

BUCKEYE PARTNERS, L.P.  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Smith Clark C.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ONE GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 600

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77046

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BUCKEYE PARTNERS, L.P. [BPL]

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

03/11/2015

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

Chair, CEO and President

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

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**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 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Limited Partner Units	03/11/2015		G	V 5,000 D \$ 0	46,416	D	
Limited Partner Units	03/11/2015		G <sup>(1)</sup>	V 5,000 D \$ 0	41,416	D	
Limited Partner Units	03/11/2015		G <sup>(1)</sup>	V 5,000 A \$ 0	10,293 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	Trust for son
Limited Partner	12/15/2015		M	11,410 A <sup>(3)</sup>	52,826	D	

Units

Limited

Partner 12/15/2015 F 4,788 D \$ 54.39 48,038 D  
Units

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 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. Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Units	(3)	12/15/2015		M	5,705	12/15/2015 12/15/2015	Limited Partner Units	5,705
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Smith Clark C. ONE GREENWAY PLAZA SUITE 600 HOUSTON, TX 77046	X			Chair, CEO and President

## Signatures

/s/ Todd J. Russo, as attorney-in-fact for Clark C. Smith 12/17/2015

\_\_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 transaction represents a gift of the securities to a trust for the benefit of the reporting person's son, who shares the reporting person's household.

(2) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities because the reporting person is not the trustee of the trust and does not exercise any control over the trustee or derive any economic benefit from the securities. This report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose. Includes 293 units acquired through a distribution reinvestment plan.

(3) Each phantom unit is the economic equivalent of one limited partner unit of Buckeye Partners, L.P.

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