ALLIANCE RESOURCE PARTNERS LP Form 8-K May 18, 2010

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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 13, 2010

ALLIANCE RESOURCE PARTNERS, L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of

Commission File No.: 0-26823

73-1564280 (IRS Employer

incorporation or organization)

Identification No.)

1717 South Boulder Avenue, Suite 400, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74119

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(918) 295-7600

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-	K filing is intended to simultaneously satis	fy the filing obligations 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))

ITEM 7.01. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the following information and the exhibits referenced therein are being furnished pursuant to 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, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

On May 17, 2010, Alliance Resource Partners, L.P announced via press release that its wholly owned subsidiary, White County Coal, LLC, has temporarily idled the Pattiki mine following the failure of the vertical belt system used in conveying raw coal out of the mine.

A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS (d) Exhibits

99.1 Alliance Resource Partners, L.P. press release dated May 17, 2010.

SIGNATURES

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

Alliance Resource Partners, L.P.

By: Alliance Resource Management GP, LLC, its managing general partner

/s/ Joseph W. Craft III

Joseph W. Craft By:

President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: May 17, 2010