## 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): January 30, 2009

## 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 2770, 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)
he 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:
ritten communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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re-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
re-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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# Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

Texas Pacific Land Trust (the "Trust") hereby incorporates by reference the contents of a Report of Operations — Unaudited, announcing certain of its financial results for the three months and one year periods, both ended December 31, 2008, which was released to the press on January 30, 2009. A copy of the report of operations is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Report on Form 8-K.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits.
- 99.1 Report of Operations Unaudited of Texas Pacific Land Trust for the Three Months and One Year Periods Ended December 31, 2008 and 2007.

# 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 thereunto duly authorized.

TEXAS PACIFIC LAND TRUST

By: /s/ Roy Thomas Roy Thomas Date: January 30, 2009

General Agent and Chief Executive Officer

# EXHIBIT INDEX

# Exhibit Number Description

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#### TEXAS PACIFIC LAND TRUST

## REPORT OF OPERATIONS - UNAUDITED

	Three Mon	Three Months Ended	
	December 31, 2008	December 31, 2007	
Rentals, royalties and other income	\$ 3,019,609	\$ 4,129,382	
Land sales		75,000	
Total income	\$ 3,019,609	\$ 4,204,382	
Provision for income tax	\$ 474,804	\$ 1,016,949	
Net income	<u>\$ 1,197,880</u>	\$ 2,170,989	
Net income per sub-share	\$.12	\$.21	
Average sub-shares outstanding during period	10,272,592	10,502,208	
		Year Ended	
	December 31, 2008	December 31, 2007	
Rentals, royalties and other income	\$ 18,701,572	\$ 13,902,447	
Land sales	823,440	1,932,664	
Total income	<u>\$ 19,525,012</u>	\$ 15,835,111	
Provision for income tax	<u>\$ 4,597,891</u>	\$ 3,628,026	
Net income	\$ 10,939,773	\$ 8,249,688	
Net income per sub-share	\$1.06	\$.78	
Average sub-shares outstanding during period	10,354,408	10,536,367	

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.