

NATURAL RESOURCE PARTNERS LP  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 ROBERTSON CORBIN J III

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)  
 601 JEFFERSON, SUITE 3600  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/31/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 VP of Acquisitions

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

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 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)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Units	<u>(1)</u>	03/31/2005	<u>D(2)(3)</u>	378					02/25/2006	02/25/2006	Common Units	378
Phantom Units	<u>(1)</u>	02/25/2007	<u>D(2)(3)</u>	2,426					02/25/2007	02/25/2007	Common Units	2,426
Phantom Units	<u>(1)</u>	03/31/2005	<u>D(2)(3)</u>	1,300					02/11/2008	02/11/2008	Common Units	1,300

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ROBERTSON CORBIN J III 601 JEFFERSON, SUITE 3600 HOUSTON, TX 77002			VP of Acquisitions	

## Signatures

Corbin J.  
Robertson III

04/04/2005

\_\_\_\_\_  
\*\*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) Not Applicable
- (2) Mr. Robertson resigned as Vice President of Acquisitions effective March 31, 2005. Therefore Mr. Robertson has forfeited his previously issued phantom units which have not yet vested.
- (3) The phantom units were originally granted to the reporting person under the issuer's long term incentive plan.

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