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## To our Shareholders:

We are very pleased to announce that Plumas Bancorp has concluded another profitable year and has achieved important progress in all key focus areas including earnings, asset quality and capital.

Earnings - We posted profits in each quarter of 2011 and ended the year with net income of $\$ 941$ thousand. And while bottom line profits in 2011 were roughly the same as the previous year, the composition of our 2011 earnings improved significantly. More specifically, in the previous year our profits were due largely to a substantial gain from a one-time transaction, while our profits in 2011 were based on our on-going core banking business. We anticipate that our core banking business will continue to strengthen and will provide a solid foundation from which future earnings growth will be generated.

Asset Quality - As of year-end, non-performing asset balances, comprised of both non-performing loans and real estate acquired through foreclosures decreased by $\$ 8.7$ million, or by more than $25 \%$, from the prior year. This improvement in asset quality is a key indicator that we have turned the corner on our road to financial health and while our Company's problem asset balances remain elevated, we anticipate seeing further reductions in both non-performing balances and the losses associated with them.

Capital - Primarily through the retention of profits, our shareholders' equity position increased by \$1.6 million in 2011. As a result of this growth and through prudent management of the Company's balance sheet, both the Bank and Company's capital ratios have improved significantly. We intend to continue to grow our capital balances through profit retention as we position ourselves for repayment of our Government preferred securities. Repayment of these securities will result in the lifting of government oversight and restrictions associated with these preferred securities.

Other Developments - In February 2012, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and California Department of Financial Institutions terminated a consent order that was put in place in March 2011. The lifting of the Order reflects the rapid progress made by the Bank's management and Board of Directors in meeting the terms of the order and reducing classified asset balances, increasing capital ratios, improving lending policies and practices, and retaining qualified management. This action by our regulatory agencies marks an important milestone in our recovery efforts and serves as yet another indicator that we are well on our way to fiscal stability and soundness.

Finally, we are very pleased to announce the launch of a new loan campaign which is intended to generate $\$ 40$ million in new loan balances during 2012. The generation of these new loan balances will accelerate our progress back to acceptable levels of profitability.

Thank you for your continued confidence in our Company. We look forward with optimism to continued success and a bright financial future.

Sincerely,


Andrew J. Ryback
President \& Chief Executive Officer


Daniel E. West
Chairman of the Board

## PRLUMAS BANCORP

Dear Shareholder:

You are cordially invited to attend the annual meeting of shareholders of Plumas Bancorp, (the "Company") which will be held at the Plumas Bank Credit Administration Building located at 32 Central Avenue, Quincy, California, on Wednesday, May 16, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. At this annual meeting, shareholders will be asked to elect nine directors for the next year, vote on approval of a non-binding advisory vote on the Company's executive compensation and for the ratification of the appointment of Crowe Horwath LLP as our independent auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012.

Plumas Bancorp is requesting your proxy to vote in favor of all of the nominees for election as directors. The Board of Directors of Plumas Bancorp recommends that you vote "FOR" the election of each of the nominees and "FOR" proposals two and three.

The proxy statement contains information about each of the nominees for directors and the Company's executive compensation.

To ensure that your vote is represented at this important meeting, please sign, date and return the proxy card in the enclosed envelope as promptly as possible. As an alternative to using your paper proxy card to vote, you may also vote by telephone or over the internet by following the instructions on your proxy card.

Sincerely,


Andrew J. Ryback
President and Chief Executive Officer

The date of this proxy statement is April 2, 2012.

# Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders <br> Plumas Bancorp 

## To: The Shareholders of Plumas Bancorp

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to its Bylaws and the call of its Board of Directors, the annual meeting of shareholders of Plumas Bancorp will be held at the Plumas Bank Credit Administration Building located at 32 Central Avenue, Quincy, California, on Wednesday, May 16, 2012 at 10:30 a.m., for the purpose of considering and voting upon the following matters:

1. Election of Directors. To elect nine (9) persons to serve as directors of the Bancorp until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

James E. Beckwith Arthur C. Grohs<br>Alvin G. Blickenstaff Robert J. McClintock<br>William E. Elliott Terrance J. Reeson<br>Gerald W. Fletcher Daniel E. West<br>John Flournoy

2. Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation. To provide a non-binding advisory vote on the Company's executive compensation.
3. Ratification of the Appointment of Independent Auditors. To ratify the appointment of Crowe Horwath LLP as our independent auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012.
4. Transaction of Other Business. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting and any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

The Board of Directors has fixed the close of business on March 30, 2012 as the record date for determination of shareholders entitled to notice of, and the right to vote at, the meeting.

You are urged to vote in favor of the election of all of the nominees for directors and to vote "FOR" approval of a non-binding advisory vote on the Company's executive compensation and "FOR" the ratification of the appointment of Crowe Horwath LLP as our independent auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012 by signing and returning the enclosed proxy as promptly as possible, whether or not you plan to attend the meeting in person. As an alternative to using your paper proxy card to vote, you may also vote by telephone or over the internet by following the instructions on your proxy card. If you do attend the meeting, you may then withdraw your proxy. The proxy may be revoked at any time prior to its exercise.

By Order of the Board of Directors,


Terrance J. Reeson, Vice Chairman and Secretary
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Plumas Bancorp<br>Proxy Statement<br>Annual Meeting of Shareholders<br>May 16, 2012

Plumas Bancorp (the "Company") is providing this proxy statement to its shareholders in connection with the annual meeting (the "Meeting") of shareholders to be held at the Plumas Bank Credit Administration Building located at 32 Central Avenue, Quincy, California, on Wednesday, May 16, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. and at any and all adjournments thereof.

It is expected that the Company will mail this proxy statement and accompanying notice and form of proxy to shareholders on or about April 10, 2012.

## Shareholders may also view this proxy statement and the 2011 Annual Report to Stockholders on the internet at http://materials.proxyvote.com/729273.

## General Information

Voting By Proxy. Whether or not you plan to attend the annual meeting, you may submit a proxy to vote the shares registered in your name via internet, telephone or mail as more fully described below:

- By Internet: Go to http://www.proxyvote.com and follow the instructions. You will need information from your proxy card or electronic delivery notice to submit your proxy.
- By Telephone: Call 1.800.690.6903 and follow the voice prompts. You will need information from your proxy card or electronic delivery notice to submit your proxy.
- By Mail: Mark your vote, sign your name exactly as it appears on your proxy card, date your proxy card and return it in the envelope provided.

If a bank, broker or other nominee holds your shares, you will receive voting instructions directly from the holder of record. All shares represented by valid proxies that we receive through this solicitation, and that are not revoked, will be voted in accordance with your instructions on the proxy card or as instructed via internet or telephone. If you properly submit a proxy without giving specific voting instructions, your shares will be voted in accordance with the Board's recommendations "FOR":

- Proposal 1: Election to the Board of the 9 nominees named in this proxy statement;
- Proposal 2: Approval of a non-binding advisory vote on the Company's executive compensation; and
- Proposal 3: Ratification of the appointment of Crowe Horwath LLP as our independent auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012.

If other matters properly come before the annual meeting, the persons appointed to vote the proxies will vote on such matters in accordance with their best judgment. Such persons also have discretionary authority to vote to adjourn the annual meeting, including for the purpose of soliciting proxies to vote in accordance with the Board's recommendations on any of the above items.

## Revocability of Proxies and Proxy Voting

You may revoke your proxy at any time before it is exercised by:

- written notice of revocation delivered to Terrance J. Reeson, Corporate Secretary of Plumas Bancorp, at 35 S. Lindan Avenue, Quincy, California 95971;
- a properly executed proxy of a later date mailed to the Company;
- casting a new vote by telephone or internet; or
- $\quad$ voting in person at the annual meeting.

In addition, the powers of the proxy holders will be revoked if the person executing the proxy is present at the meeting and elects to vote in person. Subject to such revocation or suspension, the proxy holders will vote all shares represented by a properly executed proxy received in time for the meeting in accordance with the instructions on the proxy.

If no instruction is specified by the shareholder with regard to the matter on the proxy to be acted upon, the proxy holders will vote the shares represented by the proxy "FOR" each of the nominees for directors, "FOR" approval of a non-binding advisory vote on the Company's executive compensation and "FOR" the ratification of the appointment of Crowe Horwath LLP as our independent auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012. If any other matter is presented at the meeting, the proxy holders will vote in accordance with the recommendations of management.

## Persons Making the Solicitation

The Board of Directors of the Company is soliciting proxies. The Company will bear the expense of preparing, assembling, printing and mailing this proxy statement and the material used in the solicitation of proxies for the meeting. The Company contemplates that proxies will be solicited principally through the use of the mail, but officers, directors and employees of Plumas Bancorp may solicit proxies personally or by telephone, without receiving special compensation for the solicitation. Although there is no formal agreement to do so, the Company will reimburse banks, brokerage houses and other custodians, nominees and fiduciaries for their reasonable expenses in forwarding these proxy materials to their principals. In addition, the Company may utilize the services of individuals or entities not regularly employed by the Company in connection with the solicitation of proxies, if management of the Company determines that this is advisable.

## Voting Securities

Management of the Company has fixed March 30, 2012 as the record date for purposes of determining the shareholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the meeting. On March 30, 2012, there were $4,776,339$ shares of Plumas Bancorp's common stock issued and outstanding. Each holder of Plumas Bancorp's common stock will be entitled to one vote for each share of the Company's common stock held of record on the books of Plumas Bancorp as of the record date. In connection with the election of directors, shares may be voted cumulatively if a shareholder present at the meeting gives notice at the meeting, prior to the voting for election of directors, of his or her intention to vote cumulatively. If any shareholder of Plumas Bancorp gives that notice, then all shareholders eligible to vote will be entitled to cumulate their shares in voting for election of directors. Cumulative voting allows a shareholder to cast a number of votes equal to the number of shares held in his or her name as of the record date, multiplied by the number of directors to be elected. These votes may be cast for any one nominee, or may be distributed among as many nominees as the shareholder sees fit. If cumulative voting is declared at the meeting, votes represented by proxies delivered pursuant to this proxy statement may be cumulated in the discretion of the proxy holders, in accordance with management's recommendation.

The effect of broker non-votes is that such votes are not counted as being voted; however, such votes are counted for purposes of determining a quorum. The effect of a vote of abstention on any matter is that such vote is not counted as a vote for or against the matter, but is counted as an abstention.

