

ALLIANCE RESOURCE PARTNERS LP
Form 8-K
June 16, 2014

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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): **June 16, 2014**

ALLIANCE RESOURCE PARTNERS, L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

Commission
File No.: **0-26823**

73-1564280
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

1717 South Boulder Avenue, Suite 400, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74119

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(918) 295-7600

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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ITEM 5.03 AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BYLAWS; CHANGE OF FISCAL YEAR

Effective June 16, 2014, Alliance Resource Management GP, LLC, as the managing general partner of Alliance Resource Partners, L.P. (the Partnership) and as lawful agent and attorney-in-fact for the Partnership's limited partners, entered into the Third Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Alliance Resource Partners, L.P. (the Partnership Agreement), which amends and restates the Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Partnership, as amended. The Partnership Agreement amends and restates the provisions of the Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Partnership, as amended, to make the modifications to the Partnership Agreement necessary and appropriate in connection with the two-for-one split of the Partnership's common units approved by the Partnership's managing general partner on April 23, 2014, having a record date of May 30, 2014 and a payment date of June 16, 2014. A copy of the Partnership Agreement is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 3.1.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits

3.1 The Third Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Alliance Resource Partners, L.P.

SIGNATURES

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, thereunto duly authorized.

Alliance Resource Partners, L.P.

By: Alliance Resource Management GP, LLC,
its managing general partner

By: /s/ Joseph W. Craft III
Joseph W. Craft III
President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: June 16, 2014