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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.

Closure request is not available for an Initial Site Investigation and Remediation Workplan.

OPERATOR INFORMATION

Name of Operator: CAERUS PICEANCE LLC	Operator No: 10456	Phone Numbers Phone: (970) 285-2925 Mobile: (970) 640-6919
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PROJECT, PURPOSE & SITE INFORMATION

PROJECT INFORMATION

Remediation Project #: 21158 Initial Form 27 Document #: 402862347

PURPOSE INFORMATION

- ☐ Rule 913.c.(1): Pit or Cuttings Trench closure.
- ☐ Rule 913.c.(2): Buried or partially buried vessel closure, which will be by removal.
- ☐ Rule 913.c.(3): Remediation of Spill and Releases pursuant to Rule 912.
- ☐ Rule 913.c.(4): Land treatment of Oily Waste pursuant to Rule 905.e.
- ☐ Rule 913.c.(5): Closure of Centralized E&P Waste Management Facilities pursuant to Rule 907.h.
- ☐ Rule 913.c.(6): Remediation of impacted Groundwater pursuant to Rule 915.e.(3).D, and the contaminant concentrations in Table 915-1.
- ☐ Rule 913.c.(7): Investigation and remediation of natural gas in soil or Groundwater.
- ☐ Rule 913.c.(8): When requested by the Director due to any potential risk to soil, Groundwater, or surface water.
- ☒ Rule 913.c.(9): Decommissioning of Oil and Gas Facilities.
- ☐ Rule 913.g: Changes of Operator.
- ☐ Rule 915.b: Request to leave elevated inorganics in situ.
- ☐ Other: _____

SITE INFORMATION

Yes Multiple Facilities

Facility Type: WELL	Facility ID: _____	API #: 045-07220	County Name: GARFIELD
Facility Name: TEXACO FEE 6217	Latitude: 39.505317	Longitude: -108.393327	
** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: _____		Longitude: _____	
QtrQtr: SENW	Sec: 25	Twp: 6S	Range: 99W Meridian: 6 Sensitive Area? Yes

Facility Type: LOCATION	Facility ID: 324001	API #: _____	County Name: GARFIELD
Facility Name: TEXACO FEE-66S99W 25SENW	Latitude: 39.505326	Longitude: -108.393335	
** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: _____		Longitude: _____	
QtrQtr: SENW	Sec: 25	Twp: 6S	Range: 99W Meridian: 6 Sensitive Area? Yes

SITE CONDITIONS

General soil type - USCS Classifications SM

Most Sensitive Adjacent Land Use Riparian

Is domestic water well within 1/4 mile? Yes

Is surface water within 1/4 mile? Yes

Is groundwater less than 20 feet below ground surface? No

Other Potential Receptors within 1/4 mile

Residence 970 feet southwest of the location.
Residence 855 feet southeast 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) No impacts associated with this project have been identified.

DESCRIPTION OF IMPACT

Impacted?	Impacted Media	Extent of Impact	How Determined
UNDETERMINED	SOILS	To be determined.	Laboratory analysis of soil samples.

INITIAL ACTION SUMMARY

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

This form is being submitted to comply with COGCC Rule 911.a.(4). The form serves as the initial notification to decommission COGCC Location 324001, including the abandonment of the TEXACO FEE #6217 (API# 05-045-07220) well and associated infrastructure. Equipment to be removed includes a valve set, pump jack, separator, and associated on-site piping.

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):

As part of the "cut and cap operations" Caerus will excavate the TEXACO FEE #6217 wellhead. Caerus will visually inspect and field screen the base and sidewalls within the wellhead abandonment excavation. Additionally, Caerus will field screen the approximate footprints of all previous equipment. If field screening indicates impacts to soil in any of these locations, the sample exhibiting the highest degree of impacts based on field screening will be collected from the associated area and submitted for laboratory analysis of the full list of constituents in COGCC Table 915-1. Any impacted soil will be segregated, stockpiled on site, and the extent of impacts will be investigated through additional excavation and confirmation soil sampling. Continued in "Additional Investigative Actions" below.

Proposed Groundwater Sampling

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

Groundwater is not expected to be encountered.

