

NATURAL RESOURCE PARTNERS LP  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**DUNLAP DWIGHT L**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**NATURAL RESOURCE PARTNERS LP [NRP]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**NATURAL RESOURCE PARTNERS LP, 601 JEFFERSON ST., SUITE 3600**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**02/11/2008**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**CFO and Treasurer**

(Street)  
**HOUSTON, TX 77002**

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 \_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Units <sup>(1)</sup>	02/11/2008		M	6,240	A	\$ 15,240	D
Common Units <sup>(1)</sup>	02/11/2008		D	6,240	D	\$ 30.03	D

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

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- (2) The phantom units were originally granted to the reporting person under the issuer's long term incentive plan.
- (3) As described in Footnote 1, 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.
- (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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