## Shareholdings of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management

Management of Plumas Bancorp knows of no person who owns, beneficially or of record, either individually or together with associates, 5 percent or more of the outstanding shares of the Company's common stock, except as set forth in the table below. The following table sets forth, as of March 23, 2012, the number and percentage of shares of Plumas Bancorp's outstanding common stock beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by principal shareholders, by each of the Company's directors, our executive officers named in the Summary Compensation Table contained in this Proxy and by the directors and executive officers of the Company as a group. The shares "beneficially owned" are determined under the Securities and Exchange Commission Rules, and do not necessarily indicate ownership for any other purpose. In general, beneficial ownership includes shares over which the director, named executive officer or principal shareholder has sole or shared voting or investment power and shares which such person has the right to acquire within 60 days of March 23, 2012. Unless otherwise indicated, the persons listed below have sole voting and investment powers of the shares beneficially owned or acquirable by exercise of stock options. Management is not aware of any arrangements, which may result in a change of control of Plumas Bancorp.

| Beneficial Owner | Amount and Nature of <br> Beneficial Ownership (a) | Percent of Class (a) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Principal Shareholders that own 5\% or more: |  |  |
| Cortopassi (b) | 509,967 | 10.7 |
| Directors and Named Executive Officers: |  |  |
| Andrew J. Ryback, President and CEO |  |  |
| Monetta R. Dembosz, EVP- Operations | $58,575(1)$ | 1.2 |
| Manager of Plumas Bank |  |  |
| B. J. North, EVP - Retail Banking | $36,616(2)$ | $*$ |
| Daniel E. West, Director and Chairman of the | $3,600(3)$ | $*$ |
| Board |  |  |
| Terrance J. Reeson, Director, Vice Chairman of | $76,579(4)$ | 1.6 |
| the Board and Secretary of the Board |  |  |
| Alvin G. Blickenstaff, Director | $93,680(5)$ | 2.0 |
| William E. Elliott, Director | $83,668(6)$ | 1.7 |
| Gerald W. Fletcher, Director | $80,210(7)$ | 1.7 |
| John Flournoy, Director | $43,736(8)$ | $*$ |
| Arthur Grohs, Director | $40,625(9)$ | $*$ |
| Robert J. McClintock | $43,098(10)$ | $*$ |
| All 13 Directors and Executive Officers as a | $66,169(11)$ | 1.4 |
| Group |  |  |

* Less than one percent
(a) Includes 168,212 shares subject to options held by the directors and executive officers that were exercisable within 60 days of March 23, 2012. These are treated as issued and outstanding for the purpose of computing the percentage of each director, named executive officer and the directors and executive officers as a group, but not for the purpose of computing the percentage of class owned by any other person, including principal shareholders.
(b) Two Cortopassi controlled entities have beneficial ownership over a total of 509,967 shares of Plumas Bancorp. The Cortopassi Family Trust owns 189,410 shares of Plumas Bancorp, while Cortopassi Partners, L.P. owns 320,557 shares of Plumas Bancorp. Dean A. Cortopassi is the Trustee of the Cortopassi Family Trust and is also President of San Tomo, Inc., the general partner of Cortopassi Partners, L.P. Mr. Cortopassi disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by Cortopassi Family Trust and Cortopassi Partners, L.P. except to the extent of his pecuniary or partnership interests therein. The address of the Cortopassi entities is 11292 North Alpine Road, Stockton, California 95212.
(1) Mr. Ryback has sole voting and investment powers as to 18,026 shares and shared voting and investment powers as to 10,000 shares. Mr. Ryback has 30,549 shares acquirable by exercise of stock options.
(2) Ms. Dembosz has sole voting and investment powers as to 4,608 shares and shared voting and investment powers as to 4,359 shares and has 27,649 shares acquirable by exercise of stock options.
(3) Ms. North has 3,600 shares acquirable by exercise of stock options.
(4) Mr. West has sole voting and investment powers as to 7,125 shares, shared voting and investment powers as to 32,754 shares, sole voting powers but shared investment powers as to 16,794 shares and no voting or investment powers as to 5,857 shares. He also has 14,049 shares acquirable by exercise of stock options.
(5) Mr. Reeson has shared voting and investment powers as to 74,771 shares and sole voting and investing powers as to 4,860 shares. He also has 14,049 shares acquirable by exercise of stock options.
(6) Mr. Blickenstaff has shared voting and investment powers as to 67,202 shares, sole voting and investing powers as to 5,191 shares and no voting or investment powers as to 2,851 shares. He also has 8,424 shares acquirable by exercise of stock options.
(7) Mr. Elliott has shared voting and investment powers as to 77,410 . He also has 2,800 shares acquirable by exercise of stock options.
(8) Mr. Fletcher has shared voting and investment powers as to 30,209 shares and sole voting and investing powers as to 45 shares. He also has 13,482 shares acquirable by exercise of stock options.
(9) Mr. Flournoy has sole voting and investment powers as to 34,950 shares and no voting or investment powers as to 375 shares. He also has 5,300 shares acquirable by exercise of stock options.
(10) Mr. Grohs has shared voting and investment powers as to 28,478 shares and no voting or investment powers as to 571 shares. He also has 14,049 shares acquirable by exercise of stock options.
(11) Mr. McClintock has sole voting and investment powers as to 27,310 shares and shared voting and investment powers as to 38,059 shares. He also has 800 shares acquirable by exercise of stock options.


## Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Compliance

Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 requires Plumas Bancorp's directors and certain executive officers and persons who own more than ten percent $(10 \%)$ of a registered class of the Company's equity securities (collectively, the "Reporting Persons"), to file reports of ownership and changes in ownership with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). The Reporting Persons are required by SEC regulation to furnish the Bancorp with copies of all Section 16(a) forms they file.

Based solely upon a review of Forms 3, 4 and 5 and amendments thereto furnished to the Company during and with respect to its 2011 fiscal year, no director, executive officer or beneficial owner of $10 \%$ or more of the Company's common stock failed to file, on a timely basis, reports required during or with respect to 2011 by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, except for the Cortopassi Family Trust which inadvertently failed to file one timely report on Form 4 with respect to one transaction.

## Election of Directors

The persons named below, all of whom, with the exception of Mr. Beckwith, are current members of the Board of Directors (the "Board"), will be nominated for election as directors at the Meeting to serve until the 2012 Annual Meeting of Shareholders and until their successors are elected and have qualified. Votes of the proxy holders will be cast in such a manner as to effect the election of all 9 nominees, as appropriate. The 9 nominees for directors receiving the most votes will be elected directors. In the event that any of the nominees should be unable to serve as a director, it is intended that the Proxy will be voted for the election of such substitute nominee, if any, as shall be designated by the Board. The Board has no reason to believe that any of the nominees named below will be unable to serve if elected. However, in the case of Mr. Beckwith, his appointment to the Board is subject to the review and non disapproval of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the California Department of Financial Institutions. Additional nominations for directors may only be made by complying with the nomination procedures which are included in the Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders accompanying this Proxy Statement.

The following table sets forth the names of, and certain information concerning, the persons to be nominated by the Board for election as directors of Plumas Bancorp.

| Name and Title Other than Director |  | Year First Appointed Director |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Daniel E. West <br> Chairman of the Board | 58 | 1997 | President, Graeagle Land \& Water Co., a land management company. President, Graeagle Water Co, a private water utility, Graeagle, CA. |
| Terrance J. Reeson Vice Chairman and Secretary of the Board | 67 | 1984 | Retired. Formerly with the U.S. Forestry Service, Quincy, CA. |
| James E. Beckwith | 54 | N/A | President and Chief Executive Officer of Five Star Bank, Sacramento, CA. |
| Alvin G. Blickenstaff | 76 | 1988 | Farmer and Rancher, partner in Blickenstaff Ranch, Janesville, CA. |
| William E. Elliott | 71 | 1987 | Retired. Formerly President and CEO of Plumas Bancorp and Plumas Bank, Quincy, CA. |
| Gerald W. Fletcher | 69 | 1988 | Forest Products Wholesaler, Susanville, CA. |
| John Flournoy | 67 | 2005 | Rancher and Chief Financial Officer of Likely Land and Livestock Corporation, Likely, CA. |
| Arthur C. Grohs | 75 | 1988 | Retired. Former Retailer, Sparks, NV. |
| Robert J. McClintock | 54 | 2008 | Certified Public Accountant, co-owner of McClintock Accountancy Corporation, Tahoe City, CA |

The following is a brief discussion of the experience and qualifications of each nominee that the Corporate Governance Committee considered, in light of the Company's business and structure, in nominating them for service as Directors:

## Daniel E. West

Chairman of the Board
Director since 1997
Mr. Daniel E. West has lived in Graeagle, California since 1958. He is president of Graeagle Land and Water Company a land management company and Graeagle Water Company private water utility. Mr. West is a managing member of Graeagle Timber Company, LLC and is a member of the Feather River College Foundation. He also serves as a director on the boards of Graeagle Fire Protection District and California Water Association. Mr. West's valuable business acumen, his extensive experience on various and diverse boards, and his deep ties to his community highly qualify him for service as a board director and chairman.

## Terrance J. Reeson

Vice Chairman
Director since 1984

Mr. Terrance J. Reeson has lived in Quincy, California for nearly 50 years. He is a retired U.S. Forest Service Aviation Officer for the Plumas National Forest. Mr. Reeson is active in his community and is a former executive director of the Quincy Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Reeson's relevant experience qualifying him for service as a director includes: extensive government service and widespread civic and community involvement.

## James E. Beckwith

Mr. James E. Beckwith is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Five Star Bank and its holding company, Five Star Bancorp. He has over 25 years of banking experience. Prior to joining Five Star Bank, Mr. Beckwith served as Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer for National Bank of the Redwoods, in Santa Rosa, California. Mr. Beckwith graduated from San Francisco State University where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration with a concentration in Accounting. He is also a graduate of the Pacific Coast Banking School at the University of Washington. Mr. Beckwith serves on the boards of KDIE, Valley Vision, Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber, California Bankers Association and California Independent Bankers. Mr. Beckwith's extensive experience in banking and accounting and his dedication to civil service highly qualifies him for service as a director.

## Alvin G. Blickenstaff

## Director

Director since 1988
Mr. Alvin G. Blickenstaff was born and raised in the Susanville, California area. Mr. Blickenstaff is the senior partner of Blickenstaff Ranch, a family owned and operated partnership, where they raise premium alfalfa hay, grain, and alfalfa seed. The partnership also operates a game bird club. He is a former director and chairman of former Sierra Security Bank. Mr. Blickenstaff is a member and past president of both the Lassen County Farm Bureau and Lassen County Cattleman's Association. He served on the Jr. Sale Livestock Sale Committee for 42 years and received the Conservationist of the Year Award in 1972. In 2007, he was recognized with a Distinguished Service Award for community service by his peers. Mr. Blickenstaff's expertise in the agricultural industry and business management highly qualifies him for service as a board director.

