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Form 8-K

January 18, 2005

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 13, 2005

Pioneer Natural Resources Company

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	1-13245	75-2702753
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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

5205 N. O'Connor Blvd., Suite 900, Irving, Texas	75039
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(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

(972) 444-9001

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On January 13, 2005, Pioneer Natural Resources Company (the "Company") issued a news release that is attached hereto as exhibit 99.1. In the news release, the Company provided an update on its Alaska drilling program and announced that (i) it has expanded its existing position in the National Petroleum Reserve - Alaska ("NPR-A") on the North Slope and (ii) it will participate in an NPR-A exploration program during the first quarter of 2005 with co-owners ConocoPhillips and Anadarko Petroleum Corporation.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99.1 News Release dated January 13, 2005.

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S I G N A T U R E

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES COMPANY

Date: January 15, 2005

By: /s/ Darin G. Holderness

Darin G. Holderness
Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. -----	Description -----
99.1(a)	News Release dated January 13, 2005.
----- (a) filed herewith	

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