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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 #: 22326 Initial Form 27 Document #: 402972747

**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: <u>WELL</u>	Facility ID: _____	API #: <u>123-32723</u>	County Name: <u>WELD</u>
Facility Name: <u>QC USX A32-19</u>	Latitude: <u>40.446490</u>	Longitude: <u>-104.577610</u>	
** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: _____		Longitude: _____	
QtrQtr: <u>NENW</u>	Sec: <u>32</u>	Twps: <u>6N</u>	Range: <u>64W</u> Meridian: <u>6</u> Sensitive Area? <u>Yes</u>

**SITE CONDITIONS**

General soil type - USCS Classifications SW Most Sensitive Adjacent Land Use crop

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**

HPH: none, riverine ~0.11 mi W, buildings ~0.22 mi SW  
No other potential receptors are located within 1/4 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	Laboratory Analysis if encountered
No	SOILS	NA	Laboratory 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 QC A32-19 wellhead cut and cap and flowline abandonment. Approximately 1,675' of flowline will be removed. The wellhead will be cut and capped per ECMC rules.

**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 ):

Two grab soil samples were collected at the base of the wellhead excavation (1) and at the flowline terminus (1). 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 will be analyzed by a certified laboratory using approved ECMC laboratory analysis methods.

Samples were collected at all flowline change of directions and are provided on this Form 27.

**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 along the flowline and at the wellhead and separator areas 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 applicable ECMC 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 4

Number of soil samples exceeding 915-1 0

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

Approximate areal extent (square feet) 0

### NA / ND

-- Highest concentration of TPH (mg/kg) 3.95

-- Highest concentration of SAR 2.42

BTEX > 915-1 No

Vertical Extent > 915-1 (in 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 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 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?

One background (BKG) soil sample was collected on December 7, 2022, from an area unaffected by oil and gas development, at depths and lithologies similar to those of confirmation soil samples collected at the same location. The sample was analyzed for Table 915-1 metals and SSR constituents. The analytical results from the BKG sample showed elevated levels of arsenic (As).

In addition, ten BKG soil samples were collected on June 16, 2023, and 20 BKG samples were collected between 4/29/2025 and 4/30/2025 from an area not impacted by oil and gas development, again at similar depths (0.5', 3', 6', and 8') and lithologies as the confirmation soil samples. These samples were analyzed for The results from these background soil samples also indicated elevated levels of pH, arsenic, barium, and selenium.

BKG Soil Sample Analysis (mg/kg)  
Arsenic Max\*1.25 = 5.7875  
Barium Max\*1.25 = 205  
Selenium Max\*1.25 = 0.935  
pH Max = 8.71

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 impacted soil was discovered during the QC USX A 32-19 wellhead cut and cap activities or during removal of the flowlines. Based on site investigation activities and laboratory analytical results of confirmation soil samples collected from the wellhead excavation floors and flowline risers, along the flowlines, and from the separator flowline riser, removal of soil is not needed. The material excavated during cut and cap and flowline removal activities was used as backfill for the excavations.

## 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.

Based on site investigation activities and laboratory analytical results for confirmation soil samples collected from the wellhead excavation floors and flowline risers, along the flowlines, and from the separator flowline riser, a remediation plan is not needed.

## 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

No \_\_\_\_\_ Bioremediation ( or enhanced bioremediation )

No \_\_\_\_\_ Chemical oxidation

No \_\_\_\_\_ Air sparge / Soil vapor extraction

No \_\_\_\_\_ Natural Attenuation

No \_\_\_\_\_ 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.

Groundwater was not encountered.

# 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. 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: \$ 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: \_\_\_\_\_

# REMEDIATION COMPLETION REPORT

## REMEDIATION COMPLETION SUMMARY

Is this a Final Closure Request for this Remediation Project? Yes

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? Yes

Does the previous reply indicate consideration of background concentrations? No

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. 06/15/2025

Proposed date of completion of Reclamation. 06/15/2028

## 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. 01/27/2023

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. 04/02/2022

Proposed completion of site investigation. 02/01/2023

### REMEDIAL ACTION DATES

Proposed start date of Remediation. 03/31/2022

Proposed date of completion of Remediation. 06/15/2025

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:

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**OPERATOR COMMENT**

This Form 27 is being submitted to include the initial decommissioning sample results for the QC USX #A32-19 wellhead and flowline (Rem # 22326) location conducted by Eagle Environmental on 3/31/2022 and the supplemental flowline directional change and wellhead confirmation sampling conducted by Fremont Environmental between 4/28/25 and 4/30/2025.

Based on currently available data, this project is not affected by data integrity irregularities and is not associated with Operator's data integrity review process and its Rule 525.e. Voluntary Disclosure. As part of its data integrity review process, Operator requested the lab protect the laboratory analytical reports from subsequent unauthorized modification by anyone outside the lab, which resulted in the lab reissuing the original report with additional protections (Reissued Report). The Reissued Report(s) received directly from the lab on 2/13/2025 includes a watermark confirming both the laboratory representative who reissued the report and the date and time of the reissuance. The metadata associated with the Reissued Report(s) also includes the lab representative's name, the date and time the laboratory reissued the report, and an explanation for the reissuance. The Reissued Report is attached to this submission as a stand alone document.

In the event additional responsive information is received or discovered that would suggest this project should be incorporated into the ongoing data integrity review process associated with Operator's Rule 525.e. Voluntary Disclosure, Operator will update and/or amend the statements in this submission and provide any new or revised data or other information responsive to ECMC's general comments responding to Operator's Form 27 submission

The Operator is requesting to leave concentrations of pH, arsenic, barium, and selenium exceeding the Table 915-1 concentration standards in place based on the maximum background concentrations of pH, arsenic, barium, and selenium exceeding concentrations observed in the decommissioning confirmation samples. Further, VOC and SVOC concentrations are compliant with Table 915-1 standards for all confirmation samples. Therefore, it is suggested that elevated concentrations of constituents of pH, arsenic, barium, and selenium reported in the analysis of confirmation soil samples are naturally occurring and not related to oil and gas production activities. The operator requests NFA for Remediation Project #: 22326.

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: 22326

**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**

404308041	LABORATORY ANALYTICAL REPORT
404308043	LABORATORY ANALYTICAL REPORT
404308045	LABORATORY ANALYTICAL REPORT
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