## William E. Elliott

## Director

Director since 1987
Mr. William E. Elliott joined Plumas Bank in 1987 as President and Chief Executive Officer and retired in 2005. He has been in the banking industry for over 45 years holding various management and board positions; this experience highly qualifies him for service as a board director. Mr. Elliott graduated from California State University, Sacramento where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting and a Masters in Business Administration. He also graduated from the Pacific Coast Banking School at the University of Washington. Mr. Elliott is very active in his community; he is chairman of the Feather River Community College Board with over 20 years experience, and he is a former director on the Plumas District Hospital Board with 22 years experience, both in Quincy, California. He has been a member of the Rotary Club for over 40 years.

## Gerald W. Fletcher

## Director

Director since 1988
Mr. Gerald W. Fletcher has lived in Susanville, California since 1956 and is a retired rancher, realtor, and insurance agent. He is a former director of former Sierra Security Bank. Mr. Fletcher owns and operates Fletcher Christmas Trees. He is a member and past president of Lassen County Cattleman's Association and a member of the Lassen County Farm Bureau. Mr. Fletcher's relevant experience qualifying him for service as a board director is comprised of a broad range of management and community service experience including his past service as Lieutenant in the Susanville Volunteer Fire Department, ex-Sergeant of the California National Guard, a past 4-H Leader and member of the Lassen County Jr. Livestock Auction Committee.

## John Flournoy

Director
Director since 2005
Mr. John Flournoy was born and raised in Likely, California. He is a rancher and hay producer in Likely, California. Since 1971, he has served on the board of directors of the South Fork Irrigation District (SFID). He served for many years as a committee member for the Farm Service Agency where he reviewed all loan applications for small agricultural operations and evaluated collateral releases and settlements. Mr. Flournoy's relevant experience qualifying him for service as a board director includes: lifelong experience as a rancher and hay producer on his family owned ranch, expertise in business and agricultural lending, and operational risk management.

## Arthur C. Grohs <br> Director <br> Director since 1988

Mr. Arthur C. Grohs was born in Susanville, California and raised in Westwood and Susanville, California. He retired after 35 years of retail store ownership in Susanville. Mr. Grohs now resides in Reno, Nevada. As an experienced business owner and entrepreneur, he is an active counselor with SCORE of Northern Nevada. Through SCORE, Mr. Grohs enjoys providing free and confidential business advice to entrepreneurs working to start new businesses and grow existing businesses; and in turn, helps them become a vital part of the Northern Nevada business community. Mr. Grohs' relevant experience qualifying him for service as a board director includes: marketing, long range planning, personnel management, and operational risk management.

## Robert J. McClintock

Director
Director since 2008
Mr. Robert J. McClintock has lived in Tahoe City, California for over 25 years. He is a Certified Public Accountant and is co-owner of McClintock Accountancy Corporation headquartered in Tahoe City, California with an additional office in Truckee, California. As a Certified Public Accountant, Mr. McClintock brings strong accounting and financial skills important to the oversight of the Company's financial reporting, enterprise and operational risk management. Mr. McClintock is Assistant Scoutmaster for Boy Scouts of America. He is also a board member of the Kiwanis Club of North Lake Tahoe and has served as past President and Treasurer. He is also the former treasurer for the Tahoe Truckee Excellence in Education Foundation. Mr. McClintock attended Michigan Tech University where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration.

All nominees, with the possible exception of Mr. Beckwith whose appointment to the Board is subject to the review and non disapproval of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the California Department of Financial Institutions, will continue to serve if elected at the meeting until the 2013 annual meeting of shareholders and until their successors are elected and have been qualified. None of the directors were selected pursuant to any arrangement or understanding other than with the directors and executive officers of Plumas Bancorp acting within their capacities as such. There are no family relationships between any of the directors of

Plumas Bancorp. No director of the Company serves as a director of any company that has a class of securities registered under, or which is subject to the periodic reporting requirements of, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or of any company registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

## The Board of Directors and Committees

During 2011, the Company's Board of Directors met 19 times. None of Plumas Bancorp's directors attended less than 75 percent of all Board of Directors' meetings and committee meetings of which they were members. The Company does not have a policy requiring director attendance at its annual meeting. However, most directors attend the meeting as a matter of course. All current directors attended the annual meeting of shareholders held in May 2011. The Board has established, among others, an Audit Committee and a Corporate Governance Committee and each of these committees have charters. Charters for each of these committees are available on the Company's website www.plumasbank.com.

## Shareholder Communication with the Board of Directors

If you wish to communicate with the Board of Directors or the Chairman of the Board of Directors you may send correspondence to the Corporate Secretary, Plumas Bancorp, 35 S. Lindan Avenue, Quincy, California 95971. The Corporate Secretary will perform a review of such correspondence to ensure that communications forwarded to the Board of Directors or the Chairman preserve the integrity of the process. For example, items that are unrelated to the duties and responsibilities of the Board of Directors or the Chairman such as spam, junk mail and mass mailings, product complaints, personal employee complaints, product inquiries, new product suggestions, resumes and other forms of job inquiries, surveys, business solicitations or advertisements (the "Unrelated Items") will not be forwarded. In addition, material that is unduly hostile, threatening, illegal or similarly unsuitable will not be forwarded. Any communication that is relevant to the conduct of the Company's business and is not forwarded will be retained for one year (other than Unrelated Items) and made available to the Chairman and any other independent director on request. The independent directors grant the Corporate Secretary discretion to decide what correspondence shall be shared with Company management and specifically instruct that any personal employee complaints be forwarded to Company's Human Resources Department.

## Board Role in Risk Oversight

The Board's duties include understanding and assessing risks to the Company and monitoring the management of those risks. To fulfill this responsibility the directors are expected to attend all meetings and review materials in advance of the meetings. Each meeting includes a review of the activities of each board committee including the committee's activities related to risk management. Each of our board committees concentrates on specific risks for which they have an expertise and each committee is required to regularly report to the Board of Directors on its findings.

The Board believes that evaluating how the executive team manages the various risks confronting the Company is one of its most important areas of oversight. In carrying out this critical responsibility, the Board has designated the Audit Committee with primary responsibility for overseeing enterprise risk management. While the Audit Committee has primary responsibility for overseeing enterprise risk management, each of the other Board committees also considers risk within its area of responsibility. For example, the Corporate Governance

Committee reviews risks related to legal and regulatory compliance as they relate to corporate governance structure and processes, reviews risks related to compensation matters. The Board is apprised by the committee chairs of significant risks and management's response to those risks via periodic reports. While the Board and its committees oversee risk management strategy, management is responsible for implementing and supervising day-to-day risk management processes and reporting to the Board and its committees on such matters.

Furthermore, because the banking industry is highly regulated, certain risks to the Company are monitored by the Board of Directors through its review of the Company's compliance with regulations set forth by its regulatory authorities, including the FDIC and recommendations contained in regulatory examinations.

With respect to risk related to compensation matters, the Corporate Governance Committee considers, in establishing and reviewing the Company's executive compensation program, whether the program encourages unnecessary or excessive risk taking and has concluded that it does not. Executives' base salaries are fixed in amount and thus do not encourage risk-taking. Currently no bonuses programs are in effect. The other significant source of compensation to Executives is in the form of long-term equity awards that are important to help further align executives' interests with those of the Company's shareholders. The Corporate Governance Committee believes that these awards do not encourage unnecessary or excessive risk-taking since the ultimate value of the awards is tied to the Company's stock price, and since awards are subject to long-term vesting schedules to help ensure that executives have significant value tied to long-term stock price performance.

The Corporate Governance Committee has also reviewed the Company's compensation programs for employees generally and has concluded that these programs do not create risks that are reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on the Company. The Corporate Governance Committee believes that the design of the Company's annual cash and long-term equity incentives provides an effective and appropriate mix of incentives to help ensure the Company's performance is focused on long-term stockholder value creation and does not encourage the taking of short-term risks at the expense of long-term results.

## Leadership Structure of Board

The Board believes that the Company and its shareholders are best served by having an independent Board Chairman and a separate CEO. We separate these roles in recognition of the differences between the two roles. The CEO is responsible for day to day leadership and performance of the Company, while the Chairman of the Board provides strategic guidance to the CEO and presides over meetings of the full Board.

## Code of Ethics

The Board of Directors has adopted a code of business conduct and ethics for directors, officers (including Plumas Bancorp's principal executive officer and principal financial officer) and financial personnel, known as the Corporate Governance Code of Ethics. This Code of Ethics Policy is available on Plumas Bancorp's website at www.plumasbank.com. Shareholders may request a free copy of the Code of Ethics Policy from Plumas Bancorp, Ms. Elizabeth Kuipers, Investor Relations, 35 S. Lindan Avenue, Quincy, California 95971. Additionally, a copy of the Company's Corporate Governance Code of Ethics can be accessed at http://www.plumasbank.com. Click on the "Investor Relations tab" and then Governance Documents.

## Director Independence

The Board has determined that each of the following non-employee directors and Mr . Beckwith are "independent" within the meaning of the listing standards and rules of NASDAQ.

Daniel E. West
Alvin G. Blickenstaff
John Flournoy
Robert J. McClintock

Terrance J. Reeson<br>Gerald W. Fletcher<br>Arthur C. Grohs

## Audit Committee

Plumas Bancorp has an Audit Committee composed of Mr. McClintock, Chairman and Messrs. Flournoy, Grohs and Reeson. The Board has determined that each member of the Audit Committee meets the independence and experience requirements of the listing standards of NASDAQ and the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Board has also determined that Mr. Robert J. McClintock is qualified as an audit committee financial expert and that he has accounting or related financial management expertise, in each case in accordance with the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission and NASDAQ's listing standards.

The Audit Committee met eight times during 2011. The Audit Committee reviews all internal and external audits including the audit by Crowe Horwath LLP, the Company's independent auditor. The Audit Committee reports any significant findings of audits to the Board of Directors, and ensures that the Company's internal audit plans are met, programs are carried out, and deficiencies and weaknesses, if any, are addressed. The Audit Committee meets regularly to discuss and review the overall audit plan. The Audit Committee's policy is to preapprove all recurring audit and non-audit services provided by the independent auditors through the use of engagement letters. These services may include audit services, audit-related services, tax services and other services. Pre-approval is generally provided for up to one year and any preapproval is detailed as to particular service or category of services and is generally subject to a specific budget. The independent auditors and management are required to periodically report to the Audit Committee regarding all services provided by the independent auditors and fees associated with those services performed to date. The fees paid to the independent auditors in 2011 and 2010 were approved per the Audit Committee's pre-approval policies.

