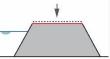
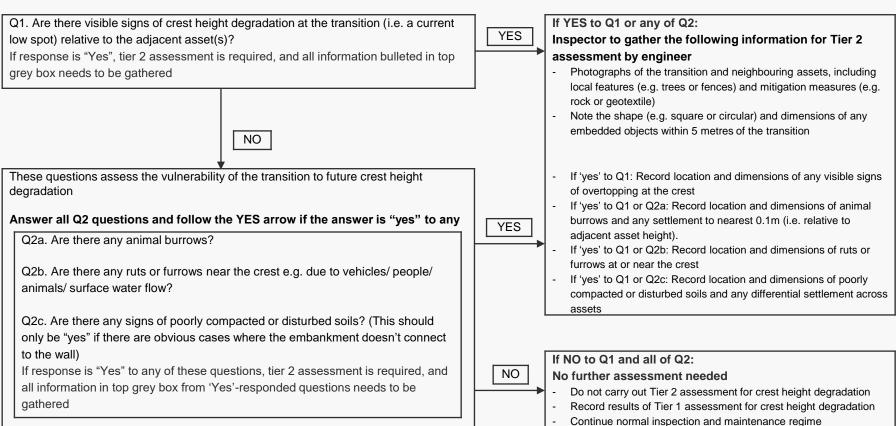
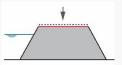
# Tier 1 Assessment Crest height degradation



Total Local Book	Total Deviation
Type 1 - Longitudinal	Type 4 - Revetments

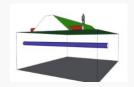


# Tier 1 Assessment Crest height degradation



Type 3 - Crossing infrastructure





YES

YES

NO

Q1. Are there visible signs of crest height degradation at the transition (i.e. a current low spot) relative to the adjacent asset(s)?

If response is "Yes", tier 2 assessment is required, and all information bulleted in top grey box needs to be gathered

NO

These questions assess the vulnerability of the transition to future crest height degradation

Answer all Q2 questions and follow the YES arrow if the answer is "yes" to any

Q2a. Are there any animal burrows?

Q2b. Are there any signs of poorly compacted or disturbed soils? (This should only be "yes" if there are obvious cases where the embankment doesn't connect to the wall)

If response is "Yes" to any of these questions, tier 2 assessment is required, and all information in top grey box from 'Yes'-responded questions needs to be gathered

#### If YES to Q1 or any of Q2:

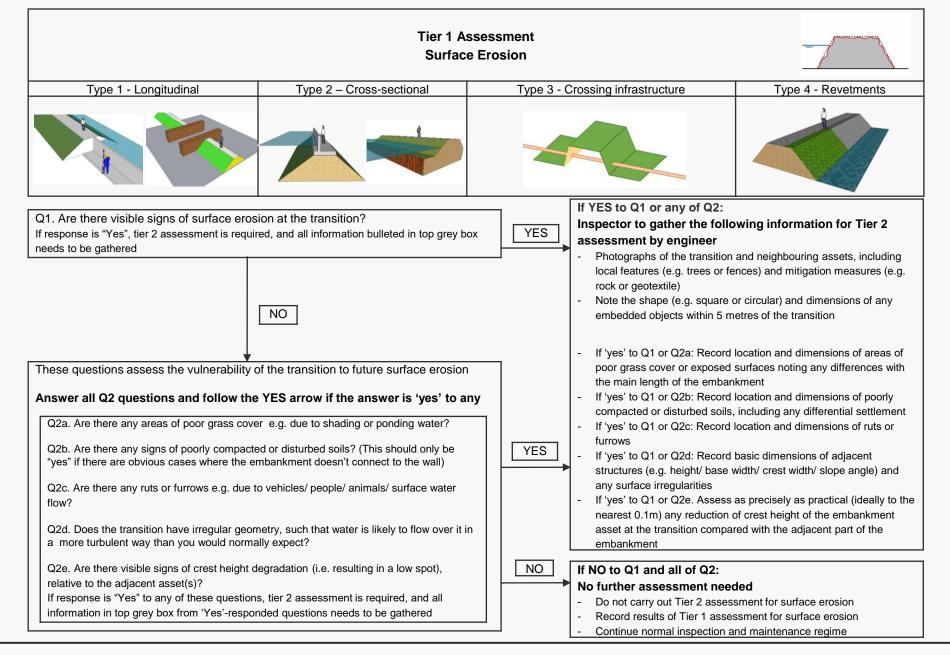
# Inspector to gather the following information for Tier 2 assessment by engineer

