

AMERICAN RIVER BANKSHARES  
Form 8-K  
August 30, 2010

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) August 27, 2010

American River Bankshares  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its chapter)

California (State or other jurisdiction Of incorporation)	0-31525 (Commission File Number)	68-0352144 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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3100 Zinfandel Drive, Suite 450, Ranch Cordova, California (Address of principal executive offices)	95670 (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code (916) 851-0123

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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On August 27, 2010, the registrant executed an amendment to a lease (the "Lease Amendment") with HINES VAF II SACRAMENTO PROPERTIES, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("Hines"). Hines is the successor to Spieker Properties, L.P. This is the second amendment to the lease originally entered into with Spieker Properties, L.P. on March 22, 2000. The Lease Amendment relates to office space currently occupied by one of the issuer's subsidiaries, American River Bank. The premises are located at 1545 River Park Drive, Suite 107, Sacramento, California. The Lease Amendment covers a reduction of the existing premises for a term of one hundred twenty-seven (127) months. The foregoing description is qualified by reference to the Lease Amendment attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Second Amendment to Lease Agreement between HINES VAF II SACRAMENTO PROPERTIES, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership and American River Bank, a California corporation.

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  
Mitchell A. Derenzo, Chief Financial Officer

August 27, 2010

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