to 40 m wide. Appropriate culvert locations and mitigations as described above will help protect the road in these locations; however, it is possible that new debris flows may occur elsewhere on the fans. Although this location has a "moderate" rating, considerable mitigation may be required if a substantial debris flow event occurs.

3.5 Assumptions and Interpretations

As described by Tetra Tech EBA (2016c) and repeated here for convenience, there are a number of assumptions and interpretations that are inherent to the desktop estimation of landslide magnitude and frequency:

- If a landslide occurred in the last 50 years, the available data will show it on the 1994 or 2012 images. We cannot know exactly when the slide occurred, only that it was sometime in the last 4 to 22 years if it appears on the 2012 LiDAR image and sometime in the last 22 67 years if it appears on the 1994 air photos but not on the 1949 air photos. If it first appears as a fresh-looking slide on the 1949 air photos, we assume it occurred in the last 50 to 250 years. Standard frequency classes (e.g., those discussed in Wise et al. 2004) are fairly broad and are universally recognized. Slides that occurred more than 250 years ago are more difficult to identify with the limited historical data available. These may be completely overgrown at lower elevations, but may not be at higher elevations. As a result, most of the slides visible on the 1949 air photos are given a frequency of moderate. For the most part, only very large slides may be over-represented in the low frequency grouping while smaller slides may be under-represented. This is in keeping with general slide activity however, as larger slides are much less frequent than smaller slides.
- Magnitude (volume) estimation is approximate and subjective. Rock slide scars in the KP0-30 area vary in length and width, with some being much larger than others. However, much of the runout path of a typical rock slide consists of exposed bedrock in many areas. We cannot know how much material the slide entrains as it moves down the slope, but if the deposit at the base of a slide is small, it can be assumed that a minimal amount of extra material was entrained (barring removal by river erosion). However, the same cannot be said of larger events. A large colluvial deposit may have formed over many years, with growth occurring in small amounts every time a slide occurs. We have addressed this issue based on the assumption that no material is entrained over outcropping bedrock and that 1 m of material is entrained when the slide passes over surficial deposits (generally older colluvium), including the older colluvial cone or other depositional area (if erosion as well as deposition is apparent on the depositional area). The slide magnitude is thus a product of length and width of a slide scar in surficial deposits only and an assumed thickness of 1 m, which gives a volume, from which a magnitude rating is assigned as per Table 2.2.
- Large slide features, such as the one between KP88 and KP90, likely have a thickness of landslide debris greater than 1 m; however, this would not affect the assigned magnitude rating based on the areal extent of these slides, which places them into the very large magnitude category.
- Permafrost is a greater hazard on northwest, north, and northeast-facing slopes (see remarks in Tetra Tech EBA 2015a and 2016c). It is, however, a lesser hazard than rockfall, for example, so if both are present, the dominant hazard assigned in Table A1 is assigned to the rockfall hazard.
- The route between KP67 and KP76 was analyzed using 1994 hard copy air photos. As the slides are very similar to adjacent slides visible in the 1949 air photos, it is assumed that these features are also older than 1949. These slides appear to be slumps in surficial sediment, but Rutter and Boydell (1981) show the area to consist of bedrock. It is therefore possible that these are slumps in bedrock rather than in surficial sediments.

One assumption pertains to the risk analysis only:

 If several slides are present within a described route section, the average magnitude or range of magnitudes was originally given (Tetra Tech EBA 2016c). For the purposes of the risk analysis, the areas where a range of magnitudes were given were re-assessed in PurVIEW and the average magnitude provided instead (Table A1).

