#### AMERICAN RIVER BANKSHARES

Form 4

March 16, 2006

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

P.O. BOX 1009

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

TABER DAVID T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

AMERICAN RIVER BANKSHARES [AMRB]

(First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2006

(Zip)

(Street)

SHINGLE SPRINGS, CA 95682

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Person Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Issuer

below)

\_X\_\_ Director

Applicable Line)

X\_ Officer (give title

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 4)

10% Owner

Other (specify

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

President, CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(T)

(Instr. 4)

Estimated average

burden hours per

(A) Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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

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

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Securities Security or Exercise any Code (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount

Underlying Securitie

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares
Option/Right to Buy	\$ 27.8	03/15/2006		J	1,488	03/15/2007	03/15/2016	Common Stock	0
Option/Right to Buy	\$ 27.8	03/15/2006		J	1,488	03/15/2008	03/15/2016	Common Stock	0
Option/Right to Buy	\$ 27.8	03/15/2006		J	1,488	03/15/2009	03/15/2016	Common Stock	0
Option/Right to Buy	\$ 27.8	03/15/2006		J	1,488	03/15/2010	03/15/2016	Common Stock	0
Option/Right to Buy	\$ 27.8	03/15/2006		J	1,489	03/15/2011	03/15/2016	Common Stock	0

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
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TABER DAVID T P.O. BOX 1009 SHINGLE SPRINGS, CA 95682	X		President, CEO			

# **Signatures**

/s/ DAVID T.

TABER 03/16/2006

\*\*Signature of Person 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 = Stock Option Grant at Market

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