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**Oil and Gas Conservation Commission**



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**SITE INVESTIGATION AND REMEDIATION WORKPLAN**

This form shall be submitted to the Director for approval prior to the initiation of site investigation and remediation activities. Form 27 is intended to be used whenever possible. Additional documentation will be required when large volumes of soil and groundwater have been impacted or involve large facilities with multiple source areas. See Rule 910. Attach as many pages as needed to fully describe the proposed work.

OGCC Employee: \_\_\_\_\_

Spill	Complaint
Inspection	NOAV

Tracking No: \_\_\_\_\_

**CAUSE OF CONDITION BEING INVESTIGATED AND REMEDIATED**

Spill or Release    Plug & Abandon    Central Facility Closure    Site/Facility Closure    Other (describe): \_\_\_\_\_

OGCC Operator Number: _____	Contact Name and Telephone: _____
Name of Operator: _____	_____
Address: _____	No: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____	Fax: _____

API Number: _____	County: _____
Facility Name: _____	Facility Number: _____
Well Name: _____	Well Number: _____
Location: (QtrQtr, Sec, Twp, Rng, Meridian): _____	Latitude: _____ Longitude: _____

**TECHNICAL CONDITIONS**

Type of Waste Causing Impact (crude oil, condensate, produced water, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

**Site Conditions:** Is location within a sensitive area (according to Rule 901e)?    Y    N    If yes, attach evaluation.

Adjacent land use (cultivated, irrigated, dry land farming, industrial, residential, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Soil type, if not previously identified on Form 2A or Federal Surface Use Plan: \_\_\_\_\_

Potential receptors (water wells within 1/4 mi, surface waters, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Description of Impact** (if previously provided, refer to that form or document):

Impacted Media (check):	Extent of Impact:	How Determined:
Soils	_____	_____
Vegetation	_____	_____
Groundwater	_____	_____
Surface Water	_____	_____

**REMEDIALTION WORKPLAN**

**Describe initial action taken** (if previously provided, refer to that form or document):

\_\_\_\_\_

**Describe how source is to be removed:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Describe how remediation of existing impacts is to be accomplished, including removal and disposal at an injection well or licensed facility, land treatment on site, removal of impacted groundwater, insitu bioremediation, burning of oily vegetation, etc.:**

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WPX (Williams)

FORM 27 Rev 6/99

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Tracking Number: Name of Operator: OGCC Operator No: Received Date: API 103 10597 Well Name & No: RGV 31-2-298 Facility Name & No: Pit Facility ID # 426887

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OGCC Employee:

If groundwater has been impacted, describe proposed monitoring plan (# of wells or sample points, sampling schedule, analytical methods, etc.): See attached and refer to COGCC document # 01175818 for details.

Describe reclamation plan. Discuss existing and new grade recontouring; method and testing of compaction alleviation; and reseeding program, including location of new seed, seed mix and noxious weed prevention. Attach diagram or drawing. Use additional sheet for description if required. See attached and refer to COGCC document # 01175818 for details.

Attach samples and analytical results taken to verify remediation of impacts. Show locations of samples on an onsite schematic or drawing.

Is further site investigation required? [ ] Y [ ] N If yes, describe: See attached and refer to COGCC document # 01175818 for details.

Final disposition of E&P waste (landtreated and disposed onsite, name of licensed disposal facility, recycling, reuse, etc.): See attached and refer to COGCC document # 01175818 for details.

IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

Date Site Investigation Began: 5-21-2012 Date Site Investigation Completed: 5-23-5012 Date Remediation Plan Submitted: 5-31-2012 Remediation Start Date: 5-21-2012 Anticipated Completion Date: Actual Completion Date:

I hereby certify that the statements made in this form are, to the best of my knowledge, true, correct, and complete.

Print Name: Karolina Blaney Signed: Karolina Blaney Title: Environmental Specialist Date: 5-31-2012

OGCC Approved: [Signature] Title: FOR Chris Canfield EPS NW Region Date: 05/31/2012

## Sensitive Area Determination Checklist

Williams Production RMT Company		
<b>Person(s) Conducting Field Inspection</b>	Ashlee Lane <i>Biologist</i>	10/13/10
<b>Site Information</b>		
Location:	RGU 31-2-298	Time: 1600
Type of Facility:	Existing Well Pad	
<b>Environmental Conditions</b>	Clear and calm	
Temperature (°F)	70°	

Has the proposed, new or existing location been designated as a sensitive area?

