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Lease(s) - OCS-G34451 Block - 607 Mississippi Canyon Area

Operator - Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

Description - Subsea Wells BP001, BP002 and BP003

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Attached is a copy of the subject plan.

It has been deemed submitted as of this date and is under review for approval.

Leslie Wilson Plan Coordinator

Site Type/Name	Botm Lse/Area/Blk	Surface Location	Surf Lse/Area/Blk
WELL/BP001	G34451/MC/607	2059 FSL, 5174 FWL	G34451/MC/607
WELL/BP002	G34451/MC/607	2059 FSL, 5174 FWL	G34451/MC/607
WELL/BP003	G34451/MC/607	2059 FSL, 5174 FWL	G34451/MC/607

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LEASES OCS-G 34451, 34905, 34454 AND 34906
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SECTION 1 PLAN CONTENTS

1.1 PLAN INFORMATION

Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (Chevron) is the operator of Leases OCS-G 34451, 34905, 34454 and 34906, Mississippi Canyon (MC) Blocks 607, 650, 651 and 652, Ballymore project.

Chevron filed an Initial Exploration Plan (EP) (Control No. N-9955) for MC Blocks 607 and 651, which provided for the drilling and completion of ten well locations. Subsequently, Chevron filed a Revised EP (Control No. R-6710) and a Supplemental EP (Control No. S-7903) which provided for the drilling and completion of eight well locations.

The Ballymore field is being developed using subsea wells tied back to the Chevron operated Blind Faith 'A' Semi-Submersible Floating Production Unit (FPU), MC 650, Right-of-Use and Easement (RUE) OCS-G 23688. This Initial Development Operations Coordination Document (DOCD) covers three subsea production wells (BP001, BP002 and BP003) that will be connected to a four well slot subsea manifold to be located in MC 607. The wells will be drilled and completed under a Supplemental EP (to be submitted). Note: the proposed Ballymore MC 607 drill center surface location for Well Nos. BP001, BP002 and BP003 is within 500 feet of a previously cleared surface location in Supplemental EP (Control No. S-7903), Well Location RW2.

Further, Chevron proposes the following:

- Installation of a new production manifold to be installed on a suction pile at the Ballymore MC 607 drill center:
- Installation of one new lease-term 10.75-inch flowline jumper, approximately 100 feet in length, MC 607;
- Installation of four new lease-term 6.81-inch well jumpers, each approximately 120 feet in length, MC 607;
- Installation of one lease-term 6.69-inch control umbilical, approximately 19,970 feet in length from the existing Blind Faith 'A' FPU, MC 650 to a subsea umbilical termination assembly (SUTA), MC 607

A new Right-of-Way (ROW) 10.75-inch flowline and riser will be installed, and will flow from the new Pipeline End Termination (PLET) in MC 607 to the existing Blind Faith 'A' FPU, MC 650.

These development operations are in approximately 6,400 to 6,800 feet of water. The manifold and pipelines will be installed using dynamically positioned offshore construction and support vessels.

No drilling or completion activities are proposed in this DOCD.

The operations proposed will not utilize pile-driving, nor is Chevron proposing any new pipelines expected to make landfall.

The OCS Plan Information Form BOEM-137 is included as Attachment 1-A.

1.2 LOCATION

The Ballymore field layout is included as **Attachment 1-B**.

No anchors are associated with the activities proposed in this plan.

1.3 SAFETY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION FEATURES

No drilling operations are proposed in this plan. Safety of personnel and protection of the environment during the proposed operations is one of the primary concerns of Chevron. Chevron mandates regulatory compliance with the contractors and vendors associated with the proposed operations as follows:

The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) mandates that the operations described in this DOCD comply with well control, pollution prevention, construction, welding procedures, and training described in the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) regulations 30 CFR 250 C, D, E, O and S; and as further clarified by BSEE Notice to Lessees.

BSEE conducted periodic announced and unannounced onsite inspections of offshore facilities to confirm operators are complying with lease stipulations, regulatory requirements, approved plans, and other conditions, and complying with pollution prevention requirements. The National Potential Incident of Noncompliance (PINC) List serves as the baseline for these inspections.

United States Coast Guard (USCG) regulations contained in Title 33 CFR Part 144 mandate that appropriate life rafts, life jackets, ring buoys, etc. be maintained on the facilities at all times. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations contained in the NPDES General Permit for Region VI mandate that supervisory and certain designated personnel on board the facility be familiar with the effluent limitations and guidelines for overboard discharges into the receiving waters.

There will be no disposal of equipment, cables, chains, containers, or other materials into offshore waters.

1.4 STORAGE TANKS AND PRODUCTION VESSELS

All storage tanks and production vessels associated with the Ballymore development are located at the Chevron operated Blind Faith 'A' FPU located in MC 650 (RUE OCS-G 23688).

1.5 POLLUTION PREVENTION MEASURES

These operations do not propose activities for which the State of Florida is an affected state.

1.6 ADDITIONAL MEASURES

Chevron does not propose any additional safety, pollution prevention, or early spill detection measures beyond those required by 30 CFR Part 250.

1.7 COST RECOVERY FEE

Documentation of the \$12,714.00 cost recovery fee payment is included as **Attachment 1-C.**

Attachment 1-A

U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

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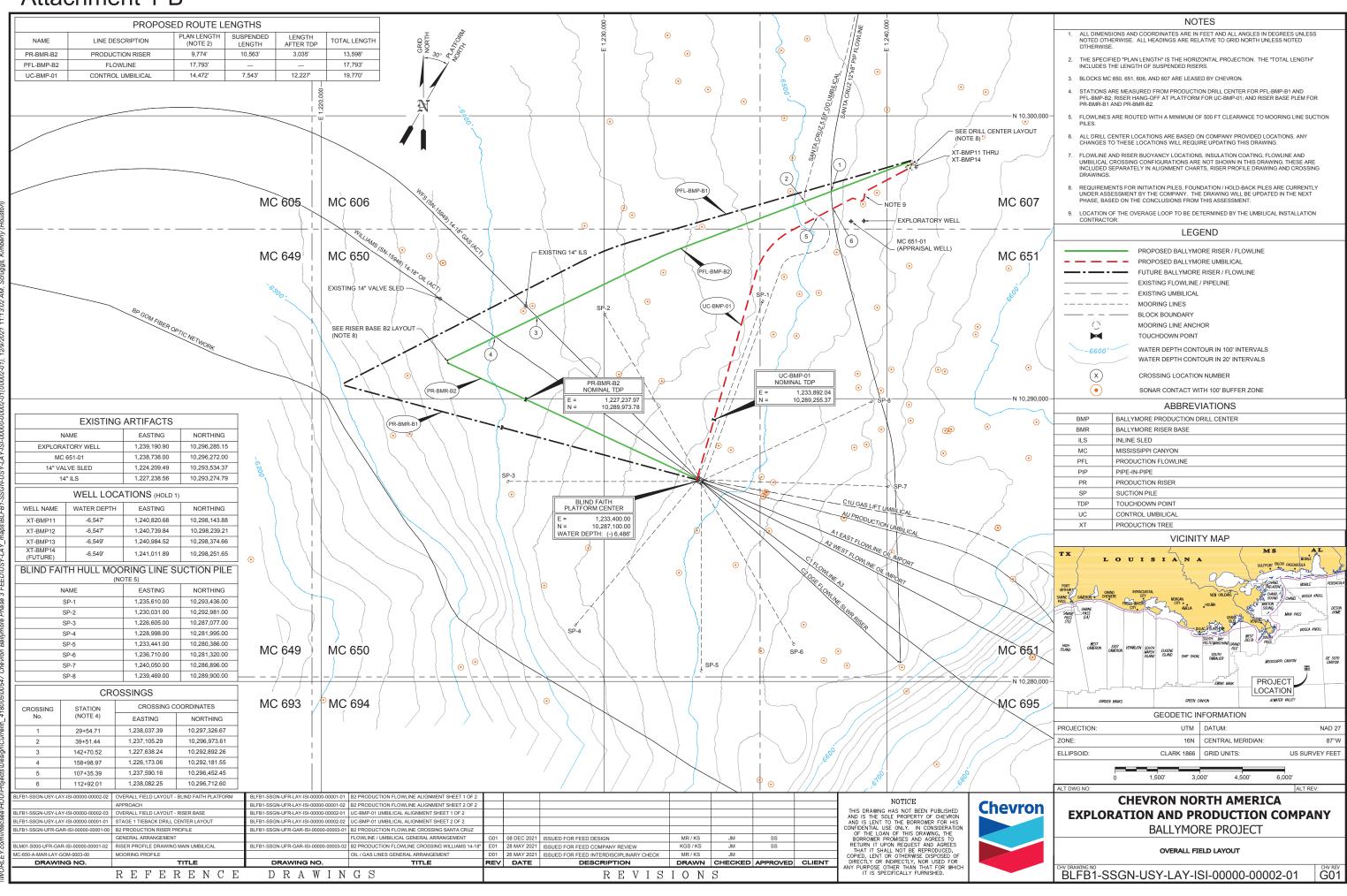
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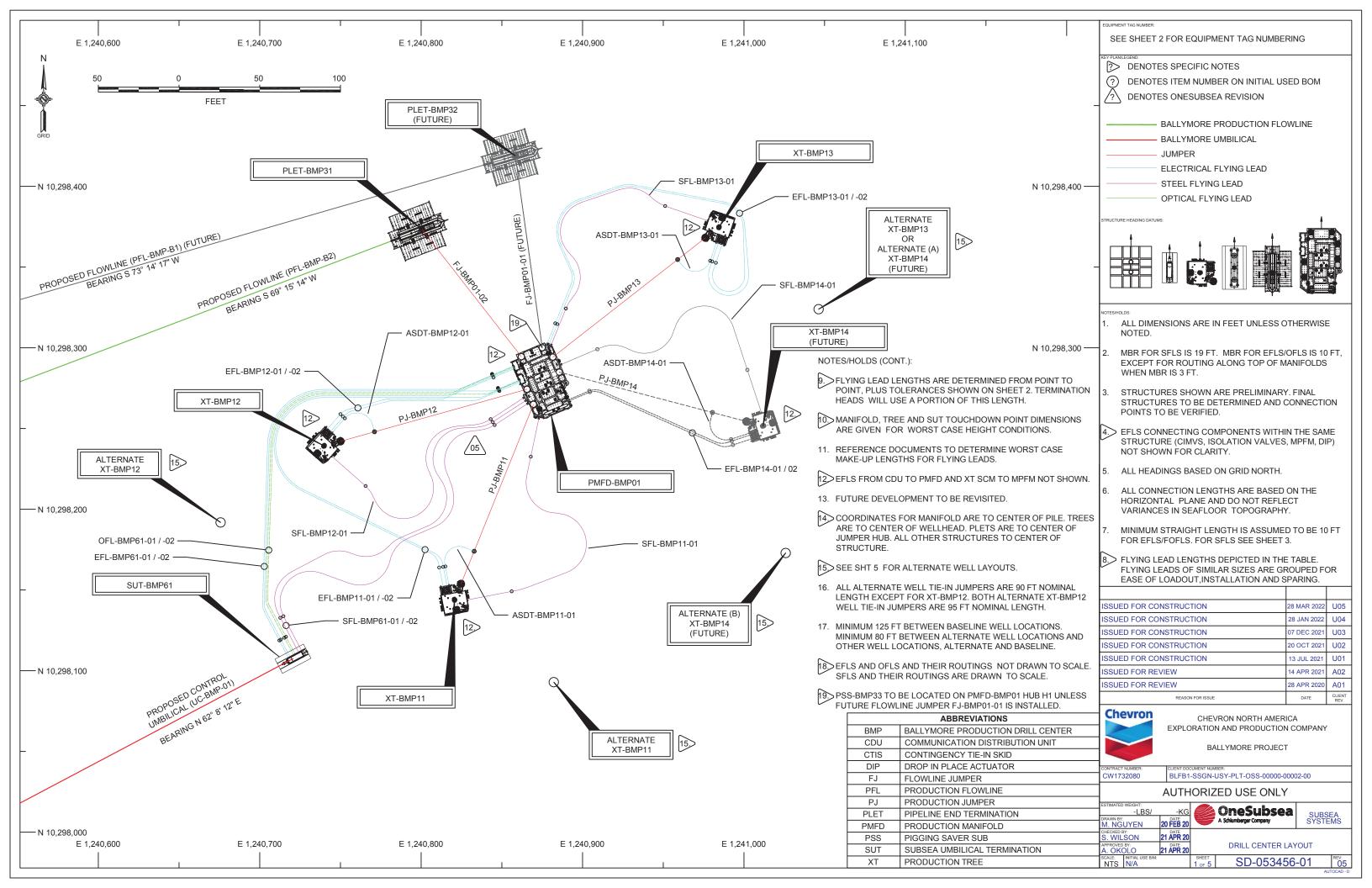
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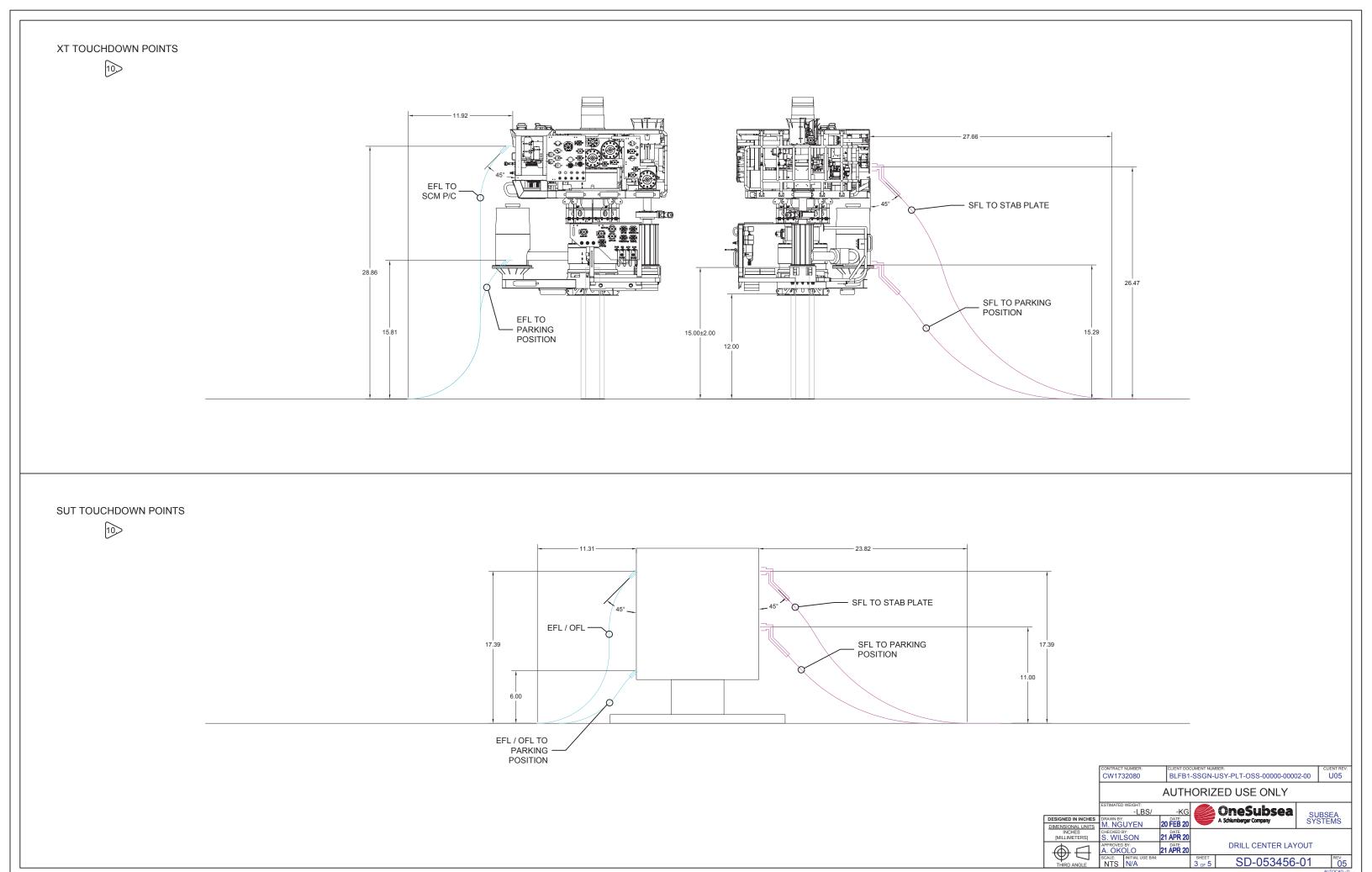
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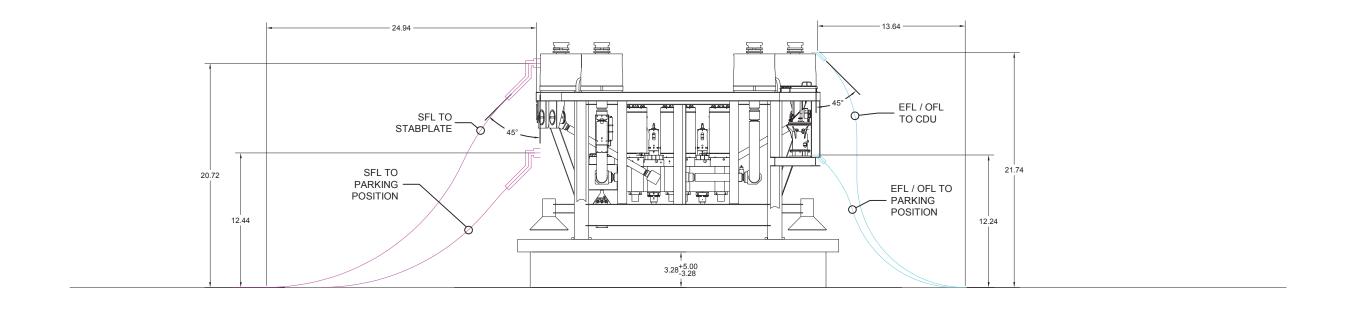
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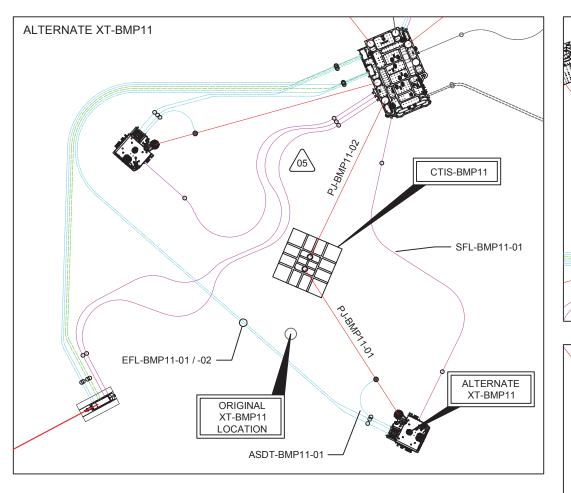


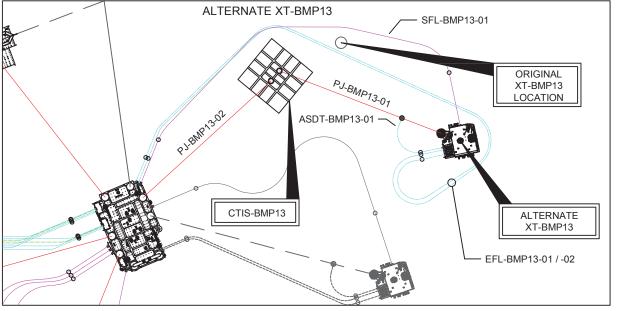


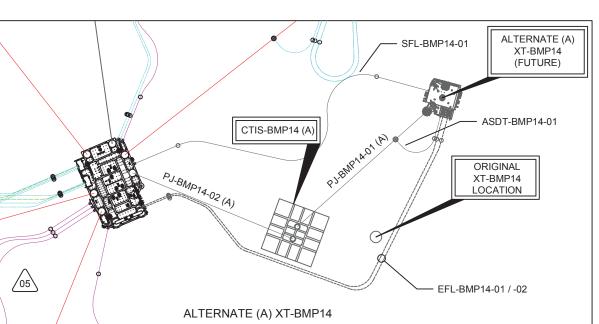


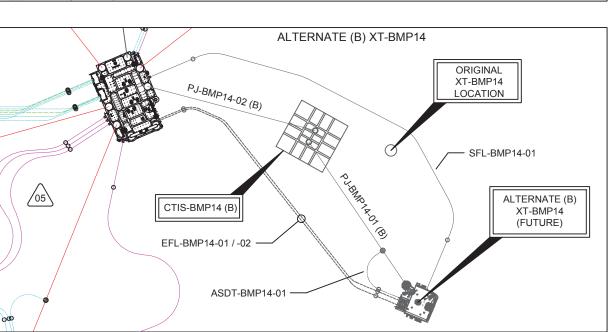






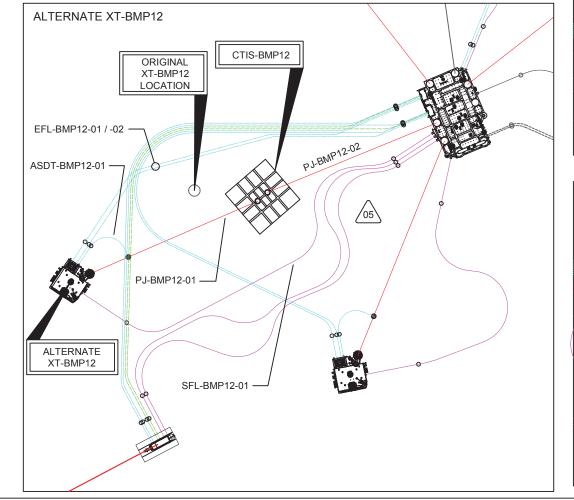








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Attachment 1-C

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SECTION 2 GENERAL INFORMATION

2.1 APPLICATIONS AND PERMITS

The table below provides the additional applications to be filed covering operations proposed in this DOCD.

Application/Permit	Issuing Agency	Status	
Request for Unitization	BSEE	Submitted	
Suspension of Production	BSEE	To be submitted	
Conservation Information Document	BOEM	To be submitted	
Supplemental EP	ВОЕМ	To be submitted	
Lease Term Pipeline Permits	BSEE	To be submitted	
Right-of-Way Pipeline Permit	BSEE	To be submitted	
DWOP	BSEE	To be submitted	

2.2 DRILLING FLUIDS

No wells are proposed to be drilled as part of this DOCD.

2.3 PRODUCTION

Proprietary Information.

2.4 OIL CHARACTERISTICS

Oil characteristics are not required to be submitted with this plan.

2.5 NEW OR UNUSUAL TECHNOLOGY

No new or unusual technology is proposed in this DOCD as defined by 30 CFR 550.200.

2.6 BONDING STATEMENT

The bond requirements for the activities and facilities proposed in this DOCD are satisfied by an area-wide bond, furnished and maintained according to 30 CFR 556.900 (a) and 30 CFR 556.901 (a) and (b) and NTL No. 2015-BOEM-N04, "General Financial Assurance"; and additional security under 30 CFR 556.901(d) – (f) and NTL No. 2016—BOEM-N01, "Requiring Additional Security" as required by BOEM.

2.7 OIL SPILL FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY (OSFR)

Chevron U.S.A. Inc., (Company Number 00078) has demonstrated oil spill financial responsibility for the facilities proposed in this DOCD according to 30 CFR Part 553.15 (a); and NTL No. 2008-N05, "Guidelines for Oil Spill Financial Responsibility for Covered Facilities".

2.8 DEEPWATER WELL CONTROL STATEMENT

Chevron U.S.A. Inc., (Company Number 00078) has the financial capability to drill a relief well and conduct other emergency well control operations.

2.9 SUSPENSION OF PRODUCTION

Chevron has submitted an application to unitize the MC 607 and MC 651 leases. The application is currently pending BSEE approval. Chevron intends to submit a Suspension of Production (SOP) prior to the lease expiration dates and maintain the MC 607 and MC 651 unit leases under an approved SOP and milestone activity schedule to support the Ballymore tie-back to the Blind Faith host facility.

2.10 BLOWOUT SCENARIO AND WORST CASE DISCHARGE CALCULATIONS

No drilling or completion operations are proposed in this plan. The blowout scenario reviewed and approved under EP Control Number N-9955 is included for reference as **Attachment 2-A**.

Attachment 2-A (included for reference)

(j) BLOWOUT SCENARIO

The MC 607 "J" proposed location was chosen as the representative well for the Worst Case Discharge (WCD) scenario for this plan. The initial Open Flow Potential Rate was calculated with systems analysis using the Prosper nodal software package from Petroleum Experts, Ltd. Transient models and Merlin simulation models were investigated, resulting in almost identical results.

Estimated flow rate

Systems analysis indicates that an uncontrolled blowout in the 8-1/2" open hole section will lead to a maximum Worst Case Discharge Scenario initial flow rate of 434,913 bopd. This rate is based on transient analysis and does not include the effects of heavy fluid unloading or filter cake cleanup.

Total volume and maximum duration of the potential blowout

Numerous modeling efforts from the Miocene blow-out at Macondo as well as the pressure depletion observed in the offset wells suggest that at this high rate, pressure depletion is expected to occur. This should apply to an uncontrolled blowout in the Norphlet sands, exhibiting the high WCD rate. Furthermore, reservoir simulation models using Merlin suggested that pressure depletion will occur in the case of an uncontrolled blowout in this well, so Chevron assumes the well could NOT sustain a stabilized rate until a relief well could be drilled. The total time required to drill the relief well and conduct the kill operation is 173 days. Production decline is assumed to occur; however, sand bridging has not been assumed in the calculations. Total Potential Spill Volume is estimated at 53,725,000 bbls, using the rate profile resulting from these assumptions explained above.

Potential for well to bridge over

Although some sand is likely to be produced under a blowout scenario, Chevron expects that the amount of sand is small enough to be lifted to the seafloor without bridging.

Likelihood for surface intervention to stop the blowout

The likelihood of surface intervention to stop a blowout is based on the equipment specific to the MODU(s) or drillships that will drill the well(s). Chevron's contracted drillships and personnel have the following methods and equipment available to minimize the risk of an incident occurring:

- Maintaining well control;
- Deadman / Autoshear functions on the BOP;
- Permanently fixed ROV panels on the BOP to allow an ROV to function the BOP via standard hot stab interfaces; and
- Acoustic Pods on the BOP to function the BOP in the event the primary BOP control system is compromised.

In the event of a well blowout, Chevron will act as soon as practical to reduce the overall risk of injury to personnel and damage to the environment and may consider potential actions that may have short term increases in effluent flow in the interest of reducing overall environmental impact or incident escalation. One such action that Chevron would consider is removal of any compromised or damaged equipment that may be restricting Chevron's ability to control the effluent flow (a BOP, LMRP, and / or riser) and to allow for installation of the appropriate response equipment (an alternate BOP or capping stack) to assist in controlling the well.

Initial response actions could include, but are not limited to:

- Actions necessary for personnel safety, including evacuation.
- ROV mobilization and tactics, including:
 - Identify the source(s) of hydrocarbon release
 - Assess the post incident geometry of equipment
- Identification of existing BOP / LMRP options and / or take action:

Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

Mississippi Canyon Blocks 607, 650, and 651

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Initial Exploration Plan

Public Information

- Status
- Functionality
- Actuate rams
- Disconnection of existing BOP / LMRP / Riser to affect an appropriate connection point for capping / intervention options

Chevron will consider multiple capping stack alternatives to cap and contain a well during a loss of well control event. As a member of the Marine Well Containment Company (MWCC), Chevron has access to MWCC's Interim Containment System. This system can handle pressure up to 15k psi. The Single Ram Capping Stack can <u>cap a well</u> in deepwater depths up to 10,000 feet. It is engineered to "<u>cap and flow</u>" a well in deepwater depths up to 8,000 feet. The system has the capacity to contain 60,000 barrels per day (and 120 million standard cubic feet of gas per day) with potential for expansion and has dispersant injection capability. Through mutual aid agreement by members of MWCC, the interim containment system includes capture vessels under contract to member companies that would be deployed to assist in surface processing and storage of hydrocarbons captured during the event.

In addition to MWCC's capping stacks, Chevron has access to additional capping options through the immediate availability of two complete 18 ¾" 15k BOP stacks, which are held as permanent secondary stacks located on two of Chevron's contracted drillships operating in the Gulf of Mexico. Access to both the MWCC and Chevron-specific equipment provides Chevron with increased flexibility in capping and containing a well blowing out. The selection of the appropriate capping method will be dependent upon the incident circumstances.

Time to contract rig, move it onsite and drill relief well

Chevron estimates ten (10) days to acquire and demobilize a rig, four (4) days to move the rig onsite, and 159 days to drill the relief well, intersect the blowout well, and conduct a kill operation for a total of 173 days.

Availability of a rig to drill a relief well and rig package constraints

Chevron plans to drill the proposed wells in this plan with one of the five drill ships currently under contract. At any given time, Chevron has the capability to cease current operations and move one of its contracted drill ships to drill the relief well. These drillships do not have any equipment constraints with respect to drilling a relief well for the project. The 9-3/8" casing shoe is selected as the intervention point for the relief well.

Relief well surface locations have been chosen to avoid current and proposed infrastructure. Site surveys have been conducted near the current drilling location to identify surface hazards that might impact the selection of a relief well location. Surface locations to the southwest and northwest of the original hole are preferred because they avoid the maximum number of potential shallow hazards (seafloor faults and surface pipeline fairways). Two surface locations have been selected, and relief well plans have been provided below in the confidential copy. Selection of the locations is constrained by typical parameters such as planned inclination, benign water-bottom and salt entry/exit points, wind and current direction and subsurface hazard avoidance. Casing design for the relief wells will be similar to that proposed for the "Ballymore" Mississippi Canyon 607 #1 exploration well.

Relief Well Plan 1: Proprietary Information Relief Well Plan 2: Proprietary Information

Measures to enhance the ability to prevent a blowout, reduce the likelihood of a blowout, and conduct effective and early intervention in the event of a blowout

In order to address its ability to prevent blowouts, reduce the likelihood of blowouts, and conduct effective/early intervention in the event of a blowout, Chevron has developed standards for well control, personnel safety, and emergency response plans. Chevron has also entered into agreements with industry Subject Matter Experts (SME).

At all times from planning through execution, Chevron takes the necessary steps to maintain primary well control to prevent the occurrence of blowouts as outlined in the Chevron Well Control Guide.

The drilling team works in conjunction with the geological and geophysical operations team and the exploration project team to use their knowledge and good judgment to create best possible well plans and program for any particular prospect. All relevant geological information is used to understand the risks and uncertainties that are unique to the location. Appropriate plans are then generated to eliminate or mitigate the identified risks. Special equipment for contingency plans is sourced, and qualified personnel are identified for conducting the various tasks.

Prior to the execution phase, all the well control equipment on the rig undergoes a rigorous inspection and acceptance process/procedure by the Chevron Global Well Intervention group.