- Photographs of the transition and neighbouring assets, including local features (e.g. trees or fences) and mitigation measures (e.g. rock or geotextile)
- Note the shape (e.g. square or circular) and dimensions of any embedded objects within 5 metres of the transition
- If 'yes' to Q1: Record location and dimensions of any visible signs of overtopping at the crest
- If 'yes' to Q1 or Q2a: Record location and dimensions of animal burrows and any settlement to nearest 0.1m (i.e. relative to adjacent asset height).
- If 'yes' to Q1 or Q2b: Record location and dimensions of poorly compacted or disturbed soils and any differential settlement across assets

#### \_\_\_ If NO to Q1 and all of Q2:

#### No further assessment needed

- Do not carry out Tier 2 assessment for crest height degradation
- Record results of Tier 1 assessment for crest height degradation
- Continue normal inspection and maintenance regime



TIER 1 ASSES	SSMENTS	TYPE 1 : LONGITUDINAL
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ASSET ID:		

### **GENERAL ASSET INFORMATION – data collection for all users**

Subject	Evidence required	Evidence from inspection
	Photographs of the transition and neighbouring asset (including local features)	Details:
	Estimated dimensions of adjacent embankment and transition	Adjacent embankment crest width (m):  Crest width at transition (m):
		Waterward adjacent embankment slope (1 in X): Waterward transition slope (1 in X) if different:
		Landward adjacent embankment slope (1 in X): Landward transition slope (1 in X) if different:
		Wall / hard structure top width (m):
		Is wall/hard structure crest at a higher or lower level than the adjacent embankment:
		Difference in level between embankment and wall/hard structure crest (m):
		Length of 'embedment' (i.e. overlap) of wall within embankment at crest (m):
		Length of 'embedment' (i.e. overlap) of wall within embankment at embankment base (m):

Subject	Evidence required	Evidence from inspection
	Overall condition of Transition relative to the condition of	Equivalent:
	the adjacent embankment	Better than the adjacent embankment:
		Worse than the adjacent embankment:

### 'HIDDEN' FAILURE MODES - data collection for all users

Subject	Evidence required	Evidence from inspection
Global instability	Record nature of evidence of stability failure or incipient failure (note – photos likely to be suitable)	
	Record nature of transition detailing (note – photos likely to be suitable)	
Seepage and piping	Record nature of evidence of failure or incipient failure due to seepage / piping (note: describe and photos)	
	Record nature of poor detailing for seepage (note: describe and photos)	
	Record nature of deterioration in the condition of the transition (note: describe and photos)	
	Record nature of increase in hydraulic gradient – i.e. does the transition create a shorter flow path from waterward to landward side of the defence (note: describe, photos and / or sketch)	
	Evidence of surface cracking at the transition (note: describe and photos):	Maximum surface crack width (supported by photographic evidence):

# 'SURFACE' FAILURE MODES- data collection if AIMS App is not available

Subject	Evidence required	Evidence from inspection
Crest height degradation (AIMS app / Type 1,4 flowchart)	Record visible signs of crest height degradation at the transition (i.e. resulting in a low spot) relative to the adjacent asset(s)	
·	Record trees, fences and mitigation measures (e.g. rock or geotextile)	
	Note the shape (e.g. square or circular) and dimensions of any embedded objects within 5 metres of the transition	
	Record location and dimensions of any visible signs of overtopping at the crest	
	Record location and dimensions of animal burrows and any related crest settlement to nearest 0.1m (i.e. relative to adjacent asset height)	
	Record location and dimensions of ruts or furrows at or near the crest	
	Record location and dimensions of poorly compacted or disturbed soils and any differential settlement across assets	
Surface erosion (AIMS app / Type	Record visible signs of surface erosion at the transition	
1,2,3,4 flowchart)	Record trees, fences and mitigation measures (e.g. rock or geotextile)	
	Note the shape (e.g. square or circular) and dimensions of any embedded objects within 5 metres of the transition	
	Record location and dimensions of areas of poor grass cover or exposed surfaces noting any differences with the main length of the embankment	