4.0 LIMITATIONS OF REPORT

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Propos	ed Route	Location	(Geomorphic	Upslope Hazard	Downslope Hazard	Magnitude Rating ^{2,3}	Hazard (Likelihood)	Magnitude Proxy	Velocity Proxy	Vulnerability Estimate	Deposition vs.	Consequence Rating	Risk	
From KP (km)	To KP (km)	Distance (km)	Processes) ¹	nazaru	Tiazai u	Kating	Rating ^{2,3}	Rating ^{4,5}	Rating⁵	Proxies) ^{4,5} Proxies) ^{4,5}	Proxies) ^{4,}			
0.0	0.4	0.4	Rockfall Gully Erosion	✓ ✓		Medium	High	Low	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Several older rockfalls, th
			Rockfall	✓ ✓		Medium	Moderate	Low	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Gullying of steep slope at Several older rockfalls
0.4	1.0	0.6	Debris Slide	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Wealum	Moderate	LOW	riigii	Moderate	LOW	LOW	LOW	1994 debris slide in older
1.0	4.4	0.4	Rockfall	√		Small	Moderate	Very Low	High	Low	Low	Very Low	Very Low	
1.0	1.4	0.4	Gully Erosion	✓										
1.9	2.1	0.2	Debris Flow	✓		Small	High	Very Low	High	Low	Low	Very Low	Low	Debris flow on fan fed by
2.2	2.3	0.1	Rockslide	✓ ✓		Medium	Moderate	Low	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	No evidence of recent act
			Rockfall Debris Flow	✓ ✓		Small	Moderate	Very Low	High	Low	Low	Very Low	Very Low	No evidence of recent act
2.7	3.4	0.7	Rockfall	· ·		Sman	Widderate	Very Low	nigii	LOW	LOW	Very LOW	Very LOW	INO EVIDENCE OF TECENT ACT
2.1	0.4	0.7	Gully Erosion	✓										
2.4	4.2	0.0	Rockfall	√		Small	High	Very Low	High	Low	Low	Very Low	Low	The most active rockfall is
3.4	4.2	0.8	Debris Flow	✓										Debris flow fan is immedi
4.2	4.8	0.6	Rockslide			Small	High	Very Low	High	Low	Low	Very Low	Low	Recent activity on lower p
									-			-		terrace and is unlikely to a
5.8	6.1	0.3	Rockfall	✓ ✓		Small	High	Very Low	High	Low	Low	Very Low	Low	Two 2012 scars
6.6	7.1	0.5	Gully Erosion Rockfall	✓ ✓		Small Small	Moderate Moderate	Very Low Very Low	Moderate High	Very Low Low	Low Low	Extremely Low Very Low	Extremely Low Very Low	Two 1994 scars at high e
7.5	8.7	1.2	Gully Erosion	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Sman	Widderate	Very LOW	Figh	LOW	LOW			Two 1994 scars at high e
			Rockfall	~		Small	Moderate	Very Low	High	Low	Low	Very Low	Very Low	Rockfalls from 1949 phot
8.7	9.7	1.0	Gully Erosion	✓										
10.7	11.2	0.5	Rockfall	✓		Small	Moderate	Very Low	High	Low	Low	Very Low	Very Low	Rockfall in tributary valley ever done so in the past.
			Gully Erosion	✓ ✓		Maaliuma	Madaata	1	L K ede	Madavata	1		1	0040 markalida et bisken s
11.7	12.6	0.9	Rockslide Rockfall	✓ ✓		Medium	Moderate	Low	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	2012 rockslide at higher e
11.7	12.0	0.9	Gully Erosion	· ·										
13.3	13.4	0.1	Debris Flow	~		Small	Low	Very Low	High	Low	Low	Very Low	Extremely Low	Rockfalls and rockslides i but do not appear to have
13.8	14.7	0.9	Rockfall	√	✓	Small	High	Very Low	High	Low	Low	Very Low	Low	3 rockfalls cross road; a r
			Rockfall	✓	~	Small	High	Very Low	High	Low	Low	Very Low	Low	3 rockfalls from 2012, 3
14.7	15.6	0.9	Rockslide	✓	✓ ✓									3 rockslides from 1949, 1
			Gully Erosion	✓										4 from 1949 and 1 from 1
16.3	17.0	0.7	Rockslide	\checkmark	✓	Medium	High	Low	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	occasional boulders seen
10.0	17.0	0.7	Rockfall	~	✓									Evidence of rockfall activi
17.0	19.0	2.0	Rockslide	~		Medium	Moderate	Low	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Most almost reach road, a more frequent than large
17.0	13.0	2.0	Rockfall	✓										
			Solifluction	~										Descut antivity shares as
19.0	20.5	1.5	Rockslide Rockfall	✓ ✓		Medium	Low	Low	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Very Low	in 1994. Road crosses old
			Gully Erosion	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·										
	1			-										1 rockslide from 1949 cro
20.5	21.6	1.1	Rockslide	~		Medium	Moderate	Low	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	historical evidence of upp
			Rockfall	√										
21.6	22.5	0.9	Rockslide	√		Medium	Moderate	Low	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Rockslides adjacent to the visible on 1994 photos an
			Rockfall	✓ ✓										Rockfall adjacent to road,
22.9	23.4	0.5	Gully Erosion Debris Slide	~	~	Small	Moderate	Very Low	High	Low	Low	Very Low	Very Low	Debris slides on the dowr
	1				-									Recent and 1949 activity
24.0	24.3	0.3	Debris Slide	~		Medium	Moderate	Low	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	rating