To reduce the likelihood of a blowout, Chevron applies offset information to generate pore pressure models that predict localized high pore pressure zones. Maximum Anticipated Surface Pressure (MASP) is calculated to ensure that the working pressure of the BOP equipment is not exceeded at any time during well construction. Pressure While Drilling (PWD) and Log While Drilling (LWD) data, such as gamma ray, resistivity, sonic, are used during the drilling operation to monitor real time pore pressure variances.

Adjustments can then be made to the mud system to maintain the appropriate overbalance on the pore pressure. Mud tank volumes and trip tank volumes are monitored while drilling for early detection of changes in anticipated trends. Routine maintenance and testing of blowout prevention equipment help to ensure the equipment is in good working condition during operations. Data sheets and critical wellbore information which are needed in well control situations are maintained at the well site.

Two (2) barriers shall be available during all normal well activities, operations, suspensions, and abandonments to prevent uncontrolled flow from the wellbore to the environment. Two mechanical barriers will be in place before removing the Blowout Preventer (BOP) from a well which has hydrocarbons.

Preliminary plans are developed for potential relief well locations(s) during the planning phase for the primary well(s). These preliminary plans can be used to develop detailed relief well drilling plans as needed in a timely manner. Two relief well locations have been identified for the primary well location (RW 1E and RW 1M).

In addition to Chevron's contracted resources to assist in the event of a blowout, Chevron is a founding member of the Marine Well Containment Company ("MWCC"), currently has access to MWCC's Interim Containment Response System ("ICRS"), and will have full access to MWCC's Expanded Containment Response System when it is available. These resources, along with Chevron's own well containment and emergency response planning, give Chevron a high probability of regaining control of a blown out well.

Chevron maintains the "Chevron Interim Well Containment Plan (0128-OFGN-RGL-PLN-DGM-0000-00001)" which guides Chevron's procedures and plans for well containment until the expanded Marine Well Containment System is in place. Additional details for each component of well containment planning can be found in the Chevron Interim Well Containment Plan ("IWCP"), which is available upon request.

Supplemental Worst Case Discharge Information to comply with NTL No. 2015-N01 is included as Appendix B in the confidential copy of this Plan.

SECTION 3 GEOLOGICAL AND GEOPHYSICAL INFORMATION

3.1 GEOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION

Proprietary Information.

3.2 STRUCTURE CONTOUR MAPS

Proprietary Information.

3.3 INTERPRETED SEISMIC LINES

Proprietary Information.

3.4 GEOLOGICAL STRUCTURE CROSS-SECTIONS

Proprietary Information.

3.5 SHALLOW HAZARDS REPORT

No wells are proposed to be drilled as part of this DOCD. Please see EP, Control Nos. N-9955, R-6710 and S-7903.

3.6 SHALLOW HAZARDS ASSESSMENT

No wells are proposed to be drilled as part of this DOCD. Please see EP, Control Nos. N-9955, R-6710 and S-7903. Note: the proposed MC 607 drill center surface location for Well Locations, BP001, BP002 and BP003 is within 500 feet of the previously cleared surface location in Supplemental EP (Control No. S-7903), Well Location RW2, included as reference as **Attachment 3-A**.

3.7 HIGH-RESOLUTION SEISMIC LINES

Proprietary Information.

3.8 STRATIGRAPHIC COLUMN

Proprietary Information.

3.9 TIME VS DEPTH TABLES

Proprietary Information.



June 25, 2018 Project No.: 0418-2763

Chevron U.S.A. Inc. 1500 Louisiana Houston, Texas 77002

Attachment 3-A

Attention: Mr. Phillip Von Dullen III

Site Clearance Letter for Proposed Wellsite MC 651 RW2 Block 607 (OCS-G-34451) Mississippi Canyon Area Gulf of Mexico

Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (Chevron) contracted Geoscience Earth & Marine Services (GEMS) to provide an assessment of the seafloor and shallow geologic conditions to determine the favorability of drilling operations for the proposed location MC 651 RW2, whose surface location lies in Block 607 (OCS-G-34451), Mississippi Canyon (MC) Area, Gulf of Mexico. This letter addresses specific seafloor and subsurface conditions around the proposed location to a depth of about 6,895 ft below the mudline (bml).

The proposed wellsite is located along a relatively benign seafloor. No potential sites for deepwater benthic communities exist within 2,000 ft of the proposed location. Two side-scan sonar contacts are located within 2,000 ft of the proposed location; however, they are not considered culturally significant. There is a negligible to low potential for encountering shallow gas and a negligible to moderate potential for shallow water flow within the Limit of Investigation.

This letter provides details specific to the well location, including available data, Notice to Lessees (NTL) requirements, man-made features, and wellsite conditions.

Proposed Well Location

The surface location for the Proposed Wellsite MC 651 RW2 is in the southwestern portion of Block 607 (Figure MC651 RW2-1). Chevron provided the following coordinates:

 Proposed Wellsite MC 651 RW2

 Spheroid & Datum: Clarke 1866 NAD27 Projection: UTM Zone 16 North
 Line Reference
 Block Calls (MC 607)

 X: 1,240,694 ft
 Latitude: 28° 22' 18.8056" N
 Inline 10891
 5,174 ft FWL

 Y: 10,298,059 ft
 Longitude: 88° 14' 36.0983" W
 Crossline 11193
 2,059 ft FSL

Table 1. Proposed Location Coordinates

Chevron plans to drill this well using a dynamically positioned drilling vessel. GEMS' assessment addresses the seafloor and subsurface conditions within a 2,000 ft radius around the proposed wellsite location.

Available Data

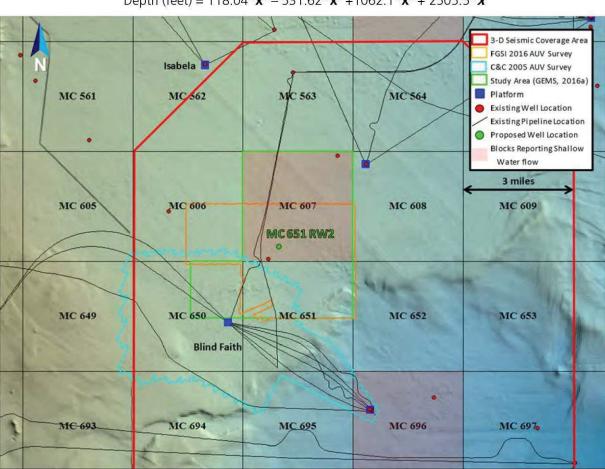
The following discussion is based on findings provided within the geohazard and archaeological reports for Mississippi Canyon Area Block 607 and Portions of 650 and 651, GEMS Report Nos. 0915-2574 and 0316-2609 (GEMS, 2016a,b). The text, maps, and figures included in the reports provide detail on the regional geology and archaeological conditions in the Study Area.

Chevron provided a 3-D seismic time volume for the geohazard analysis, covering an approximate 163 square-mile area that includes all or portions of Federal lease Blocks 562-565, 606-609, 650-653, 694-697, and 738-741 in the Mississippi Canyon Area (Figure MC651 RW2-1). Digital well log images from the BP Well #1 in MC 607 were used to correlate lithological conditions at the proposed well.

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Two high-resolution geophysical datasets were also used for this site clearance assessment. The primary dataset used was collected by Fugro GeoServices (FGSI) in March, 2016 using an AUV (Autonomous Underwater Vehicle) over portions of MC 606-607 and 651 (Figure MC651 RW2-1). These data included 1.5-4.5 kHz subbottom profiler, 230-kHz side-scan sonar, and 3-meter bin multibeam bathymetry data. GEMS analyzed the AUV data for the presence of fluid expulsion and assessed the potential for chemosynthetic or other benthic community sites within 2,000 ft of the proposed surface location. However, there was no mapping of individual horizons, faults, or mass-transport deposits, etc., for this geohazards assessment. The high-resolution data was also used to map the side-scan sonar contacts and locate any potential submerged cultural resources as documented in the archaeological report (GEMS, 2016b). A second AUV dataset used was collected in 2005 by C & C Technologies over the adjacent Blind Faith area. The use of this dataset for this assessment is limited to regional bathymetric reporting.

Subsurface depths at the proposed wellsite were calculated using a 4^{th} -order equation based on time-velocity values provided by Chevron (GEMS, 2016a). The equation is as follows, where x is two-way travel time in seconds below the mudline:



Depth (feet) = $118.04 \times x^4 - 531.62 \times x^3 + 1062.1 \times x^2 + 2505.5 \times x$

Figure MC651 RW2-1. Seafloor Rendering Showing the Proposed Wellsite Location

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Attachments

Wellsite maps are centered on the Proposed Wellsite MC 651 RW2 location and are displayed at a scale of 1 inch = 1,000 ft (1:12,000). The maps included in this letter are as follows:

Map No. MC651 RW2-1: Bathymetry Map
Map No. MC651 RW2-2: Seafloor Features Map
Map No. MC651 RW2-3: Side-Scan Sonar Mosaic
Map No. MC651 RW2-4: Seafloor Amplitude Rendering
Map No. MC651 RW2-5: Geologic Features Map

The accompanying illustrations were extracted from the available data sets and are listed below:

Illustration MC651 RW2-1: Subbottom Profiler Line Showing Near-Surface Conditions Beneath

Proposed Wellsite MC 651 RW2

Illustration MC651 RW2-2: Portions of Inline 10891 and Crossline 11193 Showing Conditions

Beneath Proposed Wellsite MC 651 RW2

Illustration MC651 RW2-3: Tophole Prognosis Chart, Proposed Wellsite MC 651 RW2, Mississippi

Canyon Area, Block 607

Illustration MC651 RW2-4: Correlation Between Proposed Wellsite MC 651 RW2 and Nearby

Existing Wells

NTL Requirements

The following letter complies with the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) Notice to Lessees (NTL's) 2008-G04, 2008-G05, and 2009-G40 (MMS, 2008a, b, and 2010) with respect to shallow hazards and benthic community assessments. BOEM's list of high probability archaeological blocks includes all of the Mississippi Canyon protraction area (BOEM, 2011) and mitigation guidelines released by BOEMRE in March 2011 require an archaeological assessment prior to any bottom disturbing activities (Pre-Seabed Disturbance Survey Mitigation, BOEMRE, 2011). GEMS prepared an archaeological assessment using FGSI's 2016 AUV-acquired data to comply with the Archaeological Surveys and Reports requirements in NTL 2005-G07 (MMS, 2005).

As specified in NTL 2008-G04 (MMS, 2008a), GEMS extracted the power spectrum diagram from the 3-D seismic data cube provided at the proposed wellsite (Figure MC651 RW2-2). The extraction was generated within a 2,000-ft radius of the intersection of the inline and crossline at the proposed wellsite. The extraction time interval consisted of the seafloor to one second bml. GEMS converted the amplitude vs. frequency spectrum, generated by the IHS software, to power vs. frequency by squaring the amplitude values as described by J. A. Coffeen, 1978. The frequency bandwidth at 50% power ranges from 26 to 68 Hz.

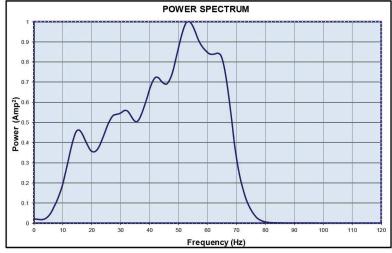


Figure MC651 RW2-2. Power Spectrum Curve, Proposed Wellsite MC 651 RW2

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Man-Made Features

The surface location is clear of any wells, pipelines, or platforms within a 2,000 ft radius from the proposed wellsite. Chevron's Blind Faith platform lies about 2.5 miles southwest of the proposed location in MC 650 (Figure MC651 RW2-1). The nearest existing well is Chevron's recently drilled MC 607 #1 well, approximately 2,326 ft southwest of the Proposed Wellsite MC 651 RW2 (BOEM, 2018a). A second existing well in MC 607, BP's #1 well, lies about 3.0 miles to the northeast. The well was drilled in 1997 and is currently plugged and abandoned.

Archaeological Assessment

High-resolution digital side-scan sonar, subbottom profiler, multibeam bathymetry, and multibeam backscatter data were collected using the FGSI's *Echo Surveyor II* AUV on all survey lines. GEMS delineated 83 unidentified side-scan sonar contacts in the AUV data within the Study Area (GEMS, 2016b). There are two unidentified side-scan sonar contacts within 2,000 feet of the proposed wellsite (Map MC651 RW2-3). These contacts do not represent any potential significant cultural resources. The dimensions, shape, and approximate distance from the proposed wellsite are shown in Table 2. All of the unidentified Side-Scan Sonar Contacts are interpreted to represent modern debris from shipping, fishing, or nearby exploration activities. No potential submerged cultural resources were identified in the subbottom, bathymetry, or backscatter data sets (GEMS, 2016b).

Table 2. Unidentified Side-Scan Sonar Contacts Within 2,000 ft of Proposed Wellsite

No.	Area	Block	Length (ft)	Width (ft)	Height (ft)	Shape	X NAD27 (ft)	Y NAD27 (ft)	*Distance /Direction
36	MC	607	6.71	6.96	0.00	Irregular	1,239,654.16	10,297,279.83	1,300/SW
37	MC	607	11.20	3.48	0.00	Linear	1,239,159.47	10,296,876.82	1,938/SW

^{*} Distance and direction from Proposed Wellsite MC 651 RW2

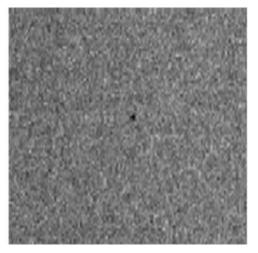


Figure MC651 RW2-3. Contact 36

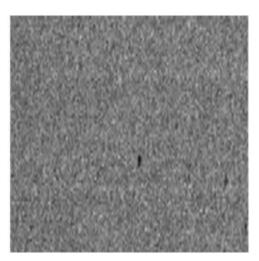


Figure MC651 RW2-4. Contact 37

No archaeological avoidances, or known shipwrecks exist within the APE for the Proposed MC 651 RW2 Well. BOEM's database lists no known archaeological sites within the well's area of potential effect. The provided geophysical data delineated no potential cultural resources near Proposed Wellsite MC 651 RW2 (Map No. MC651 RW2-3). If any wood, ceramics, textiles or ferrous objects become exposed during the course of bottom disturbing operations, all activities must be halted and BOEM notified within 48 hours.

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Wellsite Conditions

The proposed wellsite lies in an area of relatively smooth seafloor and is clear of any constraining seafloor conditions as defined by the 3-D seismic and high-resolution datasets. The wellbore will penetrate interbedded hemipelagic clays, turbidites, slope-fan, and mass-transport deposits containing clays, silts, and sands.

Water Depth and Seafloor Conditions. Seafloor conditions are favorable at the proposed wellsite location. The water depth at the surface location is approximately -6,538 ft and the seafloor slopes southeast at about 1.0° (Map MC651 RW2-1). Overall, the seafloor in the vicinity of proposed wellsite MC 651 RW2 is relatively smooth and benign (Map MC651 RW2-2).

The seafloor at the wellsite is covered by a ~10 ft hemipelagic clay drape (Illustration MC651 RW2-1). The low seafloor amplitude response and side-scan sonar reflectivity in the vicinity of the proposed wellsite suggests the seabed is covered by very soft clays and silty-clays (Maps MC651 RW2-3 and –RW2-4).

Deepwater Benthic Communities. Deepwater benthic communities are not expected at the proposed wellsite. There are no interpreted features or areas capable of supporting densely-populated benthic communities within 2,000 ft of the proposed location. The Side-Scan Sonar Mosaic (Map MC651 RW2-3) and Seafloor Amplitude Rendering (Map MC651 RW2-4) show normal or ambient returns along the seabed with no indication of any hard-bottom or fluid expulsion events within 2,000 ft of the proposed well. In addition, BOEM does not list any areas of positive or negative seafloor anomalies within 2,000 ft of the location (BOEM, 2018b).

Stratigraphy. The stratigraphy at the proposed well location is depicted on Illustrations MC651 RW2-1 through MC651 RW2-4. The Tophole Prognosis Chart (Illustration MC651 RW2-3) shows the inline, annotated with calculated depths to the various horizons and predicted lithology of the sequences, along with their potential for shallow gas and shallow water flow. In general, the shallow stratigraphic sequences to the Limit of Investigation (6,895 ft bml) reflect alternating episodic deposition of hemipelagic clays and silty clays, turbidites, mass-transport, and slope-fan deposits. Overall, the seismic reflection character suggests that the sequences are composed of clays and silts interspersed with sands, primarily in the interbedded slope-fan units.

The subbottom profiler data define the stratigraphic section between the seafloor and approximately Horizon 10 (218 ft bml) in the area of the proposed wellsite (Illustration MC651 RW2-1). The uppermost 10 ft of sediment at the wellsite is a drape consisting of very soft, high water content, silty-clays. The sediments below the drape to about 133 ft bml are stratified clays and silty-clays. A thin clay-rich mass-transport deposit is interspersed within the layered clays between 133 ft to 153 ft bml.

The 3-D seismic data define the stratigraphy from the seafloor to the Limit of Investigation, about 6,895 ft bml (Illustrations MC651 RW2-2 and –RW2-3). Five seismic reflections (Horizons 10 through 50) define the shallow section beneath the well. The sedimentary section from Horizon 10 to Horizon 20 (Unit 2), between 218 ft and 485 ft bml, likely corresponds to the distal margin of the slope-fan sequence identified as the "Blue Unit". The Blue Unit is a regional basin-floor fan and the source of numerous shallow water flow incidents in the Mississippi Canyon Area. The sediments within this unit likely consist of clay-prone mass-transport deposits and turbidites. A high-amplitude reflector occurs mid-unit (about 304 ft to 370 ft bml) that likely corresponds to a sand seam. Gamma ray and resistivity well logs from the BP Well #1 in MC 607 indicate that about 30 ft of wet sand was encountered mid-unit and about 20 ft of wet sand was encountered at the base of the unit.

The proposed location lies northwest of a large buried channel that affects Units 3 and 4 in the Study Area (Illustration MC651 RW2-2). Unit 3 sediments at the proposed wellsite (Horizons 20 to 30 between 485 ft and 983 ft bml) will likely contain levee/overbank and turbidite deposits comprised of clays, silts, and thin sand layers.

Unit 4 (Horizon 30 to 40), between 983 ft and 2,822 ft bml, likely corresponds to a sand-prone slope-fan unit. The sediments in this unit are highly modified turbidites and mass-transport deposits. The upper half of the sequence, from 983 ft to 1,756 ft bml, also contain channelized sediments. Gamma ray and resistivity logs from BP's Well #1 in MC 607 indicate the presence of sands in Unit 4.

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The sediments below Horizon 40 to the Limit of Investigation (Units 5 and 6), between 2,822 ft and 6,895 ft bml, are generally low-amplitude stratified reflectors interbedded with low-amplitude chaotic reflectors. These sediments are likely hemipelagic clays and silty clays interbedded with fine-grained turbidites and mass-transport deposits. Interbedded thin sand layers may be encountered below 3,891 ft bml.

Faults. The Proposed Wellsite MC 651 RW2 is not expected to intersect any seafloor or buried faults in the shallow section to the Limit of Investigation.

Shallow Gas and Shallow Water Flow. Interval amplitude searches were completed between the mapped horizons to help identify facies trends and possible gas-related anomalies within the seismic stratigraphic units. An additional amplitude search was conducted between the seafloor and Horizon 40 to capture anomalies occurring where Horizon 20 and 30 were unmappable (GEMS, 2016a). Significant shallow gas is not expected to be encountered within the shallow sediments within the Limit of Investigation. The potential for shallow water flow is considered negligible to moderate.

<u>Shallow Gas</u>. There are no apparent high-amplitude anomalies or other direct hydrocarbon indicators directly below or in the immediate vicinity of the proposed wellsite (Map MC651 RW2-5 and Illustration MC651 RW2-2). The closest mapped subsurface high-amplitude event to the proposed borehole is approximately 359 ft south of the location. The anomaly is located in the sand-prone slope-fan sequence within Unit 4 at a depth of about 1,612 ft bml (Illustration MC651 RW2-3). The elevated event is not associated with other direct hydrocarbon indicators and may represent lithologic variations rather than shallow gas accumulations. The anomaly is not expected to impact the wellsite.

A low potential for encountering shallow gas exists within the slope-fan unit between 983 ft and 2,822 ft bml and within thin sands below 3,891 ft bml to the Limit of Investigation. A negligible potential for shallow gas exists in the predominantly fine-grained sediments of Units 1 through 3 and Unit 5.

<u>Shallow Water Flow.</u> The potential for shallow water flow at this well location is considered negligible to moderate (Illustration MC651 RW2-3). Overpressured sand units in the Mississippi Canyon Protraction Area are generally associated with seismic facies representing Pleistocene intraslope fan complexes, and in some cases, channel or canyon sequences (Ostermeier et al., 2000). Two slope-fan sequences (Units 2 and 4) will be encountered by the proposed location within the Limit of Investigation.

The closest reported shallow water flow was approximately 3.0 miles northeast of the proposed wellsite at the BP Well #1 in the northeast portion of MC 607. The BP Well #1 encountered low flow while drilling the channelized slope fan deposits within the upper portion of Unit 4 at a depth of 1,246 ft bml (BOEM, 2018c; Illustration MC651 RW2-4). Additionally, Chevron's #001 well in MC 696, about 5.1 miles to the south-southeast, reported low severity water flow at 1,971 ft bml (BOEM, 2018c). The depth of flow corresponds to the lower portion of the mapped Unit 4 at the proposed location. The recently drilled Chevron MC 607#1 well did not report water flow conditions within Unit 4 or the other sequences within the Limit of Investigation (Chevron, person communication). However, muds used in the wellbore may have mitigated any overpressures. Unit 4 (983 ft to 2,822 ft bml) at the Proposed Wellsite MC 651 RW2 is designated with at least a moderate potential for shallow water flow.

No wells within the vicinity reported shallow water flow in the presumed "Blue Unit" sequence within Unit 2 (218 ft to 485 ft bml). This sequence, as well as the units between 485 ft to 983 ft bml and below Horizon 50 (3,891 ft bml) to the Limit of Investigation have a low potential for shallow water flow. Any fluids encountered within these sediments are not likely to be significantly overpressured. There is a negligible potential for shallow water flow within the remaining mapped sequences.

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Results

The proposed MC 651 RW2 location in Mississippi Canyon Area, block 607, appears suitable for exploration drilling operations. No areas with the potential for deepwater benthic communities are identified within 2,000 ft of the proposed wellsite.

Two unidentified sonar contacts are delineated in the side-scan sonar data within 2,000 ft of the proposed wellsite. The contacts do not appear to represent archaeological resources and do not have archaeological avoidances. If any wood, ceramics, textiles, or ferrous objects become exposed during the course of bottom disturbing operations, all activities must be halted and BOEM notified within 48 hours.

There is a moderate potential for encountering overpressured sands within the slope-fan sediments between 983 ft and 2,822 ft bml (Unit 4). Significant shallow gas is not expected between the seafloor and Limit of Investigation.

Closing

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service to Chevron U.S.A. Inc. and look forward to working with Chevron on future projects.

Sincerely,

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Attachments (5 Maps and 4 Illustrations)

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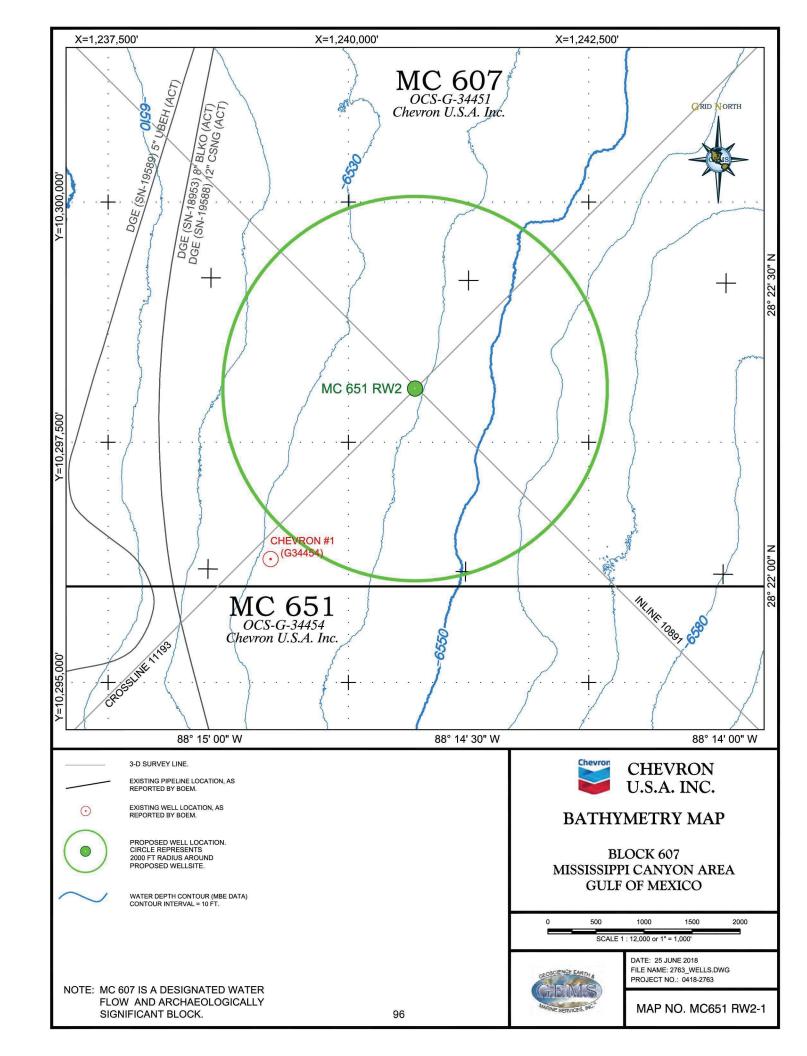
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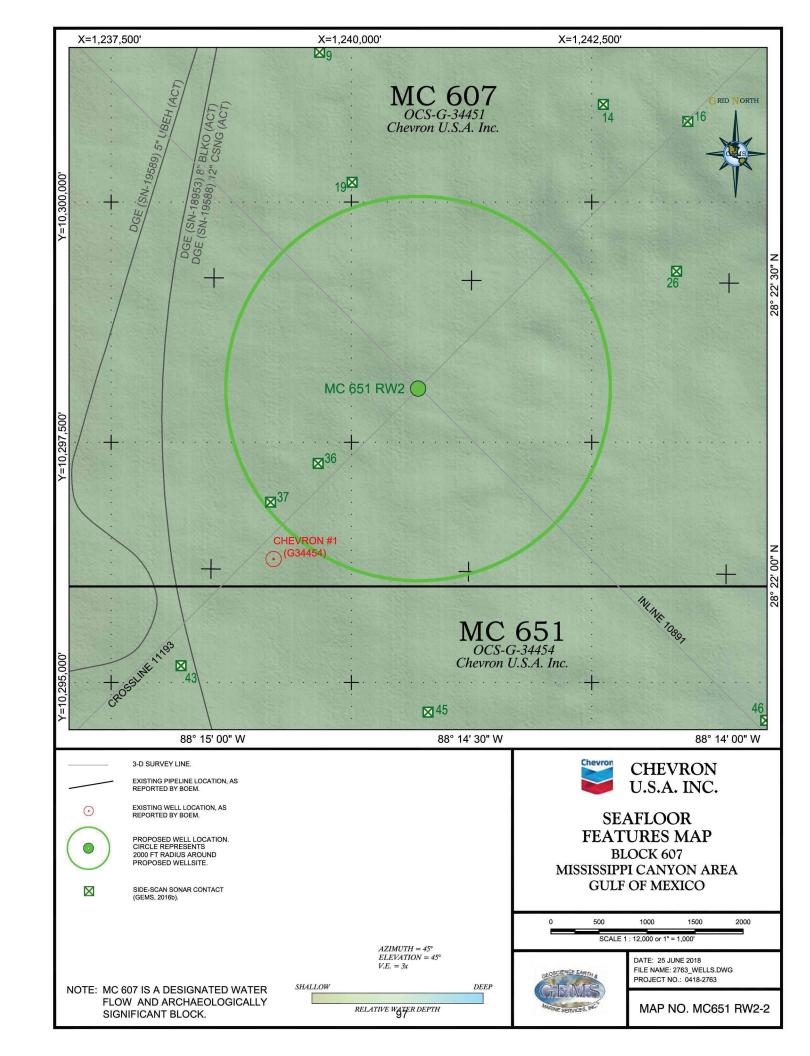
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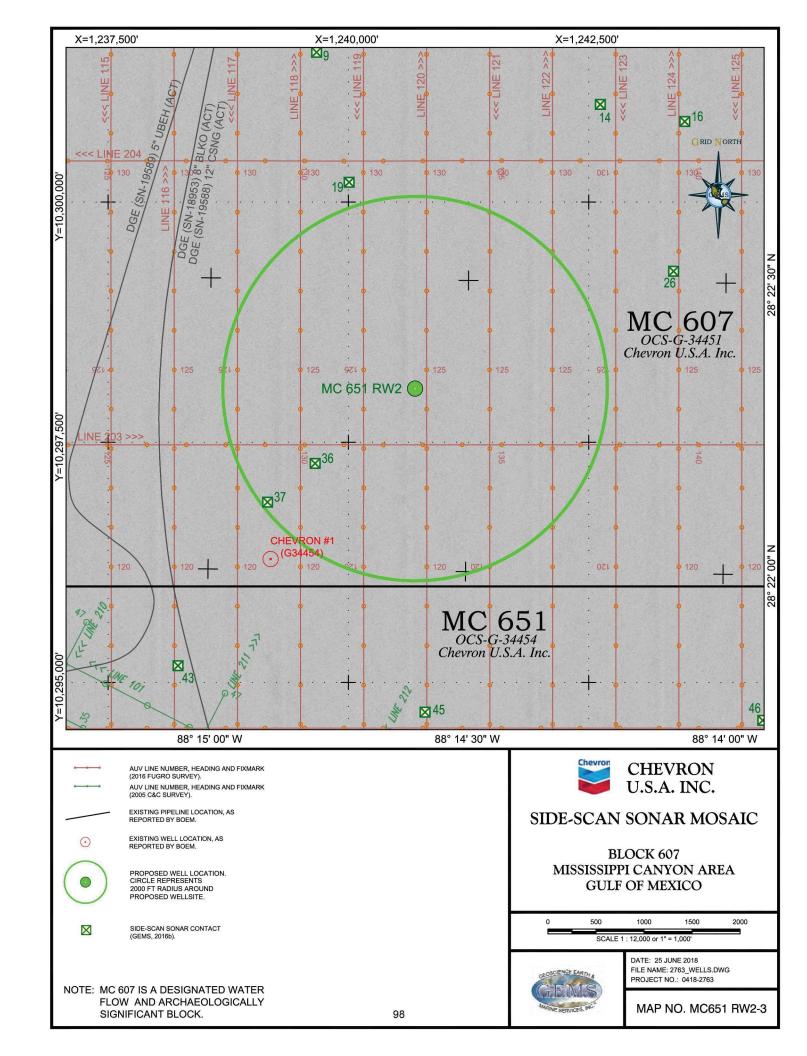
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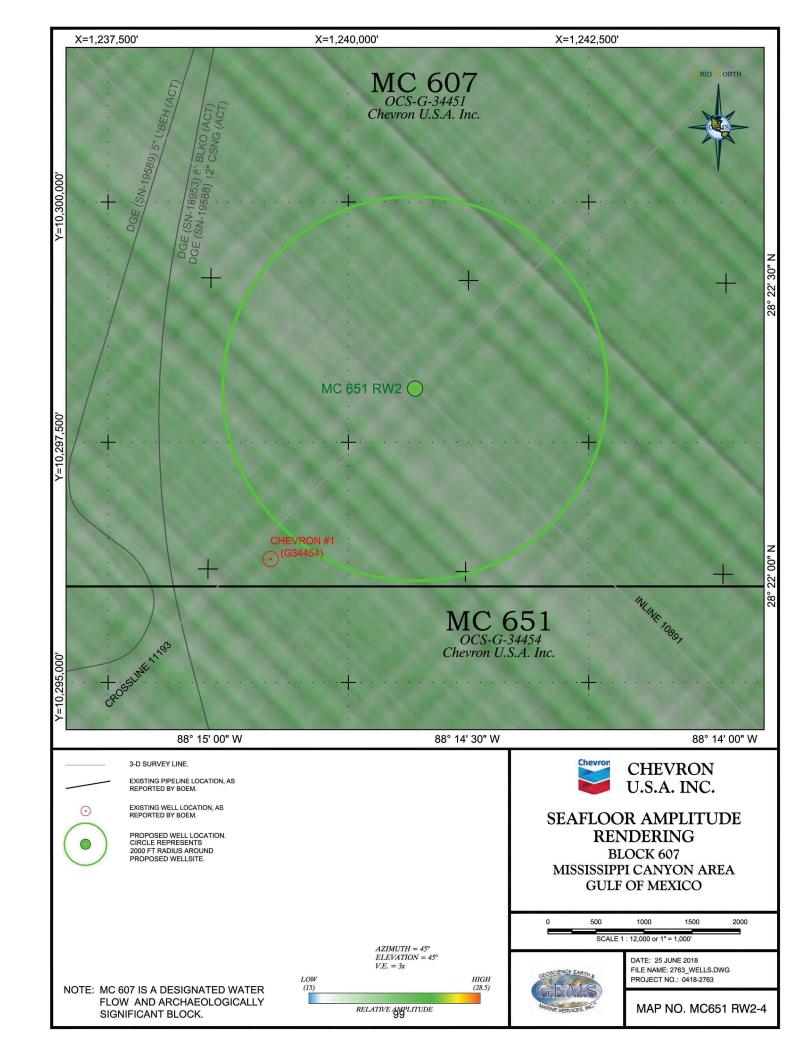
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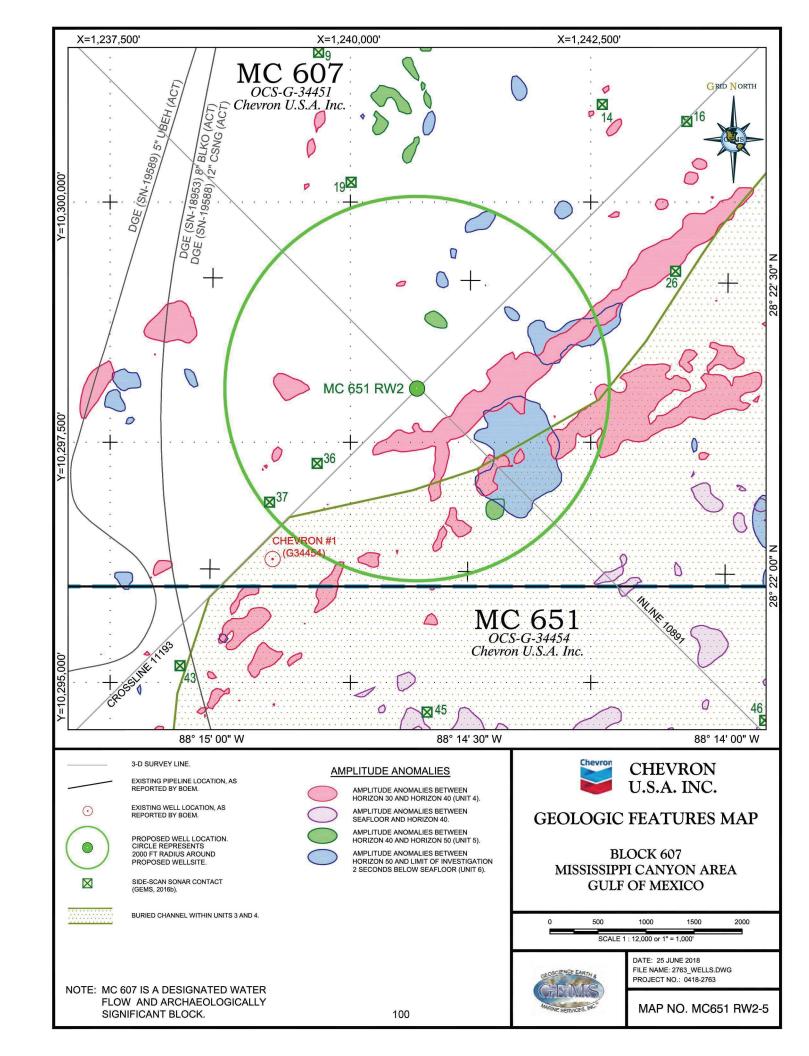
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SECTION 4 HYDROGEN SULFIDE INFORMATION

