

Debris Flow Mitigation at the East Gate Landslide

Glacier National Park

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Agenda

- 1. Site Background
- 2. Design Development
- 3. Implementation
- 4. Lessons Learned
- 5. Next Steps

Site Characteristics

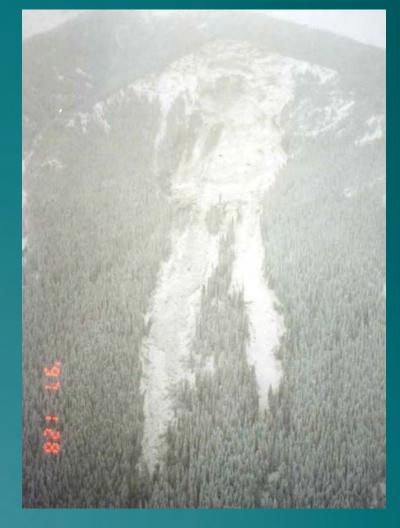




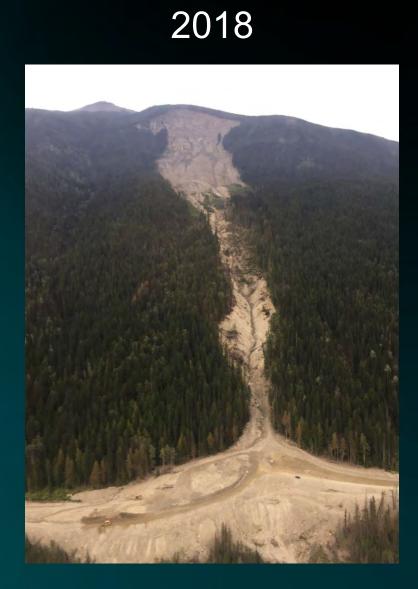
January 1997 reactivation of ancient landslide – 2,000,000m³ failure



