GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC Form 8-K November 19, 2008

# 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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

November 17, 2008

### GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

Maryland 0-18082 43-1524856

(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File No.) (IRS Employer Identification

incorporation) (Commission Fite No.) Number)

1451 East Battlefield, Springfield, Missouri 65804 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (417) 887-4400

#### N/A

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

#### Item 8.01 Other Events

On November 17, 2008, the Registrant issued a press release announcing that it has been selected for preliminary approval for up to \$60 million from the U.S. Treasury's Capital Purchase Program. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated by reference herein.

### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

# (d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated November 17, 2008

#### **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.

GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP, INC.

Date November 18, 2008 By: /s/ Joseph W. Turner

Joseph W. Turner

President and Chief Executive

Officer