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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: <u>CAERUS PICEANCE LLC</u>	Operator No: <u>10456</u>	Phone Numbers
Address: <u>1001 17TH STREET #1600</u>		Phone: <u>(970) 902-3598</u>
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PROJECT, PURPOSE & SITE INFORMATION

PROJECT INFORMATION

Remediation Project #: 37095 Initial Form 27 Document #: 403935843

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: <u>CENTRALIZED EP WASTE MGMT FAC</u>	Facility ID: <u>149012</u>	API #: _____	County Name: <u>RIO BLANCO</u>
Facility Name: <u>LOVE RANCH CENTRALIZED E&P WASTE</u>	Latitude: <u>39.892642</u>	Longitude: <u>-108.296245</u>	
** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: _____		Longitude: _____	
QtrQtr: <u>SWNW</u>	Sec: <u>9</u>	Twp: <u>2S</u>	Range: <u>97W</u> Meridian: <u>6</u> Sensitive Area? <u>Yes</u>

Facility Type: <u>SPILL OR RELEASE</u>	Facility ID: <u>487951</u>	API #: _____	County Name: <u>RIO BLANCO</u>
Facility Name: <u>Love Ranch Facility</u>	Latitude: <u>39.889241</u>	Longitude: <u>-108.296215</u>	
** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: _____		Longitude: _____	
QtrQtr: <u>NWSW</u>	Sec: <u>9</u>	Twp: <u>2S</u>	Range: <u>97W</u> Meridian: <u>6</u> Sensitive Area? <u>Yes</u>

SITE CONDITIONS

General soil type - USCS Classifications SM

Most Sensitive Adjacent Land Use high priority habitat

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

Piceance Creek

SITE INVESTIGATION PLAN

TYPE OF WASTE:

- | | | |
|--|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E&P Waste | <input checked="" 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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pit Bottoms | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (as described by EPA) | _____ |

DESCRIPTION OF IMPACT

Impacted?	Impacted Media	Extent of Impact	How Determined
UNDETERMINED	GROUNDWATER	TBD	investigation underway
Yes	SOILS	TBD	investigation underway
No	SURFACE WATER	TBD	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.

After discovering the tear in the pit liner QB began pumping operations to empty the Love Pond. Water was pumped through QB's water system to Divide Road Water Facility DAF and storage tanks. The release was reported via Form 19 doc # 403928642 on 9/20/24, and Spill/Release Point ID 487951 was assigned. QB began sampling the Piezometers onsite and the toe drain below the dam. Monitoring wells between the pit and Piceance Creek have been sampled and new monitoring wells have been installed, surveyed, developed, and sampled. Sampling has also occurred within Piceance Creek. QB will continue to monitor closely for signs of impacts to groundwater and surface water.

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):

Soil samples were collected during initial investigative drilling and results are included in the attachments. Additional soil samples will be collected downgradient of MW101 and MW106. Soil samples will also be collected via drill rig from an adjacent reference area to establish background concentrations and levels of Table 915-1 Soil Suitability for Reclamation constituents. Additional soil borings are being advanced 11/18/24 through 11/26/24.

Proposed Groundwater Sampling

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

Groundwater will be sampled on a monthly basis from MW100 through MW107 and any new wells installed for Remediation Project 37095. Moving forward for this project, groundwater will not be sampled from the existing monitoring points associated with Remediation Project 31518. Monthly groundwater sampling of MW100 through MW107 was conducted 11/21/24 and sample results are pending laboratory analysis. Additional monitoring wells are being installed 11/18/24 through 11/26/24.

Proposed Surface Water Sampling

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

Groundwater points of compliance have been established via MW100 through MW107. Unless those compliance points are lost, surface water sampling of Piceance Creek will not be conducted as part of this remediation project.

Additional Investigative Actions

Additional alternative investigative actions described in attached Site Investigation Plan (summary):

Additional investigation may occur if additional risks are identified.

SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT

SAMPLE SUMMARY

Soil

Number of soil samples collected 0
Number of soil samples exceeding 915-1 0
Was the areal and vertical extent of soil contamination delineated? No
Approximate areal extent (square feet) 0

NA / ND

NA Highest concentration of TPH (mg/kg) _____
NA Highest concentration of SAR _____
BTEX > 915-1 No
Vertical Extent > 915-1 (in feet) 10

Groundwater

Number of groundwater samples collected 8
Was extent of groundwater contaminated delineated? Yes
Depth to groundwater (below ground surface, in feet) 15
Number of groundwater monitoring wells installed 8
Number of groundwater samples exceeding 915-1 0

-- Highest concentration of Benzene (µg/l) 0.001
94
ND Highest concentration of Toluene (µg/l) _____
-- Highest concentration of Ethylbenzene (µg/l) 0.001
96
ND Highest concentration of Xylene (µg/l) _____
NA Highest concentration of Methane (mg/l) _____

Surface Water

11 Number of surface water samples collected
0 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?

Upgradient monitoring well(s) are currently being installed to establish background conditions of soil and groundwater.
- 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?

Continued investigation will continue until impacts are identified.

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.

Love Ranch Pond is being drained, accessory equipment is being removed and site assessment is ongoing. Additional analytical data for samples collected during the current drilling mobilization will be presented in the next monthly submittal.

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.

After the investigation results are understood, QB Energy will develop a remediation strategy to be submitted in a future Form 27 Supplemental.

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
_____ Natural Attenuation
_____ Other _____

_____ 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.

QB has installed and sampled 8 monitoring wells, see attached map for details. Additional monitoring wells are currently being installed and will be surveyed, developed, and sampled following their installation.

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 Initial investigation _____

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.

Per Rule 705.b, and in line with guidance laid out in the SBAP, QB Energy has general liability insurance in the amount of \$5M, and QB Energy has umbrella insurance, which sits over the general liability insurance in the amount of \$65M. The umbrella and general liability insurance covers property damage, bodily injury to third parties, and sudden or accidental pollution under a combined \$70M.

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? 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? _____

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 occur at the time of facility closure

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. _____

Actual Spill or Release date, or date of discovery. 09/19/2024

SITE INVESTIGATION DATES

Date of Initial Actions described in Site Investigation Plan (start date). 09/19/2024

Proposed site investigation commencement. 09/19/2024

Proposed completion of site investigation. _____

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:

OPERATOR COMMENT

This form is being submitted to provide updated analytical data and to comply with monthly project update requirement for project 37095. The soil and water numbers referenced in the Site Investigation Report tab reference only the data that has not been reported yet. Additional soil and groundwater samples have been collected and are pending laboratory analysis.

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

Signed: Andy Verbonitz

Title: Remediation Specialist

Submit Date: 11/22/2024

Email: averbonitz@qb-energy.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: Steven Arauza

Date: 01/21/2025

Remediation Project Number: 37095

COA Type**Description**

<u>COA Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
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**

404002129	INVESTIGATION/REMEDATION WORKPLAN (SUPPLEMENTAL)
404003698	ANALYTICAL RESULTS
404003700	ANALYTICAL RESULTS
404003701	ANALYTICAL RESULTS
404003714	GROUND WATER SAMPLE LOCATION
404064252	FORM 27-SUPPLEMENTAL-SUBMITTED

Total Attach: 6 Files

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

Environmental	Comply with outstanding COAs.	01/21/2025
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Total: 1 comment(s)