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NATURAL RESOURCE PARTNERS LP Form 8-K January 26, 2010

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): January 21, 2010

NATURAL RESOURCE PARTNERS L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware001-3146535-2164875(State or other jurisdiction(Commission File(I.R.S. Employerof incorporation or organization)Number)Identification No.)

601 Jefferson, Suite 3600
Houston, Texas
(Address of principal executive offices)

77002
(Zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (713) 751-7507

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

In accordance with General Instructions B.2. and B.6 of Form 8-K, the following information and the exhibit referenced therein are being furnished under Item 7.01 of Form 8-K and are not deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, are not subject to the liabilities of that section and are not deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

On January 21, 2010, Natural Resource Partners L.P. announced via press release its guidance for 2010 and its quarterly distribution with respect to the fourth quarter of 2009. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements And Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated January 21, 2010.

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SIGNATURES

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

NATURAL RESOURCE PARTNERS

L.P.

(Registrant)

By: NRP (GP) LP

its General Partner

By: GP Natural Resource Partners LLC

its General Partner

/s/ Wyatt L. Hogan Wyatt L. Hogan Vice President and General Counsel

Dated: January 21, 2010