4.1 CONCENTRATION

Chevron anticipates encountering 15-40 ppm H₂S during the proposed operations.

4.2 CLASSIFICATION

By letter dated August 22, 2018, Supplemental EP (Control No. S-7903), BOEM classified MC Blocks 607 and 651 as H_2S present.

4.3 H₂S CONTINGENCY PLAN

As per 30 CFR 250.490 and NTL No. 2009-G31, "Hydrogen Sulfide," Chevron submitted and BSEE approved an H₂S Contingency Plan for wells drilled under the previous EP.

4.4 MODELING REPORT

Modeling reports are not required for the activities proposed in this plan.

SECTION 5 MINERAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION INFORMATION

5.1 TECHNOLOGY & RESERVOIR ENGINEERING PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES *Proprietary Information.*

5.2 TECHNOLOGY AND RECOVERY PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES *Proprietary Information.*

5.3 RESERVOIR DEVELOPMENT

Proprietary Information.

SECTION 6 BIOLOGICAL, PHYSICAL AND SOCIOECONOMIC INFORMATION

6.1 DEEPWATER BENTHIC COMMUNITIES

A Site Clearance Letter within 500 feet of the Ballymore MC 607 drill center was included In EP (Control No. S-7903), approved on August 22, 2018.

6.2 TOPOGRAPHIC FEATURES (BANKS)

Activities proposed in this DOCD do not fall within 305 meters (1000 feet) of a topographic "No Activity Zone;" therefore, no map is required per NTL No. 2009-G39, "Biologically Sensitive Underwater Features and Areas."

6.3 TOPOGRAPHIC FEATURES STATEMENT (SHUNTING)

MC Blocks 607, 650, 651 and 652 are not located within 61 meters (200 feet) of any pinnacle trend feature; therefore, a separate bathymetric map is not required per NTL No. 2009-G39, "Biologically Sensitive Underwater Features and Areas."

6.5 LIVE BOTTOMS (LOW RELIEF)

MC Blocks 607, 650, 651 and 652 are not located within 30 meters (100 feet) of any live bottom (low relief) feature with vertical relief equal to or greater than 8 feet; therefore, live bottom (low relief) maps are not required per NTL No. 2009-G39, "Biologically Sensitive Underwater Features and Areas."

6.6 POTENTIALLY SENSITIVE BIOLOGICAL FEATURES

MC Blocks 607, 650, 651 and 652 are not located within 30 meters (100 feet) of potentially sensitive biological features. In accordance with NTL No. 2009-G39, "Biologically Sensitive Underwater Features and Areas," biologically sensitive area maps are not required.

6.7 THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES, CRITICAL HABITAT AND MARINE MAMMAL INFORMATION

The federally listed endangered and threatened species potentially occurring in the lease area and along the Gulf Coast are provided in the table below.

Species	Scientific Name	Status	Potentia	I Presence	Critical Habitat
			Lease Area	Coastal	Designated in the Gulf of Mexico
Marine Mammals		•			
Manatee, West	Trichechus manatus	Т		Х	Florida (peninsular)
Indian	latirostris				
Whale, Blue	Balaenoptera masculus	Е	X ¹		None
Whale, Bryde's4	Balaenoptera brydei/edeni	Е	Х		None
Whale, Fin	Balaenoptera physalus	Е	X ¹		None

Species	Scientific Name	Status	Potentia	l Presence	Critical Habitat					
			Lease Area	Coastal	Designated in the Gulf of Mexico					
Whale, Humpback	Megaptera novaeangliae	Е	X ¹		None					
Whale, North Atlantic Right	Eubalaena glacialis	E	X ¹		None					
Whale, Rice's ⁴	Balaenoptera ricei	Е	Х		None					
Whale, Sei	Balaenopiera borealis	Е	X ¹		None					
Whale, Sperm	Physeter catodon	Е	Х		None					
	(=macrocephalus)									
Terrestrial Mamma	ls									
Mouse, Beach (Alabama, Choctawatchee, Perdido Key, St. Andrew)	Peromyscus polionotus	E	-	X	Alabama, Florida (panhandle) beaches					
Birds										
Plover, Piping	Charadrius melodus	Т	-	Х	Coastal Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida (panhandle)					
Crane, Whooping	Grus Americana	Е	-	Х	Coastal Texas					
Crane, Mississippi sandhill	Grus canadensis pulla	E	-	Х	Coastal Mississippi					
Curlew, Eskimo	Numenius borealis	Е	-	Х	none					
Falcon, Northern Aplomado	Falco femoralis septentrionalis	E	-	X	none					
Knot, Red	Calidris canutus rufa	Т	-	Х	None					
Stork, Wood	Mycteria americana	Т	-	Х	None					
Reptiles										
Sea Turtle, Green	Chelonia mydas	T/E ³	Х	X	None					
Sea Turtle, Hawksbill	Eretmochelys imbricata	E	Х	X	None					
Sea Turtle, Kemp's Ridley	Lepidochelys kempli	E	Х	Х	None					
Sea Turtle, Leatherback	Dermochelys coriacea	E	Х	Х	None					
Sea Turtle, Loggerhead	Caretta caretta	Т	Х	Х	Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida					
Fish										
Sturgeon, Gulf	Acipenser oxyrinchus (=oxyrhynchus) desotoi	Т	Х	Х	Coastal Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida (panhandle)					
Shark, Oceanic Whitetip	Carcharhinus longimanus	E	Х	_	None					
Sawfish, Smalltooth	Pristis pectinate	E	-	Х	None					
Grouper, Nassau	Epinephelus striatus	Т	-	Х	None					

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Species	Scientific Name	Status	Potentia	l Presence	Critical Habitat
			Lease Area	Coastal	Designated in the Gulf of Mexico
Ray, Giant Manta	Manta birostris	E	Х		None
Corals					
Coral, Elkhorn	Acopora palmate	Т	X ²	X	Florida Keys and Dry Tortugas
Coral, Staghorn	Acopora cervicornis	Т	Х	Х	Florida
Coral, Boulder Star	Orbicella franksi	Т	Х	Х	none
Coral, Lobed Star	Orbicella annularis	Т	Χ	Х	None
Coral, Mountainous Star	Orbicella faveolate	Т	Х	Х	None
Coral, Rough Cactus	Mycetophyllia ferox	Т	-	Х	None

Abbreviations: E = Endangered; T = Threatened

6.8 ARCHAEOLOGICAL REPORT

An Archaeological Assessment for MC Blocks 606-607 & 651 was previously submitted. Further, the proposed operations will be conducted from within 500 feet of a previously approved surface location as provided for in EP (Control No. S-7903); therefore, in accordance with NTL No. 2005-G07, "Archaeological Resource Surveys and Reports," and NTL No. 2011-JOINT-G01, "Revisions to the List of OCS Lease Blocks Requiring Archaeological Resource Surveys and Reports," an archaeological resource survey report is not provided.

6.9 AIR AND WATER QUALITY INFORMATION

Air and water quality information is not required to be included in this plan per NTL No. 2008-G04, "Information Requirements for Exploration Plans and Development Operations Coordination Documents."

6.10 SOCIOECONOMIC INFORMATION

Socioeconomic information is not required to be included in this plan per NTL No. 2008-G04, "Information Requirements for Exploration Plans and Development Operations Coordination Documents."

¹ The Blue, Fin, Humpback, North Atlantic Right, and Sei Whales are rare or extralimital in the Gulf of Mexico and are unlikely to be present in the lease area.

² According to the 2017 EIS, Elkhorn Coral, while uncommon, has been found in the Flower Garden Banks. (BOEM 2017-009)

³ Green Sea Turtles are considered threatened throughout the Gulf of Mexico; however, the breeding population off the coast of Florida is considered endangered.

⁴ The Bryde's whale, also known as the Bryde's whale complex, is a collection of baleen whales that are still being researched to determine if they are the same species or if they are individual species of whales. In 2021, the Rice's whale, formerly known as the Gulf of Mexico Bryde's whale, was determined to be a separate species. There are less than 100 Rice's whales living in the Gulf of Mexico year-round. These whales retain all the protections of the Gulf of Mexico Bryde's whale under the Endangered Species Act while the regulations are being updated to reflect the name change. Other Bryde's whales are migratory and may enter the Gulf of Mexico; however, the migratory Bryde's whales are rare or extralimital in the Gulf of Mexico and are unlikely to be present in the lease area.

SECTION 7 WASTES AND DISCHARGES INFORMATION

7.1 PROJECTED GENERATED WASTES

"Wastes You Will Generate, Treat and Downhole Dispose or Discharge to the Gulf of Mexico" is included as **Attachment 7-A**.

7.2 MODELING REPORT

Modeling reports are not required for the activities proposed in this plan.

ATTACHMENT 7-A - WASTE ESTIMATED TO BE GENERATED, TREATED AND/OR DOWNHOLE DISPOSED OR DISCHARGED TO THE GOM

Please specify if the amount reported is a total or per well amount and be sure to include appropriate units.

Projected generated waste			Pro	jected ocean	discharges	Projected Downhole Disposal
						Answer yes or
Type of Waste	Composition	Projected Amount	Disc	harge rate	Discharge Method	no
Will drilling occur ? If yes, you should list muds and cutti			_			
	Cuttings generated while					
EVANDI E. Cutting on the divide and their based floid	using synthetic based drilling	X bbl/well	V 5 5	1/-1/11	die de como escado e cod	A/a
EXAMPLE: Cuttings wetted with synthetic based fluid Water-based drilling fluid	fluid. NO DRILLING ACTIVITIES	NA NA	NA NA	l/day/well	discharge overboard NA	No No
Cuttings wetted with water-based fluid	NO DRILLING ACTIVITIES	NA NA	NA NA		NA NA	No
Cuttings wetted with synthetic-based fluid	NO DRILLING ACTIVITIES	NA	NA NA		NA NA	No
·	NO BRILLING ACTIVITIES	IVA	INA		IVA	140
NO DRILLING PROPOSED						
Will humans be there? If yes, expect conventional waste						
	Sanitary waste from living				chlorinate and discharge	
EXAMPLE: Sanitary waste water	quarters	X bbl/well		l/hr/well	overboard	No
Domestic waste			N/A			No
Sanitary waste			N/A			No
Is there a deck? If yes, there will be Deck Drainage						
Deck Drainage			N/A			No
Will you conduct well treatment, completion, or workover	?					
Well treatment fluids			N/A			No
Well completion fluids			N/A			No
Workover fluids			N/A			No
Miscellaneous discharges. If yes, only fill in those assoc	iated with your activity.					
Desalinization unit discharge			N/A			No
Blowout prevent fluid			N/A			No
Ballast water			N/A			No
Bilge water			N/A			No
Excess cement at seafloor			N/A			No
Fire water			N/A			No
Cooling water			N/A			No
 Will you produce hydrocarbons? If yes fill in for produced	d water.					
Produced water		1,738,130 bbl/yr/well	4,76	2 bbl/day/well	discharged overboard through diffuser	No
Please enter individual or general to indicate which type	of NPDES permit you will be o	overed by?	Gen			
				E: All discharged wa		
NOTE: If you will not have a type of waste for the activity be	ing applied for, enter NA for all	columns in the row.	comp	oly with the requirem	ents of the NPDES permit.	

SECTION 8 AIR EMISSIONS INFORMATION

8.1 SUMMARY INFORMATION

There are no existing facilities or activities co-located with the currently proposed activities; therefore, the Complex Total Emissions are the same as the Plan Emissions and are provided in **Attachment 8-A**.

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COMPANY	Chevron U.S.A., Inc.
AREA	Mississippi Canyon
BLOCK	607
LEASE	OCS-G34451
FACILITY	NA - Installation Vessel/DP Drillship
WELL	BP001, BP002, BP003
COMPANY CONTACT	Kathy Sharp
TELEPHONE NO.	985-773-6230
REMARKS	

LEASE TE	RM PIPELINE	CONSTRUCTION INFORMATION:	
YEAR	NUMBER O		
	PIPELINES		
2023	6		60
2024			
2025			
2026			
2027			
2028			
2029			
2030			
2031			
2032			

AIR EMISSIONS COMPUTATION FACTORS

Fuel Usage Conversion Factors	Natural Gas	Turbines		Natural Gas Engines	Diesel Reci	p. Engine	Diesel T	urbines	
	SCF/hp-hr	9.524		SCF/hp-hr 7.143	GAL/hp-hr	0.0514	GAL/hp-hr	0.0514	

Equipment/Emission Factors	units	TSP	PM10	PM2.5	SOx	NOx	voc	Pb	со	NH3	REF.	DATE	Reference Links		
Natural Gas Turbine	g/hp-hr		0.0086	0.0086	0.0026	1.4515	0.0095	N/A	0.3719	N/A	AP42 3.1-1& 3.1-2a	4/00			
RECIP. 2 Cycle Lean Natural Gas	,		0.0086	0.1293	0.0026	6.5998	0.4082	N/A	1.2009	N/A N/A	AP42 3.2-1	7/00	https://www3.epa.gov/ttnchie1/ap42/ch03/final/c03s01.pdf		
RECIP. 2 Cycle Lean Natural Gas	g/hp-hr g/hp-hr		0.1293	0.1293	0.0020	2.8814	0.4082	N/A	1.8949	N/A	AP42.3.2-1 AP42.3.2-2	7/00	https://www3.epa.gov/ttn/chief/ap42/ch03/final/c03s02.pdf		
RECIP. 4 Cycle Lean Natural Gas	g/np-nr g/hp-hr		0.0002	0.0002	0.0020	7.7224	0.4014	N/A	11.9408	N/A N/A	AP42.3.2-2 AP42.3.2-3	7/00	https://www3.epa.gov/ttn/chief/ap42/ch03/final/c03s02.pdf		
RECIP. 4 Cycle Rich Natural Gas	g/np-nr		0.0323	0.0323		1.1224		N/A		N/A			https://www3.epa.gov/ttn/chief/ap42/ch03/final/c03s02.pdf		
Diesel Recip. < 600 hp	g/hp-hr	1	1	1	0.0279	14.1	1.04	N/A	3.03	N/A	AP42 3.3-1	10/96	https://www3.epa.gov/ttnchie1/ap42/ch03/final/c03s03.pdf		
Diesel Recip. > 600 hp	g/hp-hr	0.32	0.182	0.178	0.0055	10.9	0.29	N/A	2.5	N/A	AP42 3.4-1 & 3.4-2	10/96	https://www3.epa.gov/ttn/chief/ap42/ch03/final/c03s04.pdf		
Diesel Boiler	lbs/bbl	0.0840	0.0420	0.0105	0.0089	1.0080	0.0084	5.14E-05	0.2100	0.0336	AP42 1.3-6; Pb and NH3: WebFIRE (08/2018)	9/98 and 5/10	https://cfpub.epa.gov/webfire/		
Diesel Turbine	g/hp-hr	0.0381	0.0137	0.0137	0.0048	2.7941	0.0013	4.45E-05	0.0105	N/A	AP42 3.1-1 & 3.1-2a	4/00	https://www3.epa.gov/ttnchie1/ap42/ch03/final/c03s01.pdf		
Dual Fuel Turbine	g/hp-hr	0.0381	0.0137	0.0137	0.0048	2.7941	0.0095	4.45E-05	0.3719	0.0000	AP42 3.1-1& 3.1-2a; AP42 3.1-1 & 3.1-2a	4/00	https://cfpub.epa.gov/webfire/		
Vessels – Propulsion	g/hp-hr	0.320	0.1931	0.1873	0.0047	7.6669	0.2204	2.24E-05	1.2025	0.0022	USEPA 2017 NEI;TSP refer to Diesel Recip. > 600 hp reference	3/19			
Vessels - Drilling Prime Engine, Auxilian	y g/hp-hr	0.320	0.1931	0.1873	0.0047	7.6669	0.2204	2.24E-05	1.2025	0.0022	USEPA 2017 NEI;TSP refer to Diesel Recip. > 600 hp reference	3/19	https://www.epa.gov/air-emissions-inventories/2017-national-emissions-		
Vessels - Diesel Boiler	g/hp-hr	0.0466	0.1491	0.1417	0.4400	1.4914	0.0820	3.73E-05	0.1491	0.0003	USEPA 2017 NEI;TSP (units converted) refer to Diesel Boiler Reference	3/19	inventory-nei-data		
Vessels – Well Stimulation	g/hp-hr	0.320	0.1931	0.1873	0.0047	7.6669	0.2204	2.24E-05	1.2025	0.0022	USEPA 2017 NEI;TSP refer to Diesel Recip. > 600 hp reference	3/19			
Natural Gas Heater/Boiler/Burner	lbs/MMscf	7.60	1.90	1.90	0.60	190.00	5.50	5.00E-04	84.00	3.2	AP42 1.4-1 & 1.4-2; Pb and NH3: WebFIRE (08/2018)	7/98 and 8/18	https://www3.epa.gov/ttnchie1/ap42/ch01/final/c01s04.pdf		
Combustion Flare (no smoke)	lbs/MMscf	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.57	71.40	35.93	N/A	325.5	N/A	AP42 13.5-1, 13.5-2	2/18	https://abub.ong.gov/webtire/		
Combustion Flare (light smoke)	lbs/MMscf	2.10	2.10	2.10	0.57	71.40	35.93	N/A	325.5	N/A	AP42 13.5-1, 13.5-2	2/18	https://www3.epa.gov/ttn/chief/ap42/ch13/final/C13S05_02-05-18.pdf		
Combustion Flare (medium smoke)	lbs/MMscf	10.50	10.50	10.50	0.57	71.40	35.93	N/A	325.5	N/A	AP42 13.5-1, 13.5-2	2/18	https://www3.epa.gov/ttn/cniet/ap42/cn13/final/C13805_02-05-18.pdf		
Combustion Flare (heavy smoke)	lbs/MMscf	21.00	21.00	21.00	0.57	71.40	35.93	N/A	325.5	N/A	AP42 13.5-1, 13.5-2	2/18			
Liquid Flaring	lbs/bbl	0.42	0.0966	0.0651	5.964	0.84	0.01428	5.14E-05	0.21	0.0336	36 AP42 1.3-1 through 1.3-3 and 1.3-5		https://www3.epa.gov/ttnchie1/ap42/ch01/final/c01s03.pdf		
Storage Tank	tons/yr/tank						4.300				2014 Gulfwide Inventory: Ava emiss (upper bound of 95% C1)	2017	https://www.boem.gov/environment/environmental-studies/2014- gulfwide-emission-inventory		
Fugitives	lbs/hr/component						0.0005				API Study	12/93	https://www.apiwebstore.org/publications/item.cgi?9879d38a-8bc0-4abe- bb5c-9b623870125d		
Glycol Dehydrator	tons/yr/dehydrator						19.240				2011 Gulfwide Inventory; Avg emiss (upper bound of 95% CI)	2014	https://www.boem.gov/environment/environmental-studies/2011- gulfwide-emission-inventory		
Cold Vent	tons/yr/vent						44.747				2014 Gulfwide Inventory; Avg emiss (upper bound of 95% CI)	2017	https://www.boem.gov/environment/environmental-studies/2014-gulfwide-emission-inventory		
Waste Incinerator	lb/ton		15.0	15.0	2.5	2.0	N/A	N/A	20.0	N/A	AP 42 2.1-12	10/96	https://www3.epa.gov/ttpchie1/ap42/ch02/final/c02s01.pdf		
On-Ice – Loader	lbs/gal	0.043	0.043	0.043	0.040	0.604	0.049	N/A	0.130	0.003	USEPA NONROAD2008 model; TSP (units converted) refer to Diesel Recip. <600 reference	2009			
On-Ice – Other Construction Equipmen	lbs/gal	0.043	0.043	0.043	0.040	0.604	0.049	N/A	0.130	0.003	USEPA NONROAD2008 model; TSP (units converted) refer to Diesel Recip. <600 reference	2009			
On-Ice - Other Survey Equipment	lbs/gal	0.043	0.043	0.043	0.040	0.604	0.049	N/A	0.130	0.003	USEPA NONROAD2008 model; TSP (units converted) refer to Diesel Recip. <600 reference	2009	https://www.epa.gov/moves/nonroad2008a-installation-and-updates		
On-Ice - Tractor	lbs/gal	0.043	0.043	0.043	0.040	0.604	0.049	N/A	0.130	0.003	USEPA NONROAD2008 model; TSP (units converted) refer to Diesel Recip. <600 reference	2009	https://www.epa.gov/moves/nonroadzoosa-instanation-and-updates		
On-lce – Truck (for gravel island)	lbs/gal	0.043	0.043	0.043	0.040	0.604	0.049	N/A	0.130	0.003	USEPA NONROAD2008 model; TSP (units converted) refer to Diesel Recip. <600 reference	2009]		
On-Ice - Truck (for surveys)	lbs/gal	0.043	0.043	0.043	0.040	0.604	0.049	N/A	0.130	0.003	USEPA NONROAD2008 model; TSP (units converted) refer to Diesel Recip. <600 reference	2009			
Man Camp - Operation (max people/da	' '		0.0004	0.0004	0.0004	0.006	0.001	N/A	0.001	N/A	BOEM 2014-1001	2014	Newsroom/Library/Publications/2014-1001.pdf		
Vessels - Ice Management Diesel	g/hp-hr	0.320	0.1931	0.1873	0.0047	7.6669	0.2204	2.24E-05	1.2025	0.0022	USEPA 2017 NEI;TSP refer to Diesel Recip. > 600 hp reference	3/19	https://www.epa.gov/air-emissions-inventories/2017-national-emissions-		
Vessels - Hovercraft Diesel	g/hp-hr	0.320	0.1931	0.1873	0.0047	7.6669	0.2204	2.24E-05	1.2025	0.0022	USEPA 2017 NEI;TSP refer to Diesel Recip. > 600 hp reference	3/19	https://www.epa.gov/air-emissions-inventories/2017-national-emissions-		

Sulfur Content Source	Value	Units
Fuel Gas	3.38	ppm
Diesel Fuel	0.0015	% weight
Produced Gas (Flare)	3.38	ppm
Produced Oil (Liquid Flaring)	1	% weight

Natural Gas Flare Parameters	Value	Units
VOC Content of Flare Gas	0.6816	lb VOC/lb-mol gas
Natural Gas Flare Efficiency	98	%

Density and Heat Value of Diesel Fuel											
Density	7.05	lbs/gal									
Heat Value	19,300	Btu/lb									

