BRUCE ROBERT W III

Form 4

August 18, 2005

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ALPINE CAPITAL LP

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

MESA ROYALTY TRUST/TX

(Check all applicable)

[MTR]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Director

_X__ 10% Owner

(Month/Day/Year) 201 MAIN ST STE 3100,

(Zin)

08/16/2005

Officer (give title below)

_ Other (specify

(Street)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

FORT WORTH, TX 76102

(City)

(City)	(State) (Z	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	(D) (Instr. 3,	4 and (A) or	d of 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)	
Units of Beneficial Interest	08/16/2005		Code V S	Amount 400 (1)	` /	Price \$ 68.4	199,866	D (1) (2)		
Units of Beneficial Interest	08/16/2005		S	150 (1)	D	\$ 68.5	199,716	D (1) (2)		
Units of Beneficial Interest	08/17/2005		S	400 (1)	D	\$ 68.2	199,316	D (1) (2)		

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)

1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transaction	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da		7. Title a		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(a. cara)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/		Underlyi Securitie (Instr. 3	ing es	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	umber		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting Owner Plante / Plantess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ALPINE CAPITAL LP 201 MAIN ST STE 3100 FORT WORTH, TX 76102		X					
ALGENPAR INC 201 MAIN ST STE 3100 FORT WORTH, TX 76102		X					
CRANDALL J TAYLOR 2775 SAND HILL RD SUITE 220 MENLO PARK, CA 94025		X					
BRUCE ROBERT W III 201 MAIN STREET STE 2500 FORT WORTH, TX 76102		X					

Signatures

/s/ Robert W. Bruce III, Manager - Alpine
Capital, L.P.

08/18/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ J. Taylor Crandall, Algenpar, Inc. 08/18/2005

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Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

/s/ Robert W. Bruce III 08/18/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ J. Taylor Crandall 08/18/2005

**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).
- J. Taylor Crandall ("Crandall") is the President and sole stockholder of Algenpar, Inc., a Texas corporation ("Algenpar"), which is one of (1) two general partners of Alpine Capital, L.P., a Texas limited partnership ("Alpine"), which is the direct beneficial owner of certain of the securities reported herein. Robert W. Bruce III ("Bruce") is the other general partner of Alpine.
 - Pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(B) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), Crandall, Algenpar and Bruce are deemed to be beneficial owners of the shares beneficially owned by Alpine only to the extent of the greater of his or its respective direct
- (2) or indirect interest in the profits or capital account of Alpine. Pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(4) under the Act, this filing shall not be deemed an admission that Bruce, Crandall or Algenpar is, for purposes of Section 16 or the Act or otherwise, the beneficial owner of any securities owned by Alpine in excess of such amount.

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