

Pioneer Southwest Energy Partners L.P.  
 Form 4  
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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 \*

PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES CO

(Last) (First) (Middle)

5205 N. O'CONNOR BLVD., SUITE 200

(Street)

IRVING, TX 75039

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Pioneer Southwest Energy Partners L.P. [PSE]

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

12/16/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_X\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_X\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Indirect Owner of Gen. Partner

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

\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 \_\_\_X\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price                                      |
| Common Units                    | 12/16/2011                           | 12/16/2011   | S                              |   | 1,800,000   | D  | \$ 28.04                                   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 18,721,200  | I  |  |

See Footnote (1)

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 of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6) |
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |                                |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|--------------------------------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other                          |
| PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES CO<br>5205 N. O'CONNOR BLVD.<br>SUITE 200<br>IRVING, TX 75039      |               | X         |         | Indirect Owner of Gen. Partner |
| PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES USA INC<br>5205 N. O'CONNOR BLVD.<br>SUITE 200<br>IRVING, TX 75039 |               | X         |         | Owner of General Partner       |

## Signatures

Mark H. Kleinman, Vice President 12/16/2011

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

Mark H. Kleinman, Vice President 12/16/2011

\_\_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).

The securities reported on this Form 4 are held directly by Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc. ("Pioneer USA"). Pioneer USA is a (1) wholly-owned subsidiary of Pioneer Natural Resources Company ("Pioneer"). Pioneer is an indirect beneficial owner of the reported securities. Pioneer USA is also a direct owner of the general partner of the Issuer.

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