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, three small 2012 rockfalls e at KP0-0.3

der colluvium immediately above colluvial fan

by rockslide and rockfall, some from 2012, with 1994 activity on the fan activity

activity on fan despite recent rockfall at high elevations

all is immediately adjacent to road ediately adjacent to road, but no evidence of recent activity er part of slope, but most material from these slides will be caught behind colluvial to affect road

h elevation; do not reach road, 1949 ones reach or cross road

hotos present, a few almost reach the road alignment.

lley could contribute to debris flow at this location but it does not appear to have st.

er elevation, may have just reached the road, difficult to be certain

es in tributary valleys above road could contribute to debris flows at this location ave ever done so in the past

a number of rockfalls from 1994

3 from 1994, 1 from 1982; 3 from 1949 that cross road

9, 1 of these crosses road

m 1994, all of which cross the road; apparently little obvious effect on road as only een in recent time (D. Harpley, pers. comm. Apr. 8, 2016) tivity in 1994 and 2012

d, a few older ones and one from 1994 cross it; small to moderate-sized slides ge ones

road, but no slides meet road. Some slides from 1949 still active (or reactivated) solder, gentler colluvial fans with no visible activity.

crosses road; more recent rockslides are located at higher elevations, although no upper elevation rockslides reaching the road

the road alignment; 5 rockslides intersect the road, with most recent of these and the other 4 on 1949 photos ad, from 1949

ownslope side of the original alignment; new alignment has no visible hazards vity does not reach road, therefore given moderate rather than high frequency