Subject	Evidence required	Evidence from inspection
	Record location and dimensions of poorly compacted or disturbed soils, including any differential settlement	
	Record location and dimensions of ruts or furrows	
	Record basic dimensions of adjacent structures (e.g. height/ base width/ crest width/ slope angle) and any surface irregularities	
	Assess as precisely as practical (ideally to the nearest 0.1m) any reduction of crest height of the embankment asset at the transition compared with the adjacent part of the embankment	

TIER 1 ASSES	SSMENTS	TYPE 2 - CROSS-SECTIONAL
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ASSET ID:		

### **GENERAL ASSET INFORMATION – data collection for all users**

Subject	Evidence required	Evidence from inspection
	Photographs of the transition and neighbouring asset (including local features)	Details:
	<b>Estimated</b> dimensions of adjacent embankment and transition	Embankment crest width at transition (m):
		Waterward embankment slope (1 in X): Landward adjacent embankment slope (1 in X):
		Wall / hard structure top width (m):
	Overall condition of Transition relative to the condition of the adjacent embankment	Equivalent: Better than the adjacent embankment: Worse than the adjacent embankment:

#### 'HIDDEN' FAILURE MODES - data collection for all users

Subject	Evidence required	Evidence from inspection
Seepage and piping	Record nature of evidence of failure or incipient failure due to seepage / piping (note: describe and photos)	
	Record nature of poor detailing for seepage (note: describe and photos)	
	Record nature of deterioration in the condition of the transition (note: describe and photos)	
	Record nature of increase in hydraulic gradient – i.e. does the transition create a shorter flow path from waterward to landward side of the defence (note: describe, photos and / or sketch)	
	Evidence of surface cracking at the transition (note: describe and photos):	Maximum surface crack width (supported by photographic evidence):

# 'SURFACE' FAILURE MODES- data collection if AIMS App is not available

Subject	Evidence required	Evidence from inspection
Surface erosion (AIMS app / Type	Record visible signs of surface erosion at the transition	
1,2,3,4 flowchart)	Record trees, fences and mitigation measures (e.g. rock or geotextile)	
	Note the shape (e.g. square or circular) and dimensions of any embedded objects within 5 metres of the transition	
	Record location and dimensions of areas of poor grass cover or exposed surfaces noting any differences with the main length of the embankment	

Subject	Evidence required	Evidence from inspection
_	Record location and dimensions of poorly compacted or disturbed soils, including any differential settlement	
	Record location and dimensions of ruts or furrows	
	Record basic dimensions of adjacent structures (e.g. height/ base width/ crest width/ slope angle) and any surface irregularities	
	Assess as precisely as practical (ideally to the nearest 0.1m) any reduction of crest height of the embankment asset at the transition compared with the adjacent embankment	

TIER 1 ASSESSMENTS	TYPE 3 : CROSSING INFRASTRUCTURE
ASSET ID:	

### **GENERAL ASSET INFORMATION – data collection for all users**

Subject	Evidence required	Evidence from inspection
	Photographs of the transition and neighbouring asset (including local features)	Details:
	Estimated dimensions of adjacent embankment and transition	Crest width at transition (m):
		Waterward embankment slope (1 in X): Waterward transition slope (1 in X) if different:
		Landward embankment slope (1 in X): Landward transition slope (1 in X) if different:
	Overall condition of Transition relative to the condition of the adjacent embankment	Equivalent: Better than the adjacent embankment: Worse than the adjacent embankment:

### 'HIDDEN' FAILURE MODES - data collection for all users

Subject	Evidence required	Evidence from inspection
Slope instability	Record diameter/depth of cover of pipes (note: measurements and photos)	
	Record nature of evidence of stability failure or incipient failure (note: description and photos)	
	Record nature of transition detailing (note: description and photos)	
Seepage, piping and concentrated	Record nature of evidence of failure or incipient failure due to seepage / piping (note: describe and photos)	
leak erosion	Record nature of poor detailing for seepage (note: describe and photos)	
	Record nature of deterioration in the condition of the transition (note: describe and photos)	
	Record nature of increase in hydraulic gradient – i.e. does the transition create a shorter flow path from waterward to landward side of the defence (note: describe, photos and / or sketch)	
	Evidence of surface cracking at the transition (note: describe and photos):	Maximum surface crack width (supported by photographic evidence):

