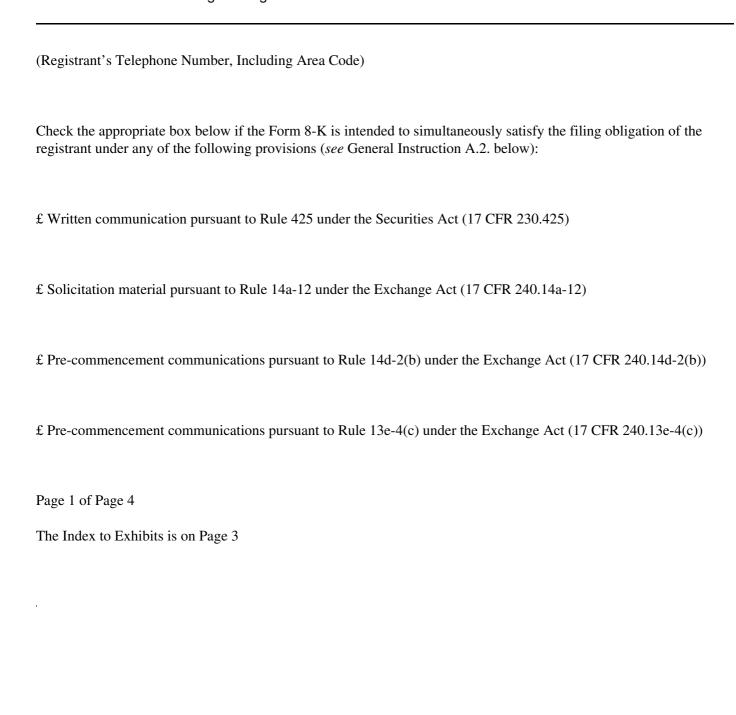
AMERICAN RIVER BANKSHARES

Form 8-K March 02, 2012	
UNITED STATES	
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION	
Washington, DC 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 reported)  March 1,	2012
American River Bankshares	
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(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)	
California	
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	
0-31525	68-0352144
(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
3100 Zinfandel Drive, Suite 450, Rancho Cordova, CA (Address of Principal Executive Offices)	95670 (Zip Code)



Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

David Taber, President and CEO of American River Bankshares, is scheduled to speak on the Central Valley (Northern California) Banks Panel at the Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. 2012 West Coast Financial Services Conference in San Francisco, CA on Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at approximately 3:50 p.m. Pacific Time.

Presentations will be webcast live at <a href="http://www.sandleroneill.com">http://www.sandleroneill.com</a> and will be available for 30 days following the event, beginning March 7, 2011. The conference will also be available via audio conference by dialing (832)445-1181 and entering passcode 1079263715#.

A copy of the investor presentation will be available twenty-four hours after the completion of the conference on <a href="http://amrb.podbean.com">http://amrb.podbean.com</a>.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

(99.1) Press Release dated March 1, 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.

#### AMERICAN RIVER BANKSHARES

/s/ Mitchell A. Derenzo

March 1, 2012 Mitchell A. Derenzo,

Chief Financial Officer (Principal Accounting and Financial Officer)

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