Heat Value of Natural Gas
Heat Value 1,050 MMBtu/MMscf

AIR EMISSIONS CALCULATIONS - 2ND YEAR

COMPANY	AREA		BLOCK	LEASE	FACILITY	WELL					CONTACT		PHONE		REMARKS											
Chevron U.S.A., Inc.	Mississippi Canyon		607	OCS-G34451	NA - Installation Vessel/DP Drillship	BP001, BP00	02, BP003				Kathy Sharp		985-773-6230													
OPERATIONS	EQUIPMENT	EQUIPMENT ID	RATING	MAX. FUEL	ACT. FUEL	RUN	TIME		•	•	MAXIMU	M POUNDS P	ER HOUR				ESTIMATED TONS									
	Diesel Engines Nat. Gas Engines		HP HP	GAL/HR SCF/HR	GAL/D SCF/D																					
	Burners		MMBTU/HR	SCF/HR		HR/D	D/YR	TSP	PM10	PM2.5	SOx	NOx	VOC	Pb	СО	NH3	TSP	PM10	PM2.5	SOx	NOx	VOC	Pb	CO	NH3	
DRILLING	VESSELS- Drilling - Propulsion Engine - Diesel VESSELS- Drilling - Propulsion Engine - Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	VESSELS- Drilling - Propulsion Engine - Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	ő	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	VESSELS- Drilling - Propulsion Engine - Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	Vessels - Diesel Boiler Vessels – Drilling Prime Engine, Auxiliary		0	HARRARA	0.00	0	0	0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	Vessels - Diminig I fille Elignie, Adamaty		-	U	0.00	U	Ü		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00				
PIPELINE	VESSELS - Pipeline Laying Vessel - Diesel VESSELS - Construction - Diesel		27035 26069	1390.843 1341.146	33380.22 32187.50	24 24	60 20	19.07 18.39	11.51 11.10	11.16 10.76	0.28 0.27	456.96 440.64	13.14 12.67	0.00	71.67 69.11	0.13 0.13	13.73 4.41	8.29 2.66	8.04 2.58	0.20 0.06	329.01 105.75	9.46 3.04	0.00	51.61 16.59	0.10 0.03	
INSTALLATION	VESSELS - Pipeline Burying - Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	MISC. WASTE INCINERATOR - Vessels Pipeline Laying Vesse		TPD 0.3	SCF/HR	COUNT	24	60	-	11.25	11.25	1.88	1.50			0.00			0.10	8.10	1.35	1.08	_	_	0.00		
	WASTE INCINERATOR - Vessels Fipeline Laying Vesse WASTE INCINERATOR - Vessels - Construction		1.22			24	20		15.25	15.25	2.54	2.03	_	_	0.00	0.00	_	3.66	3.66	0.61	0.49	_	_	0.00	0.00	
EACH ITY INSTALL AT	VESSELS - Heavy Lift Vessel/Derrick Barge Diesel		0		0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
PACIEITY INSTALLATI	VESSELS - Heavy Lift Vessel/Derrick Barge Diesel VESSELS - Light Construction Diesel		29989	1542.814	37027.54	24	120	21.16	12.76	12.38	0.00	506.90	14.57	0.00	79.51	0.00	30.47	18.38	17.83	0.00	729.93	20.99	0.00	114.49	0.00	
	MISC.		TPD 0.4	SCF/HR	COUNT	0.4	400		24.50	24.50	r 0r	4.00	0.00		0.00			45.36	45.00	7.50	6.05	0.00		0.00		
	WASTE INCINERATOR - Vessels - Light Construction		0.4	BBBBBB	*************	24	120	-	31.50	31.50	5.25	4.20	0.00		0.00	-	-	45.36	45.36	7.56	6.05	0.00	-	0.00	-	
PRODUCTION	RECIP.<600hp Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	
	RECIP.>600hp Diesel VESSELS - Shuttle Tankers		0	0	0.00 0.00	0	0	0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	VESSELS - Well Stimulation		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	Natural Gas Turbine Diesel Turbine		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	
	Dual Fuel Turbine		0	0	0.00	Ō	ō	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	RECIP. 2 Cycle Lean Natural Gas RECIP. 4 Cycle Lean Natural Gas		0	0	0.00	0	0	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	_	
	RECIP. 4 Cycle Rich Natural Gas		ő	ŏ	0.00	ő	ő	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00		-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	
	Diesel Boiler Natural Gas Heater/Boiler/Burner		0	1888 1888	99999999 0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	MISC.		BPD	SCF/HR		U	U	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	STORAGE TANK COMBUSTION FLARE - no smoke			99999	00000000	1	1	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	
	COMBUSTION FLARE - light smoke			0	1888888	Ö	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	_	
	COMBUSTION FLARE - medium smoke			0		0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	
	COMBUSTION FLARE - heavy smoke COLD VENT			68888E	8888888	1	1	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	_	
	FUGITIVES				0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0.00		-		-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	
	GLYCOL DEHYDRATOR WASTE INCINERATOR		unninna	18888	mannan	1 0	1 0	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	_	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	_	
DRILLING	Liquid Flaring		0			0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
WELL TEST	COMBUSTION FLARE - no smoke			0		0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	
	COMBUSTION FLARE - light smoke COMBUSTION FLARE - medium smoke			0		0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	_	
	COMBUSTION FLARE - medium smoke COMBUSTION FLARE - heavy smoke			0		0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	_	
ALASKA-SPECIFIC	VESSELS		1906			HR/D	D/YR		0.00																	
SOURCES	VESSELS - Ice Management Diesel		0			0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	
	Facility Total Emissions		_					58.62	93.37	92.31	10.52	1,412.23		0.00	220.29			86.45			1,172.31	33.49	0.00	182.68	0.34	
EXEMPTION CALCULATION	DISTANCE FROM LAND IN MILES																2.297.70			2.297.70	2,297.70	2,297.70		57,197.67		
	69.0																									
DRILLING	VESSELS- Crew Diesel VESSELS - Supply Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	VESSELS - Supply Diesel VESSELS - Tugs Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
PIPELINE	VESSELS - Support Diesel, Laying		8000	411.568	9877.63	24	80	5.64	3.41	3.30	0.08	135.22	3.89	0.00	21.21	0.04	5.42	3.27	3.17	0.08	129.81	3.73	0.00	20.36	0.04	
INSTALLATION	VESSELS - Support Diesel, Laying VESSELS - Support Diesel, Burying		57804 0	2973.785 0	71370.83 0.00	24 0	110 0	40.78 0.00	24.60 0.00	23.87 0.00	0.59 0.00	977.04 0.00	28.09 0.00	0.00	153.25 0.00	0.29 0.00	53.83 0.00	32.48 0.00	31.50 0.00	0.78 0.00	1289.70 0.00	37.08 0.00	0.00	202.29 0.00	0.38	
	VESSELS - Crew Diesel		0	Ō	0.00	Ö	Ō	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
FACILITY	VESSELS - Supply Diesel VESSELS - Material Tug Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
INSTALLATION	VESSELS - Crew Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	ő	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	VESSELS - Diving Support Diesel VESSELS - Supply Diesel		11066	569.3014	13663.23	24	40	7.81 0.00	4.71 0.00	4.57 0.00	0.11	187.05 0.00	5.38	0.00	29.34	0.05 0.00	3.75 0.00	2.26	2.19 0.00	0.05	89.78	2.58 0.00	0.00	14.08 0.00	0.03	
PRODUCTION	VESSELS - Support Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
ALASKA-SPECIFIC SOURCES	On-Ice Equipment			GAL/HR	GAL/D																					
SOURCES	Man Camp - Operation (maximum people per day)		PEOPLE/DAY	88888	10000000	-		1	<u> </u>		1		1	 	-	-		-	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	
	VESSELS		SW.			HR/D	D/YR																			
	On-Ice – Loader On-Ice – Other Construction Equipment			0	0.0	0	0	0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	
	On-Ice - Other Survey Equipment			ő	0.0	0	Ö	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	
	On-Ice – Tractor On-Ice – Truck (for gravel island)			0	0.0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	
	On-ice – Truck (for graver island) On-ice – Truck (for surveys)			0	0.0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	
	Man Camp - Operation		0			0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00		
2023	VESSELS - Hovercraft Diesel Non-Facility Total Emissions		0	pototota		0	0	0.00 54.23	0.00 32.72	0.00 31.74	0.00	0.00 1,299.31	0.00 37.36	0.00	0.00 203.79		0.00 62.99	0.00 38.01	0.00 36.87	0.00 0.92	0.00 1,509.29	0.00 43.40	0.00	0.00 236.73	0.00	
2023	,											,									,					

AIR EMISSIONS CALCULATIONS - 2ND YEAR

COMPANY	AREA		BLOCK	LEASE	FACILITY	WELL					CONTACT		PHONE		REMARKS										
Chevron U.S.A. Inc.	Mississippi Canvon		607	OCS-G34451	NA - Installation Vessel/DP	BP001. BP0	02. BP003				Kathy Sharp		985-773-6230												
OPERATIONS	EQUIPMENT	EQUIPMENT II	RATING	MAX FIIFI	ACT. FUEL	RUN	TIME					M POUNDS P	FR HOUR				II			FS	TIMATED TO	ONS			
OI EIGHNONG	Diesel Engines	EQUI MEIT I	HP	GAL/HR	GAL/D						in other	00.1.50 1	Litinooit									5110			
	Nat. Gas Engines Burners		HP MMBTU/HR	SCF/HR SCF/HR		UD/D	D/YR	TSP	PM10	PM2.5	SOx	NOx	VOC	Pb	СО	NH3	TSP	PM10	PM2.5	SOx	I NOv	VOC	Pb	CO	NH3
DRILLING	VESSELS- Drilling - Propulsion Engine - Diesel		0	O O	0.00	nr/D	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	VESSELS- Drilling - Propulsion Engine - Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	ō	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	VESSELS- Drilling - Propulsion Engine - Diesel VESSELS- Drilling - Propulsion Engine - Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 0.00	0.00
	Vessels - Diesel Boiler		0	188888		0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Vessels - Drilling Prime Engine, Auxiliary		Ö	0	0.00	ő	Ö	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PIPELINE					0.00			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
INSTALLATION	VESSELS - Pipeline Laying Vessel - Diesel VESSELS - Construction - Diesel		26069	1341.146	0.00 32187.50	24	20	0.00 18.39	0.00 11.10	0.00 10.76	0.00 0.27	440.64	0.00 12.67	0.00	0.00 69.11	0.00 0.13	0.00	0.00 2.66	0.00 2.58	0.00	0.00 105.75	0.00 3.04	0.00	0.00 16.59	0.00
	VESSELS - Pipeline Burying - Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	MISC. WASTE INCINERATOR - Vessels - Construction		TPD 1.22	SCF/HR	COUNT	24	20		15.25	15.25	2.54	2.03	-	-	0.00			3.66	3.66	0.61	0.49		_	0.00	
			1.22	0-0-0-0-0	0+0+0+0+0+0+0+0+	24	20	_	13.23		2.04		-	-	0.00	-	_	3.00	3.00	0.01	0.43		_	0.00	-
FACILITY INSTALLATI	VESSELS - Heavy Lift Vessel/Derrick Barge Diese	ı	0	. 0	0.00	0	0 80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	VESSELS - Light Construction Diesel MISC.		29989 TPD	1542.814 SCF/HR	37027.54 COUNT	24	80	21.16	12.76	12.38	0.31	506.90	14.57	0.00	79.51	0.15	20.31	12.25	11.89	0.30	486.62	13.99	0.00	76.33	0.14
	WASTE INCINERATOR - Vessels - Light Construct	tion	0.4	HERE	HHHHHH	24	80	-	21.00	21.00	3.50	2.80	-	-	0.00	0.00	-	20.16	20.16	3.36	2.69		-	0.00	0.00
PRODUCTION	DEGID 10001 D. I							0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	
PRODUCTION	RECIP.<600hp Diesel RECIP.>600hp Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	_
	VESSELS - Shuttle Tankers		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	VESSELS - Well Stimulation		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Natural Gas Turbine Diesel Turbine		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00	
	Dual Fuel Turbine		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	RECIP. 2 Cycle Lean Natural Gas RECIP. 4 Cycle Lean Natural Gas		0	0	0.00	0	0	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-
	RECIP. 4 Cycle Rich Natural Gas		0	0	0.00	0	0	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	_	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	
	Diesel Boiler		0	HARRAR		0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Natural Gas Heater/Boiler/Burner MISC.		0 RPD	SCF/HR	0.00 COUNT	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	STORAGE TANK		888888888	30F/HK		1	1	-	-	-	-	-	0.00		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-		-
	COMBUSTION FLARE - no smoke			0		0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-
	COMBUSTION FLARE - light smoke COMBUSTION FLARE - medium smoke			0		0	0	0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	
	COMBUSTION FLARE - heavy smoke			Ö		0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	
	COLD VENT				0	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	
	FUGITIVES GLYCOL DEHYDRATOR		B888888		0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	_	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	0.00	-		-
	WASTE INCINERATOR		0		1000000	ó	ó	Ξ	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	- 0.00		0.00	_	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	-
DRILLING	Liquid Flaring		22222	88888		0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
WELL TEST	COMBUSTION FLARE - no smoke		B888888	0	BBBBBB	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-
	COMBUSTION FLARE - light smoke COMBUSTION FLARE - medium smoke		888888888	0		0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-
	COMBUSTION FLARE - medium smoke COMBUSTION FLARE - heavy smoke			0		0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-
ALASKA-SPECIFIC				10000		0		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-
SOURCES	VESSELS		E-VO			HR/D	D/YR																		
2024	VESSELS - Ice Management Diesel Facility Total Emissions		0	BRIRKER	RRRRRR	0	0	0.00 39.55	0.00 60.11	0.00 59.39	0.00 6.62	0.00 952.36	0.00 27.24	0.00	0.00 148.62	0.00 0.28	0.00 24.72	0.00 38.74	0.00 38.29	0.00 4.33	0.00 595,55	0.00 17.03	0.00	0.00 92.91	0.00
EXEMPTION	DISTANCE FROM LAND IN MILES							33.33	00.11	33.33	0.02	332.30	21.24	0.00	140.02	0.20	24.12	30.74	30.23	4.55	333.33	17.00	0.00	32.31	0.17
CALCULATION																	2,297.70			2,297.70	2,297.70	2,297.70		57,197.67	
DRILLING	69.0 VESSELS- Crew Diesel		n	n	0.00	n	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
S. W.ELINO	VESSELS - Supply Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SIDEL INC	VESSELS - Tugs Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PIPELINE INSTALLATION	VESSELS - Support Diesel, Laying VESSELS - Support Diesel, Laying		8000 57804	411.568 2973.785	9877.63 71370.83	24 24	60 80	5.64 40.78	3.41 24.60	3.30 23.87	0.08 0.59	135.22 977.04	3.89 28.09	0.00	21.21 153.25	0.04 0.29	4.06 39.15	2.45 23.62	2.38 22.91	0.06 0.57	97.36 937.96	2.80 26.97	0.00	15.27 147.12	0.03 0.27
INSTALLATION	VESSELS - Support Diesel, Eaving		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	VESSELS - Crew Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FACILITY	VESSELS - Supply Diesel VESSELS - Material Tug Diesel	1	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
INSTALLATION	VESSELS - Crew Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	VESSELS - Diving Support Diesel		11066	569.3014	13663.23	24	20	7.81	4.71	4.57	0.11	187.05	5.38	0.00	29.34	0.05	1.87	1.13	1.10	0.03	44.89	1.29	0.00	7.04	0.01
PRODUCTION	VESSELS - Supply Diesel VESSELS - Support Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ALASKA-SPECIFIC			lanai aa	0		U	U	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SOURCES	On-Ice Equipment			GAL/HR	GAL/D						<u> </u>			<u> </u>	<u> </u>		<u></u>			<u> </u>	<u> </u>		<u> </u>		<u> </u>
	Man Camp - Operation (maximum people per da VESSELS	ıy)	PEOPLE/DAY			HR/D	D/YR																		
	VESSELS On-lce – Loader		IBBBBBBBBB		0.0	HR/D	D/YR 0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00
	On-Ice – Other Construction Equipment			ő	0.0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00
	On-Ice - Other Survey Equipment			0	0.0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00
	On-Ice – Tractor On-Ice – Truck (for gravel island)			0	0.0	0	0	0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
	On-Ice – Truck (for surveys)			ŏ	0.0	ő	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	0.00
	Man Camp - Operation		0			0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.05
	VESSELS - Hovercraft Diesel Non-Facility Total Emissions		0			0	0	0.00 54.23	0.00 32.72	0.00 31.74	0.00	0.00 1,299.31	0.00 37.36	0.00	0.00 203.79	0.00	0.00 45.09	0.00 27.20	0.00 26.39	0.00	0.00 1.080.21	0.00 31.06	0.00	0.00 169.43	0.00 0.32
					1		1	34.23	32.12	31.74	0.13	1,233.31	31.30	0.00	203.19	0.30	40.03	21.20	20.33	0.00	1,000.21				

COMPANY	ARFA		BLOCK	LEASE	FACILITY	WELL				ı	CONTACT		PHONE		REMARKS										
	AREA Mississippi Canyon		BLOCK 607	OCS-G34451	NA - Installation		02, BP003				Kathy Sharp		985-773-6230		ALMARAS										
					Vessel/DP Drillship						,,						_								
OPERATIONS	EQUIPMENT Diesel Engines	EQUIPMENT ID	RATING HP	MAX. FUEL	GAL/D	RUN	TIME				MAXIMU	M POUNDS PE	R HOUR	-				-		ES	TIMATED T	ONS			
	Nat. Gas Engines		HP	SCF/HR	SCF/D																				
	Burners		MMBTU/HR	SCF/HR	SCF/D		D/YR	TSP	PM10	PM2.5	SOx		VOC	Pb	CO	NH3	TSP	PM10	PM2.5		NOx	VOC	Pb	CO	NH3
DRILLING V	VESSELS- Drilling - Propulsion Engine - Diesel* VESSELS- Drilling - Propulsion Engine - Diesel		64369 0	3311.528	79476.66 0.00	24	150	45.41 0.00	27.40	26.58 0.00	0.66	1088.01 0.00	31.28 0.00	0.00	170.65	0.32 0.00	81.74 0.00	49.32 0.00	47.84 0.00	1.19 0.00	1958.42	56.31 0.00	0.01	307.17 0.00	0.57
v	VESSELS- Drilling - Propulsion Engine - Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
V	VESSELS- Drilling - Propulsion Engine - Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Vessels - Diesel Boiler		0	188888		0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
V	Vessels – Drilling Prime Engine, Auxiliary		U	0	0.00	U	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PIPELINE V	VESSELS - Pipeline Laying Vessel - Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
INSTALLATION V	VESSELS - Pipeline Burying - Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FACILITY INSTALLATION	VESSELS - Heavy Lift Vessel/Derrick Barge Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PRODUCTION R	RECIP.<600hp Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	
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	VESSELS - Shuttle Tankers		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	VESSELS - Well Stimulation Natural Gas Turbine		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Diesel Turbine		0	0	0.00	Ö	ő	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_
	Dual Fuel Turbine		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	RECIP. 2 Cycle Lean Natural Gas		0	0	0.00	0	0	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-
	RECIP. 4 Cycle Lean Natural Gas RECIP. 4 Cycle Rich Natural Gas		0	0	0.00	0	0		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1 -	0.00	
	Diesel Boiler		Ö			ő	ő	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Natural Gas Heater/Boiler/Burner		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	MISC. STORAGE TANK		BPD	SCF/HR	COUNT	1	1	_	_	_		_	0.00	-		_	-	_	_	_		0.00	_	_	-
	COMBUSTION FLARE - no smoke			0	888888	Ö	Ö	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	_
	COMBUSTION FLARE - light smoke			0	8888888	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-
9	COMBUSTION FLARE - medium smoke			0	8888888	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-
	COMBUSTION FLARE - heavy smoke COLD VENT			0	Lananana	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-
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	WASTE INCINERATOR Liquid Flaring		0			0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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	COMBUSTION FLARE - light smoke			0		0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	_
	COMBUSTION FLARE - medium smoke		#888888	0	888888	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	I -	0.00	_
	COMBUSTION FLARE - heavy smoke			ő		0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	_
ALASKA-SPECIFIC v	VESSELS		kVe			HR/D	D/YR																		
SOURCES	VESSELS - Ice Management Diesel		0			0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	0.00
2025-2033 F	Facility Total Emissions							45.41	27.40	26.58		1,088.01		0.00		0.32				1.19			0.01		0.57
EXEMPTION CALCULATION	DISTANCE FROM LAND IN MILES																2,297.70			2,297.70	2,297.70	2,297.70		57,197.67	
	69.0																2,207.70			2,2010	2,201.10	2,207.110			
	VESSELS- Crew Diesel		10800	555.6168	13334.80	19	122	7.62	4.60	4.46	0.11	182.55	5.25	0.00	28.63	0.05	8.83	5.33	5.17	0.13	211.57	6.08	0.00	33.18	0.06
	VESSELS - Supply Diesel VESSELS - Tugs Diesel		6600	339.5436	8149.05 0.00	,	183	4.66	2.81	2.72 0.00	0.07	111.56 0.00	3.21 0.00	0.00	17.50 0.00	0.03	2.98 0.00	1.80 0.00	1.75 0.00	0.04	71.45 0.00	2.05 0.00	0.00	11.21 0.00	0.02
	VESSELS - Tugs blesel VESSELS - Support Diesel, Laying		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
INSTALLATION V	VESSELS - Support Diesel, Burying		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	VESSELS - Crew Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FACILITY V	VESSELS - Supply Diesel VESSELS - Material Tug Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	VESSELS - Crew Diesel		0	0	0.00	Ö	ő	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ν	VESSELS - Supply Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	VESSELS - Support Diesel		0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ALASKA-SPECIFIC SOURCES	On-Ice Equipment			GAL/HR	GAL/D																				1
N	Man Camp - Operation (maximum people per day	y)	PEOPLE/DAY				B0/F																		
	VESSELS On-lce – Loader		KVV.	3000		HR/D	D/YR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
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	On-Ice - Other Construction Equipment						0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			0.00	0.00
	On-Ice – Other Construction Equipment On-Ice – Other Survey Equipment			0	0.0	U	U															0.00	-		
	On-Ice – Other Construction Equipment On-Ice – Other Survey Equipment On-Ice – Tractor			0	0.0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_	0.00	0.00
	On-Ice – Other Construction Equipment On-Ice – Other Survey Equipment On-Ice – Tractor On-Ice – Truck (for gravel island)			0 0 0	0.0 0.0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00
	On-Ice – Other Construction Equipment On-Ice – Other Survey Equipment On-Ice – Tractor		0	0 0 0 0 88888	0.0 0.0 0.0	0 0 0	0 0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			0.00	0.00	0.00			0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00
	On-Ice – Other Construction Equipment On-Ice – Other Survey Equipment On-Ice – Trackor On-Ice – Truck (for gravel island) On-Ice – Truck (for surveys)		0		0.0 0.0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0	0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00	 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00

AIR EMISSIONS CALCULATIONS

COMPANY		AREA	BLOCK	LEASE	FACILITY	WELL			
Chevron L	J.S.A., Inc.	Mississippi Canyon	607	OCS-G34451	NA - Installation Vessel/DP Drillship	BP001, BP002,	BP003		
Year				Facility	Emitted Sul	ostance			
	TSP	PM10	PM2.5	SOx	NOx	voc	Pb	CO	N H 3
2023	48.61	86.45	85.57	10.23	1172.31	33.49	0.00	182.68	0.34
2024	24.72	38.74	38.29	4.33	595.55	17.03	0.00	92.91	0.17
2025-2033	81.74	49.32	47.84	1.19	1958.42	56.31	0.01	307.17	0.57
Allowable	2297.70			2297.70	2297.70	2297.70		57197.67	

SECTION 9 OIL SPILL INFORMATION

9.1 OIL SPILL RESPONSE PLANNING

All the proposed activities and facilities in this DOCD will be covered by the Oil Spill Response Plan (OSRP) filed by Chevron Corporation's (Company No. 02335) Gulf of Mexico Regional OSRP approved on March 22, 2016; Chevron submitted the Biennial Review update on March 1, 2021 and which BSEE acknowledged on June 24, 2021. The following operators are covered under this OSRP:

Chevron Corporation (02335)
Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (00078)
Chevron Pipe Line Company (00400)
Sabine Pipe Line LLC (02950)
Union Oil Company of California (00003)
Unocal Pipeline Company (01113)
PRS Offshore, L.P. (01767)

9.2 SPILL RESPONSE SITES

Primary Response Equipment Location	Preplanned Staging Location							
Ingleside, Galveston, and Port Arthur, TX;	Ingleside, TX; Port Fourchon and Galliano,							
Lake Charles, Morgan City, Houma, Port	LA; Theodore, AL							
Fourchon, Leeville, Venice, Fort Jackson,								
Harvey, Belle Chasse, and Baton Rouge, LA;								
Pascagoula, MS; Theodore, AL; Tampa,								
Miami, and Jacksonville, FL								

9.3 OSRO INFORMATION

Clean Gulf Associates (CGA) and Marine Spill Response Corporation (MSRC) cooperatives are the primary surface response equipment providers for Chevron in the Gulf of Mexico Region. CGA and MSRC each maintain a dedicated fleet of vessels and other equipment strategically positioned along the Gulf Coast. CGA and MSRC each maintain a network of trained Oil Spill Removal Organizations (OSROs) to deploy and operate their equipment. CGA and MSRC have the capability to plan the mobilization and rapid deployment of spill response resources on a 24-hour, 7 days a week basis, year-round.

Marine Well Containment Company (MWCC) is the primary subsea containment service provider for Chevron. MWCC equipment is available on a 24-hour, 7 days a week basis, year-round.

Chevron's primary staging areas, marine transportation facilities and helicopter bases, are located in Port Fourchon and Galliano, Louisiana. Chevron has the capability to contract for additional staging areas throughout the Gulf of Mexico coastal ports.

As per Chevron's Regional OSRP, our primary Incident Command Post is located in Covington, LA. Chevron has the ability to set up and effectively manage spills at Chevron facilities located in Houma and Lafayette, LA and Houston, TX. Chevron has the capability to contract additional command posts facilities as necessary throughout the Gulf Coast region.

9.4 WORST-CASE DISCHARGE SCENARIO DETERMINATION

Category	Prod	uction
	Regional OSRP WCD	DOCD WCD
Type of Activity	>10 Miles Production	>10 Miles Production
Facility location (Area/Block)	GC 641	MC 607
Facility designation	A (Tahiti Spar)	Ballymore
Distance to nearest shoreline	118	69
Storage tanks & flowlines (bbl)	5,278	NA
Lease term pipelines (bbl)	4,044	990
Uncontrolled blowout (bbl)	186,452	NA
Total Volume (bbl)	195,774	990
Type of oil(s)	Crude	Crude
(crude, condensate, diesel)		
API gravity	29.5°	36°

Chevron has determined that the worst-case scenario from the activities proposed in this DOCD does not supersede the worst-case scenario from our approved Regional OSRP.

Since Chevron has the capability to respond to the worst-case spill scenario included in our Regional OSRP approved on March 22, 2016 and the Biennial Review update BSEE acknowledged on June 24, 2021, and since the worst-case scenario determined for our DOCD does not replace the worst-case scenario in our Regional OSRP, Chevron hereby certifies that Chevron has the capability to respond, to the maximum extent practicable, to a worst-case discharge, or a substantial threat of such a discharge, resulting from the activities proposed in this DOCD.

9.5 OIL SPILL RESPONSE DISCUSSION

Chevron maintains numerous resources, equipment and expertise to respond to an oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico. Chevron has oil spill response service contracts with both local and international companies and cooperatives and has a large corps of dedicated Chevron emergency responders that can work in the Gulf of Mexico. Chevron has contracts with the following oil spill response service providers.

Oil Spill Removal Organizations (OSRO). These companies have on-hand shoreline protection and cleanup equipment to respond to a spill in the Gulf of Mexico.

- American Pollution Control (AmPol)
- Clean Gulf Associates Services
- ES&H Environmental Services

- OMI Environmental Services
- T&T Marine Salvage Inc.
- U.S. Environmental Services
- Oil Spill Response (OSRL)

<u>Oil Spill Cooperatives (OSC)</u> – OSCs have equipment pre-staged in the Gulf of Mexico, including Lake Charles, Intracoastal City, Houma, Fort Jackson and Venice, Louisiana; Galveston, Texas; and Pascagoula, Mississippi. OSCs provide resources to respond to offshore incidents including areas identified in this plan.

- Clean Gulf Associates (CGA) This major cooperative is strictly dedicated to Gulf of Mexico oil and gas developers and producers.
- Marine Spill Response Corporation (MSRC) This national cooperative has extensive dedicated offshore resources located in the Gulf of Mexico

Well Control Emergency Response Companies

- Marine Well Containment Company (MWCC)
- Wild Well Control Inc. (WWC)
- Boots & Coots

Oil Spill Management and Response Consultants

• The Response Group (TRG)

Chemical Dispersant Companies (capable of delivering air and vessel dispersants)

- Airborne Support, Inc via Clean Gulf Associates (CGA)
- Marine Well Containment Company (MWCC)
- Oil Spill Response (OSRL)

Chevron will use a layered approach to respond to a worst-case discharge from the area by conducting simultaneous response operations at the well site, in the offshore environment and in nearshore and shoreline areas. Plans will be implemented, resources deployed and response operations established within these environmental areas to accomplish the following objectives:

- Provide for the safety of responders and the general public
- Intervene at the well site to stop the flow of oil
- Minimize the spread of oil at the surface
- Minimize encroachment to the coastline environment

Protect coastal and natural resources

Upon notification of a worst-case discharge oil spill at the locations listed in this plan, Chevron will mobilize resources listed in the attached enclosures. This information comes directly from the Chevron regional Gulf of Mexico Oil Spill Response Plan and applies to a worst-case discharge volume of 465,709 barrels per day that could occur at a Chevron facility located in Mississippi Canyon Block 122. These same assets would be mobilized to all sites contained in this plan.

- Aerial Surveillance Equipment
- Offshore Recovery Equipment
- Nearshore Recovery Equipment
- In-Situ Burn Equipment
- Aerial Dispersant Equipment
- Shoreline Protection Equipment
- Offshore Storage Equipment

Chevron will also take the following general actions to mobilize and coordinate response operations:

- Set up and staff its command center in Covington, LA
- Set up a source control group in Houston, TX or Covington, LA
- Mobilize well site resources to cap, contain and disperse oil at the well head
- · Mobilize assets to drill relief wells
- Mobilize assets to contain and collect surface oil at the well site and in the offshore environment
- Mobilize assets to disperse and burn surface oil at the well site and in the offshore environment
- Establish a deepwater staging area from a LA port or location
- Deploy assets to track the movement of oil on the surface

Follow up actions will include the following:

- Locate, monitor, track and project the movement of the oil spill
- Mobilize nearshore skimming and booming vessels, barges and systems to shorebase locations for rapid deployment in the nearshore environment

- Mobilize oil spill removal organization (OSRO) resources and assets to staging areas for rapid deployment of shoreline protection resources
- Mobilize wildlife protection and rehabilitation resources to staging areas for rapid deployment of resources
- Determine Incident Command Post (ICP) locations based on intervention operations and results and surface oil spill trajectories
- Determine ICP Operations Branch locations based on intervention operations and results and surface oil spill trajectories
- Determine additional staging areas based on the spill trajectory

Spill Response Resources and Deployment Time

Offshore Response: Offshore response operations may include some or all of the following simultaneous activities: containment booming, mechanical recovery, aerial dispersants and insitu burning. Response objectives within the offshore layer are to:

- Provide for the safety of responders and the general public
- Minimize wide scale spread of oil
- Minimize encroachment to coastline environment

The strategy for offshore response will be to:

- Station mechanical recovery vessels and barges that are outfitted with ocean boom systems closest to the source to contain and collect as much oil as possible.
- Station mechanical recovery vessels and barges that deploy skimming systems on vessels of opportunity close to the source to rapidly contain and collect oil that strays from the main oil slick.
- Station in-situ burn assets close to the source to burn as much oil as possible.
- Aerially disperse oil that cannot be mechanically recovered.

Simultaneous implementation of these strategies is designed to effectively contain and recover an oil spill significantly offshore in order to minimize the potential impacts to public health, wildlife and the environment. Separate and distinct resources will be assigned for each operation. Based on the anticipated worst case discharge scenario, Chevron can be onsite with contracted oil spill recovery equipment with adequate response capacity to contain and recover surface hydrocarbons, and prevent land impact, to the maximum extent practicable, within an estimated 24 hours.

The following sections provide more information on each operation needed to contain a worst case discharge to the maximum extent possible.

(1) Mechanical Recovery and Slick Containment. Offshore skimming and booming vessels, barges and systems will be deployed to the source of the spill and stationed in the thickest parts of the spill to enhance the encounter rate, collect and contain the oil. VHF radio communications will be established between skimming vessels and barges and spotter aircraft and surveillance systems to direct vessels to coordinates of thickest oil to maximize the effectiveness and efficiency of on-water recovery resources. Vessels operating in oil will relay spill characteristics (thickness, trajectory) to the Forward Operating Branch and Incident Command Post in order to station additional vessels and barges that are equipped with night-sensing systems in areas of recoverable oil prior to nightfall. This will again maximize the oil recovery encounter rate. MSRC Responder Class vessels, the CGA Hoss barge, Production Support Vessels, Dual Purpose Vessels and vessels of opportunity outfitted with KOSEQ skimming systems will deploy J-boom or U-boom configurations that will maximize containment of oil to collect using skimmers. These vessels will work in tandem to cover as large of a geographic area as possible at the location of the surface spill where oil is thickest.

Vessels deployed with MSRC and CGA Fast Response Units and CGA Fast Response Vessels will be stationed to collect oil that moves past the front-line mechanical assets. These units will deploy a J-boom configuration because it only requires one support vessel. Oil that escapes the above assets and moves shoreward will be collected by vessels of opportunity that deploy sorbent boom, collection nets or other types of equipment that absorbs surface oil. These assets will be deployed as task forces that can rapidly respond to light oil.

