

FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANCORP

Form 8-K

August 05, 2010

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

July 31, 2010

(Date of earliest event reported)

Farmers & Merchants Bancorp
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000 – 26099
(Commission File Number)

94-3327828
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

111 West Pine Street, Lodi, California 95240
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(209) 367-2300
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changes since last report)

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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 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

(b) The Board of Directors of Farmers & Merchants Bancorp regrets to announce that after 30 years of service as a Director, James E. Podesta has decided to retire. Mr. Podesta's retirement was effective July 31, 2010.

Mr. Podesta was elected a director of Farmers & Merchants Bancorp in 1980 and recently served as a member of the Audit, CRA, and Expense Committees. Mr. Podesta is a long time Orchardist in the Linden area and the Company has benefited from his agricultural business expertise and local community involvement.

The Company is interviewing replacement candidates while also evaluating alternative Board composition strategies.

SIGNATURE

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.

FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANCORP

By /s/ Stephen W. Haley

Stephen W. Haley
Executive Vice President
& Chief Financial Officer

Date: August 4, 2010
