

INVESTORS REAL ESTATE TRUST  
Form 8-K  
September 10, 2012

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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):  
September 10, 2012

INVESTORS REAL ESTATE TRUST  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)  
North Dakota                      0-14851                      45-0311232  
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer  
of incorporation)                      File Number) Identification No.)

1400 31<sup>st</sup> Avenue SW, Suite 60  
Post Office Box 1988  
Minot, ND 58702-1988  
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)  
701-837-4738  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

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ITEM 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition  
and

ITEM 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

An earnings release issued by the Registrant on September 10, 2012, regarding financial and operational results for the three months ended July 31, 2012, is attached as Exhibit 99.1. Also, certain supplemental information not included in the earnings release is attached as Exhibit 99.2. This information is being furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 and Item 2.02 of Form 8-K. This information is not deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is not incorporated by reference into any Securities Act registration statements.

ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Earnings Release issued September 10, 2012, regarding financial and operational results for the three months ended July 31, 2012

99.2 Certain supplemental information not included in the earnings release

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.

INVESTORS REAL ESTATE TRUST

By: /s/ Timothy P. Mihalick  
Timothy P. Mihalick  
President & Chief Executive Officer

Date: September 10, 2012