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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 & SITE INFORMATION

PROJECT INFORMATION

Remediation Project #: 24048 Initial Form 27 Document #: 403104158

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: LOCATION	Facility ID: 450395	API #: _____	County Name: WELD
Facility Name: Balboa Tank Battery	Latitude: 40.295933	Longitude: -104.565613	
** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: 40.291226		Longitude: -104.567035	
QtrQtr: NESE	Sec: 20	Twp: 4N	Range: 64W Meridian: 6 Sensitive Area? Yes
Facility Type: SPILL OR RELEASE	Facility ID: 483848	API #: _____	County Name: WELD
Facility Name: Balboa C20-9X Tank Battery	Latitude: 40.296086	Longitude: -104.565504	
** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: _____		Longitude: _____	
QtrQtr: NESE	Sec: 20	Twp: 4N	Range: 64W Meridian: 6 Sensitive Area? Yes

SITE CONDITIONS

General soil type - USCS Classifications SW

Most Sensitive Adjacent Land Use Grassland

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

HWY 0.09mi E

Farm Structures 0.08/0.14mi NE, 0.07mi NW, 0.06/0.07/0.08mi S, 0.14mi W, 0.17/0.18/0.22/0.24mi SE, 0.18/0.23mi N

Freshwater Emergent Wetlands 0.1mi S

Freshwater Pond 0.12mi S

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
Yes	SOILS	See attached figure	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 was conducted pursuant to ECMC Rule 911 at the BALBOA C T4N-R64W-S20 L01 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):

If groundwater is encountered during the site investigation a grab groundwater will be collected and analyzed for full Table 915-1 organic and inorganic constituents in groundwater (Benzene, Toluene, Ethylbenzene, Total Xylenes (BTEX), naphthalene, 1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene, 1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene, Chloride ion, Sulfate ion and Total Dissolved Solids (TDS).

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 of the tank battery area occurred during abandonment activities. Field personnel field screened all disturbed areas using visual and olfactory senses to determine if laboratory confirmation sampling is required.

SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT

SAMPLE SUMMARY

Soil

Number of soil samples collected 5

Number of soil samples exceeding 915-1 2

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

NA / ND

ND Highest concentration of TPH (mg/kg)

-- Highest concentration of SAR 1.46

BTEX > 915-1 No

Approximate areal extent (square feet) 0

Vertical Extent > 915-1 (in feet) 5

Groundwater

Number of groundwater samples collected 0

Highest concentration of Benzene (µg/l)

Was extent of groundwater contaminated delineated? Yes

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?

One background soil sample (BKG01 @6") was collected from an area not impacted by oil and gas development and analyzed for Table 915 Soil Suitability and Metal constituents and reported with an elevated concentration of Arsenic.

☐ 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.

The source was removed by conventional and/or hydro vac excavation as much as practicable.

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.

Excavation of impacted soil was undertaken at the former produced water vault location to remove impacts observed to a minimum depth of six feet below ground surface at the former Balboa tank battery location. Confirmation soil samples were collected and analyzed for ECMC Table 915 organic and Soil Suitability for Reclamation constituents (TPH, BTEX, 1,2,4 Trimethylbenzene, 1,3,5 Trimethylbenzene, Naphthalene, Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons [PAHs], pH, SAR, EC, and Boron) and ECMC Table 915-1 metals. The excavation is detailed on the attached.

Laboratory analyses of excavation confirmation and background characterization samples indicate no additional excavation is required. Petroleum constituents in soil samples collected within the excavation achieved the ECMC Table 915-1 Protection of Groundwater Soil Screening Levels (PGSSLs) for all petroleum constituents excluding arsenic.

Arsenic concentrations exceeding the ECMC Table 915-1 Residential Soil Screening Levels (RSSLs) were observed in all soil samples collected from the excavation as well as the 10 background soil characterization samples collected in native soil adjacent to the excavation. The operator proposes to resample the W Wall 13 Ft sample location to confirm elevated arsenic is present within the excavation. If necessary, a minimum of five additional characterization samples will be advanced to delineate arsenic if the resampled W Wall 13 Ft location exceeds 125% of the maximum arsenic concentration observed in the background characterization samples.

Soil Remediation Summary

☐ In Situ

☒ Ex Situ

Bioremediation (or enhanced bioremediation)

Yes Excavate and offsite disposal

_____ Chemical oxidation
_____ Air sparge / Soil vapor extraction
_____ Natural Attenuation
_____ Other _____

If Yes: Estimated Volume (Cubic Yards) _____ 580
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.

NA

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 Timeline 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.

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. The cost for remediation is an estimate only, costs may change upwards or downward based on site-specific information. Noble makes no representation or guarantees as to the accuracy of the estimate.

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

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:

No beneficial use

Volume of E&P Waste (solid) in cubic yards 580

E&P waste (solid) description Hydrocarbon impacted soil

ECMC Disposal Facility ID #, if applicable:

Non-ECMC Disposal Facility: Buffalo Ridge Landfill, Keenesburg, CO

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

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? 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. 01/26/2023

Proposed date of completion of Reclamation. 01/26/2028

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. 06/23/2022

Actual Spill or Release date, or date of discovery. 02/03/2023

SITE INVESTIGATION DATES

Date of Initial Actions described in Site Investigation Plan (start date). 01/26/2023

Proposed site investigation commencement. 08/01/2022

Proposed completion of site investigation. 01/26/2023

REMEDIAL ACTION DATES

Proposed start date of Remediation. 01/26/2023

Proposed date of completion of Remediation. 06/13/2025

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:

Delineation sampling is needed at the W Wall 13 Ft sample location to define the vertical and lateral extent of arsenic.

OPERATOR COMMENT

This form serves to comply with the Rule 913.e. reporting schedule. The review status of the previously proposed workplan (Doc. # 403963986) is "In Process" on Web Forms. Pending ECMC EPS form review/approval, the Operator will complete the additional site investigation and remediation as outlined on Doc. # 403963986 and this F27. 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.

Operator Comment (Doc # 403963986):

Resampling did not resolve elevated As at the W Wall 13 Ft sample location to confirm. The Operator has proposed additional delineation in the Remedial Action Plan. This form serves to comply with the Rule 913.e. reporting schedule.

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: _____

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: _____

Date: _____

Remediation Project Number: 24048

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**

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