## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

# **FORM 10-K**

(Mark One)

☑ ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020

☐ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_ Commission File Number: 1-39804 Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter: **Texas Pacific Land Corporation** State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization: IRS Employer Identification No.: Delaware 75-0279735 Address of principal executive offices: 1700 Pacific Avenue, Suite 2900 Dallas, Texas 75201 Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (214) 969-5530 Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: Title of each class Trading Symbol(s) Name of each exchange on which registered Common Stock TPL New York Stock Exchange (par value \$.01 per share) Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes 🗹 No 🗆 Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes 🗆 No 🗹 Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes 🗹 No 🗆 Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes 🗹 No 🗆

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#### PART I

Statements in this Annual Report on Form 10-K that are not purely historical are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, including statements regarding management's expectations, hopes, intentions or strategies regarding the future. Forward-looking statements include statements regarding the Company's future operations and prospects, the markets for real estate in the areas in which the Company owns real estate, applicable zoning regulations, the markets for oil and gas, production limits on prorated oil and gas wells authorized by the Railroad Commission of Texas, expected competition, management's intent, beliefs or current expectations with respect to the Company's future financial performance and other matters. All forward-looking statements in this Report are based on information available to us as of the date this Report is filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), and we assume or responsibility to update any such forward-looking statements, except as required by law. All forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause our actual results, performance, prospects or opportunities to differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, these forward-looking statements. These risks, uncertainties and other factors include, but are not limited to, the factors discussed in Item 1A. "Risk Factors" and Item 7. "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations."

## Item 1. Business.

#### General

Texas Pacific Land Corporation (which, together with its subsidiaries as the context requires, may be referred to as "TPL", the "Company", "our", "we" or "us") is one of the largest landowners in the State of Texas with approximately 880,000 acres of land in West Texas. Additionally, we own a 1/128th nonparticipating perpetual oil and gas royalty interest ("NPRI") under approximately 85,000 acres of land, a 1/16th NPRI under approximately 371,000 acres of land, and approximately 4,000 additional net royalty acres (normalized to 1/8th), all located in the western part of Texas.

The Company was originally organized as Texas Pacific Land Trust (the "Trust") under a Declaration of Trust, dated February 1, 1888, to receive and hold title to extensive tracts of land in the State of Texas, previously the property of the Texas and Pacific Railway Company. The Declaration of Trust provided for the appointment of trustees (the "Trustees") to manage the assets of the Trust with all of the powers of an absolute owner. On January 11, 2021, the Trust completed its reorganization from a business trust, Texas Pacific Land Trust, into Texas Pacific Land Corporation (the "Corporate Reorganization"), a corporation formed and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware. See further discussion under "Corporate Reorganization" below. Any references in this Annual Report on Form 10-K to the Company, TPL, our, we or us with respect to periods prior to January 11, 2021 will be in reference to the Trust, and references to periods on that date and thereafter will be in reference to Texas Pacific Land Corporation or TPL Corporation.

Our surface and royalty ownership allow steady revenue generation through the entire value chain of oil and gas development. While we are not an oil and gas producer, we benefit from various revenue sources throughout the life cycle of a well. During the initial development phase where infrastructure for oil and gas development is constructed, we receive fixed fee payments for use of our land and revenue for sales of materials (caliche) used in the construction of the infrastructure. During the drilling and completion phase, we generate revenue for providing sourced water and/or treated produced water in addition to fixed fee payments for use of our land. During the production phase, we receive revenue from our oil and gas royalty interests and also revenues related to saltwater disposal on our land. In addition, we generate revenue from pipeline, power line and utility easements, commercial leases, material sales and seismic and temporary permits principally related to a variety of land uses, including midstream infrastructure projects and processing facilities as hydrocarbons are processed and transported to market.

## Corporate Reorganization

On July 30, 2019, the Trust and the Trustees entered into a settlement agreement (the "Settlement Agreement") with Horizon Kinetics LLC, Horizon Kinetics Asset Management LLC, Murray Stahl, SoftVest, L.P., SoftVest Advisors, LLC, Eric L. Oliver, ART-FGT Family Partners Limited, Tessler Family Limited Partnership and Allan R. Tessler (the "Investor Group") with respect to the previous proxy contest mounted by the Investor Group and the then-pending litigation between the parties. The parties agreed, among other things, (i) to dismiss the pending litigation captioned Case 3:19-cv-01224-B Texas Pacific Land Trust et al v. Oliver in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas in Dallas, (ii) to add three new members, including Mr. Stahl and Mr. Oliver, to the Conversion Exploration Committee (the "CE Committee"), which was formed in

June 2019 to evaluate the conversion of the Trust into a corporation (the "Conversion"), and (iii) if the CE Committee recommended a plan of Conversion, the Investor Group would be required to support such Conversion.

On January 21, 2020, the CE Committee recommended to the Trustees that the Trust approve a plan of corporate reorganization, comprised of the steps, plan and proposed governance terms that had each been reviewed and approved by the CE Committee.

The Trustees and the Investor Group amended the Settlement Agreement on March 6, 2020 and March 20, 2020, in each case for the purpose of, among other things, providing the Trust with additional time to review and approve the plan of corporate reorganization recommended by the CE Committee.

On March 23, 2020, the Trustees announced their approval of a plan to reorganize the Trust to a corporation.

On June 11, 2020, the Trust entered into a stockholders' agreement dated as of December 14, 2020, with Horizon Kinetics LLC, Horizon Kinetics Asset Management LLC, SoftVest Advisors, LLC, SoftVest, L.P., and Mission Advisors, LP,(as amended to date, the "Stockholders' Agreement"), providing for, among other things, the appointment of Dana F. McGinnis, Eric L. Oliver and Murray Stahl as directors of TPL's board of directors (the "Board") immediately following the Distribution (as defined below). On June 15, 2020, the prospective members of the Board were announced, consisting of the current members of our Board.

On November 17, 2020, the Trust affirmed its prior approval of the Corporate Reorganization and the distribution of all of TPL Corporation's issued and outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock") on the basis of one share of Common Stock for every sub-share in certificates of proprietary interest, par value \$0.03-1/3 of the Trust ("Sub-share") held.

On January 11, 2021, TPL completed its Corporate Reorganization. To implement the Corporate Reorganization, the Trust and TPL Corporation entered into agreements and undertook and caused to be undertaken a series of transactions to effect the transfer to TPL Corporation of all of the Trust's assets, employees, liabilities and obligations (including investments, property and employee benefits and tax-related assets and liabilities) attributable to periods prior to, at and after the Corporate Reorganization. The agreements entered into include a contribution agreement between the Trust and TPL Corporation (the "Contribution Agreement").

Prior to the market opening on January 11, 2021, the Trust distributed all of the shares of Common Stock to holders of Sub-shares on a pro rata, one-for-one, basis in accordance with their interests in the Trust (the "Distribution"). As a result of the Distribution, TPL Corporation is now an independent public company and its Common Stock is listed under the symbol "TPL" on the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE").

A summary of the material terms of the Contribution Agreement can be found in our information statement, dated December 31, 2020, which was included as Exhibit 99.1 to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 31, 2020 (the "Information Statement"), under the heading entitled "Certain Relationships and Related Person Transactions—Material Agreements of TPL Corporation — Contribution Agreement." Such summary is incorporated herein by reference.

## **Business Segments**

We operate our business in two segments: Land and Resource Management and Water Services and Operations. Our segments provide management with a comprehensive financial view of our key businesses. The segments enable the alignment of strategies and objectives of the Company and provide a framework for timely and rational allocation of resources within businesses. See Item 7. "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and Note 10, "Business Segment Reporting" in Item 8. "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

# Land and Resource Management

Our Land and Resource Management segment encompasses the business of managing the approximately 880,000 acres of land and our oil and gas royalty interests in West Texas owned by Texas Pacific Resources LLC, a single member Texas limited liability company, owned by the Company. The revenue streams of this segment consist primarily of royalties from oil and gas, revenues from easements and commercial leases, and land and material sales.

We are not an oil and gas producer. Rather, our oil and gas revenue is derived from our oil and gas royalty interests. Thus, in addition to being subject to fluctuations in response to the market prices for oil and gas, our oil and gas royalty revenues are also subject to decisions made by the owners and operators of the oil and gas wells to which our royalty interests relate as to investments in and production from those wells.

Our revenue from easements is generated from easement contracts covering activities such as oil and gas pipelines and subsurface wellbore easements. The majority of our easements have a thirty-plus year term but subsequently renew every ten years with an additional payment. We also enter into agreements with operators and mid-stream companies to lease land from us, primarily for facilities and roads.

The demand for, and sale price of, particular tracts of land is influenced by many factors beyond our control, including general economic conditions, the rate of development in nearby areas and the suitability of the particular tract for commercial uses prevalent in West Texas.

## Operations

Revenues from the Land and Resource Management segment for the last three years were as follows (amounts presented in thousands):

					Y ears End	lea December 31,				
		2020				2019			2018	
	Segment Revenue (1)	% of To Consolida Revenu	ited		Segment Revenue	% of Total Consolidated Revenue		Segment Revenue	% of Total Consolidated Revenue	
Oil and gas royalties	\$ 137,948		46	%	\$ \$ 154,729	31	%	\$ 123,834	41	%
Easements and other surface-related income	39,478		13	%	73,143	15	%	63,908	21	%
Sale of oil and gas royalty interests	_		_	%	_	_	%	18,875	6	%
Land sales and other operating revenue	17,706		6	%	135,456	28	%	4,859	2	%
Total Revenue - Land and Resource Management segment	\$ 195,132		65	%	\$ \$ 363,328	74	%	\$ 211,476	70	%

(1) Revenues for 2020 were impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Please see further discussion of the impact on our financial results for 2020 at Item 7. "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — Overview — COVID-19 Pandemic and Market Conditions."

Land Activity for the Year Ended December 31, 2020

For the year ended December 31, 2020, we sold 22,160 acres of land for an aggregate sales price of approximately \$16.0 million, an average price of approximately \$721 per acre. The sale excluded any mineral or royalty interest in the lands conveyed. Additionally, the Company recognized land sales revenue of \$1.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 related to land exchanges where the Company had no cost basis in the land conveyed.

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company acquired 756 acres of land in Texas for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$3.9 million, an average of approximately \$5,134 per acre (excludes land acquired through the land exchange as previously discussed).

# Competition

Our Land and Resource Management segment does not have peers, as such, in that it sells, leases and generally manages land owned by the Company and, to that extent, any owner of property located in areas comparable to the Company is a potential competitor.

## Water Services and Operations

Our Water Services and Operations segment encompasses the business of providing full-service water offerings to operators in the Permian Basin through Texas Pacific Water Resources LLC ("TPWR"), a single member Texas limited liability company owned by the Company. Our significant surface ownership in West Texas provides TPWR with a unique opportunity to provide multiple full-service water offerings to operators.

These full-service water offerings include, but are not limited to, water sourcing, produced-water gathering/treatment, infrastructure development, disposal solutions, water tracking, analytics and well testing services. We are committed to sustainable water development with significant focus on the large-scale implementation of recycled water operations. Our significant surface ownership in West Texas provides TPWR with a unique opportunity to provide multiple full-service water offerings to operators.

Currently, the revenue streams of this segment principally consist of revenue generated from sales of sourced and treated water as well as revenue from produced water royalties. Prior to the formation of TPWR, we entered into agreements with energy companies and oilfield service businesses to allow such companies to explore for water, drill water wells, construct water-related infrastructure and purchase water sourced from land that we own. Energy businesses use water for their oil and gas projects while service businesses (i.e., water management service companies) operate water facilities to produce and sell water to energy businesses. While we continue to collect water royalties under these legacy agreements, the overall contribution to revenue from these legacy agreements has declined in recent years and is expected to continue to decline in the future as the activities are undertaken by TPWR.

## Operations

Revenues from our Water Services and Operations segment for the last three years were as follows (amounts presented in thousands):

					y ears End	lea December	31,					
		2020				2019					2018	
	Segment evenue <sup>(1)</sup>	% of Tot Consolida Revenu	ted		Segment Revenue	% of Consol Reve	idated		% of Total Segment Consolidate Revenue Revenue			
Water sales and royalties	\$ 54,862		18	%	\$ 84,949		17	%	\$	63,913	21	%
Easements and other surface- related income	52,560		17	%	42,219		9	%		24,831	9	%
Total Revenue – Water Services and Operations segment	\$ 107,422		35	%	\$ 127,168		26	%	\$	88,744	30	%

(1) Revenues for 2020 were impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Please see further discussion of the impact on our financial results for 2020 at Item 7. "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — Overview — COVID-19 Pandemic and Market Conditions."

The decrease in water sales during 2020 compared to 2019 is principally due to an 18.7% decrease in the average sales price per barrel of water, a 6.8% decrease in the number of barrels sold and a \$7.0 million deferral of water sales in the fourth quarter of 2020 related to take or pay contracts. Water royalties under legacy agreements decreased \$6.4 million during 2020 compared to 2019.

During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company invested approximately \$4.9 million in TPWR projects to develop and enhance water sourcing and water treatment assets.

## Competition

While there is competition in the water service business in the Permian Basin, we believe our position as a significant landowner of approximately 880,000 acres in West Texas gives us a unique advantage over our competitors who must negotiate with existing landowners to source water and then for the right of way to deliver the water to the end user.

## **Major Customers**

During 2020, we received \$54.1 million, or approximately 18% of our total revenues, which included \$30.2 million of oil and gas royalties, \$21.6 million of easements and other surface-related income and \$2.3 million of water sales and royalties, from Occidental Petroleum Corporation and \$31.6 million, or approximately 10% of our total revenues, which included \$24.5 million of oil and gas royalties, \$6.7 million of water sales and royalties and \$0.4 million of easements and other surface-related income, from Chevron Corporation.

## Seasonality

The business of TPL is not seasonal in nature, as that term is generally understood, although due to the nature of our operations, our revenue may vary widely from year to year and quarter to quarter.

## Regulations

We are subject to various federal, state and local laws. Management believes that our operations comply in all material respects with applicable laws and regulations and that the existence and enforcement of such laws and regulations have no more restrictive effect on our method of operations than on other companies similar to TPL.

We cannot determine the extent to which new legislation, new regulations or changes in existing laws or regulations may affect our future operations.

## **Environmental Considerations**

Compliance with Federal, State and local provisions that have been enacted or adopted regulating the discharge of materials into the environment, or otherwise relating to the protection of the environment, have had no material effect upon our business generally, including the capital expenditures, earnings and competitive position of the Company. To date, the Company has not been called upon to expend any funds for these purposes.

#### **Employees and Human Capital Resources**

As of December 31, 2020, the Company had 102 full-time employees. Our business strategy and ability to serve customers relies on employing talented professionals and attracting, training, developing and retaining a knowledgeable skilled workforce. We maintain a good working relationship with our employees. We value our employees and their experience in providing value through land, mineral and water resource management and water solutions. Maintaining a robust pipeline of talent is crucial to our ongoing success and is a key aspect of succession planning efforts across the organization. Our leadership and human resources teams are responsible for attracting and retaining top talent by facilitating an environment where employees feel supported and encouraged in their professional and personal development. Accordingly, we offer industry competitive wages and benefits and are committed to maintaining a workplace environment that promotes employee productivity and satisfaction.

Employee safety is also among our top priorities. Accordingly, we have developed and administer company-wide policies to ensure a safe and fair workplace free of discrimination or harassment for each team member and compliance with Occupational Safety and Health Administration ("OSHA") standards, as further discussed in our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics. This commitment applies to recruiting, hiring, compensation, benefits, training, termination, promotions or any other terms and conditions of employment. Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, we have maintained our strong focus on safety and have taken measures to protect our employees and maintain safe, reliable operations, without implementing furloughs or employee workforce reductions.

Our existing information technology infrastructure gave us the ability to respond rapidly to the recommended measures of temporarily closing our corporate office and allowing our corporate employees to work remotely. We employed additional safety measures and personal protective equipment for our field employees, including quarantine facilities, if needed, and implementation of a medical hotline for access by all employees should they experience symptoms or seek additional medical information. We strive for a goal of zero occupational injuries, illnesses and incidents in our workplace. To ensure that we protect our safety culture, we have in place a dedicated HS&E team with substantial combined years of experience and have in-house authorized trainers for OSHA-required certified training, powered equipment training and PCE-safe land certificated training.

#### **Available Information**

The Company makes available, free of charge, on or through its website copies of its Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K and amendments to those reports as soon as reasonably practicable after they are electronically filed with, or furnished to, the SEC pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"). Such reports are available there at <a href="www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a> and on our website at <a href="www.TexasPacific.com">www.TexasPacific.com</a>. The information contained on our website is not part of this Report.

## Item 1A. Risk Factors.

An investment in our securities involves a degree of risk. The risks described below are not the only ones facing us. Additional risks not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also have a material adverse effect on us. If any of the following risks actually occur, our financial condition, results of operations, cash flows or business could be harmed. In that case, the market price of our securities could decline and you could lose part or all of your investment.

## Risks Related to our Business

## Our oil and gas royalty revenue is dependent upon the market prices of oil and gas which fluctuate.

The oil and gas royalties that we receive are dependent upon the market prices for oil and gas. When lower market prices for oil and gas occur, they will have an adverse effect on our oil and gas royalty revenues. In 2020, our oil and gas royalties were impacted by lower oil and gas prices and may continue to be affected in future periods. The market prices for oil and gas are subject to national and international economic and political conditions and, in the past, have been subject to significant price fluctuations. Price fluctuations for oil and gas have been particularly volatile in recent years and prices have recently experienced a severe decrease due to increased supply by member nations of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries Plus ("OPEC+") and general economic downturn. At the same time, COVID-19 has spread to many nations of the world and has resulted in the implementation of numerous actions taken by governments and governmental agencies in an attempt to mitigate the spread of the virus. These measures have resulted in a significant reduction in global economic activity and extreme volatility in the global financial markets. The reduction of economic activity has significantly reduced the global demand for oil and gas. The scale and duration of the impact of these factors remain unknowable but could lead to an increase in our operating costs or a decrease in our revenues and have a material impact on our business segments and earnings, cash flow and financial condition.

#### We are not an oil and gas producer. Our revenues from oil and gas royalties are subject to the actions of others.

We are not an oil and gas producer. Our oil and gas income is derived primarily from perpetual non-participating oil and gas royalty interests that we have retained. As oil and gas wells age, the costs of production may increase and their capacity may decline absent additional investment. However, the owners and operators of the oil and gas wells make all decisions as to investments in, and production from, those wells and our royalties are dependent upon decisions made by those operators, among other factors. Accordingly, a significant portion of our revenues is reliant on the management of third parties, over whom we have no control. There can be no assurance that such third parties will take actions or make decisions that will be beneficial to us, which could result in adverse effects on our financial results and performance.

## Our revenues from the sale of land are subject to substantial fluctuation. Land sales are subject to many factors that are beyond our control.

Land sales vary widely from year to year and quarter to quarter. The total dollar amount, the average price per acre, and the number of acres sold in any one year or quarter should not be assumed to be indicative of future land sales. The demand for, and the sale price of, any particular tract of our land is influenced by many factors, including the national and local economies, rate of oil and gas well development by operators, the rate of residential and commercial development in nearby areas, livestock carrying capacity and the condition of the local agricultural industry, which itself is influenced by range conditions and prices for livestock and agricultural products. Our ability to sell land is, therefore, largely dependent on the actions of adjoining landowners.

Demand for TPWR's products and services is substantially dependent on the levels of expenditures by our customers. The recent oil and gas industry downturn has (and current market conditions have) resulted in reduced demand for oilfield services and lower expenditures by our customers, which has adversely impacted our earnings, cash flow and financial condition and may continue to do so in the future.

Demand for TPWR's products and services depends substantially on expenditures by our customers for the exploration, development and production of oil and natural gas reserves. These expenditures are generally dependent on our customers' views of future oil and natural gas prices and are sensitive to our customers' views of future economic growth and the resulting impact on demand for oil and natural gas.

Declines, as well as anticipated declines, in oil and gas prices have in the past resulted in, and may in the future result in, lower capital expenditures, project modifications, delays or cancellations, general business disruptions, and delays in payment of, or nonpayment of, amounts that are owed to us, which would adversely affect our earnings, cash flow and financial condition.

In 2020, the results of operations for the Water Services and Operations segment have been impacted by reduced demand and declines in expenditures by our customers due primarily to the economic downturn in 2020 resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic and may continue to be impacted in future periods.

We face the risks of doing business in a new and rapidly evolving market for TPWR and may not be able tosuccessfully address such risks and achieve acceptable levels of success or profits.

We have encountered and may continue to encounter the challenges, uncertainties and difficulties frequently experienced in new and rapidly evolving markets with respect to the business of TPWR, including:

- · limited operating experience;
- start-up costs for a new line of business;
- lack of sufficient customers or loss of significant customers for the new line of business; and
- difficulties in managing potentially rapid growth.

## The impact of government regulation on TPWR could adversely affect our business.

The business of TPWR is subject to applicable state and federal laws and regulations, including laws and regulations on water use, environmental and safety matters. These laws and regulations may increase the costs and timing of planning, designing, drilling, installing, operating and abandoning water wells, source water and treatment facilities. TPWR's business could be affected by problems, slowdowns or other stoppages to operations of providing water treatment critical to the success of TPWR.

## Our business and financial results could be disrupted by natural or human causes beyond our control

Our revenues depend on natural and environmental conditions with respect to operations that result in royalties to us, or that use our water services. Our business and financial results are therefore subject to disruption from natural or human causes beyond our control, including physical risks from severe storms, floods and other forms of severe weather, war, accidents, civil unrest, political events, fires, earthquakes, system failures, pipeline disruptions, terrorist acts and epidemic or pandemic diseases, any of which could result in a material adverse effect on oil and natural gas production and/or our results of operations.

Our business and financial results are subject to major trends in our industry, such as decarbonization, and may be adversely affected by future developments out of our control.

Much of the value of the land we own and upon which we receive royalties is based on the oil and natural gas located there. Our revenues may be negatively affected by changes driven by trends such as decarbonization efforts. Such changes may relate to the types or sources of energy in demand, such as a shift to renewable sources of power generation (such as wind and solar), along with ongoing changes in government, investor, customer and consumer policies and preferences. The evolution of global energy sources is affected by factors out of our control, such as the pace of technological developments and related cost considerations, the levels of economic growth in different markets around the world and the adoption of climate change-related policies.

The loss of key members of our management team or difficulty attracting and retaining experienced technical personnel could reduce our competitiveness and prospects for future success.

The successful implementation of our strategies and handling of other issues integral to our future success will depend, in part, on our experienced management team, including with respect to the business of TPWR. The loss of key members of our management team could have an adverse effect on our business. If we cannot retain our experienced personnel or attract additional experienced personnel, our ability to compete could be harmed.

## Our results of operations for any quarter are not necessarily indicative of our results of operations for a full year.

Revenues from oil and gas royalties may fluctuate from quarter to quarter based upon market prices for oil and gas and production decisions made by the operators. Our other revenue streams, which include, but are not limited to, water sales and royalties, easements and other surface-related income and sales of land, may also fluctuate from quarter to quarter. As a result, the results of our operations for any particular quarter are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations for a full year.

## Global health threats, such as COVID-19, may adversely affect our business.

Our business could be adversely affected by the effects of a widespread outbreak of contagious disease, including the recent and continuing outbreak of COVID-19. A significant outbreak of contagious diseases in the human population and resulting widespread health crisis could adversely affect the economies and financial markets of many countries, resulting in an economic downturn, reduced demand for oil and gas and interruption to supply chains related to oil and gas. The reduction of economic activity and reduced global demand for oil and gas related to COVID-19 and actions taken by governments to mitigate the spread of the virus could lead to an increase in our operating costs and have a material impact on our business segments and earnings, cash flow and financial condition.

## Risks Related to the Corporate Reorganization

We may not achieve some or all of the expected benefits of the Corporate Reorganization and the Distribution, and the Corporate Reorganization and the Distribution may adversely affect our business.

We may not be able to achieve the full strategic and financial benefits expected to result from our recent Corporate Reorganization and the Distribution, or such benefits may be delayed or not occur at all. The Corporate Reorganization and the Distribution is expected to provide the following benefits, among others:

- Greater Stockholders' Rights. The ability of our stockholders to annually vote for directors to staggered three-year terms on a classified board is expected to increase the accountability of management while giving stockholders a voice in periodic board refreshment.
- Diverse Leadership. Our Board, composed of nine members, is anticipated to reflect a diversity of expertise, perspectives and backgrounds. Eight of the nine members are independent directors.
- Delaware Corporate Legal Regime. The Corporate Reorganization allows the Company and its stockholders to benefit from the predictability and responsiveness of the Delaware legal regime for corporations.
- Greater Trading Liquidity. The Company's Common Stock will be eligible for inclusion in certain indices, which we believe will make the stock more
  attractive for institutional investors, thereby promoting demand and increasing trading liquidity.

The completion of the Corporate Reorganization will implicate transfer restrictions, and may implicate conditions and covenants contained in certain agreements to which the Trust was a party and thereby may cause us to lose certain benefits that the Trust historically received. If the Company is unable to obtain consents to, or approval or waiver of, any such transfer restrictions, conditions or covenants, or is unable to obtain an acknowledgement that any such benefits shall continue for the benefit of TPL Corporation, we may not be entitled to all benefits and other rights under such agreements, which may have an adverse impact on the business and results of operations.

The completion of the Corporate Reorganization will implicate transfer restrictions, and may implicate conditions and covenants, contained in certain agreements to which the Trust is a party and thereby may cause us to lose certain benefits that the Trust historically received. Certain counterparties may withhold consent to, or approval or waiver of, transfer restrictions, or certain conditions or covenants in order to or obtain more favorable terms from us. If the Company is unable to obtain consents to, or approval or waiver of, any such transfer restrictions, conditions or covenants, or if the Company is unable to obtain acknowledgement from any counterparties that any such benefits shall continue for the benefit of TPL Corporation, then we may decide to enforce our rights and interests by initiating legal action. In the meantime, and pending the outcome of any such legal proceeding to enforce our rights, we may be unable to continue to obtain all benefits and other rights under such agreements that would otherwise be transferred to us as part of the Corporate Reorganization. This may have an adverse impact on TPL's business and results of operations. Thus far, no such consents, approvals or waivers that have been denied, but there can be no assurance that such event will not arise as we continue to complete the post-closing requirements of the Corporate Reorganization.

For example, the obligation to pay ad valorem taxes with respect to certain of our royalty interests was assumed by a third party and is now the obligation of the successors in interest to such third party (the "obligors"), so long as such royalty interests are held by the Trustees or their successors in office under the Declaration of Trust. Based on a review of public records, we estimate that the payments made for these ad valorem taxes on behalf of the Trust for the year 2020 could be in the range of \$4.3 to \$7.2 million. The amount of such taxes depends on the valuations determined by various county taxing authorities with respect to our royalty interests and the tax rates used in assessing such ad valorem taxes. Consequently, the amount of ad valorem taxes that may be assessed against our royalty interests may vary from year to year, and we are unable to reliably predict the amount of any such increases or decreases in future years. If, as a result of the Corporate Reorganization, the obligors cease paying these taxes on our behalf, then, pending the outcome of any legal proceeding to enforce our rights, TPL may have to begin paying such ad valorem taxes annually, which would have an adverse impact on our business and results of operations.

## The Corporate Reorganization and the Distribution may have adverse tax consequences.

We have obtained an opinion from counsel that the Corporate Reorganization and the Distribution qualified as a tax-free reorganization within the meaning of Section 368(a)(1)(F) of the Code. The opinion of counsel does not address any U.S. state or local or non-U.S. tax consequences of the Corporate Reorganization and the Distribution. The opinion assumed that the Corporate Reorganization and the Distribution was completed according to the terms of certain of the operative agreements and required regulatory filings, and relied on the facts as stated therein and in other ancillary agreements and documents. In addition, the opinion was based on certain representations as to factual matters from, and certain covenants by, us and the Trust. The opinion cannot be relied on if any of the assumptions, representations or covenants were incorrect, incomplete or inaccurate or were violated in any material respect.

The opinion of counsel is not binding on the IRS or the courts, and no assurance can be given that contrary positions will not be taken by the IRS or a court. We have not sought and will not seek a ruling from the IRS regarding the federal income tax consequences of the Corporate Reorganization and the Distribution.

If the Corporate Reorganization and the Distribution were to fail to qualify as a reorganization or for tax-free treatment either under Section 368(a)(1)(F) or any other provision of the Code, then U.S. Holders of Sub-shares would recognize gain or loss, as applicable, equal to the difference between (a) the sum of the fair market value of the shares of TPL Corporation Common Stock received by such holder and (b) its adjusted tax basis in the Sub-shares surrendered in exchange therefor. Further, the Trust would recognize taxable gain as if it sold all of its assets, subject to its liabilities, at fair market value. The consequences of the Corporate Reorganization and the Distribution to any holder will depend on that holder's particular situation.

## **Risks Related to Our Common Stock**

We cannot be certain that an active trading market for our Common Stock will be sustained after the Corporate Reorganization and, following the Corporate Reorganization, our stock price may fluctuate significantly.

A public market for our Common Stock did not exist until the Corporate Reorganization was effected on January 11, 2021. We cannot guarantee that the active trading market that has developed will be sustained for our Common Stock after the Distribution, nor can we predict the prices at which shares of our Common Stock may trade.

