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Site Investigation and Remediation Workplan (Initial 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 Phone: (303) 228-4000 Mobile: ()
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City: DENVER	State: CO	Zip: 80202
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PROJECT, PURPOSE & SITE INFORMATION

PROJECT INFORMATION

Remediation Project #: 41677 Initial Form 27 Document #: 404229976

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: WELL	Facility ID: _____	API #: 123-25046	County Name: WELD
Facility Name: WELLS RANCH-USX AA 15-17	Latitude: 40.490520	Longitude: -104.417790	
** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: _____		Longitude: _____	
QtrQtr: NENE	Sec: 15	Twp: 6N	Range: 63W 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? No 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

Mule Deer Severe Winter Range HPH 0.23mi N
Freshwater Emergent Wetland 0.08mi S

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	GROUNDWATER	NA	Lab analysis if encountered
UNDETERMINED	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.

Pursuant to ECMC Rule 911 a site investigation will be conducted pertaining to the WELLS RANCH USX AA15-17 wellhead cut and cap. The wellhead will be cut and capped per ECMC re rules. Additionally, soil samples will be field screened at the N-E-S-W sides of the wellhead. The flowline was previously abandoned on 9/18/2018, and the ECMC was notified on Form 44 Document number 403216829.

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):

A grab soil sample will be collected at the base of the excavation or the area showing the highest degree of impact during field screening activities at the wellhead excavation. A grab confirmation soil sample will be collected at the wellhead excavation, and soil samples will be field screened at the N-E-S-W sides of the wellhead. Soil samples will be analyzed by a certified laboratory for the full extent of Table 915-1, including but not limited to: TPH (total volatile [C6-C10] and extractable [C10-C36] hydrocarbons) organic compounds in soil per ECMC Table 915-1, and EC, SAR, pH, metals, and boron. All samples collected will be 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 all organic and inorganic compounds per ECMC Table 915-1; this sample analysis includes, but is not limited to BTEX, naphthalene, 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene (TMB), and 1,3,5-TMB by EPA Method 8260, chloride and sulfate anions by EPA Method 300.0, and total dissolved solids (TDS) by Method SM 2540C.

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 wellhead area will occur during abandonment activities. Field personnel will field screen all disturbed areas using visual and olfactory senses to determine if laboratory confirmation sampling is required. The ECMC Wellhead Closure Checklist will be utilized and filled out during the abandonment process. A photolog will be submitted on the Subsequent Form 27.

SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT

SAMPLE SUMMARY

Soil

Number of soil samples collected 0
Number of soil samples exceeding 915-1
Was the areal and vertical extent of soil contamination delineated?
Approximate areal extent (square feet)

NA / ND

 Highest concentration of TPH (mg/kg)
 Highest concentration of SAR
 BTEX > 915-1
 Vertical Extent > 915-1 (in feet)

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

 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?

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

SOURCE REMOVAL SUMMARY

Describe how source is to be removed.

 No source has been generated at this time

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.

 NA

Soil Remediation Summary

In Situ Ex Situ

_____ Bioremediation (or enhanced bioremediation)
_____ Chemical oxidation
_____ Air sparge / Soil vapor extraction
_____ Natural Attenuation
_____ Other _____

_____ 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

90 days from C&C/ FL decom activities, the first SF27 will be submitted.

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 Supplemental Form 27

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: \$ 0

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: _____

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. _____

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. 05/20/2025

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

SITE INVESTIGATION DATES

Date of Initial Actions described in Site Investigation Plan (start date). _____

Proposed site investigation commencement. 07/09/2025

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 27 is the notification of the planned Cut & Cap, with previously abandoned flowline, activity associated with the WELLS RANCH USX AA15-17 well.

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

Signed: Julie Webb

Title: Senior Regulatory Analyst

Submit Date: 06/24/2025

Email: RBUEUF27@chevron.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: Renee Wild

Date: 07/22/2025

Remediation Project Number: 41677

COA Type**Description**

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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**

404229976	INVESTIGATION/REMEDATION WORKPLAN (INITIAL)
404229978	SITE MAP
404288608	FORM 27-INITIAL-SUBMITTED

Total Attach: 3 Files

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

Environmental	Location is adjacent to a jurisdictional Wetlands as mapped on the National Wetland Inventory Maps. In the event that operations encroach upon the wetlands, Operator shall consult with the US Army Corps of Engineers regarding compliance with Sections 401 and 404 of the Clean Water Act. Operator shall submit all communications/permits obtained to the ECMC via Form 4 Sundry. Note: Approval of this Form 27 does not supersede any Federal, State or Local regulations.	07/22/2025
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