Propos	ed Route	Location	Geohazards (Geomorphic	Upslope	Downslope	Magnitude	Hazard (Likelihood)	Magnitude Proxy	Velocity Proxy	Vulnerability Estimate	Deposition vs.	Consequence Rating	Risk	
From KP (km)	To KP (km)	Distance (km)	Processes) ¹	Hazard	Hazard	Rating ^{2,3}	Rating ^{2,3}	Rating ^{4,5}	Rating⁵	(Magnitude & Velocity Proxies) ^{4,5}	Scouring Proxy⁵	(Vulnerability Proxies) ^{4,5}	Rating ^{3,4,5,6,7}	
24.8	24.9	0.1	Debris Slide	~	~	Small	Moderate	Very Low	High	Low	Low	Very Low	Very Low	Road has been moved av significant hazards
			Gully Erosion	✓										
25.5	26.6	1.1	Debris Slide		✓ ✓	Small	Moderate	Very Low	High	Low	High	Moderate	Moderate	2 at KP25.8 unlikely to af - hard to tell on photos
26.2	26.3	0.1	Gully Erosion Debris Flow	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	Medium	Moderate	Low	High	Moderate	High	High	High	Debris flow of moderate li unknown origin. It appear below the road and a form have formed above road o individual events as this is
			Debris Slide or Flow	~	✓	Medium	High	Low	High	Moderate	High	High	Very High	Medium-sized debris slide
27.2	27.4	0.2	Rockslide	✓		Medium	High	Low	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Recent activity, but does
			Rockfall		✓									
			Gully Erosion	√	✓	0 "								To be spanned with bridge
27.5	28.0	0.5	Rockslide Gully Erosion	✓	✓ ✓	Small	Moderate	Very Low	High	Low	Low	Very Low	Very Low	Small slides from 1949 in
28.1	28.4	0.3	Rockfall	~		Small	High	Very Low	High	Low	High	Moderate	High	Re-route to south side of unable to determine activi
29.0	29.2	0.2	Debris Flow	~		Medium	High	Low	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Recent debris flow activity 29.15
			Rockslide	✓										
30.1	30.2	0.1	Debris Flow	√		Medium	Moderate	Low	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Old rockslides appear to h
30.6	30.8	0.2	Debris Flow	~		Medium	High	Low	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Evidence of recent activity is on fan
30.8	31.2	0.4	Rockslide	✓		Medium	High	Low	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Recent rockslide at KP31
31.2	31.8	0.6	Rockfall Debris Flow	✓ ✓		Medium	High	Low	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Rockfalls from 1949 2 colluvial cones with recorrect of section is deposition about 80 m of road.
00.0	00 F	0.0	Rockslide	✓ ✓	✓	NA - alia ara	1	1	L R ede	Ma davata	1	1		Dahria flavor fram 4040 a
32.2	32.5	0.3	Debris Flow Rockfall	v √		Medium Medium	Low High	Low Low	High High	Moderate Moderate	Low Low	Low Low	Very Low Moderate	Debris flows from 1949 a Majority are from 1949 ph
32.5	36.2	3.7	Rockslide	√		Wealdin	- I light	Low	rigii	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	
36.7	37.2	0.5	Gully Erosion	\checkmark		Medium	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Very Low	Very Low	Gullies at edge of polygor
37.2	37.8	0.6	Rockfall Rockfall	v √		Small	High	Very Low	High	Low	Low	Very Low	Low	Several rockfalls on 1994
37.8	38.7	0.9	Rockfall	√		Large	Low	Moderate	High	High	Low	Moderate	Low	Rockfall from 1949 cover
40.2	41.4	1.2	Lateral Spread in Surficial Material	~	~	Very Large	Low	High	Moderate	High	Low	Moderate	Low	Road crosses lateral spre
44.0	40.0	0.4	Gully Erosion	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	0 "						F		
41.9	42.0	0.1	Gully Erosion Lateral Spread in	~		Small	Moderate	Very Low	Moderate	Very Low	Low	Extremely Low	Extremely Low	
42.9	43.3	0.4	Surficial Material	✓	✓ ✓	Large	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	High	Moderate	Road is at crest of slide (I
			Soil Creep in	✓	~	1	1	Madanata		1	1		Estrements Laws	Deed and a second second
45.8	46.2	0.4	Permafrost Terrain		✓ ✓	Large	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Very Low	Extremely Low	Road crosses wet permaf
			Gully Erosion Slump in Surficial	~	•									Two large slumps in glaci
46.8	48.4	1.6	Material Gully Erosion	✓ ✓		Very Large	Moderate	High	Moderate	High	Low	Moderate	Moderate	undermining along creek
40.7	50.0	0.0	Debris Slide	√	~	Large	Moderate	Moderate	High	High	High	Very High	Very High	Re-route shifts road back
49.7	50.0	0.3	Gully Erosion	✓	✓	.								creek (the latter areas wo
53 7	54.2	0.5	Thaw Flow Slide		~	Medium	High	Low	Moderate	Low	High	Moderate	High	Thaw flow slide from 201
53.7	04.2	0.5	Inaw Flow Slide		·	wealum	High	Low	woderate	Low	High	wouerate	High	retrogression is uphill only

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away from slope north of 24.9, but slides are small and unlikely to create

o affect road; 1 at KP25.6 could possibly affect road, although latter may be a gully

te likelihood and high consequence. A sinuous ridge of debris above road is of ears to have directed water flow across the road in the past, scouring out the area forming a small depositional fan adjacent to the river. Uncertain if debris flows ad or not. Mapped as debris flow to be conservative. Difficult to tell size of is is a fairly old feature.

slide or debris flow crossed alignment at gully in 1994; to be spanned with bridge

es not reach road

lge

9 immediately below road

e of river: Minor activity in limited areas in 1994 and 2012; shaded in 1949 so ctivity level at that time

ivity on colluvial fan, reaches road at KP29.1; fan crosses road from 29.05 to

to have developed into debris flows at lower elevations ivity on colluvial fan, does not reach road; 1949 debris flow crosses road and road

