

ALLIANCE RESOURCE PARTNERS LP

Form 4

May 16, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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See Instruction
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WESLEY CHARLES R

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
**ALLIANCE RESOURCE
PARTNERS LP [ARLP]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
**1717 S. BOULDER
AVENUE, SUITE 600**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/15/2006

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Senior VP-Operations

(Street)
TULSA, OK 74119

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common unit			Code V	Amount (D) Price	86,800	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price or Value of Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	
Phantom unit	(2)					(1)	(4)	Common unit 19,246
Phantom unit	(2)	05/15/2006		A		211	(1)	(4)
Restricted unit	(2)					(3)	(4)	Common unit 20,800
Restricted unit	(2)					(5)	(4)	Common unit 11,150
Restricted unit	(2)					(6)	(4)	Common unit 7,275

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
WESLEY CHARLES R 1717 S. BOULDER AVENUE SUITE 600 TULSA, OK 74119	Senior VP-Operations

Signatures

/s/ Charles R. Wesley III by Megan Cordle, pursuant to power of attorney dated August 26, 2002 05/16/2006

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The Phantom units are to be settled in either cash or ARLP common units, at the election of the Compensation Committee, upon the reporting person's death or termination.
- (2) 1 for 1
- (3) The Restricted units will vest on December 31, 2006 provided that the issuer meets certain financial tests. Once vested the restricted units are to be settled in ARLP common units.

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- (4) Not applicable
- (5) The Restricted units will vest on January 1, 2008 provided that the issuer meets certain financial tests. Once vested the restricted units are to be settled in ARLP common units.
- (6) The Restricted units will vest on January 1, 2009 provided that the issuer meets certain financial tests. Once vested the restricted units are to be settled in ARLP units.

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