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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

Name of Operator: NOBLE ENERGY INC	Operator No: 100322	Phone Numbers
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## PROJECT, PURPOSE &amp; SITE INFORMATION

## PROJECT INFORMATION

Remediation Project #: 33855 Initial Form 27 Document #: 403647342

## 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: 422948	API #: _____	County Name: WELD
Facility Name: VEGA USX A03-05 TANK	Latitude: 40.522080	Longitude: -104.541060	
	** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: 40.521936	Longitude: -104.541107	
QtrQtr: NWNW	Sec: 3	Twp: 6N	Range: 64W Meridian: 6 Sensitive Area? Yes

## SITE CONDITIONS

General soil type - USCS Classifications SW

Most Sensitive Adjacent Land Use Cropland

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

Pronghorn Winter Concentration Area (1202.d)  
Freshwater Emergent Wetland 0.06mi SE, 0.24mi S, Eaton Ditch 0.25mi NW  
Livestock Structure 0.21 mi SW, 0.25mi NE  
Farming Structure 0.22mi SW, 0.23/0.23mi NE  
Residential Structure 0.23/0.24mi SW, 0.19/0.22mi NE  
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
No	GROUNDWATER	NA	Lab analysis if encountered
No	SOILS	NA	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.

A site investigation will be conducted pursuant to ECMC Rule 911 at the VEGA T6N-R64W-S3 L01 Facility and Tank Battery location.

### 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 confirmation soil samples were collected from the produced water vessel(s) excavation, beneath the ground oil tank(s), and at the separator(s). 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, and 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 ):

Groundwater was not encountered during the site investigation.

#### 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 ):

Visual inspection at the tank battery area occurred during abandonment activities. Field personnel field screened all disturbed areas using a PID, visual, and olfactory senses to determine if laboratory confirmation sampling was required. The ECMC Tank Battery and Produced Water Vessel Closure Checklists were utilized and filled out during the abandonment process. A photolog is attached.

# SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT

## SAMPLE SUMMARY

### Soil

Number of soil samples collected 3

Number of soil samples exceeding 915-1 3

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

Approximate areal extent (square feet) 0

### 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

ND Highest concentration of TPH (mg/kg)

-- Highest concentration of SAR 0.198

BTEX > 915-1 No

Vertical Extent > 915-1 (in feet) 4

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?

Fifteen background samples were collected from an area not impacted by oil and gas development at similar depths (0.5', 3', and 4') and lithologies as confirmation samples collected at the location and analyzed for ECOM Table 915-1 metals and soil suitability for reclamation (SSR) standards (pH, EC, SAR, and Boron). Background samples exceeded the ECOM Table 915-1 SSR standards for pH, and the Table 915-1 RSSLs for arsenic and PGSSLs for barium.

☐ 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 source has been generated at this time

## REMEDIAL 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.

NA

## 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 ECMC 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 

### 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 (policies MWZZ316714 and MWZX316724) 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: \$

### 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 in accordance with ECMC 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. 03/31/2025

Proposed date of completion of Reclamation. 03/31/2027

## 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. 12/21/2023

Actual Spill or Release date, or date of discovery. \_\_\_\_\_

### SITE INVESTIGATION DATES

Date of Initial Actions described in Site Investigation Plan (start date). 02/23/2024

Proposed site investigation commencement. 10/22/2023

Proposed completion of site investigation. 02/26/2024

### 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:

Updated Proposed Completion Date of Site Investigation based on the date that the site investigation was completed.

**OPERATOR COMMENT**

The purpose of this form is to update the ECMC with data collected during the decommissioning of the VEGA USX A03-05 TANK. Confirmation soil sample analytical results were reported with no exceedances for Table 915-1 organic compounds or Soil Suitability for Reclamation standards. In the absence of any other evidence of a spill, it is suggested that elevated concentrations of metals, reported in the analysis of the Vega Tank Battery decommissioning confirmation soil samples, are naturally occurring. The Operator respectfully requests NFA for Remediation Project #: 33855.

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

Signed: Ethan Black

Title: Consultant

Submit Date: 11/13/2024

Email: ethanb@fremontenv.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: Abdul Elnajdi

Date: 12/13/2024

Remediation Project Number: 33855

**COA Type****Description**

	Based on the information presented, it appears that no further action is necessary at this time and the ECMC approves the closure request. However, if future conditions at the site indicate contaminant concentrations in soils exceeding ECMC standards or if groundwater is found to be impacted, then further investigation and/or remediation activities may be required.
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**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**

403987429	FORM 27-SUPPLEMENTAL-SUBMITTED
403987440	OTHER
403992569	ANALYTICAL RESULTS
403992571	ANALYTICAL RESULTS

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