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):

Continued from "Proposed Soil Sampling". If no impacts are observed, one sample will be collected from the base of the wellhead excavation, immediately adjacent to the well, and in the middle of each equipment footprint. Samples will be submitted for laboratory analysis of the full list of constituents listed in COGCC Table 915-1. A Site Diagram illustrating the wellhead and equipment locations is attached to this form.

SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT

SAMPLE SUMMARY

Soil

Number of soil samples collected 72

Number of soil samples exceeding 915-1 72

NA / ND

-- Highest concentration of TPH (mg/kg) 385

-- Highest concentration of SAR 17.4

Was the areal and vertical extent of soil contamination delineated? No

BTEX > 915-1 No

Approximate areal extent (square feet) 1000

Vertical Extent > 915-1 (in feet) 6

Groundwater

Number of groundwater samples collected 0

Highest concentration of Benzene (µg/l) _____

Was extent of groundwater contaminated delineated? No

Highest concentration of Toluene (µg/l) _____

Depth to groundwater (below ground surface, in feet) _____

Highest concentration of Ethylbenzene (µg/l) _____

Number of groundwater monitoring wells installed _____

Highest concentration of Xylene (µg/l) _____

Number of groundwater samples exceeding 915-1 _____

Highest concentration of Methane (mg/l) _____

Surface Water

0 Number of surface water samples collected

 Number of surface water samples exceeding 915-1

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?

As included in the attached sampling figure and tabulated laboratory analytical results.

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

Volume of solid waste (cubic yards) _____

Volume of liquid waste (barrels) _____

☒ Is further site investigation required?

Caerus proposes to delineate the extent of contamination associated with the elevated concentrations of hot water soluble boron. Caerus requests a reduced analyte suite for the project as outlined in the Operator Comments section of this form.

REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN

Does this Supplemental Form 27A include changes to a previously approved Remedial Action Plan? Yes

SOURCE REMOVAL SUMMARY

Describe how source is to be removed.

Caerus is in the process of determining the extent of potential contamination and will determine a plan for source removal following vertical and horizontal delineation of impacts associated with the project.

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 plan will be presented to the COGCC if impacts are observed during the proposed activities.

Soil Remediation Summary

☐ In Situ

☐ Ex Situ

_____ Bioremediation (or enhanced bioremediation)

_____ Excavate and offsite disposal

_____ Chemical oxidation

_____ If Yes: Estimated Volume (Cubic Yards) _____

_____ Air sparge / Soil vapor extraction

_____ Name of Licensed Disposal Facility or COGCC Facility ID # _____

_____ Natural Attenuation

_____ Excavate and onsite remediation

_____ Other _____

_____ 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.

In the event that groundwater is encountered during this project, Caerus will notify the COGCC and attempt to collect a representative sample for analysis.

REMEDIATION PROGRESS UPDATE

PERIODIC REPORTING

Approved Reporting Schedule:

☒ Quarterly☐ Semi-Annually☐ Annually☐ Other

☐ Request Alternative Reporting Schedule:

☐ Semi-Annually☐ Annually☐ Other

Rule 913.e:

After initial approval of a Form 27, the Operator will provide quarterly update reports in a Supplemental Form 27 to document progress of site investigation and remediation, unless an alternative reporting schedule has been requested by the Operator and approved by the Director. The Director may request a more frequent reporting schedule based on site-specific conditions.

Report Type:

☐ Groundwater Monitoring☐ Land Treatment Progress Report☐ O&M Report☒ Other Q2 2022 REM update

Adequacy of Operator's General Liability Insurance and Financial Assurance

Describe the adequacy of the Operator's general liability insurance and Financial Assurance to fully address the anticipated costs of Remediation, including the estimated remaining cost for this project (below).

If this information has been provided on a Form 27 within the last 12 months, provide the Document Number of that form.

Until Caerus submits a Financial Assurance Plan required by Rule 702, due September 15, 2022, the bond covering the remediation of this well/location will be covered under 20130021.