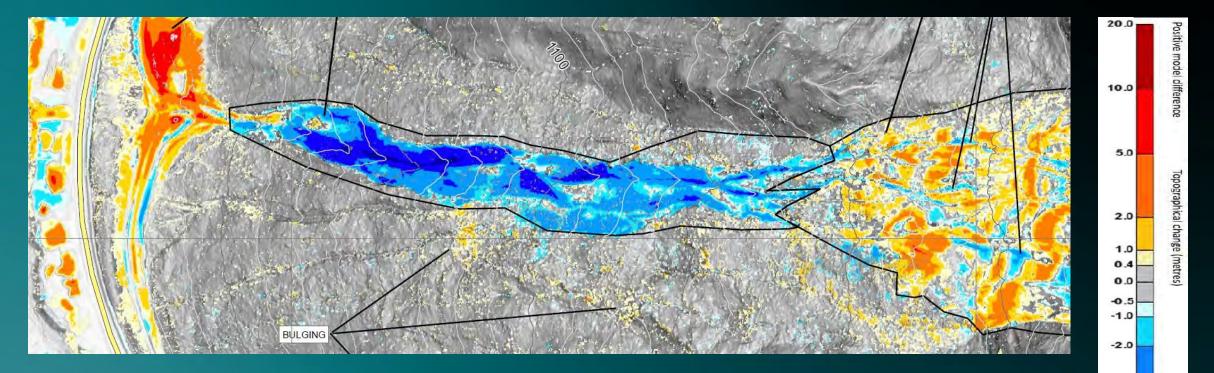
Photo by PCA, January 1997







Gully Evolution: 2015 LiDAR vs. 2018 LiDAR



Negative model difference

-5.0

-10.0

-20.0



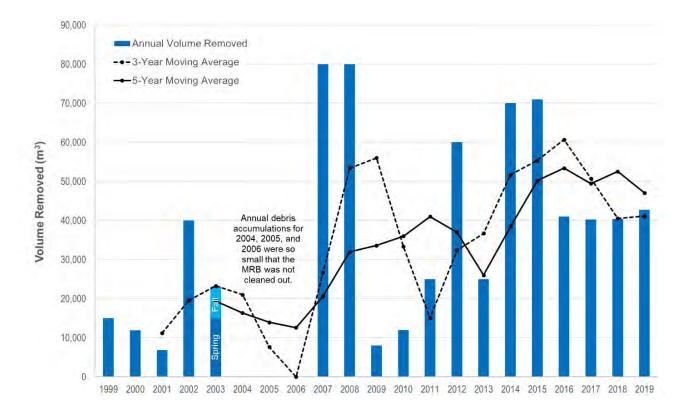


Previous Interventions

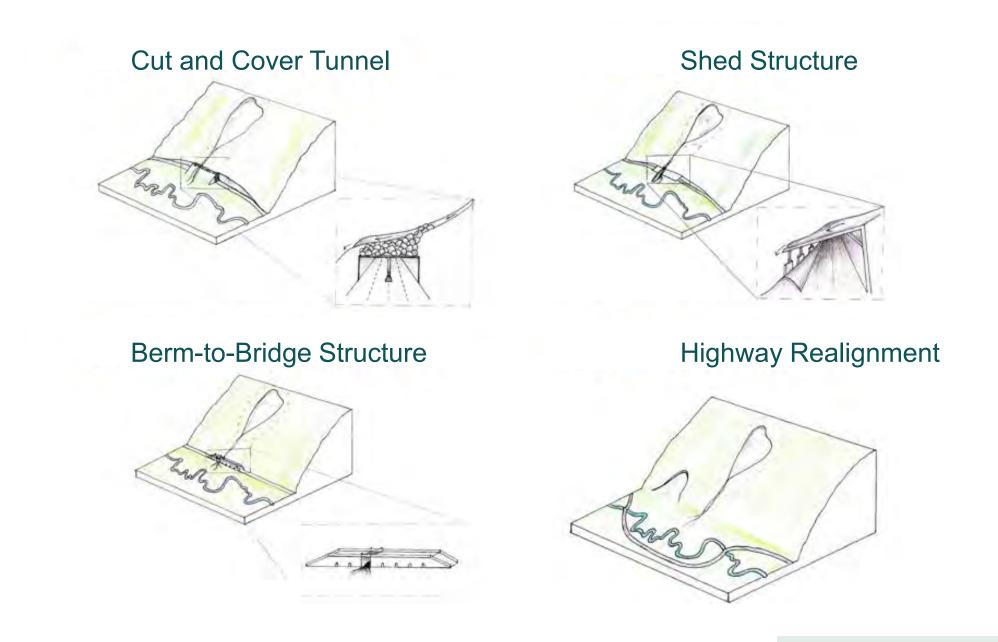




	Debris Removal Volume (m³)¹
Minimum Annual	7,000
Median Annual	40,000
Maximum Annual	80,000
Total (1999 to 2019)	692,000

