

NATURAL RESOURCE PARTNERS LP
Form 4
February 15, 2017

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MORIAN S REED

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)
**1201 LOUISIANA STREET, SUITE
3400**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/13/2017

☒ 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)
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Units <u>(1)</u>	02/13/2017		M		370	A	<u>11</u>	370	D
Common Units <u>(1)</u>	02/13/2017		D		370	D	\$ 36.5375 <u>(1)</u>	0	D
Common Units								616,159	I
									By Premium Resources, LLC

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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)		8. F Der Sec (In
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Units <u>(2)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	02/13/2017		M	370	02/13/2017	02/13/2017	Common Units	370	
Phantom Units <u>(2)</u>	<u>(3)</u> <u>(4)</u>					02/12/2018	02/12/2018	Common Units	389	
Phantom Units <u>(2)</u>	<u>(3)</u> <u>(4)</u>					02/11/2019	02/11/2019	Common Units	410	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MORIAN S REED 1201 LOUISIANA STREET SUITE 3400 HOUSTON, TX 77002	X			

Signatures

S. Reed Morian 02/15/2017

**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 common units were deemed to have been purchased and sold on the date of vesting of the phantom units listed in Table II, which 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

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preceding the date of vesting, together with accrued distribution equivalent rights.

- (2) The phantom units were originally granted to the reporting person under the issuer's long term incentive plan. All phantom unit numbers have been adjusted to reflect the issuer's 1-for-10 reverse unit split completed in February 2016.
- (3) 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.
- (4) 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.

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

- (5) of the common units for the 20 trading days immediately preceding the date of vesting, together with accrued distribution equivalent rights.

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