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Texas Pacific Land Trust
(Name of the Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

SOFTVEST, L.P.
SOFTVEST ADVISORS, LLC
ART-FGT FAMILY PARTNERS LIMITED
TESSLER FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP
ERIC L. OLIVER
ALLAN R. TESSLER
HORIZON KINETICS LLC
MURRAY STAHL
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On April 9, 2019, SoftVest, L.P. ("SoftVest LP") filed a definitive proxy statement (the "Proxy Statement") with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") in connection with the solicitation of proxies for a special meeting of holders of the sub-share certificates of proprietary interests (the "Shares") for the election of a new trustee of Texas Pacific Land Trust ("TPL") to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Maurice Meyer III (such meeting, together with any adjournments, postponements or continuations thereof, the "Special Meeting"). INVESTORS ARE STRONGLY ADVISED TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT BECAUSE IT CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION. Investors may obtain a free copy of the Proxy Statement, any amendments or supplements thereto and other documents that SoftVest LP files with the SEC from the SEC's website at www.sec.gov, or by contacting D.F. King, SoftVest LP's proxy solicitor, by phone (212-269-5550) or e-mail (TPL@dfking.com).

SoftVest Advisors, LLC, SoftVest LP, Eric L. Oliver, ART-FGT Family Partners Limited, Tessler Family Limited Partnership, Allan R. Tessler, Horizon Kinetics LLC, Horizon Asset Management LLC, Kinetics Advisers, LLC, Kinetics Asset Management LLC and Murray Stahl may be deemed participants in the solicitation of proxies from holders of Shares in connection with the matters to be considered at the Special Meeting. Information about such participants' direct and indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, is contained in the Proxy Statement.

The following is a presentation made available by Horizon Kinetics LLC on May 1, 2019:

Special Note Regarding This Presentation 1 SoftVest, L.P. (“SoftVest LP”) has filed a definitive proxy statement (the “Proxy Statement”) with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) in connection with the solicitation of proxies for a special meeting of holders of the sub-share certificates of proprietary interests (the “Shares”) for the election of a new trustee of Texas Pacific Land Trust (“TPL”) to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Maurice Meyer III (such meeting, together with any adjournments, postponements or continuations thereof, the “Special Meeting”). **INVESTORS ARE STRONGLY ADVISED TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT BECAUSE IT CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION.** Investors may obtain a free copy of the proxy statement, any amendments or supplements thereto and other documents that SoftVest LP files with the SEC from the SEC’s website at sec.gov, or by contacting D.F. King, SoftVest LP’s proxy solicitor, by phone (212-269-5550) or e-mail (TPL@dfking.com). SoftVest Advisors, LLC, SoftVest LP, Eric L. Oliver, ART-FGT Family Partners Limited, Tessler Family Limited Partnership, Allan R. Tessler, Horizon Kinetics LLC, Murray Stahl, Horizon Asset Management LLC, Kinetics Advisers, LLC, and Kinetics Asset Management LLC may be deemed participants in the solicitation of proxies from holders of Shares in connection with the matters to be considered at the Special Meeting. Information about such participants’ direct and indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, is contained in the Proxy Statement.

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Investor Group What is a Dissident, Anyway? How About An Outsider? 2 Far be it from us to tell you what to think. Facts should speak for themselves. You choose: "Select the boxes that contain an 'Outsider'." All approximations of the percentage of Share ownership herein are based on shares held as of 3/28/2019 and on the 7,756,156 Shares reported to be outstanding by the Trust as of the Record Date. Dollar Market Values of Shares Held is based on closing TPL's market price of \$802.34.00 as of 4/30/2019.

	# of Shares Held	\$ Market Value Held	%	
Ownership Insider	Horizon Kinetics 1,798,184	\$1,443 mm	23.2%	SoftVest 133,200 \$107 mm 1.7%
Outsider	Tessler 11,630	\$9 mm	0.1%	Cumulative 1,943,014 \$1,559 mm 25.1%

The 'dissidents' might be said to embody the ideal of a long-term equity stakeholder, the opposite of 'outsider'. The General Agents & Trustees hold a negligible amount of stock, a dramatic decline and the lowest level over the past 30 years.

Shares Owned Since	Holding Period	Insider	Outsider	Horizon Kinetics	1994	25 Yrs.	SoftVest	2004	15 Yrs.	Tessler	2015	4 Yrs.	Incumbent Group

	# of Shares Held	\$ Market Value Held	%	
Ownership Insider	General Agent #1 200	\$160 thou.	0.003%	General Agent #2 100 \$80 thou. 0.001%
Outsider	Trustee #1 1,000	\$802 thou.	0.013%	Trustee #2 300 \$241 thou. 0.004%

	Cumulative	1,600	\$1,284 thou.	0.021%	Shares Owned Since	Holding							
Period Insider	Outsider	General Agent #1	Mar 2017	26 Mos.	General Agent #2	Dec 2018	5 Mos.	Trustee #1	Jan 2001	18 Yrs.	Trustee #2	Mar 2017	26 Mos.

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Investor Group What Does “Conflicted” Look Like in a Corporate Governance Structure? 3 Ordinarily, it’s if Insider incentives are at clear odds with how Shareholders make their money. Whose path to wealth is through long-term share ownership – ‘skin in the game’, capital at risk? And whose through the compensation package? TPL Price Return Aligned Conflicted 2018 21.3% 2017 50.5% 2016 126.7% Incumbent

Group	Salary	Bonus	Total	Aligned	Conflicted	General Agent
#1	2018 \$480,167	\$1,800,000	\$2,280,167	2017 \$381,250	\$300,000	\$681,250
Agent				2016 \$165,556	\$30,000	\$195,556
#2	2018 \$480,167	\$1,800,000	\$2,280,167	2017 \$381,250	\$300,000	\$681,250
Agent				2016 \$152,889	\$30,000	\$182,889

success from owning TPL shares for the long term. Same exercise. You choose: “Select the boxes that show ‘Conflicted’.” Reaping success through annual compensation arrangements.

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