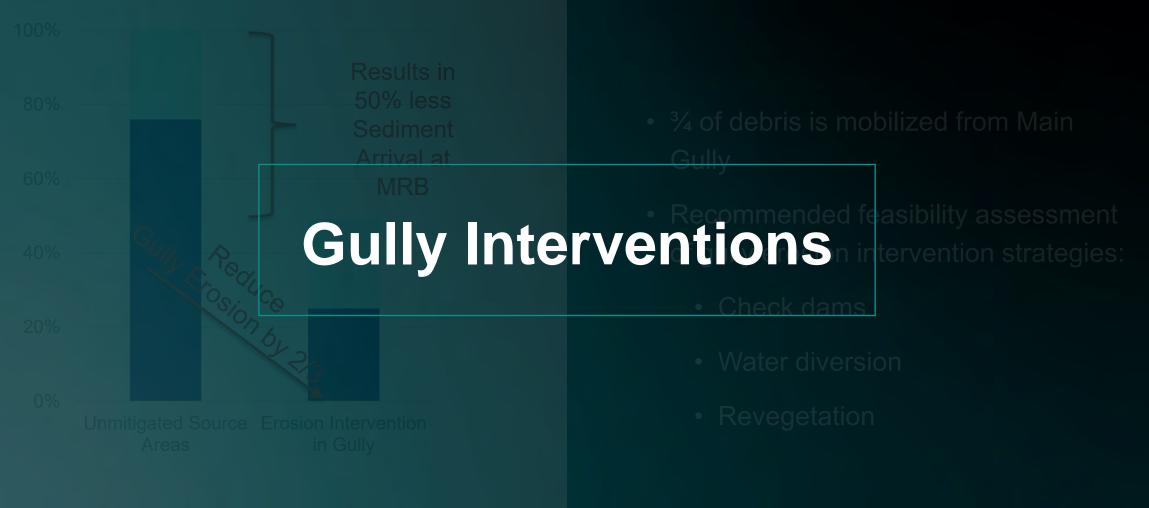


Traditional Engineering Approaches



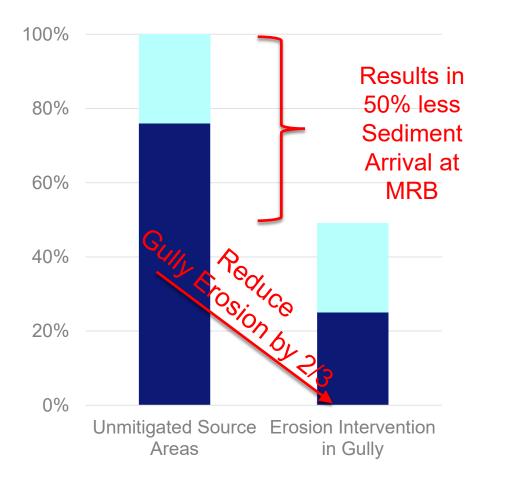
Graphics courtesy of TetraTech (2017)

Sediment Arrival at Berm Apex



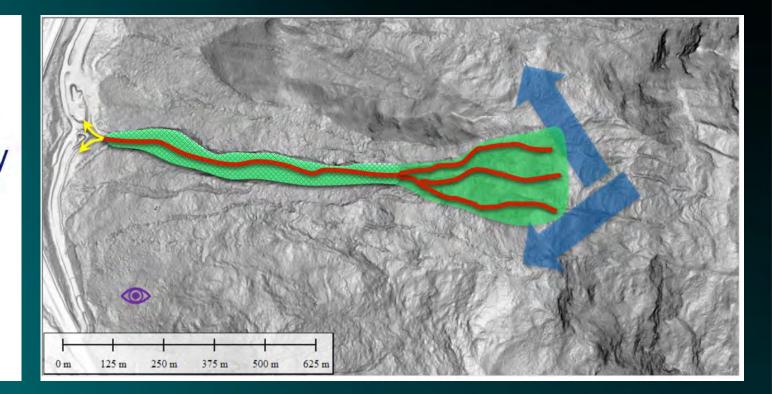
Gully (Zone 6) All other areas

Sediment Arrival at Berm Apex



- ³⁄₄ of debris is mobilized from Main Gully
- Recommended feasibility assessment of gully erosion intervention strategies:
 - Check dams
 - Water diversion
 - Revegetation

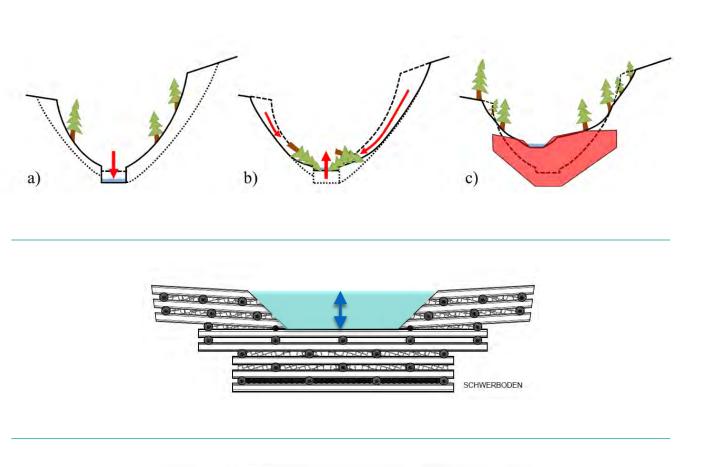
Divert Prevent down-cutting Anticipate and adapt to gully side slope instability Improve surficial stability Monitor and adapt Guide gully discharge