P31 reaches road, older slide crosses it

recent activity reaching or crossing road, potential for major scour at ~KP031.2, sition. Recent debris flow activity crosses 50 m of road. Pre-1949 activity crosses

9 and 1994, do not reach road, but fan crosses road 9 photos, but plenty of evidence of recent activity

gon with soil creep at higher elevation, does not affect road

994 photos

vered in vegetation at the toe

pread with no evidence of movement since 1949

le (lateral spread in glaciofluvial sediments)

mafrost area that may experience slow soil creep

laciofluvial material, likely very old, road skirts bottom of slides. Possible eek below road in a few short sections.

ack from slides; road is already well back from slide areas that are being eroded by would have a high frequency)

2012 nearby, but offset 100 m from road at closest point; 125 m from road if only

	Risk	Consequence Rating	Deposition vs.	Vulnerability Estimate	Velocity Proxy	Magnitude Proxy	Hazard (Likelihood)	Magnitude Rating ^{2,3}	Downslope Hazard	Upslope Hazard	(Geomorphic	Location	ed Route	
	Rating ^{3,4,5,6,7}	(Vulnerability Proxies) ^{4,5}	Scouring Proxy⁵	(Magnitude & Velocity Proxies) ^{4,5}	Rating⁵	Rating ^{4,5}	Rating ^{2,3}	Nating	Hazara	Hazaru	Processes) ¹	Distance (km)	To KP (km)	From KP (km)
Alternate routes avoid mo	Moderate	Moderate	Low	High	Moderate	High	Moderate	Very Large		~	Slump in Surficial Material			
Alternate routes avoid mo										~	Debris Slide	3.1	57.6	54.5
										✓	Rockfall			
Route crosses a few olde	High	High	High	Moderate	High	Low	Moderate	Medium	✓	\checkmark	Debris Slide	0.7	60.4	59.7
Road traverses upper ed	Moderate	Moderate	High	Low	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Medium	✓		Gully Erosion	0.1	61.5	61.4
Route passes between o	Very Low	Very Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Large	~		Slump in Surficial Material or Bedrock	4.1	72.0	67.9
Route crosses an older re									✓	✓	Rockfall			
Route passes between o	Very Low	Very Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Large	~		Slump in Surficial Material or Bedrock	2.3	75.2	72.9
Route passes between o	Very Low	Very Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Large	~		Slump in Surficial Material or Bedrock	5.4	81.4	76.0
Road is well back from o	High	High	High	Moderate	High	Low	Moderate	Medium	✓		Debris Slide	2.0	85.5	83.5
Road avoids most of late	Low	Moderate	Low	High	Moderate	High	Low	Very Large	~		Lateral Spread in Surficial Material	1.8	87.3	85.5
Road crosses toe of olde	Moderate	Moderate	Low	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	Large	✓		Debris Slide			
Road skirts bottom of late much less obvious evider	Low	Moderate	Low	High	Moderate	High	Low	Very Large		~	Lateral Spread in Surficial Material	1.5	89.5	88.0
										✓	Gully Erosion			
Creep due to permafrost	Extremely Low	Extremely Low	Low	Very Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Medium	~	✓ ✓	Soil Creep in Permafrost Terrain Gully Erosion	3.2	94.2	91.0
Large rotational to transla	High	Very High	High	High	Moderate	High	Low	Very Large	~	✓ ✓	Slump in Bedrock			
A few recent but small de									~	~	Debris Slides	6.2	101.7	95.5
Abundant gullies	-								✓	✓	Gully Erosion			
Rockfall on 1949 air phot	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	High	Low	Moderate	Medium		✓	Rockfall		102.0	101.7
-												e	ive Rout	Iternat
Alternate route passes al below; best location for b	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	High	Low	Moderate	Medium	~	~	Rockfall	5.0	108.5	103.5
									~	~	Soil creep in Permafrost Terrain			
Road crosses area with s very large, likely only the p	Very Low	Extremely Low	Low	Very Low	Low	Low	High	Medium	~	~	Soil Creep in Permafrost Terrain	0.9	109.4	08.5
Road crosses debris flow	Moderate	Moderate	Low	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	Large	✓	~	Debris Flow	1.3	113.1	111.8
that do not extend to eda										✓	Debris Slide			
that do not extend to edg									✓	•				
that do not extend to edge Older rockslides reach or possible elevation throug	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	High	Low	Moderate	Medium	✓ ✓	~	Rockslide	3.1	116.2	113.1
