REDWOOD TRUST INC Form 8-K May 03, 2012

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): May 3, 2012

REDWOOD TRUST, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction

001-13759 (Commission 68-0329422 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

One Belvedere Place

Suite 300

Mill Valley, California 94941

(Address of principal executive offices and Zip Code)

(415) 389-7373

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- 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 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition;

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On May 3, 2012, Redwood Trust, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2012, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this current report on Form 8-K.

On May 3, 2012, Redwood Trust, Inc. issued *The Redwood Review* 1st Quarter 2012, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 99.2 to this current report on Form 8-K.

The information contained in this Item 2.02 and Item 7.01 and the attached Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2 is furnished to and not filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated May 3, 2012

Exhibit 99.2 The Redwood Review 1st Quarter 2012

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.

Date: May 3, 2012 REDWOOD TRUST, INC.

By: /S/ CHRISTOPHER J. ABATE

Christopher J. Abate Chief Financial Officer

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