PACWEST BANCORP Form 8-K May 15, 2009

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

Current Report

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

May 12, 2009

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

PACWEST BANCORP

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **00-30747** (Commission File Number)

33-0885320 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

401 West A Street

San Diego, California 92101

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(619) 233-5588

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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

o Pre commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e 4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CRF 240.13e 4(c))

Item 5.02.	Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory
	Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(e)	On May 12, 2009, at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of PacWest Bancorp (the Company) the stockholders of the Company
approved	an amendment to the Company s 2003 Stock Incentive Plan (the Plan), as approved by the Company s board of directors on March 25,
2009, to i	increase in the aggregate number of shares of the Company common stock available for issuance under the Plan from 3,500,000 shares
to a total	of 5,000,000 shares and to increase the expiration date of the Plan from April 17, 2010 to May 31, 2015. The Plan authorizes the
granting	of common stock-based awards in the form of performance and restricted stock grants, stock appreciation rights and stock options.

A copy of the Plan as amended and restated is filed as Exhibit 10.1 hereto to and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description
10.1 PacWest Bancorp 2003 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended and restated, dated March 25, 2009.

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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.

PACWEST BANCORP

Date: May 15, 2009

By: /s/ Jared M. Wolff

Name: Jared M. Wolff
Title: Executive Vice President, General

Counsel and Secretary

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