Until the market has fully evaluated our business as a corporation, the prices at which shares of our Common Stock trade may fluctuate more significantly than might otherwise be typical, even with other market conditions, including general

volatility, held constant. The increased volatility of our stock price following the Corporate Reorganization may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. The market price of our Common Stock may fluctuate significantly due to a number of factors, some of which may be beyond our control, including:

- actual or anticipated fluctuations in our results of operations due to factors related to our business;
- our quarterly or annual earnings, or those of other companies in our industry;
- changes to the regulatory and legal environment under which we operate;
- changes in accounting standards, policies, guidance, interpretations or principles;
- the failure of securities analysts to cover, or positively cover, our Common Stock after the Corporate Reorganization;
- changes in earnings estimates by securities analysts or our ability to meet those estimates;
- the operating and stock price performance of other comparable companies;
- investor perception of our company and our industry;
- actual or anticipated fluctuations in commodities prices; and
- domestic and worldwide economic conditions.

#### There may be substantial changes in our stockholder base.

Investors in the Trust may have held Sub-shares because of a decision to invest in an organization with the Trust's governance profile or operating track record. Now that the Corporate Reorganization has occurred, the shares of our Common Stock held by those investors will represent an investment in a company with a different governance profile, in particular a board of directors at TPL Corporation subject to changes from year to year at annual elections of directors serving staggered three-year terms. More frequent changes in the leadership of the organization, particularly on the Board, could lead to changes in the operating policies of TPL Corporation over time. Such changes may not match some stockholders' investment strategies, which could cause them to sell our Common Stock. These changes may also attract new investors who previously did not invest in the Trust because of its governance profile or operating track record. As a result of such changes, our stock price may decline or experience volatility as our stockholder base changes. Additionally, new investors or leadership at TPL Corporation could advocate for business or corporate initiatives that would not be beneficial for all stockholders, such as an untimely sale of the business.

If stockholders were to approve an amendment to our amended and restated certificate of incorporation allowing the issuance of additional equity, holders of our Common Stock could experience dilution in the future.

In the future, if stockholders were to approve an amendment to our amended and restated certificate of incorporation allowing the issuance of additional equity, holders of our Common Stock could be diluted because of equity issuances for proposed acquisitions or capital market transactions or equity awards proposed to be granted to our directors, officers and employees subject to any required vote of holders of our Common Stock under our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws. We may issue stock-based awards, including annual awards, new hire awards and periodic retention awards, as applicable, to our directors, officers and other employees under any employee benefits plans we may adopt.

In addition, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation will authorize us to issue, without the approval of our stockholders, one or more series of preferred stock having such designations, powers, preferences, privileges and relative, participating, optional and special rights, and qualifications, limitations and restrictions as the Board may generally determine. The terms of one or more classes or series of preferred stock could dilute the voting power or reduce the value of our Common

Stock. For example, we could grant the holders of preferred stock the right to elect some number of the members of the Board in all events or upon the happening of specified events, or the right to veto specified transactions. Similarly, the repurchase or redemption rights or liquidation preferences that we could assign to holders of preferred stock could affect the residual value of our Common Stock.

We may not continue the Trust's historical practice of declaring cash dividends. We will evaluate whether to pay cash dividends on our Common Stock in the future and we cannot guarantee the timing, amount or payment of dividends, if any.

The timing, declaration, amount of, and payment of any cash dividends to our stockholders is within the discretion of our Board and will depend upon many factors, including our financial condition, earnings, capital requirements of our operating subsidiaries, covenants associated with any debt service obligations or other contractual obligations, legal requirements, regulatory constraints, industry practice, ability to access capital markets and other factors deemed relevant by the Board. Moreover, should our Board determine to pay any dividend in the future, there can be no assurance that we will continue to pay such dividends or the amount of such dividends.

We may not continue the Trust's historical practice of repurchasing outstanding equity of Sub-share holders. We will evaluate whether to repurchase our outstanding Common Stock in the future and we cannot guarantee the timing, amount or payment of share repurchases, if any.

During the years ended December 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, the Trust approved the purchase and subsequent cancellation of 6,258, 59,185 and 105,715 outstanding Sub-shares, respectively. The Trust did not purchase any outstanding Sub-shares during the year ended December 31, 2020. We expect that we will from time to time offer to repurchase a portion of our outstanding Common Stock. However, any repurchase will be within the discretion of our Board and will depend upon many factors, including market and business conditions, the trading price of our Common Stock, available cash and cash flow, capital requirements and the nature of other investment opportunities.

## State law and anti-takeover provisions could enable our Board to resist a takeover attempt by a third party and limit the power of our stockholders.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws will contain, and Delaware law contains, provisions that are intended to deter coercive takeover practices and inadequate takeover bids by making such practices or bids unacceptably expensive to the bidder and to encourage prospective acquirers to negotiate with our Board rather than to attempt a hostile takeover. These provisions are expected to include, among others: (a) the ability of our remaining directors to fill vacancies on our Board (except in an instance where a director is removed by stockholders and the resulting vacancy is filled by stockholders); (b) the inability of stockholders to call a special meeting of stockholders; (c) rules regarding how stockholders may present proposals or nominate directors for election at stockholder meetings; and (d) the right of our Board to issue preferred stock without stockholder approval.

In addition, we are subject to Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law ("DGCL"), which could have the effect of delaying or preventing a change of control that you may favor. Section 203 provides that, subject to limited exceptions, persons that acquire, or are affiliated with persons that acquire, more than 15% of the outstanding voting stock of a Delaware corporation may not engage in a business combination with that corporation, including by merger, consolidation or acquisitions of additional shares, for a three-year period following the date on which that person or any of its affiliates becomes the holder of more than 15% of the corporation's outstanding voting stock.

We believe these provisions will protect our stockholders from coercive or otherwise unfair takeover tactics by requiring potential acquirers to negotiate with our Board and by providing our Board with more time to assess any acquisition proposal. These provisions are not intended to make the Company immune from takeovers; however, these provisions will apply even if the offer may be considered beneficial by some stockholders and could delay or prevent an acquisition that our Board determines is not in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders. These provisions may also prevent or discourage attempts to remove and replace incumbent directors.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation designates the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware or the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas as the sole and exclusive forums for certain types of actions and proceedings that may be initiated by our stockholders, which could discourage lawsuits against the Company and our directors and officers.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that unless the Company otherwise determines, the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware (or, if such court does not have jurisdiction, the U.S. District Court for the District

of Delaware) or the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas (or, if such court does not have jurisdiction, any district court in Dallas County in the State of Texas) will be the sole and exclusive forums for any derivative action brought on our behalf, any action asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary duty owed by any of our current or former directors, officers, employees or stockholders, any action or proceeding asserting a claim against us or any of our directors, officers, employees or agents arising pursuant to, or seeking to enforce any right, obligation or remedy under any provision of the DGCL, the laws of the State of Texas, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation or our amended and restated bylaws or any action asserting a claim against us or any of our directors, officers, employees or agents governed by the internal affairs doctrine, in each such case, subject to the applicable court having personal jurisdiction over the indispensable parties named as defendants. Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation also provides that unless our Board otherwise determines, the federal district courts of the United States will be the sole and exclusive forum for the resolution of any complaint asserting a cause of action arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act").

To the fullest extent permitted by law, this exclusive forum provision will apply to state and federal law claims, including claims under the federal securities laws, including the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, although our stockholders will not be deemed to have waived our compliance with the federal securities laws and the rules and regulations thereunder. The enforceability of similar exclusive forum provisions in other companies' certificates of incorporation has been challenged in legal proceedings, and it is possible that, in connection with one or more actions or proceedings described above, a court could rule that one or more parts of the exclusive forum provision in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation is inapplicable or unenforceable.

This exclusive forum provision may limit the ability of our stockholders to bring a claim in a judicial forum that such stockholders find favorable for disputes with the Company or our directors or officers, which may discourage such lawsuits against the Company and our directors and officers. Alternatively, if a court were to find this exclusive forum provision inapplicable to, or unenforceable in respect of, one or more of the specified types of actions or proceedings described above, we may incur additional costs associated with resolving such matters in other jurisdictions, which could negatively affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.

## Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments.

Not Applicable.

## Item 2. Properties.

As of December 31, 2020, TPL owned the surface estate in 880,523 acres of land, comprised of numerous separate tracts, located in the western part of Texas. There were no material liens or encumbrances on the Company's title to the surface estate in those tracts. Additionally, the Company also owns a 1/128th nonparticipating perpetual oil and gas royalty interest ("NPRI") under 84,934 acres of land and a 1/16th NPRI under 370,737 acres of land in the western part of Texas. The following table shows our surface ownership and NPRI ownership by county as of December 31, 2020:

	Number of Acres									
County	Surface	1/128th Royalty	1/16th Royalty							
Callahan			80							
Coke	<u> </u>	_	1,183							
Concho	2,592	_	_							
Crane	3,622	265	5,198							
Culberson	288,942	_	111,513							
Ector	19,888	33,633	11,793							
El Paso	16,613	_	_							
Fisher	_	_	320							
Glasscock	27,245	3,600	11,111							
Howard	4,788	3,099	1,840							
Hudspeth	154,247	_	1,008							
Jeff Davis	13,117	_	7,555							
Loving	63,238	6,107	48,066							
Midland	28,372	12,945	13,120							
Mitchell	3,842	1,760	586							
Nolan	1,600	2,488	3,157							
Palo Pinto	<del>-</del>	_	800							
Pecos	43,377	320	16,895							
Presidio	_	_	3,200							
Reagan	_	6,162	1,274							
Reeves	188,673	3,013	116,691							
Stephens	_	2,817	160							
Sterling	5,212	640	2,080							
Taylor	690	_	966							
Upton	6,661	6,903	9,101							
Winkler	7,804	1,182	3,040							
Total	880,523	84,934	370,737							

As of December 31, 2020, the Company owned additional royalty interests in the following counties:

County	Number of Net Royalty Acres <sup>(1)</sup>
Culberson	810
Glasscock	1,059
Howard	770
Loving	10
Martin	509
Midland	450
Reagan	115
Reeves	176
Upton	191
Total	4,090

<sup>(1)</sup> Normalized to 1/8th.

The Company leases office space in Dallas, Texas for its corporate headquarters and in Midland, Texas for TPWR.

# Item 3. Legal Proceedings.

TPL is not involved in any material pending legal proceedings.

# Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.

Not Applicable.

#### PART II

## Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Security Holder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities.

#### Market Information

Prior to our Corporate Reorganization effective January 11, 2021, the Trust's Sub-shares were traded on the NYSE under the symbol "TPL". As discussed in Item 1. "Business — General — Corporate Reorganization", on January 11, 2021, the Trust's Sub-shares were converted one for one into shares of TPL Corporation's Common Stock. Effective January 11, 2021, our Common Stock began trading on the NYSE under our existing ticker symbol "TPL".

The range of reported sale prices for Sub-shares on the NYSE for each quarterly period during the past two fiscal years was as follows:

			Years Ended	Dec	ember 31,		
	 20	20			20	)19	
	High		Low		High		Low
1st Quarter	\$ 838.50	\$	295.05	\$	798.98	\$	524.90
2nd Quarter	\$ 708.80	\$	345.00	\$	915.66	\$	707.72
3rd Quarter	\$ 615.00	\$	427.69	\$	818.09	\$	619.90
4th Quarter	\$ 750.00	\$	437.01	\$	804.70	\$	565.10

The Company has paid a cash dividend each year for the preceding 64 years. During 2020, the Company paid a cash dividend of \$10.00 per Sub-share in March 2020 and special dividends of \$16.00 per Sub-Share, consisting of \$6.00 per Sub-share in March 2020 and \$10.00 per Sub-share in December 2020. During March 2019, the Company paid a cash dividend of \$1.75 per Sub-share and a special dividend of \$4.25 per Sub-share.

The Company is not a party to any agreement that would limit its ability to pay dividends in the future, although any future dividends are subject to the discretion of the Board and will depend upon the Company's earnings, capital requirements and financial position, applicable requirements of law, general economic conditions and other factors considered relevant by our Board.

The Board has determined to pay dividends quarterly going forward in March, June, September and December of each year, subject to the discretion of the Board. On February 17, 2021, the Board declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$2.75 per share payable on March 15, 2021 to stockholders of record at the close of business on March 8, 2021.

The Company had 219 holders of its Common Stock as of January 31, 2021.

The Company has not incorporated equity-related compensation elements in its compensation programs. During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company did not issue or sell any equity securities.

## **Issuer Purchases of Common Stock**

The Trust did not repurchase any Sub-shares during the fourth quarter of 2020.

## Item 6. Selected Financial Data.

The following data should be read in conjunction with Item 7. "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and the Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes thereto incorporated by reference in Item 8. "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The selected financial data presented below has been derived from our audited consolidated financial statements (in thousands, except shares and per share amounts):

	Years Ended December 31,												
		2020		2019		2018		2017		2016			
Revenues	\$	302,554	\$	490,496	\$	300,220	\$	154,634	\$	66,109			
Income before income taxes	\$	219,662	\$	402,255	\$	261,750	\$	145,061	\$	62,896			
Net income	\$	176,049	\$	318,728	\$	209,736	\$	97,231	\$	42,275			
Net income per Sub-share	\$	22.70	\$	41.09	\$	26.93	\$	12.38	\$	5.29			
Dividends per Sub-share (1)	\$	26.00	\$	6.00	\$	4.05	\$	1.35	\$	0.31			
Average number of Sub-shares outstanding		7,756,156		7,756,437		7,787,407		7,854,705		7,989,030			

			As	of December 31	,		
	 2020	2019		2018		2017	2016
Total assets, exclusive of property with no assigned value	\$ 571,635	\$ 598,176	\$	285,075	\$	120,035	\$ 59,403

<sup>(1)</sup> Dividends per Sub-share include special dividends of \$16.00, \$4.25, \$3.00, and \$1.00 per Sub-share for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively. In 2020, we paid special dividends of \$6.00 per Sub-share in March 2020 and \$10.00 per Sub-share in December 2020.

## Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

The following discussion and analysis should be read together with the factors discussed in Item 1A. "Risk Factors" and with the Consolidated Financial Statements, including the Notes thereto, and the other financial information appearing elsewhere in this Report. Period-to-period comparisons of financial data are not necessarily indicative, and therefore should not be relied upon as indicators, of the Company's future performance. Words or phrases such as "does not believe" and "believes," or similar expressions, when used in this Form 10-K or other filings with the SEC, are intended to identify "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

#### Overview

TPL was originally organized in 1888 as a business trust to hold title to extensive tracts of land in numerous counties in West Texas which were previously the property of the Texas and Pacific Railway Company. As discussed in Item 1. "Business — General — Corporate Reorganization," on January 11, 2021, we completed our Corporate Reorganization from a business trust to a corporation changing our name from Texas Pacific Land Trust to Texas Pacific Land Corporation.

Our revenues are derived primarily from oil and gas royalties, sales of water and land, easements and commercial leases. Due to the nature of our operations, our revenue is subject to substantial fluctuations from quarter to quarter and year to year. The demand for, and sale price of, particular tracts of land is influenced by many factors beyond our control, including general economic conditions, the rate of development in nearby areas and the suitability of the particular tract for commercial uses prevalent in western Texas.

We are not an oil and gas producer. Rather, our oil and gas revenue is derived from our oil and gas royalty interests. Thus, in addition to fluctuating in response to the market prices for oil and gas, our oil and gas royalty revenues are also subject to decisions made by the owners and operators of the oil and gas wells to which our royalty interests relate as to investments in and production from those wells. We monitor reports from the operators, the Texas Railroad Commission, and other private data providers to assure that we are being paid the appropriate royalties.

Our revenue from easements is primarily generated from pipelines transporting oil, gas and related hydrocarbons, power line and utility easements and subsurface wellbore easements. The majority of our easements have a thirty-plus year term but subsequently renew every ten years with an additional payment. Commercial lease revenue is derived primarily from saltwater disposal royalties, processing, storage and compression facilities and roads.

TPWR provides full-service water offerings to operators in the Permian Basin. These services include, but are not limited to, water sourcing, produced-water gathering/treatment, infrastructure development, disposal solutions, water tracking, analytics and well testing services. TPWR's revenue streams principally consist of revenue generated from sales of sourced and treated water as well as revenues from produced water royalties.

## COVID-19 Pandemic and Market Conditions

The increased supply of oil and gas by member nations of OPEC+ and the uncertainty caused by the global spread of COVID 19 led to declines in crude oil prices and a reduction in global demand for oil and gas in 2020. The full impact of these events, which resulted in production curtailments and/or conservation of capital by the owners and operators of the oil and gas wells to which the Company's royalty interests relate, is unknown at this time. These events have negatively affected the Company's business and results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2020.

During these uncertain times, we have continued to generate positive operating results and remain focused on meeting the operational needs of our customers while maintaining a safe and healthy work environment for our employees. Our existing information technology infrastructure has afforded us the opportunity to allow our corporate employees to work remotely. We have deployed additional safety and sanitization measures, including quarantine facilities for our field employees, if needed.

In an effort to decrease ongoing operational costs, we have implemented certain cost reduction measures which include, but are not limited to, a reduction in contract labor, conversion of portions of our water sourcing infrastructure to electric power and negotiated price reductions and discounts with certain vendors. We continue to monitor our customer base and outstanding accounts receivable balances as a means of minimizing any potential collection issues. As a royalty owner, we have no capital expenditure or operating expense burden for development of wells. Furthermore, our water operations currently have limited capital expenditure requirements, the amount and timing of which are entirely within our control.

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act") was enacted on March 27, 2020. The Company evaluated the provisions and potential impacts of this legislation; however, there have been no significant impacts to the Company's results of operations or financial position resulting from the CARES Act for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Despite the uncertainty caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and the resulting record low oil prices and reduced demand, we believe our longevity in the industry and strong financial position provide us with the tools necessary to navigate these unprecedented times. We have no debt, a strong cash position (cash and cash equivalents were \$281.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2020) and we continue to maintain our capital resource allocation discipline.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our principal sources of liquidity are revenues from oil and gas royalties, easements and other surface-related income, and water and land sales. Our primary liquidity and capital requirements are for capital expenditures related to our Water Services and Operations segment, working capital and general corporate needs.

We continuously review our liquidity and capital resources. If market conditions were to change, for instance due to the uncertainty created by the COVID-19 pandemic and/or the recent significant decline in oil prices, and our revenue was reduced significantly or operating costs were to increase significantly, our cash flows and liquidity could be reduced. Should this occur, we could seek alternative sources of funding, including potential future borrowing under a credit facility or other financing options. We have no debt or credit facilities as of December 31, 2020 and have no immediate plans to enter in such arrangements.

As of December 31, 2020, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$281.0 million that we expect to utilize, along with cash flow from operations, to provide capital to support the growth of our business, particularly the growth of TPWR, to repurchase our Common Stock subject to market conditions, to pay dividends subject to the discretion of the Board and for general corporate purposes. We believe that cash from operations, together with our cash and cash equivalents balances, will be enough to meet ongoing capital expenditures, working capital requirements and other cash needs for the foreseeable future.

#### Results of Operations

We operate our business in two segments: Land and Resource Management and Water Services and Operations. We eliminate any inter-segment revenues and expenses upon consolidation.

We analyze financial results for each of our reportable segments. The reportable segments presented are consistent with our reportable segments discussed in Note 10, "Business Segment Reporting" in Item 8. "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. We monitor our reporting segments based upon revenue and net income calculated in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP").

Our results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2020 have been negatively impacted by the economic impacts related to the COVID-19 pandemic and the declines in pricing and demand for crude oil that occurred during 2020. Given the uncertainty surrounding the severity and duration of the COVID-19 pandemic, our results of operations may continue to be impacted in future periods.

## Year Ended December 31, 2020 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2019

Revenues. Revenues decreased \$187.9 million, or 38.3%, to \$302.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to \$490.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. Net income decreased \$142.7 million, or 44.8%, to \$176.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to \$318.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. Revenues and net income for the year ended December 31, 2019 included a \$100 million land sale. Excluding the impact of the 2019 land sale, revenues and net income (net of income tax) for the year ended December 31, 2019 were \$390.5 million and \$239.7 million, respectively.

The following is an analysis of our operating results for the comparable periods by reportable segment (in thousands):

	Years Ended December 31,												
	 2020												
Revenues:													
Land and resource management:													
Oil and gas royalties	\$ 137,948	46 % \$	154,729	31 %									
Easements and other surface-related income	39,478	13 %	73,143	15 %									
Land sales and other operating revenue	17,706	6 %	135,456	28 %									
Total Land and resource management	 195,132	65 %	363,328	74 %									
Water services and operations:													
Water sales and royalties	54,862	18 %	84,949	17 %									
Easements and other surface-related income	52,560	17 %	42,219	9 %									
Total Water services and operations	 107,422	35 %	127,168	26 %									
Total consolidated revenues	\$ 302,554	100 % \$	490,496	100 %									
Net income:													
Land and resource management	\$ 127,977	73 % \$	258,366	81 %									
Water services and operations	48,072	27 %	60,362	19 %									
Total consolidated net income	\$ 176,049	100 % \$	318,728	100 %									

## Land and Resource Management

Land and Resource Management segment revenues decreased \$168.2 million, or 46.3%, to \$195.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 as compared with revenues of \$363.3 million for the comparable period of 2019. Segment revenues for the year ended December 31, 2019, include a \$100 million land sale. Excluding the impact of the \$100 million land sale, segment revenues for the year ended December 31, 2019 were \$263.3 million. The decrease in Land and Resource Management segment revenues is principally due to decreases in land sales and other operating revenue, easements and other surface-related income and oil and gas royalties, all of which are discussed below.

Oil and gas royalties. Oil and gas royalty revenue was \$137.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to \$154.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2019, a decrease of 10.8%. Oil royalty revenue was \$109.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to \$128.7 million for the comparable period of 2019. This decrease in oil royalty revenue is principally due to a 24.1% decrease in the average price per royalty barrel of crude oil received, partially offset by an 11.9% increase in crude oil production subject to our royalty interest during the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to the same period in 2019. Gas royalty revenue was \$28.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, an increase of 10.8% over the year ended December 31, 2019 when gas royalty revenue was \$26.0 million. This increase in gas royalty revenue resulted from a volume increase of 27.4%, partially offset by a 6.8% decrease in the average price received for the year ended December 31, 2020 as compared to the same period of 2019.

Easements and other surface-related income. Easements and other surface-related income was \$39.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, a decrease of 46.0% compared to \$73.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. Easements and other surface-related income includes pipeline, power line and utility easements, commercial leases, material sales and seismic and temporary permits. The decrease in easements and other surface-related income is principally related to a decrease of \$29.8 million in pipeline easement income for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to the same period of 2019. The amount of income derived from pipeline easements is a function of the term of the easement, the size of the easement and the number of easements entered into for any given period. The demand for pipeline easements is determined by capital decisions made by companies that operate in the areas where we own land. As such, easements and other surface-related income is unpredictable and may vary significantly from period to period.

Land sales and other operating revenue. Land sales and other operating revenue includes revenue generated from land sales and grazing leases. Land sales were \$17.4 million and \$135.0 million for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. For the year ended December 31, 2020, we sold 22,160 acres of land for an aggregate sales price of approximately \$16.0 million, or approximately \$721 per acre. Additionally, the Company recognized land sales revenue of \$1.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 related to land exchanges where the Company had no cost basis in the land conveyed. For the year ended December 31, 2019, we sold 21,986 acres of land for an aggregate sales price of approximately \$113.0 million, or approximately \$5,141 per acre. Additionally, the Company conveyed 5,620 acres of land in exchange for 5,545 acres of land. As we had no cost basis in the land conveyed, we recognized land sales revenue of \$22.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2019.

Net income. Net income for the Land and Resource Management segment was \$128.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to \$258.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. As discussed above, 2019 revenues for the Land and Resource Management segment included a \$100 million land sale. Excluding the impact of the 2019 land sale (net of income tax), net income for the year ended December 31, 2019 was \$179.4 million. Expenses, including income tax expense, for the Land and Resource Management segment were \$67.1 million and \$105.0 million for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. The decrease in expenses during 2020 is principally related to a \$36.7 million decrease in income tax expense for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to the same period of 2019. The overall decrease of \$36.7 million in income tax expense is principally due to \$21.0 million in income tax expense associated with the \$100 million land sale that occurred during the year ended December 31, 2019 and no comparable sale of assets having occurred during the same period of 2020. Expenses are discussed further below under "Other Financial Data — Consolidated."

## Water Services and Operations

Water Services and Operations segment revenues decreased \$19.7 million, or 15.5%, to \$107.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 as compared with revenues of \$127.2 million for the comparable period of 2019. The decrease in Water Services and Operations segment revenues is due to a decrease in water sales and royalty revenue, partially offset by an increase in easements and other surface-related income, which are discussed below.

Water sales and royalties. Water sales and royalties include sales of water to operators and other customers as well as royalties received pursuant to legacy agreements with operators. Water sales and royalty revenue was \$54.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2020, a decrease of \$30.1 million or 35.4%, compared with the year ended December 31, 2019 when water sales and royalty revenue was \$85.0 million. The decrease in water sales is principally due to an 18.7% decrease in the average sales price per barrel of water, a 6.8% decrease in the number of barrels sold and a \$7.0 million deferral of water sales related to "take or pay" arrangements during the fourth quarter of 2020. Additionally, water royalties under legacy agreements continue to decline as these agreements have been replaced with agreements between TPWR and operators. The revenues related to these legacy agreements decreased approximately \$6.4 million during the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to the same period of 2019.

Easements and other surface-related income. Easements and other surface-related income for the Water Services and Operations segment includes pipeline easement royalties, commercial lease royalties and income from temporary permits. For the year ended December 31, 2020, the combined revenue from these revenue streams was \$52.6 million as compared to \$42.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. The increase in easements and other surface-related income was principally related to an increase of \$11.6 million in produced water royalties for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to the same period of 2019, partially offset by a \$1.2 million decrease in temporary permit income over the same time period.

Net income. Net income for the Water Services and Operations segment was \$48.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to \$60.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. As discussed above, revenues for the Water Services and Operations segment decreased \$19.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to the same period of 2019. Expenses, including income tax expense, for the Water Services and Operations segment were \$59.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 as compared to \$66.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. Expenses are discussed further below under "Other Financial Data — Consolidated."

# Other Financial Data — Consolidated

Salaries and related employee expenses. Salaries and related employee expenses were \$32.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to \$35.0 million for the comparable period of 2019. The decrease in salaries and related employee expenses during 2020 as compared to the same period of 2019 is principally due to decreased usage of contract labor.

Water service-related expenses. Water service-related expenses were \$14.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to \$20.8 million for the same period of 2019. This decrease in expenses was principally the result of a decrease in fuel, equipment rental and repairs and maintenance expenses and is directly related to cost saving measures implemented during 2020 and an approximately 6.8% decrease in the number of barrels of sourced and treated water sold, as previously discussed.

Legal and professional fees. Legal and professional fees decreased \$5.6 million to \$10.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 from \$16.4 million for the comparable period of 2019. Legal and professional fees for the year ended December 31, 2020 principally related to our Corporate Reorganization which was effective on January 11, 2021. Additionally, legal and professional fees for the year ended December 31, 2020 includes \$1.35 million representing the final specified settlement payment due under the Settlement Agreement. See further discussion under Item 1. "Business — General — Corporate Reorganization." Legal and professional fees for the year ended December 31, 2019 principally related to the proxy contest to elect a new Trustee, the entry into and payments made under the Settlement Agreement dated July 30, 2019 and the CE Committee.

Land sales expenses. Land sales expenses were \$4.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to \$0.2 million for the comparable period of 2019. Land sales expenses represent expenses related to land sales and include cost basis and closing costs associated with land sales. Land sales expenses for the year ended December 31, 2020 include \$3.9 million of cost basis.

Depreciation, depletion and amortization. Depreciation, depletion and amortization was \$14.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to \$8.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. The increase in depreciation, depletion and amortization is principally related to the Company's investment in water service-related assets placed in service in 2020 and 2019 and to a lesser extent, additional depreciation expense related to the change in estimated useful lives of certain water service-related assets in July 2019 as discussed in Note 2, "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies — Change in Accounting Estimate."

## Year Ended December 31, 2019 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2018

Revenues. Revenues increased \$190.3 million, or 63.4%, to \$490.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$300.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. Net income increased \$109.0 million, or 52.0% to \$318.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$209.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2018.

The following is an analysis of our operating results for the comparable periods by reportable segment (in thousands):

	Years Ended December 31,											
	 2019	2	018									
Revenues:												
Land and resource management:												
Oil and gas royalties	\$ 154,729	31 % \$	123,834	41 %								
Easements and other surface-related income	73,143	15 %	63,908	21 %								
Sale of oil and gas royalty interests	_	—%	18,875	6 %								
Land sales and other operating revenue	135,456	28 %	4,859	2 %								
Total Land and resource management	363,328	74 %	211,476	70 %								
Water services and operations:												
Water sales and royalties	84,949	17 %	63,913	21 %								
Easements and other surface-related income	 42,219	9 %	24,831	9 %								
Total Water services and operations	 127,168	26 %	88,744	30 %								
Total consolidated revenues	\$ 490,496	100 % \$	300,220	100 %								
		_										
Net income:												
Land and resource management	\$ 258,366	81 % \$	159,611	76 %								
Water services and operations	 60,362	19 %	50,125	24 %								
Total consolidated net income	\$ 318,728	100 % \$	209,736	100 %								

#### Land and Resource Management

Land and Resource Management segment revenues increased \$151.9 million, or 71.8%, to \$363.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 as compared with revenues of \$211.5 million for the comparable period of 2018. The increase in Land and Resource Management segment revenues is due to changes in oil and gas royalty revenue, easements and other surface-related income, sale of oil and gas royalty interests and land sales and other operating revenue, which are discussed below.

