AMERICAN REAL ESTATE PARTNERS L P Form 8-K May 10, 2005

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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): May 9, 2005

American Real Estate Partners, L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) **Delaware** 1-9516 13-3398766 (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer incorporation) Identification No.) 100 South Bedford Road, Mt. Kisco, NY 10549 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (914) 242-7700 N/A (Former name or former address, if changed since last report) Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions: o Written communication pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

The following information is furnished pursuant to Item 2.02, Results of Operations and Financial Condition and Item 7.01, Regulation FD Disclosure.

On May 9, 2005, American Real Estate Partners, L.P. (AREP) issued a press release setting forth AREP s first-quarter 2005 earnings. A copy of AREP s press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated May 9, 2005

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SIGNATURES

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

AMERICAN REAL ESTATE PARTNERS, L.P. (Registrant)

By: American Property Investors, Inc. General Partner

By:/s/ John P. Saldarelli

John P. Saldarelli Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer

Date: May 9, 2005

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99.1 Press Release dated May 9, 2005.