

CARMICHAEL DAVID M
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FORM 4

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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 *
 CARMICHAEL DAVID M

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)
 910 TRAVIS STREET, SUITE 1930
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 10/18/2004

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

HOUSTON, TX 77002
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Units (1) (2)	10/18/2004		M		1,358	A	② 6,358
Common Units (1) (2)	10/18/2004		D		1,358	D	\$ 43.5 ③ 5,000 ②

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. Amount or Number of Shares
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		
Phantom Units <u>(1)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	10/18/2004		M	1,358	10/18/2004	10/18/2004	Common Units	1,358
Phantom Units <u>(1)</u>	<u>(4)</u>					10/18/2005	10/18/2005	Common Units	1,358
Phantom Units <u>(1)</u>	<u>(4)</u>					02/11/2007	02/11/2007	Common Units	1,350
Phantom Units <u>(1)</u>	<u>(4)</u>					02/11/2008	02/11/2008	Common Units	1,350

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CARMICHAEL DAVID M 910 TRAVIS STREET, SUITE 1930 HOUSTON, TX 77002	X			

Signatures

David M
Carmichael 10/20/2004

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Upon vesting, the phantom units were paid in cash on a one for one basis of common units based on the market value of the common units (\$43.50) on the date of the vesting (October 18, 2004).
- (3) The common units were deemed to have been purchased and sold on the date of vesting of the phantom units listed in Table II.
- (4) The phantom units will be paid in cash based on the market value of the common units on the date of vesting.

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