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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: CAERUS PICEANCE LLC	Operator No: 10456	Phone Numbers
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PROJECT, PURPOSE & SITE INFORMATION

PROJECT INFORMATION

Remediation Project #: 18560 Initial Form 27 Document #: 402713247

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: 480103	API #: _____	County Name: GARFIELD
Facility Name: Texaco Fee 6214 Tank Overflow	Latitude: 39.534532	Longitude: -108.463857	
** correct Lat/Long if needed: Latitude: _____		Longitude: _____	
QtrQtr: SWNE	Sec: 17	Twp: 6S	Range: 99W Meridian: 6 Sensitive Area? Yes

SITE CONDITIONS

General soil type - USCS Classifications GM

Most Sensitive Adjacent Land Use Riparian area

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? No

Other Potential Receptors within 1/4 mile

The domestic water well is located approximately 2,350 feet south of the location. The surface water is located approximately 1,500 feet west of the location.

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	To be determined	Laboratory 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.

Please refer to COGCC document number 402708407 for initial response measures for the project.

Additionally, Caerus moved the tank to assess the extent of contamination associated with the project. Following tank removal, Caerus excavated approximately 72 cubic yards of impacted soil for offsite disposal at Greenleaf Environmental Services outside of DeBeque, Colorado.

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):

Based on the soil boring results included in the Q2 2021 REM update, Caerus plans to excavate and stage the impacted soil on location for assessment and characterization. All impacted soil will be staged on the location for assessment and confirmation soil samples will be collected from the side walls and bottom of the excavation to demonstrate compliance with COGCC Table 915-1 standards.

Proposed Groundwater Sampling

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

In the event that groundwater is encountered during the excavation and confirmation of this project, Caerus will immediately contact the COGCC and will attempt to collect a representative groundwater sample for COGCC Table 915-1 analysis.

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):

SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT

SAMPLE SUMMARY

Soil

Number of soil samples collected 74
Number of soil samples exceeding 915-1 71
Was the areal and vertical extent of soil contamination delineated? Yes
Approximate areal extent (square feet) 900

NA / ND

-- Highest concentration of TPH (mg/kg) 34460
-- Highest concentration of SAR 15.6
BTEX > 915-1 Yes
Vertical Extent > 915-1 (in feet) 22

Groundwater

Number of groundwater samples collected 0
Was extent of groundwater contaminated delineated? No
Depth to groundwater (below ground surface, in feet) 350
Number of groundwater monitoring wells installed 0
Number of groundwater samples exceeding 915-1 0

NA Highest concentration of Benzene (µg/l)
NA Highest concentration of Toluene (µg/l)
NA Highest concentration of Ethylbenzene (µg/l)
NA Highest concentration of Xylene (µg/l)
NA Highest concentration of Methane (mg/l)

Surface Water

0 Number of surface water samples collected
0 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?

Background offsite native undisturbed soil samples were collected from around the well pad for comparison, please refer to the attached report of work completed.

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

Volume of solid waste (cubic yards) 72 Volume of liquid waste (barrels) 0

☒ Is further site investigation required?

Caerus has conducted manual excavation remediation of the spill area and staged the spoils pile onsite for characterization and remediation. Caerus will collect additional characterization samples from the spoils pile in the spring to determine extent of contamination and plans moving forward with the project.

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.

Caerus has conducted manual excavation remediation of the spill area and staged the spoils pile onsite for characterization and remediation. Caerus utilized NOVO Chemionyx and NOVO Biological 1 (chemical documentation provided in Q2 2022 REM update) to treat the spoils pile. Following treatment, Caerus utilized a shredder to break up the soil to ensure adequate surface area and coverage of the treatment being utilized. Following shredding, the spoils were allowed to sit and treat prior to sampling.

Soil samples were collected at a rate of 1 composite sample per 500 cubic yard pile to adequately characterize the spoils pile following chemical treatment and soil shredding.

All impacts associated with the spoils pile comply with COGCC Table 915-1 standards or are within background concentrations near the site.

REMEDICATION 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.

All impacts associated with the spoils pile have been treated and demonstrate compliance with COGCC Table 915-1 standards. Caerus requests to utilize the spoils pile to backfill the excavation to pad grade to return the well to production.

