

RAYONIER INC  
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December 17, 2002  
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**DATE OF REPORT** December 17, 2002

**COMMISSION FILE NUMBER** 1-6780

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**RAYONIER INC.**

Incorporated in the State of North Carolina  
I.R.S. Employer Identification Number 13-2607329

50 North Laura Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32202  
(Principal Executive Office)

Telephone Number: (904) 357-9100

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ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

Incorporated by reference is a press release issued by Rayonier Inc. on December 17, 2002, attached as Exhibit 99.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

See Exhibit Index on Page 3.

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SIGNATURE

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

RAYONIER INC. (Registrant)

By: /s/ HANS E.  
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**Hans E. Vanden  
Noort  
Vice President and  
Corporate Controller**

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EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>EXHIBIT NO.</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
99	Press release entitled, <u>Rayonier Confirms Potential Land Transaction</u> , issued December 17, 2002	Filed herewith