SCOTT W W JR Form 4

February 26, 2013

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

Common

Units

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SCOTT W W JR	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol NATURAL RESOURCE PARTNERS LP [NRP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 601 JEFFERSON, SUITE 3600	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/26/2013	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
(Street) HOUSTON, TX 77002	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficia	illy Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi or(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D) A	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Units (1)	02/26/2013		M	3,375	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	278,890	D	
Common Units (1)	02/26/2013		D	3,375	D (1)	\$ 22.32 (2)	275,515	D	
Common Units							8,000	I	By Spouse

By Scott

Riverbend

Farm, Ltd.

133,907

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acq (A) Disp (D)	urities uired or posed of tr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	te	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Units (3)	(2)	02/26/2013		M		3,375	02/26/2013	02/26/2013	Common Units	3,375
Phantom Units (3)	<u>(4)</u> <u>(5)</u>						02/11/2014	02/11/2014	Common Units	3,475
Phantom Units (3)	<u>(4)</u> <u>(5)</u>						02/10/2015	02/10/2015	Common Units	3,580
Phantom Units (3)	<u>(4)</u> <u>(5)</u>						02/14/2016	02/14/2016	Common Units	3,700
Phantom Units (3)	<u>(4)</u> <u>(5)</u>						02/13/2017	02/13/2017	Common Units	3,700

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
F	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SCOTT W W JR 601 JEFFERSON SUITE 3600 HOUSTON, TX 77002	X						
0'							

# **Signatures**

W.W. Scott, Jr.	02/26/2013			
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date			

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### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The common units were deemed to have been purchased and sold on the date of vesting of the phantom units listed in Table II.
- (2) Upon vesting, the phantom units were paid in cash on a one-for-one basis based on the average closing price of the common units for the 20 trading days immediately preceding the date of vesting.
- (3) The phantom units were granted to the reporting person under the issuer's long-term incentive plan.
- (4) The phantom units will be paid in cash based on the average closing price of the common units for the 20 trading days immediately prior to the date of vesting.
- (5) Award includes tandem distribution equivalent rights pursuant to which the quarterly distributions paid by the partnership on each unit will be accrued over the vesting period and paid on vesting.

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