Soil Remediation Summary

☐ In Situ

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

☒ Ex Situ

Yes _____ Excavate and offsite disposal
_____ If Yes: Estimated Volume (Cubic Yards) _____ 0
_____ Name of Licensed Disposal Facility or COGCC Facility ID # _____
Yes _____ Excavate and onsite remediation
Yes _____ Land Treatment
Yes _____ Bioremediation (or enhanced bioremediation)
Yes _____ Chemical oxidation
No _____ Other _____

Groundwater Remediation Summary

No _____ Bioremediation (or enhanced bioremediation)
No _____ Chemical oxidation
No _____ Air sparge / Soil vapor extraction
No _____ Natural Attenuation
No _____ 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 impacts have not been identified associated with this project. If future investigation activities identify impacts to groundwater, Caerus will submit supplemental documentation to provide scope and monitoring of impacted groundwater.

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 Q3 2022 REM update

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.

Per Rule 705.b, and in line with guidance laid out in the SBAP, Caerus has general liability insurance in the amount of \$1M, and Caerus has umbrella insurance, which sits over the general liability insurance in the amount of \$75M. The umbrella and general liability insurance covers property damage, bodily injury to third parties, and sudden or accidental pollution under a combined \$76M.

Operator anticipates the remaining cost for this project to be: \$ 50000

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:

Condensate impacted soil was excavated from the secondary containment area and transported to Greenleaf Environmental Services outside of DeBeque, Colorado for offsite disposal. No beneficial use of this material is proposed.

Volume of E&P Waste (solid) in cubic yards 72

E&P waste (solid) description Condensate impacted soil

COGCC Disposal Facility ID #, if applicable:

Non-COGCC Disposal Facility: Offsite disposal at Greenleaf Environmental Services

Volume of E&P Waste (liquid) in barrels 0

E&P waste (liquid) description N/A

COGCC Disposal Facility ID #, if applicable:

Non-COGCC Disposal Facility: N/A

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 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.

Caerus will follow COGCC 1000 series regulations for final site reclamation at the end of the life of the facility.

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? Yes _____

If YES, does the seed mix comply with local soil conservation district recommendations? Yes _____

Did the local soil conservation district provide the seed mix? No _____

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. _____

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

SITE INVESTIGATION DATES

Date of Initial Actions described in Site Investigation Plan (start date). _____

Proposed site investigation commencement. 06/08/2021

Proposed completion of site investigation. 07/01/2023

REMEDIAL ACTION DATES

Proposed start date of Remediation. 06/01/2022

Proposed date of completion of Remediation. 09/30/2022

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

The nearest water well is approximately 2,300 feet south of the site at an elevation of approximately 6,050 feet and shows a static water level to be 42 feet below ground surface (Permit Number 34348). The Remediation project and Texaco Fee 6214 well pad is located at an elevation of approximately 6,490 feet, demonstrating the depth to groundwater at the site is greater than 400 feet below ground surface. Based on this information, Caerus requests to utilize COGCC Table 915-1 Residential Soil Screening Level Concentrations for the project.

Caerus requests to utilize the spoils pile to backfill the excavation. Following spoil pile backfilling, Caerus will collect representative samples from below the treatment area to ensure residual impacts from the treatment and staging do not continue at the site.

Following successful backfilling of the excavation, Caerus will prepare a plan to comply with demonstrated EC, SAR, and pH exceedances found within the project area.

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

Signed: Blair Rollins

Title: EHS Specialist

Submit Date: 09/30/2022

Email: brollins@caerusoilandgas.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: Steven Arauza

Date: 11/02/2022

Remediation Project Number: 18560

COA Type**Description**

0 COA	

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**

403183216	FORM 27-SUPPLEMENTAL-SUBMITTED
403183328	REMEDATION PROGRESS REPORT

Total Attach: 2 Files

General Comments**User Group****Comment****Comment Date**

Environmental	Comply with outstanding COAs regarding documented EC, SAR, and pH exceedances at depth.	11/02/2022
Environmental	Based on the information provided, the Operator's request to utilize the treated spoils pile to backfill the excavation is conditionally approved.	11/02/2022

Total: 2 comment(s)