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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 #: 34950 Initial Form 27 Document #: 403742771

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: WELL	Facility ID: _____	API #: 123-41725	County Name: WELD
Facility Name: Wells Ranch AE32-635	Latitude: 40.441047	Longitude: -104.354400	
** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: _____		Longitude: _____	
QtrQtr: NWSW	Sec: 32	Twp: 6N	Range: 6W Meridian: 6 Sensitive Area? Yes

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

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
UNDETERMINED	GROUNDWATER	NA	Lab analysis if encountered
UNDETERMINED	SOILS	NA	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.

Pursuant to ECMC Rule 911 a site investigation will be conducted pertaining to the WATKINS 18-01 wellhead cut and cap. The wellhead was cut and capped per ECMC rules. A limited environmental assessment was unsuccessful at the time due to health and safety concerns/field constraints. Confirmation soil samples at the former wellhead will be collected via alternative methods. Approximately 683' of flowline was abandoned-in-place due to the location being on an active facility. So as to not disturb the area of field constraints, soil samples were taken at the start and endpoint of the flowline where the area exists. Additionally, soil samples were collected from adjacent to each end of the gas lift line at wellhead and at the meter house. The flowline will be fully removed when the facility is decommissioned and at that time soil samples will be collected from the areas most likely to have been impacted during the operational life of the flowline. These areas include but are not limited to: where Flowlines connect to the wellhead, surface equipment, risers, valves, or manifolds; where Flowlines bend or were repaired in the past and at joints and hammer unions; where Flowlines connect to Flowlines or equipment of different material; and where Flowlines crossed drainages or surface water or are in contact with shallow groundwater. Additionally, an environmental investigation will be conducted to confirm the presence or absence of impacts adjacent to the flowline at a minimum of every 250' during the time of flowline removal.

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):

A grab soil sample will be collected at the base of the excavation or the area showing the highest degree of impact during field screening activities at the wellhead excavation. Additionally, soil samples will be field screened at the N-E-S-W sides of the wellhead. Soil samples will be 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 ECMC Table 915-1, and EC, SAR, pH, metals, and boron. All samples collected will be analyzed by a certified laboratory using approved ECMC 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 ECMC 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 of the wellhead area will occur during abandonment activities. Field personnel will field screen all disturbed areas using visual and olfactory senses to determine if laboratory confirmation sampling is required. The ECMC Wellhead Closure Checklist will be utilized and filled out during the abandonment process. A photolog will be submitted on the Subsequent Form 27.

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

ND Highest concentration of TPH (mg/kg)

-- Highest concentration of SAR 0.454

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?

☐ 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 limited environmental assessment was unsuccessful at the time due to health and safety concerns/field constraints. Confirmation soil samples at the former wellhead will be collected via alternative methods.

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 source has been generated at this time

REMEDATION 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.

NA

Soil Remediation Summary

☐ In Situ

☐ Ex Situ

_____ Bioremediation (or enhanced bioremediation)
_____ Chemical oxidation
_____ Air sparge / Soil vapor extraction
_____ Natural Attenuation
_____ Other _____

_____ 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 Supplemental Form 27

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.

Operator anticipates the remaining cost for this project to be: \$ 20000

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? 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. 03/31/2025

Proposed date of completion of Reclamation. 03/31/2027

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. 03/28/2024

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

SITE INVESTIGATION DATES

Date of Initial Actions described in Site Investigation Plan (start date). 07/10/2024

Proposed site investigation commencement. 07/10/2024

Proposed completion of site investigation. 12/31/2024

REMEDIAL ACTION DATES

Proposed start date of Remediation. 01/01/2025

Proposed date of completion of Remediation. 07/01/2025

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:

Following landowner negotiations and crew availability in accordance with this remediation workplan, Noble will complete the decommissioning of the site infrastructure as outlines in this remediation workplan. Supplemental Form 27's will be prepared and submitted on a quarterly schedule to provide updates and progress of the remediation until closure criteria has been achieved.

OPERATOR COMMENT

This form is being submitted as a fourth quarter timeline update for the Well Ranch AE32-635 wellhead and flowline.

Confirmation soil sampling at the flowline was conducted by Tasman on July 8, 2024. A total of four confirmation soil samples were submitted for analysis. Soil samples were collected from adjacent to the flowline riser at the wellhead (FL01R-W@4'), from adjacent to the flowline riser at the separator (FL01R-S@4'), and from adjacent to each end of the gas lift line at wellhead (GL01R-W@4') and at the meter house (GL01R-01@4'). All soil samples were submitted to Summit Scientific (Summit) in Golden, Colorado for analysis of the full extent of Table 915-1 analytes by approved ECMC laboratory analysis methods.

Noble is currently in the process of evaluating pH, arsenic and barium concentrations at the Site and plans to conduct additional background soil sampling via hand auger from at least three boring locations in areas away from oil and gas infrastructure.

Decommissioning activities at the wellhead have commenced. An environmental assessment was unsuccessful at the time due to health and safety concerns/field constraints. Confirmation soil samples at the former wellhead will be collected via alternative methods. Pending location landowner approval and crew availability, Noble will complete the decommissioning of the site infrastructure as outlined in this proposed remediation workplan. Supplemental Form 27s will be prepared and submitted on a quarterly schedule to provide updates and progress of the remediation until closure criteria has been achieved.

Please refer to the attached Flowline Closure Data for a detailed description of the flowline abandonment investigation activities.

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

Signed: Chelsea Veryser

Title: Project Geologist

Submit Date: 10/14/2024

Email: chevronfr@entradainc.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: Kyle Waggoner

Date: 11/22/2024

Remediation Project Number: 34950

COA Type

Description

	Operator will continue quarterly reporting until the site investigation is complete and Table 915-1 standards are met within the remediation area.
	ECMC notes Operator reported well cut and capped: 07/19/2024 (Form 6(S) Document# 403888595). Operator shall submit Supplemental Form 27 with all available site assessment data no later than 90 days after well cut and cap.
2 COAs	

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

403955696	FORM 27-SUPPLEMENTAL-SUBMITTED
403955747	ANALYTICAL RESULTS
403955748	SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT

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