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Site Investigation and Remediation Workplan (Supplemental Form)

This form shall be submitted to the Director for approval prior to the initiation of site investigation and remediation activities. However, this shall not preclude the Operator from taking immediate action to protect public health or safety, the environment, wildlife, or livestock.

This Form 27 describes site conditions as currently understood by the Operator; approval of this Form 27 by COGCC is based on the site conditions accurately described herein; any changes in site conditions identified during or subsequent to the performance of the approved workplan may necessitate additional investigation or remediation which shall be described on a supplemental Form 27. This Form 27 is intended to provide basic information regarding the proposed site investigation and remediation actions, but the workplan may be more fully described in attached documentation.

Refer to Rules 340, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, and 910

OPERATOR INFORMATION

Name of Operator: <u>PDC ENERGY INC</u>	Operator No: <u>69175</u>	Phone Numbers
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PROJECT, PURPOSE & SITE INFORMATION

PROJECT INFORMATION

Remediation Project #: 16033Initial Form 27 Document #: 402505741

PURPOSE INFORMATION

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 901.e. Sensitive Area Determination | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 909.c.(5), Rule 910.b.(4): Remediation of impacted ground water |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 909.c.(1), Rule 905: Pit or PW vessel closure | <input type="checkbox"/> Rule 909.e.(2)A.: Notice completion of remediation in accordance with Rule 909.b. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 909.c.(2), Rule 906: Spill/Release Remediation | <input type="checkbox"/> Rule 909.e.(2)B.: Closure of remediation project |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 909.c.(3), Rule 907.e.: Land treatment of oily waste | <input type="checkbox"/> Rule 906.c.: Director request |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 909.c.(4), Rule 908.g.: Centralized E&P Waste Management Facility closure | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

SITE INFORMATION

N Multiple Facilities (in accordance with Rule 909.c.)

Facility Type: <u>LOCATION</u>	Facility ID: <u>318458</u>	API #: _____	County Name: <u>WELD</u>
Facility Name: <u>L. H. MILLER UNIT-64N66W 25NWNW</u>		Latitude: <u>40.287570</u>	Longitude: <u>-104.730760</u>
		** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: <u>40.288227</u>	Longitude: <u>-104.730893</u>
QtrQtr: <u>NWNW</u>	Sec: <u>25</u>	Twp: <u>4N</u>	Range: <u>66W</u>
		Meridian: <u>6</u>	Sensitive Area? <u>Yes</u>

SITE CONDITIONS

General soil type - USCS Classifications SMMost Sensitive Adjacent Land Use AgricultureIs domestic water well within 1/4 mile? YesIs surface water within 1/4 mile? YesIs groundwater less than 20 feet below ground surface? Yes

Other Potential Receptors within 1/4 mile

A domestic water well is located approximately 398 feet west of the location. An irrigation pond is located approximately 673 feet northeast of the location. The following additional receptors were evaluated and determined to be outside of the 1/4-mile radius of the site: CPW Sensitive Wildlife Habitat (SWH) and FWS wetlands. Livestock is located approximately 655 northeast of the location.

SITE INVESTIGATION PLAN

TYPE OF WASTE:

- ☒ E&P Waste ☐ Other E&P Waste ☐ Non-E&P Waste
- ☒ Produced Water ☐ Workover Fluids
- ☐ Oil ☐ Tank Bottoms
- ☐ Condensate ☐ Pigging Waste
- ☐ Drilling Fluids ☐ Rig Wash
- ☐ Drill Cuttings ☐ Spent Filters
- ☐ Pit Bottoms
- ☐ Other (as described by EPA)

DESCRIPTION OF IMPACT

Impacted?	Impacted Media	Extent of Impact	How Determined
UNDETERMINED	GROUNDWATER	Refer to Figure 1 and Table 2	Implementation of Groundwater Assessment
Yes	SOILS	Refer to Figure 1 and Table 1	Confirmation Soil Sampling

INITIAL ACTION SUMMARY

Description of initial action or emergency response measures take to abate, investigate, and/or remediate impacts associated with E&P Waste.

On January 6, 2021, visually impacted material was discovered below the dump lines during facility decommissioning activities at the LH Miller Unit 1 tank battery. Following a limited site investigation, analytical results indicated that the visually stained material exhibited organic compound concentrations below COGC Table 910-1 standards. On January 8, 2021, hydrocarbon impacted material was discovered below a historic concrete vault during ACM abatement activities. Following the discovery, excavation activities were initiated and approximately 360 cubic yards of impacted material were removed and transported to the North Weld Waste Management Facility in Ault, Colorado for disposal under PDC waste manifests.