# **'SURFACE' FAILURE MODES- data collection if AIMS App is not available**

Subject	Evidence required	Evidence from inspection
Crest height degradation (AIMS app / Type 1,4	Record visible signs of crest height degradation at the transition (i.e. resulting in a low spot) relative to the adjacent asset(s)	
flowchart)	Record trees, fences and mitigation measures (e.g. rock or geotextile)	
	Note the shape (e.g. square or circular) and dimensions of any embedded objects within 5 metres of the transition	
	Record location and dimensions of any visible signs of overtopping at the crest	
	Record location and dimensions of animal burrows and any related crest settlement to nearest 0.1m (i.e. relative to adjacent asset height)	
	Record location and dimensions of ruts or furrows at or near the crest	
	Record location and dimensions of poorly compacted or disturbed soils and any differential settlement across assets	
Surface erosion (AIMS app /	Record visible signs of surface erosion at the transition	
Type 1,2,3,4 flowchart)	Record trees, fences and mitigation measures (e.g. rock or geotextile)	
	Note the shape (e.g. square or circular) and dimensions of any embedded objects within 5 metres of the transition	
	Record location and dimensions of areas of poor grass cover or exposed surfaces noting any differences with the main length of the embankment	
	Record location and dimensions of poorly compacted or disturbed soils, including any differential settlement	

Subject	Evidence required	Evidence from inspection
	Record location and dimensions of ruts or furrows	
	Record basic dimensions of adjacent structures (e.g. height/base width/ crest width/ slope angle) and any surface irregularities	
	Assess as precisely as practical (ideally to the nearest 0.1m) any reduction of crest height of the embankment asset at the transition compared with the adjacent embankment	

TIER 1 ASSE	SSMENTS	TYPE 4 : REVETMENTS
ASSET ID:		

### GENERAL ASSET INFORMATION – data collection for all users

Subject	Evidence required	Evidence from inspection
	Photographs of the transition and neighbouring asset (including local features)	Details:
	Estimated dimensions of adjacent embankment and transition	Crest width at transition (m):
		Waterward embankment slope (1 in X): Waterward transition slope (1 in X) if different:
		Landward embankment slope (1 in X): Landward transition slope (1 in X) if different:
	Overall condition of Transition relative to the condition of the adjacent embankment	Equivalent: Better than the adjacent embankment: Worse than the adjacent embankment:

### 'HIDDEN' FAILURE MODES - data collection for all users

Subject	Evidence required	Evidence from inspection
Backfill washout	Record trees, fences and mitigation measures (such as rock, geotextile)  Size (height, depth and width) and location of gaps, interruptions in the filter structure  Size (height, depth and width) and location of washout features	
	Presence and location of toe protection/ cut-off	

# **'SURFACE' FAILURE MODES-** data collection if AIMS App is not available

Crest height degradation (AIMS app / Type 1,4 flowchart)	Record visible signs of crest height degradation at the transition (i.e. resulting in a low spot) relative to the adjacent asset(s)	
	Record trees, fences and mitigation measures (e.g. rock or geotextile)	
	Note the shape (e.g. square or circular) and dimensions of any embedded objects within 5 metres of the transition	
	Record location and dimensions of any visible signs of overtopping at the crest	
	Record location and dimensions of animal burrows and any related crest settlement to nearest 0.1m (i.e. relative to adjacent asset height)	
	Record location and dimensions of ruts or furrows at or near the crest	

	Record location and dimensions of poorly compacted or disturbed soils and any differential settlement across assets	
Surface erosion (AIMS app / Type	Record visible signs of surface erosion at the transition	
1,2,3,4 flowchart)	Record trees, fences and mitigation measures (e.g. rock or geotextile)	
	Note the shape (e.g. square or circular) and dimensions of any embedded objects within 5 metres of the transition	
	Record location and dimensions of areas of poor grass cover or exposed surfaces noting any differences with the main length of the embankment	
	Record location and dimensions of poorly compacted or disturbed soils, including any differential settlement	
	Record location and dimensions of ruts or furrows	
	Record basic dimensions of adjacent structures (e.g. height/ base width/ crest width/ slope angle) and any surface irregularities	
	Assess as precisely as practical (ideally to the nearest 0.1m) any reduction of crest height of the embankment asset at the transition compared with the adjacent part of the embankment	

