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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

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PROJECT, PURPOSE & SITE INFORMATION

PROJECT INFORMATION

Remediation Project #: 25814 Initial Form 27 Document #: 403209457

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

No Multiple Facilities

Facility Type: WELL	Facility ID: _____	API #: 045-06953	County Name: GARFIELD
Facility Name: ROLES 13-10 (J13W)		Latitude: 39.444210	Longitude: -107.721360
** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: _____		Longitude: _____	
QtrQtr: NWSE	Sec: 13	Twp: 7S	Range: 93W Meridian: 6 Sensitive Area? Yes

SITE CONDITIONS

General soil type - USCS Classifications SM Most Sensitive Adjacent Land Use Non-Crop Land

Is domestic water well within 1/4 mile? No 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

West Mamm Creek is 0.11 miles south-southeast of the Location, and unnamed surface water is 0.05 miles 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
Yes	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.

Form 27 Document 403209457 was submitted to comply with Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) Rule 911.a.(4). The form served as the initial notification to abandon the ROLES #13-10 (J13W) (API# 05-045-06953) well and associated infrastructure. Equipment to be removed includes a wellhead and associated on-site flowline which will be abandoned in place. See the attached Report of Work Completed (ROWC) for additional details.

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):

Additional soil samples will be collected as needed to delineate the extent of soil impacts. Background soil samples will be collected to characterize native levels of inorganic constituents at the Location. Based on the results of initial site investigation, Caerus requests a reduced analyte list of 1,2,4 trimethylbenzene, 1,3,5 trimethylbenzene, pH, arsenic, barium, and cadmium.

Proposed Groundwater Sampling

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

Groundwater is not anticipated to be encountered during site investigation activities.

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):

SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT**SAMPLE SUMMARY**

Soil

Number of soil samples collected 5

Number of soil samples exceeding 915-1 5

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

Approximate areal extent (square feet) 100

Groundwater

Number of groundwater samples collected 0

Was extent of groundwater contaminated delineated? No

Depth to groundwater (below ground surface, in feet)

Number of groundwater monitoring wells installed

Number of groundwater samples exceeding 915-1

NA / ND

-- Highest concentration of TPH (mg/kg) 113.3

-- Highest concentration of SAR 8.55

BTEX > 915-1 No

Vertical Extent > 915-1 (in feet) 8

Highest concentration of Benzene (µg/l)

Highest concentration of Toluene (µg/l)

Highest concentration of Ethylbenzene (µg/l)

Highest concentration of Xylene (µg/l)

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?

Background samples were collected at the Location on November 27, 2012. Samples were submitted for SAR analysis only.

☐ 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?

Organic exceedances will be delineated and remediated. Inorganic exceedances will be delineated and/or cleared using background results.

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.

Remediation methodologies will be evaluated once exceedances are delineated.

REMEDIAL ACTION 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.

On October 6, 2022, initial sampling was conducted to characterize soil beneath the plugged and abandoned equipment in accordance with Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) Rule 911.a. Following cut and cap operations, soil around the wellhead had been removed to a depth of 8 feet below ground surface (bgs), and soil beneath the separator inlet had been removed to a depth of 5 feet bgs. One base sample was collected from the wellhead excavation at 8 feet bgs. One soil sample was collected from the base of the flowline excavation at 5 feet bgs. Composite soil samples were also collected from stockpiles related to the wellhead and flowline excavations. On November 4, 2022, additional material was collected from the wellhead base sample to analyze due to lab analytical limitations.

Analytical results of collected P&A soil samples exceed COGCC Table 915-1 Protection of Groundwater Soil Screening Levels for 1,2,4 trimethylbenzene, 1,3,5 trimethylbenzene, sodium adsorption ratio (SAR), pH, arsenic, barium, and cadmium. Analytical results of collected stockpile samples exceed COGCC Table 915-1 Protection of Groundwater Soil Screening Levels for SAR, pH, arsenic, and barium. Although SAR values above COGCC Table 915-1 Protection of Groundwater Soil Screening Levels remain within the investigation area, analytical results of background samples collected from the location in 2012 indicate native SAR levels elevated above allowable limits with a peak result of 11. See the attached ROWC for site investigation details, proposed alternative limits, and requested reduced analyte list.

Soil Remediation Summary

☐ In Situ

_____ Bioremediation (or enhanced bioremediation)
_____ Chemical oxidation
_____ Air sparge / Soil vapor extraction
_____ Natural Attenuation
_____ Other _____

☐ Ex Situ

_____ Excavate and offsite disposal
_____ If Yes: Estimated Volume (Cubic Yards) _____
_____ 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.

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 Q4 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.

Per Rule 705.b, and in line with guidance laid out in the SBAP, Caerus has general liability insurance in the amount of \$1M, and Caerus has umbrella insurance, which sits over the general liability insurance in the amount of \$75M. The umbrella and general liability insurance covers property damage, bodily injury to third parties, and sudden or accidental pollution under a combined \$76M.

Operator anticipates the remaining cost for this project to be: \$ 2500

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). 10/06/2022

Proposed site investigation commencement. 10/06/2022

Proposed completion of site investigation. 04/14/2023

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

This form has been submitted to provide results of initial site investigation and to request a reduced analyte list of 1,2,4 trimethylbenzene, 1,3,5 trimethylbenzene, pH, arsenic, barium, and cadmium. See the attached ROWC for site investigation details.

Exact locations for the background soil samples collected in 2012 are unknown but based on land use in the area Caerus assumes these samples were collected in native background soil south of the well pad.

The nearest groundwater well is located approximately 2,100 feet northwest of the location and indicates groundwater depth is 170 feet below ground surface. An intermittent livestock pond is located approximately 240 northeast of the location and West Mamm Creek is located approximately 500 feet south of the location. Caerus plans to conduct additional assessments in the spring of 2023 to determine background soil conditions in the area. Additionally in 2023, Caerus will assess the potential pathways for groundwater within the area of the project.

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

Signed: Chris McKisson

Title: Managing Partner

Submit Date: 12/29/2022

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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: 12/30/2022

Remediation Project Number: 25814

COA Type**Description**

0 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**

403241280	FORM 27-SUPPLEMENTAL-SUBMITTED
403257294	SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT

Total Attach: 2 Files

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

Environmental	Comply with outstanding COAs.	12/30/2022
Environmental	Based on the information provided, the Operator's request for a reduced analyte suite of 1,2,4 trimethylbenzene, 1,3,5 trimethylbenzene, pH, arsenic, barium, and cadmium is conditionally approved.	12/28/2022

Total: 2 comment(s)