Oil and gas royalties. Oil and gas royalty revenue was \$154.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$123.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2018, an increase of 24.9%. Oil royalty revenue was \$128.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$94.6 million for the comparable period of 2018. This increase in oil royalty revenue is principally due to the effect of a 48.3% increase in crude oil production, subject to our royalty interest, partially offset by a 8.0% decrease in the average price per royalty barrel of crude oil received during the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to the same period in 2018. Gas royalty revenue was \$26.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 when gas royalty revenue was \$29.2 million. This decrease in gas royalty revenue resulted from a 49.3% decrease in the average price received for the year ended December 31, 2019 as compared to the same period of 2018, partially offset by a volume increase of 89.3% over the same time period.

Easements and other surface-related income. Easements and other surface-related income was \$73.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2019, an increase of 14.5% compared to \$63.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. The increase in easements and other surface-related income is principally related to increases of \$4.6 million in pipeline easement income and \$3.5 million in commercial lease revenue for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to the same period of 2018. The increase in commercial lease revenue for the year ended December 31, 2019 was primarily due to increased leasing activity compared to the same period of 2018. Easements and other surface-related income includes income from pipeline, power line and utility easements, commercial leases (primarily for facilities and roads), material sales and seismic and temporary permits. The amount of income derived from pipeline easements is a function of the term of the easement, the size of the easement and the number of easements entered into for any given period. The demand for pipeline easements is determined by capital decisions made by companies that operate in the areas we own land. As such, easements and other surface-related income is unpredictable and may vary significantly from period to period.

Sale of oil and gas royalty interests. There were no sales of oil and gas royalty interests for the year ended December 31, 2019. Revenue from the sale of oil and gas royalty interests was \$18.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2018, when we sold nonparticipating perpetual royalty interests in 812 net royalty acres for an average price of approximately \$23,234 per net royalty acre.

Land sales and other operating revenue. Land sales and other operating revenue includes revenue generated from land sales and grazing leases. For the year ended December 31, 2019, we sold 21,986 acres of land for total consideration of \$113.0 million, or approximately \$5,141 per acre. Additionally, we conveyed 5,620 acres of land in exchange for 5,545 acres of land. As we had no cost basis in the land conveyed, we recognized land sales revenue of \$22.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. For the year ended December 31, 2018, land sales generated \$4.4 million of income for selling 171 acres at an average price of \$25,464 per acre.

Net income. Net income for the Land and Resource Management segment was \$258.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$159.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. As discussed above, revenues for the Land and Resource Management segment increased \$151.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to the same period of 2018. Expenses, including income tax expense, for the Land and Resource Management segment were \$105.0 million and \$51.9 million for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The increase in expenses was principally related to increased income tax expense associated with the \$130.7 million increase in land sales revenue, resulting in additional income tax expense of approximately \$27.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to the same period of 2018. Through \$1031 exchanges, income tax expense of approximately \$19.8 million was eligible for deferral for the year ended December 31, 2019. The remaining increase was principally related to increased legal and professional fees and salaries and related employee expenses. See further discussion of these expenses below under "Other Financial Data — Consolidated."

## Water Services and Operations

Water Services and Operations segment revenues increased \$38.4 million, or 43.3%, to \$127.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 as compared with revenues of \$88.7 million for the comparable period of 2018. The increase in Water Services and Operations segment revenues is due to increases in water sales and royalty revenue and easements and other surface-related income, which are discussed below.

Water sales and royalties. Water sales and royalty revenue was \$85.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2019, an increase of 32.9% compared with the for the year ended December 31, 2018 when water sales and royalty revenue was \$63.9 million. This increase was principally due to a 44.0% increase in the number of barrels of sourced and treated water sold during the year ended December 31, 2019 over the same period in 2018, partially offset by decreased water royalties.

Easements and other surface-related income. Easements and other surface-related income for the Water Services and Operations segment includes pipeline easement royalties, commercial lease royalties and income from temporary permits. For the year ended December 31, 2019, the combined revenue from these revenue streams was \$42.2 million as compared to \$24.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. The increase in easements and other surface-related income was principally related to an increase of \$21.5 million in produced water royalties for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to the same period of 2018, partially offset by a \$4.1 million decrease in temporary permit income over the same time period.

Net income. Net income for the Water Services and Operations segment was \$60.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$50.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. As discussed above, revenues for the Water Services and Operations segment increased \$38.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to the same period of 2018. Expenses, including income tax expense, for the Water Services and Operations segment were \$66.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 as compared to \$38.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. The increase in expenses during 2019 is primarily related to increased water service-related operating expenses, principally fuel, repairs and maintenance and equipment rental related to sourcing and transfer of water. The remaining increase was principally related to increased salaries and related employee expenses as discussed further below under "Other Financial Data — Consolidated."

## Other Financial Data — Consolidated

Salaries and related employee expenses. Salaries and related employee expenses were \$35.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$18.4 million for the comparable period of 2018. The increase in salaries and related employee expenses is directly related to the increase in the number of employees from 64 employees as of December 31, 2018 to 94 as of December 31, 2019 as well as additional contract labor expenses over the same time period.

Water service-related expenses. Water service-related expenses were \$20.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$11.2 million for the same period of 2018. This increase in expenses was principally the result of an increase in fuel and repairs and maintenance expenses to source and transfer water and is directly related to the 44.0% sales increase in the number of barrels of sourced and treated water sold as previously discussed.

General and administrative expenses. General and administrative expenses increased \$4.9 million to \$9.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 from \$4.7 million for the same period of 2018. The increase in general and administrative expenses is principally related to increased expenses associated with our independent contractor service providers, computer-related software and services, and additional liability insurance.

Legal and professional fees. Legal and professional fees increased \$13.9 million to \$16.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 from \$2.5 million for the comparable period of 2018. The increase in legal and professional fees for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to 2018 is principally due to approximately \$13.0 million of legal and professional fees related to the proxy contest to elect a new Trustee, the entry into and payments made under the Settlement Agreement dated July 30, 2019 and the CE Committee.

Depreciation, depletion and amortization. Depreciation, depletion and amortization was \$8.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$2.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. The increase in depreciation, depletion and amortization is principally related to the Company's investment in water service-related assets placed in service in 2019 and the latter half of 2018 and to a lesser extent, additional depreciation expense related to the change in estimated useful lives of certain water service-related assets in July 2019.

## **Cash Flow Analysis**

## Year Ended December 31, 2020 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2019

Cash flows provided by operating activities for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 were \$207.0 million and \$342.8 million, respectively. Cash flows provided by operating activities for the year ended December 31, 2019 included proceeds from a \$100 million land sale consummated in January 2019. The decrease in cash flows provided by operating activities was primarily related to decreased proceeds from land sales, oil and gas royalties, easements and other surface-related payments received and water sales and royalties collected during the year ended December 31, 2020.

Cash flows used in investing activities were \$26.0 million compared to \$111.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. Acquisitions of land and purchases of fixed assets decreased a combined \$97.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to the same period of 2019. This decrease was partially offset by the \$11.9 million increase in the acquisition of royalty interests during the same comparison periods.

Cash flows used in financing activities were \$201.7 million compared to \$50.9 million for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. During the year ended December 31, 2020, we paid total dividends of \$201.7 million consisting of a regular cash dividend of \$10.00 per Sub-share and special dividends aggregating \$16.00 per Sub-share. During the year ended December 31, 2019, we paid total dividends of \$46.5 million consisting of a regular cash dividend of \$1.75 per Sub-share and a special dividend of \$4.25 per Sub-share.

## Year Ended December 31, 2019 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2018

Cash flows provided by operating activities for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 were \$342.8 million and \$195.4 million, respectively. This increase in operating cash flows is principally due to increases in proceeds from land sales, oil and gas royalties, easements and other surface-related payments received and water sales and royalties during the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to the year ended December 31, 2018.

Cash flows used in investing activities were \$111.7 million compared to \$81.5 million for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The increased use of investing cash flows is principally due to our acquisition of 21,671 acres of land in Texas for approximately \$74.4 million during the year ended December 31, 2019. This increase was partially offset by a \$19.3 million decrease in acquisitions of royalty interests and a \$15.7 million reduction in capital expenditures during the year ended December 31, 2019 as compared to the same period of 2018.

Cash flows used in financing activities were \$50.9 million compared to \$70.0 million for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. During the year ended December 31, 2019, we paid total dividends of \$46.5 million consisting of a regular cash dividend of \$1.75 per Sub-share and a special dividend of \$4.25 per Sub-share. During the year

ended December 31, 2018, we paid total dividends of \$31.7 million consisting of a regular cash dividend of \$1.05 per Sub-share and a special dividend of \$3.00 per Sub-share. During the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, we paid \$4.4 million and \$38.4 million, respectively, to repurchase Sub-shares.

#### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

The Company has not engaged in any off-balance sheet arrangements.

## **Contractual Obligations**

As of December 31, 2020, the Company's contractual obligations were as follows (in thousands):

		P	aym	ent Due by Per	iod			
Total		Less than 1 Year		1-3 Years		3-5 Years		More than 5 Years
\$ 	\$		\$		\$		\$	_
_		_		_		_		_
3,097		796		1,234		1,067		_
_		_		_		_		_
_		_		_		_		_
\$ 3,097	\$	796	\$	1,234	\$	1,067	\$	_
\$	\$ — 3,097 —	\$ — \$ 3,097 — —	Total Less than 1 Year  \$	Total Less than 1 Year \$	Total         Less than 1 Year         1-3 Years           \$         —         \$         —           3,097         796         1,234           —         —         —	Total         1 Year         Years           \$         —         \$         —         \$           3,097         796         1,234         —         —           —         —         —         —         —	Total         Less than 1 Year         1-3 Years         3-5 Years           \$         —         \$         —           3,097         796         1,234         1,067           —         —         —         —           —         —         —         —	Total         Less than 1 Year         1-3 Years         3-5 Years           \$         —         \$         —         \$           3,097         796         1,234         1,067           —         —         —         —

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes office leases for our corporate office in Dallas, Texas which expires in 2025 and for our office in Midland, Texas which expires in 2022.

## **Effects of Inflation**

We do not believe that inflation has had a material impact on our operating results. We cannot assure you, however, that future increases in our costs will not occur or that any such increases that may occur will not adversely affect our results of operations.

## **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. It is our opinion that we fully disclose our significant accounting policies in the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements. Consistent with our disclosure policies, we include the following discussion related to what we believe to be our most critical accounting policies that require our most difficult, subjective or complex judgment.

Accrual of Oil and Gas Royalties

The Company accrues oil and gas royalties. An accrual is necessary due to the time lag between the production of oil and gas and generation of the actual payment by operators. The oil and gas royalty accrual is based upon historical payments, estimates of the timing of future payments and recent market prices for oil and gas.

## **New Accounting Pronouncements**

For further information regarding recently issued accounting pronouncements, see Note 2, "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" in Item 8. "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data."

# Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

The Company's financial instruments consist of cash and cash equivalents (consisting of U.S. Treasury Bills and commercial paper), accounts payable and other liabilities and the carrying amounts of these instruments approximate fair value due to the short-term nature of these instruments.

#### Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.

The information required by this Item 8 is included in our consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

## Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure.

Not applicable.

#### Item 9A. Controls and Procedures.

## (a) Disclosure Controls and Procedures.

Pursuant to Rule 13a-15 under the Exchange Act, management of the Company under the supervision and with the participation of Tyler Glover, the Company's Chief Executive Officer, and Robert J. Packer, the Company's Chief Financial Officer, carried out an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the Company's fiscal year covered by this Report on Form 10-K. Based upon that evaluation, Mr. Glover and Mr. Packer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective in timely alerting them to material information relating to the Company required to be included in the Company's periodic SEC filings.

(b) Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting.

Management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act. Management has assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2020 using the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) in *Internal Control-Integrated Framework*. Based on that assessment, management believes that the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2020.

(c) Attestation Report of Registered Public Accounting Firm.

The Company's independent registered public accountants have issued an audit report on the Company's internal control over financial reporting. This audit report appears on page F-1 of this Report.

(d) Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting.

There were no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the fourth quarter of 2020 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

## Item 9B. Other Information.

Not applicable.

#### PART III

## Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance.

As discussed in Item 1. "Business — General — Corporate Reorganization", on January 11, 2021, we completed our Corporate Reorganization from a business trust to a corporation changing our name from Texas Pacific Land Trust to Texas Pacific Land Corporation. Our Corporate Reorganization included a change in our governance structure to a board of directors from our previous structure of being governed by Trustees.

#### Directors

David E. Barry, 75, serves as Co-Chair of the Board and has served as a Trustee since January 2017, and as Co-Chairman of the Trustees since February 2019, until the Corporate Reorganization on January 11, 2021. Mr. Barry has served as president of Tarka Resources, Inc., which is engaged in oil and gas exploration in Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana, since 2012. He also served as President of Tarka, Inc. from 2012 through 2014, until such company was merged with Tarka Resources, Inc. in 2016. Mr. Barry practiced real estate, employee benefits and compensation law at the law firm of Kelley Drye & Warren LLP ("Kelley Drye") from 1969, becoming a partner in 1978. Mr. Barry retired from Kelley Drye in 2014. Beginning in 2007 and then full-time starting in 2012, Mr. Barry worked as President of Sidra Real Estate, Inc., an entity with commercial real estate holdings throughout the United States.

Mr. Barry's qualifications to serve as a director include his legal expertise and knowledge gained over his career at Kelley Drye, including representing TPL for more than 30 years prior to his election as a Trustee, as well as his experience in commercial real estate, including commercial real estate in Texas.

General Donald G. Cook, USAF (Ret.) 74, currently serves on the board of Crane Co. (NYSE: CR) (since 2005), where he chairs the nominating and governance committee and is a member of the compensation and the executive committee, and on the board of Cybernance, Inc. (since 2016). General Cook previously served on the boards of USAA Federal Savings Bank (from 2007 to 2018), U.S. Security Associates Inc., a Goldman Sachs portfolio company (from 2011 to 2018), and Beechcraft LLC, formerly known as Hawker Beechcraft Inc. (from 2007 to 2014). General Cook served on the board of Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad for almost five years until it was sold to Berkshire Hathaway in 2010 in a transaction valued at \$44 billion. He also consults for Lockheed Martin Corporation. In addition to his extensive corporate governance experience, General Cook has been the Chairman of the San Antonio chapter of the National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD), a group recognized as the authority on leading boardroom practices. General Cook had numerous additional command and high-level staff assignments during his 36-year career with the Air Force and retired as a four-star General. He commanded a flying training wing and two space wings, the 20th Air Force (the nation's nuclear Intercontinental Ballistic Missile force), and was interim Commander of Air Combat Command during the September 11 attacks. General Cook served as the Chief of the Senate Liaison Office and on the staff of the House Armed Services Committee in the U.S. House of Representatives. Prior to his retirement from the Air Force in August 2005, General Cook's culminating assignment was Commander, Air Education and Training Command at Randolph Air Force Base in Texas, where he was responsible for executing the \$8 billion annual budget to recruit, train and educate Air Force personnel, safely implementing the \$00,000 hour annual flying hour program and providing for the leadership, welfare and oversight of 90,000 military and civilian personnel in the command. H

General Cook's qualifications to serve as a director include his extensive experience with corporate governance and executive compensation, as well as managerial experience resulting from his tenure of command in the U.S. Air Force.

Barbara J. Duganier, 62, currently serves on the board of MRC Global Inc. (NYSE: MRC) (since 2015), an industrial distributor of pipe, valves and other related products and services to the energy industry, where she chairs the audit committee and serves on the governance committee. Ms. Duganier also serves on the boards of three private companies: West Monroe Partners (since 2018), a management and technology consulting firm, where she is the lead independent director and nominating and governance committee chair; McDermott International, Ltd. (since 2020), a fully-integrated provider of engineering and construction solutions to the energy industry, where she chairs the audit committee and serves on the risk committee; and Pattern Energy Group LP, a private renewable energy company focused on wind, solar, transmission and gas master limited partnership, where she chaired the audit committee and served on the boards of the general partner of Buckeye Partners, L.P. (NYSE: BPL), a midstream oil and gas master limited partnership, where she chaired the audit committee and served on the compensation committee until its sale in November 2019, and of Noble Energy (NASDAQ: NBL), an exploration and production company, where she served as a member of the audit and nominating and governance committees until its sale in October 2020. Ms. Duganier is also a former director and member of the enterprise and risk oversight and compensation committees of HCC Insurance Holdings, a property and casualty insurance underwriter, which was sold in 2015.

From 2004 to 2013, Ms. Duganier was a Managing Director at Accenture, a multinational professional services company that provides services in strategy, consulting, digital technology and operations. She held various leadership and management positions in Accenture's outsourcing business, including as global chief strategy officer and as global growth and offering development lead. A year prior to joining Accenture, she served as an independent consultant to Duke Energy North America. From 1979 to 2002, Ms. Duganier, who is a licensed certified public accountant, worked at Arthur Andersen LLP, where she served as an auditor and financial consultant, as well as in various leadership and management roles, including as Global Chief Financial Officer of Andersen Worldwide. Ms. Duganier also serves on the board of John Carroll University and as Chairman of the Board of the NACD Texas TriCities chapter.

Ms. Duganier's extensive executive experience overseeing large organizations, her diverse board experience, significant energy industry experience, and her credentials as a certified public accountant make her well-qualified to serve on the Board.

**Donna E. Epps, 56,** currently serves on the board of Saia, Inc. (Nasdaq: SAIA) (since 2019), where she serves on the audit committee and the nominating and governance committee. Ms. Epps was with Deloitte LLP, a multinational professional services network, for over 30 years. Ms. Epps served as an attest Partner of Deloitte LLP from 1998 through 2003 and as a Risk and Financial Advisory Partner of Deloitte LLP from 2004 until her retirement in 2017. During her time at Deloitte LLP, Ms. Epps helped companies develop and implement proactive enterprise risk and compliance programs, focusing on value protection and creation, and provided attest services and financial advisory services in governance, risk and compliance matters to private and public companies across multiple industries. Ms. Epps is currently a licensed certified public account. Ms. Epps also has served as treasurer and a director for the Girl Scouts of Northeast Texas since 2014 and as a director for Readers2Leaders in Dallas, Texas since 2019.

Ms. Epps's significant audit, governance, risk and compliance experience as a provider of attest and consulting services to private and public companies across multiple industries makes her well-qualified to serve on the Board.

Dana F. McGinnis, 69, is the Founder and Chief Investment Officer of Mission Advisors, LP. He served as a member of the CE Committee of the Trust from June 2019 through February 2020. Mr. McGinnis has owned and operated Mission Advisors L.P., which manages pure energy investments as well as several diversified institutional and high net-worth accounts, since 1990. Formerly, Mr. McGinnis managed San Antonio Capital Management and launched a suite of global macroeconomic hedge funds. Mr. McGinnis began his investment advisory career in 1976 at Paine Webber/Rotan Mosle. Mr. McGinnis currently serves on the board of the Institute for Nautical Archaeology Foundation. Mr. McGinnis serves as a director in accordance with the Stockholders' Agreement.

Mr. McGinnis' qualifications to serve as a director include his expertise and over 40 years of experience in managing energy investments in both global and domestic markets.

John R. Norris III, 67, serves as Co-Chair of the Board. Mr. Norris served as a Trustee of the Trust since 2000, and as Co-Chairman of the Trustees since February 2019, until the Corporate Reorganization on January 11, 2021. Mr. Norris is a member with the law firm Norris & Weber, PLLC ("Norris & Weber") in Dallas, Texas. Mr. Norris began working with a predecessor firm of Norris & Weber in 1979 and has stayed with the firm since then. He has been continuously certified as a legal specialist in estate planning and probate law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization since 1989. In 1995, he was elected as a Fellow of the American College of Trusts and Estate Counsel, a professional association of lawyers throughout the United States who have been recognized as outstanding practitioners in the laws of wills, trusts, estate planning and administration and related tax planning. Mr. Norris is a member of the State Bar of Texas and the Dallas Bar Association, where he served as Chairman of the Probate, Trust & Estate section in 1995. Mr. Norris was a member of the District 6A Grievance Committee of the State Bar of Texas between 1995 and 2001, serving as its Chairperson between 1998 and 2000

Mr. Norris' qualifications to serve as a director include his extensive background as a practicing attorney in Dallas, Texas. In addition to his 20+ years of experience as a Trustee, Mr. Norris advised and represented TPL on legal matters for more than 17 years prior to his election as a Trustee.

Eric. L Oliver, 61, currently serves as the President of SoftVest Advisors, a registered investment adviser that acts as an investment manager for private fund clients. Mr. Oliver additionally serves as the President of HeartsBluff Music Partners, LLC and Carrizo Springs Music Partners, LLC, both of which are registered investment advisers pursuant to an umbrella registration filed by SoftVest Advisors, LLC. Previously, Mr. Oliver was President of Midland Map Company, LLC, a Permian Basin oil and gas lease and ownership map producer from 1997 until its sale in January of 2019 to Drilling-Info, and was Principal of Geologic Research Centers LLC, a log library providing geological data to the oil and gas industry with a library in Abilene, Texas, sold in 2019. Additionally, Mr. Oliver has served on the board of Texas Mutual Insurance Company since 2009, where he currently also serves as Chairman of the investment committee and as a member of the audit committee. He has

also served as a director on the board of AMEN Properties, Inc. (OTC: AMEN) since July 2001 and was appointed Chairman of the Board in September 2002. AMEN Properties directly or indirectly owns certain oil and gas royalty and working interest properties. Furthermore, Mr. Oliver serves on the board of Abilene Christian Investment Management Company, Abilene Christian University's endowment management company, and is a former member of the Abilene Community Foundation's investment committee. Mr. Oliver received a B.A. in Chemistry from Abilene Christian University in 1981. Mr. Oliver serves as a director in accordance with the Stockholders' Agreement.

Mr. Oliver's qualifications to serve as a director include his experience as an oil and gas investor, with over 22 years of experience buying and selling mineral and royalty properties, and over 35 years of experience managing investments with an emphasis in the energy market.

Murray Stahl, 67, is the Chief Executive Officer, Chairman of the Board and co-founder of Horizon Kinetics LLC and serves as Chief Investment Officer of Horizon Kinetics Asset Management LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Horizon Kinetics LLC (together, "Horizon Kinetics"). He has over 30 years of investing experience, is responsible for overseeing Horizon Kinetics' proprietary research and chairs the firm's investment committee, which is responsible for portfolio management decisions across the entire firm. He is also the Co-Portfolio Manager for a number of registered investment companies, private funds, and institutional separate accounts. Mr. Stahl is the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of FRMO Corp. (OTC: FRMO) and has been a director since 2001. He is also a member of the board of RENN Fund, Inc. (NYSE: RCG) (since 2017), Winland Electronics, Inc. (OTC: WELX) (since 2015), the Bermuda Stock Exchange, MSRH, LLC, and the Minneapolis Grain Exchange. He was a member of the board of Winland Electronics, Inc. (OTC: WELX) (from 2015 to 2020) and IL&FS Securities Services Limited (from 2008 to 2020). Prior to co-founding Horizon Kinetics, Mr. Stahl spent 16 years at Bankers Trust Company (from 1978 to 1994) as a senior portfolio manager and research analyst. As a senior fund manager, he was responsible for investing the Utility Mutual Fund, along with three of the bank's Common Trust Funds: The Special Opportunity Fund, The Utility Fund and The Tangible Assets Fund. He was also a member of the Equity Strategy Group and the Investment Strategy Group, which established asset allocation guidelines for the Private Bank. Mr. Stahl serves as a director in accordance with the Stockholders' Agreement.

Mr. Stahl's qualifications to serve as a director include his over 30 years of investment experience, including in the energy and minerals space.

Tyler Glover, 36, serves as TPL's President and Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Glover served as Chief Executive Officer, Co-General Agent and Secretary of the Trust from November 2016 to January 11, 2021. Mr. Glover also currently serves as President and Chief Executive Officer of TPWR, a wholly owned subsidiary of TPL, in which capacity he has acted since its formation in June 2017. Mr. Glover previously served as Assistant General Agent of the Trust from December 2014 to November 2016, and has over 10 years of energy services and land management experience.

Mr. Glover's qualifications to serve as a director include his extensive industry expertise and experience as an officer at TPL.

#### **Executive Officers**

Tyler Glover, 36, serves as TPL's President and Chief Executive Officer. Biographical information for Mr. Glover is included above.

Robert J. Packer, 51, serves as TPL's Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Packer also currently serves as Chief Financial Officer and Secretary of TPWR, in which capacity he has acted since its formation in June 2017. Mr. Packer also served as Chief Financial Officer of the Trust from December 2014 to January 11, 2021, and as Co-General Agent of the Trust from November 2016 to January 11, 2021. He has over two decades of public company experience and is a licensed Certified Public Accountant in the State of Texas.

Micheal W. Dobbs, 48, serves as TPL's Senior Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel. Mr. Dobbs also served as Senior Vice President and General Counsel of the Trust from August 2020 until January 11, 2021. Prior to joining the Trust, Mr. Dobbs had been a partner at Kelley Drye & Warren LLP since 2016. From 2008 to 2016, Mr. Dobbs was shareholder of Jackson Gilmour & Dobbs, PC, an environmental and litigation law firm in Houston, Texas that merged with Kelley Drye & Warren LLP in 2016

## Significant Employees

Robert A. Crain, 42, serves as Executive Vice President of TPWR, in which capacity he has served since its formation in June 2017. From 2015 to 2017, Mr. Crain was Water Resources Manager with EOG Resources where he led the development of EOG's water resource development efforts across multiple basins including the Permian and Eagle Ford. During his career, he has successfully developed multiple large-scale water sourcing, distribution and treatment systems across multiple platforms and industries.

## Matters Relating to Our Governance

Code of Business Conduct and Ethics

The Board has adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics applicable to all members of the Board, executive officers and employees. A copy of the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics is available on the Company's corporate website. We maintain our website at <a href="www.TexasPacific.com">www.TexasPacific.com</a>. The information contained on our website is not part of this Report. We intend to disclose any amendment to, or waiver of, a provision of our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics by filing a Current Report on Form 8-K with the SEC.

Board of Directors

The Company's leadership structure currently consists of nine directors, eight of whom qualify as independent under the rules of the NYSE. Mr. Barry, Gen. Cook, Ms. Duganier, Ms. Epps, Mr. McGinnis, Mr. Norris, Mr. Oliver and Mr. Stahl are considered "independent" under the rules of the SEC and the NYSE. Mr. Barry and Mr. Norris serve as Co-Chairs of the Board.

The Board intends to meet at least quarterly and the independent directors serving on the Board intend to meet in executive session (i.e., without the presence of any non-independent directors and management) immediately following regularly scheduled Board meetings. During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020 (the "Last Fiscal Year"), the Trustees met seven (7) times and acted two (2) times by unanimous written consent in lieu of holding a meeting. Mr. Barry and Mr. Norris, each of whom was a Trustee during the Last Fiscal Year, attended at least 75% of the total number of meetings held by the Trustees and of the committees on which they served during the Last Fiscal Year.

The Board has three standing committees, consisting of a Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, and Committee, and a Compensation Committee. Prior to the Corporate Reorganization, the Trust had two standing committees, consisting of a Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee and an Audit Committee, and each of Mr. Barry and Mr. Norris served on both committees.

Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee consists of Donald G. Cook, the chair, Donna E. Epps and Murray Stahl. The committee members have met the independence requirements for service on the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee in accordance with rules of the NYSE. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is responsible for identifying, evaluating and recommending individuals qualified to become members of the Board. Prior to the Corporate Reorganization, the Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee of the Trust was responsible for identifying and evaluating potential trustees in the event that a vacancy arose, determining compensation of the Trustees and the executive officers, and overseeing corporate governance matters. During the Last Fiscal Year, the Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee of the Trust held one (1) meeting and acted one (1) time by unanimous written consent in lieu of holding a meeting.

The Board has adopted the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee Charter which is provided on the Company's corporate website at <a href="https://www.TexasPacific.com">www.TexasPacific.com</a>.

Audit Committee and Audit Committee Financial Expert

The Audit Committee consists of Donna E. Epps, the chair, Barbara J. Duganier and Eric L. Oliver. The Board has determined that both Ms. Epps and Ms. Duganier are "audit committee financial experts," as defined by the rules of the SEC. The biographies of Ms. Epps and Ms. Duganier have been provided above. Additionally, the members of the Audit Committee meet the independence requirements for service on the Audit Committee in accordance with the rules of the NYSE and Section 10Q(m)(3) of the Exchange Act.

The Audit Committee is responsible for, among other things, ensuring that the Company has adequate internal controls and is required to meet with the Company's auditors to review these internal controls and to discuss other financial reporting matters. The Audit Committee is also responsible for the appointment, pre-approval of work, compensation and oversight of the auditors. During the Last Fiscal Year, the Audit Committee of the Trust held four (4) meetings.

The Board has adopted an Audit Committee Charter which is provided on the Company's corporate website atwww.TexasPacific.com.