#### Tier 2 Assessment Global instability Type 1 - Longitudinal Review site information obtained from Tier 1 with Data input the detailed non-intrusive site information. Minimum data required to undertake the assessment: Is sufficient and reliable data available to Geometrical data e.g. topographic data or LIDAR NO Geology / ground conditions (BGS Geology Viewer, geological maps, BGS boreholes) undertake the assessment? Other useful information: Aerial photography, historic maps, as-built records Previous condition/inspection reports Maintenance regime/usage Available local knowledge - is instability a known problem and has the asset deteriorated? YES Assess if the transition reduces **strength**: 1. Are there signs of stability failure or incipient failure of the transition? e.g. backscarps, tension cracks, toe bulging 2. Is the transition geometry steeper than typical design standards (1V:3H) or steeper than its adjacent asset? 3. Are there any signs of disturbed, weak or poorly compacted soils? 4. Is there evidence of significant deterioration in the condition of the transition? e.g. crest settlement, separation between soil/structure, voids etc 5. Does the information indicate any potentially adverse geomorphological features e.g. meanders, oxbows, terraces, fans, roddons etc 6. Are there any potentially adverse geological/geotechnical conditions within the embankment or sub-strata at the location of the transition? e.g. peat, soft organic or high plasticity clay, high permeability sand/gravel, buried valleys, karsts/swallow holes etc Based on these questions, using engineering judgement and available tools: are improvement works required in the short term? No improvement needed Yes, improvement needed Uncertain, Tier 3 No, but increased monitoring required Flag up Record results of Tier 2 assessment for Record results of Tier 2 assessment additional Identity type of assessment for global instability asset data improvement method global instability required Continue normal inspection and Schedule next Tier 1 inspection required Prioritisation Identity type of maintenance regime analysis

#### **Tier 2 Assessment** Global instability Type 3 – Crossing infrastructure Review site information obtained from Tier 1 with Data input: the detailed non-intrusive site information. Minimum data required to undertake the assessment: Is sufficient and reliable data available to Geometrical data e.g. topographic data or LIDAR NO As-built records, previous condition/inspection reports, CCTV surveys undertake the assessment? Geology / ground conditions (BGS Geology Viewer, geological maps, BGS boreholes) Other useful information: Aerial photography, historic maps, as-built records Maintenance regime/usage Available local knowledge – is instability a known problem and has the asset deteriorated? YES Assess if the transition reduces strength: 1. Are there signs of stability failure or incipient failure of the transition? e.g. backscarps, tension cracks, toe bulging, crest settlement, culvert collapse, pipeline heave etc. 2. Is there evidence of poor transition detailing? e.g. poor compaction or weak fill around structures etc 3. Is there inadequate depth of cover to the conduit? (which could cause stress distributions adverse to global stability) 4. Does the information indicate any potentially adverse geomorphological features at the transition e.g. meanders, oxbows, terraces, fans, roddons 5. Are there any potentially adverse geological/geotechnical conditions within the embankment or sub-strata at the location of the transition? e.g. peat, soft organic or high plasticity clay, high permeability sand/gravel, buried valleys, karsts/swallow holes etc Based on these questions, using engineering judgement and available tools: are improvement works required in the short term? No improvement needed Yes, improvement needed Uncertain, Tier 3 No, but increased monitoring required Flag up Record results of Tier 2 assessment for Record results of Tier 2 assessment additional Identity type of assessment for global instability asset data improvement method global instability required Continue normal inspection and Schedule next Tier 1 inspection required Prioritisation Identity type of

