

FIRST BANCORP /NC/  
Form 8-K  
August 27, 2014

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
450 Fifth Street NW  
Washington, D.C. 29549

**Form 8-K**

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **August 27, 2014**

**First Bancorp**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

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| North Carolina                                    | 0-15572                     | 56-1421916                                 |
| (State or Other Jurisdiction<br>of Incorporation) | (Commission<br>File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification Number) |

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| 300 SW Broad Street, Southern Pines,<br>North Carolina | 28387      |
| (Address of Principal Executive Offices)               | (Zip Code) |

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(910) 246-2500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if changed since last report)

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:

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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Item 8.01 — Other Events

On August 27, 2014, the Registrant issued a news release to announce the planned closure and consolidation of ten of the Registrant's 96 bank branches. The ten branches and their expected closing dates were listed as an exhibit to the news release.

Item 9.01 – Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit 99(a) – News Release dated August 27, 2014

**Disclosures About Forward Looking Statements**

The discussions included in this document and its exhibits may contain forward looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Act of 1995, including Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933. Such statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results to differ materially. For the purposes of these discussions, any statements that are not statements of historical fact may be deemed to be forward looking statements. Such statements are often characterized by the use of qualifying words such as “expects,” “anticipates,” “believes,” “estimates,” “plans,” “projects” or other statements concerning opinions or judgments of the Company and its management about future events. The accuracy of such forward looking statements could be affected by such factors as, including but not limited to, the financial success or changing conditions or strategies of the Company's customers or vendors, fluctuations in interest rates, actions of government regulators, the availability of capital and personnel or general economic conditions. For additional information about the factors that could affect the matters discussed in this paragraph, see the "Risk Factors" section of the Company's most recent annual report on Form 10-K available at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and the Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise forward-looking statements.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

First Bancorp

August 27, 2014 By: /s/ Richard H. Moore  
Richard H. Moore  
President and Chief Executive Officer