

FIRST BANCORP /NC/
Form 8-K
March 29, 2013

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): **March 25, 2013**

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 of Incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number) |

341 North Main Street, Troy,
North Carolina 27371
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(910) 576-6171

(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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Item 8.01 – Other Events

On March 25, 2013, the Registrant issued a news release to announce it had completed the acquisition of the Southern Pines, North Carolina and Rockingham, North Carolina branches of Four Oaks Bank & Trust. The news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 – Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release issued on March 25, 2013

Disclosures About Forward Looking Statements

The discussions included in this document and its exhibits contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, which statements are inherently subject to risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements are statements that include projections, predictions, expectations or beliefs about future events or results or otherwise are not statements of historical fact. Such statements are often characterized by the use of qualifying words (and their derivatives) such as “expect,” “believe,” “estimate,” “plan,” “project,” “anticipate,” or other statements concerning opinions or judgments of the Company and its management about future events. Factors that could influence the accuracy of such forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, the financial success or changing strategies of the Registrant’s customers, the Registrant’s level of success in integrating acquisitions, actions of government regulators, the level of market interest rates, and 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.

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

March 29, 2013 By: /s/ Richard H. Moore
Richard H. Moore
President and Chief Executive Officer