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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 ECMC 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 #: 32119 Initial Form 27 Document #: 403546849

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: LOCATION	Facility ID: 310651	API #: _____	County Name: WELD
Facility Name: PEPPLER-66N63W 17SWNW		Latitude: 40.488580	Longitude: -104.467670
		** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: 40.489784	Longitude: -104.465823
QtrQtr: SWNW	Sec: 17	Twp: 6N	Range: 63W Meridian: 6 Sensitive Area? No

SITE CONDITIONS

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

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? Yes

Other Potential Receptors within 1/4 mile

Closest Domestic Well within quarter mile – none
Additional Domestic Wells – none
Nearest Surface Water – A pond is located 0.21 miles northeast of the facility.
Nearest Occupied Building – 2800' SW
Additional Occupied Buildings – None
Within Pronghorn Winter Concentration Buffer
Within Mule Deer Severe Winter Range Buffer
Freshwater Emergent Wetlands – 880' SW, 1205' W

No other potential receptors are located within ¼ mile of the Site.
Above distances are approximations.

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	SOILS	Refer to Doc#403546849	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.

In accordance with ECOM Rule 911, this Form serves as notification for the decommissioning and abandonment of the Pepler 17-12, 22 production facility. The ground and sub-surfaces will be visually inspected for hydrocarbon impacts during equipment decommissioning. In addition, on-site dump lines located between the separator and tank battery will be removed by pulling from either end during decommissioning activities. Field observations and photo documentation will be recorded in a field inspection form for submittal to the ECOM.

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):

Grab soil samples will be collected below and/or adjacent to applicable facility equipment, as defined in the Rule 911.a.(4) guidance document (9/20/21), for field screening purposes. Discrete soil samples will be collected for laboratory analysis either in any area of observed hydrocarbon impacts, or in the sample locations designated by the ECOM. Soil samples will be submitted for laboratory analysis of the full Table 915-1 analytical suite by ECOM approved methods. See the attached Figure 1 for an illustration of the facility layout and proposed soil sample locations.

Proposed Groundwater Sampling

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

If groundwater is encountered during decommissioning and/or abandonment activities, a grab sample will be collected as soon as practical. If contaminated soil is in contact with groundwater or if free product/hydrocarbon sheen are observed, the release will be reported in accordance with Rule 912.b. Groundwater samples will be submitted for laboratory analysis of BTEX, naphthalene, 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene (TMB), and 1,3,5-TMB by EPA Method 8260.

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):

If a produced water vessel is present, discrete soil samples will be collected from the base of the excavation and excavation sidewall in areas most likely to be impacted and exhibiting the highest field screened VOC concentration. The soil samples will be submitted for laboratory analysis of the full Table 915-1 analytical suite by ECOM approved methods. Assessment of off location flowlines will be addressed with their respective wellheads under a separate Form 27.

SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT

SAMPLE SUMMARY

Soil

NA / ND

Number of soil samples collected 0

Highest concentration of TPH (mg/kg) _____

Number of soil samples exceeding 915-1 _____

Highest concentration of SAR _____

Was the areal and vertical extent of soil contamination delineated? _____

BTEX > 915-1 _____

Approximate areal extent (square feet) _____

Vertical Extent > 915-1 (in feet) _____

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?

☐ 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?

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.

Any hydrocarbon impacted material will be transported off-site to a licensed disposal facility in accordance with Rules 905 and 906.

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.

If reportable hydrocarbon impacts, as defined in Rule 912.b., are discovered, a site-specific remediation plan will be developed and submitted via a Supplemental Form 27. If reportable impacts are not encountered, a Supplemental Form 27 closure request will be submitted within 90 days of abandonment and/or decommissioning 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 ECMC 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.

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

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.

- Assessment activities as outlined herein are proposed.

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: \$

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

ECMC Disposal Facility ID #, if applicable:

Non-ECMC Disposal Facility:

Volume of E&P Waste (liquid) in barrels

E&P waste (liquid) description

ECMC Disposal Facility ID #, if applicable:

Non-ECMC Disposal Facility:

REMEDIATION COMPLETION REPORT

REMEDIATION COMPLETION SUMMARY

Is this a Final Closure Request for this Remediation Project?

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 ECMC 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.

Reclamation will be conducted in accordance with ECMC 1004 Series Rules.

Is the described reclamation complete? _____

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. 09/13/2023

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

SITE INVESTIGATION DATES

Date of Initial Actions described in Site Investigation Plan (start date). 03/18/2024

Proposed site investigation commencement. 03/18/2024

Proposed completion of site investigation. 09/30/2024

REMEDIAL ACTION DATES

Proposed start date of Remediation. 03/18/2024

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:

The implementation schedule has been changed to reflect the delay in decommissioning activities. The site infrastructure will be decommissioned following landowner negotiations and crew availability in accordance with this remediation workplan.

OPERATOR COMMENT

This form is being submitted as a first quarter 2024 timeline update for the Peppler 17-12, 22 Tank Battery.

Pending location landowner approval and crew availability, PDC will complete the decommissioning of the site infrastructure as outlined in this proposed remediation workplan. Supplemental Form 27s will be prepared and submitted on a quarterly schedule to provide updates and progress of the remediation until closure criteria has been achieved.

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

Signed: Karen Olson

Title: Remediation Advisor

Submit Date: 03/18/2024

Email: Taspillremediationcontractor@pdce.com

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

ECMC Approved: Krystal Heibel

Date: 05/30/2024

Remediation Project Number: 32119

COA Type

Description

	In accordance with Rule 913.e.(3), Operator will adopt a quarterly reporting schedule (every 90 days). ECMC de-selected the "Other" reporting frequency selected.
	If groundwater is encountered, Operator will analyze groundwater samples for Table 915-1 Groundwater Inorganic Parameters (total dissolved solids, sulfate, chloride) and organic compounds in groundwater.
2 COAs	

ATTACHMENT 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

403719648	INVESTIGATION/REMEDATION WORKPLAN (SUPPLEMENTAL)
403808041	FORM 27-SUPPLEMENTAL-SUBMITTED

Total Attach: 2 Files

General Comments

User Group

Comment

Comment Date

Environmental	"This form is being submitted as a first quarter 2024 timeline update for the Peppler 17-12, 22 Tank Battery. Pending location landowner approval and crew availability, PDC will complete the decommissioning of the site infrastructure as outlined in this proposed remediation workplan. Supplemental Form 27s will be prepared and submitted on a quarterly schedule to provide updates and progress of the remediation until closure criteria has been achieved."	05/30/2024
Environmental	Due to shallow groundwater - Operator shall comply with Table 915-1 Protection of Groundwater Soil Screening Level Concentrations.	05/30/2024

Total: 2 comment(s)