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# Tier 2 Assessment Seepage and piping Type 1 - Longitudinal Type 2 - Cross-sectional Type 3 – Crossing infrastructure Review site information obtained from Tier 1 with Data input - minimum data required to undertake the assessment: the detailed non-intrusive site information. Geometrical data e.g. topographic data or LIDAR Is sufficient and reliable data available to Geology / ground conditions (BGS Geology Viewer, geological maps, BGS boreholes) NO As-built records, previous condition/inspection reports undertake the assessment? Other useful information: Aerial photography, historic maps Maintenance regime/usage YES Available local knowledge – is seepage/piping a known problem and has the asset deteriorated? Assess if the transition reduces **strength** or increases **loading**: 1. Are there signs of seepage/piping failure or incipient failure at the transition? e.g. under or through-seepage, boils, toe erosion, sloughing, wash-out etc 2. Is there visible evidence of poor transition detailing for seepage mitigation? e.g. permeable backfill, poor compaction around structures, reduced seepage path lengths, smooth interfaces etc 3. Is there evidence of significant deterioration in the condition of the transition that could reduce resistance to seepage? e.g. desiccation cracking, separation between soil/structure, hydraulic instability of backfill 4. Is the hydraulic head or hydraulic gradient increased due to the transition? 5. Does the information indicate any potentially adverse geomorphological features at the transition e.g. meanders, oxbows, terraces, fans etc 6. Are there any potentially adverse ground conditions for seepage within the embankment or sub-strata at the location of the transition? e.g. peat, high permeability sand/gravel, high plasticity clay, karsts/swallow holes etc Based on these questions, using engineering judgement and available tools: are improvement works required in the short term?

Flag up additional asset data required

#### Yes, improvement needed

- Identity type of improvement method
- Prioritisation

#### Uncertain, Tier 3 assessment required

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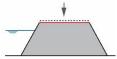
#### No, but increased monitoring required

- Record results of Tier 2 assessment for seepage/piping
- Schedule next Tier 1 inspection

- Record results of Tier 2 assessment for seepage/piping
- Continue normal inspection and maintenance regime

#### Tier 2 Assessment **Backfill washout** Type 4 - Revetments Review site information obtained from Tier 1 with Data input: the detailed non-intrusive site information. Minimum data required to undertake the assessment: Is sufficient and reliable data available to Water levels and return periods, dimension of structure, location of backfill washout NO Other useful information: undertake the assessment? Location of the backfill washout relative to 'design' water levels? Previous condition/inspection reports - i.e. has backfill washout area/depth increased/ reached equilibrium Available local knowledge - where are the known seepage paths/ slips? has the backfill wash out area/ incipient features increased? YES Assess if the transition reduces **strength** or increases **loading**: 1. Is the location of the backfill washout significantly prone to water action – i.e. is the backfill/washout area at the toe/ located in the splash zone? 2. Is the reduction in filter structure/ presence of gaps significantly increasing the risks of backfill washout and/ or has the reduction increased since the last inspection? Based on these questions, using engineering judgement and available tools: are improvement works required in the short term? No improvement needed Yes, improvement needed Uncertain, Tier 3 No, but increased monitoring required Flag up Record results of Tier 2 assessment for Record results of Tier 2 assessment additional Identity type of assessment for backfill washout backfill washout asset data improvement method required Schedule next Tier 1 inspection Continue normal inspection and required Prioritisation Identity type of maintenance regime analysis

# Tier 2 Assessment Crest height degradation



Type 1 - Longitudinal Type 4 - Revetments Review site information obtained from Tier 1 with Data input: the detailed non-intrusive site information. Minimum data required to undertake the assessment: Is sufficient and reliable data available to Water levels and return periods, dimension of structure, (degraded) crest level NO Other useful information: undertake the assessment? Location of crest degradation relative to the 'design water levels'/required standard of protection? Previous condition/inspection reports/topographic surveys - i.e. Where there previous signs of degradation - has the size increased or has it reached equilibrium? Maintenance regime/usage and loads - does this exacerbate the degradation? Available local knowledge - Has the degradation increased recently (is it progressive or catastrophic)? Is it known for this location to overflow/overtop? YES Undertake-assessment for each of the Tier 1 questions answered Yes, including: 1. Is there a significant chance of overtopping, e.g. in relation to the assets' standard of protection? Compare crest levels with available water level information (daily, design, extreme) to make this judgement. 2. Q2a. do the animal burrows increase the likelihood of significant degradation, settlement or overtopping erosion and has it degraded/settled more since the last inspection? 3. Q2b. do the areas of rutting or furrows near the crest increase the likelihood of significant (increased) degradation, settlement or overtopping erosion? 4. Q2c. do the loose soils increase the likelihood of significant crest height degradation, settlement or overtopping erosion Based on these questions, using engineering judgement and available tools: are improvement works required in the short term? No improvement needed Yes, improvement needed Uncertain, Tier 3 No, but increased monitoring required Flag up Record results of Tier 2 assessment for Record results of Tier 2 assessment additional Identity type of assessment

asset data required

- improvement method
- Prioritisation

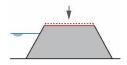
See also flowchart for surface erosion

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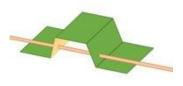
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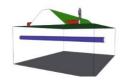
- crest height degradation
- Schedule next Tier 1 inspection
- for crest height degradation
- Continue normal inspection and maintenance regime