## Audit Committee Report

This report of the Audit Committee shall not be deemed incorporated by reference by any general statement incorporating by reference this proxy statement into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, except to the extent that Plumas Bancorp specifically incorporates this information by reference, and shall not otherwise be deemed filed under the Acts.

The Board of Directors and the Audit Committee has reviewed Plumas Bancorp's audited financial statements and discussed such statements with management. The Audit Committee has discussed with Crowe Horwath LLP, the Company's independent auditors during the year 2011, the matters required to be discussed by Statement of Auditing Standards No. 61, as amended (Communication with Audit and Finance Committees, as amended).

The Audit Committee received written disclosures and a letter from Crowe Horwath LLP, required by Independence Standards Board Standard No. 1 and has discussed with them their independence from management. The Audit Committee has also considered whether the independent auditors' provision of other non-audit services is compatible with the auditors' independence.

Based on the review and discussions noted above, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board of Directors that Plumas Bancorp's audited financial statements be included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011, for filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

## THE AUDIT COMMITTEE:

Robert J. McClintock, Chairman<br>Arthur C. Grohs<br>John Flournoy<br>Terrance J. Reeson

## Corporate Governance Committee

Plumas Bancorp has a Corporate Governance Committee which met six times during 2011. The Corporate Governance Committee consists of Mr. Grohs, Chairman and Messrs. Blickenstaff, Reeson and West. The Board has determined that Messrs. Grohs, Blickenstaff, Reeson and West are "independent" within the meaning of the listing standards and rules of NASDAQ. The Corporate Governance Committee provides assistance to the Board by identifying qualified individuals as prospective Board members, recommends to the Board the director nominees for election at the annual meeting of shareholders, nominates the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of the Board, oversees the annual review and evaluation of the performance of the Board and its committees, and develops and recommends corporate governance guidelines to the Board of Directors.

During 2008 the Board transferred the duties and responsibilities of the Compensation Committee to the Corporate Governance Committee and eliminated the separate Compensation Committee. This expanded the responsibilities of the Corporate Governance Committee to include among other duties, to at least annually review, adjust (as necessary), and approve the Company's directors' compensation, including cash, equity or other compensation for service on the Board, any committee of the Board and as Chairperson of the Board or any committee of the Board, at least annually review, adjust (as necessary) and approve the Chief Executive Officer's compensation, provide advice and consent to the Chief Executive Officer in the review and adjustment of executive officer compensation (other than the Chief Executive Officer), approve the compensation strategy for the Company's employees, review and recommend for approval by the Board all equity-based compensation, including stock options and stock grants and approve other personnel matters, which are in excess of management's authority.

The Corporate Governance Committee is also responsible for compliance with the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act with respect to the semi-annual review and certification of incentive compensation arrangements for the Chief Executive Officer and other senior executive officers to ensure that the senior executive officer (SEO) incentive compensation arrangements do not encourage the senior executive officers to take unnecessary and excessive risks that threaten the value of the Company for the duration that the Company has funds from the United States Treasury under the Capital Purchase Program. The Corporate Governance Committee has completed two such reviews during 2011 and has identified and limited during the applicable period any features of the SEO compensation plans that could lead SEOs to take unnecessary and excessive risks that could threaten the value of Plumas Bancorp, and during that
same applicable period has identified any features of the employee compensation plans that pose risks to Plumas Bancorp and has limited those features to ensure that Plumas Bancorp is not unnecessarily exposed to risks. The Corporate Governance Committee has reviewed the terms of each employee compensation plan and identified any features of the plan that could encourage the manipulation of reported earnings of Plumas Bancorp to enhance the compensation of an employee and has limited those features.

The Corporate Governance Committee has the authority, to the extent it deems necessary, to retain and terminate an outside compensation consultant to assist in the evaluation of director and executive officer compensation and benefit matters. During the year ending December 31, 2011 the Corporate Governance Committee did not engage an outside compensation consultant.

The Corporate Governance Committee does not have any written specific minimum qualifications or skills that the committee believes must be met by either a committeerecommended or a security holder-recommended candidate in order to serve on the Board. The Corporate Governance Committee identifies nominees by first evaluating the current members of the Board of Directors willing to continue in service. Current members of the Board with skills and experience that are relevant to the Company's business and who are willing to continue in service are considered for re-nomination, balancing the value of continuity of service by existing members of the Board with that of obtaining a new perspective. If any member of the Board does not wish to continue in service or if the Corporate Governance Committee or the Board decided not to re-nominate a member for re-election, the Corporate Governance Committee identifies the desired skills and experience of a new nominee in light of the following criteria. While no specific diversity policy exists, when identifying and evaluating new directors, the Corporate Governance Committee considers the diversity and mix of the existing Board of Directors, including, but not limited to, such factors as: the age of the current directors, their geographic location (being a community bank, there is a strong preference for local directors), background, skills and employment experience. Among other things, when examining a specific candidate's qualifications, the Corporate Governance Committee considers the candidate's: ability to represent the best interest of the Company, existing relationships with the Company, interest in the affairs of the Company and its purpose, ability to fulfill director responsibilities, leadership skill, reputation within the Company's community, community service, integrity, business judgment, ability to develop business for Plumas Bancorp and ability to work as a member of a team. The Committee does not assign specific weights to particular criteria and no particular criterion is necessarily applicable to all prospective nominees. Nominees are not discriminated against on the basis of race, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, disability or any other basis proscribed by law. All nominees to be considered at the Meeting were recommended by the Corporate Governance Committee.

The Corporate Governance Committee will consider nominees to the Board proposed by shareholders, although the Board has no formal policy with regard to shareholder nominees as it considers all nominees on their merits as aforementioned. Any shareholder nominations proposed for consideration by the Board may only be made by complying with the procedures which are included in this proxy statement and should be addressed to:

President<br>Plumas Bancorp<br>35 S. Lindan Avenue<br>Quincy, CA 95971

## PROPOSAL 2

NON-BINDING ADVISORY VOTE ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION
The Company has chosen to participate in the Troubled Asset Relief Program ("TARP") Capital Purchase Program. On January 30, 2009 the Company, issued to the United States Department of the Treasury ("Treasury") 11,949 shares of the Company's Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A (the "Series A Preferred Stock").

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (the "ARRA") more commonly known as the economic stimulus package, was signed into law on February 17, 2009. In addition to a wide variety of programs intended to stimulate the economy, ARRA imposes significant new requirements for and restrictions relating to the compensation arrangements of financial institutions that received government funds through TARP, including institutions like the Company that participated in the Capital Purchase Program prior to ARRA. These restrictions apply until a participant repays the financial assistance received through TARP.

One of the requirements for any recipient of funds in the TARP is to provide an advisory vote on the compensation of executives, as disclosed in this proxy statement pursuant to the compensation disclosure rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

This proposal, commonly known as a "Say-on-Pay" proposal, gives you as a shareholder the opportunity to provide an advisory vote on the Company's executive compensation as disclosed in this proxy statement through the following resolution:
"Resolved, that the shareholders approve the compensation of the Company's executives, as described in the tabular and accompanying narrative disclosure regarding Named Executive Officer compensation in this Proxy Statement for its 2012 Annual Meeting."

Because the vote is advisory, it will not be binding upon the Board of Directors, will not overrule any decision made by the Board of Directors, and will not create or imply any additional fiduciary duty on the Board of Directors. The Corporate Governance Committee may, however, take into account the outcome of the vote when considering future executive compensation arrangements.

The Board of Directors believes that the Company's executive compensation program is reasonable in comparison both to similar sized companies in the industry and to the performance of the Company during 2011. We also believe that the Company's compensation program is effective in aligning the interests of the executives with the interests of the Company's stockholders on a long-term basis and is appropriate.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR THE APPROVAL OF A NON-BINDING ADVISORY VOTE ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION AS DESCRIBED IN THIS PROXY STATEMENT.

## Executive Officers

The following table sets forth information concerning executive officers of Plumas Bancorp and Plumas Bank:

| Name | Age | Position and Principal Occupation for the Past Five Years |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Andrew J. Ryback | 47 | President and Chief Executive Officer of Plumas Bancorp and |
|  |  | Plumas Bank since November 16, 2011. Interim President and |
|  |  | Chief Executive Officer of Plumas Bancorp and Plumas Bank |
|  |  | effective March 29, 2010. Formerly Executive Vice President and |
|  |  | Chief Financial Officer of Plumas Bancorp and Plumas Bank. |

Richard L. Belstock 55 Senior Vice President since September, 2010. Chief Financial Officer of Plumas Bancorp and Plumas Bank since November 16, 2011. Interim Chief Financial Officer of Plumas Bancorp and Plumas Bank effective March 31, 2010. Formerly Vice President and Controller of Plumas Bancorp and Plumas Bank.

Monetta R.
Dembosz
61 Executive Vice President and Operations Manager of Plumas Bank since February 2007. Previously Senior Vice President and Operations Manager of Plumas Bank.
B. J. North

Kerry D. Wilson

55 Senior Vice President and Chief Credit Administrator since February, 2012. Previously Senior Vice President - Assistant Loan Administrator.

