AMERICAN RIVER BANKSHARES Form 8-K October 22, 2015

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): October 22, 2015

American River Bankshares

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California

0-31525

68-0352144 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

3100 Zinfandel Drive, Suite 450, Rancho Cordova, California

(Address of principal executive offices) Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (916) 851-0123

95670 (Zip Code)

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

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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 22, 2015 the Registrant issued a press release, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1. Press release dated October 22, 2015

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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.

American River Bankshares

(Registrant)

October 22, 2015

(Date)

/s/ MITCHELL A. DERENZO

Mitchell A. Derenzo Chief Financial Officer Principal Accounting and Financial Officer

Exhibit Index

99.1 Press release dated October 22, 2015