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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 COGCC 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>PDC ENERGY INC</u>	Operator No: <u>69175</u>	<b>Phone Numbers</b>
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### PROJECT, PURPOSE & SITE INFORMATION

#### PROJECT INFORMATION

Remediation Project #: 20180 Initial Form 27 Document #: 402805525

#### 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>WELL</u>	Facility ID: _____	API #: <u>123-27303</u>	County Name: <u>WELD</u>
Facility Name: <u>DUKE J 4-33</u>		Latitude: <u>40.425720</u>	Longitude: <u>-104.792730</u>
		** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: _____	Longitude: _____
QtrQtr: <u>NWSW</u>	Sec: <u>4</u>	Twp: <u>5N</u>	Range: <u>66W</u>
		Meridian: <u>6</u>	Sensitive Area? <u>Yes</u>
Facility Type: <u>LOCATION</u>	Facility ID: <u>332974</u>	API #: _____	County Name: <u>WELD</u>
Facility Name: <u>DUKE USX J-65N66W 4NWSW</u>		Latitude: <u>40.425710</u>	Longitude: <u>-104.792690</u>
		** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: <u>40.425914</u>	Longitude: <u>-104.792047</u>
QtrQtr: <u>NWSW</u>	Sec: <u>4</u>	Twp: <u>5N</u>	Range: <u>66W</u>
		Meridian: <u>6</u>	Sensitive Area? <u>Yes</u>

## SITE CONDITIONS

General soil type - USCS Classifications SM

Most Sensitive Adjacent Land Use School / Commercial

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? Yes

### **Other Potential Receptors within 1/4 mile**

Tank Battery: Surface Water: Freshwater Pond - 129 feet NNW, Occupied Buildings: 450 feet SE, FWS Wetlands: Freshwater Pond (PUBFx) - 129 feet NNW

Wellhead: Nearest Well: Domestic - 1,405 feet SW, Surface Water: Freshwater Pond - 184 feet NNE, Occupied Buildings: 252 feet S / 584 feet SE, FWS Wetlands: Freshwater Pond (PUBFx) - 184 feet NNE

Conflict unlikely, but facility, wellhead, and flowline are all located < 500 feet from commercial storage structure and school (West Ridge Academy Charter)

## 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	Refer to Tables 1-4 & Figures 1-3	Confirmation Soil 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.

On December 3, 2021, field screening and confirmation soil sampling was conducted in accordance with the COGCC Rule 911 during the decommissioning and closure of the former Duke J 4-33 wellhead, associated flowline, and tank battery. During decommissioning activities, historic hydrocarbon impacts were discovered at the wellhead.

### 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 ):

On December 3, 2021, two soil samples (WH01 and FLR01) were collected adjacent to the cut and capped well casing and below the flowline riser at approximately 6 feet and 4 feet below ground surface (bgs), respectively. The samples were submitted for the Table 915-1 Organic Compounds in soil, TPH (C6-C36), and soil suitability for reclamation. Analytical results indicated that contaminants of concern (COC) include: TPH (C6-C36), COGCC Table 915-1 Organic Compounds, pH and SAR. Following the discovery of the release, soil sample FLR01 was additionally submitted for analysis of Table 915-1 metals. In addition, one soil sample (FLR01-01) was collected at approximately 6' bgs below the flowline at the halfway point and submitted for laboratory analysis of benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, total xylenes (BTEX) naphthalene, 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene (TMB), 1,3,5-TMB, and TPH (C6-C36).

#### Proposed Groundwater Sampling

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

#### 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 ):

During initial closure activities conducted on December 3, 2021, soil encountered on-site and below production equipment was visually inspected and field screened for volatile organic compound (VOC) concentrations using a photoionization detector (PID). Per the approved proposed soil sampling plan, samples were collected adjacent to the cut and capped wellhead, between ground surface and 6 inches in the four cardinal directions surrounding the wellhead, below and/or adjacent to the separator flowline and in the cardinal directions of the dump line (SEP01-FL, SEP01-DL-[direction]), below the AST (AST01-AST06), and adjacent to the meter house (MH01). Nine (9) samples (SEP01-DL-B, SEP01-DL-N, SEP01-FL, and AST01-AST06) were submitted for laboratory analysis of BTEX, naphthalene, 1,2,4-TMB, 1,3,5-TMB, and TPH (C6-C36). In addition, the samples collected adjacent to the separator dumphine were submitted for laboratory analysis of pH, EC, SAR, and boron.

## SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT

### SAMPLE SUMMARY

Soil

NA / ND

Number of soil samples collected 14

Number of soil samples exceeding 915-1 2

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

Approximate areal extent (square feet) 750

-- Highest concentration of TPH (mg/kg) 700

-- Highest concentration of SAR 6.79

BTEX > 915-1 No

Vertical Extent > 915-1 (in feet) 6

#### Groundwater

Number of groundwater samples collected 0

Was extent of groundwater contaminated delineated? No

Depth to groundwater (below ground surface, in feet) 1

Number of groundwater monitoring wells installed 1

Number of groundwater samples exceeding 915-1 1

Highest concentration of Benzene (µg/l) 1

Highest concentration of Toluene (µg/l) 1

Highest concentration of Ethylbenzene (µg/l) 1

Highest concentration of Xylene (µg/l) 1

Highest concentration of Methane (mg/l) 1

#### 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?

On December 3, 2021, two background soil sample (BKG01) were collected up gradient from the wellhead at approximately 4 feet and 6 feet bgs, respectively, and submitted for analysis of pH, EC, SAR and the COGCC Table 915 -1 metals. Analytical results indicate arsenic, barium, and selenium were in exceedance of the applicable regulatory standards.