- (2) In-Situ Burning. Offshore in-situ burn assets will be deployed as primary response resources for all locations within federal waters. Vessels of opportunity that can operate near the spill site will be used to deploy fire boom and trained in-situ burn responders. Fire boom will be configured in a "U" shape or similar to the NOFI Ocean Buster design.
- (3) Aerial Dispersants. Aerial dispersants will be deployed as primary response resources for all locations that fall within the FOSC pre-approval process. Dispersant aircraft that arrive on-scene before mechanical recovery or in-situ burn resources will apply dispersants to areas until relieved by a different asset.

Vessel radar systems and infrared cameras will be used to detect and mechanically collect oil at night. This will allow surveillance operations to continue both day and night and through inclement weather. These systems also will be used to track the movement of oil which will assist with shoreline response planning.

Louisiana and Texas resources potentially at risk may include but are not limited to the following: marine sensitivities, beaches, waterfowl, shoreline resources, marshes, marinas/piers, populated areas, and environmental sensitivities

The BOEM oil spill trajectory model indicates that Louisiana parishes and Mississippi, Alabama, and Florida counties could be impacted by an oil spill from areas listed in this plan. These areas are dominated by fine sand beaches, coarse sand beaches, swamps and saltwater marshes. The

four subsections below summarize potential concerns with each environment. This information is taken from various Coast Guard Area Contingency Plans.

Fine Sand Beach Environment

- Sensitivity: Fine sand beaches have a low sensitivity to oil spill impacts and cleanup methods.
- Oil Behavior: Oil typically stains and covers the beach sands with low permeability.
- Cleanup: The penetration is low to moderate depending on the water table and the position
 of the oiling on the shoreline. A potential environmental issue during beach cleanup is the
 protection of the dune habitat from the cleanup operations. Fine sand beaches typically
 have poor access, but good transportation ability. Fine sand beaches are relatively easier
 to clean in contrast to marshes. Large volumes of stained sand and debris can be
 generated by beach cleanup.

Coarse Sand Beach Environment

- Sensitivity: The environmental sensitivity of coarse sand beaches is low due to the limited animal and vegetation population.
- Oil Behavior: Spilled oil typically stains and coats coarse grain beach sands with moderate to high permeability.
- Cleanup: Sediment penetration on coarse grain beaches is moderate/high depending on the water table and the location of oil deposition. A potential environmental issue is the protection of the dune habitat from cleanup operations. The transit ability of this shoreline type is less than fine sand beaches because the bearing strength is lower, and this type of sand builds steep beach faces. Access is typically poor.

Swamp Environment

- Sensitivity: The environmental sensitivity is high for swamps because of the presence of wetland habitat.
- Oil Behavior: Oil usually coats and covers the sediment and vegetation with low sediment penetration.
- Cleanup: The sediment penetration potential is low due to the high water table and the water content of the sediments. A potential environmental issue is that the cleanup may be more damaging than the oil itself. The access to swamps is poor due to the soft sediment and the presence of dense tree growth.

Salt Marsh Environment

 Sensitivity: The environmental sensitivity is high for salt marsh because of the presence of wetland habitat.

- Oil Behavior: Oil usually coats and covers the sediment and vegetation with low sediment penetration.
- Cleanup: The sediment penetration potential is low/moderate due to the high water table
 and water content of the sediment. A potential environmental issue is that the cleanup
 may be more damaging than the oil itself. Access is typically poor in Louisiana.

The protection of waterfowl and wildlife during the course of an oil release is an essential element in every spill response operation. Federal and state natural resource trustees will be notified in the event that a wildlife habitat may be affected by a spill event. Information concerning methods to protect waterfowl and wildlife are contained in the Chevron OSRP. For fish and wildlife resources, the emphasis is on habitats where:

- Large numbers of animals are concentrated in small areas, such as bays where waterfowl concentrate during migration or for overwintering
- Early life stages are present in somewhat restricted areas or in shallow water, such as anadromous fish streams and turtle nesting beaches
- Habitats are extremely important to specific life stages or migration patterns such as foraging or overwintering
- Specific areas are vital sources for seed or propagation
- The species are on Federal or state threatened or endangered lists
- A significant percentage of the population is likely to be exposed to oil

Human-use resources of concern are listed in the Chevron OSRP. Areas of economic importance, like waterfront hotels, should also be considered when establishing resource protection priorities. Human-use resources are most sensitive when:

- Archaeological and cultural sites are located in the intertidal zones
- Oiling can result in potential significant commercial losses through fouling, tainting, or avoidance because of public perception of a problem
- The resource is unique, such as a historical site
- Oiling can result in potential human health concerns, such as tainting of water intakes and/or subsistence fisheries

Response Capability

Chevron is a member of both CGA and MSRC cooperatives. CGA and MSRC are the primary surface response equipment providers for Chevron in the Gulf of Mexico Region. CGA and MSRC each maintain a dedicated fleet of vessels and other equipment strategically positioned along the Gulf Coast. CGA and MSRC each maintain a network of trained Oil Spill Removal Organizations (OSROs) deploy and operate their equipment. CGA and MSRC have the capability to plan the

mobilization and rapid deployment of spill response resources on a 24-hour, 7 days a week basis, year-round.

Chevron maintains service contracts with several private OSROs including American Pollution Control Corporation (AmPol), U.S. Environmental Services (USES), OMI Environmental Services, ES&H Environmental Services and Airborne Support Inc.

Chevron's Aviation Group operates and maintains a private fleet of helicopters servicing our operation in the Gulf of Mexico. Chevron pilots and helicopters provide aerial surveillance. The Chevron Chief Pilot fills the Air Operations Branch Director role during an emergency.

MWCC is the designated subsea containment service provider for Chevron. MWCC equipment is available on a 24-hour, 7 days a week basis, year-round. MWCC equipment locations are Ingleside, TX and Theodore, AL.

Chevron's primary staging areas are located in Fourchon and Galliano, Louisiana. Chevron has the capability to contract for additional staging areas throughout Gulf of Mexico coastal ports.

Chevron's primary command post for an oil spill is located in Covington, LA; however, Chevron has the ability to set up and effectively manage spills at Chevron facilities located in Houma and Lafayette, LA and Houston, TX. Chevron has the capability to contract for additional command posts facilities as necessary throughout Gulf Coast region.

Estimated Initial Equipment Response Times

Capability	Equipment	ETA	Source
Aerial Surveillance	Manned Aircraft (Helicopters and Fixed-wing)	~1 to 2 hours	Chevron Aviation (Galliano, LA & Picayune, MS)
On-water Containment, Skimming, & Storage	Response Vessels (w/ boom, skimmer and storage and surveillance technology)	~10 to 14 hours	CGA & MSRC: Venice, Fort Jackson, Harvey, Belle Chasse, Fourchon
Aerial Dispersant	Spotter and Spray aircraft	~4 to 6 hours	MSRC (Stennis) and/or CGA Airborne Support (Houma)
In-Situ Burn	Vessels, Boom and support equipment	~12 to 24 hours	CGA (Harvey) & MSRC (Fort Jackson)
Sub-sea Surveillance	Remote Operated Vehicles (ROVs)	~18 to 24 hours	Chouest Offshore (Fourchon)

Capability	Equipment					ETA	١	Source				
Additional resour months as necess		continue	to	be	deplo	yed	over	subse	quent	days,	weeks,	and/or

(¹This includes supervisors and response technicians trained to operate all equipment listed.)

Response Technology

Chevron, through our cooperative response organizations (Clean Gulf Associates (CGA) and Marine Spill Response Corporation (MSRC) with other oil and gas operators), has developed high-tech surveillance capabilities with the primary objective of positioning on-water assets in the thickest parts of the spill by detection and classification of potential oil targets as recoverable, tracking moving oil, and expanding the operating window of skimming operations to low-light conditions.

This technology includes high-definition (HD) cameras, optical and thermal infrared imaging systems, and X-band radar oil detection. These systems are integrated into an electronic chart system that provides an exact geographic position and can project the image onto the electronic map for oil spill recovery.

This capability can be leveraged across the response zones and enables the on-water recovery task force strategy where multiple skimming vessels may be directed by a command and control vessel.

The above information is taken from the Chevron Gulf of Mexico Regional OSRP, submitted to BSEE in accordance with 30 CFR 254.

Suitability of Resources

All response equipment, materials, support vessels and strategies listed in this document and in the Chevron Regional Gulf of Mexico OSRP have proven suitable for the many environmental conditions existing at the locations listed in this plan. Chevron additionally conducts annual oil spill response training, drills and exercises and validates the content of the OSRP. The Chevron Regional Gulf of Mexico OSRP is maintained by the Chevron Gulf of Mexico Emergency Management Advisor.

9.6 MODELING REPORT

Modeling reports are not required for the activities proposed in this plan.

SECTION 10 ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING INFORMATION

10.1 MONITORING SYSTEMS

Chevron will not utilize any new or unusual technology during the operations proposed under this Initial DOCD.

10.2 INCIDENTAL TAKES

There is no reason to believe that any of the endangered species or marine mammals as listed in the Endangered Species Act (ESA) will be "taken" as a result of the operations proposed under this plan.

Operations proposed in this plan may utilize a moon pool(s) to conduct various subsea activities. Accordingly, Chevron will adhere with the requirements set forth in the Appendices to the Biological Opinion on the Federally Regulated Oil and Gas Program in the Gulf of Mexico issued on March 13, 2020, and the amendment issued on April 26, 2021.

Moon pool(s) will be regularly monitored while open to the water column and when the vessel is not underway. If water conditions are such that observers are unable to see within a meter of the surface, operations requiring lowering or retrieval of equipment through the moon pool will be conducted at a rate that will minimize potential harm, if safety allows.

Prior to and following hull door closure, the moon pool will be monitored continuously by a dedicated crew observer with no other tasks to ensure that no ESA listed species is present in the moon pool area. If visibility is not clear to the hull door from above (e.g., turbidity or low light), 30 minutes of monitoring will be conducted prior to hull door closure. Prior to movement of the vessel and/or deployment/retrieval of equipment, the moon pool will be monitored continuously for a minimum of 30 minutes, by a dedicated crew observer with no other tasks, to ensure no individual protected species are present in the moon pool area.

If an ESA listed species is observed in the moon pool, the vessel will not be moved and equipment will not be deployed or retrieved, to the extent practicable unless the safety of crew or vessel requires otherwise. NMFS will be contacted immediately at nmfs.psoreview@noaa.gov. If the observed animal leaves the moon pool, activities will commence.

Should an ESA listed species be observed in a moon pool prior to commencement of activity, recovery of the animal or other actions specific to the scenario may be required to prevent interaction with the animal. No action will be taken except at the direction of and after contact with NMFS.

Should an interaction with equipment or entanglement/entrapment of any ESA listed species occur (e.g., the animal cannot or does not leave the moon pool on its own volition), the interaction will be reported immediately. Any observation of a leatherback sea turtle within a moon pool,

regardless of whether interaction with equipment or entanglement/entrapment is observed, will be reported immediately to the ESA Section 7 biologist at (301) 427-8413 (nmfs.psoreview@noaa.gov).

Further, any interaction with equipment or entanglement/entrapment of any ESA listed species (i.e., the animal cannot or does not leave the pool of its own volition) will be reported immediately. For assistance with marine mammals and sea turtles, the stranding network listed at www.fisheries.noaa.gov/report and BSEE at protectedspecies@bsee.gov will be contacted for additional guidance on continued monitoring requirements, recovery assistance needs (if required), and incidental report information. Other ESA listed species (e.g., giant manta ray) will be reported to relevant state agency wildlife lines, the ESA Section 7 biologist, and BSEE at protectedspecies@bsee.gov. The vessel will not be moved and equipment will not be deployed or retrieved to/from the pool, to the extent practicable, until NMFS and BSEE are contacted and provide input on how to proceed.

Any individual protected species listed species observed within a moon pool that then leaves the moon pool of its own volition will be reported within 24 hours to NMFS at nmfs.psoreview@noaa.gov and BSEE at protectedspecies@bsee.gov. If the observed animal is no longer observed in the moon pool, monitoring will take place for at least 30 minutes to ensure it has left the moon pool. After 30 minutes, activities will commence.

It has been documented that the use of explosives and/or seismic devices can affect marine life. Operations proposed in this plan will not be utilizing either of these devices.

Chevron and/or its contractor representatives will adhere to the requirements as set forth in the following documents, as applicable, to avoid or minimize impacts to any of the species listed in the ESA as a result of the operations conducted herein:

- Appendices to the Biological Opinion on the Federally Regulated Oil and Gas Program in the Gulf of Mexico issued on March 13, 2020, and the amendment issued on April 26, 2021
 - Appendix A: "Seismic Survey Mitigation and Protected Species Observer Protocols"
 - Appendix B: "Marine Trash and Debris Awareness and Elimination Survey Protocols"
 - Appendix C: "Vessel Strike Avoidance and Injured/Dead Aquatic Protected Species Reporting Protocols"
 - Appendix J: "Sea Turtle Handling and Resuscitation Guidelines"

10.3 FLOWER GARDEN BANKS NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY

MC Blocks 607, 650, 651 and 652 are not located in the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary; therefore, relevant information is not required in this DOCD.

SECTION 11 LEASE STIPULATIONS INFORMATION

Development activities are subject to the following stipulations attached to Leases OCS-G 34451, 34905, 34454, and 34906, MC Blocks 607, 650, 651 and 652.

11.1 MARINE PROTECTED SPECIES

In accordance with the Federal Endangered Species Act and the Marine Mammal Protection Act, Chevron will:

- (a) Collect and remove flotsam resulting from activities related to exploration, development, and production of this lease;
- (b) Post signs in prominent places on all vessels and platforms used as a result of activities related to exploration, development, and production of this lease detailing the reasons (legal and ecological) why release of debris must be eliminated;
- (c) Observe for marine mammals and sea turtles while on vessels, reduce vessel speed to 10 knots or less when assemblages of cetaceans are observed, and maintain a distance of 90 meters or greater from whales, and a distance of 45 meters or greater from small cetaceans and sea turtles;
- (d) Employ mitigation measures prescribed by BOEM/BSEE or the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) for all seismic surveys, including the use of an "exclusion zone" based upon the appropriate water depth, ramp-up and shutdown procedures, visual monitoring, and reporting;
- (e) Identify important habitats, including designated critical habitat, used by listed species (e.g., sea turtle nesting beaches, piping plover critical habitat), in oil spill contingency planning and require the strategic placement of spill cleanup equipment to be used only by personnel trained in less-intrusive cleanup techniques on beaches and bay shores; and
- (f) Immediately report all sightings and locations of injured or dead protected species (e.g., marine mammals and sea turtles) to the appropriate stranding network. If oil and gas industry activity is responsible for the injured or dead animal (e.g., because of a vessel strike), the responsible parties should remain available to assist the stranding network. If the injury or death was caused by a collision with the lessee's vessel, the lessee must notify BOEM within 24 hours of the strike.

BOEM and BSEE issue Notices to Lessees (NTLs), which more fully describe measures implemented in support of the above-mentioned implementing statutes and regulations, as well as measures identified by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and NMFS arising from, among others, conservation recommendations, rulemakings pursuant to the MMPA, or consultation. The lessee and its operators, personnel, and subcontractors, while undertaking activities authorized under this lease, must implement and comply with the specific mitigation measures outlined in

NTL No. 2016-BOEM-G01, "Vessel Strike Avoidance and Injured/Dead Protected Species Reporting;" NTL No. 2016-BOEM-G02, "Implementation of Seismic Survey Mitigation Measures and Protected Species Observer Program;" and NTL No. 2015-BSEE-G03, "Marine Trash and Debris Awareness and Elimination." At the lessee's option, the lessee, its operators, personnel, and contractors may comply with the most current measures to protect species in place at the time an activity is undertaken under this lease, including but not limited to new or updated versions of the NTLs identified in this paragraph. The lessee and its operators, personnel, and subcontractors will be required to comply with the mitigation measures, identified in the above referenced NTLs, and additional measures in the conditions of approvals for their plans or permits.

SECTION 12 ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION MEASURES INFORMATION

12.1 MEASURES TAKEN TO AVOID, MINIMIZE, AND MITIGATE IMPACTS

Chevron will adhere to the requirements as set forth in the following documents, as applicable, to avoid or minimize impacts to any marine and coastal environments and habitats, biota, and threatened and endangered species:

- Appendices to the Biological Opinion on the Federally Regulated Oil and Gas Program in the Gulf of Mexico issued on March 13, 2020, and the amendment issued on April 26, 2021
 - Appendix A: "Seismic Survey Mitigation and Protected Species Observer Protocols"
 - o Appendix B: "Marine Trash and Debris Awareness and Elimination Survey Protocols"
 - Appendix C: "Vessel Strike Avoidance and Injured/Dead Aquatic Protected Species Reporting Protocols"
 - Appendix J: "Sea Turtle Handling and Resuscitation Guidelines"

12.2 INCIDENTAL TAKES

Chevron will adhere to the requirements set forth in the following documents, as applicable, to avoid or minimize impacts to any of the species listed in the Endangered Species Act (ESA) as a result of the operations conducted herein:

- Appendices to the Biological Opinion on the Federally Regulated Oil and Gas Program in the Gulf of Mexico issued on March 13, 2020, and the amendment issued on April 26, 2021
 - o Appendix A: "Seismic Survey Mitigation and Protected Species Observer Protocols"
 - Appendix B: "Marine Trash and Debris Awareness and Elimination Survey Protocols"
 - Appendix C: "Vessel Strike Avoidance and Injured/Dead Aquatic Protected Species Reporting Protocols"
 - o Appendix J: "Sea Turtle Handling and Resuscitation Guidelines"

See **Section 6.7** for a list of Threatened and Endangered Species, Critical Habitat and Marine Mammal Information.

SECTION 13 RELATED FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS INFORMATION

13.1 RELATED OCS FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS

The Ballymore subsea wells (MC Block 607, Well Nos. BP001, BP002 and BP003) will be protected by subsea wellheads and trees. The wells will be connected to the new MC 607 4-slot subsea manifold via 6.81-inch jumpers (submittal pending), each approximately 120 foot in length. A 10.75-inch right-of-way pipeline (submittal pending) will be installed to transport produced hydrocarbons from the MC 607 Drill Center manifold to the Chevron operated Blind Faith 'A' FPU located in MC Block 650 with ultimate delivery of gas into Operations System MLX and ultimate delivery of liquids into Operations System No. 57.0. The maximum flow rate is 10,000 BOPD and 22.0 MMCFD.

13.2 TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

Production will flow from A (Blind Faith) via Williams Field Services – Gulf Coast Company, L.P.'s Pipeline Segment Number 15949 (gas) and Williams Oil Gathering, L.L.C.'s Pipeline Segment Number 15948 (oil) for ultimate delivery to shore.

No near shore or onshore pipelines or facilities will be constructed.

13.3 PRODUCED LIQUID HYDROCARBONS TRANSPORTATION VESSELS

There will not be any transfers of liquid hydrocarbons other than via pipeline.

SECTION 14 SUPPORT VESSELS AND AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

14.1 GENERAL

For vessel transit, the most practical, direct route from the proposed shorebase, as permitted by weather and traffic conditions will be utilized. Chevron does not anticipate that these routes will transit within the Rice's whale core area for the operations covered under this plan as designated by the March 13, 2020 NMFS programmatic Biological Opinion. In the event the vessel routes change, BSEE/BOEM will be contacted 15 days in advance

Information regarding the vessels and aircraft to be used to support the proposed activities is provided in the table below.

Туре	Maximum Fuel Tank Capacity	Maximum Number in Area at Any Time	Trip Frequency or Duration
			71 days
Light Construction Vessel	630,000 gals	1	(only during subsea installation)
			38 days total
DP Pipelay Vessel	766,099 gals	1	(only during subsea installation)
			14 days
Dive Support Vessel	360,000 gals	1	(only during subsea installation)
Offshore Installation			104 days total
Support Vessel	318,910 gals	1	(only during subsea installation)
Helicopter	760 gals	1	As Needed

14.2 DIESEL OIL SUPPLY VESSELS

Fuel for the DP Vessels will be transported via a supply vessel as follows:

Size of Fuel	Capacity of Fuel	Frequency of Fuel	Route Fuel Supply Vessel
Supply Vessel	Supply Vessel	Transfers	Will Take
280 foot	135,000 gals	1-2 times per week	From shore base to block

14.3 DRILLING FLUID TRANSPORTATION

Drilling fluid transportation information is not required to be submitted with this plan.

14.4 SOLID AND LIQUID WASTE TRANSPORTATION

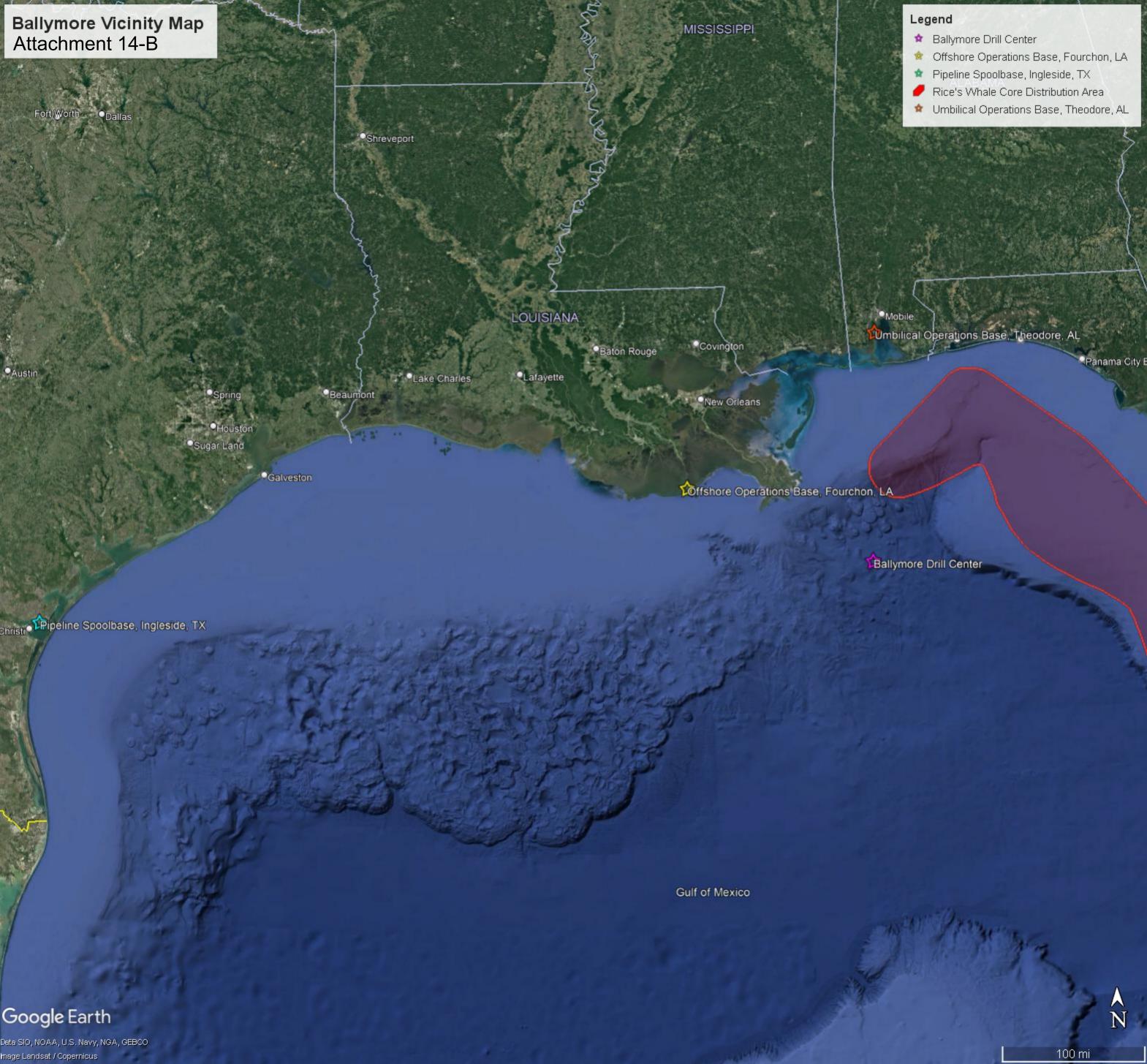
A table, "Wastes You Will Transport and/or Dispose of Onshore," is included as **Attachment 14-A.**

14.5 VICINITY MAP

A vicinity map showing the location of the activities proposed herein relative to the shoreline with the distance of the proposed activities from the shoreline and the primary routes of the support vessels and aircraft that will be used when traveling between the onshore support facilities and the wells is included as **Attachment 14-B**.

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	Projected Generated Waste	Solid and Liquid Wastes Transportation	Waste Disposal				
ype of Waste	Composition	Transport Method	Name/Location of Facility	Amount	Disposal Method		
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EXAMPLE: Synthetic-based drilling fluid or mu	ud internal olefin, ester	Below deck storage tanks on offshore support vessels	Newport Environmental Services Inc., Ingleside, TX	X bbl/well	Recycled		
Dil-based drilling fluid or mud	NO DRILLING ACTIVITY	NA NA	NA NA	NA	NA		
Synthetic-based drilling fluid or mud	NO DRILLING ACTIVITY	NA	NA	NA	NA		
Cuttings wetted with Water-based fluid	NO DRILLING ACTIVITY	NA	NA	NA	NA		
Cuttings wetted with Synthetic-based fluid	NO DRILLING ACTIVITY	NA	NA	NA	NA		
Cuttings wetted with oil-based fluids	NO DRILLING ACTIVITY	NA NA	NA	NA	NA		
ou produce hydrocarbons? If yes fill in for	produced sand.						
Produced sand (E&P waste)		Transport to shorebase by marine vessel in cutting boxes	Ecosery, Port Fourchon, LA.	100 bbl/well	Liquids injected into dis well and solids are land		
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	Treatment, completion,				Recycled if possible; Li		
inc Bromide Completion Fluids	flowback fluids	Transport by boat in internal boat tank, MPT Tanks, or cutting boxes to shorebase	Ecoserv, Port Fourchon, LA.	1550 bbl/well	injected into disposal v		
	Preservation fluids from control				Recycled if possible; Li		
Preservation Fluids	systems	Transport by boat in waste tote, MPT Tank or internal boat tank	Ecoserv, Port Fourchon, LA.	72 bbl	injected into disposal v		
	Hydrotest fluids of seawater				Recycled if possible; Li		
Chemically Treated Seawater	and glycol mixture	Transport by boat in internal boat tank, MPT Tanks, or cutting boxes to shorebase	Ecosery, Port Fourchon, LA.	1570 bbl	injected into disposal v		
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Production Chemical	Hydrate Inhibitors	Transport by boat in internal boat tank, MPT Tanks, or cutting boxes to shorebase	Ecosery, Port Fourchon, LA.	6 bbl	Recycled if possible; L injected into disposal v		
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Production Chemical	Corrosion Inhibitor	Transport by boat in internal boat tank, MPT Tanks, or cutting boxes to shorebase	Ecosery, Port Fourchon, LA.	1 bbl	Recycled if possible; L injected into disposal v		
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	Scale Inhibitor	T	5 5 5 1 14	4 bbl	Recycled if possible; L		
Production Chemical	Scale Inhibitor	Transport by boat in internal boat tank, MPT Tanks, or cutting boxes to shorebase	Ecoserv, Port Fourchon, LA.	4 bbi	injected into disposal v		
	Ethylene Glycol Monobutyl				Recycled if possible; Li		
Buffer Fluid	Ether	Transport by boat in waste tote, MPT Tank or internal boat tank	Ecoserv, Port Fourchon, LA.	35 bbl	injected into disposal w		
rash and debris	Plastic, paper, aluminum, glass			NA	Local Landfill		
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	Waste oil, i.e., refined oil,						
Jsed oil	cooking oil & oily rags						
Vash water							

NOTE: If you will not have a type of waste, enter NA in the row.



SECTION 15 ONSHORE SUPPORT FACILITIES INFORMATION

15.1 GENERAL

The onshore facilities to be used to provide supply and service support for the proposed activities are provided in the table below.

Name	Location	Existing/New/Modified
C-Port – Port Fourchon Shorebase	Port Fourchon, Louisiana	Existing
Chevron Galliano Airbase	Galliano, Louisiana	Existing

15.2 SUPPORT BASE CONSTRUCTION OR EXPANSION

There will be no new construction of an onshore support base, nor will Chevron expand the existing shorebase as a result of the operations proposed in this DOCD.

15.3 SUPPORT BASE CONSTRUCTION OR EXPANSION TIMETABLE

A support base construction or expansion timetable is not required for the activities proposed in this plan.

15.4 WASTE DISPOSAL

A table, "Wastes You Will Transport and/or Dispose of Onshore," is included as **Attachment 14-** Δ

SECTION 16 COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT (CZM) INFORMATION

Under direction of the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA), the states of Alabama and Louisiana developed Coastal Zone Management Programs (CZMP) to allow for the supervision of significant land and water use activities that take place within or that could significantly affect the Alabama, and Louisiana coastal zones.

Proposed activities are 129 miles from the Alabama shore and 69 miles from the Louisiana shore. Measures will be taken to avoid or mitigate the probable impacts. Chevron will operate in compliance with existing federal and state laws, regulations, and resultant enforceable program policies in Alabama's and Louisiana's Coastal Zone Management Programs.

The OCS related oil and gas exploratory and development activities having potential impact on the Alabama and Louisiana Coastal Zones are based on the location of the proposed facilities, access to those sites, best practical techniques for drilling locations, drilling equipment guidelines for the prevention of adverse environmental effects, effective environmental protection, emergency plans and contingency plans.

Relevant enforceable policies were considered in certifying consistency for Alabama and Louisiana. Certificates of Coastal Zone Management Consistency for the states of Alabama and Louisiana are included as **Attachment 16-A** and **Attachment 16-B** respectively.