Yes       No

### SURFACE WATER

1. Are there any surface water features or SWSAs adjacent to or within ¼ mile of the proposed/new or existing facility?

Yes       No

If yes, list type of surface water feature(s), i.e. rivers, creeks, streams, seeps, springs, wetlands: Two, USGS identified unnamed intermittent drainages, tributaries to Ryan Gulch, and one unnamed ephemeral drainage.

If yes, describe location relative to facility: The first USGS identified ephemeral drainage is located 1,144 feet to the west and the second USGS identified ephemeral drainage is located 798 feet to the east of the existing facility. The unnamed ephemeral drainage is located approximately 20 feet from the northwestern corner of the facility.

2. Could a potential release from the facility reach surface water features?

Yes       No

If yes, describe the pathway a release from the facility would likely follow to determine if the potential to impact surface water is high or low. A potential release, if it were to migrate off the facility would tend to flow to the east or southwest following the natural topographic contours of the area.

3. Is the potential to impact surface water from a facility release high or low?

High to actual surface water features       Low to any flowing surface water

## GROUNDWATER

1. Will the proposed/new or existing facility have any pits which will contain hydrocarbons and chlorides or other E&P wastes?  
 Yes       No  
If yes, List the pit type(s): Multi-well pit.
  
2. Is the site of the proposed facility underlain by an unconfined aquifer or recharge zone?  
 Yes       No
  
3. Is the hydraulic conductivity of the underlying soil or geologic material  $\leq 1.0 \times 10^{-7}$  cm/sec?  
 Yes       No
  
4. Is the proposed facility located within 1/8 mile of a domestic water well or 1/4 mile of a public water supply well which would use the same aquifer?  
 Yes       No
  
5. Is the proposed facility located within a 100 year floodplain?  
 Yes (*Sensitive Area*)       No (*If no, proceed to question #6.*)
  
6. Is the depth to groundwater known?  
 Yes (*If yes, follow instructions provided in 6(a) of this section.*)  
 No (*If no, follow instructions provided in 6(b) of this section.*)
  - (a) If yes, could a potential release from the proposed facility reach groundwater?  
 Yes       No  
If yes, explain:
  
  - (b) If no:
    - (i) Evaluate surrounding soils, topography, and vegetation which may suggest the presence of shallow groundwater.
    - (ii) Gather information from surrounding well data in order to determine a depth to groundwater, i.e. State Engineers Office.
  
7. Is the potential to impact ground water from the facility in the event of a release high or low?  
 High       Low

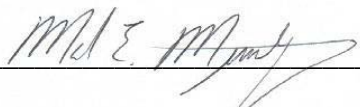
### **Additional Comments:**

As stated in the surface water section of this sensitive area determination there are two USGS identified unnamed intermittent drainages located to the east and west of the existing facility which are tributary to Ryan Gulch and one unnamed ephemeral drainage. It is not anticipated that the unnamed intermittent drainage to the west of the facility would be impacted by a potential release due to the fact that flow off the west side of the facility would enter the unnamed ephemeral drainage immediately west of the facility. Flow would then have to flow an additional 1,900 feet to impact the unnamed intermittent drainage. The unnamed ephemeral drainage has very poorly defined channel and a vegetated bottom suggesting flow does not occur a majority of the time. In addition, the unnamed intermittent drainage to the west of the facility, although identified as intermittent, exhibits more ephemeral characteristics in the immediate vicinity of the facility. The channel does not have a well defined ordinary high water mark (OHMW) and is vegetated along the bottom in certain areas. It is not anticipated that the unnamed intermittent drainage to the east of the facility would be impacted by a potential due to the relatively thick vegetative cover, and the moderate to high infiltration rates of the underlying soils. If a potential release were to migrate the entire 798 feet to unnamed intermittent drainage, it would have to flow an additional 4.8 miles further to the southeast and east to potentially impact any live surface water (Parachute Creek). The existing facility currently has Best Management Practices (BMP's) installed along the eastern, western, and southern sides in the form of a perimeter berm on the facility itself and a diversion ditch along the above noted fill slopes. These should be monitored and maintained to ensure site containment further reducing the potential to impact the above mentioned drainages.

