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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 #: 30236 Initial Form 27 Document #: 403425556

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 #: 123-29672	County Name: WELD
Facility Name: 70 RANCH USX BB 23-08	Latitude: 40.386529	Longitude: -104.396486	
** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: _____		Longitude: _____	
QtrQtr: SENE	Sec: 23	Twp: 5N	Range: 63W Meridian: 6 Sensitive Area? Yes
Facility Type: SPILL OR RELEASE	Facility ID: 485087	API #: _____	County Name: WELD
Facility Name: 70 Ranch USX BB 23-08	Latitude: 40.386529	Longitude: -104.396486	
** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: _____		Longitude: _____	
QtrQtr: SENE	Sec: 23	Twp: 5N	Range: 63W Meridian: 6 Sensitive Area? Yes

## **SITE CONDITIONS**

General soil type - USCS Classifications SC

Most Sensitive Adjacent Land Use Grassland

Is domestic water well within 1/4 mile? No

Is surface water within 1/4 mile? No

Is groundwater less than 20 feet below ground surface? No

### **Other Potential Receptors within 1/4 mile**

Pronghorn Winter Concentration Area

# SITE INVESTIGATION PLAN

## TYPE OF WASTE:

- |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E&P Waste      | <input type="checkbox"/> Other E&P Waste             | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-E&P Waste |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Produced Water | <input type="checkbox"/> Workover Fluids             | _____                                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oil            | <input type="checkbox"/> Tank Bottoms                |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Condensate     | <input type="checkbox"/> Pigging Waste               |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drilling Fluids           | <input type="checkbox"/> Rig Wash                    |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drill Cuttings            | <input type="checkbox"/> Spent Filters               |  |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Pit Bottoms                 |  |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (as described by EPA) | _____                                  |

## DESCRIPTION OF IMPACT

Impacted?	Impacted Media	Extent of Impact	How Determined
No	GROUNDWATER	NA	Not encountered
Yes	SOILS	TBD	Lab analysis

## INITIAL ACTION SUMMARY

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

Pursuant to ECMC Rule 911 a site investigation was conducted pertaining to the 70 RANCH USX BB23-08 wellhead cut and cap. The wellhead was cut and capped per ECMC rules. Additionally, soil samples were field screened at the N-E-S-W sides of the wellhead. The flowline was previously abandoned on 7/23/2018, and the ECMC was notified on Form 44 Document number 402043071.

## 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 ):

Five (5) grab soil samples were collected at the wellhead excavation, and soil samples were field screened at the N-E-S-W sides of the wellhead. Soil samples were analyzed by a certified laboratory for TPH (total volatile [C6-C10] and extractable [C10-C36] hydrocarbons) organic compounds in soil per ECMC Table 915-1, ECMC Table 915-1 metals, EC, SAR, pH, and boron. All samples collected were analyzed by a certified laboratory using approved ECMC laboratory analysis methods.

### 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 ):

# SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT

## SAMPLE SUMMARY

### Soil

### NA / ND

Number of soil samples collected 6

-- Highest concentration of TPH (mg/kg) 2011

Number of soil samples exceeding 915-1 5

-- Highest concentration of SAR 0.879

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

BTEX > 915-1 No

Approximate areal extent (square feet) 0

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?

A background sample was collected from similar lithologic soil near the wellhead for arsenic and lead analysis. Additional backgrounds (5+) will be collected from soil of native/similar lithologic material not impacted by oil and gas activity to further compare applicable metals, as needed.

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.

No current source was generated. The source identified during the facility decommissioning will be removed through excavation. Noble proposes an amended Table 915-1 analytical plan to include TPH (C6-36), ECMC Table 915-1 organics, arsenic, and lead.

**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.

Source excavation activities are tentatively scheduled to be started at the site by the fourth quarter of 2024, pending landowner consultation. NFA will be considered when soil and/or groundwater (if encountered) concentrations are in compliance with ECMC Table 915-1 standards.

**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.

If groundwater is encountered during remediation activities a grab groundwater will be collected and analyzed for all organic and inorganic compounds per ECMC Table 915-1. Additional monitoring will be proposed in a supplemental 27, as needed.

# 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 Decommissioning Data

## 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.

Noble intends to directly address the costs of remediation at the locations as part of our asset retirement obligation process and operations. Noble has general liability insurance (policy MWZZ 316714) and financial assurance in compliance with ECMC rules. Records are available on the ECMC's website.

Operator anticipates the remaining cost for this project to be: \$ 750000

## WASTE DISPOSAL INFORMATION

Was E&P waste generated as part of this remediation? No

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? 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? No

Does the previous reply indicate consideration of background concentrations? \_\_\_\_\_

Does Groundwater meet Table 915-1 standards? Yes

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 in accordance with ECMC 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 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. 08/11/2023

Proposed date of completion of Reclamation. 09/30/2026

## 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. 06/06/2023

Actual Spill or Release date, or date of discovery. 08/23/2023

### SITE INVESTIGATION DATES

Date of Initial Actions described in Site Investigation Plan (start date). 08/11/2023

Proposed site investigation commencement. 07/06/2023

Proposed completion of site investigation. 12/31/2024

### REMEDIAL ACTION DATES

Proposed start date of Remediation. 08/11/2023

Proposed date of completion of Remediation. 12/31/2025

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**

The wellhead decommissioning assessment was completed at the 70 RANCH USX BB23-08 location in accordance with approved initial Form 27 Doc. # 403425556, included under related forms. Petroleum hydrocarbon impacts identified at the wellhead will be removed through excavation.

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

Signed: Andrew Newberry

Title: Environmental Consultant

Submit Date: 03/08/2024

Email: cvxform@eagle-enviro.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: 08/12/2024

Remediation Project Number: 30236

**COA Type****Description**

COA Type	Description
0 COA	

**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**

403712761	FORM 27-SUPPLEMENTAL-SUBMITTED
403806415	SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT

Total Attach: 2 Files

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

Environmental	ECMC approved the Operators reduced analyte suite of: TPH (C6-36), ECMC Table 915-1 organics, arsenic, and lead.	08/12/2024
Environmental	The wellhead decommissioning assessment was completed at the 70 RANCH USX BB23-08 location in accordance with approved initial Form 27 Doc. # 403425556, included under related forms. Petroleum hydrocarbon impacts identified at the wellhead will be removed through excavation.	08/12/2024

Total: 2 comment(s)