Enforceable Program Policies of the Alabama Coastal Area Management Program (ACAMP)

Policy	Plan	Comments					
	Section						
Coastal Resource Use Policies							
Coastal Development		Dock and port facilities in LA will be used. There will be no new construction, dredging, or filling in Alabama state waters. There will be no new commercial development, capital improvements nor employment effects in Alabama's coastal zone.					
Mineral Resource Exploration and Extraction		Proposed operations will take place approximately 129 to 132 miles from Alabama's coastline.					
Commercial Fishing	9						
Hazard Management	3	A Shallow Hazards Report was previously submitted to BOEM in order to identify and assess the seafloor and shallow geologic conditions in this block.					
Shoreline Erosion	9						
Recreation	9						
Transportation	13						

Policy	Plan Section	Comments					
Natural Resource Protection Policies							
Biological	9						
Productivity							
Water Quality	9						
Water Resources	9						
Air Quality	8						
Wetlands and	9						
Submerged							
Grassbeds							
Beach and Dune	9						
Protection							
Wildlife Habitat	9						
Protection							
Endangered	9						
Species							
Cultural	6	An Archaeological Assessment, Blocks 606-607 & 651,					
Resources		Mississippi Canyon Area, Gulf of Mexico, Geoscience Earth					
Protection		& Marine Services, Inc., June 20, 2016 (GEMS Project No.					
		0316-2609) was previously submitted and approved on					
		December 2, 2016 (EP Control No. N-9955),					

ATTACHMENT 16-A

COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT CONSISTENCY CERTIFICATION

INITIAL DEVELOPMENT OPERATIONS COORDINATION DOCUMENT (DOCD)

MISSISSIPPI CANYON BLOCKS 607, 650 AND 651

OCS-G 34551, 34905 AND 34554

The proposed activity complies with the enforceable policies of the Alabama approved management program and will be conducted in a manner consistent with such program.

Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (00078)

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ATTACHMENT 16-B

COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT CONSISTENCY CERTIFICATION

INITIAL DEVELOPMENT OPERATIONS COORDINATION DOCUMENT (DOCD)

MISSISSIPPI CANYON BLOCKS 607, 650 AND 651

OCS-G 34551, 34905 AND 34554

The proposed activity complies with the enforceable policies of the Louisiana approved management program and will be conducted in a manner consistent with such program.

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SECTION 17 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ANALYSIS (EIA)

Attachment 17-A

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Initial Development Operations Coordination Document Mississippi Canyon Block 607 OCS-G 34451

(A) Impact Producing Factors

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ANALYSIS WORKSHEET

Environment Resources	Impact Producing Factors (IPFs) Categories and Examples Refer to recent GOM OCS Lease Sale EIS for a more complete list of IPFs									
	Emissions (air, noise, light, etc.)	Effluents (muds, cutting, other discharges to the water column or seafloor)	Physical disturbances to the seafloor (rig or anchor emplacements, etc.)	Wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal	Accidents (e.g., oil spills, chemical spills, H ₂ S releases)	Discarded Trash & Debris				
Site-specific at Offshore Location										
Designated topographic features		(1)	(1)		(1)					
Pinnacle Trend area live bottoms		(2)	(2)		(2)					
Eastern Gulf live bottoms		(3)	(3)		(3)					
Benthic communities			(4)							
Water quality		X			X					
Fisheries		X			X					
Marine Mammals	X(8)	X			X(8)	X				
Sea Turtles	X(8)	X			X(8)	X				
Air quality	X(9)									
Shipwreck sites (known or potential)			(7)							
Prehistoric archaeological sites			(7)							
Vicinity of Offshore Location										
Essential fish habitat		X			X(6)					
Marine and pelagic birds					X	X				
Public health and safety					(5)					
Coastal and Onshore										
Beaches					X(6)	X				
Wetlands					X(6)					
Shore birds and coastal nesting birds					X6)					
Coastal wildlife refuges										
Wilderness areas										

Footnotes for Environmental Impact Analysis Matrix

- 1) Activities that may affect a marine sanctuary or topographic feature. Specifically, if the well or platform site or any anchors will be on the seafloor within the:
 - o 4-mile zone of the Flower Garden Banks, or the 3-mile zone of Stetson Bank;
 - 1000-meter, 1-mile or 3-mile zone of any topographic feature (submarine bank) protected by the Topographic Features Stipulation attached to an OCS lease;
 - o Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) criteria of 500 feet from any no-activity zone; or
 - Proximity of any submarine bank (500 foot buffer zone) with relief greater than two meters that is not protected by the Topographic Features Stipulation attached to an OCS lease.
- 2) Activities with any bottom disturbance within an OCS lease block protected through the Live Bottom (Pinnacle Trend) Stipulation attached to an OCS lease.
- 3) Activities within any Eastern Gulf OCS block where seafloor habitats are protected by the Live Bottom (Low-Relief) Stipulation attached to an OCS lease.
- 4) Activities on blocks designated by the BOEM as being in water depths 300 meters or greater.
- 5) Exploration or production activities where H₂S concentrations greater than 500 ppm might be encountered.
- 6) All activities that could result in an accidental spill of produced liquid hydrocarbons or diesel fuel that you determine would impact these environmental resources. If the proposed action is located a sufficient distance from a resource that no impact would occur, the EIA can note that in a sentence or two.
- 7) All activities that involve seafloor disturbances, including anchor emplacements, in any OCS block designated by the BOEM as having high-probability for the occurrence of shipwrecks or prehistoric sites, including such blocks that will be affected that are adjacent to the lease block in which your planned activity will occur. If the proposed activities are located a sufficient distance from a shipwreck or a prehistoric site that no impact would occur, the EIA can note that in a sentence or two.
- 8) All activities that you determine might have an adverse effect on endangered or threatened marine mammals or sea turtles or their critical habitats.
- 9) Production activities that involve transportation of produced fluids to shore using shuttle tankers or barges.

TABLE 1: THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES, CRITICAL HABITAT, AND MARINE MAMMAL INFORMATION

The federally listed endangered and threatened species potentially occurring in the lease area and along the Gulf Coast are provided in the table below

Species	Scientific Name	Status	Potentia	l Presence	Critical Habitat Designated in the	Gulf of Mexico Range	
		-	Lease Area	Coastal	Gulf of Mexico		
Marine Mammals							
Manatee, West Indian	Trichechus manatus latirostris	T		X	Florida (peninsular)	Coastal Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and Florida	
Whale, Blue	Balaenoptera masculus	Е	X^1		None	GOM	
Whale, Bryde's ⁴	Balaenoptera brydei/edeni	Е	X		None	Eastern GOM	
Whale, Fin	Balaenoptera physalus	Е	X^1		None	GOM	
Whale, Humpback	Megaptera novaeangliae	Е	X^1		None	GOM	
Whale, North Atlantic Right	Eubalaena glacialis	Е	X^1		None	GOM	
Whale, Rice's ⁴	Balaenoptera ricei	Е	X		None	GOM	
Whale, Sei	Balaenopiera borealis	Е	X^1		None	GOM	
Whale, Sperm	Physeter catodon (=macrocephalus)	Е	X		None	GOM	
Terrestrial Mammals							
Mouse, Beach (Alabama, Choctawatchee, Perdido Key, St. Andrew)	Peromyscus polionotus	Е	-	X	Alabama, Florida (panhandle) beaches	Alabama, Florida (panhandle) beaches	
Birds							
Plover, Piping	Charadrius melodus	Т	-	X	Coastal Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida (panhandle)	Coastal GOM	
Crane, Whooping	Grus Americana	Е	-	X	Coastal Texas	Coastal Texas and Louisiana	
Crane, Mississippi sandhill	Grus canadensis pulla	Е	-	X	Coastal Mississippi	Coastal Mississippi	
Curlew, Eskimo	Numenius borealis	Е	-	X	none	Coastal Texas	
Falcon, Northern Aplomado	Falco femoralis septentrionalis	Е	-	X	none	Coastal Texas	

Species S	Scientific Name	Status	Potentia	l Presence	Critical Habitat Designated in the	Gulf of Mexico Range	
			Lease Area	Coastal	Gulf of Mexico		
Knot, Red	Calidris canutus rufa	T	-	X	None	Coastal GOM	
Stork, Wood	Mycteria americana	T	-	X	None	Coastal Alabama and Florida	
Reptiles							
Sea Turtle, Green	Chelonia mydas	T/E ³	X	X	None	GOM	
Sea Turtle, Hawksbill	Eretmochelys imbricata	Е	X	X	None	GOM	
Sea Turtle, Kemp's Ridley	Lepidochelys kempli	Е	X	X	None	GOM	
Sea Turtle, Leatherback	Dermochelys coriacea	Е	X	X	None	GOM	
Sea Turtle, Loggerhead	Caretta caretta	Т	X	X	Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida	GOM	
Fish							
Sturgeon, Gulf	Acipenser oxyrinchus (=oxyrhynchus) desotoi	Т	X	X	Coastal Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida (panhandle)	Coastal Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida (panhandle)	
Shark, Oceanic Whitetip	Carcharhinus longimanus	Е	X	-	None	GOM	
Sawfish, Smalltooth	Pristis pectinate	Е	-	X	None	Florida	
Grouper, Nassau	Epinephelus striatus	T	-	X	None	Florida	
Ray, Giant Manta	Manta birostris	Е	X		None	GOM	
Corals							
Coral, Elkhorn	Acopora palmate	Т	X^2	X	Florida Keys and Dry Tortugas	Flower Garden Banks, Florida, and the Caribbean	
Coral, Staghorn	Acopora cervicornis	Т	X	X	Florida	Flower Garden Banks, Florida, and the Caribbean	
Coral, Boulder Star	Orbicella franksi	T	X	X	none	Flower Garden Banks and Florida	
Coral, Lobed Star	Orbicella annularis	Т	X	X	None	Flower Garden Banks and Caribbean	
Coral, Mountainous Star	Orbicella faveolate	Т	X	X	None	Flower Garden Banks and Gulf o Mexico	
Coral, Rough Cactus	Mycetophyllia ferox	Т	-	X	None	Florida and Southern Gulf of Mexico	

Abbreviations: E = Endangered; T = Threatened

¹ The Blue, Fin, Humpback, North Atlantic Right, and Sei Whales are rare or extralimital in the Gulf of Mexico and are unlikely to be present in the lease area.

² According to the 2017 EIS, Elkhorn Coral, while uncommon, has been found in the Flower Garden Banks. (BOEM 2017-009)

- 3 Green Sea Turtles are considered threatened throughout the Gulf of Mexico; however, the breeding population off the coast of Florida is considered endangered.
- 4 The Bryde's whale, also known as the Bryde's whale complex, is a collection of baleen whales that are still being researched to determine if they are the same species or if they are individual species of whales. In 2021, the Rice's whale, formerly known as the Gulf of Mexico Bryde's whale, was determined to be a separate species. There are less than 100 Rice's whales living in the Gulf of Mexico year-round. These whales retain all the protections of the Gulf of Mexico Bryde's whale under the Endangered Species Act while the regulations are being updated to reflect the name change. Other Bryde's whales are migratory and may enter the Gulf of Mexico; however, the migratory Bryde's whales are rare or extralimital in the Gulf of Mexico and are unlikely to be present in the lease area.

(B) Analysis

Site-Specific at Mississippi Canyon Block 607

Proposed operations consist of the installation of subsea infrastructure and commencement of production of three (3) wells in Mississippi Canyon Block 607 (MC 607).

The proposed infrastructure installation operations include:

- Installation of one new production manifold
- Installation of one lease-term 10.75-inch flowline jumper (approximately 100 feet in length)
- Installation of four new lease-term 6.81-inch well jumpers, (each approximately 120 feet in length)
- Installation of one lease-term control umbilical (approximately 19,970 feet in length) from the existing Blind Faith 'A' Floating Production Unit (FPU) in Mississippi Canyon Block 650 (MC 650) to a subsea umbilical termination assembly (SUTA) in MC 607
- Installation of one new Right-of-Way (ROW) 10.75-inch flowline and riser, which will flow from the new Pipeline End Termination (PLET) in MC 607 to the existing Blind Faith 'A' FPU in MC 650

Commencement of production is proposed from the following three (3) subsea wells:

- MC 607 BP001
- MC 607 BP002
- MC 607 BP003

The operations will be conducted with Dynamically Positioned Offshore Construction and Support Vessels.

There are no drilling operations proposed under this Plan. There are no seismic surveys, pile driving, or pipelines making landfall associated with the operations covered by this Plan.

1. Designated Topographic Features

Potential IPFs to topographic features as a result of the proposed operations include physical disturbances to the seafloor and accidents.

Physical disturbances to the seafloor: Mississippi Canyon Block 607 is 81.6 miles from the closest designated Topographic Features Stipulation Block (Sackett Bank); therefore, no adverse impacts are expected. Additionally, Dynamically Positioned Offshore Construction and Support Vessels are being used for the proposed activities; therefore, only an insignificant amount of seafloor will be disturbed.

Accidents: It is unlikely that an accidental surface or subsurface spill would occur from the proposed activities (refer to statistics in **Item 5**, Water Quality). Oil spills cause damage to benthic organisms only if the oil contacts the organisms. Oil from a surface spill can be driven into the

water column; measurable amounts have been documented down to a 10-meter depth. At this depth, the oil is found only at concentrations several orders of magnitude lower than the amount shown to have an effect on corals. Because the crests of topographic features in the Northern Gulf of Mexico are found below 10 meters, oil from a surface spill is not expected to reach their sessile biota. Oil from a subsurface spill is not applicable due to the distance of these blocks from a topographic area. The activities proposed in this plan will be covered by Chevron's Regional OSRP (refer to information submitted in **Section 9**).

If dispersants were utilized as a response method, the fate and effects of spilled oil would be impacted. Dispersants have been utilized in previous spill response efforts and were used extensively in the response to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, with both surface and sub-surface applications. Reports on dispersant usage on surface oil indicate that a majority of the dispersed oil remains in the top 10 meters of the water column, with 60 percent of the oil in the top two meters of water (McAuliffe et al, 1981; Lewis and Aurand, 1997; OCS Report BOEM 2017-007). Lubchenco et al. (2010) report that most chemically dispersed surface oil from the Deepwater Horizon explosion and oil spill remained in the top six meters of the water column where it mixed with surrounding waters and biodegraded (BOEM 2017-007). None of the topographic features or potentially sensitive biological features in the GOM are shallower than 10 meters (33 feet), and only the Flower Garden Banks are shallower than 20 meters (66 feet).

In one extraordinary circumstance with an unusual combination of meteorological and oceanographic conditions, a tropical storm forced a large volume of Deepwater Horizon oil spill-linked surface oil/dispersant mixture to as deep as 75 meters (246 feet), causing temporary exposure to mesophotic corals in the Pinnacle Trend area and leading to some coral mortality and sublethal impacts (Silva et al., 2015; BOEM 2017-007).

Additionally, concentrations of dispersed and dissolved oil in the Deepwater Horizon oil-spill subsea plume were reported to be in the parts per million range or less and were generally lower away from the water's surface and away from the well head (Adcroft et al., 2010; Haddad and Murawski, 2010; Joint Analysis Group, 2010; Lubchenco et al, 2010; BOEM 2017-007).

In the case of subsurface spills like a blowout or pipeline leak, dispersants may be injected at the seafloor. This will increase oil concentrations near the source but tend to decrease them further afield, especially at the surface. Marine organisms in the lower water column will be exposed to an initial increase of water-soluble oil compounds that will dilute in the water column over time (Lee et al., 2013a; NAS 2020).

Dispersant application involves a trade-off between decreasing the risk to the surface and shoreline habitat and increasing the risk beneath the surface. The optimal trade-off must account for various factors, including the type of oil spilled, the spill volume, the weather and sea state, the water depth, the degree of turbulence, and the relative abundance and life stages of organisms (NRC, 2005; NAS 2020).

Chemical dispersants may increase the risk of toxicity to subsurface organisms by increasing bioavailability of the oil. However, it is important to note that at the 1:20 dispersant-to-oil ratio recommended for use during response operations, the dispersants currently approved for use are far less acutely toxic than oil is. Toxicity of chemically dispersed oil is primarily due to the oil itself and its enhanced bioavailability (Lee et al., 2015; NAS 2020).

With the exception of special Federal management areas or designated exclusion areas, dispersants have been preapproved for surface use, which provides the USCG On-Scene Coordinator with the authority to approve the use of dispersants. However, that approval would only be granted upon completion of the protocols defined in the appropriate Area Contingency Plan (ACP) and the Regional Response Team (RRT) Dispersant Plan. The protocols include conducting an environmental benefit analysis to determine if the dispersant use will prevent a substantial threat to the public health or welfare or minimize serious environmental damage. The Regional Response Team would be notified immediately to provide technical support and guidance in determining if the dispersant use meets the established criteria and provide an environmental benefit. Additionally, there is currently no preapproval for subsea dispersant injection and the USCG On-Scene Coordinator must approve use of this technology before any subsea application. Due to the unprecedented volume of dispersants applied for an extended period of time, the U.S. National Response Team has developed guidance for atypical dispersant operations to ensure that planning and response activities will be consistent with national policy (BOEM 2017-007).

Dispersants were used extensively in the response to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, both surface and sub-surface applications. However, during a May 2016 significant oil spill (approximately 1,926 barrels) in the Gulf of Mexico dispersants were not utilized as part of the response. The Regional Response Team was consulted and recommended that dispersants not be used, despite acknowledging the appropriate protocols were correctly followed and that there was a net environmental benefit in utilizing dispersants. This demonstrates that the federal authorities (USCG and RRT) will be extremely prudent in their decision-making regarding dispersant use authorizations

Due to the distance of these blocks from a topographic area and the coverage of the activities proposed in this plan by Chevron's Regional OSRP (refer to information submitted in **Section 9**), impacts to topographic features from surface or sub-surface oil spills are not expected.

There are no other IPFs (including effluents, emissions, and wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal) from the proposed operations that are likely to impact topographic features.

2. Pinnacle Trend Area Live Bottoms

Potential IPFs to pinnacle trend area live bottoms from the proposed operations include physical disturbances to the seafloor, emissions (noise / sound), and accidents.

Physical disturbances to the seafloor: Mississippi Canyon Block 607 is 55.5 miles from the closest live bottom (pinnacle trend) area; therefore, no adverse impacts are expected. Additionally, Dynamically Positioned Offshore Construction and Support Vessels are being used for the proposed activities; therefore, only an insignificant amount of seafloor will be disturbed.

Emissions (noise / sound): All routine OCS oil-and gas-related activities have some element of sound generation. Common sound sources include propeller cavitation, rotating machinery, and reciprocating machinery, which are associated with routine OCS oil-and gas-related activities such as vessel traffic, drilling, construction, and oil and gas production, processing, and transport. Sound introduced into the marine environment as a result of human activities has the potential to affect marine organisms. Although there is little information available on sound detection and sound-mediated behaviors for marine invertebrates, the overall impacts on pinnacle and low-relief feature communities from anthropogenic noise are expected to be negligible (BOEM 2017-009). Additionally, Mississippi Canyon Block 607 is 55.5 miles from the closest live bottom (pinnacle trend) area; therefore, no adverse impacts are expected.

Accidents: It is unlikely that an accidental surface or subsurface spill would occur from the proposed activities (refer to statistics in **Item 5**, Water Quality). Oil spills have the potential to foul benthic communities and cause lethal and sublethal effects on live bottom organisms. Oil from a surface spill can be driven into the water column; measurable amounts have been documented down to a 10 meter depth. At this depth, the oil is found only at concentrations several orders of magnitude lower than the amount shown to have an effect on marine organisms. Oil from a subsurface spill is not expected to impact pinnacle trend area live bottoms due to the distance of these blocks from a live bottom (pinnacle trend) area and the coverage of the activities proposed in this plan by Chevron's Regional OSRP (refer to information submitted in **Section 9**).

If dispersants were utilized as a response method, the fate and effects of spilled oil would be impacted. A detailed discussion on dispersants, their usage during the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, and their impacts on different levels of benthic communities can be found in **Item 1**.

There are no other IPFs (including effluents and wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal) from the proposed activities that are likely to impact a live bottom (pinnacle trend) area.

3. Eastern Gulf Live Bottoms

Potential IPFs on Eastern Gulf live bottoms from the proposed operations include physical disturbances to the seafloor, emissions (noise / sound), effluents, and accidents.

Physical disturbances to the seafloor: Mississippi Canyon Block 607 is not located in an area characterized by the existence of live bottoms, and this lease does not contain a Live-Bottom Stipulation requiring a photo documentation survey and survey report. Additionally, Dynamically Positioned Offshore Construction and Support Vessels are being used for the proposed activities; therefore, only an insignificant amount of seafloor will be disturbed.

Emissions (noise / sound): All routine OCS oil-and gas-related activities have some element of sound generation. Common sound sources include propeller cavitation, rotating machinery, and reciprocating machinery, which are associated with routine OCS oil-and gas-related activities such as vessel traffic, drilling, construction, and oil and gas production, processing, and transport. Sound introduced into the marine environment as a result of human activities has the potential to affect marine organisms. Although there is little information available on sound detection and sound-mediated behaviors for marine invertebrates, the overall impacts on pinnacle and low-relief feature communities from anthropogenic noise are expected to be negligible (BOEM 2017-009). Additionally, Mississippi Canyon Block 607 is not located in an area characterized by the existence of live bottoms; therefore, no adverse impacts are expected.

Accidents: It is unlikely that an accidental surface or subsurface spill would occur from the proposed activities (refer to statistics in **Item 5**, Water Quality). Oil spills cause damage to live bottom organisms only if the oil contacts the organisms. Oil from a surface spill can be driven into the water column; measurable amounts have been documented down to a 10 meter depth. At this depth, the oil is found only at concentrations several orders of magnitude lower than the amount shown to have an effect on marine invertebrates. Oil from a subsurface spill is not expected to impact Eastern Gulf live bottoms due to the distance of these blocks from a live bottom area and coverage of the activities proposed in this plan by Chevron's Regional OSRP (refer to information submitted in **Section 9**).

If dispersants were utilized as a response method, the fate and effects of spilled oil would be impacted. A detailed discussion on dispersants, their usage during the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, and their impacts on different levels of benthic communities can be found in **Item 1**.

There are no other IPFs (including effluents and wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal) from the proposed operations that are likely to impact an Eastern Gulf live bottom area.

4. Deepwater Benthic Communities

There are no IPFs (including emissions (noise / sound), physical disturbances to the seafloor, wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal, and accidents) from the proposed operations that are likely to cause impacts to deepwater benthic communities.

Mississippi Canyon Block 607 is located in water depths of 984 feet (300 meters) or greater. At such depth high-density, deepwater benthic communities may sometimes be found. However, Mississippi Canyon Block 607 is approximately 17.1 miles from a known deepwater benthic community site (Mississippi Canyon Block 426), listed in NTL 2009-G40. Additionally, Dynamically Positioned Offshore Construction and Support Vessels are being used for the proposed activities; therefore, only an insignificant amount of seafloor will be disturbed. Due to the distance from the closest known deepwater benthic community and because physical disturbances to the seafloor will be minimized by the use of Dynamically Positioned Offshore

Construction and Support Vessels, Chevron's proposed operations in Mississippi Canyon Block 607 are not likely to impact deepwater benthic communities.

Deepwater benthic communities would potentially be subject to detrimental effects from a catastrophic seafloor blowout due to sediment and oiled sediment from the initial event (BOEM 2017-007). However, this is unlikely due to the distancing requirements described in NTL 2009-G40. Additionally, the potential impacts would be localized due to the directional movement of oil plumes by water currents and the scattered, patchy distribution of sensitive habitats. Although widely dispersed, biodegraded particles of a passing oil plume might impact patchy habitats, no significant impacts would be expected to the Gulfwide population. Most deepwater benthic communities are expected to experience no impacts from a catastrophic seafloor blowout due to the directional movement of oil plumes by the water currents and their scattered, patchy distribution. Impacts may be expected if a spill were to occur close to a deepwater benthic habitat, however, beyond the localized area of impact particles would become increasingly biodegraded and dispersed. Localized impacts to deepwater benthic organisms would be expected to be mostly sublethal (BOEM 2017-007).

If dispersants were utilized as a response method, the fate and effects of spilled oil would be impacted. A detailed discussion on dispersants, their usage during the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, and their impacts on different levels of benthic communities can be found in **Item 1**.

5. Water Quality

Potential IPFs that could result in water quality degradation from the proposed operations in Mississippi Canyon Block 607 include disturbances to the seafloor and accidents.

Physical disturbances to the seafloor: Bottom area disturbances resulting from the installation of subsea infrastructure and pipelines would increase water-column turbidity and re-suspension of any accumulated pollutants, such as trace metals and excess nutrients. This would cause short-lived impacts on water quality conditions in the immediate vicinity of the emplacement operations. Additionally, Dynamically Positioned Offshore Construction and Support Vessels are being used for the proposed activities; therefore, only an insignificant amount of seafloor will be disturbed.

Accidents: IPFs related to OCS oil- and gas-related accidental events primarily involve drilling fluid spills, chemical spills, and oil spills.

Drilling Fluid Spills

There are no drilling operations proposed under this Plan.

Chemical Spills

Accidental chemical spills could result in temporary localized impacts on water quality, primarily due to changing pH. Chemicals spills are generally small volume compared with spills of oil and

drilling fluids. During the period of 2007 to 2014, small chemical spills occurred at an average annual volume of 28 barrels, while large chemical spills occurred at an average annual volume of 758 barrels. These chemical spills normally dissolve in water and dissipate quickly through dilution with no observable effects. Also, many of these chemicals are approved to be commingled in produced water for discharge to the ocean, which is a permitted activity. Therefore, impacts from chemical spills are considered to be minor and do not typically require mitigation because of technical feasibility and low toxicity after dilution (BOEM 2017-009).

Oil Spills

Oil spills have the greatest potential of all OCS oil-and gas-related activities to affect water quality. Small spills (<1,000 barrels) are not expected to substantially impact water quality in coastal or offshore waters because the oil dissipates quickly through dispersion and weathering while still at sea. Reasonably foreseeable larger spills (≥1,000 barrels), however, could impact water quality in coastal and offshore waters (BOEM 2017-007). However, based on data provided in the BOEM 2016 Update of Occurrence Rates for Offshore Oil Spills, it is unlikely that an accidental surface or subsurface spill of a significant volume would occur from the proposed activities. Between 2001 and 2015 OCS operations produced eight billion barrels of oil and spilled 0.062 percent of this oil, or one barrel for every 1,624 barrels produced. (The overall spill volume was almost entirely accounted for by the 2010 Deepwater Horizon blowout and subsequent discharge of 4.9 million barrels of oil. Additional information on unlikely scenarios and impacts from very large oil spills are discussed in the Catastrophic Spill Event Analysis white paper (BOEM 2017-007).

If a spill were to occur, the water quality of marine waters would be temporarily affected by the dissolved components and small oil droplets. Dispersion by currents and microbial degradation would remove the oil from the water column and dilute the constituents to background levels. Historically, changes in offshore water quality from oil spills have only been detected during the life of the spill and up to several months afterwards. Most of the components of oil are insoluble in water and therefore float. Dispersants will only be used if approved by the Regional Response Team in coordination with the RRT Dispersant Plan and RRT Biological Assessment for Dispersants.

Oil spills, regardless of size, may allow hydrocarbons to partition into the water column in a dissolved, emulsion, and/or particulate phase. Therefore, impacts from reasonably foreseeable oil spills are considered moderate. Mitigation efforts for oil spills may include booming, burning, and the use of dispersants (BOEM 2017-009).

These methods may cause short-term secondary impacts to water quality, such as the introduction of additional hydrocarbon into the dissolved phase through the use of dispersants and the sinking of hydrocarbon residuals from burning. Since burning and the use of dispersants put additional hydrocarbons into the dissolved phase, impacts to water quality after mitigation efforts are still considered to be moderate, because dissolved hydrocarbons extend down into the water column. This results in additional exposure pathways via ingestion and gill respiration and may result in acute or chronic effects to marine life (BOEM 2017-009).

Most oil-spill response strategies and equipment are based upon the simple principle that oil floats. However, as evident during the Deepwater Horizon explosion, oil spill, and response, this is not always true. Sometimes it floats and sometimes it suspends within the water column or sinks to the seafloor (BOEM 2017-009).

Oil that is chemically dispersed at the surface moves into the top six meters of the water column where it mixes with surrounding waters and begins to biodegrade (U.S. Congress, Office of Technology Assessment, 1990). Dispersant use, in combination with natural processes, breaks up oil into smaller components that allows them to dissipate into the water and degrade more rapidly (Nalco, 2010). Dispersant use must be in accordance with an RRT Preapproved Dispersant Use Manual and with any conditions outlined within an RRT's site-specific, dispersant approval given after a spill event. Consequently, dispersant use must be in accordance with the restrictions for specific water depths, distances from shore, and monitoring requirements. At this time, neither the Region IV nor the Region VI RRT dispersant use manuals, which cover the GOM region, give preapproval for the application of dispersant use subsea (BOEM 2017-009).

The operations proposed in this plan will be covered by Chevron's Regional Oil Spill Response Plan, which discusses potential response actions in more detail (refer to information submitted in **Section 9**).

There are no other IPFs (including effluents, emissions, physical disturbances to the seafloor, and wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal) from the proposed operations that are likely to impact water quality.

6. Fisheries

There are multiple species of fish in the Gulf of Mexico, including the endangered and threatened species listed in **Table 1** at the beginning of this Environmental Impact Assessment. More information regarding the endangered gulf sturgeon (**Item 20.2**), oceanic whitetip shark (**Item 20.3**), and giant manta ray (**Item 20.4**) can be found below. Potential IPFs to fisheries as a result of the proposed operations in Mississippi Canyon Block 607 include physical disturbances to the seafloor, emissions (noise / sound), and accidents.

Physical disturbances to the seafloor: The emplacement of a structure results in minimal loss of bottom trawling area to commercial fishermen. Pipelines cause gear conflicts which result in losses of trawls and shrimp catch, business downtime and vessel damage. Most financial losses from gear conflicts are covered by the Fishermen's Contingency Fund (FCF). The emplacement and removal of facilities are not expected to cause significant adverse impacts to fisheries. Additionally, Dynamically Positioned Offshore Construction and Support Vessels are being used for the proposed activities; therefore, only an insignificant amount of seafloor will be disturbed.

Emissions (noise / sound): All routine OCS oil-and gas-related activities have some element of sound generation. Common sound sources include propeller cavitation, rotating machinery, and reciprocating machinery, which are associated with routine OCS oil-and gas-related activities such as vessel traffic, drilling, construction, and oil and gas production, processing, and transport. Sound introduced into the marine environment as a result of human activities has the potential to affect marine organisms by stimulating behavioral response, masking biologically important signals, causing temporary or permanent hearing loss (Popper et al., 2005; Popper et al., 2014), or causing physiological injury (e.g., barotrauma) resulting in mortality (Popper and Hastings, 2009). The potential for anthropogenic sound to affect any individual organism is dependent on the proximity to the source, signal characteristics, received peak pressures relative to the static pressure, cumulative sound exposure, species, motivation, and the receiver's prior experience. In addition, environmental conditions (e.g., temperature, water depth, and substrate) affect sound speed, propagation paths, and attenuation, resulting in temporal and spatial variations in the received signal for organisms throughout the ensonified area (Hildebrand, 2009).

Sound detection capabilities among fishes vary. For most fish species, it is reasonable to assume hearing sensitivity to frequencies below 500 Hertz (Hz) (Popper et al., 2003 and 2014; Popper and Hastings, 2009; Slabbekoorn et al., 2010; Radford et al., 2014). The band of greatest interest to this analysis, low-frequency sound (30-500 Hz), has come to be dominated by anthropogenic sources and includes the frequencies most likely to be detected by most fish species. For example, the noise generated by large vessel traffic typically results from propeller cavitation and falls within 40-150 Hz (Hildebrand, 2009; McKenna et al., 2012). This range is similar to that of fish vocalizations and hearing, and could result in a masking effect.