Operator anticipates the remaining cost for this project to be: \$ 40000

WASTE DISPOSAL INFORMATION

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

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

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

E&P waste (solid) description

COGCC Disposal Facility ID #, if applicable:

Non-COGCC Disposal Facility:

Volume of E&P Waste (liquid) in barrels

E&P waste (liquid) description

COGCC Disposal Facility ID #, if applicable:

Non-COGCC Disposal Facility:

REMEDIATION COMPLETION REPORT

REMEDIATION COMPLETION SUMMARY

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

If YES:

☐ Compliant with Rule 913.h.(1).

☐ Compliant with Rule 913.h.(2).

☐ Compliant with Rule 913.h.(3).

Do all soils meet Table 915-1 standards?

Does the previous reply indicate consideration of background concentrations?

Does Groundwater meet Table 915-1 standards?

Is additional groundwater monitoring to be conducted? _____

Operator shall comply with the COGCC 1000-Series Reclamation Requirements for all impacted and disturbed areas.

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.

All disturbance areas will be returned to grade with suitable material in preparation for final reclamation activities pursuant to the COGCC 1000 Series Rules.

Is the described reclamation complete? No

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

☐ Interim

☐ Final

Did the Surface Owner provide the seed mix? _____

If YES, does the seed mix comply with local soil conservation district recommendations? _____

Did the local soil conservation district provide the seed mix? _____

SITE RECLAMATION DATES

Proposed date of commencement of Reclamation. _____

Proposed date of completion of Reclamation. _____

IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

Per Rule 913.d.(2): Any change from the approved implementation schedule will be requested at least 14 days in advance, and the Operator may not make the change without the Director's approval.

PRIOR DATES

Date of Surface Owner notification/consultation, if required. _____

Actual Spill or Release date, or date of discovery. _____

SITE INVESTIGATION DATES

Date of Initial Actions described in Site Investigation Plan (start date). 11/09/2021

Proposed site investigation commencement. _____

Proposed completion of site investigation. _____

REMEDIAL ACTION DATES

Proposed start date of Remediation. _____

Proposed date of completion of Remediation. _____

Per Rule 913.d.(2): Any change from the approved implementation schedule will be requested at least 14 days in advance, and the Operator may not make the change without the Director's approval.

☐ Change from approved implementation schedule per Rule 913.d.(2).

Basis for change in implementation schedule:

OPERATOR COMMENT

Based on point-of-release sample results and background soil samples collected from native non-impacted soil from around the area, Caerus is requested a reduced analyte suite to include hot water soluble boron. The "Fed_6206-BG" samples were collected from around the Federal 6206 well pad, COGCC Location ID 323864, which is found in the same soil type (Happle very channery sandy loam) as the project area. The "Fed_6206-BG" sample results indicate elevated concentrations of naturally occurring arsenic, pH, SAR, and EC, within the project area. Caerus will excavate and delineate the extent of hot water soluble boron in the project area and will prepare a plan for treatment or disposal when the extent of contamination has been determined.

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

Signed: Blair Rollins

Title: EHS Specialist

Submit Date: 08/19/2022

Email: brollins@caerusoilandgas.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: Steven Arauza

Date: 08/24/2022

Remediation Project Number: 21158

Condition of Approval**COA Type****Description**

	Based on the information provided, the Operator's request for a reduced analyte suite of hot water soluble boron is approved under the following condition: Operator will continue to analyze soil samples for EC and SAR in addition to boron.
1 COA	

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**

403141814	FORM 27-SUPPLEMENTAL-SUBMITTED
403141864	MAP
403141865	ANALYTICAL RESULTS
403141866	SOIL SAMPLE LOCATION MAP

Total Attach: 4 Files

General Comments**User Group****Comment****Comment Date**

Environmental	<p>At this time, the COGCC does not concur with the Operator's assessment that "The "Fed_6206-BG" sample results indicate elevated concentrations of naturally occurring arsenic, pH, SAR, and EC, within the project area."</p> <p>COGCC review of the attached analytical summary table (doc #403141865) for background samples (page 4) demonstrates exceedances for pH and arsenic, but not necessarily for EC or SAR, based on the fact that all but one background sample are compliant with 915-1 for SAR and all but two background samples are compliant for EC.</p> <p>SAR and EC remain contaminants of concern for this project. See COA above.</p>	08/24/2022
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