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Site Investigation and Remediation Workplan (Initial 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 #: 27511 Initial Form 27 Document #: 403316448

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: <u>SPILL OR RELEASE</u>	Facility ID: <u>483385</u>	API #: _____	County Name: <u>WELD</u>
Facility Name: <u>Pierce - GW Walker 1</u>	Latitude: <u>40.627487</u>	Longitude: <u>-104.774131</u>	
** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: _____		Longitude: _____	
QtrQtr: <u>SESE</u>	Sec: <u>28</u>	Twp: <u>8n</u>	Range: <u>66W</u> Meridian: <u>6</u> Sensitive Area? <u>Yes</u>

SITE CONDITIONS

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

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? Yes

Other Potential Receptors within 1/4 mile

Nearest Well: Domestic / Stock - 392' W; Surface Water: Irrigation Ditch - 238' E; Occupied Building: 469' SSE; Livestock: 429' SSW; FWS Wetlands: 1,141' WSW Freshwater Emergent Wetland (PEM1A); HPH Sensitive Wildlife Habitat: Rule 1202.d: Wellhead & Flowline Within Mule Deer Winter Concentration Area; Rule 1202.d: Wellhead & Flowline Within Mule Deer Severe Winter Range; Rule 1202.d: Wellhead & Flowline Within Pronghorn Winter Concentration.

Flowline Conflict: Rule 1202.d: Wellhead & Flowline Within Mule Deer Winter Concentration Area; Rule 1202.d: Wellhead & Flowline Within Mule Deer Severe Winter Range; Rule 1202.d: Wellhead & Flowline Within Pronghorn Winter Concentration.

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	Refer to Tables 1-5 and Figures 1&2	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 December 1, 2022, PDC conducted a flowline pressure test and collected a confirmation soil sample. On December 2, 2022, following the return of confirmation soil sampling analytical results, a historic release was discovered at the Walker 1 Flowline. Following the discovery of the release, mitigation activities were initiated and to date, approximately 30 cubic yards of impacted material were removed and transported to the North Weld Waste Management Facility 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):

On December 1, 2022, one soil samples (FL-01) was collected from a depth of approximately 1 ft bgs from potentially impacted material where water from the flowline was daylighting on the surface during a pressure test of the abandoned flowline. The soil sample was submitted for laboratory analysis of BTEX, naphthalene, 1,2,4-TMB, 1,3,5-TMB and TPH. Analytical results indicated compound concentrations were in exceedance of applicable standards. On December 27, 2022, six soil samples (SS01-SS06) were collected adjacent to the flowline leak area from the base and sidewalls of the excavation at depths between 2.5 ft and 7 ft bgs and were submitted for laboratory analysis of the full COGCC Table 915-1 analytical suite. Analytical results indicated that compound concentrations were observed below the COGCC Table 915-1 standards in soil samples collected from the final excavation extent with the exception of pH, arsenic, barium, and/or selenium exceedances observed in soil samples SS01-SS06.

Proposed Groundwater Sampling

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

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):

One five-point composite soil sample (SP01) was collected from a spoil pile on-site and submitted for analysis of the full COGCC Table 915-1 analytical suite. Analytical results indicated that compound concentrations were observed below the COGCC Table 915-1 standards with the exception of selenium.

SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT

SAMPLE SUMMARY

Soil

Number of soil samples collected 8

Number of soil samples exceeding 915-1 8

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

Approximate areal extent (square feet) 261

NA / ND

-- Highest concentration of TPH (mg/kg) 50

-- Highest concentration of SAR 5.71

BTEX > 915-1 Yes

Vertical Extent > 915-1 (in feet) 7

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 _____

_____ 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?

On December 27, 2022, one background soil boring (BKG01) was advanced in native material up-gradient of the flowline and three soil samples were collected between depths of approximately 2.5 feet and 7 feet bgs and submitted for laboratory analysis of COGCC Table 915-1 metals, pH, EC, and SAR. Analytical results indicated that arsenic was in exceedance of the applicable regulatory standards in native soil. The background soil boring location is illustrated on Figure 2.

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

Volume of solid waste (cubic yards) 30

Volume of liquid waste (barrels) 0

Is further site investigation required?

Up to five (5) soil borings will be advanced to vertically and horizontally delineate pH, arsenic, barium, and/or selenium exceedances observed in soil samples SS01 @ 7', SS02 @ 3', SS03 @ 2.5', SS04 @ 2.5', SS05 @ 2.5', and SS06 @ 2.5' collected within the flowline excavation extent. A minimum of four soil samples will be collected from each soil boring from native material at depths of approximately 2.5 feet, 3 feet, 7 feet, and 8 feet bgs. All confirmation soil samples will be submitted for laboratory analysis of pH and/or the COGCC Table 915-1 metals as necessary.

