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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

See Instruction 1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SCOTT W W JR

(First)

601 JEFFERSON, SUITE 3600

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

NATURAL RESOURCE

PARTNERS LP [NRP]

(Month/Day/Year) 10/18/2005

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director

Officer (give title below)

Issuer

10% Owner _ Other (specify

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

HOUSTON, TX 77002

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secu	rities Aco	quired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	ially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Units (1) (2)	10/18/2005		M	1,358	A	<u>(2)</u>	1,358	D	
Common Units (1) (2)	10/18/2005		D	1,358	D (3)	\$ 61.23 (2)	0	D	
Common Units							5,310	I	By W. W. Scott Family Partnership

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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)	5. Number proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Units (1)	<u>(2)</u>	10/18/2005		M	1,358	10/18/2005	10/18/2005	Common Units	1,358
Phantom Units (1)	<u>(4)</u>					02/11/2007	02/11/2007	Common Units	1,350
Phantom Units (1)	<u>(4)</u>					02/11/2008	02/11/2008	Common Units	1,350
Phantom Units (1)	<u>(4)</u>					02/14/2009	02/14/2009	Common Units	1,350

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

W.W. Scott Jr. 10/18/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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 phantom units were originally granted to the reporting person under the issuer's long term incentive plan.

(2)

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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 common units were deemed to have been purchased and sold on the date of vesting of the phantom units listed in the top line of Table II.
- (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 preceding the date of vesting.

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