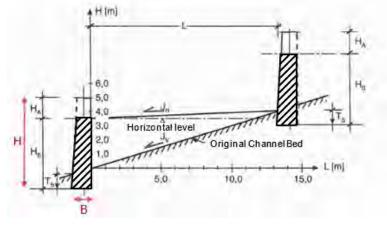


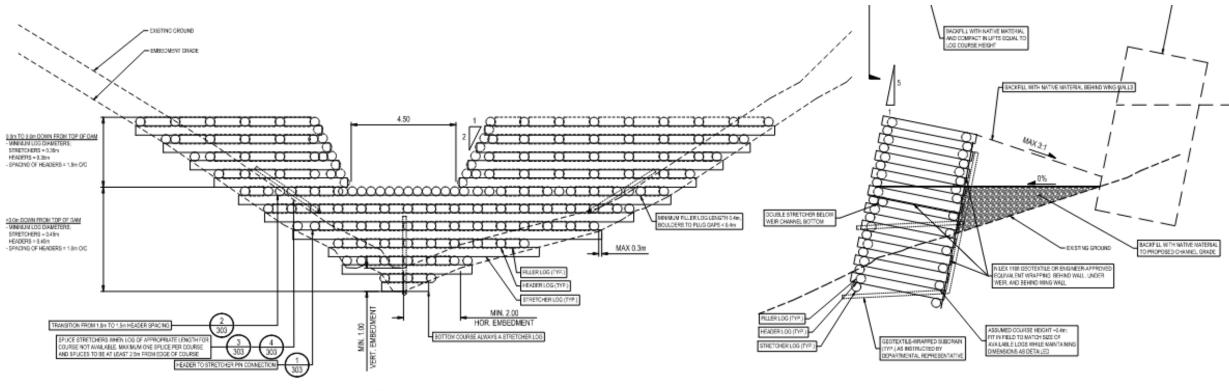
Check Dams



- Grade control -> Stops
 vertical incision
- Debris flow discharge is key parameter for sizing check dam weirs and defines height of wingwalls to prevent outflanking



