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SUBJECT : ECOSA Stability Analysis

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The present document summarizes the findings of a stability assessment of ECOSA. A rainfall event occurred at Cripple Creek on 31st July 2023 at an average total of 3 inches. Sloughing of material was recorded on ECOSA 10300 lift.

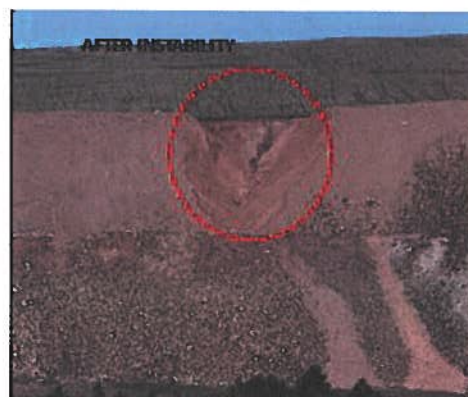


Figure 1 Area of instability

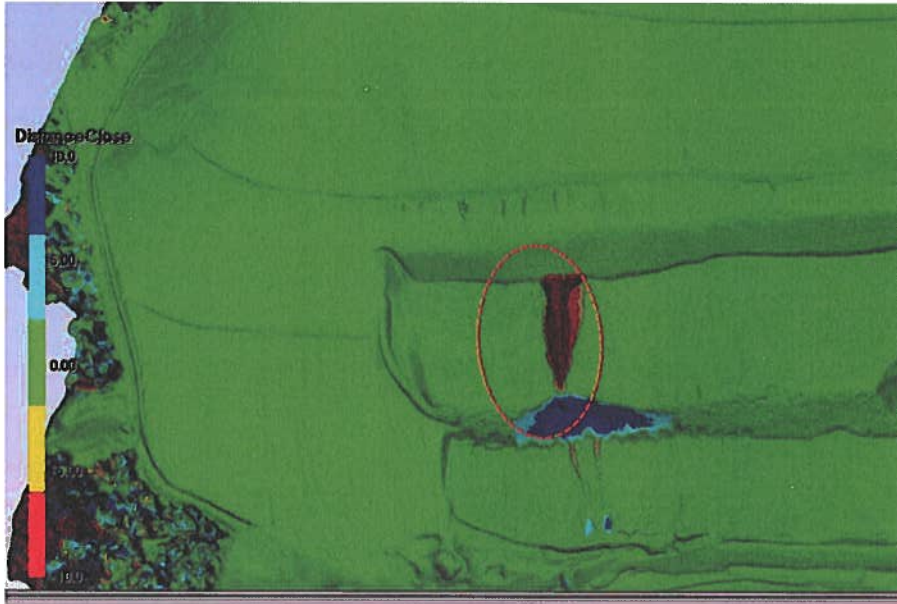


Figure 2 Drone flights comparison pre and post instability

FIELD  
SUPPLIED

8/24/23

Gran Marian  
Boatman



Figure 3 Three sections under review at ECOSA

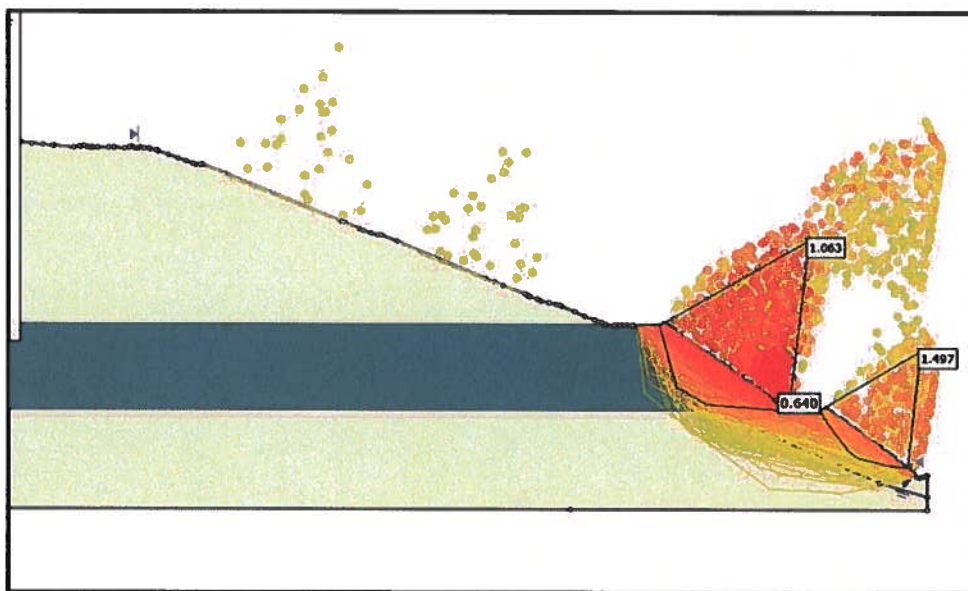


Figure 4 Stability Analysis of cross section 1

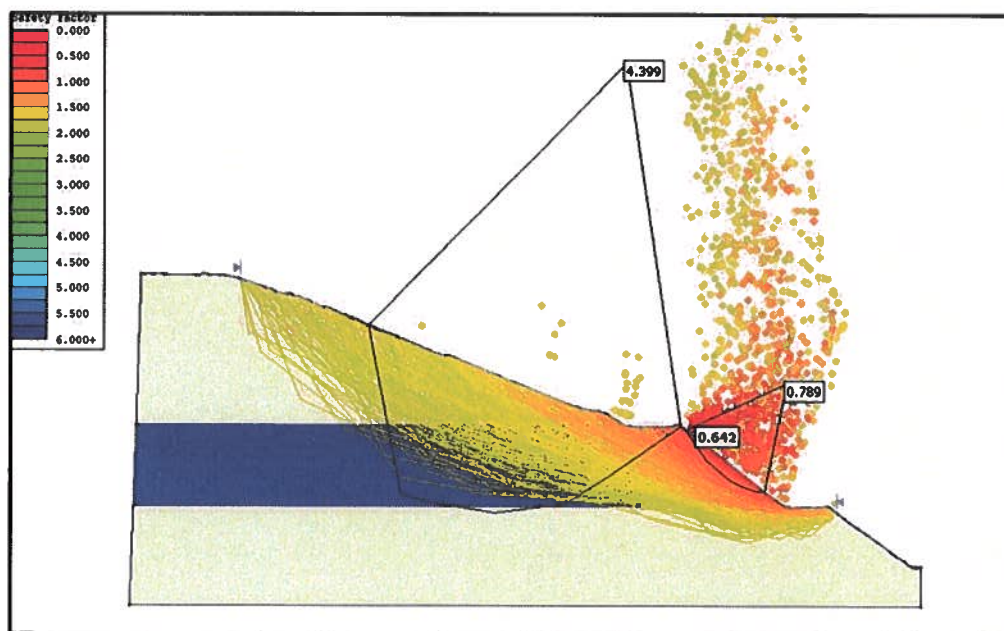


Figure 5 Stability Analysis of cross section 2



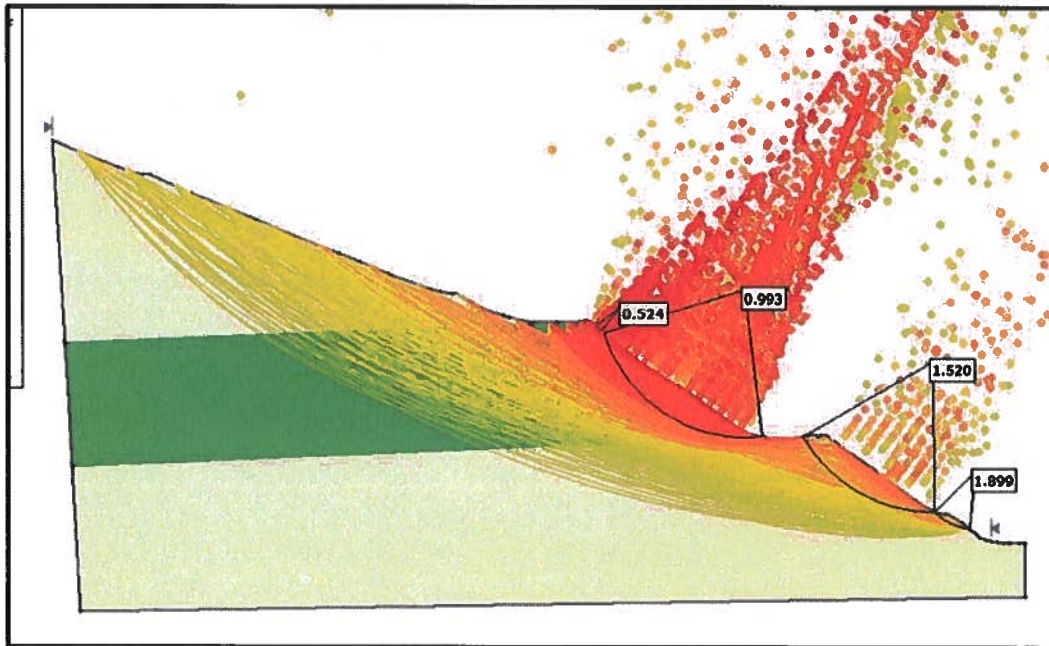


Figure 6 Stability Analysis of cross section 3

## Analysis Results Summary

The geometry of the material boundaries, each cross section was informed by field conditions and historic material testing in the area. The material properties were determined from historic materials testing, the reports for which are listed in the reference portion of this memorandum. A summary of the Factors of Safety (FoS) can be found in Table 1.

Cross Section #	FoS, 10300 lift
Section 1	1.03
Section 2	0.789
Section 3	0.993

Table 1. Summary of analysis results

The analysis showed that the sections /benches that are susceptible to bench instability are the sections with high percentage of fine material. The section of the observed washout had a low Factor of safety, and which also get affected by inadequate water diversion. Due to the grade on the catch benches, water ponds on the benches causing instability on colluvium material.

For the three Cross Sections the average FoS ranges between 0.7 and 1.03 which is the lower than the minimum allowable FoS of 1.2. The sections under review 3 show low Factors of Safety because of the weaker material properties assigned to the 10100 lift which also reflects a bench-scale failure type that does not affect the overall slope. This failure type is consistent with current field conditions and is being managed and monitored by the CC&V Geotechnical group.



Figure 7 Risk map for ECOSA section under review

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