

PACWEST BANCORP  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**HOPKINS LYNN M**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
10250 CONSTELLATION  
BLVD., SUITE 1640  
  
(Street)

LOS ANGELES, CA 90067

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**PACWEST BANCORP [PACW]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**02/17/2012**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Executive Vice President**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/17/2012		F	3,183	D 23.44 <u>(1)</u>	27,937	D
Common Stock					2,345 <u>(2)</u>	I	By 401(k) Plan
Common Stock					27,311	I	Family Trust
Common Stock					131	I	As custodian of account for

Common Stock	131	I	daughter As custodian of account for son
Common Stock	52	I	IRA

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director      10% Owner      Officer      Other

HOPKINS LYNN M  
10250 CONSTELLATION BLVD,  
SUITE 1640  
LOS ANGELES, CA 90067

Executive  
Vice  
President

## Signatures

/s/ Lynn M.  
Hopkins

02/21/2012

\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) Reflects market closing price on February 17, 2012.

(2) Includes 5 shares of PACW stock acquired by the reporting person between February 7, 2011 and February 21, 2012 under the PACW 401(k) plan. The information in this report is based on a plan statement dated as of February 21, 2012.

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