PROPOSED SAMPLING PLAN

Proposed Soil Sampling

☒ Will soil samples be collected as part of this investigation? (Number, type (grab/composite), analyses, and locations of samples):

Between January 11 and January 13, 2020, 22 soil samples (SS01 – SS22) were collected from the sidewalls and base of the excavations at depths ranging between 3 feet and 10 feet below ground surface (bgs). The soil samples were submitted to Summit Scientific Laboratories (Summit) for analysis of benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, total xylenes (BTEX), naphthalene, total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) - gasoline range organics (GRO) by EPA Method 8260B, and TPH - diesel range organics (DRO) by EPA Method 8015. Analytical results indicated that organic compound concentrations were below the applicable COGCC Table 910-1 soil standards in the soil samples collected from the final excavation extent and below the former dump lines.

Proposed Groundwater Sampling

☒ Will groundwater samples be collected as part of this investigation? (Number, analyses, and locations of samples):

During initial excavation activities, groundwater was encountered at approximately 6 feet bgs. Following the completion of source mass removal and groundwater vacuum recovery activities, one groundwater sample (GW01) collected from the excavation on January 14, 2021 and was submitted to Summit for analysis of BTEX by EPA Method 8260B. Analytical results indicated that BTEX concentrations were below the applicable COGCC Table 910-1 groundwater standards.

Proposed Surface Water Sampling

☐ Will surface water samples be collected as part of this investigation? (Number, analyses, and locations of samples):

Additional Investigative Actions

☒ Additional alternative investigative actions described in attached Site Investigation Plan (summary):

Five (5) monitoring wells will be installed via direct-push drilling methods to confirm the absence of dissolved-phase hydrocarbon impacts within and surrounding the former excavation extent. Proposed monitoring well locations are illustrated on Figure 2.

SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT

SAMPLE SUMMARY

Soil

Number of soil samples collected 22
Number of soil samples exceeding 910-1 1
Was the areal and vertical extent of soil contamination delineated? Yes
Approximate areal extent (square feet) 1800

NA / ND

-- Highest concentration of TPH (mg/kg) 1580
NA Highest concentration of SAR
BTEX > 910-1 Yes
Vertical Extent > 910-1 (in feet) 10

Groundwater

Number of groundwater samples collected 1
Was extent of groundwater contaminated delineated? No
Depth to groundwater (below ground surface, in feet) 6'
Number of groundwater monitoring wells installed 0
Number of groundwater samples exceeding 910-1 0

ND Highest concentration of Benzene (µg/l)
ND Highest concentration of Toluene (µg/l)
ND Highest concentration of Ethylbenzene (µg/l)
-- Highest concentration of Xylene (µg/l) 6.6
NA Highest concentration of Methane (mg/l)

Surface Water

0 Number of surface water samples collected
 Number of surface water samples exceeding 910-1
If surface water is impacted, other agency notification may be required.

OTHER INVESTIGATION INFORMATION

☐ Were impacts to adjacent property or offsite impacts identified?

☐ Were background samples collected as part of this site investigation?

☒ Was investigation derived waste (IDW) generated as part of this investigation?

Volume of solid waste (cubic yards) 360 Volume of liquid waste (barrels) 360

☒ Is further site investigation required?

Five (5) monitoring wells will be installed via direct-push drilling methods to confirm the absence of dissolved-phase hydrocarbon impacts within and surrounding the former excavation extent. Lithologic descriptions and volatile organic compound (VOC) concentrations using a photoionization detector (PID) will be recorded for each borehole. If elevated VOC concentrations are encountered during the investigation, a sample will be collected from the interval exhibiting the highest VOC concentration from the borehole and submitted for laboratory analysis of benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, total xylenes (BTEX), naphthalene, total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH C6-C36) by EPA Methods 8260B and 8015. In addition, one soil sample will be collected in the area most likely to be impacted by produced water to confirm soil suitability for reclamation and submitted for laboratory analysis of electrical conductivity (EC), pH, sodium adsorption ratio (SAR), and boron by saturated paste and hot water soluble extraction methods. Proposed monitoring well locations are illustrated on Figure 2.

REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN

Does this Supplemental Form 27A include changes to a previously approved Remedial Action Plan? No _____

SOURCE REMOVAL SUMMARY

Describe how source is to be removed.

Between January 6 and January 13, 2020, approximately 360 cubic yards of impacted material were removed and transported to the North Weld Waste Management Facility for disposal. As previously described, confirmation soil samples collected from the final excavation extent indicated that unsaturated and saturated hydrocarbon impacted material was successfully removed by excavation activities.

REMEDIATION SUMMARY

Describe how remediation of existing impacts to soil and groundwater is to be accomplished (i.e. summarize remedial action plan). Provide a brief narrative description including: technical justification, schedule for implementation, estimated time to attain NFA status, plus plans and specifications for the selected remedial action technology.

A remediation strategy will be selected following the evaluation of groundwater analytical results.