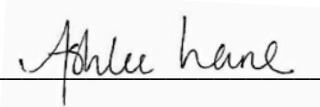
The State Engineer's Office and USGS records were reviewed and no records were revealed that would provide additional information pertaining to the depth to groundwater. The vegetative cover in the immediate vicinity of the facility, Piñon Juniper woodland and sage brush does not suggest the presence of shallow groundwater. The facility resides in the Uintah formation, which like the Green River Formation, tends to be fractured both vertically and horizontally which allows fluids to migrate in the subsurface over large distances. Based on the topographical setting of the facility, it is not anticipated that an overland release would impact groundwater due to the short duration time involved and the fact it would spread out over a large area. The greatest potential for impact to groundwater, if present, would be from a release that occurred over a longer period of time such as a leaking pit. To lessen any potential to impact groundwater, it would be highly recommended that the pit be lined in accordance to COGCC criteria and tested prior to placement of any materials into it.



Based on the information collected during the site investigation and desktop review, the potential to impact surface water features has been deemed moderate to high. However, the potential to impact any live surface water (Parachute Creek) has been deemed low due to the distance a potential release would have to migrate (~4.8 miles) to impact this live water source. Based on the topographical setting of the proposed facility, the potential to impact ground water has been deemed low as well. Therefore, the facility can be designated as being in a non-sensitive area.

Inspector Signature(s):  Date: 11/1/2010

Mark E. Mumby, *Project Manager/RPG*  
HRL Compliance Solutions, Inc.

 Date: 10/18/2010

Ashlee Lane, *Biologist*  
HRL Compliance Solutions, Inc.

**FORM 27 ATTACHMENT:**

**Describe initial Action taken:**

- At the location(s) of the pit which are the furthest downgradient, lowest in elevation and/or have the potential for pooling of liquid, field-screening will be performed and will utilize appropriate field equipment which may include, but is not limited to the following.
  - a PetroFlag unit,
  - a photoionization gas detector (PID),
  - or similar, for detection of volatile hydrocarbons, in the immediate area of the pit footprint.
- Confirmation sample(s), Rule 905.b.(4), will be collected and submitted for lab analysis and verification to confirm compliance with Rule 910 and Table 910-1 (reference to specific analytes is provided below) relative to the aforementioned field screen activity.
- Other areas of the pit walls and floor will be inspected for evidence of impact via field screening and visual observation. Grab samples will be collected, as appropriate, to demonstrate diligence and thoroughness of investigation activities performed as directed in Rule 905.b.(1). In addition, all field screening activities and results will be documented and compiled into a summary report, table and/or map to be provided with the Site Closure Plan.
- Grab sample(s) will be submitted for laboratory analysis to confirm field screening activities. Sub-liner sample analytes will include considerations identified by Rule 910 and all contaminants of concern for soils from Table 910-1 excluding boron (see attached analyte list in Table 1 of Annex A; and Williams Highlands Pit Closure Plan, COGCC document #01175818).
- A visual assessment will be performed throughout the entire investigation process and will be adequately documented (e.g. field notes, observations, photographs, etc.) by qualified personnel.
- For additional information and detail of the proposed initial actions to be taken refer to the Williams Highlands Pit Closure Plan (COGCC document #01175818).

**Describe how source is to be removed:**

The presence of impact has not been determined at this point. No impacts have been observed to date or any other indication that would suggest there has been an event that would result in impact to the surrounding environment. However, should contamination be encountered the following actions will be taken:

- Any spill or release will be reported via a Form 19 and in accordance with Rule 906 and remediation shall be performed in accordance with requirements specified in Rules 909 and 910.
- Notification and consultation with the affected surface owner(s) shall be made with good faith effort and in accordance with Rule 906.c.
- Should a release be identified and attributed to the contents of the pit, the impacted area will be:

- excavated in which field screen instruments will guide the excavation and laboratory confirmation samples collected to demonstrate compliance with Table 910-1 of the COGCC 900-series rule; and
- placed within a lined and bermed containment cell pending remediation and disposal option described below.
- All pit contents will be evacuated and managed in accordance with all applicable local, state [i.e. Rule 905.b.(2)] and federal regulations. If disposal is required, the relevant media will be disposed of at an approved facility.
- The potential source - production pit - will be closed and reclaimed in accordance with the COGCC 900 and 1000 series rules, respectively.
- The synthetic liner will be removed either recycled/reused or disposed of at an approved facility as a solid waste and in accordance with Rule 905.b.(3). WPX Energy personnel have no reason to suspect nor have they been informed of signs or conditions that would indicate past or present failure of the liner/containment system.
- For additional information and detail of how the potential sources is to be removed refer to the Williams Highlands Pit Closure Plan (COGCC document #01175818).

**Describe how remediation of existing impacts is to be accomplished, including removal and disposal at an injection well or licensed facility , land treatment on site, removal of impacted groundwater, in-situ bioremediation, burning of oily vegetation, etc.:**

The presence of impact has not been determined at this point. No impacts have been observed to date or any other indication that would suggest there has been an event that would result in impact to the surrounding environment. However, should contamination be encountered the following actions will be taken:

- Any area(s) determined to be impacted/contaminated will be excavated and managed in accordance with all applicable rules and regulations regarding solid waste including applicable portion of COGCC Rule 907.
- Field screen equipment will be used to guide the excavation to ensure compliance with Table 910-1 of the COGCC 900 series rule.
- The excavated material will be placed within a lined and bermed containment cell pending the following options. Remediation and disposal options may include:
  - on-site landfarming/bioremediation,
  - in-situ remediation,
  - and/or disposal at an approved waste, management facility; as consistent with Rule 907.
- Disposal of impacted media will occur at an approved waste facility (i.e. Garfield County Landfill, Wray Gulch Landfill) further defined in the “Final disposition of E&P waste” below.
- Final disposition will be dependent upon identified contaminants, contaminant concentration, land availability, landowner approval and waste volume.
- For additional information and detail regarding the proposed approach to accomplish remediation of any impacts, if identified, refer to the Williams Highlands Pit Closure Plan (COGCC document #01175818).

**If groundwater has been impacted, describe proposed monitoring plan:**

- The presence of impact has not been determined at this point. No impacts have been observed to date or any other indication that would suggest there has been an event that would result in impact to the surrounding environment. However, should it be observed or determined that groundwater impacts exist an appropriate site specific monitoring and remediation plan will be developed and submitted for approval.
  - The monitoring and remediation plan will be developed to include, but is not limited to,
    - number of sample wells and/or points;
    - proposed location of sample wells and/or points;
    - sampling schedule;
    - analytical methods including analyte list(s);
    - monitoring scheme including end point; and
    - potential mitigation or remediation approaches if necessary [Rule 910 (4) E].

**Describe reclamation plan:**

- The pit will be reclaimed to the present grade of the location or to the approximate original contour of the landscape and consistent with the 1000-series Rule.
- Seeding of the disturbed area will be performed in accordance with its' intended use. The seed mix will be prescribed by the landowner.
- There are no known noxious weeds in the immediate area of the disturbance. A noxious weed survey is performed annually of the Trail Ridge field which includes this location.
- As a preventative measure, WPX Energy seeds all disturbed areas as soon as practicable with temporary or sterile annual seed mixes to:
  - provide soil stability, and
  - serve as a nurse or cover crop for desired species; derived from the natural seed bank and/or the applied seed mix.
- Bare ground treatment is a common practice by WPX Energy and any identified noxious weed species will be spot treated for immediate eradication and prevention of encroachment and dispersal.
- A plat of the location is attached for topographic and geographic reference.

**Attach samples and analytical results taken to verify remediation of impacts. Show location of samples on an onsite schematic or drawing. Is further site investigation required?:**

- The presence of impact has not been determined at this point; therefore, the need for further site investigation has not been determined at this time.
- A determination of whether further site investigation is required and is pending field assessments and screening, which are to be confirmed by analytical results from an accredited - NELAP - laboratory (i.e. Evergreen Analytical Laboratory).
- Final documentation of investigation and closure activities shall be submitted to the Division within thirty (30) days after conclusion of any and all remediation and

reclamation activity and in accordance with all applicable sections and subsections of Rule 909.