## Executive Compensation

| Summary Compensation Table |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Name and Principal Position | Year | Salary | Bonus | Stock Awards <br> (1) | Option Awards <br> (2) | Non-Equity <br> Incentive <br> Plan <br> Compensation <br> $(3)$ | Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings | All Other Compensation (4) | Total |
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) | (h) | (i) | (j) |
| Andrew J. Ryback President and CEO of Plumas Bancorp and Plumas Bank | 2011 2010 | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 175,000 \\ & \$ 168,750 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 0 \\ & \$ 0 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 0 \\ & \$ 0 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \$ & 0 \\ \$ & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \$ & 0 \\ \$ & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \$ & 0 \\ \$ & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 3,216 \\ & \$ 3,093 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 178,216 \\ & \$ 171,843 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| B. J. North EVP, Retail Banking Plumas Bank | $\begin{aligned} & 2011 \\ & 2010 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 135,000 \\ & \$ 138,750 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 0 \\ & \$ 0 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 0 \\ & \$ 0 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{rr} \$ & 14,256 \\ \$ & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \$ & 0 \\ \$ & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \$ & 0 \\ \$ & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 9,840 \\ & \$ 9,000 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 159,096 \\ & \$ 147,750 \end{aligned}$ |
| Monetta R Dembosz <br> EVP, Operations <br> Manager of Plumas <br> Bank | 2011 2010 | \$135,000 $\$ 138,750$ | \$0 $\$ 0$ | \$0 $\$ 0$ | \$ 14,256 <br> $\$$ 0 | $\begin{array}{ll} \$ & 0 \\ \$ & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \$ & 0 \\ \$ & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rr} \$ & 700 \\ \$ & 2,096 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 149,956 \\ & \$ 140,846 \end{aligned}$ |

(1) The Company has not granted stock awards.
(2) The amounts in column (f) reflect the aggregate grant date fair value computed in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718. Assumptions used in the calculation of these amounts are included in footnote 3 to the Company's audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 23, 2012. No options were granted in 2010.
(3) The Company did not provide a non-equity incentive plan for its employees during 2011 or 2010.
(4) The amounts in column (i) include premiums paid and accrued on life insurance policies, personal use of Company automobile, cell phone allowance and during 2010 the Company's contribution under Plumas Bank's 401(k) Plan. The amount for Ms. North includes automobile allowances of $\$ 9,000$ in 2011 and 2010.

## Non-Equity Incentive Plan

The Company has chosen not to provide a non-equity incentive plan for its employees during 2011 or 2010, and no bonus or incentive payments were made in 2011 or 2010 and none are anticipated to be paid during 2012.

## Stock Option Awards

We consider equity compensation in the form of annual stock option awards an important component of our total compensation package because it helps align the interests of our executives to those of our shareholders and provides a significant retention benefit. During 2006 the Company's shareholders approved an amendment and restatement of the Plumas Bank 2001 Stock Option Plan allowing restricted stock awards to employees. The Corporate Governance Committee approves and recommends to the Board for its approval all stock option and restricted stock grants.

On March 16, 2011 options totaling 14,400 each were granted to Ms. North and Ms. Dembosz. During 2010 we chose not to grant any stock options. The Company makes grants of equity-based compensation only at fair market value of our stock at the time of grant. The exercise price of stock options is set at the closing stock price on the date of grant. All option grants have a maximum vesting period of five (5) years and expire no more than ten (10) years from the date of grant. The ability to grant options under the Company's stock option plan terminated on March 21, 2011 and therefore until a new stock option plan is approved by its shareholders no additional options will be granted.

The Company incorporates the officer's position level in the determination of the total value of the equity-based compensation to be included in the officer's total compensation. The higher the officer level the more options/restricted stock that may be granted to the officer. Additional options may be granted to an individual based on outstanding achievement. This is consistent with the Company's philosophy of rewarding those officers who have the most impact on our performance.

## Post-Employment Benefits

We consider providing significant post-employment benefits in the form of providing salary continuation benefits to our executives as an important part of their total executive compensation to reward them for their service and loyalty to the Company. The Company has entered into salary continuation agreements with Mr. Ryback and Ms. Dembosz. The purpose of the salary continuation agreements is to provide special incentive to the experienced executive officer to continue employment with the Company on a long-term basis. The agreements provide the executive with salary continuation benefits of up to $\$ 62,000$ per year for 15 years after retirement at age 65. In the event of death prior to retirement, the executive's beneficiary will receive salary continuation benefits at a reduced amount depending on the length of service with the Company or in the case of Mr. Ryback his beneficiary is entitled to a portion of the death benefits pursuant to a split dollar agreement. In the event of disability wherein the executive does not continue employment with the Company, the executive is entitled to salary continuation benefits, at a reduced amount depending on the length of service with the Company, beginning at age 65 or on the date on which he is no longer entitled to disability benefits under the Company's group disability insurance, whichever is earlier. If the executive terminates employment with the Company for a reason other than death or disability prior to the retirement age of 65 , such person will be entitled to salary continuation benefits at a reduced amount depending on the length of service with the Company. The vesting of salary continuation benefits for Mr. Ryback occurs at a rate that provides for a $90 \%$ vesting at age 60 and $2 \%$ per year for the next five years of service, for a total vesting of $100 \%$. Ms. Dembosz's salary continuation benefits were approximately $32 \%$ vested at age 60 . Between age 60 and 65 her vesting will increase at an annual rate of between $13 \%$ and $15 \%$ per year and she will become fully vested at age 65 .

In the event of a change of control of the Company and the executive terminates employment with the Company or its successor within a period of 24 months after such change in control, then the executive may elect full vesting of his salary continuation payments and the payment of the salary continuation benefits beginning with the month following the month of termination, subject to the reduction of benefits if the benefits result in a limitation of deductibility of such benefits for the Company under Section 280G of the Internal Revenue Code. The salary continuation benefits are informally funded by single premium life insurance policies with the executive as the insured parties and the Company as the beneficiary of the policies.

The Company has entered into a split dollar agreement with Mr. Ryback. The purpose of the split dollar agreement is to provide special incentive to Mr. Ryback to continue employment with the Company on a long-term basis. To accomplish this, the Company agrees to divide the net death proceeds of life insurance policies on Mr. Ryback's life with Mr. Ryback's beneficiary. However, Mr. Ryback's rights or interests in the split dollar policies no longer exist once he ceases to be employed by the Company for any reason whatsoever prior to normal retirement age provided that he has received or had the opportunity to receive any benefit under his executive salary continuation agreement.

The Company has agreed to pay the taxes on the imputed income on the life insurance benefit provided to Mr. Ryback under the split dollar agreement. However, the Company is precluded from making tax gross up payments while the Company has funds outstanding from the United States Treasury under the Capital Purchase Program and therefore during this period he is responsible for the payment of these taxes.

During 2008 the split dollar and salary continuation agreements of Mr. Ryback was amended to insure compliance with section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code.

## Perquisites

We offer a qualified 401(k) plan in which the named executive officers participate on the same terms as all other employees. During 2010, we matched the first 3\% on a dollar-for-dollar basis until April 1, 2010 at which time we discontinued the Company's matching contribution. In addition we offer medical, dental and vision plans under the same terms to all employees. Other perquisites and benefits, which do not represent a significant portion of the named executive's total compensation, include for Mr. Ryback a company provided automobile, company provided gasoline and maintenance and the payment of Mr. Ryback's portion of the split dollar insurance. During 2011 and 2010, Ms. North received a $\$ 750$ monthly automobile allowance. Mr. Ryback, Ms. Dembosz and Ms. North also receive a monthly allowance to cover the business portion of their cellular phone use and are provided with gasoline for the business use of their automobiles. These plans, and the contributions we make to them, provide an additional benefit to attract and retain executive officers of the Company.

(1) Options vest $20 \%$ per year beginning 12/18/2003
(2) Options vest $20 \%$ per year beginning $12 / 17 / 2004$
(3) Options vest $20 \%$ per year beginning 12/15/2005
(4) Options were granted $3 / 1 / 2007$, have an eight year life and vest $25 \%$ per year beginning $3 / 01 / 2008$
(5) Options were granted $2 / 20 / 2008$, have an eight year life and vest $25 \%$ per year beginning $2 / 20 / 2009$
(6) Options vest $20 \%$ per year beginning $04 / 02 / 2005$
(7) Options were granted $3 / 16 / 2011$, have an eight year life and vest $25 \%$ per year beginning $3 / 16 / 2012$

## Potential Payments Upon Termination Or Change of Control

The following is a discussion of the payments that may come due to a named executive officer following a change of control or the termination of the named executive officer. Regardless of the manner in which a named executive officer's employment terminates, he is entitled to receive amounts earned during his term of employment including all unused vacation pay and amounts vested through the Bank's 401(k) Plan. Upon termination of employment, a named executive officer also has the right to exercise all vested stock options, unless their termination is for cause.

The Company is limited in its ability to make change of control, bonus or termination of employment payments described in this proxy statement to its most highly paid employee while the Company has funds outstanding from the United States Treasury under the Capital Purchase Program.

## Payments Made Upon a Change in Control

Salary Continuation Agreements: The Company has entered into salary continuation agreements with Mr. Ryback and Ms. Dembosz. The agreements for Mr. Ryback and Ms. Dembosz provide the executive with salary continuation benefits of up to $\$ 62,000$ per year for 15 years after retirement.

In the event of a change of control of the Company and the executive terminates employment with the Company or its successor within a period of 24 months after such change in control, then the executive may elect full vesting of his salary continuation payments and the payment of the salary continuation benefits beginning with the month following the month of termination, subject to the reduction of benefits if the benefits result in a limitation of deductibility of such benefits for the Company under Section 280G of the Internal Revenue Code.

Under the terms of these agreements a change in control is defined as a change in the ownership or effective control of the Employer, or in the ownership of a substantial portion of the assets of the Employer, as such change is defined in section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code and regulations thereunder.

## Compensation of Directors

Director Compensation: During 2011, non-employee Directors, except the Chairman, each received $\$ 1,890$ per month for serving on the Plumas Bancorp's and Plumas Bank's Board of Directors and committees. The Chairman received $\$ 2,385$ per month.

Deferred Fee Agreements: The Company has entered into a Deferred Fee Agreement with board member Blickenstaff who deferred $\$ 16,800$ in fees during 2009. The purpose of the Deferred Fee Agreements is to provide a board member an opportunity to defer his or her director fees as an incentive to continue service with the Company. The agreement provides for deferral of director fees to the earlier of an agreed upon distribution date or the termination of director services for any reason. The Company will accrue interest on all deferred director fees at an annual floating percentage rate of the current Wall Street Journal Prime Rate minus 1\%. In the event of death prior to retirement, the beneficiary will receive full-deferred fee benefits. In the event of disability wherein the director does not continue service with the Company, the director is entitled to the full-deferred fee benefit accrued up to the point of director's termination of service.

Non-Qualified Stock Options: On March 16, 2011 the Company granted to each of its directors 3,200 in non-qualified stock options with an exercise price of $\$ 2.95$ per share. The options vest $25 \%$ per year beginning on March 16, 2012 and have an eight year life. No stock options were granted to directors during 2010. The Company makes grants of non-qualified stock options only at fair market value of our stock at the time of grant. All option grants have a maximum vesting period of five (5) years and expire no more than ten (10) years from the date of grant. Upon a change in control all stock options held by directors may vest and become exercisable.

