

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): **October 30, 2017**

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
(IRS 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)

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 2.02. Results Of Operations And Financial Condition.

Texas Pacific Land Trust (the “Trust”) hereby incorporates by reference the contents of a press release containing a Report of Operations — Unaudited, announcing certain of its consolidated financial results for the three month and nine month periods ended September 30, 2017, which was released to the press on October 30, 2017. A copy of the press release including 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 Press release including a Report of Operations - Unaudited of Texas Pacific Land Trust for the Three Month and Nine Month Periods Ended September 30, 2017 and 2016.

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

Date: October 30, 2017

By: /s/ Robert J Packer
Robert J. Packer
General Agent and Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	<u>Press release including a Report of Operations - Unaudited of Texas Pacific Land Trust for the Three Month and Nine Month Periods Ended September 30, 2017 and 2016.</u>

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Texas Pacific Land Trust Announces Third Quarter 2017 Financial Results

DALLAS, TX (October 30, 2017) – Texas Pacific Land Trust (NYSE: TPL) today announced financial results for the third quarter of fiscal 2017, which ended September 30, 2017.

Results for third quarter 2017:

- Net income of \$26.4 million, or \$3.36 per sub-share, for third quarter 2017, compared with \$8.9 million, or \$1.12 per sub-share, for third quarter 2016.
- Revenues of \$42.5 million for third quarter 2017, compared with \$14.3 million for third quarter 2016.
- Increases of 351.5% in easements and sundry income, 248.4% in water sales and royalty revenue, and 150.9% in oil and gas royalty revenue (59.7% excluding the announced Chevron settlement) for third quarter 2017, compared with third quarter 2016.

Results for nine months ended September 30, 2017:

- Net income of \$58.0 million, or \$7.37 per sub-share, for the first nine months of 2017, compared with \$26.3 million, or \$3.28 per sub-share, for the first nine months of 2016.
- Revenues of \$94.1 million for the first nine months of 2017, compared with \$42.4 million for the first nine months of 2016.
- Increases of 230.0% in water sales and royalty revenue, 96.7% in easements and sundry income, and 116.4% in oil and gas royalty revenue (79.5% excluding the announced Chevron settlement) for the first nine months of 2017, compared with the first nine months of 2016.

Further Details for third quarter 2017:

Easements and sundry income was \$13,221,548 for the third quarter of 2017, an increase of 351.5% compared with the third quarter of 2016 when easements and sundry income was \$2,928,095. This increase resulted primarily from increases in pipeline easement income and, to a lesser extent, sundry lease rental income, temporary permit income, and material sales (caliche). Pipeline easement income increased 235.9% to \$14,490,663 (before deferral of term easements) for the third quarter of 2017 compared to the third quarter of 2016.

Oil and gas royalty revenue was \$21,212,568 for the third quarter of 2017 (including \$7,710,543 for the Chevron settlement), compared with \$8,454,876 for the third quarter of 2016, an increase of 150.9% (59.7% excluding the Chevron settlement). Crude oil and gas production subject to the Trust's royalty interests increased 55.3% and 58.2%, respectively (excluding the Chevron settlement), in the third quarter of 2017 compared to the third quarter of 2016.

Water sales and royalty revenue was \$7,917,581 for the third quarter of 2017, an increase of 248.4% compared with the third quarter of 2016 when water sales and royalty revenue was \$2,272,653.

Further Details for nine months ended September 30, 2017:

Easements and sundry income was \$28,587,706 for the first nine months of 2017, an increase of 96.7% compared with the first nine months of 2016 when easements and sundry income was \$14,535,517. This increase resulted primarily from increases in pipeline easement income, temporary permit income, and material sales (caliche). Pipeline easement income increased 142.1% to \$33,441,720 (before deferral of term easements) for the first nine months of 2017 compared to the first nine months of 2016.

Oil and gas royalty revenue was \$45,288,306 for the first nine months of 2017 (including \$7,710,543 for the Chevron settlement), compared with \$20,932,329 for the first nine months of 2016, an increase of 116.4% (79.5% excluding the Chevron settlement). Crude oil and gas production subject to the Trust's royalty interests increased 39.0% and 52.7%, respectively, in the first nine months of 2017 compared with the first nine months of 2016. In addition, the prices received for crude oil and gas production increased 26.1% and 25.3%, respectively, in the first nine months of 2017 compared to the first nine months of 2016. The changes in production and price for the first nine months ended 2017 compared to the first nine months ended 2016 exclude the effect of the Chevron settlement.

Water sales and royalty revenue was \$19,583,897 for the first nine months of 2017, an increase of 230.0% compared with the first nine months of 2016 when water sales and royalty revenue was \$5,935,174.

Texas Pacific Land Trust is not a REIT.

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 competitions, 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.

TEXAS PACIFIC LAND TRUST
REPORT OF OPERATIONS - UNAUDITED

	<u>Three Months Ended</u>	
	<u>September 30, 2017</u>	<u>September 30, 2016</u>
Oil and gas royalties	\$ 21,212,568	\$ 8,454,876
Easements and sundry income*	13,221,548	2,928,095
Water sales and royalties	7,917,581	2,272,653
Land sales	--	485,505
Other income	<u>144,830</u>	<u>132,123</u>
Total income	\$ <u>42,496,527</u>	\$ <u>14,273,252</u>
Provision for income tax	<u>\$ 12,686,727</u>	<u>\$ 4,170,264</u>
Net income	<u>\$ 26,404,712</u>	<u>\$ 8,929,412</u>
Net income per sub-share	\$ 3.36	\$ 1.12
Average sub-shares outstanding during period	7,851,916	7,984,936
	<u>Nine Months Ended</u>	
	<u>September 30, 2017</u>	<u>September 30, 2016</u>
Oil and gas royalties	\$ 45,288,306	\$ 20,932,329
Easements and sundry income*	28,587,706	14,535,517
Water sales and royalties	19,583,897	5,935,174
Land sales	220,400	571,505
Other income	<u>412,599</u>	<u>392,941</u>
Total income	\$ <u>94,092,908</u>	\$ <u>42,367,466</u>
Provision for income tax	<u>\$ 27,944,860</u>	<u>\$ 12,672,980</u>
Net income	<u>\$ 58,001,587</u>	<u>\$ 26,332,580</u>
Net income per sub-share	\$ 7.37	\$ 3.28
Average sub-shares outstanding during period	7,872,554	8,025,222

* The Trust deferred \$10,292,827 of easement income for the third quarter of 2017 and \$3,240,403 of easement income for the third quarter of 2016. For the nine months ending September 30, 2017 and September 30, 2016, the Trust deferred easement income of \$23,036,260 and \$5,726,314, respectively.