Older rockslides reach or possible elevation throug Recent rockfall, but smal									✓	✓ ✓	Rockfall			
Older rockslides reach or possible elevation throug Recent rockfall, but smal	Low Very Low	Low Very Low	Low Low	Moderate Low	High High	Low Very Low	Moderate Moderate	Medium Small		~			120.3	119.9
Older rockslides reach or possible elevation throug Recent rockfall, but smal Alternate route passes al	Very Low	Very Low	Low	Low	High	Very Low	Moderate	Small	<i>✓</i>	✓ ✓ ✓	Rockfall Rockfall	0.4	120.3 Route	19.9 riginal
Older rockslides reach or possible elevation throug Recent rockfall, but smal Alternate route passes al 2 gullies intersect the roa	Very Low Low	Very Low Low	Low High	Low Very Low	High	Very Low Very Low	Moderate Moderate	Small Small	✓	✓ ✓ ✓	Rockfall Rockfall Gully Erosion	0.4	120.3 Route 109.2	19.9 riginal
Older rockslides reach or possible elevation throug Recent rockfall, but smal Alternate route passes al 2 gullies intersect the roa Re-route has shifted road	Very Low Low Low	Very Low Low Low	Low High Low	Low Very Low Moderate	High Moderate High	Very Low Very Low Low	Moderate Moderate Moderate	Small Small Medium	✓ ✓ ✓	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓	Rockfall Rockfall Gully Erosion Rockfall	0.4 0.2 0.3	120.3 Route 109.2 110.2	19.9 riginal 109.0 109.9
Older rockslides reach or possible elevation throug Recent rockfall, but smal Alternate route passes al 2 gullies intersect the roa Re-route has shifted road Several gullies intersect	Very Low Low Low Moderate	Very Low Low Low Moderate	Low High Low High	Low Very Low Moderate Low	High Moderate High Moderate	Very Low Very Low Low Low	Moderate Moderate Moderate Moderate	Small Small Medium Medium	<i>✓</i>	✓ ✓ ✓	Rockfall Rockfall Gully Erosion Rockfall Gully Erosion	0.4 0.2 0.3 4.9	120.3 Route 109.2 110.2 115.1	19.9 iginal 09.0 09.9 10.2
Older rockslides reach or possible elevation throug Recent rockfall, but smal Alternate route passes al 2 gullies intersect the roa Re-route has shifted road Several gullies intersect to Road crosses toe of olde	Very Low Low Low	Very Low Low Low	Low High Low	Low Very Low Moderate Low Moderate	High Moderate High Moderate High	Very Low Very Low Low Low Low	Moderate Moderate Moderate	Small Small Medium	✓ ✓ ✓	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓	Rockfall Rockfall Gully Erosion Rockfall Gully Erosion Rockfall	0.4 0.2 0.3 4.9 0.2	120.3 Route 109.2 110.2 115.1 115.7	19.9 riginal 09.0 09.9 10.2 15.5
Older rockslides reach or possible elevation throug Recent rockfall, but smal Alternate route passes al 2 gullies intersect the roa Re-route has shifted road Several gullies intersect of Road crosses toe of olde In coarse-grained materia Very small slide, short slo	Low Low Low Moderate Low	Very Low Low Low Moderate Low	Low High Low High Low	Low Very Low Moderate Low Moderate Very Low Low	High Moderate High Moderate High Moderate High	Very Low Low Low Low Very Low Very Low	Moderate Moderate Moderate Moderate Moderate Low Moderate	Small Small Medium Medium Medium Small Small	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓		Rockfall Rockfall Gully Erosion Rockfall Gully Erosion Rockfall Gully Erosion Debris Slide	0.4 0.2 0.3 4.9 0.2 0.4 0.1	120.3 Route 109.2 110.2 115.1 115.7 116.9 120.8	119.9 riginal 109.0 109.9 110.2 115.5 116.5
Older rockslides reach or possible elevation throug Recent rockfall, but smal Alternate route passes al 2 gullies intersect the roa Re-route has shifted roa Several gullies intersect r Road crosses toe of olde In coarse-grained materia	Low Low Low Moderate Low Negligible	Very Low Low Low Moderate Low Extremely Low	Low High Low High Low Low	Low Very Low Moderate Low Moderate Very Low	High Moderate High Moderate High Moderate	Very Low Low Low Low Very Low	Moderate Moderate Moderate Moderate Moderate Low	Small Small Medium Medium Medium Small	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓		Rockfall Rockfall Gully Erosion Rockfall Gully Erosion Rockfall Gully Erosion	0.4 0.2 0.3 4.9 0.2 0.4 0.1	120.3 Route 109.2 110.2 115.1 115.7 116.9	119.9