Additionally, up to four (4) background soil borings will be advanced up-gradient of the flowline excavation to approximately 8 feet bgs and will be submitted to the laboratory for analysis of pH and the COGCC Table 915-1 metals. Four soil samples will be collected from each background soil boring at depths of approximately 2.5 feet, 3 feet, 7 feet, and 8 feet bgs.

Volatile organic compound (VOC) concentrations using a photoionization detector (PID) and lithologic descriptions will be recorded for each borehole. Supplemental site investigation activities will be conducted by the end of the second quarter 2023, pending approval of this form and landowner approval. The proposed soil boring locations are illustrated on Figure 3.

REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN

SOURCE REMOVAL SUMMARY

Describe how source is to be removed.

On December 27, 2022, approximately 30 cubic yards of impacted material were excavated adjacent to and below the flowline and transported to the North Weld Waste Management Facility for disposal under PDC waste manifests.

REMEDICATION 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 soil analytical results.

Soil Remediation Summary

In Situ

Ex Situ

_____ Bioremediation (or enhanced bioremediation)

Yes _____ Excavate and offsite disposal

_____ Chemical oxidation

_____ If Yes: Estimated Volume (Cubic Yards) _____ 30

_____ 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.

Groundwater was not encountered during initial pressure testing, release response, or source mass removal activities.

REMEDIATION PROGRESS UPDATE

PERIODIC REPORTING

Approved Reporting Schedule:

Quarterly Semi-Annually Annually Other Release Response, Confirmation Sample Summary, Supplemental Site Investigation Proposal

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 Release Response, Confirmation Sample Summary, Supplemental Site Investigation Proposal

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.

Operator does not have site-specific financial assurance for this project; however, Operator has inactive well, blanket, and surface bonding including Surety IDs 106077122, 106473808, and 106473820, as well as commercial general liability and/or umbrella/excess insurance meeting the requirements of Rule 705.b. Operator does not anticipate making an insurance claim for this project.

- Source mass removal has been completed.
- Investigation and delineation has been completed for organics in soil. Assessment of Table 915-1 metals and pH conditions in native material is ongoing.

Costs included herein are estimates only and may change over time based on numerous factors. Accordingly, Operator makes no guarantees as to the accuracy of such cost estimates, thus providing an estimate for the next year below.

Operator anticipates the remaining cost for this project to be: \$ 15000

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 30

E&P waste (solid) description Hydrocarbon impacted soils

COGCC Disposal Facility ID #, if applicable: _____

Non-COGCC Disposal Facility: North Weld Waste Management Facility

Volume of E&P Waste (liquid) in barrels 0

E&P waste (liquid) description _____

COGCC Disposal Facility ID #, if applicable: _____

Non-COGCC Disposal Facility: _____

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.

Following excavation activities, the location was backfilled, compacted, and re-contoured to match pre-existing conditions. The location will be reclaimed in accordance with the COGCC 1000 series.

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 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. 12/01/2022

Proposed date of completion of Reclamation. 02/09/2024

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. 12/02/2022

Actual Spill or Release date, or date of discovery. 12/02/2022

SITE INVESTIGATION DATES

Date of Initial Actions described in Site Investigation Plan (start date). 12/01/2022

Proposed site investigation commencement. 04/01/2023

Proposed completion of site investigation. 06/30/2023

REMEDIAL ACTION DATES

Proposed start date of Remediation. 12/01/2022

Proposed date of completion of Remediation. 02/09/2024

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:

The implementation schedule has been changed due to the historic release discovered at the Walker 1 flowline and necessity for supplemental site investigation activities.

OPERATOR COMMENT

PDC is requesting a new Remediation Project Number be established for the Walker 1 Flowline (Facility ID 317510). Spill #483385 will be proceeding under this requested Remediation Project Number.

Following the approval of this form and designation of a Form 27 Remediation Project Number, a Supplemental Form 19 will be submitted indicating work will be proceeding under an approved Form 27 (Rule 912.c) for Spill #483385. Additionally, pending approval of this form and landowner approval, PDC will initiate supplemental site investigation to delineate pH and/or COGCC Table 915-1 metal exceedances observed in the final excavation extent and to evaluate pH and COGCC Table 915-1 metal concentrations in native material.

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: 02/14/2023

Email: taspillremediationcontractor@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: RICK ALLISON

Date: 02/17/2023

Remediation Project Number: 27511

COA Type**Description**

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**

403316448	FORM 27-INITIAL-SUBMITTED
403316595	SOIL SAMPLE LOCATION MAP
403316596	SOIL SAMPLE LOCATION MAP
403316601	ANALYTICAL RESULTS
403316626	PHOTO DOCUMENTATION
403320483	SITE INVESTIGATION PLAN

Total Attach: 6 Files

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

Environmental	COGCC removed the Location ID as a related facility and left this Remediation Project related to the Spill ID only.	02/17/2023
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Total: 1 comment(s)