## Director Emeritus Plans

Director Retirement Agreement: The Company has entered into Director Retirement (fee continuation) Agreements with its non-employee Directors excluding Mr. Elliott. Mr. Elliott retired as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company during 2005 and is currently receiving benefits under his executive salary continuation agreement. The purpose of the fee continuation agreements is to provide a retirement benefit to the board members as an incentive to continue informal service with the Company. The agreement provides for fee continuation benefits of up to $\$ 10,000$ per year with a term of 12 years after retirement with the exception of board members Flournoy and McClintock's agreements which have a term of 15 years. In the event of death prior to retirement, the beneficiary will receive full fee continuation benefits, with the exception of Messrs. Flournoy and McClintock's beneficiary who would be entitled to receive a lump sum payment of $\$ 30,000$. In the event of disability wherein the director does not continue service with the Company, the director is entitled to fee continuation benefits, at a reduced amount depending on the length of service with the Company, beginning the month following termination of service. The agreements, with the exception of Messrs. Flournoy and McClintock's agreement, allow for a Hardship Distribution under specified circumstances. Hardship Distributions are limited to the amount the Company had accrued under the terms of the agreement as of the day the director petitioned the Board to receive a Hardship Distribution. Upon a change in control the director is eligible to receive the full fee continuation benefits upon the director's termination of service. The fee continuation benefits, with the exception of Mr. McClintock's benefits, are informally funded by single premium life insurance policies. The directors are the insured parties and the Company is the beneficiary of the respective policies.

Post-Retirement Consulting Agreement: The Company has entered into Post-Retirement Consulting Agreements with its non-employee Directors with the exception of Messrs. Flournoy, Elliott and McClintock. The purpose of the Agreement is to provide consideration to the board members in exchange for consulting services after their retirement from the Board. The agreements provide for consulting fees of $\$ 10,000$ per year for 3 years after retirement. In the event of death prior to completion of the consulting services, the beneficiary will receive death benefits equal to the remaining unpaid consulting fee benefits. In the event of disability wherein the retired director is unable to continue consulting services with the Company, the Company may terminate the director's post-retirement consulting services. If the retired director voluntarily terminates his or her consulting services for other than good reason or if the Company terminates the director's post-retirement consulting services for cause, the Post-Retirement Consulting Agreement shall terminate.

The table below summarizes the compensation paid by the Company to non-employee Directors for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011.

| Director Compensation Table |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Name |  | Stock <br> Awards | Option Awards (\$) (1) | Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation | Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings | All Other Compensation | Total |
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) | (h) |
| Daniel E. West | \$28,620 | N/A | \$3,168 | N/A | N/A | \$0 | \$31,788 |
| Terrance J. Reeson | \$22,680 | N/A | \$3,168 | N/A | N/A | \$0 | \$25,848 |
| Alvin G. Blickenstaff | \$22,680 | N/A | \$3,168 | N/A | \$0 | \$0 | \$25,848 |
| William E. Elliott | \$22,680 | N/A | \$3,168 | N/A | N/A | \$0 | \$25,848 |
| Gerald W. Fletcher | \$22,680 | N/A | \$3,168 | N/A | N/A | \$0 | \$25,848 |
| John Flournoy | \$22,680 | N/A | \$3,168 | N/A | N/A | \$0 | \$25,848 |
| Arthur Grohs | \$22,680 | N/A | \$3,168 | N/A | N/A | \$0 | \$25,848 |
| Robert J. McClintock | \$22,680 | N/A | \$3,168 | N/A | N/A | \$0 | \$25,848 |

(1) The amounts in column (d) reflect the aggregate grant date fair value computed in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718. Assumptions used in the calculation of these amounts are included in footnote 3 to the Company's audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 23, 2012. No options were granted in 2010. As of December 31, 2011 each Director has the following number of options outstanding (total options outstanding include both options that are exercisable at December 31, 2011 and options that may become exercisable in the future): Daniel West: 16,449; Terrance Reeson: 16,449; Alvin Blickenstaff: 10,824; William Elliott: 5,200; Gerald Fletcher: 15,882; John Flournoy: 7,700; Arthur Grohs: 16,449 Robert McClintock: 3,200 . The exercise price exceeded the market price for all options outstanding at December 31, 2011.

## PROPOSAL 3 RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

The firm of Crowe Horwath LLP served as certified independent public accountants for the audit of the Company's consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2011. Crowe Horwath LLP was appointed as the Company's independent public accountant on November 1, 2011as a result of the Company's previous independent auditor, Perry-Smith LLP, combining with Crowe Horwath LLP on that date. The Company's Board of Directors has determined the firm of Crowe Horwath LLP to be fully independent of the operations of Plumas Bancorp. Proposal 3 is nonbinding. If the appointment is not ratified, our Audit Committee will consider whether to appoint another independent registered public accounting firm in its discretion. If the appointment is ratified, our Audit Committee in its discretion may appoint a different independent registered public accounting firm at any time if it determines that such a change would be advisable.

Aggregate fees billed by Crowe Horwath LLP and Perry-Smith LLP to Plumas Bancorp and Plumas Bank and the percentage of those fees that were pre-approved by the Company's Audit Committee for the years ended 2011 and 2010 are as follows:

Audit fees
Audit-related fees
Tax fees

Total fees

| 2011 | Percentage PreApproved | 2010 | Percentage PreApproved |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$ 193,000 | $100 \%$ \$ | 210,000 | $100 \%$ |
| 19,000 | 100\% | 13,000 | 100\% |
| 18,000 | 100\% | 26,000 | 100\% |
| \$ 230,000 | 100\%\$ | 249,000 | $100 \%$ |

The Audit Committee of the Bancorp has considered the provision of non-audit services provided by Crowe Horwath LLP and Perry-Smith LLP to be compatible with maintaining the independence of Crowe Horwath LLP and Perry-Smith LLP.

It is anticipated that a representative of Crowe Horwath LLP will be present at the annual meeting of shareholders and will be available to respond to appropriate questions from shareholders at the meeting.

## THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE APPOINTMENT OF CROWE HORWATH LLP AS INDEPENDENT AUDITORS OF THE COMPANY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2012.

## Shareholder Proposals

Stockholder Proposals: In order for a stockholder proposal to be considered for inclusion in the Company's proxy statement for next year's annual meeting, the written proposal must be received by the Company no later than December 11, 2012 and should contain such information as is required under the Company's Bylaws. Such proposals will need to comply with the SEC's regulations regarding the inclusion of shareholder proposals in the Company's proxy materials.

Nomination of Director Candidates: The Company's Bylaws permit stockholders to nominate directors at a shareholder meeting. In order to make a director nomination at an annual stockholder meeting, it is necessary that you notify the Company not less than 120 days before the first anniversary of the date that the proxy statement for the preceding year's annual meeting was first sent to stockholders. The Company's 2012 Proxy Statement was first sent to stockholders on April 10, 2012. Thus, in order for any such nomination notice to be timely for next year's annual meeting, it must be received by the Company not later than December 11, 2012. In addition, the notice must meet all other requirements contained in the Company's Bylaws and include any other information required pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act.

Copy of Bylaw Provisions: You may contact the Investor Relations Officer, Ms. Elizabeth Kuipers, at the Company for a copy of the relevant Bylaw provisions regarding the requirements for making shareholder proposals and nominating director candidates. Additionally, a copy of the Company's Bylaws can be accessed at http://www.plumasbank.com. Click on the "Investor Relations tab" and then Governance Documents.

## Certain Transactions

Some of the directors and executive officers of Plumas Bancorp and their immediate families, as well as the companies with which they are associated, are customers of, or have had banking transactions with, Plumas Bancorp in the ordinary course of the Company's business, and Plumas Bancorp expects to have banking transactions with such persons in the future. In management's opinion, all loans and commitments to lend in such transactions were made in compliance with applicable laws and on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, as those prevailing for comparable transactions with other persons of similar creditworthiness and, in the opinion of management, did not involve more than a normal risk of collectibility or present other unfavorable features.

## Other Matters

Management does not know of any matters to be presented at the meeting other than those set forth above. However, if other matters come before the meeting, it is the intention of the persons named in the accompanying proxy to vote the shares represented by the proxy in accordance with the recommendations of management on such matters, and discretionary authority to do so is included in the proxy.

## Available Information

Plumas Bancorp's common stock is registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and as a result the Company is required to file annual reports, quarterly reports and other periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and are posted and are available at no cost on the Company's website, www.plumasbank.com, as soon as reasonably practicable after Plumas Bancorp files such documents with the SEC. These reports and filings are also available for inspection and/or printing at no cost through the SEC website, www.sec.gov. In addition, regulatory report data for both Plumas Bancorp and Plumas Bank are available for inspection and/or printing at no cost through the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council's (the "FFIEC") website, www.ffiec.gov and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's (the "FDIC") website, www.fdic.gov, respectively.

You may request an additional copy of the proxy statement, $10-\mathrm{K}, 2011$ annual report to shareholders, and form of proxy as to this annual meeting or all future shareholder meetings by calling us at 1.888.375.8627, by writing to us at Plumas Bancorp, 35 S. Lindan Avenue, Quincy, California 95971, Attn: Ms. Elizabeth Kuipers, Investor Relations Officer, or by email at investorrelations@plumasbank.com.

