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2021 Trading Bay Production Facility Groundwater Monitoring and  
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Dear Mr. Campbell,

Attached for your review is the *Trading Bay Production Facility, 2021 Trading Bay Production Facility Groundwater Monitoring and Site Investigation Work Plan – Amendment 1* for the referenced facility. The report was prepared by Stantec on behalf of Chevron Environmental Management Company (CEMC).

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Sincerely,

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## 2021 TRADING BAY PRODUCTION FACILITY GROUNDWATER MONITORING AND SITE INVESTIGATION WORK PLAN – AMENDMENT 1

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## **Abbreviations & Acronyms**

AAC	Alaska Administrative Code
ADEC	Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation
CEMC	Chevron Environmental Management Company
COBC	Compliance Order By Consent
Hilcorp	Hilcorp Alaska, LLC
LNAPL	Light Non-Aqueous Phase Liquid
NAPL	Non-Aqueous Phase Liquid
PFAS	Per- and Poly-Fluorinated Alkyl Substances
PRB	Permeable Reactive Barrier
RWS	Recovery Well System
Stantec	Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.
TBPF	Trading Bay Production Facility
USEPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
UNOCAL	Union Oil Company of California
Weston	Weston Solutions, Inc.

## 2021 TRADING BAY PRODUCTION FACILITY GROUNDWATER MONITORING AND SITE INVESTIGATION WORK PLAN – AMENDMENT 1

### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

This work plan amends the approved Trading Bay Production Facility 2021 Groundwater Monitoring and Site Investigation Work Plan (Stantec 2021a), referred to as the “2021 Work Plan.” The 2021 Work Plan was submitted to the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) by Stantec Consulting Services Inc. (Stantec) on behalf of Chevron Environmental Management Company (CEMC) in support of investigation and remedial efforts at the Trading Bay Production Facility (TBPf).

Stantec has prepared this “Work Plan Amendment” in response to items requested by ADEC (ADEC 2021) and to results of the of the May 24 through June 7, 2021 field event. This Work Plan Amendment covers the following items:

- Activities to address the benzene concentrations located on the north beach area down gradient of the permeable reactive barrier (PRB)
- Updated procedures for rehabilitation of the recovery well system (RWS)
- Updated project schedule

This work plan does not address ADEC’s request to sample for per- and poly-fluorinated alkyl substances (PFAS) from the RWS effluent. A sampling plan for that activity will be addressed separately. Unless specifically noted otherwise in this document, the project team, schedule, procedures, and methods described in the 2021 Work Plan remain applicable.

### 1.1 AMENDED PROJECT SCHEDULE

**Table 1** presents the proposed project schedule for the remainder of the 2021 activities, including the new activities described in this amendment.

**Table 1 2021 Proposed Project Schedule (Amended)**

Task	Date	Approximate Duration
Recovery Well System O&M and Sampling	Monthly (April – November)	1 Day / month
Beach Seep Sampling and Monitoring Well Sampling, Recovery Well System Maintenance	July 2021	7 Days
Beach Seep Sampling & PRB Monitoring, Recovery Well System Maintenance	September 2021	11 Days

## 2.0 NORTH BEACH REMEDIATION

### 2.1 PERMEABLE REACTIVE BARRIER

In accordance with the *2019 Trading Bay Production Facility Additional Beach Assessment and Permeable Reactive Barrier Pilot Study Work Plan* (Stantec 2019a), a 200-foot long pilot PRB was installed on the north beach in October of 2019 (**Figure 1**). The PRB is perpendicular to the identified groundwater flow to allow for in-situ chemical adsorption and enhanced biodegradation. The results of grab groundwater sampling performed upgradient and downgradient of the PRB in 2019 and 2020 have been presented in the annual reports to ADEC (Stantec 2021b).

### 2.2 PRB PERFORMANCE MONITORING

Grab groundwater samples were collected downgradient of the PRB in 2019 and at two upgradient locations in 2020, to establish baseline concentrations of the dissolved benzene plume for future performance monitoring. Additional direct push groundwater grab samples were collected in September 2020 and May 2021 to determine the effectiveness of the PRB. An additional PRB monitoring event is currently scheduled for September 2021, as described in the 2021 Work Plan (Stantec 2021a).

