

RAYONIER INC  
Form 8-K  
August 01, 2006

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

**Form 8-K**

**Current Report**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): 08/01/2006**

**RAYONIER INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Commission File Number: 1-6780**

**North Carolina**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**13-2607329**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**50 North Laura Street**  
Jacksonville, Florida  
32202

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

**904-357-9100**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Information to be included in the report

**Item 8.01. Other Events**

On August 1, 2006, Rayonier Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that W. Lee Nutter, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, has advised the Company of his intention to retire in mid-2007 at age 63 after 40 years with the Company. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

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**Signature(s)**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

RAYONIER INC.

Date: August 01, 2006

By: /s/ Hans E. Vanden Noort

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Hans E. Vanden Noort  
Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

**Exhibit Index**

| <b><u>Exhibit No.</u></b> | <b><u>Description</u></b>  |
|---------------------------|--|
| EX-99.1                   | Press release entitled "Rayonier Chairman and CEO Announces Plan to Retire in Mid-2007" issued August 1, 2006. |