### 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): May 22, 2007

## TEXAS PACIFIC LAND TRUST

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Not Applicable (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 1-737 (Commission File Number) **75-0279735** (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

1700 Pacific Avenue, Suite 1670, Dallas, Texas 75201 (Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, including Area Code: 214-969-5530

## Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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:

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

#### Item 8.01. Other Events.

On May 22, 2007, Mercury Real Estate Advisors LLC ("Mercury"), an affiliate of Mercury Partners LLC, filed a Schedule 13D/A with the Securities and Exchange Commission with a letter attached (the "Mercury Letter") to Mr. Roy Thomas, the General Agent of Texas Pacific Land Trust (the "Trust"). A copy of the Mercury Letter is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Report. The Trust has not yet received a copy of the Mercury Letter directly.

On May 29, 2007, the Trust issued a press release in which it stated that it had sent a letter (the "Trust Letter") to Mercury in response to the Mercury Letter. The press release included the text of the Trust Letter. A copy of that press release is filed as Exhibit 99.2 to this Report. The Trust Letter was sent to Mercury on May 29, 2007.

## Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits.
  - 99.1 Letter, dated May 22, 2007, sent by Mercury Real Estate Advisors LLC.
  - 99.2 Press Release, dated May 29, 2007, issued by the Trust.

# SIGNATURE

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

# TEXAS PACIFIC LAND TRUST

Date: May 29, 2007

By: /s/ Roy Thomas
Roy Thomas
General Agent and Chief Executive Officer

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# EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit <u>Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Letter, dated May 22, 2007, sent by Mercury Real Estate Advisors LLC.
99.2	Press Release, dated May 29, 2007, issued by the Trust.

#### MERCURY REAL ESTATE ADVISORS LLC

Three River Road Greenwich, Connecticut 06807

May 22, 2007

Texas Pacific Land Trust Attn: Roy Thomas, General Agent 1700 Pacific Avenue Suite 1670 Dallas, TX 75201

Dear Mr. Thomas:

As you are aware, Mercury Real Estate Advisors LLC (the "Mercury"), together with its managed investment funds, is the largest shareholder in Texas Pacific Land Trust ("TPL" or the "Company"), with approximately an 8.1% reported ownership position. We have been a long term and constructive holder of the Company's shares, as well as a strong supporter of the Company. We are communicating with you today to urge two specific actions by the Trustees: first, accelerate the lagging stock buyback program, and second, split the Sub-shares on a further 10 for 1 basis in order to create greater liquidity and round lot affordability for the Sub-shares.

We are increasingly frustrated by the slowing pace of share buybacks, in contravention of the spirit of the Company's Declaration of Trust. We were very disappointed to see that the Company bought back only 3,800 shares in the first quarter of 2007, the smallest buyback in years. This compares very unfavorably with the approximately 9,000 shares bought back on average for each quarter in 2005 and 2006. While we recognize that there are occasionally securities law constraints on the timing of buybacks, this is no excuse for such a negligible repurchase for the full 90 day period. This trickle of activity is especially troubling in light of the \$8 million of cash on the balance sheet, quarterly profits averaging approximately \$2 million, notes receivable of over \$20 million (with over \$1.2 million payable in 2007 alone) and rarely any use for cash in the Company's day-to-day business. To put it into perspective, if you spent only \$6 million of the cash laying unproductive on the balance sheet, you could buyback nearly 28,000 Sub-shares! We would like to be the owner of the last share of TPL stock and own the million acres of the Company's income producing Texas land unencumbered by any debt. With a consistent buyback level of 3-4% of shares outstanding each year, that goal is achievable.

With the Sub-shares of TPL now trading in excess of \$200 per Sub-share (its average is over \$226 per Sub-share for the last six months) and reaching a closing high of \$249.00 this year, we also think you should split the Sub-shares on a 10 for 1 basis to bring the price per Sub-share to a more affordable \$22.00-\$25.00 per Sub-share range. With that change, each Sub-share would then be exchangeable into a Certificate of Proprietary Interest on a 6,000 to 1 basis in comparison with the current 600 to 1 exchange ratio. Many investors buy only round lots of 100 shares for commission purposes, and that level, with respect to Sub-shares of TPL, is prohibitive for many individual and institutional investors. Another beneficial result of this share split would be increased liquidity in the shares, which would benefit all investors, including the Company in its buyback program. If you need shareholder authorization to expand the number of Sub-shares outstanding, we urge you to convene a special meeting to effect that change as soon as possible.

We are tremendous believers in the Company's valuable assets and business plan, but we also believe a more aggressive implementation of the buyback program and a Sub-share split are more consistent with spirit and goals of the guiding Declaration of Trust.

We would be pleased to discuss these demands in greater detail.

Very truly yours,

MERCURY REAL ESTATE ADVISORS LLC

David R. Jarvis Chief Executive Officer Malcolm F. MacLean IV President

#### PRESS RELEASE

# TEXAS PACIFIC LAND TRUST RESPONDS TO MERCURY LETTER Of Tuesday, May 22

DALLAS, TX, May, 2007 - Texas Pacific Land Trust (NYSE:TPL) announced today that it had sent the following letter to Mercury Real Estate Advisors LLC ("Mercury") in response to a letter which Mercury sent to Texas Pacific:

#### TEXAS PACIFIC LAND TRUST

1700 Pacific Avenue Suite 1670 Dallas, Texas 75201

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TRUSTEES: Maurice Meyer III John R. Norris III James K. Norwood Telephone (214) 969-5530

ROY THOMAS General Agent

DAVID M. PETERSON Assistant General Agent

May 29, 2007

## VIA OVERNIGHT COURIER

Mercury Real Estate Advisors LLC Three River Road Greenwich, CT 06807 Attn: David R. Jarvis, Chief Executive Officer Malcolm F. MacLean IV, President

Dear Messrs. Jarvis and MacLean:

The Trustees and I have reviewed your letter of May 22, 2007.

We acknowledge your prior and current call for increasing the number of shares repurchased by the Trust. It has always been, and continues to be, the practice of the Trustees to repurchase Texas Pacific shares on a continual basis. In making these repurchases, the Trustees balance many factors in addition to the cash on hand of the Trust, including, among other things, the price and trading volume of the shares. The Trust also has limits imposed by the securities laws on the amount and timing of repurchase. For your information, in 2007 to date, the Trust has repurchased approximately 9,300 shares at a total cost of almost \$2,155,000 (averaging approximately \$231 per share). The Trustees continue to seek to repurchase additional shares when appropriate given the market conditions and legal constraints.

With respect to your proposal to split the shares on a 10-for-1 basis, as we previously indicated to you, the Trustees periodically consider many alternatives as part of the routine management of the Trust. We have previously considered a stock split and continue to evaluate that action. Whether the Trustees determine to effect a stock split in the future will depend on many factors.

The Trustees expect to continue to repurchase shares and declare dividends in order to return value to the shareholders. Over the last few years, as well as over the entire life of the Trust, shareholders have realized excellent returns.

As always, we welcome your suggestions and appreciate your continued interest in Texas

Pacific.

Sincerely yours,

Roy Thomas General Agent

This news release may contain forward-looking statements as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements include statements regarding the Trust's future operations and prospects, the markets for real estate in the areas in which the Trust owns real estate, applicable zoning regulations, the markets for oil and gas, production limits on prorated oil and gas wells authorized by the Railroad Commission of Texas, expected competition, management's intent, beliefs or current expectations with respect to the Trust's future financial performance and other matters. We assume no responsibility to update any such forward-looking statements.