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(Instr. 3)

Common

Stock

12/22/2006

OMB APPROVAL UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Fox Robert J Issuer Symbol AMERICAN RIVER (Check all applicable) BANKSHARES [AMRB] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 4740 CHANCERY WAY 12/22/2006 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting CARMICHAEL, CA 95608 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 3. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

Code

J

(Instr. 8)

Code V Amount

550

Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or

(D)

Α

Price

\$0

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Beneficially

Following

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Reported

11,589

Owned

(D) or

D

Indirect (I)

(Instr. 4)

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option/right to buy	\$ 19.961	12/22/2006		J	36	02/16/2006	02/16/2015	Common Stock	0
Option/right to buy	\$ 19.961	12/22/2006		J	36	02/16/2007	02/16/2015	Common Stock	0
Option/right to buy	\$ 19.961	12/22/2006		J	36	02/16/2008	02/16/2015	Common Stock	0
Option/right to buy	\$ 19.961	12/22/2006		J	36	02/16/2009	02/16/2015	Common Stock	0
Option/right to buy	\$ 19.961	12/22/2006		J	36	02/16/2010	02/16/2015	Common Stock	0
Option/right to buy	\$ 26.479	12/22/2006		J	32	03/17/2007	03/17/2016	Common Stock	0
Option/right to buy	\$ 26.479	12/22/2006		J	32	03/17/2008	03/17/2016	Common Stock	0
Option/right to buy	\$ 26.479	12/22/2006		J	32	03/17/2009	03/17/2016	Common Stock	0
Option/right to buy	\$ 26.479	12/22/2006		J	32	03/17/2010	03/17/2016	Common Stock	0
Option/right to buy	\$ 26.479	12/22/2006		J	32	03/17/2011	03/17/2016	Common Stock	0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Transfer and the same and the s	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Fox Robert J						
4740 CHANCERY WAY	X					
CARMICHAEL, CA 95608						

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Signatures

/s/ ROBERT J. FOX 12/22/2006

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Remarks:

J = Company declared 5% Stock Dividend

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