

# Observational Method and Traditional Survey Methods to Monitor Rockslides

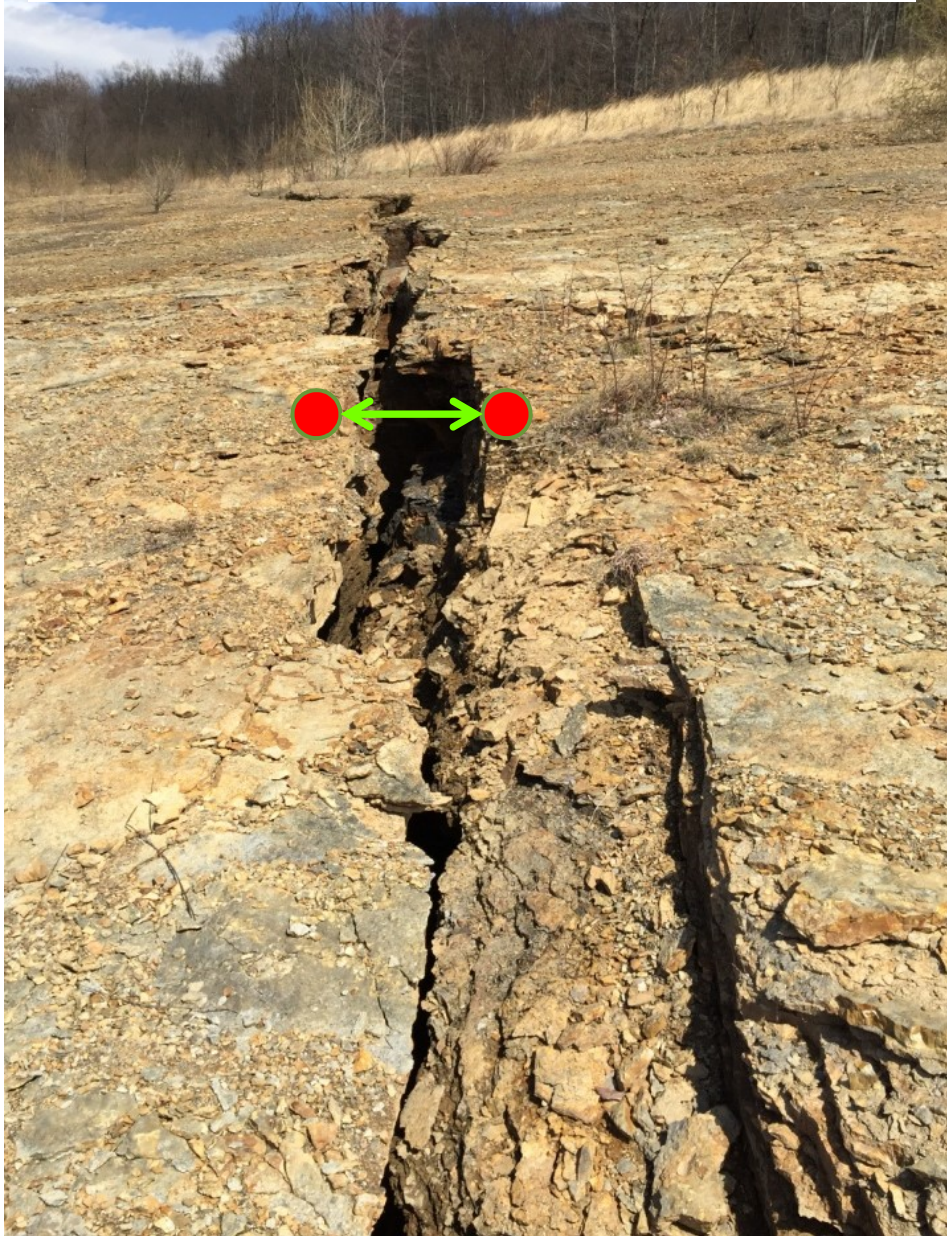
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# Observational method & traditional monitoring techniques:

- ◎ Understand -> implement realistic design -> monitor -> reanalyze & adjust -> repeat
- ◎ Classic survey of points, nails, prisms, etc. X-Y-Z coordinates. Analyze vector movement (rate + direction). Use GPS or Total Station.
- ◎ Direct tape measurement between physical points. Also drones if possible.
- ◎ Very useful when time is limited. Back to basics!

First visit: install nails/points and measure distance in between. Also direction (compass)



A few days/weeks later: establish rate of movement (if possible also direction)





Movement continues, news involved

Not possible to install inclinometers when rate of movement is high



Not us!!!