Compensation Committee

The Compensation Committee consists of Barbara J. Duganier, the chair, Donald G. Cook, and Dana F. McGinnis. The Board has determined that each member of the Compensation Committee is independent, as defined by the rules of the NYSE and that they qualify as "non-employee directors" for purposes of Rule 16b-3 under the Exchange Act. The primary function of the Compensation Committee is to review and approve corporate goals and objectives relevant to compensation of TPL's Named Executive Officers (as defined below), reviewing and approving TPL's compensation plans and reviewing and making recommendations regarding compensation for non-employee directors. During the Last Fiscal Year, the Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee of the Trust held one (1) meeting and acted one (1) time by unanimous written consent in lieu of holding a meeting.

The Board has adopted a Compensation Committee Charter which is provided on the Company's corporate website atwww.TexasPacific.com.

## Item 11. Executive Compensation.

## **Compensation Discussion and Analysis**

TPL's executive compensation program is designed to reward the performance of each of TPL's Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and up to three other most highly compensated individuals who were serving as an executive officer at the end of the Last Fiscal Year, and up to two other individuals who would have been included as other most highly compensated individuals but were not serving as executive officers at the end of the Last Fiscal Year, for services rendered in all capacities during the Last Fiscal Year (the "Named Executive Officers") in achieving TPL's primary goals of protecting and maintaining the assets of TPL. The executive compensation program consists principally of a salary and an annual cash bonus. Base salaries provide our Named Executive Officers with a steady income stream that is not contingent on TPL's performance, while the addition of a cash bonus allows the Compensation Committee flexibility to recognize and reward the Named Executive Officers' contributions to TPL's performance in a given year. Salaries are reviewed annually and salary increases and the amounts of cash bonuses are determined by the Compensation Committee based upon an evaluation of the Named Executive Officer's performance and contributions, as well as overall performance of the Company, against the goals and objectives of TPL in accordance with the relevant employment agreements in effect. See "Employment Agreements" below. In accordance with the employment agreements, final bonus amounts for a completed year may be finalized during the first quarter of the following year. Prior to the Corporate Reorganization, executive compensation was determined by the Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee of the Trust, although bonuses for fiscal year 2020 for Messrs. Glover and Packer were determined by the Compensation Committee of the Company. Differences in salary for the Named Executive Officers may reflect the differing responsibilities of their respective positions, the differing levels of experienc

TPL has not incorporated equity-related or other long-term compensation elements in its compensation programs in light of our historical corporate structure as a business trust. As part of its compensation program, TPL maintains both a qualified defined benefit pension plan and a qualified defined contribution plan which are both available to employees generally, as well as to the Named Executive Officers. These plans are designed to assist employees in planning adequately for their retirement.

The Compensation Committee has the sole authority to determine the compensation of the Chief Executive Officer, and to make recommendations to the Board with respect to the compensation of the Named Executive Officers other than the Chief Executive Officer. Prior to the Corporate Reorganization, the Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee had the sole authority to determine the compensation of the Named Executive Officers.

## **Compensation Consultant**

In 2020, TPL engaged Alvarez & Marsal ("A&M") as an independent compensation consultant to the Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee of the Trust. A&M reported to, and worked at the direction of the Trust's Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee. A&M provides no services to and earns no fees from the Trust outside of its engagement with the Nominating, Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee of the Trust. The Trust's Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee determined that A&M is independent from management based upon the consideration of various relevant factors, including that A&M did not provide any services to the Trust except advisory services to the Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee, and that A&M has and adheres to policies and procedures that are designed to prevent conflicts of interest.

To provide assistance in setting initial compensation for non-employee directors of TPL, the Trust retained A&M. A&M presented to the CE Committee regarding appropriate compensation for non-employee directors and the initial non-employee director compensation levels were set based upon the information provided by A&M and in consultation with those who have agreed to serve as non-employee directors of the Board.

Effective January 11, 2021, as part of the Corporate Reorganization, the Board formed the current Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee engaged A&M to assist with determination of bonuses for certain executive officers, as discussed above. During 2021, the Compensation Committee is expected to select an independent compensation consultant to assist the Compensation Committee in fulfilling its responsibilities related to the oversight of TPL Corporation's executive officer and non-employee director compensation. In general, we expect the independent compensation consultant to develop pay strategies regarding our executive officers, including our CEO, and non-employee directors, which the consultant will provide to the Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee and the consultant will then review and discuss matters involving executive officer and non-employee director compensation. After this review, we expect that the Compensation Committee will make its own recommendations to the Board regarding, among other things (a) the compensation of the CEO and other executive officers including salary, bonus, fees, benefits, incentive awards and perquisites and (b) compensation for TPL's non-employee directors. The Compensation Committee is also responsible for developing and overseeing an equity compensation program for the Company generally, including for employees and non-employee directors, with assistance from the compensation consultant.

## **Summary Compensation Table**

The following table sets forth information concerning compensation for services in all capacities awarded to, earned by, or paid to, the Named Executive Officers:

Change in

				A	Actuarial Present Value of			
Name and Position	Year	Salary	Bonus (1)		Accumulated Benefits (2)	c	All Other Compensation (3)(4)	 Total
Tyler Glover	2020	\$ 850,000	\$ 2,040,000	\$	85,166	\$	31,500	\$ 3,006,666
President and Chief Executive Officer	2019	\$ 800,000	\$ 2,900,000	\$	70,515	\$	19,000	\$ 3,789,515
	2018	\$ 480,167	\$ 1,800,000	\$	13,358	\$	18,500	\$ 2,312,025
Robert J. Packer	2020	\$ 850,000	\$ 2,040,000	\$	112,541	\$	31,500	\$ 3,034,041
Chief Financial Officer	2019	\$ 800,000	\$ 2,900,000	\$	101,139	\$	32,866	\$ 3,834,005
	2018	\$ 480,167	\$ 1,800,000	\$	30,611	\$	18,500	\$ 2,329,278
Micheal W. Dobbs	2020	\$ 166,667	\$ 266,666	\$	_	\$	_	\$ 433,333
Senior Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel (5)								
Sameer Parasnis (6)	2020	\$ 378,767	\$ 291,667	\$	_	\$	_	\$ 670,434
Chief Commercial Officer and Executive Vice President	2019	\$ 350,150	\$ 1,400,000	\$	_	\$	_	\$ 1,750,150

- (1) Represents the bonus amount approved by the Compensation Committee, with respect to Mr. Glover and Mr. Packer for 2020, and the Trustees with respect to Mr. Dobbs for 2020 and all Named Executive Officers for 2019. Bonuses for 2020 and 2019 were accrued as of the respective year end and were paid and/or expected to be paid on or before March 15 of the applicable year. Mr. Dobbs' 2020 bonus amount includes a \$100,000 sign-on bonus that was paid during 2020. Mr. Parasnis's 2019 bonus amount includes a \$50,000 bonus that was paid during 2019.
- (2) Represents the aggregate change in the actuarial present value of the Named Executive Officer's accumulated benefit under TPL's pension plan over the prior year. For further information regarding TPL's pension plan, see Note 6, "Employee Benefit Plans" in our consolidated financial statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K in Item 8. "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data."
- (3) Represents contributions by TPL to the account of the Named Executive Officer under the Trust's defined contribution retirement plan.
- (4) The aggregate value of the perquisites and other personal benefits, if any, received by the Named Executive Officers for all years presented have not been reflected in the table because the amount was below the SEC's \$10,000 threshold for disclosure except for Mr. Glover, whose perquisites consisted of \$14,400 in automobile allowance for 2020, and Mr. Packer, whose perquisites consisted of \$14,400 and \$10,594 in automobile allowance for 2020 and 2019, respectively.
- (5) Mr. Dobbs joined TPL as Senior Vice President and General Counsel effective August 3, 2020. As of December 31, 2020, Mr. Dobbs was not eligible to participate in TPL's defined benefit and actuarial pension plans.
- (6) Mr. Parasnis joined TPL as Chief Commercial Officer and Executive Vice President effective July 1, 2019. As of December 31, 2019, Mr. Parasnis was not eligible to participate in TPL's defined benefit and actuarial pension plans. Effective June 24, 2020, Mr. Parasnis's employment with TPL ceased.

## Pay Ratio Disclosure

For purposes of calculating the 2020 ratio of the median annual total compensation of all employees to the total annual compensation of the Chief Executive Officer, TPL included base salary and annual bonus amounts in its calculation of annual total compensation. We used December 31, 2020 as the measurement date. Base salary amounts were annualized for any employee who had less than a full year of service during 2020. Total compensation for Mr. Glover, the Trust's Chief Executive Officer, was determined to be \$2,890,000 and was approximately 26 times the median annual compensation of all of our employees, excluding the Chief Executive Officer, of \$111,000. For purposes of this calculation, the Trust had 101 employees, excluding the Chief Executive Officer.

## **Employment Agreements**

Messrs. Glover, Packer and Parasnis

On August 8, 2019, the Trust entered into employment agreements (the "Agreements") with Mr. Glover, its General Agent and Chief Executive Officer (the "Glover Agreement"), Mr. Packer, its General Agent and Chief Financial Officer (the "Packer Agreement") and Mr. Parasnis, its Chief Commercial Officer and Executive Vice President (the "Parasnis Agreement"). The Agreements were effective as of July 1, 2019. In connection with the Corporate Reorganization, TPL entered into amended and restated agreements with each of Mr. Glover and Mr. Packer, described below. Effective June 24, 2020, Mr. Parasnis's employment with TPL ceased and the Parasnis Agreement was terminated.

Under the Agreements, Mr. Glover and Mr. Packer received a base salary of \$800,000 per annum and Mr. Parasnis received a base salary of \$700,000 per annum, subject to annual review, and were eligible for an annual cash bonus of up to 300% of such base salary for achievement of specified performance targets, except that with respect to Mr. Glover and Mr. Packer, the cash bonus for the calendar year 2019 was at least 100% of the cash bonus paid with respect to 2018, as established by the Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee of the Trust. Until the Trust establishes an equity compensation plan, Mr. Glover, Mr. Packer and Mr. Parasnis are required to use at least 25% of their cash bonuses (net of estimated taxes) to purchase Sub-Shares. The term of each of the Glover Agreement and the Packer Agreement ended on December 31, 2020, with automatic one (1) year extensions unless notice not to renew is given by either party at least 120 days prior to the relevant end date. The term of the Parasnis Agreement was to end on December 31, 2022, with automatic one (1) year extensions unless notice not to renew is given by either party at least 120 days prior to the relevant end date. Under the Parasnis Agreement, he cash bonus for 2019 was prorated for the period of employment during such year. Additionally, Mr. Parasnis was entitled to a retention bonus in the amount of \$875,000, payable in three installments on March 15, 2020 and the second and third anniversaries of the effective date of the Parasnis Agreement and was eligible for a relocation allowance in the amount of \$100,000 to cover his relocation to Dallas, Texas.

Each Agreement provided for payment of severance benefits if the officer's employment is terminated by the Trust without cause or by the officer for good reason, provided that the officer executes a general waiver and release of claims and

complies with the restrictive covenants described below. The severance benefits include (i) accrued but unpaid bonuses and vested long-term incentive benefits (ii) a pro rata bonus for the year of termination (if such termination occurs after the first calendar quarter), (iii) up to 18 months of COBRA premiums for continued group health, dental and vision coverage for the officer and his dependents, paid for by the Trust, (iv) if such termination occurs during the first 15 months (30 months for Mr. Parasnis) of the term, an amount equal to two times the average of his base salary and cash bonus for the preceding two years (for Mr. Parasnis, annualized for any partial year other than 2019), which amount will be reduced to one times such average for the preceding year if such termination occurs after the first 15 months (30 months for Mr. Parasnis) of the term and (v) for Mr. Parasnis, any unpaid portion of his retention bonus and relocation allowance. If the officer's employment is terminated by the Trust without cause, by the officer for good reason, or upon failure of the Trust to renew the term of the Agreement, in all such cases, within 24 months following a change in control of the Trust as defined in the Agreements, then, in lieu of the amount specified in clause (iv), the officer will be entitled to an amount equal to 2.99 times the greater of (a) the average of his base salary and cash bonus for the two years preceding the change in control and (b) his base salary and target cash bonus for the year of the change in control, except that, with respect to Mr. Parasnis, if the change in control occurred in 2019, the amount of the change in control severance would be 50% of the otherwise applicable amount. If the officer's employment terminates due to death or disability, he will be entitled to the benefits described in clauses (i), (ii) and for Mr. Parasnis, (v) above. The officer will also be entitled to payment of accrued but unpaid salary, accrued but unused vacation, unsubsidized COBRA benefits, and unre

The Agreements provided that Mr. Glover, Mr. Packer and Mr. Parasnis were entitled to participate in all benefit plans provided to the Trust's executives of like status from time to time in accordance with the applicable plan, policy or practices of the Trust, as well as in any long-term incentive program established by the Trust. They also provided for four weeks of annual paid vacation, reimbursement of business expenses, and indemnification rights.

Each Agreement contained restrictive covenants prohibiting the officer from disclosing the Trust's confidential information at any time, from competing with the Trust in specified counties where the Trust does business during his employment, subject to certain exceptions, and for one year thereafter (or six months thereafter if he terminates his employment voluntarily without good reason), and from soliciting the Trust's clients, suppliers and business partners during his employment and for one year thereafter.

As noted above, effective upon the Corporate Reorganization on January 11, 2021, TPL entered into an amended and restated employment agreement with each of Messrs. Glover and Packer to (i) confirm the assumption by TPL of the obligations of the Trust under the Glover Agreement and the Packer Agreement and (ii) to reflect the increase in base salary for each of Messrs. Glover and Packer to \$850,000 and the change of the end of the term of each of the Glover Agreement and the Packer Agreement to December 31, 2021. The amended and restated employment agreements are otherwise identical in all material respects to the Glover Agreement and the Packer Agreement.

Mr. Dobbs

Effective upon the Corporate Reorganization on January 11, 2021, TPL entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Dobbs, its Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary (the "Dobbs Agreement").

Under the Dobbs Agreement, Mr. Dobbs will receive a base salary of \$400,000 per annum, subject to annual review, and be eligible for an annual cash bonus of up to 100% of such base salary for achievement of specified performance targets as established by the Compensation Committee. Until TPL establishes an equity compensation plan, Mr. Dobbs is required to use at least 25% of his cash bonus (net of estimated taxes) to purchase shares of Common Stock. The term of the Dobbs Agreement ends on December 31, 2021, with automatic one (1) year extensions unless notice not to renew is given by either party at least 120 days prior to the relevant end date.

The Dobbs Agreement provides for payment of severance benefits if the officer's employment is terminated by TPL without cause or by the officer for good reason, provided that the officer executes a general waiver and release of claims and complies with the restrictive covenants described below. The severance benefits include (i) accrued but unpaid bonuses and vested long-term incentive benefits (ii) a pro rata bonus for the year of termination (if such termination occurs after the first calendar quarter), (iii) up to 18 months of COBRA premiums for continued group health, dental and vision coverage for the officer and his dependents, paid for by TPL, and (iv) if such termination occurs during the first 15 months of the term, an amount equal to two times the average of his base salary and cash bonus for the preceding two years, which amount will be reduced to one times such average for the preceding year if such termination occurs after the first 15 months of the term. If Mr. Dobb's employment is terminated by TPL without cause, by the officer for good reason, or upon failure of TPL to renew the term of the Agreement, in all such cases, within 24 months following a change in control of TPL as defined in the Dobbs Agreement, then, in lieu of the amount specified in clause (iv), Mr. Dobbs will be entitled to an amount equal to 2.99 times the

greater of (a) the average of his base salary and cash bonus for the two years preceding the change in control and (b) his base salary and target cash bonus for the year of the change in control. If Mr. Dobbs' employment terminates due to death or disability, he will be entitled to the benefits described in clauses (i) and (ii) above. Mr. Dobbs will also be entitled to payment of accrued but unpaid salary, accrued but unused vacation, unsubsidized COBRA benefits, and unreimbursed business expenses following termination of employment for any reason.

The Dobbs Agreement provides that Mr. Dobbs will be entitled to participate in all benefit plans provided to TPL's executives of like status from time to time in accordance with the applicable plan, policy or practices of TPL, as well as in any long-term incentive program established by the TPL. It also provides for four weeks of annual paid vacation, reimbursement of business expenses, and indemnification rights.

The Dobbs Agreement contains restrictive covenants prohibiting Mr. Dobbs from disclosing TPL's confidential information at any time, and from soliciting TPL's clients, suppliers and business partners during his employment and for one year thereafter.

#### **Pension Benefits**

Name	Plan Name	Number of Years Credited Service	Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Benefit	Payments During Last Fiscal Year
Tyler Glover	Restated Texas Pacific Land Trust Revised Employees' Pension Plan	8.0	\$ 215,511	\$ _
Robert J. Packer	Restated Texas Pacific Land Trust Revised Employees' Pension Plan	8.5	\$ 337,680	\$ _
Micheal W. Dobbs (1)	Restated Texas Pacific Land Trust Revised Employees' Pension Plan	_	\$ _	\$ _
Sameer Parasnis (2)	Restated Texas Pacific Land Trust Revised Employees' Pension Plan	_	\$ _	\$ _

(1) Mr. Dobbs joined TPL as Senior Vice President and General Counsel effective August 3, 2020. As of December 31, 2020, Mr. Dobbs was not eligible to participate in TPL's pension plan.

(2) Mr. Parasnis joined TPL as Chief Commercial Officer and Executive Vice President effective July 1, 2019. Effective June 24, 2020, Mr Parasnis's employment with TPL ceased. As of December 31, 2019, Mr. Parasnis was not eligible to participate in TPL's pension plan.

The Restated Texas Pacific Land Trust Revised Employees' Pension Plan, renamed the Restated Texas Pacific Land Corporation Revised Employees' Pension Plan as of the Corporate Reorganization, is a noncontributory defined benefit pension plan qualified under Section 401 of the Internal Revenue Code in which our eligible employees participate (the "Pension Plan"). The remuneration covered by the Pension Plan is generally the participant's base compensation up to certain limits specified in the Internal Revenue Code ("Eligible Compensation"). The Pension Plan generally provides a normal retirement benefit equal to 1.5% of a participant's average Eligible Compensation for the last five years of the participant's Credited Service multiplied by each year of Credited Service under the Pension Plan. Credited Service is earned from the participant's date of membership in the Pension Plan, which is generally the earlier of January 1 or July 1 following completion of the participant's first year of service for TPL. For information concerning the valuation method and material assumptions used in quantifying the present value of the Named Executive Officers' current accrued benefits, see Note 6, "Employee Benefit Plans" of the Notes to Financial Statements incorporated by reference in Item 8 of this Report.

As of December 31, 2020, the annual accrued normal retirement benefits are estimated to be \$30,030 and \$32,258 for Mr. Glover and Mr. Packer, respectively.

The Pension Plan provides for early retirement after the participant attains age 50 and completes 20 years of continuous service with TPL. Early retirement benefits are calculated in the same manner as the normal retirement benefit, but are reduced by 1/15 for each of the first five years and 1/30 for each of the next five years that benefits commence prior to the Pension Plan's normal retirement age of 65. If benefits commence more than 10 years prior to normal retirement, the early retirement benefit is reduced actuarially for each year prior to age 55. None of the Named Executive Officers are currently eligible for early retirement benefits.

#### **Directors' Compensation**

As discussed in Item 10. "Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance," our Corporate Reorganization was completed on January 11, 2021 and included a change in our governance structure to a board of directors from our previous structure of being governed by Trustees. As our Board did not assume their current role as director until January 11, 2021, only Mr. Barry and Mr. Norris, in their former roles as Trustees, received compensation during the year ended December 31, 2020.

The following table sets forth information concerning compensation paid to the Trustees during the year ended December 31, 2020:

Name		Fees Earned or Paid in Cash	Total		
John R. Norris III	\$	104,000	\$	104,000	
David E. Barry	\$	104,000	\$	104,000	

The Trustees did not receive additional compensation for service on a committee or for attendance at meetings in 2020.

All of the non-employee directors of the Board began such service on January 11, 2021. However, during late 2020, they participated in orientation and transition activities in order to be better prepared when their Board service began, and they received compensation for such participation as follows:

Name	T	otal
Donald G. Cook	\$	24,000
Barbara J. Duganier	\$	24,000
Donna E. Epps	\$	24,000
Dana F. McGinnis	\$	24,000
Eric L. Oliver	\$	24,000
Murray Stahl	\$	24,000

#### **Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation**

Prior to our Corporate Reorganization effective January 11, 2021, each of the Trustees was a member of the Nominating, Compensation and Governance Committee of the Trustees. None of the Trustees was an officer or employee of TPL. None of the Trustees had any relationship requiring disclosure by the Trust pursuant to Item 404 of Regulation S-K. There are no interlocking relationships requiring disclosure by the Trust pursuant to Item 407(e)(4)(iii) of Regulation S-K.

#### **Compensation Committee Report**

The Compensation Committee has reviewed and discussed the Compensation Discussion and Analysis section of this Item 11 with management and, based on such review and discussion, recommended that it be included in this Report.

Barbara J. Duganier Donald G. Cook Dana F. McGinnis

#### Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Security Holder Matters.

TPL does not currently maintain any compensation plans (or individual compensation arrangements) under which equity securities of TPL are authorized for issuance.

As discussed in Item 1. "Business — General — Corporate Reorganization", on January 11, 2021, we completed our Corporate Reorganization from a business trust to a corporation. Accordingly, as of January 11, 2021, the Sub-shares of the Trust ceased to be outstanding and the shares of Common Stock were issued on a one-for-one basis to holders of the Sub-shares, and began to trade on the NYSE under the symbol "TPL."

#### Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners

The following table shows all holders known to TPL to be the beneficial owner of more than 5% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock as of February 15, 2021:

Name and Address	Number of Securities Beneficially Owned Percent	of Class
Horizon Kinetics LLC <sup>(1)</sup> 470 Park Avenue South, 4th Floor South, New York, New York 10016	1,594,617 20.	6%

<sup>(1)</sup> The information set forth is based on the Schedule 13D (the "Schedule 13D") filed on January 12, 2021 by Horizon Kinetics Asset Management LLC ("Horizon"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Horizon Kinetics LLC (collectively, "Horizon Kinetics"). Horizon Kinetics, through its registered investment adviser, Horizon, acts as a discretionary investment manager on behalf of its clients, who maintain beneficial interest in TPL. Murray Stahl, CEO and CIO of Horizon Kinetics, is a director of TPL. The number of shares beneficially owned excludes shares held by portfolio managers and other employees of Horizon personally.

#### Stock Ownership Information for Directors and Officers

The following table shows the number of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned directly or indirectly as of February 15, 2021 by our current directors, Named Executive Officers, and our directors and current executive officers as a group:

Name of Beneficial Owner	Amount and Nature of Ownership on February 15, 2021	Percent of Class
Directors and Named Executive Officers:		
David E. Barry	300	*
Donald G. Cook	_	*
Barbara J. Duganier	_	*
Donna E. Epps	_	*
Dana F. McGinnis	2,000	*
John R. Norris III	1,000	*
Eric L. Oliver	133,200 (1)	1.7%
Murray Stahl	154,826 <sup>(2)</sup>	2.0%
Tyler Glover	100	*
Robert J. Packer	200	*
Micheal W. Dobbs	_	*
Sameer Parasnis	(3)	*
All Directors and Executive Officers as a Group (11 persons)	291,626	3.8%

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates ownership of less than 1% of the class.

- (1) Includes (i) 100 shares held by Eric L. Oliver, (ii) 130,500 shares held by SoftVest, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("SoftVest LP"), (iii) 350 shares held by trusts administered for the benefit of Mr. Oliver's grandchildren (the "Trust Shares"), and (iv) 2,250 shares owned by Debeck LLC and Debeck Properties LP (together, "Debeck"). The general partner of SoftVest LP is SoftVest GP I, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("SoftVest Advisors") is investment manager of SoftVest LP. Mr. Oliver is the managing member of SV GP. SoftVest LP, SoftVest Advisors and Mr. Oliver may be deemed to share voting and dispositive power with respect to shares beneficially owned by them. Mr. Oliver disclaims beneficial ownership of the 130,500 shares of Common Stock held by SoftVest LP for purposes of Section 16 of the Exchange Act, except for his pecuniary interest therein. Mr. Oliver has sole voting and dispositive power with respect to the Trust Shares and disclaims any pecuniary interest in such shares. Mr. Oliver controls Debeck and has sole voting and dispositive power with respect to the Shares beneficially owned by Debeck, but Mr. Oliver disclaims any pecuniary interest therein.
- (2) Includes (i) 1,169 shares held by Murray Stahl, (ii) 60 shares held by Mr. Stahl's spouse, (iii) 607 shares held by Horizon Common Inc., (iv) 1,434 shares held by Bermuda Liquidators II LLC, (v) 42,673 shares held by Polestar Offshore Fund Ltd., (vi) 5,379 shares held by CDK Fund Ltd., (vii) 2,449 shares held by CDK Partners LP, (viii) 99,825 shares held by HK Hard Assets LLC, and (ix) 1,230 shares held by Horizon Credit Opportunities Fund LP. The amount of common shares of TPL reported herein excludes shares held by partnerships and other accounts in which Mr. Stahl has a non-controlling interest and does not exercise investment discretion. The shares referenced in (iii)-(ix) above are managed by Horizon, in which Mr. Stahl serves as Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer but does not participate in investment decisions with respect to the securities of TPL. Horizon separately reports its position and transactions in the securities of TPL on Forms 4 and Schedule 13D. Mr. Stahl disclaims beneficial ownership in any of the accounts managed by Horizon except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (3) Based on the Form 3 filed by Mr. Parasnis on August 9, 2019 with respect to Sub-shares of the Trust. As of January 11, 2021, the Sub-shares of the Trust ceased to be outstanding and the shares of Common Stock were issued on a one-for-one basis to holders of the Sub-shares. Effective June 24, 2020, Mr. Parasnis's employment with TPL ceased.

#### Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence.

#### Transactions with Related Persons

There are no significant reportable transactions or currently proposed transactions between TPL and any TPL director, Trustee or executive officer of TPL or any 5% security holder of TPL or any member of the immediate family of any of the foregoing persons, except as set forth below.

Messrs. Stahl and Oliver, two members of the Board, and Horizon Kinetics, of which Mr. Stahl is the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer, are parties to the Settlement Agreement. Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, payments to reimburse certain expenses were made by TPL in January 2021 on behalf of Messrs. Stahl and Oliver and Horizon Kinetics (and other parties to the Settlement Agreement) in the aggregate amount of \$1,350,000.

#### Procedures for Approval of Related Person Transactions

TPL generally does not engage in transactions in which TPL's executive officers or directors (or any of their immediate family members) or any of TPL's stockholders owning 5% or more of TPL's outstanding shares of Common Stock have a material interest. Should a proposed transaction or series of similar transactions involve any such persons in an amount that exceeds \$120,000 in any fiscal year, it will be subject to review and approval by the Audit Committee in accordance with its written policy and procedures adopted by the Board. Transactions entered into that were not related person transactions at the time that they were consummated, but that later become related person transactions during the course of the transaction will also be subject to review by the Audit Committee in accordance with a written policy adopted by the Board.

#### Independence

The Board has affirmatively determined that all of the directors, other than Mr. Glover, who is employed by TPL, are independent under the independence standards established by the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the applicable rules of the SEC and the NYSE.

No director may be deemed independent unless the Board determines that he or she has no material relationship with TPL, directly or as an officer, stockholder or partner of an organization that has a material relationship with TPL.

#### Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services.

The following table presents fees billed to the Trust for professional services rendered by our independent registered public accounting firm, Lane Gorman Trubitt, LLC, during 2020 and 2019:

		Years Ended December 31,		
	2020		2019	
Type of Fees:				
Audit fees	\$	419,675	\$	311,000
Audit-related fees		_		_
Tax fees		_		_
All other fees		_		_
	\$	419,675	\$	311,000

The Audit Committee of the Trust approved all of the services provided by, and fees paid to, Lane Gorman Trubitt, LLC during the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

The Audit Committee has established a policy requiring approval by it of all fees for audit and non-audit services to be provided by TPL's independent registered public accountants, prior to commencement of such services. Consideration and approval of fees generally occurs at the Committee's regularly scheduled meetings or, to the extent that such fees may relate to other matters to be considered at special meetings, at those special meetings.

#### PART IV

#### Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules.

#### **Financial Statements**

See "Index to Financial Statements."