Soil Remediation Summary

☐ In Situ

_____ Bioremediation (or enhanced bioremediation)

_____ Chemical oxidation

_____ Air sparge / Soil vapor extraction

_____ Natural Attenuation

_____ Other _____

☒ Ex Situ

Yes _____ Excavate and offsite disposal

If Yes: Estimated Volume (Cubic Yards) _____ 360

Name of Licensed Disposal Facility or COGCC Facility ID # _____

_____ Excavate and onsite remediation

_____ Land Treatment

_____ Bioremediation (or enhanced bioremediation)

_____ Chemical oxidation

_____ Other _____

Groundwater Remediation Summary

☐ _____ Bioremediation (or enhanced bioremediation)

☐ _____ Chemical oxidation

☐ _____ Air sparge / Soil vapor extraction

☐ _____ Natural Attenuation

☐ _____ Other _____

GROUNDWATER MONITORING

If groundwater has been impacted, describe proposed monitoring plan, including # of wells or sample points, monitoring schedule, analytical methods, points of compliance. Attach a groundwater monitoring location diagram.

Based on the analytical data collected during source mass removal activities, PDC will conduct quarterly groundwater monitoring at the 5 proposed monitoring wells until closure criteria are met. Groundwater samples will be submitted for laboratory analysis of benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and total xylenes (BTEX), naphthalene, 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene, and 1,3,5-trimethylbenzene by EPA Method 8260B in accordance with Table 915-1. In addition, site-specific inorganic parameters, including total dissolved solids (TDS), chloride, and sulfate, will be evaluated at the source, up-and down-gradient monitoring wells during the second quarter 2021. Contingent on analytical results, inorganic parameter analysis will be discontinued after one sampling event.

REMEDATION PROGRESS UPDATE

PERIODIC REPORTING

Frequency: ☐ Quarterly ☐ Semi-Annually ☐ Annually ☒ Other Source Mass Removal Update

Report Type: ☐ Groundwater Monitoring ☐ Land Treatment Progress Report ☐ O&M Report

☒ Other Source Mass Removal Update

WASTE DISPOSAL INFORMATION

Was E&P waste generated as part of this remediation? Yes

Describe beneficial use, if any, of E&P Waste derived from this remediation project:

No beneficial use.

Volume of E&P Waste (solid) in cubic yards 360

E&P waste (solid) description E&P contaminated soil.

COGCC Disposal Facility ID #, if applicable: _____

Non-COGCC Disposal Facility: North Weld Waste Management Facility

Volume of E&P Waste (liquid) in barrels 360

E&P waste (liquid) description Groundwater

COGCC Disposal Facility ID #, if applicable: _____

Non-COGCC Disposal Facility: NGL Energy Disposal Facility

REMEDATION COMPLETION REPORT

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Is this a Final Closure Request for this Remediation Project? No

Do all soils meet Table 910-1 standards? _____

Does the previous reply indicate consideration of background concentrations? _____

Are the only residual soil impacts pH, SAR, or EC at depths greater than 3 feet below ground surface? _____

Does Groundwater meet Table 910-1 standards? _____

Is additional groundwater monitoring to be conducted? _____

RECLAMATION PLAN

RECLAMATION PLANNING

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.

The excavation was backfilled and re-graded to match pre-existing conditions. The facility was decommissioned and will be reclaimed in accordance with the COGCC 1000 Series rules.

Is the described reclamation complete? Yes

Does the reclamation described herein constitute interim or final reclamation of the Oil and Gas Location?

☒ Interim? ☐ Final?

Did the Surface Owner approve the seed mix? _____

If NO, does the seed mix comply with local soil conservation district recommendations? _____

IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

PRIOR DATES

Date of Surface Owner notification/consultation, if required. 01/11/2021

Actual Spill or Release date, if known. _____

SITE INVESTIGATION DATES

Date of Initial Actions described in Site Investigation Plan (start date). 10/20/2020

Date of commencement of Site Investigation. 01/06/2021

Date of completion of Site Investigation. _____

REMEDIAL ACTION DATES

Date of commencement of Remediation. 01/11/2021

Date of completion of Remediation. _____

SITE RECLAMATION DATES

Date of commencement of Reclamation. _____

Date of completion of Reclamation. _____

OPERATOR COMMENT

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

Signed: Karen Olson

Title: Senior Program Manager

Submit Date: 02/11/2021

Email: COGCCSpillRemediation@pdce.com

Based on the information provided herein, this Application for Site Investigation and Remediation Workplan complies with COGCC Rules and applicable orders and is hereby approved.

COGCC Approved: Candice (Nikki) Graber

Date: 02/16/2021

Remediation Project Number: 16033

COA Type

Description

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Attachment Check List

Upon approval, the approved Form 27 and all listed attachments will be indexed to the Remediation Project file. Only the approved Form 27 will also be indexed to the related Facilities.

Att Doc Num

Name

402580239	FORM 27-SUPPLEMENTAL-SUBMITTED
402580247	ANALYTICAL RESULTS
402580249	SOIL SAMPLE LOCATION MAP
402588646	SITE INVESTIGATION PLAN

Total Attach: 4 Files

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