## Tier 2 Assessment Crest height degradation



#### Type 3 - Crossing infrastructure





NO

Review site information obtained from Tier 1 with the detailed non-intrusive site information. Is sufficient and reliable data available to undertake the assessment?

Data input - minimum data required to undertake the assessment:

- Water levels and return periods, dimension of structure, (degraded) crest level Other useful information:
- Location of crest degradation relative to the 'design water levels'/required standard of protection?
- Previous condition/inspection reports/topographic surveys i.e. Where there previous signs of degradation - has the size increased or has it reached equilibrium?
- Maintenance regime/usage and loads does this exacerbate the degradation?
- Available local knowledge Has the degradation increased recently (is it progressive or catastrophic)? Is it known for this location to overflow/overtop?

Undertake assessment for each of the Tier 1 questions answered Yes, including:

YES

- 1. Is there a significant chance of overtopping, e.g. in relation to the assets' standard of protection? Compare crest levels with available water level information (daily, design, extreme) to make this judgement.
- 2. Q2a. do the animal burrows increase the likelihood of significant degradation, settlement or overtopping erosion and has it degraded/settled more since the last inspection?
- 3. Q2b. do the loose soils increase the likelihood of significant crest height degradation, settlement or overtopping erosion Based on these questions, using engineering judgement and available tools: are improvement works required in the short term?

Flag up additional asset data required

#### Yes, improvement needed

- Identity type of improvement method
- Prioritisation

See also flowchart for surface erosion

### **Uncertain, Tier 3** assessment required

Identity type of analysis

#### No, but increased monitoring required

- Record results of Tier 2 assessment for crest height degradation
- Schedule next Tier 1 inspection

- Record results of Tier 2 assessment for crest height degradation
- Continue normal inspection and maintenance regime

#### Tier 2 Assessment Surface Erosion Type 1 - Longitudinal Type 2 - Cross-sectional Type 3 - Crossing infrastructure Type 4 - Revetments Review site information obtained from Tier 1 with Data input: the detailed non-intrusive site information. Minimum data required to undertake the assessment: Is sufficient and reliable data available to Water levels and return periods, dimension of structure, location of surface erosion NO Other useful information: undertake the assessment? Location of the erosion relative to 'design' water levels and return periods? Previous condition/inspection reports - i.e. has the surface erosion area/depth increased/ reached equilibrium? Maintenance regime/usage – does this exacerbate the chance of surface erosion? Available local knowledge - is this a known problem and has the surface erosion area/depth increased? YES Undertake assessment for each of the Tier 1 questions answered Yes, including: 1. Is the location of the surface erosion significantly prone to water action – i.e. is the surface erosion at the toe/ located in the splash zone? 2. Q2a. does the reduction in grass cover increase the likelihood of significant surface erosion and/ or has it increased since the last inspection? 3. Q2b. do the loose soils increase the likelihood of significant surface erosion and/ or has it increased since the last inspection? 4. Q2c. do the areas of rutting or furrows near the crest increase the likelihood of significant (increased) surface erosion? 5. Q2d. does the irregularity of the geometry significantly affect the risk of surface erosion? 6. Q2e. has there been crest height degradation which will increase flow velocities locally? Based on these questions, using engineering judgement and available tools: are improvement works required in the short term? No improvement needed Yes, improvement needed **Uncertain, Tier 3** No, but increased monitoring required Flag up Record results of Tier 2 assessment for Record results of Tier 2 assessment additional Identity type of assessment for surface erosion surface erosion asset data improvement method required

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Schedule next Tier 1 inspection

