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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 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: NOBLE ENERGY INC	Operator No: 100322	Phone Numbers Phone: (303) 228-4000 Mobile: ()
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PROJECT, PURPOSE & SITE INFORMATION

PROJECT INFORMATION

Remediation Project #: 26241 Initial Form 27 Document #: 403246092

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: SPILL OR RELEASE	Facility ID: 481958	API #: _____	County Name: WELD
Facility Name: Wells Ranch AE20 Facility		Latitude: 40.473422	Longitude: -104.354595
		** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: _____	Longitude: _____
QtrQtr: SWNW	Sec: 20	Twp: 6N	Range: 62W Meridian: 6 Sensitive Area? No

SITE CONDITIONS

General soil type - USCS Classifications SW

Most Sensitive Adjacent Land Use Rangeland

Is domestic water well within 1/4 mile? Yes

Is surface water within 1/4 mile? No

Is groundwater less than 20 feet below ground surface? No

Other Potential Receptors within 1/4 mile

NA

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	68' x 33' x 7'	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 leak was discovered during a routine site inspection, valves were immediately shut in and the line was isolated to mitigate any potential release. Clean up efforts commenced immediately, and an effort was then made to locate the pipe and evaluate a below ground leak.

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 soil samples were collected at the base, sidewalls, and areas of observed impacts within the excavations. Soil samples were analyzed by a certified laboratory for TPH (total volatile [C6-C10] and extractable [C10-C36] hydrocarbons) organic compounds in soil per COGCC Table 915-1, and EC, SAR, pH, and boron. All samples collected were analyzed by a certified laboratory using approved COGCC laboratory analysis methods.

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):

Background samples will be collected from five (5) separate locations for comparison to confirmation soil samples. Background sampling locations will be sufficiently away from the impacted area to reflect conditions not impacted by oil and gas activity, and will be obtained from similar depths and soil horizons as those that the confirmation soil samples were collected from.

SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT**SAMPLE SUMMARY**

Soil

NA / ND

Number of soil samples collected 23

Number of soil samples exceeding 915-1 2

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

Approximate areal extent (square feet) 2244

-- Highest concentration of TPH (mg/kg) 2279

-- Highest concentration of SAR 48.8

BTEX > 915-1 Yes

Vertical Extent > 915-1 (in feet) 7

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?

Additional background samples will be collected for comparative analysis of inorganic constituents.

☐ 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.

Source was removed via remedial excavation guided by field screening using AVO and PID, and by laboratory analysis of confirmation samples.

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.

The impacted area was divided into three excavations of varying depths and dimensions. Soil samples collected from the excavations sidewalls and floors were collected as grab samples. Grab samples were analyzed by a certified laboratory for TPH (total volatile [C6-C10] and extractable [C10-C36] hydrocarbons) organic compounds in soil per COGCC Table 915-1, and EC, SAR, pH, and boron. A total of approximately 415 cubic yards of impacted soil was removed from the three excavations.

Soil Remediation Summary

☐ In Situ

☒ Ex Situ

Bioremediation (or enhanced bioremediation)

Yes Excavate and offsite disposal

Chemical oxidation

If Yes: Estimated Volume (Cubic Yards) 415

Air sparge / Soil vapor extraction

Name of Licensed Disposal Facility or COGCC Facility ID #

_____ Natural Attenuation
_____ Other _____

_____ No 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

☐ 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 (policy MWZZ 316714) and financial assurance in compliance with COGCC rules. Records are available on the COGCC's website.

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

WASTE DISPOSAL INFORMATION

Was E&P waste generated as part of this remediation? ☒ Yes

Describe beneficial use, if any, of E&P Waste derived from this remediation project:

E&P waste was excavated and disposed of off site at Buffalo Ridge Landfill.

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:

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 COGCC 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. 04/07/2022

Actual Spill or Release date, or date of discovery. 04/07/2022

SITE INVESTIGATION DATES

Date of Initial Actions described in Site Investigation Plan (start date). 04/07/2022

Proposed site investigation commencement. 12/12/2022

Proposed completion of site investigation. 12/12/2022

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

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

Signed: Kilian Collins

Title: Environmental Specialist

Submit Date: 12/01/2022

Email: kiliancollins@chevron.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: Laurel Anderson

Date: 12/02/2022

Remediation Project Number: 26241

COA Type**Description**

	Based on the information provided, COGCC agrees to the use of Table 915-1 Residential Soil Screening Level Concentrations; however, the vertical and lateral extent of impacts are still required to be defined to groundwater protection SSLs. Refer to the Rule 915.a. Soil Concentrations Determination of Pathway to Groundwater for additional information.
	Operator shall fully populate the implementation schedule (Remedial Action Dates are missing) in accordance with Rule 913.d on the next Form 27.
	The attached Remediation Project Report contradicts the subject form (volume and location(s) of E&P waste, no further action request, requests no further action. Operator shall resolve these discrepancies on the subsequent Supplemental Form 27.
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.

Att Doc Num**Name**

403246092	FORM 27-INITIAL-SUBMITTED
403246197	REMEDIATION PROGRESS REPORT

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