## FORM 10－K

# Annual report pursuant to Section 13 or 15（d）of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 For the fiscal year ended December 31， 2011 <br> or 

$\square$ Transaction report pursuant to Section 13 or 15（d）of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Commission file number：000－49883

## PLUMAS BANCORP

（Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter）

## California

（State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization）

75－2987096
（IRS Employer Identification No．）

35 S．Lindan Avenue，Quincy，CA

（Address of principal executive offices）

95971
（Zip Code）

Registrant＇s telephone number，including area code：（530）283－7305
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12（b）of the Act：


Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well－known seasoned issuer，as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act．Yes <br> 区 No}

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15（d）of the Act．Yes

区 No
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant：（1）has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or $15(\mathrm{~d})$ of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months（or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports），and（2）has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days．

区 YesNo
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site，if any，every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S－T（ $\$ 232.405$ of this chapter）during the preceding 12 months（or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files）．区 Yes $\square$ No

Indicated by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S－K is not contained herein，and will not be contained，to the best of Registrant＇s knowledge，in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10－K or any amendment to this form 10－K．

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer，an accelerated filer，a non－accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company．See definition of＂large accelerated filer，＂＂accelerated filer＂and＂smaller reporting company＂in Rule $12 b-2$ of the Exchange Act：

Large Accelerated Filer $\square$ Accelerated Filer $\square$ Non－Accelerated Filer $\square$ Smaller Reporting Company $\boxtimes$
Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a shell company（as defined in Rule 12b－2 of the Exchange Act）．$\square$ Yes $\quad$ No
As of June 30 ，2011，the aggregate market value of the voting and non－voting common equity held by non－affiliates of the Registrant was approximately $\$ 10.5$ million，based on the closing price reported to the Registrant on that date of $\$ 2.42$ per share．

Shares of Common Stock held by each officer and director have been excluded in that such persons may be deemed to be affiliates．This determination of the affiliate status is not necessarily a conclusive determination for other purposes．

The number of shares of Common Stock of the registrant outstanding as of March 22， 2012 was 4，776，339．
Documents Incorporated by Reference：Portions of the definitive proxy statement for the 2012 Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to SEC Regulation 14A are incorporated by reference in Part III，Items 10－14．

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## PART I

## Forward-Looking Information

This Annual Report on Form 10-K includes forward-looking statements and information is subject to the "safe harbor" provisions of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section $21 E$ of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These forward-looking statements (which involve Plumas Bancorp's (the "Company's") plans, beliefs and goals, refer to estimates or use similar terms) involve certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements. Such risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the following factors:

- Competitive pressure in the banking industry, competition in the markets the Company operates in and changes in the legal, accounting and regulatory environment
- Changes in the interest rate environment and volatility of rate sensitive assets and liabilities
- Declines in the health of the economy, nationally or regionally, which could reduce the demand for loans, reduce the ability of borrowers to repay loans and/or reduce the value of real estate collateral securing most of the Company's loans
- Credit quality deterioration, which could cause an increase in the provision for loan and lease losses
- Devaluation of fixed income securities
- Asset/liability matching risks and liquidity risks
- Loss of key personnel
- Operational interruptions including data processing systems failure and fraud

The Company undertakes no obligation to revise or publicly release the results of any revision to these forwardlooking statements.

## ITEM 1. BUSINESS

## General

The Company. Plumas Bancorp (the "Company") is a California corporation registered as a bank holding company under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended, and is headquartered in Quincy, California. The Company was incorporated in January 2002 and acquired all of the outstanding shares of Plumas Bank (the "Bank") in June 2002. The Company's principal subsidiary is the Bank, and the Company exists primarily for the purpose of holding the stock of the Bank and of such other subsidiaries it may acquire or establish. At the present time, the Company's only other subsidiaries are Plumas Statutory Trust I and Plumas Statutory Trust II, which were formed in 2002 and 2005 solely to facilitate the issuance of trust preferred securities.

The Company's principal source of income is dividends from the Bank, but the Company may explore supplemental sources of income in the future. The Bank cannot currently pay dividends without the prior approval of its primary regulators. The cash outlays of the Company, including (but not limited to) the payment of dividends to shareholders, if and when declared by the Board of Directors, costs of repurchasing Company common stock, the cost of servicing debt and preferred stock dividends, will generally be paid from dividends paid to the Company by the Bank. The Company cannot currently pay dividends without the prior approval of its primary regulators.

At December 31, 2011, the Company had consolidated assets of $\$ 455$ million, deposits of $\$ 391$ million, other liabilities of $\$ 24$ million and shareholders' equity of $\$ 40$ million. The Company's liabilities include $\$ 10.3$ million in junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures issued in conjunction with the trust preferred securities issued by Plumas Statutory Trust I (the "Trust I") in September 2002 and Plumas Statutory Trust II (the "Trust II") in September 2005. Both Trust I and Trust II are further discussed in the section titled "Trust Preferred Securities." Shareholders' equity includes $\$ 11.8$ million in preferred stock issued pursuant to the U.S. government's Capital Purchase Program which is discussed in the section titled "Capital Purchase Program - TARP - Preferred Stock and Stock Warrant."

References herein to the "Company," "we," "us" and "our" refer to Plumas Bancorp and its consolidated subsidiary, unless the context indicates otherwise. Our operations are conducted at 35 South Lindan Avenue, Quincy, California. Our annual, quarterly and other reports, required under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, (the "SEC") are posted and are available at no cost on the Company's website, www.plumasbank.com, as soon as reasonably practicable after the Company files such documents with the SEC. These reports are also available through the SEC's website at www.sec.gov.

The Bank. The Bank is a California state-chartered bank that was incorporated in July 1980 and opened for business in December 1980. The Bank is not a member of the Federal Reserve System. The Bank's Administrative Office is located at 35 South Lindan Avenue, Quincy, California. At December 31, 2011 the Bank had approximately $\$ 454$ million in assets, $\$ 287$ million in net loans and $\$ 392$ million in deposits (including deposits of $\$ 0.7$ million from the Bancorp). It is currently the largest independent bank headquartered in Plumas County. The Bank's deposit accounts are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC") up to maximum insurable amounts.

The Bank's primary service area covers the Northeastern portion of California, with Lake Tahoe to the South and the Oregon border to the North. The Bank, through its eleven branch network, serves the seven contiguous California counties of Plumas, Nevada, Sierra, Placer, Lassen, Modoc and Shasta. The branches are located in the communities of Quincy, Portola, Greenville, Truckee, Fall River Mills, Alturas, Susanville, Chester, Tahoe City, Kings Beach and Redding. The Bank maintains fifteen automated teller machines ("ATMs") tied in with major statewide and national networks. In addition to its branch network, the Bank operates a lending office specializing in government-guaranteed lending in Auburn, California. The Bank's primary business is servicing the banking needs of these communities. Its marketing strategy stresses its local ownership and commitment to serve the banking needs of individuals living and working in the Bank's primary service areas.

With a predominant focus on personal service, the Bank has positioned itself as a multi-community independent bank serving the financial needs of individuals and businesses within the Bank's geographic footprint. Our principal retail lending services include consumer, automobile and home equity loans. Our principal commercial lending services include term real estate, commercial and industrial term loans. In addition, we provide governmentguaranteed and agricultural loans as well as credit lines. We provide land development and construction loans on a limited basis.

The Bank's Government-guaranteed lending center, headquartered in Auburn, California with additional personnel in Truckee, provides Small Business Administration and USDA Rural Development loans to qualified borrowers throughout Northern California and Northern Nevada. During 2007 the Bank was granted nationwide Preferred Lender status with the U.S. Small Business Administration and we expect government-guaranteed lending to continue to be an important part of our overall lending operation. During 2010 proceeds from the sale of government-guaranteed loans totaled $\$ 14.9$ million and we generated a gain on sale of $\$ 1.1$ million. In 2011 proceeds from the sale of government guaranteed loans totaled $\$ 23.4$ million and we generated a gain on sale of $\$ 1.9$ million.

The Agricultural Credit Centers located in Susanville and Alturas provide a complete line of credit services in support of the agricultural activities which are key to the continued economic development of the communities we serve. "Ag lending" clients include a full range of individual farming customers, small- to medium-sized business farming organizations and corporate farming units.

As of December 31, 2011, the principal areas to which we directed our lending activities, and the percentage of our total loan portfolio comprised by each, were as follows: (i) commercial real estate $-40.6 \%$; (ii) commercial and industrial loans - $10.3 \%$; (iii) consumer loans (including residential equity lines of credit) - $16.8 \%$; (iv) agricultural loans (including agricultural real estate loans) - $13.2 \%$; (v) residential real estate $-13.3 \%$; and (vi) construction and land development - 5.8\% .

In addition to the lending activities noted above, we offer a wide range of deposit products for the retail and commercial banking markets including checking, interest-bearing checking, business sweep, public funds sweep, savings, time deposit and retirement accounts, as well as remote deposit, telephone and mobile banking and internet banking with bill-pay options. Interest bearing deposits include high yield sweep accounts designed for our commercial customers and for public entities such as municipalities. In addition we offer a premium interest bearing checking account for our consumer customers. As of December 31, 2011, the Bank had 29,359 deposit accounts with balances totaling approximately $\$ 392$ million, compared to 30,372 deposit accounts with balances totaling approximately $\$ 425$ million at December 31, 2010. We attract deposits through our customer-oriented product mix, competitive pricing, convenient locations, extended hours, remote deposit operations and drive-up banking, all provided with a high level of customer service.

Most of our deposits are attracted from individuals, business-related sources and smaller municipal entities. This mix of deposit customers resulted in a relatively modest average deposit balance of approximately $\$ 13,000$ at December 31, 2011. However, it makes us less vulnerable to adverse effects from the loss of depositors who may be seeking higher yields in other markets or who may otherwise draw down balances for cash needs.

We also offer a variety of other products and services to complement the lending and deposit services previously reviewed. These include cashier's checks, bank-by-mail, ATMs, night depository, safe deposit boxes, direct deposit, electronic funds transfers, on-line banking, remote deposit, mobile banking and other customary banking services.

In order to provide non-deposit investment options, we have developed a strategic alliance with Financial Network Investment Corporation ("FNIC"). Through this arrangement, certain employees of the Bank are also licensed representatives of FNIC. These employees provide our customers throughout our branch network with convenient access to annuities, insurance products, mutual funds, and a full range of investment products.

Through our offering of a Remote Deposit product our customers are able to make non-cash deposits remotely from their physical location. With this product, we have extended our service area and can now meet the deposit needs of customers who may not be located within a convenient distance of one of our branch offices.

Additionally, the Bank has devoted a substantial amount of time and capital to the improvement of existing Bank services, during 2009 we replaced our on-line banking service with a new state of the art product that greatly expands the features available to our customers. In addition we utilized this platform to add mobile banking services during the first quarter of 2010. During 2010 Plumas Bank began offering a new Green Account which promotes protecting the environment, reducing clutter and making life simpler for the customer through technological advancements such as eStatements, online banking, and debit card usage while providing the customer with the opportunity to grow their savings through monthly monetary rewards for green behavior. In 2011, we introduced a new product for our larger business customers which use repurchase agreements as an alternative to interest-bearing deposits. The balance in this product at December 31, 2011 was $\$ 8.3$ million. Interest paid on this product is similar to that which can be earned on the Bank's premium money market account; however, these are not deposits and are not FDIC insured. During the first quarter of 2012 we replaced our ATMs with new state of the art machines that are capable of accepting check and cash deposits without a deposit envelope.

The officers and employees of the Bank are continually engaged in marketing activities, including the evaluation and development of new products and services, to enable the Bank to retain and improve its competitive position in its service area.