Continue normal inspection and

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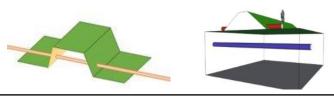
# **Tier 3 Assessment Global instability** Type 1 - Longitudinal 1. Obtain information from Tier 1 and Tier 2 assessments 2. Review Tier 1 and Tier 2 information, further potential methods: - Expert and / or quantitative assessment or analysis of global stability at transition - Assessment of residual strength and resilience (i.e. if global instability failure occurred, is this likely to result in a full breach, partial breach or damage to the asset?) No improvement needed Improvement needed Record results of Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 assessment Prioritisation for global instability

Continue normal inspection and maintenance regime

# Tier 3 Assessment Global instability



Type 3 – Crossing infrastructure



- 1. Obtain information from Tier 1 and Tier 2 assessments
- 2. Review Tier 1 and Tier 2 information, further potential methods:
- Expert and / or quantitative assessment or analysis of global stability at transition
- Assessment of residual strength and resilience (i.e. if instability failure occurred, is this likely to result in a full breach, partial breach or damage to the asset?)

Improvement needed

Prioritisation

- Record results of Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 assessment for global instability
- Continue normal inspection and maintenance regime

# Tier 3 Assessment Seepage and piping



Type 1 - Longitudinal	Type 2 – Cross-sectional	Type 3 – Crossing infrastructure

- 1. Obtain information from Tier 1 and Tier 2 assessments
- 2. Review Tier 1 and Tier 2 information, further potential methods:
- Expert and / or quantitative assessment or analysis of seepage flow at transition
- Assessment of residual strength and resilience (i.e. if seepage/piping failure occurred, is this likely to result in a full breach, partial breach or damage to the asset?)

Improvement needed

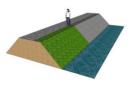
Prioritisation

- Record results of Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 assessment for seepage / piping failure
- Continue normal inspection and maintenance regime

# Tier 3 Assessment Backfill washout



Type 4 - Revetments



- 1. Obtain information from Tier 1 and Tier 2 assessment
- 2. Review Tier 1 and Tier 2 information, further potential methods:
- Geohydrological analysis to determine loading, including allowing for transition impacts on groundwater pressure
- Expert and / or revetment stability analysis
- Assessment of residual strength (embankment core strong or wide enough to prevent breach)

Improvement needed

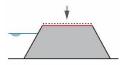
Prioritisation

- Record results of Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 assessment for backfill washout
- Continue normal inspection and maintenance regime

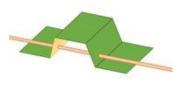
# **Tier 3 Assessment** Crest height degradation Type 1 - Longitudinal Type 4 - Revetments Obtain information from Tier 1 and Tier 2 assessment 2. Review Tier 1 and Tier 2 information, further potential methods: - Expert geotechnical analysis (cause and prognosis of settlement) - Expert overtopping analysis (chance; consequences for the asset) - Assessment of residual strength (embankment core strong or wide enough to prevent breach) Improvement needed No improvement needed - See also flowchart for surface erosion Record results of Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 assessment Prioritisation for crest height degradation

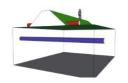
Continue normal inspection and maintenance regime

# Tier 3 Assessment Crest height degradation



Type 3 - Crossing infrastructure





- 1. Obtain information from Tier 1 and Tier 2 assessment
- 2. Review Tier 1 and Tier 2 information, further potential methods:
- Expert geotechnical analysis (cause and prognosis of settlement)
- Expert overtopping analysis (chance; consequences for the asset)
- Assessment of residual strength (embankment core strong or wide enough to prevent breach)

## Improvement needed

- See also flowchart for surface erosion

Prioritisation

- Record results of Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 assessment for crest height degradation
- Continue normal inspection and maintenance regime

# **Tier 3 Assessment Surface Erosion** Type 1 - Longitudinal Type 2 - Cross-sectional Type 3 - Crossing infrastructure Type 4 - Revetments 1. Obtain information from Tier 1 and Tier 2 assessment 2. Review Tier 1 and Tier 2 information, further potential methods: - Hydraulic analysis to determine loading, including allowing for transition impacts - Expert and / or quantitative analysis of vegetation quality (species, coverage, root structure) - Assessment of residual strength (embankment core strong or wide enough to prevent breach) No improvement needed Improvement needed Record results of Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 assessment for surface erosion Prioritisation

Continue normal inspection and maintenance regime