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Form 8-K

March 08, 2005

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) March 2, 2005  
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American River Bankshares

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its chapter)

California	0-31525	68-0352144
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(State or other jurisdiction Of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1545 River Park Drive, Suite 107, Sacramento, California	95815
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(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (916) 565-6100  
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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K 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 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 8.01: Other Events

Registrant issued a press release March 2, 2005 announcing that David T. Taber,

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president and CEO of American River Bankshares, is scheduled to speak at the Sandler O'Neill West Coast Financial Services Conference. The foregoing description is qualified by reference to the press release attached here to as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

(99.1) Press release dated March 2, 2005

### 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

March 8, 2005

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Mitchell A. Derenzo, Chief Financial Officer

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