#### **Exhibits**

#### EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Texas Pacific Land Corporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to our Form 8-K filed on January 11, 2021 (File No. 001-39804)).
3.1.1	Texas Pacific Land Trust, Declaration of Trust, dated February 1, 1888, by Charles J. Canda, Simeon J. Drake, and William Strauss, Trustees (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Trust's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002 (File No. 001-00737)).
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Texas Pacific Land Corporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to our Form 8-K filed on January 11, 2021 (File No. 001-39804)).
4.1*	Description of Securities of Texas Pacific Land Corporation.
4.1.1	Description of Securities of Texas Pacific Land Trust (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Texas Pacific Land Trust's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019 (File No. 001-00747)).
10.1	Form of Contribution Agreement by and between Texas Pacific Land Trust and Texas Pacific Land Corporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to our Form 8-K filed on January 11, 2021 (File No. 001-39804)).
10.2	Form of Indemnification Agreement by and between Texas Pacific Land Corporation and individual directors or officers (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to our Form 8-K filed on January 11, 2021 (File No. 001-39804)).
10.2.1†	Form of Indemnification Agreement by and between Texas Pacific Land Trust and individual trustees (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Texas Pacific Land Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 30, 2020 (File No. 001-00737)).
10.3†	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement by and between Texas Pacific Land Corporation and Tyler Glover (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to our Form 8-K filed on January 11, 2021 (File No. 001-39804).
10.3.1†**	Employment Agreement between Texas Pacific Land Trust and Tyler Glover dated as of August 8, 2019 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 8, 2019 (File No. 001-00737)).
10.4†	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement by and between Texas Pacific Land Corporation and Robert J. Packer (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to our Form 8-K filed on January 11, 2021 (File No. 001-39804)).
10.4.1†**	Employment Agreement between Texas Pacific Land Trust and Robert Packer dated as of August 8, 2019 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 8, 2019 (File No. 001-00737)).
10.5†**	Employment Agreement between Texas Pacific Land Trust and Sameer Parasnis dated as of August 8, 2019 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to our Form 10-K filed on February 27, 2020 (File No. 001-00737)).
10.6*†	Employment Agreement between Texas Pacific Land Corporation and Micheal W. Dobbs dated as of December 30, 2020.
10.7	Settlement Agreement dated July 30, 2019 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 31, 2019 (File No. 001-00737)).
10.7.1	First Amendment to Settlement Agreement dated February 20, 2020 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 20, 2020 (File No. 001-00737)).
10.7.2	Second Amendment to Settlement Agreement dated March 6, 2020 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Texas Pacific Land Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on March 6, 2020 (File No. 001-00737)).

10.8	Stockholders' Agreement dated June 11, 2020 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Texas Pacific Land Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 15, 2020 (File No. 001-00737)).
10.8.1	First Amendment to Stockholder's Agreement, dated December 14, 2020 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Texas Pacific Land Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 14, 2020 (File No. 001-00737)).
21.1*	List of Subsidiaries.
31.1*	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) under the Exchange Act,
31.2*	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) under the Exchange Act.
32.1*	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2*	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
101*	The following information from the Trust's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020, formatted in iXBRL (Inline eXtensible Business Reporting Language): (i) Consolidated Balance Sheets; (ii) Consolidated Statements of Income and Total Comprehensive Income; (iii) Consolidated Statements of Net Proceeds from All Sources and (iv) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.
104	The cover page from the Texas Pacific I and Corporation's Appual Report on Form 10-K formatted in iXRRI

#### Item 16. Form 10-K Summary.

Not applicable.

<sup>\*</sup> Filed or furnished herewith.

\*\* Portions of this exhibit have been omitted pursuant to Rule 601(b)(10) of Regulation S-K. The omitted information is not material and would likely cause competitive harm to the registrant if publicly disclosed.

† Management compensatory arrangement.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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, on the 25th day of February, 2021.

#### TEXAS PACIFIC LAND CORPORATION

By: /s/ Tyler Glover

Tyler Glover

President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities indicated on the 25th day of February, 2021.

Signature	Title(s)
/s/ Tyler Glover	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director
Tyler Glover	(Principal Executive Officer)
/s/ Robert J. Packer	Chief Financial Officer
Robert J. Packer	(Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)
/s/ David E. Barry	Co-Chair of Board and Director
David E. Barry	•
/s/ John R. Norris III	Co-Chair of Board and Director
John R. Norris III	- Co Chair of Board and Breeton
/s/ Donald G. Cook	Director
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/s/ Barbara J. Duganier Barbara J. Duganier	Director
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/s/ Donna E. Epps Donna E. Epps	Director
Doma E. Epps	
/s/ Dana F. McGinnis	Director
Dana F. McGinnis	
/s/ Eric L. Oliver	Director
Eric L. Oliver	
/s/ Murray Stahl	Director
Murray Stahl	•

#### Item 15(a). Financial Statements.

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All schedules have been omitted because the required information is contained in the consolidated financial statements or related notes, or is not applicable or immaterial.



To the Board of Directors and Stockholders Texas Pacific Land Corporation

#### Opinions on the Financial Statements and Internal Control over Financial Reporting

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Texas Pacific Land Trust (the "Trust"), known since January 11, 2021 as Texas Pacific Land Corporation, as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 and the related consolidated statements of income and total comprehensive income, net proceeds from all sources, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2020 and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). We also have audited the Trust's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2020, based on criteria established in *Internal Control—Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission ("COSO").

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Trust as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2020 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also, in our opinion, the Trust maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2020, based on criteria established in *Internal Control—Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by COSO.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

The Trust's management is responsible for these financial statements, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Trust's financial statements and an opinion on the Trust's internal control over financial reporting based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the Trust in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud, and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects.

Our audits of the financial statements included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

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#### **Definition and Limitations of Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

A trust's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A trust's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Trust; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the Trust are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the Trust; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the Trust's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

#### **Critical Audit Matter**

The critical audit matter communicated below is a matter arising from the current period audit of the financial statements that was communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that: (1) relates to accounts or disclosures that are material to the financial statements and (2) involved our especially challenging, subjective, or complex judgments. The communication of critical audit matters does not alter in any way our opinion on the financial statements, taken as a whole, and we are not, by communicating the critical audit matter below, providing a separate opinion on the critical audit matter or on the accounts or disclosures to which it relates.

#### Accrual of Oil and Gas Royalties

As described in Note 2 to the financial statements, the Trust records an accrual, based on historical trends, for oil and gas royalty revenues not received during the month removed. At December 31, 2020, this oil and gas royalty accrual amounted to approximately \$20,671,000, and is included in accrued receivables in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet. The accrual is necessary due to the time lag between the production of oil and gas and the generation of the actual payment by operators, which is typically a time lag of one to two months. The determination of the oil and gas royalty accrual involves the analysis of historical payments, estimates of the timing of future payments, and consideration of recent market prices for oil and gas. The market prices for oil and gas are subject to national and international economic and political considerations and, in the past, have been subject to significant price fluctuations. As part of the Trust's internal control process related to estimating the accrual of oil and gas royalties, the estimate is prepared by a qualified member of the Trust's accounting department, and the estimate is reviewed and approved by a management-level member of the accounting department.

The principal considerations for our determination that performing procedures relating to the oil and gas royalty accrual is a critical audit matter are there are significant judgments by management when developing the estimate of the oil and gas royalty accrual. This in turn led to a high degree of auditor judgment, subjectivity, and effort in performing procedures and evaluating audit evidence obtained related to the significant assumptions used by management, including the analysis of historical payments, estimates of the timing of future payments, and consideration of recent market prices for oil and gas.

Addressing the matter involved performing procedures and evaluating audit evidence in connection with forming our overall opinion on the financial statements. These procedures included testing the design and operating effectiveness of internal controls relating to management's calculation of the oil and gas royalty accrual. These procedures also included, among others, (1) evaluating whether the methods used by management to develop the estimate are in conformity with the requirements of generally accepted accounting principles and appropriate for the nature of the related accounts and disclosures, while giving consideration to the Trust and its environment; (2) testing management's process used to develop the accounting estimate; (3) evaluating the completeness, accuracy, and relevance of underlying data used in management's estimate and whether the data was appropriately used by the Trust in developing the estimate; and (4) identifying and evaluating the significant assumptions used by management in developing the estimate.

#### **Critical Audit Matter (Continued)**

Evaluating the significant assumptions relating to the estimate of the oil and gas royalty accrual also involved evaluating various factors, both individually and in combination, including evaluating whether (1) the Trust has a reasonable basis for the significant assumptions used, and (2) the significant assumptions are consistent with relevant industry, regulatory and other external factors, as well as economic conditions; the Trust's objectives, strategies, and related business risks; existing market information; historical or recent experience, taking into account changes in conditions or events affecting the Trust; and other significant assumptions used by management.

Lane Gormen Trabitt, LLC

We have served as the Trust's auditor since 2004.

Dallas, Texas February 25, 2021

# TEXAS PACIFIC LAND TRUST CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except shares and per share amounts)

		December 31, 2020		December 31, 2019	
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	281,046	\$	303,645	
Accrued receivables, net		48,216		62,995	
Tax like-kind exchange escrow		1,978		_	
Other assets		4,473		3,980	
Property, plant and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$25,155 and \$11,313 as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively		79,267		88,323	
Real estate acquired		108,536		107,075	
Royalty interests acquired, net of accumulated depletion of \$620 and \$260 as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively		45,646		29,060	
Operating lease right-of-use assets		2,473		3,098	
Real estate and royalty interests assigned through the 1888 Declaration of Trust, no value assigned:					
Land (surface rights)		_		_	
1/16th nonparticipating perpetual royalty interest		_		_	
1/128th nonparticipating perpetual royalty interest					
Total assets	\$	571,635	\$	598,176	
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LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL					
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	14,680	\$	19,193	
Income taxes payable		4,054		5,271	
Deferred taxes payable		38,728		40,827	
Unearned revenue		26,168		17,381	
Operating lease liabilities		2,821		3,367	
Total liabilities		86,451		86,039	
Commitments and contingencies		_		_	
Capital:					
Certificates of Proprietary Interest, par value \$100 each; none outstanding as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively		_		_	
Sub-share Certificates in Certificates of Proprietary Interest, par value \$0.0333 each; outstanding 7,756,156 Sub-share Certificates as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively		_		_	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(2,693)		(1,461)	
Net proceeds from all sources		487,877		513,598	
Total capital		485,184		512,137	
Total liabilities and capital	\$	571,635	\$	598,176	

### TEXAS PACIFIC LAND TRUST CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (in thousands, except shares and per share amounts)

	Years Ended December 31,					
		2020		2019		2018
Revenues:						
Oil and gas royalties	\$	137,948	\$	154,729	\$	123,834
Easements and other surface-related income		92,038		115,362		88,739
Water sales and royalties		54,862		84,949		63,913
Sale of oil and gas royalty interests		_		_		18,875
Land sales		17,383		135,020		4,367
Other operating revenue		323		436		492
Total revenues		302,554		490,496		300,220
Evanges						
Expenses:		32,173		35,041		18,433
Salaries and related employee expenses Water service-related expenses		14,233		20,808		11,168
General and administrative expenses		9,751		9,540		4,685
Legal and professional fees		10,778		16,403		2,498
Land sales expenses		3,973		225		2,498
Depreciation, depletion and amortization		14,395		8,906		2,583
Total operating expenses		85,303		90.923	_	39,386
Total operating expenses	_	85,303		90,923	_	39,380
Operating income		217,251		399,573		260,834
Other income, net		2,411		2,682		916
Income before income taxes		219,662		402,255		261,750
Income tax expense (benefit):		,		, , ,		
Current		46,002		57,492		37,200
Deferred		(2,389)		26,035		14,814
Total income tax expense		43,613		83,527		52,014
Net income	\$	176,049	\$	318,728	\$	209,736
Amortization of net actuarial costs, net of income taxes of \$14, \$10, and \$14 for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively		53		36		50
Net actuarial loss on pension plan, net of income taxes of \$(342), \$(111), and \$(38) as of December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively		(1,285)		(419)		(144)
Total other comprehensive loss		(1,232)		(383)		(94)
Total comprehensive income	\$	174,817	\$	318,345	\$	209,642
Net income per Sub-share Certificate - basic and diluted	\$	22.70	\$	41.09	\$	26.93
Weighted average number of Sub-share Certificates outstanding		7,756,156		7,756,437		7,787,407

# TEXAS PACIFIC LAND TRUST CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF NET PROCEEDS FROM ALL SOURCES (in thousands, except shares and per share amounts)

	Sub-share Certificates of Proprietary Interest	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Net Proceeds From All Sources	Total Capital
Balances as of December 31, 2017	7,821,599	\$ (804)	\$ 105,902	\$ 105,098
Net income	_	_	209,736	209,736
Periodic pension costs, net of income taxes of \$(24)	_	(274)	180	(94)
Repurchase and retirement of Sub-share Certificates of Proprietary Interest	(59,185)	_	(38,397)	(38,397)
Regular dividends paid — \$1.05 per Sub-share Certificate	_	_	(8,206)	(8,206)
Special dividends paid — \$3.00 per Sub-share Certificate	_	_	(23,446)	(23,446)
Balances as of December 31, 2018	7,762,414	(1,078)	245,769	244,691
Net income	_	_	318,728	318,728
Periodic pension costs, net of income taxes of \$(101)	_	(383)	_	(383)
Repurchase and retirement of Sub-share Certificates of Proprietary Interest	(6,258)	_	(4,353)	(4,353)
Regular dividends paid — \$1.75 per Sub-share Certificate	_	_	(13,576)	(13,576)
Special dividends paid — \$4.25 per Sub-share Certificate	_	_	(32,970)	(32,970)
Balances as of December 31, 2019	7,756,156	(1,461)	513,598	512,137
Net income	_	_	176,049	176,049
Periodic pension costs, net of income taxes of \$(328)	_	(1,232)	_	(1,232)
Cumulative effect of accounting changes	_	_	(110)	(110)
Regular dividends paid — \$10.00 per Sub-share Certificate	_	_	(77,561)	(77,561)
Special dividends paid — \$16.00 per Sub-share Certificate			(124,099)	(124,099)
Balances as of December 31, 2020	7,756,156	\$ (2,693)	\$ 487,877	\$ 485,184

## TEXAS PACIFIC LAND TRUST CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(in thousands)

	Years Ended December 31,					
		2020		2019		2018
Cash flows from operating activities:						
Net income	\$	176,049	\$	318,728	\$	209,736
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:						
Deferred taxes		(2,099)		25,924		14,789
Depreciation, depletion and amortization		14,395		8,906		2,583
Land sale revenue recognized on land exchange		(1,415)		(22,000)		_
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:						
Accrued receivables and other assets		18,828		(13,802)		(34,027)
Income taxes payable		(1,217)		3,664		756
Prepaid income taxes		_		9,398		(8,196)
Unearned revenue		8,787		4,012		5,024
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities		(6,291)		7,960		4,783
Cash provided by operating activities		207,037		342,790		195,448
Cash flows from investing activities:						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets		_		117		25
Acquisition of real estate		(3,966)		(74,583)		(9,377)
Acquisition of royalty interests		(16,946)		(5,017)		(24,303)
Purchase of fixed assets		(5,086)		(32,209)		(47,878)
Cash used in investing activities		(25,998)		(111,692)		(81,533)
Cash flows from financing activities:						
Purchase of Sub-share Certificates in Certificates of Proprietary Interest		_		(4,353)		(38,397)
Dividends paid		(201,660)		(46,546)		(31,652)
Cash used in financing activities		(201,660)		(50,899)		(70,049)
		(20, (21))		100 100		12.066
Net (decrease) increase in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		(20,621)		180,199		43,866
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of period		303,645		123,446		79,580
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of period	\$	283,024	\$	303,645	\$	123,446
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:						
Income taxes paid	\$	46,619	\$	44,439	\$	45,876
Supplemental non-cash investing information:						
Land exchange	\$	1,415	\$	22,000	\$	_
Operating lease right-of-use assets	\$		\$	3,712	\$	_

### TEXAS PACIFIC LAND TRUST NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. Organization and Description of Business Segments

Texas Pacific Land Trust (which, together with its subsidiaries as the context requires, may be referred to as "TPL", the "Trust", "our", "we" or "us") is one of the largest landowners in the State of Texas with approximately 880,000 acres of land in West Texas. Additionally, we own a 1/128th nonparticipating perpetual oil and gas royalty interest ("NPRI") under approximately 85,000 acres of land, a 1/16th NPRI under approximately 371,000 acres of land, and approximately 4,000 additional net royalty acres (normalized to 1/8th) in the western part of Texas.

TPL was organized to manage land, including royalty interests, for the benefit of its owners. TPL's income is derived primarily from oil and gas royalties, sales of water and land, easements and commercial leases of the land.

We operate our business in two segments: Land and Resource Management and Water Services and Operations. Our segments provide management with a comprehensive financial view of our key businesses. The segments enable the alignment of strategies and objectives of TPL and provide a framework for timely and rational allocation of resources within businesses. See Note 10, "Business Segment Reporting" for further information regarding our segments.

On January 11, 2021, we completed our reorganization from a business trust to a corporation (the "Corporate Reorganization") and changed our name from Texas Pacific Land Trust to Texas Pacific Land Corporation. See further discussion in Note 11, "Subsequent Events" regarding the Corporate Reorganization. The financial statements to which these notes relate are for Texas Pacific Land Trust, prior to the Corporate Reorganization.

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### Principles of Consolidation and Basis of Presentation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") and include our consolidated accounts and the accounts of our wholly owned subsidiaries. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

#### Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Change in Accounting Estimate

Management evaluates its estimates on a routine basis. Effective July 1, 2019, TPL revised the estimated useful lives of certain water service-related assets after its disaggregation of water service-related projects into sub classifications. TPL purchased these water service-related assets from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019. Based on information gained from operations over this time period, management believes that these water service-related assets will benefit periods ranging from three to 30 years, beginning at the point the water service-related assets were originally placed in service.

The net book value of these water service-related assets at June 30, 2019, was not modified and is depreciated over the revised estimated useful lives of these assets. The effect of the change in estimated useful lives resulted in an additional \$2.4 million of depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2019.

#### Revenue Recognition

Oil and Gas Royalties

Oil and gas royalties are received in connection with royalty interests owned by TPL. Oil and gas royalties are reported net of production taxes and are recognized as revenue when crude oil and gas products are removed from the respective mineral reserve locations. Oil and gas royalty payments are generally received one to two months after the crude oil and gas products

are removed. An accrual is included in accrued receivables for amounts not received during the month removed based on historical trends.

The oil and gas royalties which we receive are dependent upon the market prices for oil and gas. The market prices for oil and gas are subject to national and international economic and political conditions and subject to significant price fluctuations.

TPL has analyzed public reports of drilling activities by the oil companies operating where we have an oil and gas royalty interest in an effort to identify unpaid royalties associated with royalty interests we own. Rights to certain oil and gas royalties we believe to be due and payable may be subject to dispute with the oil company involved as a result of disagreements with respect to drilling and related engineering information. Disputed oil and gas royalties are recorded when these contingencies are resolved.

Easements and Other Surface-Related Income

Easement contracts represent contracts which permit companies to install pipe lines, electric lines and other equipment on land owned by TPL. When TPL receives a signed contract and payment, we make available the respective parcel of land to the grantee. Easement income is recognized upon the execution of the easement agreement, or in the event of a renewal upon receipt of the renewal payment, as at that point in time, we have satisfied its performance obligation and the customer has right of use.

Other surface-related income includes commercial lease income related to leasing arrangements to companies in a wide array of industries, including: agricultural, oil and gas, construction, wind power, solar farms and other industries. Commercial lease income is recognized when earned. These leases generally require fixed annual payments or royalties and lease terms are typically ten years. Lease cancellations are allowed under certain circumstances, but initial lease payments are generally nonrefundable. Advance lease payments are deferred and amortized over the appropriate accounting period. Lease payments not received are included in accrued receivables. Additionally, other surface-related income includes permit income and material sales. Revenue from these sources is recognized when earned.

Water Sales and Royalties

Water sales and royalty revenue encompasses sales of water to operators and other customers and royalties received pursuant to legacy agreements with operators. The earnings cycle for both revenue streams is complete upon delivery of water. Water sales and royalty revenue is recognized as earned.

Land Sales and Exchanges

We consider purchasers of land to be our customers as land management, leasing and sales are normal operating activities for TPL. Revenue is recognized on land sales when the performance obligation to the purchaser (customer) is complete. Revenue from land exchanges is recognized based upon the estimated fair value of the consideration exchanged.

Sales of Oil and Gas Royalty Interests

Income is recognized on sales of oil and gas royalty interests when earned.

#### Cash, Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash

We consider investments in bank deposits, money market funds and highly-liquid cash investments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents. The following table provides a reconciliation of cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash reported within the condensed consolidated balance sheets that sum to the total of the same such amounts shown in the condensed consolidated statements of cash flows (in thousands):

	Dec	ember 31, 2020	December 31, 2019		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	281,046	\$ 303,645		
Tax like-kind exchange escrow		1,978	_		
Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash shown in the statement of cash flows	\$	283,024	\$ 303,645		

#### Accrued Receivables

Accrued receivables consist primarily of amounts due under oil and gas royalty leases, water sales or royalty agreements and commercial leases. An allowance is recorded for expected credit losses and is based upon our historical write-off experience, aging of trade accounts receivable and collectability patterns of our customers. As of December 31, 2020, the allowance for expected credit losses was less than \$0.1 million. No allowance was considered necessary as of December 31, 2019.

#### Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment is carried at cost less accumulated depreciation. Maintenance and repair costs are expensed as incurred. Costs associated with our development of infrastructure for sourcing and treating water are capitalized. We account for depreciation of property, plant and equipment on the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. Depreciable lives by category are as follows:

	Ra	Range of Estimated Usef Lives (in years)							
Water wells and other water-related assets	3	to	30						
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	5	to	7						

#### Real Estate Acquired

Real estate acquired is recorded at cost and carried at the lower of cost or market. Valuations are periodically performed or obtained by management whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. Impairments, if any, are recorded by a charge to net income and a valuation allowance if the carrying value of the property exceeds its estimated fair value. Minimal real estate improvements are made to land. No impairments were recorded for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018.

#### Royalty Interests Acquired

We follow the successful efforts method of accounting for our royalty interests acquired, which are carried at the lower of cost or market. Valuations are periodically performed or obtained by management whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. Impairments, if any, are recorded by a charge to net income and a reduction in the carrying value of our royalty interests if the carrying value exceeds the estimated fair value. No impairments were recorded for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018.

Depletion is recorded based upon a units of production basis. Depletion expense was approximately \$0.4 million and \$0.3 million for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. There was no depletion expense for the year ended December 31, 2018.

#### Real Estate and Royalty Interests Assigned Through the 1888 Declaration of Trust

The fair market value of the Trust's land and royalty interests that were assigned through the 1888 Declaration of Trust, (referred to as "Assigned") land and royalty interests, was not determined in 1888 when the Trust was formed; therefore, no value is assigned in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets to the Assigned land and royalty interests, Certificates of Proprietary Interest, and Sub-share Certificates of Proprietary Interest ("Sub-shares"). Consequently, in the consolidated statements of income and total comprehensive income, no allowance is made for depletion and no cost is deducted from the proceeds of sales of the Assigned land and royalty interests. Even though the 1888 value of real properties cannot be precisely determined, it has been concluded that the effect of this matter can no longer be significant to the Trust's financial position or results of operations. For Federal income tax purposes, however, deductions are made for depletion, computed on the statutory percentage basis of income received from royalties. Minimal real estate improvements are made to land.

#### Income Taxes

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases and operating loss and tax

credit carry-forwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date.

When tax returns are filed, it is highly certain that some positions taken would be sustained upon examination by the taxing authorities, while others are subject to uncertainty about the merits of the position taken or the amount of the position that would be ultimately sustained. The benefit of a tax position is recognized in the financial statements in the period during which, based on all available evidence, management believes it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained upon examination, including the resolution of appeals or litigation processes, if any. Tax positions taken are not offset or aggregated with other positions. Tax positions that meet the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold are measured as the largest amount of tax benefit that is more than 50% likely of being realized upon settlement with the applicable taxing authority. The portion of the benefits associated with tax positions taken that exceeds the amount measured as described above is reflected as a liability for unrecognized tax benefits in the accompanying balance sheet along with any associated interest and penalties that would be payable to the taxing authorities upon examination. The liability for unrecognized tax benefits is zero as of December 31, 2020 and 2019.

#### Concentrations of Credit Risk

We invest our cash and cash equivalents (which include U.S. Treasury bills and commercial paper with maturities of three months or less) amonghree major financial institutions in an attempt to minimize exposure to risk from any one of these entities. As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, we had cash and cash equivalents deposited in our financial institutions in excess of federally-insured levels. We regularly monitor the financial condition of these financial institutions and believe that we are not exposed to any significant credit risk in cash and cash equivalents.

#### Net Income per Sub-share

Net income per Sub-share is based on the weighted average number of Sub-shares and equivalent Sub-shares outstanding during each period.

#### Purchases and Retirements of Sub-shares

The costs of Sub-shares purchased and retired are charged to net proceeds from all sources.

#### Comprehensive Income (Loss)

Comprehensive income (loss) consists of net income and other gains and losses affecting capital that, under GAAP, are excluded from net income.

#### Significant Customers

Two customers represented, in the aggregate, 28.3%, 36.5% and 31.3% of the TPL's total revenues for the years ended December 31, 2020, December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

#### Reclassifications

Certain financial information on the consolidated statements of income as of and for theyears ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 have been revised to conform to the current year presentation. These revisions include a reclassification of \$0.2 million of land sales expenses for the year ended December 31, 2019 and less than \$0.1 million for the same period of 2018 previously included in general and administrative expenses to a separate financial statement line item within operating expenses. Land sales expenses include cost basis and closing costs associated with land sales. Total assets and expenses were not affected by these reclassifications.

#### Recently Adopted Accounting Guidance

Credit Losses

In June 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (the "FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2016-13, "Financial Instruments — Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments." The ASU amends the impairment model by requiring entities to use a forward-looking approach based on expected losses to

estimate credit losses on certain types of financial instruments, including trade receivables. The Trust adopted the guidance effective January 1, 2020. Due to the short-term nature of our trade accounts receivable, the adoption of this guidance had a minimal impact on our consolidated financial statements.

Defined Benefit Plans

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-14, "Compensation — Retirement Benefits — Defined Benefit Plans — General (Subtopic 715-20): Disclosure Framework — Changes to Disclosure Requirements for Defined Benefit Plans." The ASU eliminates requirements for certain disclosures and requires additional disclosures under defined benefit pension plans and other post-retirement plans. The Trust adopted the guidance as of December 31, 2020. The impacts to the Trust's footnote disclosures were limited to adding a narrative description of reasons for any significant gains and losses affecting the benefit obligation and omitting any disclosure regarding amounts expected to be recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income over the next year.

#### Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2019, the FASB issued ASU 2019-12, "Income Taxes (Topic 740) — Simplifying the Accounting for Income Taxes." The ASU simplifies the accounting for income taxes by eliminating certain exceptions related to the approach for intraperiod tax allocation, the methodology for calculating income taxes in an interim period, hybrid taxes and the recognition of deferred tax liabilities for outside basis differences. It also clarifies and simplifies other aspects of the accounting for income taxes. ASU 2019-12 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020, including interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted in interim or annual periods with any adjustments reflected as of the beginning of the annual period that includes that interim period. The adoption of this guidance effective January 1, 2021, had a minimal impact on the Trust's consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

#### 3. Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment, net consisted of the following as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 (in thousands):

	Decei	December 31, 2020		December 31, 2019	
Property, plant and equipment, at cost:					
Water service-related assets (1)	\$	97,699	\$	93,097	
Furniture, fixtures and equipment		6,125		5,941	
Other		598		598	
Total property, plant and equipment, at cost		104,422		99,636	
Less: accumulated depreciation		(25,155)		(11,313)	
Property, plant and equipment, net	\$	79,267	\$	88,323	

<sup>(1)</sup> Water service-related assets reflect assets related to water sourcing and water treatment projects.

Depreciation expense was \$13.8 million, \$8.5 million and \$2.6 million for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

#### 4. Real Estate Activity

As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, TPL owned the following land and real estate (in thousands, except number of acres):

		ber 31, 20	December 31, 2019		
	Number of Acres	Net Book Value	Number of Acres	Net Book Value	
Land (surface rights) (1)	823,482	<u> </u>	849,856	\$ —	
Real estate acquired	57,041	108,536	51,931	107,075	
Total real estate situated in Texas	880,523	\$ 108,536	901,787	\$ 107,075	

(1) Real estate assigned through the 1888 Declaration of Trust.

No valuation allowance was necessary as of December 31, 2020 and 2019.

Land Sales

The Assigned land held by TPL was recorded with no value at the time of acquisition. See Note 2, "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies — Real Estate and Royalty Interests Assigned Through the 1888 Declaration of Trust" for further information regarding the Assigned land. Real estate acquired includes land parcels which have either been acquired through foreclosure or transactions with third parties.

For the year ended December 31, 2020, we sold22,160 acres of land in Texas for an aggregate sales price of approximately \$16.0 million, an average of approximately \$721 per acre. Additionally, we recognized land sales revenue of \$1.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 related to land exchanges where we had no cost basis in the land conveyed.

For the year ended December 31, 2019, we sold21,986 acres of land in Texas for an aggregate sales price of approximately \$113.0 million, an average of approximately \$5,141 per acre. Additionally, we conveyed 5,620 acres of land in exchange for 5,545 acres of land. As we had no cost basis in the land conveyed, we recognized land sales revenue of \$22.0 million for the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2019.

For the year ended December 31, 2018, we sold171 acres of land in Texas for an aggregate sales price of approximately \$4.4 million, an average of approximately \$25,464 per acre.

Land Acquisitions

For the year ended December 31, 2020, we acquired 756 acres of land in Texas for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$3.9 million, an average of approximately \$5,134 per acre (excludes land acquired through the land exchange as discussed above).

For the year ended December 31, 2019, we acquired21,671 acres of land in Texas for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$74.4 million, an average of approximately \$3,434 per acre (excludes land acquired through the land exchange as discussed above).

For the year ended December 31, 2018, we acquired14,650 acres of land in Texas for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$9.4 million, an average of approximately \$640 per acre.