**Final disposition of E&P waste:**

- If the stockpiled volume is small enough to manage on-site, there is available area on location, concentrations are within a reasonable range to be remediated in a timely manner and the identified contaminants are conducive to bioremediation, landfarming or in-situ remediation may occur as approved and in accordance with Rule 907.
- Should the aforementioned attributes do not exist or concentrations are not conducive to bioremediation then off-site disposal will be the final disposition of all impacted materials.
- If the latter option is taken, disposal will occur at an approved treatment, storage or disposal facility (TSD) which may include, but is not limited to, the following facilities:
  - the West Garfield County Landfill (045-LFL-005; Parachute, CO);
  - or the Wray Gulch Landfill (103-LFL-020; Meeker, CO).
- Any soils requiring treatment that, once treated, fall below the allowable concentrations and levels provided in Table 910-1 may be recycled and reused at WPX Energy facilities as fill material.

**ANNEX A:**

**Confirmatory Analyte List for Potential Contaminants of Concern in Soil:**

Table 1 – Sample collection, handling and analysis summary

Analyte Class	Analysis	Method	COGCC Table 910-1 Standard	Holding Time	Container	
Organics	TVPH (GRO)	SW8015 mod	500 mg/kg	14 days	4 oz. wide mouth jar	
	TEPH (DRO)					
	Benzene	SW8021	0.17 mg/kg	14 days	4 oz. wide mouth jar	
	Toluene		85 mg/kg			
	Ethylbenzene		100 mg/kg			
	Xylenes (total)		175 mg/kg			
	Acenaphthene		1,000 mg/kg			
	Anthracene	SW8270	0.22 mg/kg	14 days	4 oz. wide mouth jar	
	Benzo (A) anthracene					
	Benzo (B) flouranthene					
	Benzo (K) fluoranthene					
	Benzo (A) pyrene					0.022 mg/kg
	Chrysene					22 mg/kg
	Dibenzo (A,H) anthracene					0.022 mg/kg
	Fluoranthene					1,000 mg/kg
	Fluorne					0.22 mg/kg
	Indeno (1,2,3,C,D) pyrene					
	Naphthalene	23 mg/kg				
	Pyrene	1,000 mg/kg				
	Inorganics	Electrical Conductivity	USDA Hdbk	<4 mmhos/cm or 2x background	28 days	4 oz. wide mouth jar
Sodium Adsorption Rate		USDA Hdbk 60 Method 20B or 3A	<12	180 days	1 gal. ziplock bag	
pH		SW9045	6-9	< 24 hrs.	2 oz. wide mouth jar	

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Table 1 Cont'd - Sample collection, handling and analysis summary

Analyte Class	Analysis	Method	COGCC Table 910-1 Standard	Holding Time	Container
Total Metals*	Arsenic	SW 6010, 6020, 7470	0.39 mg/kg	28 days for Hg & 180 days for remaining	4 oz. wide mouth jar
	Barium		15,000 mg/kg		
	Cadmium		70 mg/kg		
	Chromium (III)		120,000 mg/kg		
	Chromium (IV)		23 mg/kg		
	Copper		3,100 mg/kg		
	Lead (inorganic)		400 mg/kg		
	Mercury		23 mg/kg		
	Nickel (soluble salts)		1,600 mg/kg		
	Selenium		390 mg/kg		
	Silver		390 mg/kg		
	Chloride		15,000 mg/kg		

*General note: Preservation standards for organics and inorganics in soil are < 4°C as per EAL protocol. Of the above sample methods and procedures, none require a preservative to preserve sample integrity.*

*Note(\*): Boron (hot water soluble) has been excluded from this analyte list as no crops (citrus or nuts) or other vegetation which may be sensitive to boron are known or are expected to be encountered. Should the Director or COGCC EPS decide to, at his discretion, require a Boron analysis the above analyte list will be modified to reflect that change and requirement, at that point in time.*

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