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Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** HOGAN WYATT L

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading

Symbol

NATURAL RESOURCE PARTNERS LP [NRP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

X_ Officer (give title

Issuer

below)

Director _____ 10% Owner

President & COO

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Month/Day/Year)

1201 LOUISIANA STREET, SUITE 02/14/2016

(Middle)

3400

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

HOUSTON, TX 77002

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqı	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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)
Common Units (1)	02/14/2016		M	16,000	A	(1)	27,000	D	
Common Units (1)	02/14/2016		D	16,000	D	\$ 1.034 (1)	11,000	D	
Common Units							500	I	By Anna Margaret Hogan 2002 Trust

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Common Units	500	I	Elizabeth Hogan 2002 Trust
Common Units	500	I	By Ellen Catlett Hogan 2005 Trust

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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		6. Date Exercise Expiration Date (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and A	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		
Phantom Units (3)	<u>(6)</u>	02/14/2016		M		16,000	02/14/2016	02/14/2016	Common Units	16,000		
Phantom Units (3)	<u>(4)</u> <u>(5)</u>						02/13/2017	02/13/2017	Common Units	16,000		
Phantom Units (3)	<u>(4)</u> <u>(5)</u>						02/12/2018	02/12/2018	Common Units	16,800		
Phantom Units (3)	<u>(4)</u> <u>(5)</u>						02/11/2019	02/11/2019	Common Units	18,000		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
HOGAN WYATT L			President & COO				
1201 LOUISIANA STREET							

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SUITE 3400 HOUSTON, TX 77002

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Wyatt L. Hogan 02/17/2016

**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).
- 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 preceding the date of vesting.
- (2) Mr. Hogan is the trustee of the Anna Margaret Hogan 2002 Trust, the Alice Elizabeth Hogan 2002 Trust and the Ellen Catlett Hogan 2005 Trust. Mr. Hogan's children are the beneficiaries of these trusts. Mr. Hogan disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.
- (3) The phantom units were granted to the reporting person under the Issuer's long-term incentive plan.
- (4) The phantom units will be paid in cash based on the average closing price of the common units for the 20 trading days immediately prior to the date of vesting.
- (5) 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 of the common units for the 20 trading days immediately preceding the date of vesting.

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