#### 5. Royalty Interests

As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, we owned the following oil and gas royalty interests (in thousands, except number of acres):

	Net Book Value				
	December 31, 2020			December 31, 2019	
1/16th nonparticipating perpetual royalty interests <sup>(1)</sup>	\$		\$	_	
1/128th nonparticipating perpetual royalty interests (2)		_		_	
Royalty interests acquired (3)		46,266		29,320	
Total royalty interests, gross	\$	46,266	\$	29,320	
Less: accumulated depletion		(620)		(260)	
Total royalty interests, net	\$	45,646	\$	29,060	

- (1) Nonparticipating perpetual royalty interests in 370,737 gross royalty acres as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.
- (2) Nonparticipating perpetual royalty interests in 84,934 gross royalty acres as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.
- (3) Royalty interest in 4,090 net royalty acres and 3,074 net royalty acres as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

Royalty Interests Assigned Through the 1888 Declaration of Trust

The fair market value of the Trust's Assigned royalty interests was not determined in 1888 when the Trust was formed, and accordingly, these Assigned royalty interests were recorded with no value. See Note 2, "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies — Real Estate and Royalty Interests Assigned Through the 1888 Declaration of Trust" for further information regarding the Assigned royalty interests. The Assigned royalty interests include 1/16th and 1/128th royalty interests.

Royalty Interests Transactions

For the year ended December 31, 2020, we acquired oil and gas royalty interests in1,017 net royalty acres (normalized to 1/8th) for an aggregate purchase price of \$16.9 million, an average price of approximately \$16,668 per net royalty acre.

For the year ended December 31, 2019, we acquired oil and gas royalty interests in1,247 net royalty acres (normalized to 1/8th) for an aggregate purchase price of \$4.7 million, an average price of approximately \$3,800 per net royalty acre.

For the year ended December 31, 2018, we sold nonparticipating perpetual oil and gas royalty interests in \$12 net royalty acres (1/8th interest) for approximately \$18.9 million, an average price of approximately \$23,234 per net royalty acre. In conjunction with this sale, we acquired oil and gas royalty interests in 1,480 net royalty acres for an aggregate purchase price of \$20.6 million, an average of approximately \$13,949 per net royalty acre.

Additionally, for the year ended December 31, 2018, we acquired oil and gas royalty interests in 346 net royalty acres for an aggregate purchase price of \$3.7 million, an average price of approximately \$10,555 per net royalty acre.

#### 6. Employee Benefit Plans

TPL has a defined contribution plan available to all eligible employees who have completed one year of continuous service with TPL during which they completed at least 1,000 hours of service. Qualifying participants may receive a matching contribution based on the amount participants contribute to the plan up to 6% of their qualifying compensation. TPL contributed approximately \$0.5 million, \$0.3 million and \$0.1 million for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

TPL has a noncontributory pension plan (the "Pension Plan") available to all eligible employees who have completed one year of continuous service with TPL during which they completed at least 1,000 hours of service. The Pension Plan provides for a normal retirement benefit at age 65. Contributions to the Pension Plan reflect benefits accrued with respect to

participants' services to date, as well as the amount actuarially determined to pay lifetime benefits to participants and their beneficiaries upon retirement.

The following table sets forth the Pension Plan's changes in benefit obligation, changes in fair value of assets, and funded status as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 using a measurement date of December 31 (in thousands):

	December 31, 2020		December 31, 2019	
Change in projected benefits obligation:				
Projected benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$	6,577	\$	4,745
Service cost		1,835		666
Interest cost		210		197
Actuarial loss		1,333		1,208
Benefits paid		(238)		(239)
Projected benefit obligation at end of year	\$	9,717	\$	6,577
Change in Pension Plan assets:				
Fair value of Pension Plan assets at beginning of year	\$	6,615	\$	5,313
Actual return on Pension Plan assets		161		1,041
Contributions by employer		1,029		500
Benefits paid		(238)		(239)
Fair value of Pension Plan assets at end of year	-	7,567		6,615
Funded (unfunded) status at end of year	\$	(2,150)	\$	38

The projected Pension Plan benefit obligation as of December 31, 2020 was impacted by changes in assumptions used as of that date compared to assumptions used as of December 31, 2019. These changes included a decrease in the discount rate from 3.25% as of December 31, 2019 to 2.75% as of December 31, 2020 and a change in the mortality improvement scale from the MP-2019 Table to the MP-2020 Table. The effect of the assumption changes was an increase in the projected benefit obligation of \$1.0 million.

Amounts recognized in the balance sheets as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 consist of (in thousands):

	De	cember 31, 2020	December 31, 2019		
Assets	\$	_	\$ 38		
Liabilities		2,150	_		
	\$	2,150	\$ 38		

Amounts recognized in accumulated other comprehensive loss consist of the following as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 (in thousands):

	Decen	ıber 31, 2020	December 31, 2019	
Net actuarial loss	\$	(3,409)	\$ (1,849)	
Amounts recognized in accumulated other comprehensive loss, before taxes	·	(3,409)	(1,849)	
Income tax benefit		716	388	
Amounts recognized in accumulated other comprehensive loss, after taxes	\$	(2,693)	\$ (1,461)	

Net periodic benefit cost for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 include the following components (in thousands):

	Years Ended December 31,						
		2020		2019		2018	
Components of net periodic benefit cost:							
Service cost	\$	1,835	\$	666	\$	157	
Interest cost		210		197		183	
Expected return on Pension Plan assets		(454)		(364)		(367)	
Amortization of net loss		66		46		64	
Net periodic benefit cost	\$	1,657	\$	545	\$	37	

Service cost, a component of net periodic benefit cost, is reflected in our consolidated statements of income within salaries and related employee expenses. The other components of net periodic benefit cost are included in other income, net on the consolidated statements of income.

Other changes in Pension Plan assets and benefit obligations recognized in other comprehensive income for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 (in thousands):

		Years Ended December 31,						
	· ·	2020	2019	2018				
Net actuarial loss	\$	1,626	\$ 530	\$ 183				
Recognized actuarial loss		(66)	(46)	(64)				
Total recognized in other comprehensive loss, before taxes	\$	1,560	\$ 484	\$ 119				
Total recognized in net benefit cost and other comprehensive loss, before taxes	\$	3,217	\$ 1,029	\$ 156				

TPL reclassified less than \$0.2 million (net of income tax benefit of less than \$0.1 million) out of accumulated other comprehensive loss for net periodic benefit cost to other income, net for each of the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018.

The following table summarizes the projected benefit obligation in excess of Pension Plan assets and Pension Plan assets in excess of accumulated benefit obligation as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 (in thousands):

	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
Projected benefit obligation in excess of Pension Plan assets:		
Projected benefit obligation	\$ 9,717	\$ 6,577
Fair value of Pension Plan assets	\$ 7,567	\$ 6,615
Plan assets in excess of accumulated benefit obligation:		
Accumulated benefit obligation	\$ 6,348	\$ 5,056
Fair value of Pension Plan assets	\$ 7,567	\$ 6,615

The following are weighted-average assumptions used to determine benefit obligations and costs as of December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018:

	Years Ended December 31,				
	2020	2019	2018		
Weighted average assumptions used to determine benefit obligations as of December 31:					
Discount rate	2.75 %	3.25 %	4.25 %		
Rate of compensation increase	7.29 %	7.29 %	7.29 %		
Weighted average assumptions used to determine benefit costs for the years ended December 31:					
Discount rate	3.25 %	4.25 %	3.75 %		
Expected return on Pension Plan assets	7.00 %	7.00 %	7.00 %		
Rate of compensation increase	7.29 %	7.29 %	7.29 %		

The expected return on Pension Plan assets assumption of 7.0% was selected by TPL based on historical real rates of return for the current asset mix and an assumption with respect to future inflation. The rate was determined based on a long-term allocation of about two-thirds fixed income and one-third equity securities; historical real rates of return of about 2.5% and 8.5% for fixed income and equity securities, respectively; and assuming a long-term inflation rate of 2.5%.

The Pension Plan has a formal investment policy statement. The Pension Plan's investment objective is balanced income, with a moderate risk tolerance. This objective emphasizes current income through a 30% to 80% allocation to fixed income securities, complemented by a secondary consideration for capital appreciation through an equity allocation in the range of 20% to 60%. Diversification is achieved through investment in mutual funds and bonds. The asset allocation is reviewed annually with respect to the target allocations and rebalancing adjustments and/or target allocation changes are made as appropriate. Our current funding policy is to maintain the Pension Plan's fully funded status on an ERISA minimum funding basis.

#### Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (exit price) in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

The fair value accounting standards establish a fair value hierarchy for inputs used in measuring fair value that maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs by requiring that the most observable inputs be used when available. Observable inputs are those that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability based on market data obtained from independent sources. Unobservable inputs reflect our assumptions about the inputs market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances. The fair value hierarchy is categorized into three levels based on the inputs used in measuring fair value, as follows:

- Level 1 Inputs are based on unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that we have the ability to access. Since inputs are based on quoted prices that are readily and regularly available in an active market, Level 1 inputs require the least judgment.
- Level 2 Inputs are based on quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets, or are observable either directly or indirectly. Inputs are obtained from various sources including financial institutions and brokers.
- Level 3 Inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement. The degree of judgment exercised by us in determining fair value is greatest for fair value measurements categorized in Level 3.

The fair values of the Pension Plan assets by major asset category as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively, are as follows (in thousands):

	Total	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
As of December 31, 2020:				
Cash and cash equivalents — money markets	\$ 1,277	\$ 1,277	\$ —	\$ —
Equities	1,567	1,567	_	_
Equity funds	1,503	1,503	_	_
Fixed income funds	797	797	_	_
Taxable bonds	2,423	2,423	_	
Total	\$ 7,567	\$ 7,567	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
As of December 31, 2019:				
Cash and cash equivalents — money markets	\$ 528	\$ 528	\$ —	\$ —
Equities	1,133	1,133	_	_
Equity funds	1,939	1,939	_	_
Fixed income funds	465	465	_	_
Taxable bonds	2,550	2,550	_	_
Total	\$ 6,615	\$ 6,615	\$	\$

Management intends to at least fund the minimum ERISA amount for 2021 and may make some discretionary contributions to the Pension Plan, the amounts of which have not yet been determined.

The following benefit payments, which reflect expected future service, as appropriate, are expected to be paid for the following ten-year period (in thousands):

Year ending December 31,	Amount
2021	\$ 260
2022	256
2023	254
2024	249
2025	244
2026 to 2030	1,430

#### 7. Income Taxes

The income tax provision charged to operations for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 was as follows (in thousands):

	Years Ended December 31,							
	2020			2019	2018			
Current:								
U.S. Federal	\$	44,395	\$	55,562	\$	35,593		
State and local		1,607		1,930		1,607		
Current income tax expense		46,002		57,492		37,200		
Deferred (benefit) expense		(2,389)		26,035		14,814		
Total income tax expense	\$	43,613	\$	83,527	\$	52,014		

While TPL was a trust, it was taxed as if it were a corporation. Total income tax expense differed from the amounts computed by applying the U.S. Federal income tax rate of 21% for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 to income before Federal income taxes as a result of the following (in thousands):

	Years Ended December 31,					
		2020		2019		2018
Computed tax expense at the statutory rate of 21%	\$	46,129	\$	84,473	\$	54,968
Reduction in income taxes resulting from:						
Statutory depletion		(4,577)		(5,163)		(4,185)
State taxes		1,234		1,657		1,243
Executive compensation		789		1,302		_
Prior year tax adjustments		7		755		_
Other, net		31		503		(12)
Total income tax expense	\$	43,613	\$	83,527	\$	52,014

The tax effects of temporary differences that give rise to significant portions of the deferred tax assets and liabilities as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 are as follows (in thousands):

	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
Unearned revenue	\$ 5,633	\$ 3,741
Basis difference in pension plan liability	452	
Total deferred tax assets	6,085	3,741
Property, plant and equipment	16,314	17,030
§1031 tax exchanges	26,499	26,638
Deferred credits	1,853	748
Real estate acquired through foreclosure	142	142
Other	5	10
Total deferred tax liabilities	44,813	44,568
Deferred taxes payable	\$ (38,728)	\$ (40,827)

TPL files a U. S. Federal income tax return. With few exceptions, TPL is no longer subject to U. S. Federal income tax examination by tax authorities for years before 2017.

#### 8. Lease Commitments

As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, we have recorded right-of-use assets of \$2.5 million and \$3.1 million, respectively, and lease liabilities for \$2.8 million and \$3.4 million, respectively, primarily related to operating leases in connection with our administrative offices located in Dallas and Midland, Texas. The office lease agreements require monthly rent payments and expire in December 2025 and August 2022, respectively. Operating lease expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Operating lease cost for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 was \$0.7 million.

Future minimum lease payments were as follows as of December 31, 2020 (in thousands):

Year ending December 31,	A	Amount
2021	\$	796
2022		697
2023		537
2024		551
2025		516
Total lease payments		3,097
Less: imputed interest		(276)
Total operating lease liabilities	\$	2,821

Rent expense for these lease agreements amounted to approximately \$0.8 million, \$0.7 million and \$0.2 million for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

#### 9. Capital

Prior to the Corporate Reorganization, Certificates of Proprietary Interest ("Certificates") and Sub-shares were exchangeable in the ratio of one Certificate to 3,000 Sub-shares. No Certificates were exchanged for Sub-shares for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019. On January 11, 2021, the Sub-shares were converted into shares of common stock on a pro rata, one-for-one basis. See further discussion in Note 11, "Subsequent Events — Corporate Reorganization."

The number of Certificates authorized for issuance at a given date is the number then outstanding plus one/three-thousandth of the number of Sub-shares then outstanding. The number of Sub-shares authorized for issuance at a given date is the number then outstanding plus three thousand times the number of Certificates then outstanding.

Dividends

During 2020, we paid a cash dividend of \$10.00 per Sub-share in March 2020 and special dividends of \$16.00 per Sub-Share, consisting of \$6.00 per Sub-share in March 2020 and \$10.00 per Sub-share in December 2020. During March 2019, we paid a cash dividend of \$1.75 per Sub-share and a special dividend of \$4.25 per Sub-share.

Repurchases of Sub-shares

For the year ended December 31, 2020, there wereno Sub-shares repurchased. During the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, we purchased and retired 6,258 and 59,185 Sub-shares, respectively.

#### 10. Business Segment Reporting

During the periods presented, we reported our financial performance based on the following segments: Land and Resource Management and Water Services and Operations. Our segments provide management with a comprehensive financial view of our key businesses. The segments enable the alignment of our strategies and objectives and provide a framework for timely and rational allocation of resources within businesses. We eliminate any inter-segment revenues and expenses upon consolidation.

The Land and Resource Management segment encompasses the business of managing our approximately880,000 acres of land and our oil and gas royalty interests in West Texas. The revenue streams of this segment consist primarily of royalties from oil and gas, revenues from easements and commercial leases and land and material sales.

The Water Services and Operations segment encompasses the business of providing full-service water offerings to operators in the Permian Basin. The revenue streams of this segment consist of revenue generated from sales of sourced and treated water as well as revenue from royalties on water service-related activity.

Segment financial results were as follows (in thousands):

	Years Ended December 31,					
	2020		2019			2018
Revenues:						
Land and resource management	\$	195,132	\$	363,328	\$	211,476
Water services and operations		107,422		127,168		88,744
Total consolidated revenues	\$	302,554	\$	490,496	\$	300,220
Net income:						
Land and resource management	s	127,977	¢	258,366	<b>Q</b>	159,611
Water services and operations	J	48,072	φ	60,362	φ	50,125
Total consolidated net income	\$	176,049	\$	318,728	\$	209,736
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Capital Expenditures:						
Land and resource management	\$	152	\$	1,603	\$	2,790
Water services and operations		4,934		30,606		45,088
Total capital expenditures	\$	5,086	\$	32,209	\$	47,878
Depreciation, depletion and amortization:						
Land and resource management	\$	1,514	\$	1,201	\$	506
Water services and operations		12,881		7,705		2,077
Total depreciation, depletion and amortization	\$	14,395	\$	8,906	\$	2,583

The following table presents total assets and property, plant and equipment, net by segment (in thousands):

	De	December 31, 2020		ecember 31, 2019
Assets:				
Land and resource management	\$	460,053	\$	467,758
Water services and operations		111,582		130,418
Total consolidated assets	\$	571,635	\$	598,176
Property, plant and equipment, net:				
Land and resource management	\$	3,527	\$	4,359
Water services and operations		75,740		83,964
Total consolidated property, plant and equipment, net	\$	79,267	\$	88,323

#### 11. Subsequent Events

We evaluated events that occurred after the balance sheet date through the date these financial statements were issued, and the following events that met recognition or disclosure criteria were identified:

#### Corporate Reorganization

As previously announced on March 23, 2020, our Trustees approved a plan to reorganize the Trust from its current structure to a corporation formed under the laws of the State of Delaware.

On January 11, 2021, TPL completed its Corporate Reorganization, officially changing its name from Texas Pacific Land Trust to Texas Pacific Land Corporation ("TPL Corporation"). To implement the Corporate Reorganization, the Trust and TPL Corporation entered into agreements and undertook and caused to be undertaken a series of transactions to effect the transfer to TPL Corporation of all of the Trust's assets, employees, liabilities and obligations (including investments, property and employee benefits and tax-related assets and liabilities) attributable to periods prior to, at and after the Corporate Reorganization. The agreements entered into include a contribution agreement between the Trust and TPL Corporation.

Prior to the market opening on January 11, 2021, the Trust distributed all of the shares of common stock, par value \$.01, of TPL Corporation (the "Common Stock") to holders of Sub-shares, par value of \$0.03-1/3, of the Trust, on a pro rata, one-for-one, basis in accordance with their interests in the Trust (the "Distribution"). As a result of the Distribution, TPL Corporation is now an independent public company and its Common Stock is listed under the symbol "TPL" on the New York Stock Exchange.

The Corporate Reorganization would have had the following effect on our consolidated financial statements had the Corporate Reorganization occurred as of December 31, 2020:

Consolidated Balance Sheet

Had the Corporate Reorganization occurred as of December 31, 2020, the pro forma balance sheet would have reflected pro forma adjustments as follows:

- Capital would be eliminated and replaced with Stockholders' equity;
- Certificates of Proprietary Interest, par value \$100 each, would be eliminated as none were outstanding as of December 31, 2020;
- 7,756,156 outstanding Sub-share Certificates of Proprietary Interest, par value \$0.03-1/3, would be converted to7,756,156 outstanding shares of Common Stock, \$0.01 par value; and
- Net proceeds from all sources would be replaced with Retained Earnings.

Statements of Income and Total Comprehensive Income

Had the Corporate Reorganization occurred on January 1, 2020, the pro forma statements of income and total comprehensive income for the year ended December 31, 2020 would have reflected pro forma adjustments as follows:

- Any costs associated with Corporate Reorganization are direct costs and would be expensed. As such, there would be no related adjustment to the Statement of Income and Total Comprehensive Income; and
- Net income per Sub-share Certificate basic and diluted would be eliminated and replaced with Net income per share basic and diluted. The per share amount would not have been impacted.

#### **Dividend Declared**

On February 17, 2021, the board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$2.75 per share payable on March 15, 2021 to stockholders of record at the close of business on March 8, 2021.

#### 12. Oil and Gas Producing Activities (Unaudited)

We measure the our share of oil and gas produced in barrels of equivalency ("BOEs"). One BOE equals one barrel of crude oil, condensate, NGLs (natural gas liquids) or approximately 6,000 cubic feet of gas. As of December 31, 2020, December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018, our share of oil and gas produced was approximately 16.2, 13.7 and 8.8 thousand BOEs per day, respectively. Reserves related to our royalty interests are not presented because the information is unavailable.

There are a number of oil and gas wells that have been drilled but are not yet completed ("DUC") where we have a royalty interest. The number of DUC wells are determined using uniform drilling spacing units with pooled interests for all

wells awaiting completion. We have identified 531, 486 and 362 DUC wells subject to our royalty interest as of December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

#### 13. Selected Quarterly Financial Data (Unaudited)

The following tables present unaudited financial data of TPL for each quarter of December 31, 2020 and 2019 (in thousands, except per share amounts):

		Quarters ended							
	Decemb	December 31, 2020 Se			September 30, 2020         June 3           2020         2020			March 31, 2020	
Revenues	\$	74,304	\$	74,383	\$	57,273	\$	96,594	
Income before income taxes	\$	55,337	\$	58,035	\$	34,923	\$	71,368	
Net income	\$	44,791	\$	46,275	\$	27,583	\$	57,401	
Net income per Sub-share Certificate - basic and diluted	\$	5.77	\$	5.97	\$	3.56	\$	7.40	

		Quarters ended							
	Decem	ber 31, 2019	Sep	tember 30, 2019		June 30, 2019		March 31, 2019	
Revenues	\$	113,332	\$	98,530	\$	87,310	\$	191,324	
Income before income taxes	\$	89,071	\$	74,759	\$	62,879	\$	175,546	
Net income	\$	69,122	\$	60,022	\$	49,586	\$	139,998	
Net income per Sub-share Certificate - basic and diluted	\$	8.91	\$	7.74	\$	6.39	\$	18.04	

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#### DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

#### General

Texas Pacific Land Corporation's ("TPLC") authorized capital stock consists of 7,756,156 shares of TPLC common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, and 1,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share.

#### **Common Stock**

As of January 11, 2021, 7,756,156 shares of TPLC common stock were issued and outstanding, all of which were fully paid and nonassessable.

#### Voting Rights

Except as provided by law or in a preferred stock designation, holders of TPLC common stock will be entitled to one vote for each share held upon all matters which holders of TPLC common stock are entitled to vote, and the holders of shares of TPLC common stock shall have the exclusive right to vote for the election of directors and on all other matters upon which the stockholders are entitled to vote. Holders of TPLC common stock do not have cumulative voting rights. The number of authorized shares of TPLC common stock may be increased or decreased (but not below the number of shares thereof then outstanding) by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority in voting power of the outstanding shares of stock of TPLC entitled to vote thereon irrespective of the provisions of Section 242(b)(2) of the Delaware General Corporation Law (or any successor provision thereto) ("DGCL"), and no vote of the holders of either preferred stock or TPLC common stock voting separately as a class shall be required therefor.

#### **Dividend Rights**

Subject to the rights and preferences, if any, applicable to shares of preferred stock or any series thereof, the holders of shares of TPLC common stock will be entitled to receive, ratably in proportion to the number of shares of TPLC common stock held by them, such dividends and distributions (payable in cash, stock or property), if, when and as may be declared thereon by the TPLC board, at any time and from time to time, out of any funds or assets of TPLC that are legally available therefor at such time and in such amounts as the TPLC board in its direction will determine.

#### Liquidation Rights

In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of TPLC, holders of TPLC common stock will be entitled to share ratably in all assets of TPLC remaining, after TPLC pays all of its debts and other liabilities and any amounts TPLC may owe to the holders of preferred stock, if any.

#### Other Matters

Holders of TPLC common stock will not have preemptive or preferential rights. There are no redemption or sinking fund provisions applicable to TPLC common stock.

#### **Preferred Stock**

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation (the "Certificate of Incorporation") authorizes the TPLC board, subject to any limitations prescribed by law and the rights of any series of preferred stock then outstanding, if any, without further stockholder approval, to authorize the issuance of preferred stock from time to time in one or more series, par value \$0.01 per share, covering up to an aggregate of 1,000,000 shares of preferred stock. The TPLC board is authorized under the Certificate of Incorporation to fix the designations, powers, preferences,

privileges, and relative, participating, optional, or special rights, and qualifications, limitations and restrictions relating to each such series of preferred stock, including, but not limited to, voting rights, the number of shares to constitute the series, restrictions on issuance, redemption rights, dividend rights, liquidation preferences and conversion rights. Except as provided by law or in a preferred stock designation, the holders of preferred stock will not be entitled to vote at any meeting of stockholders.

## Anti-Takeover Effects of Delaware Law and Provisions of Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Our Amended and Restated Bylaws

Some provisions of Delaware law contain, and our Certificate of Incorporation and our amended and restated bylaws (the "Bylaws") will contain, provisions that could make the following transactions more difficult: acquisitions of us by means of a tender offer, a proxy contest or removal of our incumbent officers and directors. These provisions may also have the effect of preventing changes in our management. It is possible that these provisions could make it more difficult to accomplish or could deter transactions that stockholders may otherwise consider to be in their best interest or in our best interests, including transactions that might result in a premium over the market price for our shares.

These provisions, summarized below, are expected to discourage coercive takeover practices and inadequate takeover bids. These provisions are also designed to encourage persons seeking to acquire control of us to negotiate with us first. We believe that the benefits of increased protection and our potential ability to negotiate with the proponent of an unfriendly or unsolicited proposal to acquire or restructure us outweigh the disadvantages of discouraging these proposals because, among other things, negotiation of these proposals could result in an improvement of their terms.

#### Delaware Law

TPLC will be subject to the provisions of Section 203 of the DGCL ("Section 203") regulating corporate takeovers. In general, those provisions prohibit a Delaware corporation, including those whose securities are listed for trading on the NYSE, from engaging in any business combination with any interested stockholder for a period of three years following the date that the stockholder became an interested stockholder, unless:

- the transaction is approved by the TPLC board before the date the interested stockholder attained that status;
- upon consummation of the transaction that resulted in the stockholder becoming an interested stockholder, the interested stockholder owned at least 85% of the voting stock of TPLC outstanding at the time the transaction commenced; or
- on or after such time the business combination is approved by the TPLC board and authorized at a meeting of stockholders by at least two-thirds of the outstanding voting stock that is not owned by the interested stockholder.

Except as otherwise set forth in Section 203, an interested stockholder is defined to include: (a) any person that is the owner of 15% or more of the outstanding voting stock of the corporation, or is an affiliate or associate of the corporation and was the owner of 15% or more of the outstanding voting stock of the corporation at any time within the three years immediately prior to the date of determination; and (b) the affiliates and associates of any such person.

Section 203 may make it more difficult for a person who would be an interested stockholder to effect various business combinations with a corporation for a three-year period. The provisions of Section 203 may encourage persons interested in acquiring us to negotiate in advance with the TPLC board, because the stockholder approval requirement would be avoided if a majority of the directors then in office approve either the business combination or the transaction that results in any such person becoming an interested stockholder. These provisions also may have the effect of preventing changes in our management. It is possible that these provisions could make it more difficult to accomplish transactions that our stockholders may otherwise deem to be in their best interests.

#### Our Certificate of Incorporation and Our Bylaws

Certain provisions of our Certificate of Incorporation and our Bylaws may delay or discourage transactions involving an actual or potential change in control or change in our management, including transactions in which stockholders might otherwise receive a premium for their shares or might otherwise deem to be in their best interest. Therefore, these provisions could adversely affect the price of TPLC common stock.

Our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws:

- establish advance notice procedures with regard to stockholder proposals relating to the nomination of candidates for election as directors or new business to be brought before meetings of our stockholders. These procedures provide that notice of stockholder proposals must be timely and given in writing to our corporate secretary prior to the meeting at which the action is to be taken. Generally, to be timely, notice must be received by our corporate secretary at our principal executive offices not earlier than the close of business on the 120th day before the one-year anniversary of the immediately preceding year's annual meeting (which anniversary, in the case of the first annual meeting of stockholders, will be deemed to be November 16, 2021) and not later than the close of business on the 90th day before such anniversary. These requirements may preclude stockholders from bringing matters before the stockholders at an annual or special meeting;
- provide the TPLC board the ability to authorize undesignated preferred stock. This ability makes it possible for the TPLC board to issue, without
  stockholder approval, preferred stock with voting or other rights or preferences that could impede the success of any attempt to change control of
  us. These and other provisions may have the effect of deferring hostile takeovers or delaying changes in control or management of our company;
- provide that, subject to the rights of holders of any series of preferred stock, the authorized number of directors shall be fixed from time to time, within a range of seven to eleven directors, by a resolution of the majority of the authorized directors;
- provide that members of the TPLC board will generally be elected by a majority of the votes cast with respect to the director at any meeting for the election of directors at which a quorum is present, provided that in the case of a contested election, the directors shall be elected by the vote of a plurality of the votes cast;
- provide that any newly created directorship that results from an increase in the number of directors or any vacancy that arises on the Board shall be filled by a majority of the directors then in office;
- provide that our bylaws can be amended or repealed by a majority of the TPLC board;
- provide that, subject to the rights of holders of any series of preferred stock, any action required or permitted to be taken by our stockholders must be taken at a duly held annual or special meeting of stockholders and may not be taken by any consent in writing of such stockholders, except as otherwise authorized by the TPLC board;
- provide that special meetings of our stockholders may be called only pursuant to a resolution adopted by the TPLC board;
- provide for the TPLC board to be divided into three classes of directors, with each class as nearly equal in number as possible, serving staggered three-year terms, other than directors that may be elected by holders

of our preferred stock, if any. This system of electing and removing directors may tend to discourage a third party from making a tender offer or otherwise attempting to obtain control of us because it generally makes it more difficult for stockholders to replace a majority of the directors;

- provide that the affirmative vote of a majority of the voting power of the outstanding shares of stock of TPLC shall be required to remove any or all of the directors from office, and such removal may only be for cause. The requirement to assert cause for any proposed removal of directors may tend to discourage stockholders from attempting to remove directors because it generally makes it more difficult for such a proposal to reach and pass a stockholder vote; and
- prohibit cumulative voting on all matters.