Masking occurs when background noise increases the threshold for a sound to be detected; masking can be partial or complete. If detection thresholds are raised for biologically relevant signals, there is a potential for increased predation, reduced foraging success, reduced reproductive success, or other effects. However, fish hearing and sound production may be adapted to a noisy environment (Wysocki and Ladich, 2005). There is evidence that fishes are able to efficiently discriminate between signals, extracting important sounds from background noise (Popper et al., 2003; Wysocki and Ladich, 2005). Sophisticated sound processing capabilities and filtering by the sound sensing organs essentially narrows the band of masking frequencies, potentially decreasing masking effects. In addition, the low-frequency sounds of interest propagate over very long distances in deep water, but these frequencies are quickly lost in water depths between ½ and ¼ the wavelength (Ladich, 2013). This would suggest that the potential for a masking effect from low-frequency noise on behaviors occurring in shallow coastal waters may be reduced by the receiver's distance from sound sources, such as busy ports or construction activities.

Pulsed sounds generated by OCS oil-and gas-related activities (e.g., impact-driven piles and airguns) can potentially cause behavioral response, reduce hearing sensitivity, or result in physiological injury to fishes and invertebrate resources. However, there are no pulsed sound generation activities proposed for these operations

Support vessel traffic, drilling, production facilities, and other sources of continuous sounds contribute to a chronic increase in background noise, with varying areas of effect that may be influenced by the sound level, frequencies, and environmental factors (Hildebrand, 2009; Slabbekoorn et al., 2010; McKenna et al., 2012). These sources have a low potential for causing physiological injury or injuring hearing in fishes and invertebrates (Popper et al., 2014). However, continuous sounds have an increased potential for masking biologically relevant sounds than do pulsed signals. The potential effects of masking on fishes and invertebrates is difficult to assess in the natural setting for communities and populations of species, but evidence indicates that the increase to background noise as a result of OCS oil and gas operations would be relatively minor. Therefore, it is expected that the cumulative impact to fishes and invertebrate resources would be minor and would not extend beyond localized disturbances or behavioral modification.

Despite the importance of many sound-mediated behaviors and the potential biological costs associated with behavioral response to anthropogenic sounds, many environmental and biological factors limit potential exposure and the effects that OCS oil-and gas-related sounds have on fishes and invertebrate resources. The overall impact to fishes and invertebrate resources due to anthropogenic sound introduced into the marine environment by OCS oil-and gas-related routine activities is expected to be minor.

Accidents: Collisions between support vessels and ESA-listed fish, would be unusual events, however, should one occur, death or injury to ESA-listed fish is possible. Contract vessel operators can avoid protected aquatic species and reduce potential deaths by maintaining a vigilant watch and a distance of 50 meters or greater, with the exception of animals that approach the vessel. Vessel personnel should use a Gulf of Mexico reference guide that includes identifying information on marine mammals, sea turtles, and other marine protected species (i.e., Endangered Species Act listed species such as Gulf sturgeon, giant manta ray, or oceanic whitetip shark) that may be encountered in the Gulf of Mexico Outer Continental Shelf (OCS).

Contract vessel operators will comply with the measures included in Appendix C of the NMFS Biological Opinion and requirements of the Protected Species Lease Stipulation, except under extraordinary circumstances when the safety of the vessel or crew is in doubt or the safety of life at sea is in question.

Should an ESA-listed fish (e.g. giant manta ray, oceanic whitetip shark, or Gulf sturgeon) be entrapped, entangled, or injured, personnel should contact the ESA Section 7 biologist at (301) 427-8413 (nmfs.psoreview@noaa.gov) and report all incidents to takereport.nmfsser@noaa.gov. After making the appropriate notifications, Chevron may call BSEE at (985) 722-7902 for questions or additional guidance on recovery assistance needs, continued monitoring requirements, and incidental report information which at minimum is detailed below. Additional information may be found at the following website: https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/report. Any injured or dead protected species should also be reported to takereport.nmfsser@noaa.gov. In addition, if the injury or death was caused by a collision with the operator's vessel, an entrapment within the operator's equipment or vessel (e.g. moon pool), or an entanglement within the operator's equipment, the operator must further notify BOEM and BSEE within 24 hours of the strike or

entrapment/entanglement by email to <u>protectedspecies@boem.gov</u> and <u>protectedspecies@bsee.gov</u>. If the vessel is the responsible party, it is required to remain available to assist the respective salvage and stranding network as needed.

An accidental oil spill has the potential to cause some detrimental effects on fisheries; however, it is unlikely that such an event would occur from the proposed activities (refer to **Item 5**, Water Quality). The effects of oil on mobile adult finfish or shellfish would likely be sublethal and the extent of damage would be reduced to the capacity of adult fish and shellfish to avoid the spill, to metabolize hydrocarbons, and to excrete both metabolites and parent compounds. The activities proposed in this plan will be covered by Chevron's Regional OSRP (refer to information submitted in **Section 9**).

There are no other IPFs (including effluents and wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal) from the proposed operations that are likely to cause impacts to fisheries.

7. Marine Mammals

The latest population estimates for the Gulf of Mexico revealed that cetaceans of the continental shelf and shelf-edge were almost exclusively bottlenose dolphin and Atlantic spotted dolphin. Squid eaters, including dwarf and pygmy killer whale, Risso's dolphin, rough-toothed dolphin, and Cuvier's beaked whale, occurred most frequently along the upper slope in areas outside of anticyclones. The Rice's whale (née Gulf of Mexico Bryde's whale) is the only commonly occurring baleen whale in the northern Gulf of Mexico and has been sighted off western Florida and in the De Soto Canyon region. Florida manatees have been sighted along the entire northern GOM but are mainly found in the shallow coastal waters of Florida, which are unassociated with the proposed actions. A complete list of all endangered and threatened marine mammals in the GOM may be found in **Table 1** at the beginning of this Environmental Impact Assessment. More information regarding the endangered Rice's whale can be found in **Item 20.1** below. Potential IPFs to marine mammals as a result of the proposed operations in Mississippi Canyon Block 607 include emissions (noise / sound), discarded trash and debris, and accidents.

Emissions (noise / sound): Noises from support vessels and helicopters (i.e. non-impulsive anthropogenic sound) may elicit a startle reaction from marine mammals. This reaction may lead to disruption of marine mammals' normal activities. Stress may make them more vulnerable to parasites, disease, environmental contaminants, and/or predation (Majors and Myrick, 1990). Responses to sound exposure may include lethal or nonlethal injury, temporary hearing impairment, behavioral harassment and stress, or no apparent response. Noise-induced stress is possible, but it is little studied in marine mammals. Tyack (2008) suggests that a more significant risk to marine mammals from sound are these less visible impacts of chronic exposure. There is little conclusive evidence for long-term displacements and population trends for marine mammals relative to noise.

Vessels are the greatest contributors to increases in low-frequency ambient sound in the sea (Andrew et al. 2011). Sound levels and tones produced are generally related to vessel size and

speed. Larger vessels generally emit more sound than smaller vessels, and vessels underway with a full load, or those pushing or towing a load, are noisier than unladen vessels. Cetacean responses to aircraft depend on the animals' behavioral state at the time of exposure (e.g., resting, socializing, foraging or traveling) as well as the altitude and lateral distance of the aircraft to the animals (Luksenburg and Parsons 2009). The underwater sound intensity from aircraft is less than produced by vessels, and visually, aircraft are more difficult for whales to locate since they are not in the water and move rapidly (Richter et al. 2006). Perhaps not surprisingly then, when aircraft are at higher altitudes, whales often exhibit no response, but lower flying aircraft (e.g., approximately 500 meters or less) have been observed to elicit short-term behavioral responses (Luksenburg and Parsons 2009; NMFS 2017b; NMFS 2017f; Patenaude et al. 2002; Smultea et al. 2008a; Wursig et al. 1998). Thus, aircraft flying at low altitude, at close lateral distances and above shallow water elicit stronger responses than aircraft flying higher, at greater lateral distances and over deep water (Patenaude et al. 2002; Smultea et al. 2008a). Routine OCS helicopter traffic would not be expected to disturb animals for extended periods, provided pilots do not alter their flight patterns to more closely observe or photograph marine mammals. Helicopters, while flying offshore, generally maintain altitudes above 700 feet during transit to and from a working area, and at an altitude of about 500 feet between platforms. The duration of the effects resulting from a startle response is expected to be short-term during routine flights, and the potential effects will be insignificant to sperm whales and Rice's whales. Therefore, we find that any disturbance that may result from aircraft associated with the proposed action is not likely to adversely affect ESAlisted whales.

Production noise would contribute to increases in the ambient noise environment of the GOM, but they are not expected in amplitudes sufficient to cause either hearing or behavioral impacts (BOEM 2017-009). There is the possibility of short-term disruption of movement patterns and/or behavior caused by vessel noise and disturbance; however, these are not expected to impact survival and growth of any marine mammal populations in the GOM. Additionally, the National Marine Fisheries Service published a final recovery plan for the sperm whale, which identified anthropogenic noise as either a low or unknown threat to sperm whales in the GOM (USDOC, NMFS, 2010b). Sirenians (i.e. manatees) are not located within the area of operations. Additionally, there were no specific noise impact factors identified in the latest BOEM environmental impact statement for sirenians related to GOM OCS operations (BOEM 2017-009). See **Item 20.1** for details on the Rice's whale.

Discarded trash and debris: Both entanglement in and ingestion of debris have caused the death or serious injury of marine mammals (Laist, 1997; MMC, 1999). The limited amount of marine debris, if any, resulting from the proposed activities is not expected to substantially harm marine mammals. Operators are prohibited from deliberately discharging debris as mandated by MARPOL-Annex V, the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act, and regulations imposed by various agencies, including the United States Coast Guard (USCG) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Chevron will operate in accordance with the regulations, agency guidance, and Appendix B of the National Marine Fisheries Service Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion and also avoid accidental loss of solid waste items by maintaining waste management plans,

manifesting trash sent to shore, and using special precautions such as covering outside trash bins to prevent accidental loss of solid waste. Special caution will be exercised when handling and disposing of small items and packaging materials, particularly those made of non-biodegradable, environmentally persistent materials such as plastic or glass. Chevron will also collect and remove flotsam resulting from activities related to proposed operations.

Informational placards will be posted on all vessels and facilities having sleeping or food preparation capabilities. All offshore personnel, including contractors and other support services-related personnel (e.g. helicopter pilots, vessel captains and boat crews) will be indoctrinated on waste procedures, and will view the video (or Microsoft PowerPoint presentation), "Think About It" (*previously "All Washed Up: The Beach Litter Problem"*). Thereafter, all personnel will view the marine trash and debris training video annually. Offshore personnel will also receive an explanation from Chevron management or the designated lease operator management that emphasizes their commitment to waste management in accordance with NTL No. 2015-G03-BSEE.

Accidents: Collisions between support vessels and marine mammals, including cetaceans, would be unusual events; however, should one occur, death or injury to marine mammals is possible. Contract vessel operators can avoid marine mammals and reduce potential deaths by maintaining a vigilant watch for marine mammals and maintaining a safe distance of 500 meters or greater from baleen whales, 100 meters or greater from sperm whales, and a distance of 50 meters or greater from all other aquatic protected species, with the exception of animals that approach the vessel. If unable to identify the marine mammal, the vessel will act as if it were a baleen whale and maintain a distance of 500 meters or greater. If a manatee is sighted, all vessels in the area will operate at "no wake/idle" speeds in the area, while maintaining proper distance. When assemblages of cetaceans are observed, including mother/calf pairs, vessel speeds will be reduced to 10 knots or less. Vessel personnel should use a Gulf of Mexico reference guide that includes identifying information on marine mammals, sea turtles, and other marine protected species (i.e., Endangered Species Act listed species such as Gulf sturgeon, giant manta ray, or oceanic whitetip shark) that may be encountered in the Gulf of Mexico Outer Continental Shelf (OCS).

Contract vessel operators will comply with the measures included in Appendix C of the NMFS Biological Opinion and requirements of the Protected Species Lease Stipulation, except under extraordinary circumstances when the safety of the vessel or crew is in doubt or the safety of life at sea is in question.

Vessel personnel must report sightings of any injured or dead protected marine mammal species immediately, regardless of whether the injury or death is caused by their vessel, to the NMFS Southeast Marine Mammal Stranding Hotline at (877) WHALE-HELP (877-942-5343). information found Additional may be at the following website: https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/report. Any injured or dead protected species should also be reported to takereport.nmfsser@noaa.gov. In addition, if the injury or death was caused by a collision with the operator's vessel, an entrapment within the operator's equipment or vessel (e.g. moon pool), or an entanglement within the operator's equipment, the operator must further notify BOEM and BSEE within 24 hours of the strike or entrapment/entanglement by email to <u>protectedspecies@boem.gov</u> and <u>protectedspecies@bsee.gov</u>. If the vessel is the responsible party, it is required to remain available to assist the respective salvage and stranding network as needed.

These proposed operations may utilize a moon pool(s) to conduct various subsea activities. Details on moon pool operations, monitoring, and descriptions are included in Sections 10 and 12 of the Initial Development Operations Coordination Document. Chevron's contractor or company representative will provide a dedicated crew member to monitor and continually survey the moon pool area during the operations for marine mammals. If any marine mammal is detected in the moon pool, Chevron will cease operations and contact NMFS at nmfs.psoreview@noaa.gov and BSEE at protectedspecies@bsee.gov and 985-722-7902 for additional guidance and incident report information.

Oil spills have the potential to cause sublethal oil-related injuries and spill-related deaths to marine mammals. However, it is unlikely that an accidental oil spill would occur from the proposed activities (refer to **Item 5**, Water Quality). Oil spill response activities may increase vessel traffic in the area, which could impact cetacean behavior and/or distribution, thereby causing additional stress to the animals. The effect of oil dispersants on cetaceans is not known. Removing oil from the surface would reduce the likelihood of oil adhering to marine mammals. Laboratory experiments have shown that the dispersants used during the Deepwater Horizon response are cytotoxic to sperm whale cells; however it is difficult to determine actual exposure levels in the GOM. Therefore, dispersants will only be used if approved by the Regional Response Team in coordination with the RRT Dispersant Plan and RRT Biological Assessment for Dispersants. The acute toxicity of oil dispersant chemicals included in Chevron's OSRP is considered to be low when compared with the constituents and fractions of crude oils and diesel products. The activities proposed in this plan will be covered by Chevron's OSRP (refer to information submitted in accordance with **Section 9**).

The NMFS Office of Protected Resources coordinates agency assessment of the need for response and leads response efforts for spills that may impact cetaceans. If a spill may impact cetaceans, NMFS Protected Resources Contacts should be notified (see contact details below), and they will initiate notification of other relevant parties.

NMFS Protected Resources Contacts for the Gulf of Mexico:

- Marine mammals Southeast emergency stranding hotline 1-877-433-8299
- Other endangered or threatened species ESA section 7 consulting biologist: nmfs.ser.emergency.consult@noaa.gov

There are no other IPFs (including effluents and physical disturbances to the seafloor) from the proposed operations that are likely to impact marine mammals.

8. Sea Turtles

GulfCet II studies sighted most loggerhead, Kemp's ridley and leatherback sea turtles over shelf waters. Historically these species have been sighted up to the shelf's edge. They appear to be more abundant east of the Mississippi River than they are west of the river (Fritts et al., 1983b; Lohoefener et al., 1990). Deep waters may be used by all species as a transitory habitat. A complete list of endangered and threatened sea turtles in the GOM may be found in **Table 1** at the beginning of this Environmental Impact Assessment. Additional details regarding the loggerhead sea turtle's critical habitat in the GOM are located in **Item 20.5**. Potential IPFs to sea turtles as a result of the proposed operations include emissions (noise / sound), discarded trash and debris, and accidents.

Emissions (noise / sound): Noise from support vessels and helicopters (i.e. non-impulsive anthropogenic sound) may elicit a startle reaction from sea turtles, but this is a temporary disturbance. Responses to sound exposure may include lethal or nonlethal injury, temporary hearing impairment, behavioral harassment and stress, or no apparent response. Vessels are the greatest contributors to increases in low-frequency ambient sound in the sea (Andrew et al. 2011). Sound levels and tones produced are generally related to vessel size and speed. Larger vessels generally emit more sound than smaller vessels, and vessels underway with a full load, or those pushing or towing a load, are noisier than unladen vessels. Routine OCS helicopter traffic would not be expected to disturb animals for extended periods, provided pilots do not alter their flight patterns to more closely observe or photograph marine mammals. Helicopters, while flying offshore, generally maintain altitudes above 700 feet during transit to and from a working area, and at an altitude of about 500 feet between platforms. The duration of the effects resulting from a startle response is expected to be short-term during routine flights and the potential effects will be insignificant to sea turtles. Therefore, we find that any disturbance that may result from aircraft associated with the proposed action is not likely to adversely affect sea turtles. Construction and operational sounds other than pile driving should have insignificant effects on sea turtles; effects would be limited to short-term avoidance of construction activity itself rather than the sound produced. As a result, sound sources associated with support vessel movement as part of the proposed operations are insignificant and therefore are not likely to adversely affect sea turtles.

Overall noise impacts on sea turtles from the proposed activities are expected to be negligible to minor depending on the location of the animal(s) relative to the sound source and the frequency, intensity, and duration of the source. The National Marine Fisheries Service Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion Appendix C explains how operators must implement measures to minimize the risk of vessel strikes to protected species and report observations of injured or dead protected species. This guidance should also minimize the chance of sea turtles being subject to the increased noise level of a service vessel in very close proximity.

Discarded trash and debris: Both entanglement in, and ingestion of, debris have caused the death or serious injury of sea turtles (Balazs, 1985). The limited amount of marine debris, if any, resulting from the proposed activities is not expected to substantially harm sea turtles. Operators are prohibited from deliberately discharging debris as mandated by MARPOL-Annex V, the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act, and regulations imposed by various agencies,

including the United States Coast Guard (USCG) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Chevron will operate in accordance with the regulations, agency guidance, and Appendix B of the National Marine Fisheries Service Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion and also avoid accidental loss of solid waste items by maintaining waste management plans, manifesting trash sent to shore, and using special precautions such as covering outside trash bins to prevent accidental loss of solid waste. Special caution will be exercised when handling and disposing of small items and packaging materials, particularly those made of non-biodegradable, environmentally persistent materials such as plastic or glass. Chevron will also collect and remove flotsam resulting from activities related to proposed operations.

Informational placards will be posted on all vessels and facilities having sleeping or food preparation capabilities. All offshore personnel, including contractors and other support services-related personnel (e.g. helicopter pilots, vessel captains and boat crews) will be indoctrinated on waste procedures, and will view the video (or Microsoft PowerPoint presentation), "Think About It" (previously "All Washed Up: The Beach Litter Problem"). Thereafter, all personnel will view the marine trash and debris training video annually. Offshore personnel will also receive an explanation from Chevron management or the designated lease operator management that emphasizes their commitment to waste management in accordance with NTL No. 2015-G03-BSEE.

Accidents: Collisions between support vessels and sea turtles would be unusual events; however, should one occur, death or injury to sea turtles is possible. Contract vessel operators can avoid sea turtles and reduce potential deaths by maintaining a vigilant watch for sea turtles and maintaining a safe distance of 50 meters or greater when they are sighted, with the exception of sea turtles that approach the vessel. Vessel crews should use a reference guide to help identify the five species of sea turtles that may be encountered in the Gulf of Mexico OCS as well as other marine protected species (i.e. Endangered Species Act listed species). Contract vessel operators will comply with the measures included in Appendix C of the NMFS Biological Opinion and requirements of the Protected Species Lease Stipulation, except under extraordinary circumstances when the safety of the vessel or crew is in doubt or the safety of life at sea is in question.

Vessel crews must report sightings of any injured or dead protected sea turtle species immediately, regardless of whether the injury or death is caused by their vessel, to the State Coordinators for the Stranding Sea Turtle Salvage Network (STSSN) and http://www.sefsc.noaa.gov/species/turtles/stranding coordinators.htm (phone numbers vary by Additional information found may be the following https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/report. Any injured or dead protected species should also be reported to takereport.nmfsser@noaa.gov. In addition, if the injury or death was caused by a collision with the operator's vessel, an entrapment within the operator's equipment or vessel (e.g. moon pool), or an entanglement within the operator's equipment, the operator must further notify BOEM and BSEE within 24 hours of the strike or entrapment/entanglement by email to protectedspecies@boem.gov and protectedspecies@bsee.gov. If the vessel is the responsible party, it is required to remain available to assist the respective salvage and stranding network as needed.

These proposed operations may utilize a moon pool(s) to conduct various subsea activities. Details on moon pool operations, monitoring, and descriptions are included in Sections 10 and 12 of the Initial Development Operations Coordination Document. Chevron's contractor or company representative will provide a dedicated crew member to monitor and continually survey the moon pool area during the operations for sea turtles. If any sea turtle is detected in the moon pool, Chevron will cease operations and contact NMFS at nmfs.psoreview@noaa.gov and BSEE at protectedspecies@bsee.gov and 985-722-7902 for additional guidance and incidental report information. The procedures found in Appendix J of the National Marine Fisheries Service Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion will be employed to free entrapped or entangled marine life safely.

All sea turtle species and their life stages are vulnerable to the harmful effects of oil through direct contact or by fouling of their food. Exposure to oil can be fatal, particularly to juveniles and hatchlings. However, it is unlikely that an accidental oil spill would occur from the proposed activities (refer to **Item 5**, Water Quality). Oil spill response activities may increase vessel traffic in the area, which could add to the possibility of collisions with sea turtles. The activities proposed in this plan will be covered by Chevron's Regional Oil Spill Response Plan (refer to information submitted in accordance with **Section 9**).

The NMFS Office of Protected Resources coordinates agency assessment of the need for response and leads response efforts for spills that may impact sea turtles. If a spill may impact sea turtles, the following NMFS Protected Resources Contacts should be notified, and they will initiate notification of other relevant parties.

- Dr. Brian Stacy at brian.stacy@noaa.gov and 352-283-3370 (cell); or
- Stacy Hargrove at stacy.hargrove@noaa.gov and 305-781-7453 (cell)

There are no other IPFs (including physical disturbances to the seafloor) from the proposed operations that are likely to impact sea turtles.

9. Air Quality

Potential IPFs to air quality as a result of the proposed operations include accidents.

Mississippi Canyon Block 607 is located 93.6 miles from the Breton Wilderness Area and 69 miles from shore. Applicable emissions data is included in **Section 8** of the Plan.

There would be a limited degree of air quality degradation in the immediate vicinity of the proposed activities. Plan Emissions for the proposed activities do not exceed the annual exemption levels as set forth by BOEM. Accidents and blowouts can release hydrocarbons or chemicals,

which could cause the emission of air pollutants. However, these releases would not impact onshore air quality because of the prevailing atmospheric conditions, emission height, emission rates, and the distance of Mississippi Canyon Block 607 from the coastline.

There are no other IPFs (including effluents, physical disturbances to the seafloor, and wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal) from the proposed operations that are likely to impact air quality.

10. Shipwreck Sites (known or potential)

In accordance with BOEM NTL 2005-G07, Chevron will submit an archaeological resource report per 30 CFR 550.194 if directed to do so by the Regional Director.

Potential IPFs to known or unknown shipwreck sites as a result of the proposed operations in Mississippi Canyon Block 607 include physical disturbances to the seafloor and accidents.

Mississippi Canyon Block 607 is not located in or adjacent to an OCS block designated by BOEM as having a high probability for occurrence of shipwrecks. Additionally, a site clearance letter provided by GEMS and previously submitted for the location (*Site Clearance Letter for Proposed Wellsite MC 651 RW2 Block 607 (OCS-G-34451) Mississippi Canyon Area, Gulf of Mexico; Project No. 0418-2763*) confirmed no archaeological avoidances or known shipwrecks existing in the project area.

Should Chevron discover any evidence of a shipwreck, they will immediately halt operations within a 1000-foot radius, report to BOEM within 48 hours, and make every reasonable effort to preserve and protect that cultural resource.

Physical disturbances to the seafloor: Dynamically Positioned Offshore Construction and Support Vessels are being used for the proposed activities; therefore, only an insignificant amount of seafloor will be disturbed. Because physical disturbances to the seafloor will be minimized by the use of Dynamically Positioned Offshore Construction and Support Vessels, Chevron's proposed operations in Mississippi Canyon Block 607 are not likely to impact shipwreck sites.

Accidents: An accidental oil spill has the potential to cause some detrimental effects to shipwreck sites if the release were to occur subsea. However, it is unlikely that an accidental oil spill would occur from the proposed activities (refer to **Item 5**, Water Quality). The activities proposed in this plan will be covered by Chevron's Regional Oil Spill Response Plan (refer to information submitted in accordance with **Section 9**).

There are no other IPFs (including emissions, effluents, and wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal) from the proposed operations that are likely to impact shipwreck sites.

11. Prehistoric Archaeological Sites

In accordance with BOEM NTL 2005-G07, Chevron will submit an archaeological resource report per 30 CFR 550.194 if directed to do so by the Regional Director.

Potential IPFs to prehistoric archaeological sites as a result of the proposed operations in Mississippi Canyon Block 607 include disturbances to the seafloor and accidents.

Although Mississippi Canyon Block 607 is located inside the Archaeological Prehistoric high probability line, a site clearance letter provided by GEMS and previously submitted for the location (Site Clearance Letter for Proposed Wellsite MC 651 RW2 Block 607 (OCS-G-34451) Mississippi Canyon Area, Gulf of Mexico; Project No. 0418-2763) confirmed no archaeological avoidances existing in the project area. Should Chevron discover any object of prehistoric archaeological significance, they will immediately halt operations within a 1000-foot radius, report to BOEM within 48 hours, and make every reasonable effort to preserve and protect that cultural resource.

Physical disturbances to the seafloor: Dynamically Positioned Offshore Construction and Support Vessels are being used for the proposed activities; therefore, only an insignificant amount of seafloor will be disturbed. Because physical disturbances to the seafloor will be minimized by the use of Dynamically Positioned Offshore Construction and Support Vessels, Chevron's proposed operations in Mississippi Canyon Block 607 are not likely to cause impacts to prehistoric archaeological sites.

Accidents: An accidental oil spill has the potential to cause some detrimental effects to prehistoric archaeological sites if the release were to occur subsea. However, it is unlikely that an accidental oil spill would occur from the proposed activities (refer to **Item 5**, Water Quality). The activities proposed in this plan will be covered by Chevron's Regional Oil Spill Response Plan (refer to information submitted in accordance with **Section 9**).

There are no other IPFs (including emissions, effluents, and wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal) from the proposed operations that are likely to impact prehistoric archeological sites.

Vicinity of Offshore Location

12. Essential Fish Habitat (EFH)

Potential IPFs to EFH as a result of the proposed operations in Mississippi Canyon Block 607 include physical disturbances to the seafloor and accidents. EFH includes all estuarine and marine waters and substrates in the Gulf of Mexico.

Physical disturbances to the seafloor: Turbidity and sedimentation resulting from the bottom disturbing activities included in the proposed operations would be short term and localized. Fish are mobile and would avoid these temporarily suspended sediments. Additionally, the Live Bottom Low Relief Stipulation, the Live Bottom (Pinnacle Trend) Stipulation, and the Eastern Gulf

Pinnacle Trend Stipulation have been put in place to minimize the impacts of bottom disturbing activities. Additionally, Dynamically Positioned Offshore Construction and Support Vessels are being used for the proposed activities; therefore, only an insignificant amount of seafloor will be disturbed. Therefore, the bottom disturbing activities from the proposed operations would have a negligible impact on EFH.

Accidents: An accidental oil spill has the potential to cause some detrimental effects on EFH. Oil spills that contact coastal bays and estuaries, as well as OCS waters when pelagic eggs and larvae are present, have the greatest potential to affect fisheries. However, it is unlikely that an oil spill would occur from the proposed activities (refer to **Item 5**, Water Quality). The activities proposed in this plan will be covered by Chevron's Regional OSRP (refer to information submitted in **Section 9**).

There are no other IPFs (including effluents, emissions, and wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal) from the proposed oerations that are likely to impact essential fish habitat.

13. Marine and Pelagic Birds

Potential IPFs to marine birds as a result of the proposed activities include emissions (air, noise / sound), accidental oil spills, and discarded trash and debris from vessels and the facilities.

Emissions:

Air Emissions

Emissions of pollutants into the atmosphere from these activities are far below concentrations which could harm coastal and marine birds.

Noise / Sound Emissions

The OCS oil-and gas-related helicopters and vessels have the potential to cause noise and disturbance. However, flight altitude restrictions over sensitive habitat, including that of birds, may make serious disturbance unlikely. Birds are also known to habituate to noises, including airport noise. It is an assumption that the OCS oil-and gas-related vessel traffic would follow regular routes; if so, seabirds would find the noise to be familiar. Therefore, the impact of OCS oil-and gas-related noise from helicopters and vessels to birds would be expected to be negligible.

The use of explosives for decommissioning activities may potentially kill one or more birds from barotrauma if a bird (or several birds because birds may occur in a flock) is present at the location of the severance. For the impact of underwater sound, a threshold of 202 dB sound exposure level (SEL) for injury and 208 dB SEL for barotrauma was recommended for the Brahyramphus marmoratus, a diving seabird (USDOI, FWS, 2011). However, the use of explosive severance of facilities for decommissioning are not included in these proposed operations, therefore these impacts are not expected.

Accidents: An oil spill would cause localized, low-level petroleum hydrocarbon contamination. However, it is unlikely that an oil spill would occur from the proposed activities (refer to Item 5, Water Quality). Marine and pelagic birds feeding at the spill location may experience chronic, nonfatal, physiological stress. It is expected that few, if any, coastal and marine birds would actually be affected to that extent. The activities proposed in this plan will be covered by Chevron's Regional OSRP (refer to information submitted in Section 9).

Discarded trash and debris: Marine and pelagic birds could become entangled and snared in discarded trash and debris, or ingest small plastic debris, which can cause permanent injuries and death. Operators are prohibited from deliberately discharging debris as mandated by MARPOL-Annex V, the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act, and regulations imposed by various agencies, including the United States Coast Guard (USCG) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Chevron will operate in accordance with the regulations, agency guidance, and Appendix B of the National Marine Fisheries Service Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion and also avoid accidental loss of solid waste items by maintaining waste management plans, manifesting trash sent to shore, and using special precautions such as covering outside trash bins to prevent accidental loss of solid waste. Special caution will be exercised when handling and disposing of small items and packaging materials, particularly those made of non-biodegradable, environmentally persistent materials such as plastic or glass. Chevron will also collect and remove flotsam resulting from activities related to proposed operations.