☐ Was investigation derived waste (IDW) generated as part of this investigation?

Volume of solid waste (cubic yards) 1

Volume of liquid waste (barrels) 1

☒ Is further site investigation required?

Based on the final analytical results, additional source mass removal activities will be conducted in the vicinity of FLR01 and WH01. Confirmation soil samples will be collected from the sidewalls and base of the final excavation extent to confirm the extent of hydrocarbon impacts. Soil samples will be submitted for the COGCC director approved COC list. Source mass removal and site investigation activities will be conducted by the end of the second quarter 2022.

### 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 soil was removed from the location during wellhead closure activities and removal of the associated flowline. Any hydrocarbon impacted material removed will be transported off-site to a licensed disposal facility in accordance with Rules 905 and 906.

#### 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.

Following the evaluation of source mass removal and evaluation of confirmation soil sampling analytical results, a remediation strategy will be selected for this location.

#### Soil Remediation Summary

☐ In Situ

☐ Ex Situ

Bioremediation ( or enhanced bioremediation )

Excavate and offsite disposal

Chemical oxidation

If Yes: Estimated Volume (Cubic Yards) 1

\_\_\_\_\_ Air sparge / Soil vapor extraction  
\_\_\_\_\_ Natural Attenuation  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Name of Licensed Disposal Facility or COGCC 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.

Groundwater was not encountered during decommissioning activities.

## **REMEDATION PROGRESS UPDATE**

### **PERIODIC REPORTING**

#### **Approved Reporting Schedule:**

☐ Quarterly ☐ Semi-Annually ☐ Annually ☒ Other

Confirmation Sampling Summary, Source Mass Removal Proposal, and Analyte Reduction Request

#### ☐ **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 Confirmation Sampling Summary, Source Mass Removal Proposal, and Analyte Reduction Request

### **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 \_\_\_\_\_

COGCC Disposal Facility ID #, if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

Non-COGCC Disposal Facility: \_\_\_\_\_

Volume of E&P Waste (liquid) in barrels \_\_\_\_\_

E&P waste (liquid) description \_\_\_\_\_

COGCC Disposal Facility ID #, if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

Non-COGCC Disposal Facility: \_\_\_\_\_

## REMEDATION COMPLETION REPORT

### REMEDATION 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 COGCC 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.

Following source mass removal, the location will be backfilled, compacted, and re-contoured to match pre-existing conditions. The location will be reclaimed in accordance with the COGCC 1000 series.

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. 12/03/2021

Proposed date of completion of Reclamation. 03/11/2027

## 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. 08/06/2021

Actual Spill or Release date, or date of discovery. 12/03/2021

### SITE INVESTIGATION DATES

Date of Initial Actions described in Site Investigation Plan (start date). 09/30/2021

Proposed site investigation commencement. 09/30/2021

Proposed completion of site investigation. 06/30/2022

## REMEDIAL ACTION DATES

Proposed start date of Remediation. 12/03/2021

Proposed date of completion of Remediation. 03/11/2027

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

Based on analytical results for the waste characterization sample FLR01, PDC is requesting that the COCs for the historic release discovered at the Duke J 4-33 Wellhead be reduced to the following: TPH (C6-C36), COGCC Table 915-1 organic compounds in soil, pH, and SAR.

Following the approval of this form, PDC will conduct supplemental source mass removal activities to remove remaining hydrocarbon impacts in the vicinity of soil samples WH01 and FLR01. The proposed activities will be conducted by the end of the second quarter 2022.

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

Signed: Karen Olson

Title: Senior Program Manager

Submit Date: 03/14/2022

Email: COGCCSpillRemediation@pdce.com

Based on the information provided herein, this Application for Site Investigation and Remediation Workplan complies with COGCC Rules and applicable orders and is hereby approved.

COGCC Approved: Candice (Nikki) Graber

Date: 03/24/2022

Remediation Project Number: 20180

## Condition of Approval

### COA Type

### Description

	Based on presented analytical, impacts observed at the wellhead are a reportable Release under Rule 912.b.(1).G. Operator shall submit a Form 19 for this Release and include explanation for the failure to report the release including actions implemented to prevent missed reporting in the future.
	In accordance with 913.d.(1) Operator will investigate impacts to soil, Groundwater, and surface water as soon as the impacts are discovered.
	COGCC does not approve the analyte reduction list as the 'waste characterization sample' was collected as clean confirmation. Operator shall analyze soil confirmation samples for all contaminants of concern in Table 915-1.
3 COAs	

## Attachment Check 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.

<u>Att Doc Num</u>	<u>Name</u>
402954637	FORM 27-SUPPLEMENTAL-SUBMITTED
402982451	ANALYTICAL RESULTS
402982452	ANALYTICAL RESULTS
402982456	PHOTO DOCUMENTATION
402982457	PHOTO DOCUMENTATION
402982458	SOIL SAMPLE LOCATION MAP
402982459	SOIL SAMPLE LOCATION MAP
402982519	SOIL SAMPLE LOCATION MAP

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