### **Forum Selection**

Our Certificate of Incorporation provides that unless TPLC consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware (or, if such court does not have jurisdiction, the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware) or the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas in Dallas, Texas (or if such court does not have jurisdiction, any district court in Dallas County in the State of Texas) will, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, be the sole and exclusive forums for: (a) any derivative action or proceeding brought on our behalf; (b) any action or proceeding asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary duty owed by any of our current or former directors, officers, employees, agents or stockholders; (c) any action or proceeding asserting a claim against us or any of our directors, officers, employees or agents arising pursuant to, or seeking to enforce any right, obligation or remedy under any provision of the DGCL, the laws of the State of Texas, the Certificate of Incorporation or the Bylaws; or (d) any action or proceeding asserting a claim against us or any of our directors, officers, employees or agents governed by the internal affairs doctrine, in each such case, subject to the applicable court having personal jurisdiction over the indispensable parties named as defendants. Our Certificate of Incorporation also provide that unless TPLC consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the federal district courts of the United States will be the sole and exclusive forum for the resolution of any complaint asserting a cause of action arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Our Certificate of Incorporation also provides that any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring or holding any interest in shares of our capital stock will be deemed to have notice of, and to have consented to, our forum selection provision. Although we believe these provisions will benefit us by providing increased consistency in the application of law for the specified types of actions and proceedings, this provision may limit a stockholder's ability to bring a claim in a judicial forum that it finds favorable for disputes with us or our directors, officers, employees and agents, which may discourage such lawsuits. If a court were to find that any of these provisions are inapplicable or unenforceable in an action, we could incur additional costs associated with resolving such action in other jurisdictions, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

## Limitation of Liability and Indemnification Matters

Our Certificate of Incorporation limits the liability of our directors for monetary damages for breach of their fiduciary duty as directors, except to the extent such exemption from liability or limitation thereof is not permitted under the DGCL as it now exists. The DGCL authorizes corporations to limit or eliminate the personal liability of directors to corporations and their stockholders for monetary damages for breaches of directors' fiduciary duties as directors, except: (a) for any breach of their duty of loyalty to us or our stockholders; (b) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; (c) for unlawful payment of dividends or unlawful stock repurchases or redemptions, as provided under Section 174 of the DGCL; or (d) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit. Any amendment, repeal or modification of these provisions in the Certificate of Incorporation will be prospective only and will not affect any limitation on liability of a director for acts or omissions that occurred prior to any such amendment, repeal or modification.

Our Bylaws also provide that we will indemnify and hold harmless to the fullest extent permitted by law any person who becomes involved in any legal proceeding by reason of the fact that they are or were a director, trustee or officer of TPLC or any predecessor in interest to the assets of TPLC a ("predecessor"). Our Bylaws also provide that TPLC will indemnify and advance expenses to any such covered person on the condition that such person will repay all amounts advanced if it is ultimately determined by a court that such person is not entitled to be indemnified.

Our Bylaws permit us to purchase and maintain insurance, at our expense, to protect ourselves and any person who is or was serving as a director, trustee, officer, employee or agent of TPLC or any predecessor, regardless of whether we could have the power to indemnify such person against such expense, liability or loss under the DGCL, the amended and restated bylaws or otherwise.

We have entered into, and intend to enter into, indemnification agreements with each of our current and future directors and we may enter into indemnification agreements with our future officers. These agreements would require us to indemnify such individuals to the fullest extent permitted under Delaware law against liability that may arise by reason of their service to us, and to advance expenses incurred as a result of any proceeding against them as to which they could be indemnified. We believe that the limitation of liability provision that will be in our Certificate of Incorporation, the indemnification and insurance-related provisions that will be in our amended and restated bylaws and indemnification agreements will facilitate our ability to continue to attract and retain qualified individuals to serve TPLC.

## Transfer Agent and Registrar

The transfer agent and registrar for TPLC common stock will be American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC.

### Listing

The TPLC common stock is listed on the NYSE under the symbol "TPL."

### EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

THIS EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made and entered on December 30, 2020, and effective as of January 11, 2021 (the **Effective Date**"), by and between TEXAS PACIFIC LAND CORPORATION (the "Company") and MICHEAL W. DOBBS ("Employee").

WHEREAS, on August 3, 2020 (the "Start Date"), Employee entered into employment with Texas Pacific Land Trust (the "Trust");

WHEREAS, the Trust underwent a corporate reorganization to reorganize into a corporation domiciled in the State of Delaware (the Corporate Reorganization");

WHEREAS, as a result of the Corporate Reorganization, the Company is now the employer of Employee; and

WHEREAS, the Company wishes to continue to employee, and Employee wishes to continue to be employed by the Company, upon the terms and conditions set forth below.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements set forth herein, and intending to be legally bound hereby, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. **Employment**. The Company agrees to continue to employee, and Employee agrees to continue to be employed by the Company, for the period stated in Section 3 hereof and upon the terms and conditions herein provided.
- 2. <u>Position and Responsibilities</u>. Employee shall serve as Senior Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel of the Company. Employee shall be responsible for such duties as are commensurate with his office and shall be a direct report to the board of directors of the Company (the "Board"). Employee shall not become a director of any for profit entity without first receiving the approval of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board.
- 3. **Term**. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, Employee's term of employment under this Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and continue until December 31, 2021 (the "**Term**"). Thereafter, this Agreement shall automatically renew for subsequent periods of one (1) year ("**Renewal Term**"), unless either party provides written notice to the other at least 120 days prior to the end of the Term (or any Renewal Term thereafter) of its intention not to renew this Agreement or unless this Agreement is otherwise terminated as set forth in this Agreement. The period during which Employee is employed by the Company under this Agreement is hereinafter referred to as the "**Employment Term**." Except as provided for in Section 7, the Company or Employee's decision not to extend the Term or any Renewal Term shall not constitute an employment termination eligible for severance under the terms of this Agreement, and Employee's continued employment thereafter, if any, will be on an at-will basis until terminated by either party for any reason.

### 4. Compensation, Reimbursement of Expenses, Benefits.

- a. <u>Salary</u>. For all services rendered by Employee in any capacity during the Employment Term, including, without limitation, service as an executive or officer of the Company, or any subsidiary, affiliate, or division thereof, the Company shall pay Employee as compensation an annual salary (the "Base Salary") at the rate of \$400,000 per year, which Base Salary shall be paid in periodic payments in accordance with the Company's usual payroll practices. The Base Salary shall be reviewed in good faith by the Compensation Committee of the Board (the "Compensation Committee"), or in the absence thereof, the Board, based upon Employee's performance, not less often than annually.
- b. Cash Bonus. During the Employment Term, Employee shall be eligible for an annual cash bonus of up to 100% of the Base Salary for the same year (the "Cash Bonus") as determined in accordance with reasonable and customary performance metrics to be developed annually by the Compensation Committee in consultation with the Employee, but subject to the ultimate decision of the Board. The Cash Bonus, if any, shall be paid no later than March 15th of the year following the year in which the Cash Bonus is earned (i.e., March 15, 2022 for the Cash Bonus earned in 2021), provided, however, that except as set forth in Sections 5 and 6 of this Agreement, Employee shall be eligible for the Cash Bonus for a year only to the extent he continued to be employed by the Company through the end of that year; and provided further, that, until such time as Employee becomes eligible to participate in an equity compensation plan established by the Company, Employee shall use no less than twenty-five percent (25%) of the value of the Cash Bonus (net of estimated taxes) to purchase shares of the Company's common stock; such purchase shall be completed no later than six (6) months after payment of the Cash Bonus has been completed unless, at that time Employee is in possession of material non-public information in which event the purchase shall occur as soon as practically available in accordance with Federal securities laws. The Company's exercise of its decision not to renew this Agreement voluntarily pursuant to the terms of Section 3 shall not affect Employee's right to receive any calendar year bonus that has already accrued and remains to be paid. Further, the requirement upon Employee to use any

portion of a Cash Bonus to purchase shares of the Company's common stock shall not apply in any situation where a Section 5 Notice of Termination has been issued.

- c. <u>Reimbursement of Expenses</u>. The Company shall pay, or reimburse Employee for all reasonable travel, entertainment, and other expenses incurred by Employee in the performance of Employee's duties under this Agreement, consistent with Company policy for senior executives.
- d. <u>Employee Benefits</u>. During the Employment Term, Employee will be entitled to participate in all benefits plans provided to its executives of like status from time to time in accordance with the applicable plan, policy or practices of the Company.
- e. <u>Vacation</u>. Employee shall be entitled to four (4) weeks of paid vacation each year of the Employment Term, pro-rated for partial calendar years of employment, subject to the Company's usual vacation policy for full-time employees that may be in effect from time to time.
- f. Long Term Incentive Benefits. Employee shall be eligible to participate in any long-term incentive ("LTI") program established by the Board or Compensation Committee in their sole discretion. The terms of any such LTI and specifically those for which Employee shall be eligible, shall be determined at such time, and upon such terms, as the Board or the Compensation Committee may from time to time determine. Employee shall be eligible to receive LTI grants for a year only to the extent he continues to be employed by the Company until and as of the day such LTI is granted.
- g. <u>Tax Withholdings</u>. The salary, bonus and any benefits payable to Employee under this Agreement shall be subject to all applicable deductions and withholdings required by federal, state, and local law.
- h. Indemnification. The Company shall (the "Indemnification Provisions") (i) indemnify Employee, as a director or officer of the Company or a trustee or fiduciary of an employee benefit plan of the Company against all liabilities and reasonable expenses that Employee may incur in any threatened, pending, or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal or administrative, or investigative and whether formal or informal, or whether alleging negligence or strict liability, because Employee is or was a director or officer of the Company (or the Trust) or a trustee or fiduciary of such employee benefit plan, other than any such liabilities or expenses directly resulting from Employee's gross negligence, misconduct or fraudulent or criminal acts, and (ii) pay for or reimburse promptly the reasonable expenses incurred by Employee in the defense of any proceeding to which Employee is a party because Employee is or was a director or officer of the Company (or the Trust) or a trustee or fiduciary of such employee benefit plan and for which Employee is entitled to indemnification under clause (i), subject to such written documentation, itemization and substantiation as the Board may reasonably request, provided such does not destroy attorney-client privilege or work to impair Employee's defense. The rights of Employee under the Indemnification Provisions shall survive the termination of Employee's employment with the Company for a period of six years. Additionally, to the extent that the Company maintains a directors' and officers' liability insurance policy (or policies), or an errors and omissions liability insurance policy (or policies), covering individuals who are current or former officers or directors of the Company (or the Trust), Employee shall be entitled to coverage under such policies on the same terms and conditions (including, without limitation, with respect to scope, exclusions, amounts and deductibles) as are provided to other senior executives of the Company, while Employee is employed wi

### Termination.

a. Resignation. Employee may terminate the Employment Term and his employment with the Company for no reason (i.e., without Good Reason) by providing the Company with at least four weeks' notice in writing (the "Resignation Notice Period"). Employee shall continue to work for the Company during the Resignation Notice Period unless the Company waives this obligation, in which case the Company will pay Employee any accrued and unpaid wages and vacation pay, less permitted statutory deductions and withholdings to the end of the Resignation Notice Period. Except as otherwise provided in the preceding sentence, Employee shall receive only the following from the Company in connection with Employee's resignation without Good Reason during the Employment Term: (i) any unpaid Base Salary accrued through the termination date, (ii) a lump sum payment for any accrued but unused vacation pay, (iii) rights to elect continuation coverage under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 ("COBRA") at Employee's sole expense, and (iv) a lump sum payment for any previously unreimbursed business expenses incurred by Employee on behalf of the Company during the Employment Term (collectively, such (i) through (iv), plus payment through the Resignation Notice Period if the Company waives the employment condition per the above, being the "Accrued Rights"), less permitted statutory deductions and withholdings. The Accrued Rights described in clauses (i) and (ii) shall be paid within fifteen (15) days after the date of termination (or such earlier date as may be required by applicable law).

- b. <u>Termination for Cause</u>. Except as specifically set forth in this Agreement, the Company may terminate the Employment Term and Employee's employment with the Company at any time for Cause. Upon termination of employment for Cause during the Employment Term, Employee shall receive only the Accrued Rights, less permitted statutory deductions and withholdings. "Cause" for these purposes shall mean any of the following:
- 1. Employee's willful refusal to follow the lawful directions of the Board which directions are consistent with normal business practice and not inconsistent with this Agreement;
- 2. Employee's indictment or conviction of, or plea of nolo contendere to, (i) any felony or (ii) another crime involving dishonesty or moral turpitude, or Employee's engagement in any embezzlement, financial misappropriation or fraud, related to his employment with the Company (or the Trust);
- 3. Employee's engagement in any willful misconduct or gross negligence or willful act of dishonesty, including any violation of federal securities laws, or violence or threat of violence, which is materially injurious to the Company (or the Trust) or any of its subsidiaries or controlled affiliates;
- 4. Employee's repeated abuse of alcohol or drugs (legal or illegal) that, in the Board's reasonable judgment, materially impairs his ability to perform his duties hereunder; or
- 5. Employee's willful and knowing breach or violation of any material provision of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the confidentiality, non-solicitation and non-competition provisions set forth herein.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5(b), no event or condition described in Sections 5(b)(1), (3), (4) or (5) shall constitute Cause unless (y) within ninety (90) days from the Board first acquiring actual knowledge of the existence of the Cause condition, the Board provides Employee written notice of its intention to terminate Employee's employment for Cause and the specific factual grounds and rationale for such termination; and (z) the Board, by a majority vote of its directors, terminates Employee's employment with the Company within twenty (20) days of the written notice being provided to Employee in (y), above. For purposes of this Section 5(b), any attempt by Employee to correct a stated Cause condition shall not be deemed an admission by Employee that the Board's assertion of Cause is valid.

c. <u>Termination without Cause or by Employee for Good Reason</u>. The Company may terminate Employee's employment at any time without Cause upon thirty (30) days advance notice and Employee may terminate Employee's employment for Good Reason, in accordance with the procedural requirements set forth below.

If, during the Employeent Term, Employee's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause or by Employee for Good Reason, the Company shall provide Employee with:

- i. the Accrued Rights;
- ii. any earned (as determined uniformly with respect to other recipients of similar cash bonuses) Cash Bonus for the prior calendar year that had not yet been paid as of Employee's employment termination;
- iii. to the extent Employee terminates after the first quarter of any calendar year, a pro rata portion of the actual Cash Bonus for the year in which termination occurs, with such amount to be determined and payable similarly with respect to the relevant year's Cash Bonus being determined and paid to all other eligible employees of the Company (but no later than March 15 of the year following the year of termination);
  - iv. LTI benefits shall be payable to the extent provided for in the underlying LTI plan document and award agreements; and
  - v. Severance Pay pursuant to, and subject to the requirements of, Section 6 or 7 below, as applicable.

For purposes of this Agreement, "Good Reason" shall mean any of the events listed in the following subparagraphs (1), (2), (3), (4) and (5), provided the additional notice and procedural requirements set forth below are satisfied:

- 1. a 10% or more diminution in Employee's Base Salary as in effect on the last day of the immediately preceding calendar year or a 30% or greater reduction in the amount of Employee's target Cash Bonus as compared to the Cash Bonus amount for the preceding year;
- 2. a material diminution in Employee's title, or the nature or scope of Employee's authority, duties, or responsibilities from those applicable to him on the Effective Date;

- 3. the Company requiring Employee to be based at any office or location that is more than 25 miles from Employee's principal place of employment as of the Effective Date (which the parties hereto stipulate and agree shall be Dallas, Texas);
- 4. a material breach by the Company of any material term or provision of this Agreement, which shall include a failure by any acquiring entity or successor to the Company in a Change in Control (as defined below) to assume this Agreement in its entirety as of consummation of such Change in Control; or
- 5. a failure by the Company (or the Trust) to maintain a directors' and officers' liability insurance policy (or policies), or an errors and omissions liability insurance policy (or policies), covering Employee.

In order for one of the events set forth in (1), (2), (3), (4) or (5) to constitute a Good Reason, (x) Employee must notify the Board in writing of such fact and the reasons therefore no later than 90 days after Employee knows or should have known that the relevant event has occurred, (y) such grounds for termination (if susceptible to correction) are not corrected by the Board within thirty (30) days after Employee's notice (or, in the event that such grounds cannot be corrected with thirty (30) days, the Board has not taken all reasonable steps within such thirty-day (30) period to correct such grounds as promptly as practicable thereafter); and (z) Employee terminates Employee's employment with the Company within thirty (30) days following expiration of such thirty-day (30) cure period. Failure to satisfy the requirements of this paragraph will result in there not being a termination for Good Reason for purposes of this Agreement.

- d. <u>Termination Due to Death or Disability</u>. The Employment Term and Employee's employment will automatically terminate upon Employee's death or Disability. In the event of such termination during the Employment Term, the Company shall pay Employee (or, in the event of Employee's death, Employee's estate or designated nominee) the amounts due and at the time pursuant to subparagraphs (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) of Section 5(c) and shall have no further obligations to Employee or any other person thereafter. For purposes of this Agreement, "Disability" shall mean Employee's inability, as a result of Employee's incapacity due to physical or mental illness, to perform the essential functions of his position hereunder for a period of 180 consecutive days, or for a total of 180 days (whether or not consecutive) in any 365-consecutive-day period, as determined by the Board in its reasonable discretion.
- e. <u>Notice of Termination</u>. Any termination of employment by the Company or Employee during the Employment Term shall be communicated by a written "Notice of Termination" to the other party hereto given in accordance with Section 9(b) of this Agreement. In the event of a termination by the Company for Cause or by Employee for Good Reason, the Notice of Termination shall (i) indicate the specific termination provision in this Agreement relied upon, (ii) set forth in reasonable detail the facts and circumstances claimed to provide a basis for termination of Employee's employment under the provision so indicated, and (iii) with respect to a termination for Cause, specify the date of termination. The failure by Employee or the Company to set forth in the Notice of Termination any fact or circumstance which contributes to a showing of Cause or Good Reason shall not waive any right of Employee or the Company, respectively, hereunder or preclude Employee or the Company, respectively, from asserting such fact or circumstance in enforcing Employee's or the Company's rights hereunder.
- f. Other Obligations. Upon any termination of Employee's employment with the Company, Employee shall automatically be deemed to have resigned from any and all positions as an officer, director or fiduciary of the Company and any subsidiary or affiliate of the Company as of the same date. Employee agrees to take any action reasonably requested by the Company to document such resignation or resignations.

### 6. Severance and Other Benefits.

- a. Subject to Section 5(c), and except as otherwise provided in this Section 6, the Company shall have no obligations to Employee for any period subsequent to the effective date of any termination of the Employment Term and Employee's employment except for the Accrued Rights.
- b. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this Section 6, and except as provided in Section 7 of this Agreement, in the event of (i) a termination of Employee by the Company other than for Cause, or (ii) a voluntary termination by Employee for Good Reason, in either case, during the Employment Term, the Company will pay Employee as follows:
  - the Accrued Rights;
- ii. (A) if such termination occurs during the first fifteen (15) months following the Start Date, an amount equal to two times (2x) the average of Employee's Base Salary and Cash Bonus for the two years preceding the year in which the termination takes effect; and (B) if such termination occurs after the first fifteen (15) months following the Start Date, an amount equal to one times (1x) the average of Employee's Base Salary and Cash Bonus for the one year preceding the year

in which the termination takes effect; provided, however, in the case of clauses (A) and (B), if the Cash Bonus for the year prior to termination has not yet been determined as of the effective date of termination, then such Cash Bonus shall be calculated in accordance with Clauses (A) and (B) but shall include the most recent calendar year for which a Cash Bonus has been determined, if any ("Severance Pay");

- iii. the amounts set forth in Sections 5(c)(ii) through 5(c)(iv); and
- iv. a monthly cash payment equal to the coverage of up to eighteen (18) months of continued group health, dental and/or vision coverage elected by Employee for himself and/or his eligible dependents, pursuant to and subject to the applicable provisions of COBRA Benefits").
- c. Subject to Section 9(i), the Severance Pay payable to Employee under this Agreement upon his "separation from service" (as defined under Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code")) shall be paid to Employee within 60 days following Employee's "separation from service." In addition, Employee shall only be entitled to Severance Pay, the amounts set forth in Sections 5(c)(ii) through (iv), and COBRA Benefits hereunder if Employee signs (and does not rescind, as may be permitted by law) the Waiver and Release attached hereto as Exhibit A, as may be updated to reflect changes in law; however, if the periods to consider or revoke the release straddle two (2) taxable years of Employee, then the Company shall pay the foregoing amounts in the second of such taxable years, regardless of the taxable year in which Employee actually delivers the executed release of claims.
- 7. <u>Termination Related to a Change in Control</u>. If Employee's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause, or by Employee for Good Reason or upon the failure of the Company to renew the Employment Term, in either case within 24 months after a Change in Control (as defined below) that occurs during the Employment Term, then:
- a. Subject to Sections 6(c) and 7(c) and Employee's execution and non-revocation of the Waiver and Release attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, Employee shall receive the following amounts and benefits, which shall be in lieu of the amounts set forth in Section 6 hereof:
  - the Accrued Rights;
  - ii. the amounts set forth in Sections 5(c)(ii) through (iv);
- iii. Severance Pay, payable within 60 days following Employee's "separation from service," in an amount equal to 2.99 times the greater of (A) the average of Employee's total Base Salary and Cash Bonus for the two years preceding the year of the Change in Control, or (B) Employee's Base Salary and target Cash Bonus for the year in which the Change in Control occurs, subject to reduction in accordance with Section 7(c); provided, however, in the case of clause (A), if the Cash Bonus for the year prior to the Change in Control has not yet been determined as of the effective date of termination, then such Cash Bonus shall be calculated in accordance with clause (A) but shall include the most recent calendar year for which a Cash Bonus has been determined; and
  - iv. the COBRA Benefits.
  - b. For purposes of this Agreement, a "Change in Control" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following events:
- i. any "person" (as such term is used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the **Exchange Act**")), other than (x) a trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Company or any affiliate, or (y) any corporation owned, directly or indirectly, by shareholders of the Company in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of the Company's common stock, becomes the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rule 13d-3 of the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company representing 30% or more of the total voting power represented by the Company's then outstanding voting securities;
  - ii. the sale or disposition by the Company of all or substantially all of the Company's assets;
  - iii. the Incumbent Directors (as defined below) cease to constitute a majority of the Board; or
- iv. a merger or consolidation of the Company with any other corporation, other than a merger or consolidation which would result in the voting securities of the Company outstanding immediately prior thereto continuing to represent (either by remaining outstanding or by being converted into voting securities of the surviving entity or its parent) at least fifty percent (50%) of the total voting power represented by the voting securities of the Company or such surviving entity or its parent outstanding immediately after such merger or consolidation.

For purposes of this Agreement, "**Incumbent Directors**" means the directors of the Board on the Effective Date, and each other director if, in each case, such other director's appointment, or nomination for election, to the Board is recommended by a vote of at least a majority of the then Incumbent Directors.

- c. Section 280G. If any of the payments or benefits received or to be received by Employee (including, without limitation, any payment or benefits received in connection with a Change in Control or Employee's termination of employment, whether pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or any other plan, arrangement or agreement, or otherwise) (all such payments collectively referred to herein as the "280G Payments") constitute "parachute payments" within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code and would be subject to the excise tax imposed under Section 4999 of the Code (the "Excise Tax"), then Employee shall receive either (y) the 280G Payments as reduced to the minimum extent necessary to ensure that no portion of the 280G Payments is subject to the Excise Tax or (z) the 280G Payments, whichever of the foregoing (y) or (z) that provides Employee with the greater after-tax benefit. Any reduction made pursuant to this Section 7(c) will be made in a manner determined by the Company that is consistent with the requirements of Section 409A. The reduction of payments and benefits hereunder, if applicable, shall be made by reducing, first, payments or benefits to be paid in cash hereunder in the order in which such payment or benefit would be paid or provided (beginning with such payment or benefit that would be made last in time and continuing, to the extent necessary, through to such payment or benefit that would be made first in time) and, then, reducing any benefit to be provided in-kind hereunder in a similar order.
- d. All calculations and determinations under this Section 7 will be made by an independent accounting firm or independent tax counsel appointed by the Company ("Tax Counsel") whose determinations shall be conclusive and binding on the Company and Employee for all purposes. For purposes of making the calculations and determinations required by this Section 7, Tax Counsel may rely on reasonable, good faith assumptions and approximations concerning the application of Section 280G and Section 4999 of the Code including, but not limited to, the value of Employee's obligations under Sections 8(d) and (e) of this Agreement and reasonable compensation for services performed by Employee to the Company (or any successor thereto) in the future. In order to assess whether payments under this Agreement or otherwise qualify as reasonable compensation that is exempt from being a parachute payment under Section 280G of the Code, the Company and, with the Company's written consent, the Tax Counsel may, but shall not be required to, retain the services of an independent valuation expert. The Company and Employee shall furnish the Tax Counsel with such information and documents as Tax Counsel may reasonably request in order to make its determinations under this Section 7, and the costs of such determination shall be borne equally by the Company and Employee.

### 8. Confidential Information; Non-Solicitation; Enforceability.

- a. Employee shall not at any time, whether before or after the termination of the Employment Term and Employee's employment with the Company, divulge, furnish or make accessible to anyone (other than in the ordinary course of the business of the Company) any nonpublic knowledge or information with respect to confidential or secret designs, processes, formulae, plans, devices, material, intellectual property, contracts, financials, or research or development work of the Company (or the Trust), or with respect to any other confidential or secret aspect of the business of the Company (or the Trust), all of which, together with the property described in the following paragraph, is referred to herein as "Confidential Information." For purposes of clarification, Confidential Information does not include any knowledge or information that is or was publicly disclosed by the Company (or the Trust).
- b. Upon termination of the relationship, or at any time earlier at the request of the Company, Employee shall immediately deliver to the Company, and will not keep in his possession, recreate or deliver to anyone else, all property and materials belonging to the Company or clients of the Company, including without limitation, documents, software, records, data, photographs, notes and correspondence and copies or reproductions, computers, telephones, badges, business cards, handbooks, policy manuals, software and hardware manuals and directories. If Employee makes an unauthorized disclosure of any Confidential Information, Employee will notify the Company as soon as the Employee himself becomes aware or should have become aware of its occurrence and use reasonable efforts to retrieve the lost or improperly disclosed Confidential Information.
- c. During his employment, except as noted in the Offer Letter (as defined below), Employee shall devote substantially all of Employee's business time to the performance of the services and duties as may be delegated by the Company. Employee shall not, directly or indirectly, engage or become interested in (as owner, stockholder, partner, or otherwise) the operation of any business in competition (direct or indirect) with the Company within the Restricted Territory (as defined below). This Paragraph 8(c) shall not apply to Employee's ownership of less than 5% of the stock of a corporation whose stock is traded on a nationally recognized stock exchange.
  - For purposes of this Agreement, "Restricted Territory" means the following Counties in the State of Texas: Reeves, Loving, Culberson, Midland, Upton, Glasscock and Ector.

- For purposes of this Agreement, "Restricted Activity" means, either directly or indirectly, owning, managing, engaging in, operating, controlling, working for, consulting with, rendering services to, doing business with, sharing Confidential Information with, utilizing Confidential Information for the benefit of, solicitation of the Company's customers or other protected business relationships for purposes of seeking to induce such customers to alter or end their relationship with the Company, maintaining any interest in (proprietary, financial or otherwise) or participating in the ownership, management, operations or control of, any business, in whatever form (including, without limitation, proprietorship, partnership or corporate), which competes with any significant business of the Company in existence as of the date of this Agreement or from time to time (a "Competing Business").
- As used herein, "competes with" means engaging in land management, water business, or another line of business that the Company developed or was engaged in during the Employment Term, for any person or entity other than for the Company, which is the same as or similar to or is in competition with, or has a use allied to, or may be substituted for or supplied by, any product, program, process, system or service of the Company, whether in existence or under development during Employee's employment with the Company, or about which Employee acquired Confidential Information during his employment with the Company. During the Employment Term (and except on behalf of the Company), and for a period of twelve (12) months from and after the cessation of Employee's employment with the Company, for whatever reason, Employee agrees that he will not directly or indirectly call upon any of the clients, suppliers or business partners to whom the Company provided services, or with whom the Company dealt, in the twenty-four (24) months prior to the cessation of Employee's employment, and with whom Employee had contact or about whom Employee obtained Confidential Information during his employment with the Company for the purpose of inducing said customer, supplier or business partner to alter or end its relationship with the Company or to do business with a Competing Business or person or entity that is preparing to establish a Competing Business; provided, however, that the foregoing shall only apply with respect to the Restricted Activities within the Restricted Territory. For the same time period, Employee also agrees that he will not directly or indirectly solicit or attempt to solicit any employee, agent, vendor or independent contractor of the Company to alter or terminate his/her/its employment or other relationship with the Company or breach any agreement with or obligation owed to the Company.
- d. Employee recognizes that the foregoing covenants are a prime consideration for the Company to enter into this Agreement and that the Company's remedies at law for damages in the event of any breach shall be inadequate. In the event that Employee commits any breach of the covenants and agreements set forth above, Employee acknowledges that the Company would suffer substantial and irreparable harm, and that such harm to the Company may be impossible to measure in monetary damages. Accordingly, Employee hereby agrees that in such event, the Company may be entitled to temporary and/or permanent injunctive relief to enforce the provisions of this Agreement and prevent a breach or contemplated breach, all without prejudice to any and all other remedies that the Company may have at law or in equity and that the Company may elect or invoke.
- e. In the event that Employee violates any provision of this Section 8, in addition to any injunctive relief and damages, to which Employee acknowledges Company would be entitled, all severance payments to Employee, if any, shall cease, and those already made will be forfeited.
  - f. The provisions of this Section 8 shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
- g. Employee understands that nothing contained in this Agreement limits Employee's ability to report possible violations of law or regulation to, or file a charge or complaint with, the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the National Labor Relations Board, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, the Department of Justice, the Congress, any Inspector General, or any other federal, state or local governmental agency or commission ("Government Agencies"). Employee further understands that this Agreement does not limit Employee's ability to communicate with any Government Agencies or otherwise participate in any investigation or proceeding that may be conducted by any Government Agency, including providing documents or other information, without notice to the Company. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit Employee's ability under applicable U.S. Federal law to (i) disclose in confidence trade secrets to federal, state, and local government officials, or to an attorney, for the sole purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law or (ii) disclose trade secrets in a document filed in a lawsuit or other proceeding, but only if the filing is made under seal and protected from public disclosure.