Informational placards will be posted on all vessels and facilities having sleeping or food preparation capabilities. All offshore personnel, including contractors and other support services-related personnel (e.g. helicopter pilots, vessel captains and boat crews) will be indoctrinated on waste procedures, and will view the video (or Microsoft PowerPoint presentation), "Think About It" (previously "All Washed Up: The Beach Litter Problem"). Thereafter, all personnel will view the marine trash and debris training video annually. Offshore personnel will also receive an explanation from Chevron management or the designated lease operator management that emphasizes their commitment to waste management in accordance with NTL No. 2015-G03-BSEE. Debris, if any, from these proposed activities will seldom interact with marine and pelagic birds; therefore, the effects will be negligible.

ESA bird species: Seven species found in the GOM are listed under the ESA. BOEM consults on these species and requires mitigations that would decrease the potential for greater impacts due to small population size.

There are no other IPFs (including effluents, physical disturbances to the seafloor, and wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal) from the proposed operations that are likely to impact marine and pelagic birds.

14. Public Health and Safety Due to Accidents.

In accordance with NTL No.'s 2008-G04, 2009-G27, and 2009-G31, information has been included in **Section 4** to verify the presence of H_2S .

Coastal and Onshore

15. Beaches

Potential IPFs to beaches from the proposed operations include accidents and discarded trash and debris.

Accidents: Oil spills contacting beaches would have impacts on the use of recreational beaches and associated resources. Due to the distance from shore (69 miles) and the response capabilities that would be implemented, no significant adverse impacts are expected. The operationsproposed in this plan will be covered by Chevron's Regional OSRP (refer to information submitted in **Section 9**).

Discarded trash and debris: Trash on the beach is recognized as a major threat to the enjoyment and use of beaches. There will only be a limited amount of marine debris, if any, resulting from the proposed activities. Operators are prohibited from deliberately discharging debris as mandated by MARPOL-Annex V, the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act, and regulations imposed by various agencies, including the United States Coast Guard (USCG) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Chevron will operate in accordance with the regulations, agency guidance, and Appendix B of the National Marine Fisheries Service Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion and also avoid accidental loss of solid waste items by maintaining waste management plans, manifesting trash sent to shore, and using special precautions such as covering outside trash bins to prevent accidental loss of solid waste. Special caution will be exercised when handling and disposing of small items and packaging materials, particularly those made of non-biodegradable, environmentally persistent materials such as plastic or glass. Chevron will also collect and remove flotsam resulting from activities related to proposed operations.

Informational placards will be posted on all vessels and facilities having sleeping or food preparation capabilities. All offshore personnel, including contractors and other support services-related personnel (e.g. helicopter pilots, vessel captains and boat crews) will be indoctrinated on waste procedures, and will view the video (or Microsoft PowerPoint presentation), "Think About It" (previously "All Washed Up: The Beach Litter Problem"). Thereafter, all personnel will view the marine trash and debris training video annually. Offshore personnel will also receive an explanation from Chevron management or the designated lease operator management that emphasizes their commitment to waste management in accordance with NTL No. 2015-G03-BSEE.

There are no other IPFs (including emissions, effluents, physical disturbances to the seafloor, and wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal) from the proposed operations that are likely to impact beaches.

16. Wetlands

Potential IPFs to wetlands from the proposed operations include accidents and discarded trash and debris.

Accidents: It is unlikely that an oil spill would occur from the proposed activities (refer to **Item 5**, Water Quality). Due to the distance from shore (69 miles) and the response capabilities that would be implemented, no impacts are expected. The operations proposed in this plan will be covered by Chevron's Regional OSRP (refer to information submitted in **Section 9**).

Discarded trash and debris: There will only be a limited amount of marine debris, if any, resulting from the proposed activities. Operators are prohibited from deliberately discharging debris as mandated by MARPOL-Annex V, the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act, and regulations imposed by various agencies, including the United States Coast Guard (USCG) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Chevron will operate in accordance with the regulations, agency guidance, and Appendix B of the National Marine Fisheries Service Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion and also avoid accidental loss of solid waste items by maintaining waste management plans, manifesting trash sent to shore, and using special precautions such as covering outside trash bins to prevent accidental loss of solid waste. Special caution will be exercised when handling and disposing of small items and packaging materials, particularly those made of non-biodegradable, environmentally persistent materials such as plastic or glass. Chevron will also collect and remove flotsam resulting from activities related to proposed operations.

Informational placards will be posted on all vessels and facilities having sleeping or food preparation capabilities. All offshore personnel, including contractors and other support services-related personnel (e.g. helicopter pilots, vessel captains and boat crews) will be indoctrinated on waste procedures, and will view the video (or Microsoft PowerPoint presentation), "Think About It" (previously "All Washed Up: The Beach Litter Problem"). Thereafter, all personnel will view the marine trash and debris training video annually. Offshore personnel will also receive an explanation from Chevron management or the designated lease operator management that emphasizes their commitment to waste management in accordance with NTL No. 2015-G03-BSEE.

There are no other IPFs (including emissions, effluents, physical disturbances to the seafloor, and wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal) from the proposed operations that are likely to impact wetlands.

17. Shore Birds and Coastal Nesting Birds

Potential IPFs to shore birds and coastal nesting birds as a result of the proposed operations include accidents and discarded trash and debris.

Accidents: Oil spills could cause impacts to shore birds and coastal nesting birds. However, it is unlikely that an oil spill would occur from the proposed activities (refer to **Item 5**, Water Quality). Given the distance from shore (69 miles) and the response capabilities that would be implemented, no impacts are expected. The operations proposed in this plan will be covered by Chevron's Regional OSRP (refer to information submitted in **Section 9**).

Discarded trash and debris: Coastal and marine birds are highly susceptible to entanglement in floating, submerged, and beached marine debris: specifically, plastics. Operators are prohibited from deliberately discharging debris as mandated by MARPOL-Annex V, the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act, and regulations imposed by various agencies including the United States Coast Guard (USCG) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Chevron will operate in accordance with the regulations, agency guidance, and Appendix B of the National Marine Fisheries Service Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion and also avoid accidental loss of solid waste items by maintaining waste management plans, manifesting trash sent to shore, and using special precautions such as covering outside trash bins to prevent accidental loss of solid waste. Special caution will be exercised when handling and disposing of small items and packaging materials, particularly those made of non-biodegradable, environmentally persistent materials such as plastic or glass. Chevron will also collect and remove flotsam resulting from activities related to proposed operations.

Informational placards will be posted on vessels and every facility that has sleeping or food preparation capabilities. All offshore personnel, including contractors and other support services-related personnel (e.g. helicopter pilots, vessel captains and boat crews) will be indoctrinated on waste procedures, and will view the video (or Microsoft PowerPoint presentation), "Think About It" (*previously "All Washed Up: The Beach Litter Problem"*). Thereafter, all personnel will view the marine trash and debris training video annually. Offshore personnel will also receive an explanation from Chevron management or the designated lease operator management that emphasizes their commitment to waste management in accordance with NTL No. 2015-G03-BSEE.

There are no other IPFs (including emissions, effluents, physical disturbances to the seafloor, and wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal) from the proposed operations that are likely to impact shore birds and coastal nesting birds.

18. Coastal Wildlife Refuges

Potential IPFs to coastal wildlife refuges as a result of the proposed operations include accidents and discarded trash and debris.

Accidents: An accidental oil spill from the proposed activities could cause impacts to coastal wildlife refuges. However, it is unlikely that an oil spill would occur from the proposed activities (refer to Item 5, Water Quality). Due to the distance from shore (69 miles) and the response capabilities that would be implemented, no impacts are expected. The operations proposed in this plan will be covered by Chevron's Regional OSRP (refer to information submitted in **Section 9**).

Discarded trash and debris: Operators are prohibited from deliberately discharging debris as mandated by MARPOL-Annex V, the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act and regulations imposed by various agencies, including the United States Coast Guard (USCG) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Chevron will operate in accordance with the regulations, agency guidance, and Appendix B of the National Marine Fisheries Service Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion and also avoid accidental loss of solid waste items by maintaining waste management plans, manifesting trash sent to shore, and using special precautions such as covering outside trash bins to prevent accidental loss of solid waste. Special caution will be exercised when handling and disposing of small items and packaging materials, particularly those made of non-biodegradable, environmentally persistent materials such as plastic or glass. Chevron will also collect and remove flotsam resulting from activities related to proposed operations.

Informational placards will be posted on vessels and every facility that has sleeping or food preparation capabilities. All offshore personnel, including contractors and other support services-related personnel (e.g. helicopter pilots, vessel captains and boat crews) will be indoctrinated on waste procedures, and will view the video (or Microsoft PowerPoint presentation), "Think About It" (*previously "All Washed Up: The Beach Litter Problem"*). Thereafter, all personnel will view the marine trash and debris training video annually. Offshore personnel will also receive an explanation from Chevron management or the designated lease operator management that emphasizes their commitment to waste management in accordance with NTL No. 2015-G03-BSEE.

There are no other IPFs (including emissions, effluents, physical disturbances to the seafloor, and wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal) from the proposed operations that are likely to impact coastal wildlife refuges.

19. Wilderness Areas

Potential IPFs to wilderness areas as a result of the proposed operations include accidents and discarded trash and debris.

Accidents: An accidental oil spill from the proposed activities could cause impacts to wilderness areas. However, it is unlikely that an oil spill would occur from the proposed operations (refer to **Item 5**, Water Quality). Due to the distance from the nearest designated Wilderness Area (93.6 miles) and the response capabilities that would be implemented, no significant adverse impacts are

expected. The operations proposed in this plan will be covered by Chevron's Regional OSRP (refer to information submitted in **Section 9**).

Discarded trash and debris: Operators are prohibited from deliberately discharging debris as mandated by MARPOL-Annex V, the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act and regulations imposed by various agencies including the United States Coast Guard (USCG) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Chevron will operate in accordance with the regulations, agency guidance, and Appendix B of the National Marine Fisheries Service Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion and also avoid accidental loss of solid waste items by maintaining waste management plans, manifesting trash sent to shore, and using special precautions such as covering outside trash bins to prevent accidental loss of solid waste. Special caution will be exercised when handling and disposing of small items and packaging materials, particularly those made of non-biodegradable, environmentally persistent materials such as plastic or glass. Chevron will also collect and remove flotsam resulting from activities related to proposed operations.

Informational placards will be posted on vessels and every facility that has sleeping or food preparation capabilities. All offshore personnel, including contractors and other support services-related personnel (e.g. helicopter pilots, vessel captains and boat crews) will be indoctrinated on waste procedures, and will view the video (or Microsoft PowerPoint presentation), "Think About It" (*previously "All Washed Up: The Beach Litter Problem"*). Thereafter, all personnel will view the marine trash and debris training video annually. Offshore personnel will also receive an explanation from Chevron management or the designated lease operator management that emphasizes their commitment to waste management in accordance with NTL No. 2015-G03-BSEE.

There are no other IPFs (including emissions, effluents, physical disturbances to the seafloor, and wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal) from the proposed operations that are likely to impact wilderness areas.

20. Other Environmental Resources Identified

20.1 – Rice's Whale (née Gulf of Mexico Bryde's Whale)

The Bryde's whale, also known as the Bryde's whale complex, is a collection of baleen whales that are still being researched to determine if they are the same species or if they are individual species of whales. In 2021, the Rice's whale, formerly known as the Gulf of Mexico Bryde's whale, was determined to be a separate species from other Bryde's whales. There are less than 100 Rice's whales living in the Gulf of Mexico year-round. These whales retain all the protections of the Gulf of Mexico Bryde's whale under the Endangered Species Act while the regulations are being updated to reflect the name change.

The Rice's whale (née Gulf of Mexico Bryde's whale) is the only commonly occurring baleen whale in the northern Gulf of Mexico and has been sighted off western Florida and in the De Soto

Canyon region. The Rice's whale area is over 41.9 miles from the proposed operations. Additionally, vessel traffic associated with the proposed operations will not flow through the Rice's whale area. Therefore, there are no IPFs from the proposed operations that are likely to impact the Rice's whale. Additional information on marine mammals may be found in **Item 7**.

20.2 – Gulf Sturgeon

The Gulf sturgeon resides primarily in inland estuaries and rivers from Louisiana to Florida and a small population of the species enters the Gulf of Mexico seasonally in western Florida. Potential IPFs to the Gulf sturgeon from the proposed operations include accidents, emissions (noise / sound), and discarded trash and debris. Additional information on ESA-listed fish may be found in **Item 6**.

Accidents: Collisions between support vessels and the Gulf sturgeon would be unusual events; however, should one occur, death or injury to the Gulf sturgeon is possible. Contract vessel operators can avoid protected aquatic species and reduce potential deaths by maintaining a vigilant watch and a distance of 50 meters or greater, with the exception of animals that approach the vessel. Vessel personnel should use a Gulf of Mexico reference guide that includes identifying information on marine mammals, sea turtles, and other marine protected species (i.e., Endangered Species Act listed species such as Gulf sturgeon, giant manta ray, or oceanic whitetip shark) that may be encountered in the Gulf of Mexico Outer Continental Shelf (OCS).

Contract vessel operators will comply with the measures included in Appendix C of the NMFS Biological Opinion and requirements of the Protected Species Lease Stipulation, except under extraordinary circumstances when the safety of the vessel or crew is in doubt or the safety of life at sea is in question.

Should an ESA-listed fish (e.g. giant manta ray, oceanic whitetip shark, or Gulf sturgeon) be entrapped, entangled, or injured, personnel should contact the ESA Section 7 biologist at (301) 427-8413 (nmfs.psoreview@noaa.gov) and report all incidents to takereport.nmfsser@noaa.gov. After making the appropriate notifications, Chevron may call BSEE at (985) 722-7902 for questions or additional guidance on recovery assistance needs, continued monitoring requirements, and incidental report information which at minimum is detailed below. Additional information may be found at the following website: https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/report. Any injured or dead protected species should also be reported to takereport.nmfsser@noaa.gov. In addition, if the injury or death was caused by a collision with the operator's vessel, an entrapment within the operator's equipment or vessel (e.g. moon pool), or an entanglement within the operator's equipment, the operator must further notify BOEM and BSEE within 24 hours of the strike or entrapment/entanglement by email to protectedspecies@boem.gov protected species@bsee.gov. If the vessel is the responsible party, it is required to remain available to assist the respective salvage and stranding network as needed.

Due to the distance from the nearest identified Gulf sturgeon critical habitat (124 miles) and the response capabilities that would be implemented during a spill, no significant adverse impacts are

expected to the Gulf sturgeon. Considering the information from the National Marine Fisheries Service Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion, the location of this critical habitat in relation to proposed operations, the likely dilution of oil reaching nearshore areas, and the on-going weathering and dispersal of oil over time, we do not anticipate the effects from oil spills will appreciably diminish the value of Gulf sturgeon designated critical habitat for the conservation of the species. The operations proposed in this plan will be covered by Chevron's Regional OSRP (refer to information submitted in **Section 9**).

Emissions (noise / sound): All routine OCS oil-and gas-related activities have some element of sound generation. Common sound sources include propeller cavitation, rotating machinery, and reciprocating machinery, which are associated with routine OCS oil-and gas-related activities such as vessel traffic, construction, and oil and gas production, processing, and transport. Sound introduced into the marine environment as a result of human activities has the potential to affect marine organisms. The National Marine Fisheries Service Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion found that construction and operational sounds other than pile driving will have insignificant effects on Gulf sturgeon (NMFS, 2020). There are no pile driving activities associated with the proposed operations, therefore noise impacts are not expected to significantly affect Gulf sturgeon.

Discarded trash and debris: Trash and debris are not expected to impact the Gulf sturgeon. There will only be a limited amount of marine debris, if any, resulting from the proposed activities. Operators are prohibited from deliberately discharging debris as mandated by MARPOL-Annex V, the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act, and regulations imposed by various agencies including the United States Coast Guard (USCG) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Chevron will operate in accordance with the regulations, agency guidance, and Appendix B of the National Marine Fisheries Service Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion and also avoid accidental loss of solid waste items by maintaining waste management plans, manifesting trash sent to shore, and using special precautions such as covering outside trash bins to prevent accidental loss of solid waste. Special caution will be exercised when handling and disposing of small items and packaging materials, particularly those made of non-biodegradable, environmentally persistent materials such as plastic or glass. Chevron will also collect and remove flotsam resulting from activities related to proposed operations.

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There are no other IPFs (including effluents, physical disturbances to the seafloor, and wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal) from the proposed operations that are likely to impact the Gulf sturgeon.

20.3 – Oceanic Whitetip Shark

Oceanic whitetip sharks may be found in tropical and subtropical waters around the world, including the Gulf of Mexico (Young 2016). According to the National Marine Fisheries Service Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion, Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) for the oceanic whitetip shark includes localized areas in the central Gulf of Mexico and Florida Keys. Oceanic whitetip sharks were listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act in 2018 due to worldwide overfishing. Oceanic whitetip sharks had an abundant worldwide population, which has been threatened in recent years by inadequate regulatory measures governing fisheries; therefore, there is little research regarding the impact of oil and gas operations on oceanic whitetip sharks (NMFS, 2020). IPFs that have been determined by NMFS to be discountable to oceanic whitetip sharks include vessel strike, emissions (noise / sound), discharges, entanglement and entrapment, and marine debris. Potential IPFs to oceanic whitetip sharks as a result of the proposed operations in Mississippi Canyon Block 607 include accidents. Additional information on ESA-listed fish may be found in **Item 6**.

Accidents: Collisions between support vessels and the oceanic whitetip shark would be unusual events, however, should one occur, death or injury to the oceanic whitetip shark is possible. Contract vessel operators can avoid protected aquatic species and reduce potential deaths by maintaining a vigilant watch and a distance of 50 meters or greater, with the exception of animals that approach the vessel. Vessel personnel should use a Gulf of Mexico reference guide that includes identifying information on marine mammals, sea turtles, and other marine protected species (i.e., Endangered Species Act listed species such as Gulf sturgeon, giant manta ray, or oceanic whitetip shark) that may be encountered in the Gulf of Mexico Outer Continental Shelf (OCS).

Contract vessel operators will comply with the measures included in Appendix C of the NMFS Biological Opinion and requirements of the Protected Species Lease Stipulation, except under extraordinary circumstances when the safety of the vessel or crew is in doubt or the safety of life at sea is in question.

Should an ESA-listed fish (e.g. giant manta ray, oceanic whitetip shark, or Gulf sturgeon) be entrapped, entangled, or injured, personnel should contact the ESA Section 7 biologist at (301) 427-8413 (nmfs.psoreview@noaa.gov) and report all incidents to takereport.nmfsser@noaa.gov. After making the appropriate notifications, Chevron may call BSEE at (985) 722-7902 for questions or additional guidance on recovery assistance needs, continued monitoring requirements, and incidental report information which at minimum is detailed below. Additional information may be found at the following website: https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/report. Any injured or dead protected species should also be reported to takereport.nmfsser@noaa.gov. In addition, if the

injury or death was caused by a collision with the operator's vessel, an entrapment within the operator's equipment or vessel (e.g. moon pool), or an entanglement within the operator's equipment, the operator must further notify BOEM and BSEE within 24 hours of the strike or entrapment/entanglement by email to protectedspecies@boem.gov and protectedspecies@boem.gov and protectedspecies@boem.gov and stranding network as needed.

There is little information available on the impacts of oil spills or dispersants on oceanic whitetip sharks. It is expected that exposure of oil or dispersants to oceanic whitetip sharks would likely result in effects similar to other marine species, including fitness reduction and the possibility of mortality (NMFS, 2020). Due to the sparse population in the Gulf of Mexico, it is possible that a small number of oceanic whitetip sharks could be impacted by an oil spill. However, it is unlikely that such an event would occur from the proposed activities (refer to **Item 5**, Water Quality). The operations proposed in this plan will be covered by Chevron's Regional OSRP (refer to information submitted in **Section 9**).

Discarded trash and debris: There is little available information on the effects of marine debris on oceanic whitetip sharks. Since these sharks are normally associated with surface waters, they may be susceptible to entanglement. However, due to the small, widely dispersed, and highly mobile population in the Gulf of Mexico, and the localized and patchy distribution of marine debris, it is extremely unlikely that oceanic whitetip sharks would be impacted by marine debris.

There will only be a limited amount of marine debris, if any, resulting from the proposed activities. Operators are prohibited from deliberately discharging debris as mandated by MARPOL-Annex V, the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act, and regulations imposed by various agencies, including the United States Coast Guard (USCG) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Chevron will operate in accordance with the regulations, agency guidance, and Appendix B of the National Marine Fisheries Service Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion and also avoid accidental loss of solid waste items by maintaining waste management plans, manifesting trash sent to shore, and using special precautions such as covering outside trash bins to prevent accidental loss of solid waste. Special caution will be exercised when handling and disposing of small items and packaging materials, particularly those made of non-biodegradable, environmentally persistent materials such as plastic or glass. Chevron will also collect and remove flotsam resulting from activities related to proposed operations.

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explanation from Chevron management or the designated lease operator management that emphasizes their commitment to waste management in accordance with NTL No. 2015-G03-BSEE.

There are no IPFs (including effluents, physical disturbances to the seafloor, and wastes sent to shore for treatment or disposal) from the proposed operations that are likely to impact oceanic whitetip sharks.

20.4 – Giant Manta Ray

According to the National Marine Fisheries Service Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion, the giant manta ray lives in tropical, subtropical, and temperate oceanic waters and productive coastlines throughout the Gulf of Mexico. While uncommon in the Gulf of Mexico, there is a population of approximately 70 giant manta rays in the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary (Miller and Klimovich 2017). Giant manta rays were listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act in 2018 due to worldwide overfishing. Giant manta rays had an abundant worldwide population, which has been threatened in recent years by inadequate regulatory measures governing fisheries; therefore, there is little research regarding the impact of oil and gas operations on giant manta rays (NMFS, 2020). IPFs that have been determined by NMFS to be discountable to giant manta rays include vessel strike, emissions (noise / sound), discharges, entanglement and entrapment, and marine debris. Potential IPFs to giant manta rays as a result of the proposed operations in Mississippi Canyon Block 607 include accidents. Additional information on ESA-listed fish may be found in **Item 6**.

Accidents: Collisions between support vessels and the giant manta ray would be unusual events, however, should one occur, death or injury to the giant manta ray is possible. Contract vessel operators can avoid protected aquatic species and reduce potential deaths by maintaining a vigilant watch and a distance of 50 meters or greater, with the exception of animals that approach the vessel. Vessel personnel should use a Gulf of Mexico reference guide that includes identifying information on marine mammals, sea turtles, and other marine protected species (i.e., Endangered Species Act listed species such as Gulf sturgeon, giant manta ray, or oceanic whitetip shark) that may be encountered in the Gulf of Mexico Outer Continental Shelf (OCS).

Contract vessel operators will comply with the measures included in Appendix C of the NMFS Biological Opinion and requirements of the Protected Species Lease Stipulation, except under extraordinary circumstances when the safety of the vessel or crew is in doubt or the safety of life at sea is in question.

Should an ESA-listed fish (e.g. giant manta ray, oceanic whitetip shark, or Gulf sturgeon) be entrapped, entangled, or injured, personnel should contact the ESA Section 7 biologist at (301) 427-8413 (nmfs.psoreview@noaa.gov) and report all incidents to takereport.nmfsser@noaa.gov. After making the appropriate notifications, Chevron may call BSEE at (985) 722-7902 for questions or additional guidance on recovery assistance needs, continued monitoring requirements, and incidental report information which at minimum is detailed below. Additional information

may be found at the following website: https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/report. Any injured or dead protected species should also be reported to takereport.nmfsser@noaa.gov. In addition, if the injury or death was caused by a collision with the operator's vessel, an entrapment within the operator's equipment or vessel (e.g. moon pool), or an entanglement within the operator's equipment, the operator must further notify BOEM and BSEE within 24 hours of the strike or entrapment/entanglement by email to protectedspecies@boem.gov and protectedspecies@boem.gov and protectedspecies@boem.gov and protectedspecies@bsee.gov. If the vessel is the responsible party, it is required to remain available to assist the respective salvage and stranding network as needed.

There is little information available on the impacts of oil spills or dispersants on giant manta rays. It is expected that exposure of oil or dispersants to giant manta rays would likely result in effects similar to other marine species, including fitness reduction and the possibility of mortality (NMFS, 2020). It is possible that a small number of giant manta rays could be impacted by an oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico. However, due to the distance to the Flower Garden Banks (228.9 miles), the low population dispersed throughout the Gulf of Mexico, and the response capabilities that would be implemented during a spill, no significant adverse impacts are expected to impact giant manta rays. Additionally, it is unlikely that such an event would occur from the proposed activities (refer to Item 5, Water Quality). The operations proposed in this plan will be covered by Chevron's Regional OSRP (refer to information submitted in Section 9).

Discarded trash and debris: There is little available information on the effects of marine debris on giant manta rays. Since these sharks are normally associated with surface waters, they may be susceptible to entanglement. However, due to the small, widely dispersed, and highly mobile population in the Gulf of Mexico, and the localized and patchy distribution of marine debris, it is extremely unlikely that oceanic whitetip sharks would be impacted by marine debris.

There will only be a limited amount of marine debris, if any, resulting from the proposed activities. Operators are prohibited from deliberately discharging debris as mandated by MARPOL-Annex V, the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act, and regulations imposed by various agencies, including the United States Coast Guard (USCG) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Chevron will operate in accordance with the regulations, agency guidance, and Appendix B of the National Marine Fisheries Service Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion and also avoid accidental loss of solid waste items by maintaining waste management plans, manifesting trash sent to shore, and using special precautions such as covering outside trash bins to prevent accidental loss of solid waste. Special caution will be exercised when handling and disposing of small items and packaging materials, particularly those made of non-biodegradable, environmentally persistent materials such as plastic or glass. Chevron will also collect and remove flotsam resulting from activities related to proposed operations.

Informational placards will be posted on all vessels and facilities having sleeping or food preparation capabilities. All offshore personnel, including contractors and other support services-

related personnel (e.g. helicopter pilots, vessel captains and boat crews) will be indoctrinated on waste procedures, and will view the video (or Microsoft PowerPoint presentation), "Think About It" (previously "All Washed Up: The Beach Litter Problem"). Thereafter, all personnel will view the marine trash and debris training video annually. Offshore personnel will also receive an explanation from Chevron management or the designated lease operator management that emphasizes their commitment to waste management in accordance with NTL No. 2015-G03-BSEE.

There are no other IPFs (including effluents, physical disturbances to the seafloor, and wastes sent to shore for disposal) from the proposed operations that are likely to impact giant manta rays.

20.5 - Loggerhead Sea Turtle

The loggerhead sea turtles are large sea turtles that inhabit continental shelf and estuarine environments throughout the temperate and tropical regions of the Atlantic Ocean, with nesting beaches along the northern and western Gulf of Mexico. NMFS issued a Final Rule in 2014 (79 FR 39855) designating a critical habitat including 38 marine areas within the Northwest Atlantic Ocean, with seven of those areas residing within the Gulf of Mexico. These areas contain one or a combination of habitat types: nearshore reproductive habitats, winter areas, breeding areas, constricted migratory corridors, and/or *Sargassum* habitats.

There are multiple IPFs that may impact loggerhead sea turtles (see **Item 8**). However, the closest loggerhead critical habitat is located 125.4 miles from Mississippi Canyon Block 607; therefore, no adverse impacts are expected to the critical habitat. Additionally, considering the information from the National Marine Fisheries Service Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion, we do not expect proposed operations to affect the ability of *Sargassum* to support adequate prey abundance and cover for loggerhead turtles.

20.6 - Protected Corals

Protected coral habitats in the Gulf of Mexico range from Florida, the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary, and into the Caribbean, including Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Navassa Island. Four counties in Florida (Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade, and Monroe Counties) were designated as critical habitats for elkhorn (Acropora palmata) and staghorn (Acropora cervicornis) corals. These coral habitats are located outside of the planning area and are not expected to be impacted by the proposed actions. Elkhorn coral can also be found in the Flower Garden Banks along with three additional coral species, boulder star coral (Orbicella franksi), lobed star coral (Orbicella annularis), and mountainous star coral (Orbicella faveolatta). Potential IPFs to protected corals from the proposed operations include accidents.

Accidents: It is unlikely that an accidental surface or subsurface spill would occur from the proposed operations (refer to statistics in **Item 5**, Water Quality). Oil spills cause damage to corals only if the oil contacts the organisms. Due to the distance from the Flower Garden Banks (228.9 miles) and other critical coral habitats, no adverse impacts are expected. The operations proposed

in this plan will be covered by Chevron's Regional OSRP (refer to information submitted in **Section 9**).

There are no other IPFs (including emissions, effluents, physical disturbances to the seafloor, and wastes sent to shore for disposal) from the proposed operations that are likely to impact protected corals.

20.7 - Endangered Beach Mice

There are four subspecies of endangered beach mouse that are found in the dune systems along parts of Alabama and northwest Florida. Due to the location of Mississippi Canyon Block 607 and the beach mouse critical habitat (above the intertidal zone), there are no IPFs that are likely to impact endangered beach mice.

20.8 - Navigation

The current system of navigation channels around the northern GOM is believed to be generally adequate to accommodate traffic generated by the future Gulfwide OCS Program. As exploration and development activities increase on deepwater leases in the GOM, port channels may need to be expanded to accommodate vessels with deeper drafts and longer ranges. However, current navigation channels will not be changed, and new channels will not be required as a result of the operations proposed in this plan.

(C) IMPACTS ON PROPOSED ACTIVITIES

The site-specific environmental conditions have been taken into account for the proposed activities. No impacts are expected on the proposed operations from site-specific environmental conditions.

(D) ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

During the hurricane season, June through November, the Gulf of Mexico is impacted by an average of ten tropical storms (39-73 mph winds), of which six become hurricanes (> 74 mph winds). Due to its location in the Gulf, Mississippi Canyon Block 607 may experience hurricane and tropical storm force winds and related sea currents. These factors can adversely impact the integrity of the operations covered by this plan. A significant storm may present physical hazards to operators and vessels, damage exploration or production equipment, or result in the release of hazardous materials (including hydrocarbons). Additionally, the displacement of equipment may disrupt the local benthic habitat and pose a threat to local species.

The following preventative measures included in this plan may be implemented to mitigate these impacts:

Platform / Structure Installation
 Operator will not conduct platform / structure installation operations during Tropical
 Storm or Hurricane threat.

2. Pipeline Installation
Operator will not conduct pipeline installation operations during Tropical Storm or
Hurricane threat.

(E) ALTERNATIVES

No alternatives to the proposed operations were considered to reduce environmental impacts.

(F) MITIGATION MEASURES

No mitigation measures other than those required by regulation will be employed to avoid, diminish, or eliminate potential impacts on environmental resources.

(G) CONSULTATION

No agencies or persons were consulted regarding potential impacts associated with the proposed operations. Therefore, a list of such entities has not been provided.

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SECTION 18 ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

18.1 EXEMPTED INFORMATION DESCRIPTION

The proposed bottomhole locations of the planned wells have been removed from the Public Information copy of the DOCD as well as any discussions of the target objectives, geologic or geophysical data, and interpreted geology.

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