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most of these areas

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Ider slides visible in 1949 photos

edge of this sizable gully

n older slump features in surficial sediments (or possibly slumps in soft bedrock) rr rockfall area and passes above others that are not likely to affect road

n older slump features in surficial sediments (or possibly slumps in soft bedrock)

older slump features in surficial sediments (or possibly slumps in soft bedrock)

older and younger debris slides and tension cracks

ateral spread

der debris slide

lateral spread that is likely quite old; it crosses a small portion at the edge with dence of activity (between KP88 and KP88.4)

ost in wetland areas only; these make up about 30% of this section of route

slational slide that likely occurred quite some time ago

debris slides at upper elevations

hotos

s along base of rockfall area to avoid wet areas of recent soil creep in permafrost or both geohazards

th small amount of recent soil creep in permafrost, although soil creep polygon is ne portion along the road would affect the road low area, but has been adjusted to lowest location on fans to avoid flows/slides edge of fan

or cross road in KP114 to 115.5 area, but road has been shifted to lowest ugh slide area to avoid as many slides as possible nall and well above road

along base of rockfall area to avoid river floodplain

road

oad back from rockfall area

ct road alignment

Ider rockfall/rock slide area; scars visible on 1962 photos

erial; activity is older in 1949 photo; water flow in gullies likely rare

slope; likely to have have little effect on road

ut at road, but still quite wet in 1949 photos

s, snow covered in 1949 and activity level uncertain due to poor quality 1949

Proposed Route Location Geohazards Hazard Magnitude Vulnerability Consequence Magnitude Upslope Downslope Proxy Rating^{4,5} (Geomorphic (Likelihood) Velocity Proxy Estimate Deposition vs. Rating Risk Rating^{2,3} Hazard Hazard Rating^{3,4,5,6,7} Rating^{2,3} From (Magnitude & Velocity Scouring Proxy⁵ (Vulnerability Processes)¹ Rating⁵ To KP Distance KP Proxies)^{4,5} Proxies)^{4,5} (km) (km) (km) 136.4 137.3 Debris Slide 0.9 1 ~ Large Low Moderate High High High Very High High 139.0 139.1 0.1 Gully Erosion ✓ ✓ Small Moderate Very Low Moderate Very Low Low 139.7 139.8 Very Low Very Low 0.1 Debris Slide Small Very Low ~ Moderate Hiah Low Low 140.6 140.9 0.3 **Debris Slide** ~ Moderate \checkmark Small Very Low High Low Low Very Low Very Low 143.9 144.0 0.1 Gully Erosion ~ ~ Small Moderate Very Low Moderate Very Low Low 146.3 146.4 0.1 Gully Erosion \checkmark Small Moderate Very Low Moderate Very Low Low lv Low Moderate 148.0 148.1 0.1 Gully Erosion ./ Small Very Low Moderate Very Low Low 151.2 Gully Erosion 154.5 3.3 \checkmark ~ Small Moderate Very Low Moderate Very Low High Low Low Earth Slump - Earth 154.5 155.3 0.8 ~ Very Large Low Hiah Moderate High High Very High High Flow Earth Slump - Earth 1 \checkmark Very Large Low High Moderate High High Very High High Flow 155.9 159.3 3.4 Debris Flow ~ ~ Medium High Low Moderate High High High Very High Gully Erosion ✓ ~

Table A1: Hazard, Consequence and Risk Ratings along the Proposed Prairie Creek Mine All-Season Road, NT

¹Geohazards are described as per Howes and Kenk (1997); however, it is assumed that fluvial fans also contain some components of debris floods and water floods.

