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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**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 26, 2012**

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**DAWSON GEOPHYSICAL COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**TEXAS**  
(State of incorporation  
or organization)

**001-34404**  
(Commission  
file number)

**75-0970548**  
(I.R.S. employer  
identification number)

**508 W. WALL, SUITE 800  
MIDLAND, TEXAS**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**79701**  
(Zip code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (432) 684-3000**

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

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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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - 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.**

On January 26, 2012, Dawson Geophysical Company (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that it plans to publicly release its financial results for the quarter ended December 31, 2011, the Company's first quarter of fiscal 2012, before the market opens on Wednesday, February 1, 2012. In addition, the Company announced that an investors' conference call to review the first quarter results will be held on Wednesday, February 1, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. Central Time.

A copy of the press release is furnished as an exhibit to this Current Report. In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information set forth herein and in the press release is deemed to be "furnished" and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act").

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**(d) Exhibits**

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information set forth in the attached Exhibit 99.1 is deemed to be "furnished" and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act.

<u>EXHIBIT NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
99.1	— Press release dated January 26, 2012.

**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.

DAWSON GEOPHYSICAL COMPANY

Date: January 26, 2012

By: /s/ Christina W. Hagan

Christina W. Hagan  
Executive Vice President, Secretary and  
Chief Financial Officer

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DESCRIPTION  
Press release dated January 26, 2012.

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**NEWS RELEASE**

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**Dawson Geophysical to Issue First Quarter 2012 Results and  
Hold Investor Conference Call**

MIDLAND, Texas, January 26, 2012/PRNewswire-FirstCall/ — Dawson Geophysical Company (NASDAQ: DWSN—News) announced today that it plans to publicly release financial results for the quarter ended December 31, 2011, the Company's first quarter of fiscal 2012, before the market opens on Wednesday, February 1, 2012. An investor conference call to review the first quarter results will be held on Wednesday, February 1, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. Central Time.

Date: Wednesday, February 1, 2012

Time: 10:00 AM EST  
9:00 AM CST  
8:00 AM MST  
7:00 AM PST

Call: (866) 322-9730 (US/Canada) and (706) 679-6054 (International)  
Passcode 47321327

Internet: Live and rebroadcast over the internet, log onto <http://www.dawson3d.com>

Replay: Available through Friday, February 3, 2012, at (855) 859-2056 (US/Canada) and (404) 537-3406 (International), Passcode 47321327, and available for 30 days on the Company's web site at <http://www.dawson3d.com>

Dawson Geophysical Company is a leading provider of U.S. onshore seismic data acquisition services as measured by the number of active data acquisition crews. Founded in 1952, Dawson acquires and processes 2-D, 3-D, and multi-component seismic data solely for its clients, ranging from major oil and gas companies to independent oil and gas operators as well as providers of multi-client data libraries.

In accordance with the Safe Harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, Dawson Geophysical Company cautions that statements in this press release which are forward-looking and which provide other than historical information involve risks and uncertainties that may materially affect the Company's actual results of operations. These risks include but are not limited to, the volatility of oil and natural gas prices, dependence upon energy industry spending, disruptions in the global economy, industry competition, delays, reductions or cancellations of service contracts, high fixed costs of operations, external factors affecting our crews such as weather interruptions and inability to obtain land access rights of way, whether we enter into turnkey or term contracts, crew productivity, limited number of customers,

credit risk related to our customers, the availability of capital resources and operational disruptions. A discussion of these and other factors, including risks and uncertainties, is set forth in the Company's Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2011. Dawson Geophysical Company disclaims any intention or obligation to revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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