

DORCHESTER MINERALS, L.P.  
Form 8-K  
January 12, 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): January 12, 2012

DORCHESTER MINERALS, L.P.  
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	000-50175 Commission File Number	81-0551518 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
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3838 Oak Lawn, Suite 300, Dallas, Texas 75219  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (214) 559-0300

N/A

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, 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)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act  
(17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- 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))

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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

The Registrant is furnishing its press release dated January 12, 2012 which announces the Registrant's cash distribution for the quarter ended December 31, 2011. The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7.01  
And 9.01 Regulation FD Disclosure and Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated January 12, 2012 announcing the Registrant's cash distribution for the quarter ended December 31, 2011. The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

See Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

Limitation on Incorporation by Reference

In accordance with general instructions B.2 and B.6 of Form 8-K, the information disclosed in this report under Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1, is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

SIGNATURE

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.

DORCHESTER MINERALS, L.P.  
Registrant

by Dorchester Minerals Management LP  
its General Partner,  
by Dorchester Minerals Management GP LLC  
its General Partner

Date: January 12, 2012  
By: /s/ William Casey McManemin  
William Casey McManemin  
Chief Executive Officer