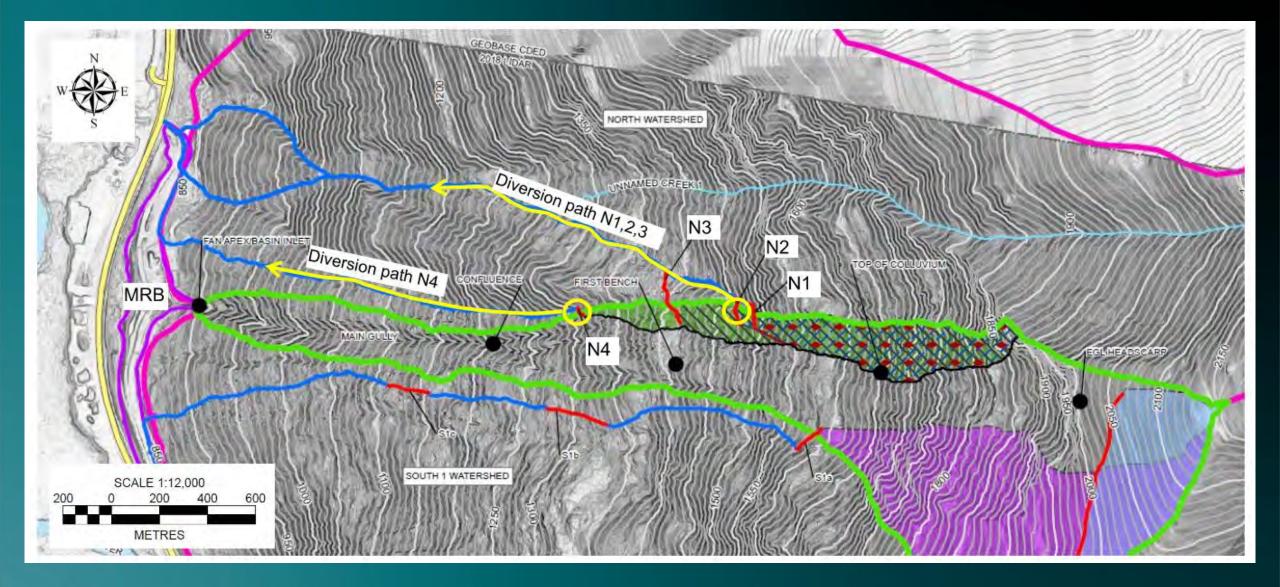




SECTION A-A

SECTION B-B

Diversions





Live Staking



Implementation











Continued Construction



Log Supply







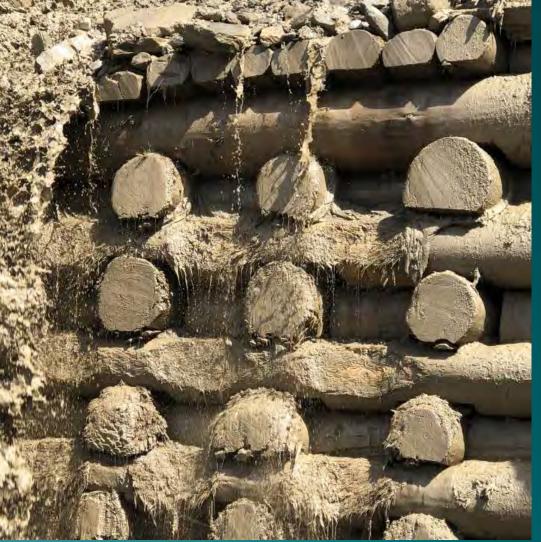
Freshet!



Wear & Tear



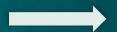
Front Face Abrasion





Corduroy Abrasion





Scour and Riprap Displacement



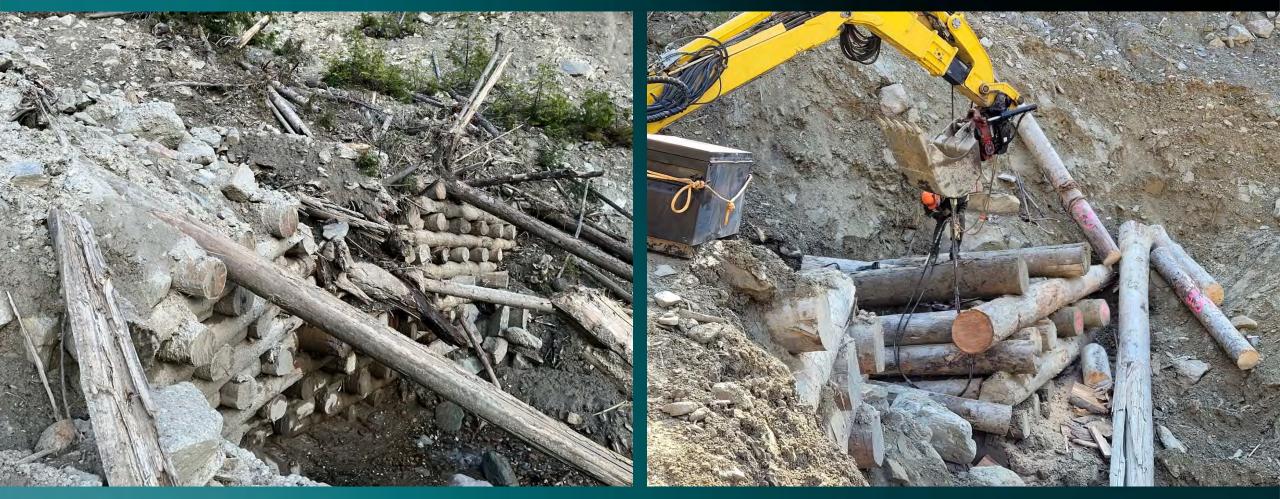
Lateral Landslide

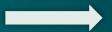


Football Field Landslide (FFL)

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Check Dam Repairs





Thalweg Stabilization



Past, Present, Future







Special Thanks











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