TWO OTHERS AFTER WARRANTS SERVED THIS MORNING

Direct measurement/  
movement on failure plane



Failure Plane



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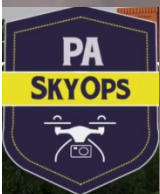
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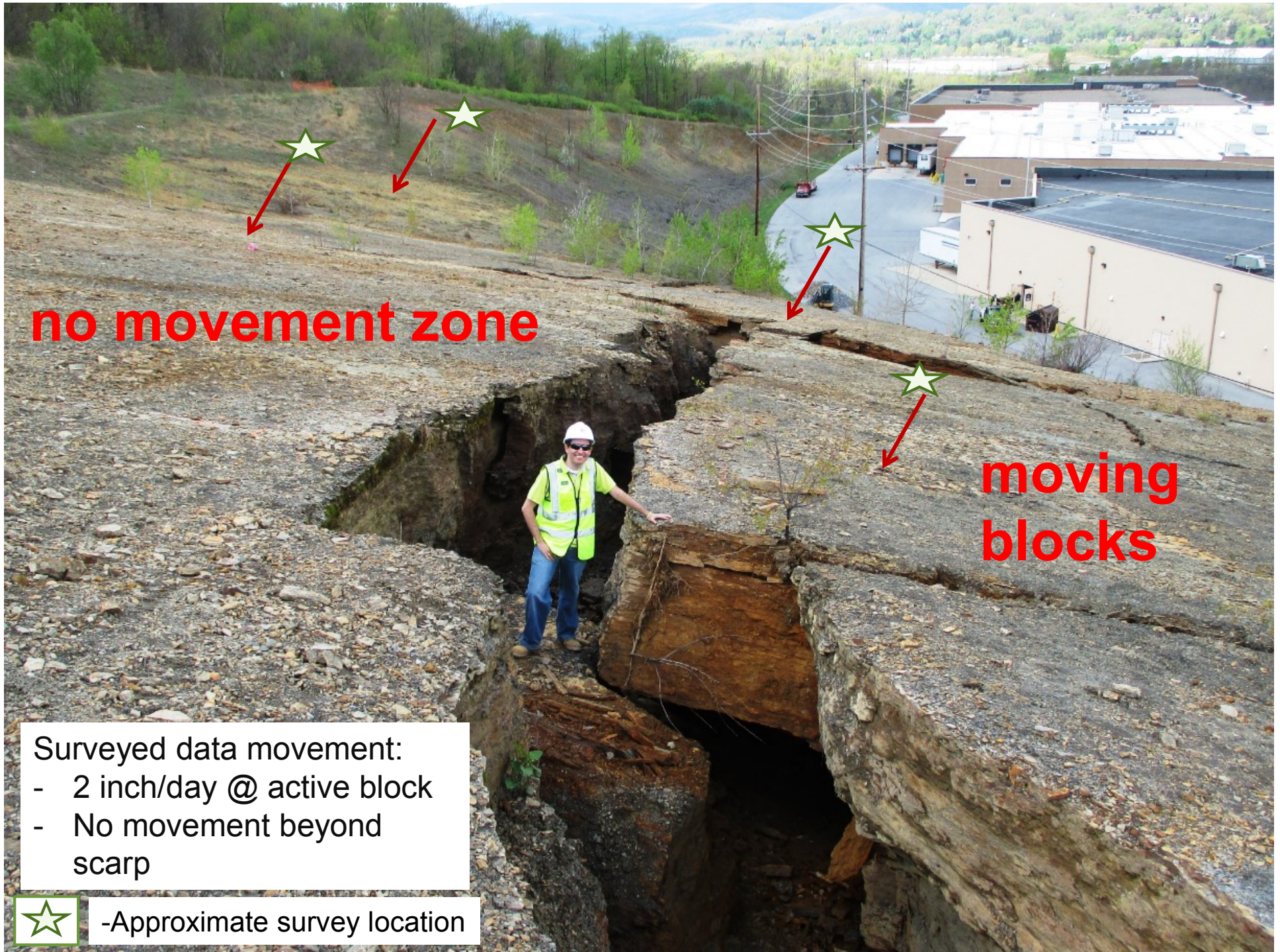
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An aerial drone photograph showing a road with a significant longitudinal crack. A yellow truck is driving on the road to the left. Power lines run parallel to the road. The surrounding terrain is dry and brownish. A white text box is overlaid on the right side of the image.

