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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 ECOM 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 #: 35850 Initial Form 27 Document #: 403793525

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: LOCATION	Facility ID: 425093	API #: _____	County Name: WELD
Facility Name: Walcker AB12-08 Multi	Latitude: 40.589920	Longitude: -104.489760	
	** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: 40.590023	Longitude: -104.490344	
QtrQtr: SENE	Sec: 12	Twp: 7N	Range: 64W Meridian: 6 Sensitive Area? No

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? No

Is groundwater less than 20 feet below ground surface? No

Other Potential Receptors within 1/4 mile

Within Pronghorn Winter Concentration Area HPH

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 and Field Screening, if encountered
Yes	SOILS	Refer to Tables and Figures	Lab Analysis and Field Screening

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 site investigation was conducted pursuant to ECOM Rule 911 at the WALKER T7N-R64W-S12 L01 Facility and Tank Battery location.

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 confirmation soil samples were collected from the produced water vessels excavation, beneath the ground oil tanks, at the risers for the flowline and dump line of the separator. In addition, the on-site dump lines located between the separator and tank battery were removed by pulling from either end. Soil samples were 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 ECOM Table 915-1, and EC, SAR, pH, metals, and boron. All samples collected were analyzed by a certified laboratory using approved ECOM 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 ECOM 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 at the tank battery area occurred during abandonment activities. Field personnel field screened all disturbed areas using visual and olfactory senses. Additionally, discrete soil samples were collected from the base of the excavation and excavation sidewall in areas most likely to be impacted and exhibiting the highest field screened VOC concentration. A detailed summary of decommissioning activities, including field notes, site photos, figures, and laboratory analytical results, is attached to this Form 27.

SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT

SAMPLE SUMMARY

Soil

Number of soil samples collected 11

Number of soil samples exceeding 915-1 11

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

Approximate areal extent (square feet) 800

NA / ND

ND Highest concentration of TPH (mg/kg)

-- Highest concentration of SAR 0.221

BTEX > 915-1 No

Vertical Extent > 915-1 (in feet) 4

Groundwater

Number of groundwater samples collected 0

Was extent of groundwater contaminated delineated? Yes

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?

Three background soil samples were collected near the Walcker AB12-08 tank battery and three background samples were collected near the Walcker AB12-09 flowline (Remediation Project #35848), and analyzed for metals in soil per ECMC Table 915-1, pH, SAR, EC, and boron. Background soil samples were collected from depths ranging between 0-4 feet below ground surface (ft bgs). The maximum background concentrations for pH, arsenic, and barium were observed to be 8.82, 6.72 mg/kg, and 141 mg/kg, respectively. The maximum background concentrations with a 1.25x multiplier applied for arsenic and barium were calculated to be 8.40 mg/kg and 176 mg/kg, respectively. All pH, arsenic, and barium concentrations observed during decommissioning were below background levels. As such, pH, arsenic, and barium should not be considered contaminants of concern.

☐ 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?

A proposal to excavate the 1-methylnaphthalene exceedance identified during decommissioning (soil sample AST02@0-6") is presented in the Remedial Action Plan section of this Form 27.

REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN

Does this Supplemental Form 27A include changes to a previously approved Remedial Action Plan? Yes

SOURCE REMOVAL SUMMARY

Describe how source is to be removed.

The 1-methylnaphthalene exceedance observed at AST02@0-6" will be removed through a remedial excavation.

REMEDIAL ACTION 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 the ECMC Table 915-1 exceedances identified during decommissioning, Noble proposes to limit future soil sampling to BTEX, naphthalene, 1,2,4-TMB, 1,3,5-TMB, 1-methylnaphthalene(M), and 2-M. If soil that is more heavily impacted with hydrocarbon compounds (based on PID readings, visual and/or olfactory indicators) is discovered during the remedial excavation, a soil sample will be collected from that location and analyzed for full ECMC Table 915-1 contaminants of concern. If additional analytes are discovered from this new waste characterization sample in exceedance of ECMC Table 915-1 standards beyond those proposed in the above amended sampling plan request, those compounds will be added to the sampling plan. The results of the remedial excavation will be submitted on a subsequent Form 27.

Soil Remediation Summary

☐ In Situ

_____ Bioremediation (or enhanced bioremediation)

_____ Chemical oxidation

_____ Air sparge / Soil vapor extraction

_____ Natural Attenuation

_____ Other _____

☐ Ex Situ

_____ 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

☐ 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 Decommissioning Sample Summary & Supplemental Source Mass Removal Proposal

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 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: \$ 50000

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? 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 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. 08/27/2024

Proposed date of completion of Reclamation. 09/20/2026

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. 05/09/2024

Actual Spill or Release date, or date of discovery. 09/06/2024

SITE INVESTIGATION DATES

Date of Initial Actions described in Site Investigation Plan (start date). 08/27/2024

Proposed site investigation commencement. 09/20/2024

Proposed completion of site investigation. 03/20/2025

REMEDIAL ACTION DATES

Proposed start date of Remediation. 03/20/2025

Proposed date of completion of Remediation. 03/20/2026

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:

The implementation schedule has been changed due to the decommissioning of the Walcker AB12-08 facility and tank battery and necessity for remedial excavation activities adjacent to the facility and tank battery. The proposed remedial excavation will be completed following the approval of this form, landowner negotiations, and crew availability.

OPERATOR COMMENT

This Form 27 is being submitted to include the decommissioning results and historic reportable release discovered at Walcker AB12-08 Multi Tank Battery. A proposal to excavate the 1-Methylnaphthalene exceedance identified during decommissioning (soil sample AST02@0-6") is presented in the Remedial Action Plan section of this Form 27.

Six background soil samples (BKG01) were collected near the Walcker AB 12-08 tank battery and the Walcker AB 12-09 flowline, and the lithologies between the site and background locations were observed to be poorly graded sands. The maximum background concentrations for pH, arsenic, and barium were 8.82, 6.72 mg/kg, and 141, respectively. 1.25x the maximum background concentrations of arsenic and barium were calculated to be 8.40 mg/kg and 176 mg/kg, respectively. All site pH, arsenic, and barium concentrations were below this concentration. Since the maximum and mean background concentration for arsenic was observed to be greater than then site concentrations, Noble requests pH, arsenic, and barium to not be considered a contaminants of concern.

Based on the contaminants of concern identified during decommissioning, Noble proposes to limit future soil sampling to BTEX, naphthalene, 1,2,4-TMB, 1,3,5-TMB, TPH (C6-C36), 1-methylnaphthalene(M), and 2-M.

Quarterly reporting will be conducted until closure criteria are achieved for the remediation project. The results of the supplemental site investigation will be submitted on a subsequent Form 27.

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

Signed: Jake Whritenour

Title: Environmental Consultant

Submit Date: 09/20/2024

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

ECMC Approved: RICK ALLISON

Date: 09/26/2024

Remediation Project Number: 35850

COA Type

Description

	Both background samples presented appear to be from within the original oil and gas disturbance. Operator shall obtain additional background samples from areas outside prior oil and gas disturbances before requesting consideration of background data when evaluating soil suitability for reclamation parameters and metals in soil.
1 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

403912518	INVESTIGATION/REMEDATION WORKPLAN (SUPPLEMENTAL)
403920563	ANALYTICAL RESULTS
403929034	ANALYTICAL RESULTS
403929186	OTHER
403935742	FORM 27-SUPPLEMENTAL-SUBMITTED

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