#### 2.2.1 Benzene Concentrations Down Gradient of the PRB

Prior to installation of the PRB, the results of grab groundwater sampling in 2019 showed a discrete zone of elevated dissolved benzene concentrations down gradient of the PRB around sample points Z4-12 and Z4-13 (**Figure 2**). Subsequent sampling in September 2020 and May 2021 shows a decreasing trend in benzene concentrations in the vicinity of Z4-12 and Z4-13 (**Figures 3 and 4**). Additional sampling will be conducted in September 2021 to continue monitoring the natural attenuation of the dissolved benzene concentrations and provide data for determining future actions.

#### 2.2.2 September 2021 PRB Monitoring Event

The September 2021 PRB monitoring event (described in Section 5.3 of the approved 2021 Work Plan) will be modified slightly, based upon a review of the September 2020 and May 2021 monitoring events. Locations Z5-1, Z5-4, Z5-5, and Z5-6 will not be resampled. Previous sampling at these locations indicates no detectable dissolved benzene concentrations above the laboratory reporting limit for at least two consecutive sampling events. The deeper sampling intervals at Z3-11, Z3-13, Z4-12, and Z4-13 will also be dropped from the September event as the vertical extent of dissolved benzene concentrations has generally been determined from previous sampling events. Instead, the September monitoring event will add locations Z2-5, Z3-4, Z3-5, and Z4-4 to evaluate current dissolved benzene concentrations to the south and southeast of the PRB.



## 3.0 RECOVERY WELL SYSTEM REHABILITATION

### 3.1 RECOVERY WELL SYSTEM

The RWS consists of 14 wells that were installed along the bluff top in 2018 to depress the water table, recover mobile non-aqueous phase liquids (NAPL), and mitigate potential further migration of impacts into the beach zone (**Figure 1**). The system was installed per the ADEC-approved work plan dated August 10, 2018, and details of construction are documented in the 2018 annual report dated April 12, 2019 (Stantec 2019b). Pumps are currently installed in eleven of the recovery wells: RW-1, RW-2, RW-3, RW-4, RW-5, RW-7, RW-9, RW-10, RW-11, RW-12, and RW-13. Details of the system's operation and performance have been documented in previous reports, and the 2021 monitoring event schedule and scope are described in the 2021 Work Plan (Stantec 2021a).

### 3.2 RECOVERY WELL REHABILITATION

As noted in previous reports, iron biofouling and sedimentation in the recovery wells, pumps, and piping have been observed since startup, leading to noticeable declines in performance, increased maintenance requirements, and occasional pump down time. The totalizer, which records total fluid flow from the system, has also been affected to the point of being rendered inoperative due to sediment in the piping.

Proposed 2021 well rehabilitation activities described in the 2021 Work Plan consisted of manual agitation and flushing of the wells to remove silt and sediment, along with an acid/bioacid dispersant flush to reduce iron-reducing bacteria in the wells. This amendment to the 2021 Work Plan emphasizes manual cleaning of the recovery well system and defers the acid/bioacid dispersant flush to the 2022 season.

#### 3.2.1 Mainline Cleaning

The June 2021 well rehabilitation activities were limited to mechanical removal of silt and sediment from the active wells, with encouraging results. The remaining impediment to full system flow appears to be the sedimentation and scale buildup of the mainline piping, particularly in the area immediately upstream of the totalizer.

The mainline section between the MH-16 sampling ports and the totalizer will be mechanically cleaned using a plumbing snake during the September site visit in an attempt to remove accumulated sediments and fouling in the area where the mainline transits through several right-angle bends. The isolation valve immediately upstream of the totalizer will be temporarily removed to allow mechanical access to a section of piping between the totalizer and MH-16. After mechanical cleaning, and pending Hilcorp approval, a temporary hose will be connected between the isolation valve flange and the facility sand trap and the mainline piping will be flushed using the recovery well pumps. The pump effluent will enter the sand trap and be processed by the facility's wastewater treatment system, similar to normal RWS operation.

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## FIGURES

**Figure 1 Trading Bay Production Facility Site Map**

**Figure 2 2019 Benzene Isoconcentration Map**

**Figure 3 2020 Benzene Isoconcentration Map**

**Figure 4 2021 Benzene Isoconcentration Map**





- Beach Seep Sample Location
- Bluff Top Monitoring Well
- Survey Control
- Recovery Well
- Air Sparge Wells
- Permeable Reactive Barrier (PRB)
- Air Sparge Unit
- Old Outfall Pipeline

Note: \* denotes cluster well

SOURCE:  
1. Coordinate System: NAD 1983 StatePlane Alaska 4 FIPS 5004 Feet  
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TRADING BAY PRODUCTION  
FACILITY SITE MAP



