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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

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PROJECT, PURPOSE & SITE INFORMATION

PROJECT INFORMATION

Remediation Project #: 24704 Initial Form 27 Document #: 403143395

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>123-19305</u>	County Name: <u>WELD</u>
Facility Name: <u>WHITE 27-6</u>		Latitude: <u>40.372222</u>	Longitude: <u>-104.542778</u>
		** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: <u>40.372225</u>	Longitude: <u>-104.542830</u>
QtrQtr: <u>SWNW</u>	Sec: <u>27</u>	Twp: <u>5N</u>	Range: <u>64W</u> Meridian: <u>6</u> Sensitive Area? <u>Yes</u>

SITE CONDITIONS

General soil type - USCS Classifications SM Most Sensitive Adjacent Land Use Ranch Land / Agricultural

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

Nearest Well: Commercial - 368' NW; Surface Water: Freshwater Pond - 434' NNE; Occupied Building: 307' NW; Livestock: 0' (Within Ranch Land); FWS Wetlands: 75' SW Freshwater Emergent Wetland (PEM1C); HPH Sensitive Wildlife Habitat: Rule 309.e.1: 1,275' W Bald Eagle Active nest Site, 1/2-mile bound.

Flowline Conflict: Flowline Crosses into Freshwater Emergent Wetland approximately 466' NE of Wellhead Along Flowline and Traverses Wetland 242' Before Exiting

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	Refer to Figure 3 and Table 4	Confirmation Groundwater Sampling
Yes	SOILS	Refer to Figures 1-3 and Tables 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.

In accordance with COGCC Rule 911, this form serves as notification for the abandonment of the White 27-6 wellhead and removal of the associated flowline. The ground and sub-surfaces will be visually inspected for hydrocarbon impacts during abandonment activities. Field observations and photo documentation will be recorded in a field inspection form for submittal to the COGCC.

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 will be collected from the surface in cardinal directions of the wellhead, as defined in the Rule 911.a.(4) guidance document (9/20/21), for field screening purposes. Discrete soil samples will be collected for laboratory analysis either in any area of observed hydrocarbon impacts, or adjacent to the cut and capped wellhead from native material and below the flowline riser. GPS data will be collected for all soil sample locations. Soil samples will be submitted for laboratory for analysis of Organic Compounds in Soil, TPH (C6-C36), and Soil Suitability for Reclamation by COGCC approved methods. Refer to the Wellhead Location Map. A sample location figure will be provided in the Supplemental Form 27.

Proposed Groundwater Sampling

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

If groundwater is encountered during decommissioning and/or abandonment activities, a grab sample will be collected as soon as practical. If contaminated soil is in contact with groundwater or if free product/hydrocarbon sheen are observed, the release will be reported in accordance with Rule 912.b. Groundwater samples will be submitted for laboratory analysis of BTEX, naphthalene, 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene, and 1,3,5-trimethylbenzene by EPA Method 8260.

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):

Assessments will be conducted during the removal of this off-location flowline (estimated to be 1,788 feet in length). Laboratory soil samples will be collected below the flowline risers, in close proximity to sensitive areas, such as FWS Wetlands, and at the significant direction changes (E-NE) and (NNW-NW). The flowline and adjacent sub-surface will be inspected for any visual and olfactory indicators of potential failure and hydrocarbon impacts. Soils will be field screened below the flowline and if suspected impacts are observed, a soil sample will be collected for an initial assessment and submitted for laboratory analysis of BTEX, naphthalene, 1,2,4-TMB, 1,3,5-TMB, and TPH (C6-C36). If analytical results indicate the presence of organic compound concentrations, the sample will be analyzed for the full Table 915-1 suite. GPS data and photo documentation will be recorded for each inspection/sample location.

SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT

SAMPLE SUMMARY

Soil

Number of soil samples collected 6
Number of soil samples exceeding 915-1 1
Was the areal and vertical extent of soil contamination delineated? Yes
Approximate areal extent (square feet) 100

Groundwater

Number of groundwater samples collected 1
Was extent of groundwater contaminated delineated? Yes
Depth to groundwater (below ground surface, in feet) 6
Number of groundwater monitoring wells installed 0
Number of groundwater samples exceeding 915-1 0

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.

NA / ND

ND Highest concentration of TPH (mg/kg)
-- Highest concentration of SAR 0.494
BTEX > 915-1 No
Vertical Extent > 915-1 (in feet) 6
ND Highest concentration of Benzene (µg/l)
ND Highest concentration of Toluene (µg/l)
ND Highest concentration of Ethylbenzene (µg/l)
ND Highest concentration of Xylene (µg/l)
NA Highest concentration of Methane (mg/l)

OTHER INVESTIGATION INFORMATION

☐ Were impacts to adjacent property or offsite impacts identified?

☒ Were background samples collected as part of this site investigation?

On February 15, 2023, two background samples (BKG01 @ 4' & BKG01 @ 6') were collected from native material topographically up-gradient of the wellhead location and submitted for analysis of pH. Analytical results indicated that pH was in exceedance of the applicable Table 915-1 standard in soil sample BKG01 @ 6' and in compliance with the standard in soil sample BKG01 @ 4'.