Regular drone pictures/videos for analyses



<https://player.vimeo.com/video/164624555>



**no movement zone**

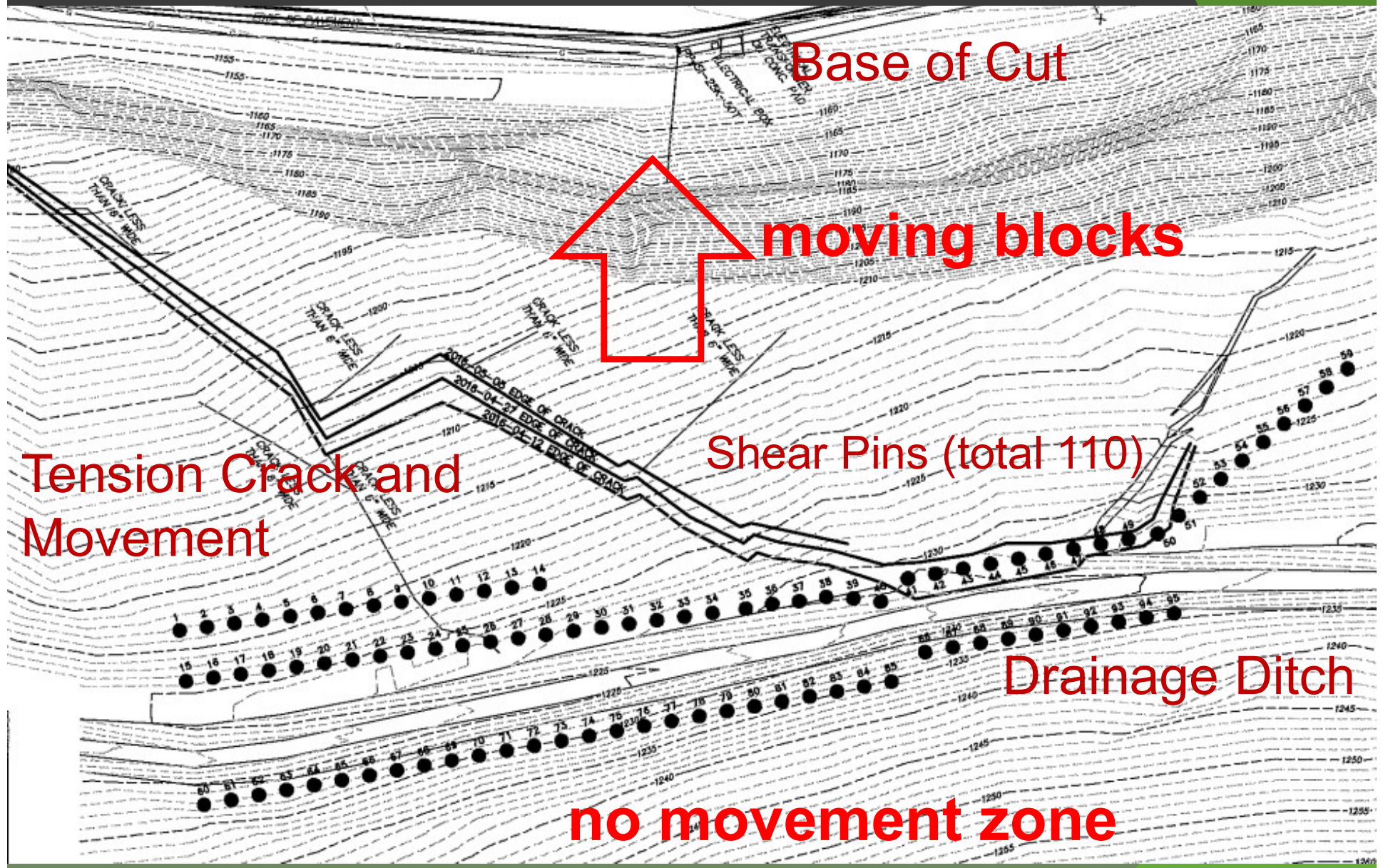
**moving blocks**

Surveyed data movement:  
- 2 inch/day @ active block  
- No movement beyond scarp



-Approximate survey location

Design/Solution: continue monitoring and see how the slide “reacts”. Adjust solution as needed.





# Shear Pin Installation:

- monitoring continues
- Analyze slide reaction



## After remediation:

- Monitoring continues
- Analyze slide reaction
- Have contingency plan





Thanks!