# 9. **General Provisions**.

a. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. Except with respect to the provisions related to the potential repayment of the signing bonus (the "Signing Bonus") contained in that certain Offer Letter dated June 29, 2020 (the "Offer Letter"), by and between

the Trust and Employee, this Agreement and the Exhibits attached hereto contain the entire understanding between the parties hereto and supersede any prior understandings regarding the employment of Employee. The Signing Bonus shall not be considered a Cash Bonus for purposes of this Agreement.

- b. Notices. Any notice required to be given by the Company hereunder to Employee shall be in proper form if signed by a director of the Board giving notice. Until one party shall advise the other in writing to the contrary, notices shall be deemed delivered:
  - to the Company if delivered to each of the directors of the Board in person, by email, or, if mailed, by certified, registered or overnight mail, postage prepaid to:

Texas Pacific Land Corporation 1700 Pacific Avenue, Suite 2900 Dallas, Texas 75201 Attn: Chair of the Board of Directors

• to Employee if delivered to Employee in person, by email or, if mailed, by certified, registered or overnight mail, postage prepaid to:

Micheal W. Dobbs Last known address on file with the Company

- c. <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of each of the Company and its successors, assigns and legal representatives, and shall be binding upon Employee and Employee's heirs and legal representatives. This Agreement may be assigned by the Company to any successor entity to the Company by operation of law or otherwise; provided, however, that this Agreement must be assumed in its entirety by any acquiring entity or successor entity to the Company as of consummation of a Change in Control transaction of the Company or otherwise such failure shall be considered a material breach of this Agreement for purposes of Section 5(c). This Agreement and Employee's obligations hereunder shall not be subject to assignment or delegation by Employee in any form without the prior consent of the Company.
- d. Amendment. This Agreement may not be modified or amended except by an agreement in writing signed by the parties hereto and approved in writing by the Board.
- e. Waiver. No term or condition of this Agreement shall be deemed to have been waived, nor shall there be any estoppel against the enforcement of any provision of this Agreement, except by written instrument of the party charged with such waiver or estoppel. No such written waiver shall be deemed a continuing waiver unless specifically stated therein, and each such waiver shall operate only as to the specific term or condition waived and shall not constitute a waiver of such term or condition for the future or as to any act other than that specifically waived.
- f. <u>Severability</u>. In the event that any provision or any portion of any provision hereof becomes or is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction or arbitrator to be illegal, unenforceable, or void, this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect without said provision or portion of provision.
- g. <u>Headings</u>. The headings of sections herein are included solely for convenience of reference and shall not control the meaning or interpretation of any of the provisions of this Agreement.
- h. Governing Law, Arbitration and Venue. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas, without regard to choice-of-law principles. The parties consent to personal and exclusive jurisdiction and venue Dallas County in the State of Texas. Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to (i) Employee's employment with the Company and/or (ii) this Agreement, or the breach therefore, shall be settled by arbitration administered by the American Arbitration Association in accordance with its Employment Arbitration Rules before one arbitrator in Dallas, Texas, and judgment on the award rendered by such arbitrator may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. The decision arrived at by the arbitrator shall be binding upon all parties to the arbitration and no appeal shall lie therefrom, except as provided by the Federal Arbitration Act. These arbitration procedures are intended to be the exclusive method of resolving any claim or dispute arising out of or related to this Agreement, including the applicability of this Section 9(h); provided, however, that either party seeking injunctive relief in connection with a breach or anticipated breach of this Agreement will be authorized to do so in a state or federal court of competent jurisdiction within Dallas County in the State of Texas.

If there is any arbitration, action, or proceeding pursuant to Section 9(h) of this Agreement or otherwise, alleging a breach of this Agreement, then the prevailing party in any such arbitration, action, or proceeding, shall be entitled to recover from the non-prevailing party, in addition to any other relief awarded, its reasonable and necessary attorneys' fees, costs, and

expenses incurred in such arbitration, action, or proceeding. If there is no prevailing party, each party will pay its own attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses. Whether a prevailing party exists shall be determined solely by the arbitrator on a claim-by-claim basis, and such arbitrator, in his or her sole discretion, shall determine the amount of reasonable and necessary attorneys' fees, costs, and/or expenses, if any, for which a party is entitled.

- i. Section 409A. This Agreement is intended to either be exempt from, or in compliance with, Section 409A of the Code. To that end this Agreement shall at all times be interpreted in a manner that is consistent with Section 409A of the Code. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Agreement to the contrary, the Company shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to adopt such amendments to this Agreement or take such other actions (including amendments and actions with retroactive effect) as it determines is necessary or appropriate for this Agreement to comply with Section 409A of the Code or an exemption therefrom. Further:
- i. any reimbursement of any costs and expenses by the Company to Employee under this Agreement shall be made by the Company in no event later than the close of Employee's taxable year following the taxable year in which the cost or expense is incurred by Employee. The expenses incurred by Employee in any calendar year that are eligible for reimbursement under this Agreement shall not affect the expenses incurred by Employee in any other calendar year that are eligible for reimbursement hereunder and Employee's right to receive any reimbursement hereunder shall not be subject to liquidation or exchange for any other benefit.
- ii. any payment following a separation from service that constitutes "nonqualified deferred compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code and which would be subject to Section 409A(a)(2)(A)(i) of the Code as a distribution following a separation from service of a "specified employee" (as defined under Section 409A(a)(2)(B)(i) of the Code) shall be made on the first to occur of (i) ten (10) days after the expiration of the six-month (6) period following such separation from service, (ii) death, or (iii) such earlier date that complies with Section 409A of the Code.
- iii. each payment that Employee may receive under this Agreement (and any right to a series of installment payments) shall be treated as a "separate payment" for purposes of Section 409A of the Code.
- iv. a termination of employment shall not be deemed to have occurred for purposes of any provision of this Agreement providing for the payment of any amounts or benefits that constitute "nonqualified deferred compensation" (within the meaning of, and subject to, Section 409A of the Code) upon or following a termination of employment unless such termination is also a "separation from service" within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code and, for purposes of any such provision of this Agreement, references to a "termination," "termination," "termination of employment," or like terms shall mean "separation from service."
- j. <u>Survival</u>. This Agreement shall terminate upon the termination of employment of Employee; provided, however, that provisions of this Agreement shall survive to the extent expressly provided for in a specific provision and also as necessary to give effect to the intent of the parties, including, but not limited to, the provisions for post-termination payments in Sections 5, 6, and 7 of this Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, and intending to be legally bound, the Company has caused this Agreement to be executed by a duly authorized officer of the Company, and Employee has signed this Agreement, all as of the Effective Date first written above.

Ву:	EMPLOYEE: /s/ Micheal W. Dobbs	By:	TEXAS PACIFIC LAND CORPORATION: /s/ Robert J. Packer	
	Micheal W. Dobbs		Robert J. Packer	
			Chief Financial Officer	
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### **EXHIBIT A**

# TEXAS PACIFIC LAND CORPORATION WAIVER AND RELEASE

THIS WAIVER AND RELEASE AGREEMENT (this "Waiver and Release") is made and entered into by and between Texas Pacific Land Corporation (the "Company") and Micheal W. Dobbs ("Employee"), each referred to collectively as the "Parties," and individually as "Party."

WHEREAS, the Company and Employee entered into that certain Employment Agreement dated December 28, 2020 (the Employment Agreement');

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Employment Agreement, in consideration of the right to receive the severance benefits set forth in Sections 5, 6 and 7 of the Employment Agreement (the "Severance Benefits"), Employee must sign, return and not revoke this Waiver and Release;

WHEREAS, the Company has executed and delivered this Waiver and Release to Employee for Employee's review and consideration as of \_\_\_\_\_\_ the ("Delivery Date");

WHEREAS, Employee acknowledges that, by virtue of Employee's age, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act ("ADEA") (29 U.S.C. §§ 621 et seq.) may provide Employee with certain rights this Waiver and Release will extinguish. Employee is advised to consult with an attorney about these rights before signing this Waiver and Release: and

WHEREAS, Employee and the Company each desire to settle all matters related to Employee's employment by the Company.

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual covenants and agreements contained in the Employment Agreement and in this Waiver and Release, and for other good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency and receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Termination of Employment</u>. The Parties agree that Employee's employment relationship with the Company, including all other offices and positions Employee has with the Company and all of its subsidiaries, affiliates, joint ventures, partnerships or any other business enterprises, as well as any office or position as a fiduciary or with any trade group or other industry organization which he holds on behalf of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, shall be automatically terminated effective at \_\_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Termination Date").
- 2. <u>Release of Company.</u> In consideration for the right to receive the Severance Benefits in accordance with the terms of the Employment Agreement and the mutual promises contained in the Employment Agreement and in this Waiver and Release, Employee (on behalf of Employee, Employee's heirs, administrators, representatives, executors, successors and assigns) hereby releases, waives, acquits and forever discharges the Company, its predecessors, successors, parents, shareholders, subsidiaries, assigns, agents, current and former directors, officers, employees, partners, representatives, and attorneys, affiliated companies, and all persons acting by, through, under or in concert with the Company (collectively, the "Released Parties"), from any and all demands, rights, disputes, debts, liabilities, obligations, liens, promises, acts, agreements, charges, complaints, claims, controversies, and causes of action of any nature whatsoever, whether statutory, civil, or administrative, Employee now has or may have against any of the Released Parties, arising at any time on or before the execution of this Waiver and Release, in connection with Employee's employment by the Company or the termination thereof.

This release specifically includes, but is not limited to, any claims of discrimination, harassment, or retaliation of any kind, breach of contract or any implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing, tortious interference with a contract, intentional or negligent infliction of emotional distress, breach of privacy, misrepresentation, defamation, wrongful termination, or breach of fiduciary duty; provided, however, the foregoing release shall not release the Company from the performance of its obligations under this Waiver and Release.

Additionally, this release specifically includes, but is not limited to, any claim or cause of action arising under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; the Civil Rights Act of 1991; the Americans With Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 1981; Texas Commission on Human Rights Act; Texas Labor Code §§ 21.001 et seq.; Texas Labor Code §§ 451.001 et seq.; the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967; the Employment Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, 29 U.S.C. §§ 1001 et seq.; the Family and Medical Leave Act; the Fair Labor Standards Act; the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act; the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; or any other federal, state or local statute or common law cause of action of similar effect regarding employment related causes of action of employees against their employer.

Employee hereby waives and releases Employee's ability or right to participate in any class or collective action against any of the Released Parties in any forum, either as a class representative, party plaintiff, or absent class member, asserting any claims referenced herein. This Waiver and Release includes, but is not limited to, claims arising under the Fair Labor Standards Act ("FLSA") and any state wage payment law that a court may find to have not otherwise been waived under this Waiver and Release. In such a case, to the extent the claim was not otherwise waived or released, Employee may assert a claim against any of the Released Parties on Employee's own behalf, but Employee may not do so within or otherwise participate in a class or collective action against the Company or any of the Released Parties.

3. <u>Waiver of Certain Claims, Rights or Benefits.</u> Without in any way limiting the generality of Section 2 of this Waiver and Release, by executing this Waiver and Release and accepting the Severance Benefits, Employee specifically agrees to release all claims, rights, or benefits Employee may have for age discrimination arising out of or under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, 29 U.S.C. § 621, et seq., as currently amended, or any equivalent or comparable provision of state or local law, including, but not limited to, the Texas Commission on Human Rights Act.

### 4. Acknowledgements and Obligations of Employee.

- a. Employee represents and acknowledges that in executing this Waiver and Release, Employee does not rely and has not relied upon any representation or statement made by the Company, or its agents, representatives, or attorneys regarding the subject matter, basis or effect of this Waiver and Release or otherwise, and that Employee has engaged or had the opportunity to engage an attorney of Employee's choosing in the negotiation and execution of this Waiver and Release. Employee acknowledges Employee has the right to consult with counsel of Employee's choosing with regard to the review of this Waiver and Release.
- b. EMPLOYEE UNDERSTANDS THAT BY SIGNING AND NOT REVOKING THIS WAIVER AND RELEASE, EMPLOYEE IS WAIVING ANY AND ALL RIGHTS OR CLAIMS WHICH EMPLOYEE MAY HAVE UNDER THE AGE DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT ACT FOR AGE DISCRIMINATION ARISING FROM EMPLOYMENT WITH THE COMPANY, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE RIGHT TO SUE THE COMPANY IN FEDERAL OR STATE COURT FOR AGE DISCRIMINATION. EMPLOYEE FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGES EMPLOYEE (i) DOES NOT WAIVE ANY CLAIMS OR RIGHTS THAT MAY ARISE AFTER THE DATE EMPLOYEE EXECUTES THIS WAIVER AND RELEASE; (ii) WAIVES CLAIMS OR RIGHTS ONLY IN EXCHANGE FOR CONSIDERATION IN ADDITION TO ANYTHING OF VALUE TO WHICH EMPLOYEE IS ALREADY ENTITLED; (iii) HAS BEEN ADVISED TO CONSULT WITH AN ATTORNEY PRIOR TO EXECUTING THIS AGREEMENT AND (iv) AGREES THAT EMPLOYEE HAS ENTERED INTO THIS WAIVER AND RELEASE KNOWINGLY AND VOLUNTARILY. EMPLOYEE UNDERSTANDS THAT BY SIGNING AND NOT REVOKING THIS WAIVER AND RELEASE, EMPLOYEE IS WAIVING ANY AND ALL RIGHTS OR CLAIMS WHICH EMPLOYEE MAY HAVE UNDERSTANDS THAT BY SIGNING AND NOT REVOKING THIS WAIVER AND RELEASE, EMPLOYEE IS WAIVING ANY AND ALL RIGHTS OR CLAIMS WHICH EMPLOYEE MAY HAVE UNDERSTANDS, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE RIGHT TO SUE THE COMPANY IN FEDERAL OR STATE COURT FOR AGE DISCRIMINATION. EMPLOYEE FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGES EMPLOYEE (i) DOES NOT WAIVE ANY CLAIMS OR RIGHTS THAT MAY ARISE AFTER THE DATE EMPLOYEE EXECUTES THIS WAIVER AND RELEASE; (ii) WAIVES CLAIMS OR RIGHTS ONLY IN EXCHANGE FOR CONSIDERATION IN ADDITION TO ANYTHING OF VALUE TO WHICH EMPLOYEE IS ALREADY ENTITLED; (iii) HAS BEEN ADVISED TO CONSULT WITH AN ATTORNEY PRIOR TO EXECUTING THIS AGREEMENT AND (iv) AGREES THAT EMPLOYEE HAS ENTERED INTO THIS WAIVER AND RELEASE KNOWINGLY AND VOLUNTARILY.
- c. Except with respect to Severance Benefits owed to Employee, Employee acknowledges that Employee has been fully compensated for all labor and services performed for the Company and has been reimbursed for all business expenses incurred on behalf of the Company through the Termination Date, and the Company does not owe Employee any expense reimbursement amounts, or wages, including vacation pay or paid time-off benefits.
- d. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Waiver and Release to the contrary, this Waiver and Release does not waive, release, or discharge: (i) any right to file an administrative charge or complaint with, or testify, assist, or participate in an investigation, hearing, or proceeding conducted by, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the Texas Workforce Commission, or other similar federal or state administrative agencies, although Employee waives any right to monetary relief related to any filed charge or administrative complaint; (ii) claims that cannot be waived by law, such as claims for unemployment benefit rights and workers' compensation; (iii) claims for indemnity under any indemnification agreement with the Company or under its organizational documents, as provided by applicable state law or under any applicable insurance policy with respect to Employee's liability as an employee, director or officer of the Company or its affiliates; (iv) any right to file an unfair labor practice charge under the National Labor Relations Act; (v) any rights to vested benefits, such as pension or retirement benefits, the rights to which are governed by the terms of the applicable plan documents and award agreements; (vi)

any right to receive an award or monetary recovery pursuant to the Securities and Exchange Commission's whistleblower program; (vii) Employee's ability to challenge the validity of this Waiver and Release under the ADEA and the Older Workers Benefit Protection Act of 1990 (29 U.S.C. §§ 621 et seq.); (viii) the Company's obligations to provide payments or benefits under the Employment Agreement; or (ix) to any rights as an equityholder of the Company.

- e. Employee acknowledges and agrees the Employment Agreement, including, but not limited to, Sections 8(a), 8(d), and 8(e) thereof, sets forth certain obligations of Employee which remain in effect following the Termination Date, and except as expressly set forth herein, nothing in this Waiver and Release shall modify such ongoing obligations, the continued performance of which by Employee are a condition of the Company's obligations hereunder.
- f. Employee represents and warrants Employee has returned to the Company, by no later than the date Employee executes this Waiver and Release, all Company property and confidential information, including, without limitation, all expense reports, notes, memoranda, records, documents, employment manuals, credit cards, keys, pass keys, computers, electronic media (including flash drives), office equipment and sales records and data, together with any and all other information or property, no matter how produced, reproduced or maintained, kept by Employee in his possession and pertaining to the business of the Company.
- g. Employee represents and warrants that, with respect to the Company's equity securities, any and all transactions reportable under Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, that occurred on or prior to the Termination Date have been timely and properly reported by Employee to the Company in accordance with the Company's policies and procedures.
- h. Employee acknowledges that neither the Company nor anyone on its behalf has made any representations, warranties, or promises of any kind regarding the tax consequences of the payment of proceeds referenced herein. Except for amounts withheld by the Company, Employee understands and agrees that Employee will be responsible for paying any taxes, interest, penalties, or other amounts due on the payments. Employee further agrees to indemnify the Company for, and hold it harmless from, any additional taxes, interest, penalties, or other amounts for which the Company may later be held liable as a result of any failure by Employee to comply with Employee's obligations under this Section 9(h), including costs and attorneys' fees reasonably incurred by the Company in recovering such amounts from Employee.
- i. Employee represents that Employee has not filed any complaints, claims, or actions against the Company with any state, federal, or local agency or court, or that if Employee has, Employee agrees to withdraw and dismiss with prejudice (or cause to be withdrawn and dismissed with prejudice) any complaint, claim, action, or charge filed with any state, federal, or local agency or court. Employee further agrees that no other person or entity may bring any claim on Employee's behalf falling within the terms of this Waiver and Release and that, should any such claim be brought on Employee's behalf, Employee will cooperate with the Company and/or any other released party that may be affected and its or their attorneys, in seeking a prompt dismissal of that claim. Employee acknowledges and affirmatively states Employee knows of no facts which may lead to or support any complaints, claims, actions, or charges against the Company in or through any state, federal, or local agency or court.
- j. Employee agrees the Released Parties are not obligated, now or in the future, to offer employment to Employee or to accept services or the performance of work from Employee directly or indirectly. Employee agrees not to seek or accept any employment, independent contractor, or other relationship with any of the Released Parties. Employee agrees, in the event such employment occurs in the future, this provision shall serve as good and just cause for termination of that employment. Employee knowingly and voluntarily waives all rights, if any, Employee may have under federal and/or state law to re-hire by, or reinstatement of employment with any of the Released Parties.
- k. Employee agrees to reasonably cooperate with the Company and use Employee's best efforts in responding to all reasonable requests by the Company for assistance and advice relating to matters and procedures in which Employee was involved. Employee also covenants to cooperate in defending or prosecuting any claim or other action which arises, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, in which Employee participation is required in the best judgment of the Company by reason of Employee's former employment with the Company. Upon the Company's request, Employee will use Employee's best efforts to attend hearings and trials, to assist in effectuating settlements, and to assist in the procuring of witnesses, producing evidence, and in the defense or prosecution of said claims or other actions. The Company agrees to reimburse the Employee for all reasonable expenses and pay a reasonable mutually agreed upon fee for the time and efforts spent.

### 5. Confidential Information; Non-Solicitation.

a. Employee acknowledges and agrees that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Waiver and Release, he shall continue to be subject to and comply with his obligations under Section 8 of the Employment Agreement

regarding Confidential Information and non-solicitation, which obligations shall be fully enforceable as provided in the Employment Agreement.

- b. Employee agrees not to divulge or release this Waiver and Release or its contents, except to Employee's attorneys, financial advisors, or immediate family, provided they agree to keep this Waiver and Release and its contents confidential, or in response to a valid subpoena or court order. In the event Employee receives a subpoena or court order requiring the release of this Waiver and Release, its contents, or any Confidential Information, Employee will notify [] Attn: [] sufficiently in advance of the date for the disclosure of such information to enable the Company to contest the subpoena or court order, reasonably promptly after the receipt of the subpoena or court order, and Employee agrees to cooperate with the Company in any related proceeding involving the release of this Waiver and Release or its contents or any Confidential Information.
- c. Employee agrees Employee will not make any public statement that would adversely affect the business of the Company or Released Parties in any manner, at any time, even beyond the date after which Employee will receive no further compensation or benefits pursuant to this Waiver and Release. Employee agrees that Employee will not disparage, criticize, or speak negatively about the Released Parties or their decisions or actions, about Released Parties' products, services, or operations, about any of Released Parties' past, present, or future directors, officers, or employees or any of their actions or decisions, or about Released Parties' customers. The Board shall comply, and shall instruct the executive officers and senior officers of the Company to comply, with the foregoing two sentences of this Section 5(c) vis à vis the Employee.
- d. Nothing herein is intended to be or will be construed to prevent, impede, or interfere with Employee's right to respond accurately and fully to any question, inquiry, or request for information regarding the Company or Released Parties or his or her employment with the Company or Released Parties when required by legal process, or from initiating communications directly with, or responding to any inquiry from, or providing truthful testimony and information to, any Federal, State, or other regulatory authority in the course of an investigation or proceeding authorized by law and carried out by such agency, consistent with his continuing obligations under the Employment Agreement. Unless prohibited by applicable law, Employee will notify [Attn: ] sufficiently in advance of the date for the disclosure of such information to enable the Company to contest any such order, communication, question, inquiry or request. Employee shall not disclose to anyone confidential communications and documents that are protected by the Company's or Released Parties' attorney-client privilege or work product protection or any Confidential Information in breach of the Employment Agreement.
- 6. <u>Defend Trade Secrets Act.</u> Employee is hereby notified that under the Defend Trade Secrets Act: (a) no individual will be held criminally or civilly liable under federal or state trade secret law for disclosure of a trade secret (as defined in the Economic Espionage Act) that is made in: (i) confidence to a federal, state, or local government official, either directly or indirectly, or to an attorney, and made solely for the purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law; or (ii) a complaint or other document filed in a lawsuit or other proceeding, if such filing is made under seal so that it is not made public; and (b) an individual who pursues a lawsuit for retaliation by an employer for reporting a suspected violation of the law may disclose the trade secret to the attorney of the individual and use the trade secret information in the court proceeding, if the individual files any document containing the trade secret under seal, and does not disclose the trade secret, except as permitted by court order.
- 7. Time Period for Enforceability/Revocation of Waiver and Release. The Company's obligations under this Waiver and Release are contingent upon Employee executing and delivering this Waiver and Release to the Company, and not revoking Employee's agreement to it. Employee may take up to [twenty-one (21)] [forty-five (45)] days from the Delivery Date (the "Consideration Period") to consider this Waiver and Release before executing it. Employee may execute and deliver this Waiver and Release at any time during the Consideration Period. Any changes made to this Waiver and Release after the Delivery Date will not restart the running of the Consideration Period. Any execution and delivery of this Waiver and Release by Employee after the expiration of the Consideration Period shall be unenforceable, and the Company shall not be bound thereby. Employee shall have seven (7) days after execution of this Waiver and Release to revoke ("Revocation Period") Employee's consent to this Waiver and Release by executing and delivering a written notice of revocation to the Company in accordance with the Notice provision of the Employment Agreement. No such revocation by Employee shall be effective unless it is in writing and signed by Employee and delivered to the Company before the expiration of the Revocation Period. Upon delivery of a notice of revocation to the Company, the obligations of the Parties under this Waiver and Release shall be void and unenforceable, with the exception of Employee's obligation to keep this Waiver and Release confidential under Section 5 of this Waiver and Release.
- 8. <u>Effective Date</u>. This Waiver and Release shall become effective on the eighth (8th) day following the Employee's execution of it, provided that Employee does not timely revoke this Waiver and Release in accordance with the provisions of Section 7 of this Waiver and Release.
- 9. <u>Governing Law, Arbitration & Venue</u>. This Waiver and Release shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas, without regard to choice-of-law principles. The parties consent to personal and exclusive jurisdiction and venue Dallas

County in the State of Texas. Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Waiver and Release, or the breach therefore, shall be settled in accordance with Section 9(h) of the Employment Agreement.

- 10. <u>Injunctive Relief.</u> Notwithstanding any other term of this Waiver and Release, it is expressly agreed that a breach of this Waiver and Release will cause irreparable harm to the Company and that a remedy at law would be inadequate. Therefore, in addition to any and all remedies available at law, the Company will be entitled to injunctive and/or other equitable remedies in the event of any threatened or actual violation of any of the provisions of this Waiver and Release.
- 11. <u>Entire Agreement.</u> The Employment Agreement and this Waiver and Release comprise the entire agreement between the Parties pertaining to the matters encompassed therein and herein, and supersede any other agreement, written or oral, that may exist between them relating to the matters encompassed therein and herein, except that this Waiver and Release does not in any way supersede or alter covenants not to compete, non-disclosure or non-solicitation agreements, or confidentiality agreements that may exist between Employee and the Company, including, but not limited to, covenants contained in the Employment Agreement.
- 12. <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this Waiver and Release is found to be illegal or unenforceable, such finding shall not invalidate the remainder of this Waiver and Release, and that provision shall be deemed to be severed or modified to the minimum extent necessary to equitably adjust the Parties' respective rights and obligations under this Waiver and Release.
- 13. <u>Execution</u>. This Waiver and Release may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original for all purposes. Facsimile or pdf copies of signatures to this Waiver and Release are as valid as original signatures.
- 14. Consideration of Medicare's Interests. Employee affirms, covenants, and warrants that Employee is not a Medicare beneficiary and is not currently receiving, has not received in the past, will not have received at the time of execution of this Waiver and Release or payment hereunder, to the extent applicable, is not entitled to, is not eligible for, and has not applied for or sought Social Security Disability or Medicare benefits. In the event any statement in the preceding sentence is incorrect (for example, but not limited to, if Employee is a Medicare beneficiary, etc.), the following sentences (i.e., the remaining sentences of this paragraph) apply. Employee affirms, covenants, and warrants Employee has made no claim for illness or injury against, nor is Employee aware of any facts supporting any claim against, the Released Parties under which the Released Parties could be liable for medical expenses incurred by Employee before or after the execution of this Waiver and Release. Furthermore, Employee is aware of no medical expenses which Medicare has paid and for which the Released Parties are or could be liable now or in the future. Employee agrees and affirms that, to the best of Employee's knowledge, no liens of any governmental entities, including those for Medicare conditional payments, exist. Employee will indemnify, defend, and hold the Released Parties harmless from Medicare claims, liens, damages, conditional payments, and rights to payment, if any, including attorneys' fees, and Employee further agrees to waive any and all future private causes of action for damages pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1395y(b)(3)(A) et seq.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, and intending to be legally bound, the Company has caused this Agreement to be executed by a duly authorized officer of the Company, and Employee has signed this Agreement, all as of the day and year first written above.

	EMPLOYEE:		TEXAS PACIFIC LAND CORPORATION:
By:		By:	
	Micheal W. Dobbs		Name: Title:

# TEXAS PACIFIC LAND CORPORATION List of Subsidiaries

Texas Pacific Water Resources LLC
TPL Holdings LLC
Texas Eagle Ranches, LLC
Texas Pacific Royalty Acquisitions, LLC
Riverton Holdings, LLC

Texas Pacific Resources LLC

Jurisdiction
Delaware
Texas
Texas
Texas
Texas
Texas
Texas

### CERTIFICATION

### I, Tyler Glover, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020 of Texas Pacific Land Corporation;
- Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: February 25, 2021 By: /s/ Tyler Glover Tyler Glover,

President and Chief Executive Officer

### CERTIFICATION

### I, Robert J. Packer, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020 of Texas Pacific Land Corporation;
- Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material
    information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in
    which this report is being prepared;
  - Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: February 25, 2021 By: /s/ Robert J. Packer

Robert J. Packer, Chief Financial Officer

### CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020 of Texas Pacific Land Corporation (the "Company") as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), Tyler Glover, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certifies, to the best of his knowledge, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to §906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: February 25, 2021 By: /s/ Tyler Glover

Tyler Glover, President and Chief Executive Officer

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020 of Texas Pacific Land Corporation (the "Company") as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), Robert J. Packer, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certifies, to the best of his knowledge, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to §906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: February 25, 2021 By: /s/ Robert J. Packer

Robert J. Packer, Chief Financial Officer