On July 26, 2023, twenty (20) background soil samples (BKG02-BKG05) were collected from native material topographically upgradient to the former wellhead at depths ranging between approximately 1 foot and 7 feet bgs and were submitted for analysis of pH. Analytical results indicated that pH levels were below the applicable standards in native soil.

☐ 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 soil was removed from the location during wellhead decommissioning and closure activities or the removal of the associated flowline.

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.

On July 26, 2023, five (5) soil borings (SB01-SB05) were advanced via hand auger to delineate the vertical and horizontal extents of the pH exceedance observed in soil sample WH01 @ 6'. Six soil samples were collected from soil boring SB01 between 1 foot and 7 feet bgs, from soil adjacent to WH01 and were submitted for analysis of pH. One soil sample was collected from the four cardinal direction borings (SB02-SB05) at a depth of 6 feet bgs. and were submitted for analysis of pH. Analytical results indicated that pH levels were below the applicable COGCC Table 915-1 standards in all soil samples. During site investigation activities, groundwater was encountered at approximately 5 feet bgs in the soil borings collected in the vicinity of the former wellhead location. Consequently, one groundwater sample (GW01) was collected from the central soil boring located within the former excavation (SB01) and submitted for laboratory analysis of BTEX, naphthalene, 1,2,4-TMB, 1,3,5-TMB by EPA 8260. Analytical results indicated that organic compounds were in compliance with the applicable COGCC Table 915-1 Groundwater Standards. Analytical results are summarized in Tables 1 through 3, and GPS coordinates and field screened VOC concentrations are summarized in Table 4. The soil boring locations are illustrated on Figure 3. The laboratory reports are included as Attachment A and the soil boring logs are included as Attachment B.

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 COGCC Facility ID # _____

_____ Natural Attenuation

_____ Excavate and onsite remediation

_____ Other _____

_____ 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.

REMEDATION PROGRESS UPDATE

PERIODIC REPORTING

Approved Reporting Schedule:

☐ Quarterly☐ Semi-Annually☐ Annually☒ Other

Confirmation Sampling Summary and No Further Action 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 and No Further Action Request

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.

Operator does not have site-specific financial assurance for this project; however, Operator has inactive well, blanket, and surface bonding including Surety IDs 106077122, 106473808, and 106473820, as well as commercial general liability and/or umbrella/excess insurance meeting the requirements of Rule 705.b. Operator does not anticipate making an insurance claim for this project.

- The project has been completed and no further assessment or remediation is required at this time.

Costs included herein are estimates only and may change over time based on numerous factors. Accordingly, Operator makes no guarantees as to the accuracy of such cost estimates, thus providing an estimate for the next year below.

Operator anticipates the remaining cost for this project to be: \$ 1000

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? 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? No

Does the previous reply indicate consideration of background concentrations? _____

Does Groundwater meet Table 915-1 standards? Yes

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 wellhead and flowline abandonment activities, the location was 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? 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. 02/15/2023

Proposed date of completion of Reclamation. 07/26/2023

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. 04/08/2022

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

SITE INVESTIGATION DATES

Date of Initial Actions described in Site Investigation Plan (start date). 09/12/2022

Proposed site investigation commencement. _____

Proposed completion of site investigation. _____

REMEDIAL ACTION DATES

Proposed start date of Remediation. 02/15/2023

Proposed date of completion of Remediation. 07/26/2023

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:

No additional investigation is required at this time. The proposed completion of remediation date has been adjusted to the supplemental site investigation completion date.

OPERATOR COMMENT

This Supplemental Form 27 was submitted to summarize supplemental site investigation activities and analytical results at the former White 27-6 Wellhead. Soil analytical results received for soil samples collected during supplemental site investigation activities indicated that pH levels were vertically and horizontally delineated to below COGCC Table 915-1 standards in soil adjacent to soil sample WH01. Furthermore, the soil sample (SB01 @ 6') collected directly adjacent to the former WH01 @ 6' location returned below the Soil Suitability for Reclamation Standard for pH. Based on these results, the original exceedance was a discrete location. Additionally, groundwater analytical results received for the GW01 sample collected during supplemental site investigation activities indicated that organic concentrations were below COGCC Table 915-1 standards at this location. Based on the information described herein, PDC requests a No Further Action determination for the former White 27-6 Wellhead.

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: 10/11/2023

Email: taspillremediationcontractor@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: RICK ALLISON

Date: 12/21/2023

Remediation Project Number: 24704

COA Type

Description

	Based on the information presented, it appears the elevated pH sample from the wellhead area appears to be de minimis in quantity or within the range of background pH; therefore, elevated pH may not be associated with E&P activities. It appears that no further remedial action is necessary at this time and the ECMC approves the closure request. However, should future conditions at the site indicate contaminant concentrations in soils exceeding ECMC standards or background levels or if groundwater is found to be impacted, then further investigation and/or remediation activities may be required.
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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>
403553154	INVESTIGATION/REMEDATION WORKPLAN (SUPPLEMENTAL)
403553615	SOIL SAMPLE LOCATION MAP
403553618	LOGS
403553620	SOIL SAMPLE LOCATION MAP
403553621	SOIL SAMPLE LOCATION MAP
403555169	ANALYTICAL RESULTS
403632916	FORM 27-SUPPLEMENTAL-SUBMITTED

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