

**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): 2/18/2011**

**RAYONIER INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Commission File Number: 1-6780**

**North Carolina**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**13-2607329**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**1301 Riverplace Boulevard**  
**Jacksonville, Florida**  
**32207**  
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

**904-357-9100**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(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:

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers**

Paul G. Boynton, Rayonier Inc.'s President and Chief Operating Officer, was elected to Rayonier's Board of Directors effective February 18, 2011.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

A copy of the press release announcing the election of Mr. Boynton is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

**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 hereunto duly authorized.

RAYONIER INC.

Date: February 24, 2011

By: /s/ Hans E. Vanden Noort  
Hans E. Vanden Noort  
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

## EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
EX-99.1	Rayonier Adds Paul G. Boynton to Board of Directors



## News Release

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### Rayonier Adds Paul G. Boynton to Board of Directors

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 22, 2011 - Rayonier (NYSE:RYN) announced today that Paul G. Boynton, Rayonier's president and chief operating officer, has been elected to its board of directors, effective immediately.

“Paul's expertise in all three of our core businesses will bring a unique perspective on strategy and execution to the board,” said Lee M. Thomas, chairman and chief executive officer. “His long-standing relationships with our customers and his 11 years of operational experience with Rayonier will also benefit the board.”

Boynton was elected to his current position as Rayonier's president and chief operating officer in September 2010. He previously served as executive vice president, Forest Resources and Real Estate. Boynton joined Rayonier in 1999 as director of Performance Fibers marketing and sales, and was later named vice president, Performance Fibers marketing and sales, and senior vice president, Performance Fibers.

Prior to joining Rayonier, Boynton was with the 3M Corporation as global brand manager for the home care division from 1990 to 1999. He had previously served as a reliability and quality engineer with Motorola, from 1986 to 1988.

Paul holds a BS in mechanical engineering from Iowa State University, and an MBA from the University of Iowa. He also completed the Harvard University Graduate School of Business Administration Advanced Management Program.

### About Rayonier

*Rayonier is a leading international forest products company with three core businesses: Timber, Real Estate and Performance Fibers. The company owns, leases or manages 2.4 million acres of timber and land in the United States and New Zealand. The company's holdings include approximately 200,000 acres with residential and commercial development potential along the Interstate 95 corridor between Savannah, Ga., and Daytona Beach, Fla. Its Performance Fibers business is one of the world's leading producers of high-value specialty cellulose fibers. Approximately 45 percent of the company's sales are outside the U.S. to customers in approximately 40 countries. Rayonier is structured as a real estate investment trust. More information is available at [www.rayonier.com](http://www.rayonier.com).*

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