²Ratings apply to the dominant / most probable hazard (indicated in **bold italics**) along the proposed road alignment.

³Definitions of magnitude and hazard likelihood (encounter probability) classes are provided in Tables 2.1 and 2.2 of the memo

⁴Applied as partial proxy for consequence (vulnerability), as shown in Tables 2.2, 2.3, and 2.4 of the memo.

⁵Discussion and definitions of consequence and vulnerability classes are provided in Tables 2.3 and 2.4 of the memo. Resulting risk classes are shown in Table 2.5.

⁶Risk is the product of hazard likelihood and consequence. Definitions of hazard (likelihood) and consequence (vulnerability) classes are provided in Tables 2.1 and 2.4 of the memo. Resulting risk classes are shown in Table 2.5.

⁷Risk tolerance is not addressed in the risk matrix, but should be recognized as a necessary component in making land management decisions.

Notes/Limitations:

-Magnitude/Frequency assessment applies only to road segments where geohazards are present

-A thickness of 1 m is assumed for landslide magnitude calculations; this should be considered a minimum estimate

-If several slides are present within a described route section, the average magnitude or range of magnitudes is given

-The groupings of some portions of the route may contain localized areas of benign or potentially unstable terrain within the defined kilometre range, regardless of its magnitude and frequency ratings, due to the scale of mapping -Kilometre ranges are as per route alignment dated February 2015

Comments

Large debris slides in this section. One feature at KP136.4 may be a debris flow, but feature is rather indistinct - may have a low frequency and/or may be intermixed with fluvial sediment. Features assigned a "low" frequency, but potentially could have a "moderate" frequency, due to the difficulty in distinguishing features on both sets of photos. Inactive but wet in 1949 and 1982 Very small slide, short slope; unlikely to affect road Very small slides, short slopes; not large enough or close enough to affect road Stream in drains lake, expect ongoing but minimal erosion Road crosses drainage path in flattest part; gullying unlikely to affect road Very small and inactive but wet in 1949 Smaller gullies inactive in 1949, a few cross road; larger gullies active in 1949, with streams feeding fluvial fans, road crosses these at best possible locations Assumed to be old as inactive in 1949, but could have moderate likelihood; road has been moved upslope to avoid this area Assumed to be old as inactive in 1949, road has been moved upslope but is still immediately adjancent to upper portion of slide near KP 158 and tension cracks near KP157 Debris flows visible on 2012 imagery cross route at 158.4 to 158.5; road must cross eastern portion of slump-flow in order to reach river crossing

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8.0 SUPPORT OF ADJACENT GROUND AND STRUCTURES

Unless otherwise specifically advised, support of ground and structures adjacent to the anticipated construction and preservation of adjacent ground and structures from the adverse impact of construction activity is required.

9.0 INFLUENCE OF CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY

There is a direct correlation between construction activity and structural performance of adjacent buildings and other installations. The influence of all anticipated construction activities should be considered by the contractor, owner, architect and prime engineer in consultation with a geotechnical engineer when the final design and construction techniques are known.

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Because of the nature of geological deposits, the judgmental nature of geotechnical engineering, as well as the potential of adverse circumstances arising from construction activity, observations during site preparation, excavation and construction should be carried out by a geotechnical engineer. These observations may then serve as the basis for confirmation and/or alteration of geotechnical recommendations or design guidelines presented herein.

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Where temporary or permanent drainage systems are installed within or around a structure, the systems which will be installed must protect the structure from loss of ground due to internal erosion and must be designed so as to assure continued performance of the drains. Specific design detail of such systems should be developed or reviewed by the geotechnical engineer. Unless otherwise specified, it is a condition of this report that effective temporary and permanent drainage systems are required and that they must be considered in relation to project purpose and function.

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