We hold no patents or licenses (other than licenses required by appropriate bank regulatory agencies or local governments), franchises, or concessions. Our business has a modest seasonal component due to the heavy agricultural and tourism orientation of some of the communities we serve. As our branches in less rural areas such as Truckee have expanded and with the opening of our Auburn commercial lending office, the agriculture-related base has become less significant. We are not dependent on a single customer or group of related customers for a material portion of our deposits, nor are a material portion of our loans concentrated within a single industry or group of related industries. There has been no material effect upon our capital expenditures, earnings, or competitive position as a result of federal, state, or local environmental regulation.

Commitment to our Communities. The Board of Directors and Management believe that the Company plays an important role in the economic well being of the communities it serves. Our Bank has a continuing responsibility to provide a wide range of lending and deposit services to both individuals and businesses. These services are tailored to meet the needs of the communities served by the Company and the Bank.

We offer various loan products which promote home ownership and affordable housing, encourage job growth and support community economic development. Types of loans offered range from personal and commercial loans to real estate, construction, agricultural, and government-guaranteed community infrastructure loans. Many banking decisions are made locally with the goal of maintaining customer satisfaction through the timely delivery of high quality products and services.

Capital Purchase Program - TARP - Preferred Stock and Stock Warrant. On January 30, 2009 the Company entered into a Letter Agreement (the "Purchase Agreement") with the United States Department of the Treasury ("Treasury"), pursuant to which the Company issued and sold (i) 11,949 shares of the Company's Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A (the "Series A Preferred Stock") and (ii) a warrant (the "Warrant") to purchase 237,712 shares of the Company's common stock, no par value (the "Common Stock"), for an aggregate purchase price of $\$ 11,949,000$ in cash.

The Series A Preferred Stock qualifies as Tier 1 capital and pays cumulative dividends quarterly at a rate of $5 \%$ per annum for the first five years, and $9 \%$ per annum thereafter. The Company may redeem the Series A Preferred Stock at its liquidation preference ( $\$ 1,000$ per share) plus accrued and unpaid dividends under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, subject to the Treasury's consultation with the Company's appropriate federal regulator.

The Warrant has a 10 -year term and was immediately exercisable with an exercise price, subject to antidilution adjustments, equal to $\$ 7.54$ per share of the Common Stock. Treasury has agreed not to exercise voting power with respect to any shares of Common Stock issued upon exercise of the Warrant.

Prior to January 30, 2012, unless the Company has redeemed the Series A Preferred Stock, or the Treasury has transferred the Series A Preferred Stock to a third party, the consent of the Treasury will be required for the

Company to: (1) declare or pay any dividend or make any distribution on shares of the Common Stock (other than regular quarterly cash dividends of not more than $\$ 0.04$ per share or regular semi-annual cash dividends of not more than $\$ 0.08$ per share); or (2) redeem, purchase or acquire any shares of Common Stock or other equity or capital securities, other than in connection with benefit plans consistent with past practice and certain other circumstances specified in the Purchase Agreement. At the request of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (FRB), Plumas Bancorp suspended quarterly cash dividend payments on its Series A Preferred Stock. As of December 31, 2011 the amount of the arrearage on the dividend payments of the Series A Preferred Stock is $\$ 1,046,000$ representing seven quarterly payments.

Trust Preferred Securities. During the third quarter of 2002, the Company formed a wholly owned Connecticut statutory business trust, Plumas Statutory Trust I (the "Trust I"). On September 26, 2002, the Company issued to the Trust I, Floating Rate Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures due 2032 (the "Debentures") in the aggregate principal amount of $\$ 6,186,000$. In exchange for these debentures the Trust I paid the Company $\$ 6,186,000$. The Trust I funded its purchase of debentures by issuing $\$ 6,000,000$ in floating rate capital securities ("trust preferred securities"), which were sold to a third party. These trust preferred securities qualify as Tier I capital under current Federal Reserve Board guidelines. The Debentures are the only asset of the Trust I. The interest rate and terms on both instruments are substantially the same. The rate is based on the three-month LIBOR (London Interbank Offered Rate) plus $3.40 \%$, not to exceed $11.9 \%$, adjustable quarterly. The proceeds from the sale of the Debentures were primarily used by the Company to inject capital into the Bank.

During the third quarter of 2005, the Company formed a wholly owned Connecticut statutory business trust, Plumas Statutory Trust II (the "Trust II"). On September 28, 2005, the Company issued to the Trust II, Floating Rate Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures due 2035 (the "Debentures") in the aggregate principal amount of $\$ 4,124,000$. In exchange for these debentures the Trust II paid the Company $\$ 4,124,000$. The Trust II funded its purchase of debentures by issuing $\$ 4,000,000$ in floating rate capital securities ("trust preferred securities"), which were sold to a third party. These trust preferred securities qualify as Tier I capital under current Federal Reserve Board guidelines. The Debentures are the only asset of the Trust II. The interest rate and terms on both instruments are substantially the same. The rate is based on the three-month LIBOR (London Interbank Offered Rate) plus $1.48 \%$, adjustable quarterly. The proceeds from the sale of the Debentures were primarily used by the Company to inject capital into the Bank.

The Debentures and trust preferred securities accrue and pay distributions quarterly based on the floating rate described above on the stated liquidation value of $\$ 1,000$ per security. The Company has entered into contractual agreements which, taken collectively, fully and unconditionally guarantee payment of: (1) accrued and unpaid distributions required to be paid on the capital securities; (2) the redemption price with respect to any capital securities called for redemption by either Trust I or Trust II, and (3) payments due upon voluntary or involuntary dissolution, winding up, or liquidation of either Trust I or Trust II.

The trust preferred securities are mandatorily redeemable upon maturity of the Debentures on September 26, 2032 for Trust I and September 28, 2035 for Trust II, or upon earlier redemption as provided in the indenture.

Neither Trust I nor Trust II are consolidated into the Company's consolidated financial statements and, accordingly, both entities are accounted for under the equity method and the junior subordinated debentures are reflected as debt on the consolidated balance sheet. At the request of the FRB, Plumas Bancorp deferred its regularly scheduled quarterly interest payments on its outstanding junior subordinated debentures relating to its two trust preferred securities. As of December 31, 2011 the amount of the arrearage on the payments on the subordinated debt associated with the trust preferred securities is $\$ 569,000$ representing seven quarterly payments.

Recent Developments. Effective in March, 2011, in connection with the Bank's regularly scheduled 2010 Joint FDIC and California Department of Financial Institutions ("DFI") examination, the Bank entered into a Consent Order ("Order") with the FDIC and the DFI. The FDIC and DFI in the Order, required certain actions to be taken by the Bank including among others: continue to reduce certain classified asset balances, maintain strong capital ratios, improve lending policies and practices, and retain qualified management as stated in the terms of the Order. On February 15, 2012 the FDIC and DFI terminated this Order. While the Bank is no longer subject to an Order, the Bank has entered into an informal agreement with the FDIC and DFI which, among other things, requests that the Bank continue to maintain a Tier 1 Leverage Capital Ratio of $9 \%$ which is in excess of that required for well capitalized institutions and continue to reduce its level of classified asset balances that were outstanding as of

September 30, 2011 to not more than $50 \%$ of Tier 1 Capital plus the allowance for loan losses. At December 31, 2011 this ratio was $68 \%$ and the Bank's Tier 1 Leverage Capital Ratio was 9.8\%.

The lifting of the Order reflects the progress made by the Bank's management and board of directors in reducing classified asset balances, increasing capital ratios, improving lending policies and practices, and retaining qualified management as stated in the terms of the Order.

On July 28, 2011 the Company entered into an agreement with the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (the "FRB Agreement"). Under the terms of the FRB Agreement, Plumas Bancorp has agreed to take certain actions that are designed to maintain its financial soundness so that it may continue to serve as a source of strength to the Bank. Among other things, the FRB Agreement requires prior written approval related to the payment or taking of dividends and distributions, making any distributions of interest, principal or other sums on subordinated debentures or trust preferred securities, incurrence of debt, and the purchase or redemption of stock. In addition, the FRB Agreement requires Plumas Bancorp to submit, within 60 days of the FRB Agreement, a written statement of Plumas Bancorp's planned sources and uses of cash for debt service, operating expense and other purposes ("Cash Flow Statement") for the remainder of 2011 and annually thereafter. The Company submitted the Cash Flow Statements within the required time frames.

See Note 2 - "Regulatory Matters" of the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 8 - Financial Statements and Supplementary Data of this Annual Report on Form 10K for additional information related to the Order and FRB Agreement.

Business Concentrations. No individual or single group of related customer accounts is considered material in relation to the Banks' assets or deposits, or in relation to our overall business. However, at December 31, 2011 approximately $81 \%$ of the Bank's total loan portfolio consisted of real estate-secured loans, including real estate mortgage loans, real estate construction loans, consumer equity lines of credit, and agricultural loans secured by real estate. Moreover, our business activities are currently focused in the California counties of Plumas, Nevada, Placer, Lassen, Modoc, Shasta and Sierra and Washoe County in Nevada. Consequently, our results of operations and financial condition are dependent upon the general trends in these economies and, in particular, the residential and commercial real estate markets. In addition, the concentration of our operations in these areas of California and Nevada exposes us to greater risk than other banking companies with a wider geographic base in the event of catastrophes, such as earthquakes, fires and floods in these regions in California and Nevada.

Competition. With respect to commercial bank competitors, the business is largely dominated by a relatively small number of major banks with many offices operating over a wide geographical area. These banks have, among other advantages, the ability to finance wide-ranging and effective advertising campaigns and to allocate their resources to regions of highest yield and demand. Many of the major banks operating in the area offer certain services that we do not offer directly but may offer indirectly through correspondent institutions. By virtue of their greater total capitalization, such banks also have substantially higher lending limits than we do. For customers whose loan demands exceed our legal lending limit, we attempt to arrange for such loans on a participation basis with correspondent or other banks.

In addition to other banks, our competitors include savings institutions, credit unions, and numerous non-banking institutions such as finance companies, leasing companies, insurance companies, brokerage firms, and investment banking firms. In recent years, increased competition has also developed from specialized finance and non-finance companies that offer wholesale finance, credit card, and other consumer finance services, including on-line banking services and personal financial software. Strong competition for deposit and loan products affects the rates of those products as well as the terms on which they are offered to customers. Mergers between financial institutions have placed additional competitive pressure on banks within the industry to streamline their operations, reduce expenses, and increase revenues. Competition has also intensified due to federal and state interstate banking laws enacted in the mid-1990's, which permit banking organizations to expand into other states. The relatively large California market has been particularly attractive to out-of-state institutions. The Financial Modernization Act, which became effective March 11, 2000, has made it possible for full affiliations to occur between banks and securities firms, insurance companies, and other financial companies, and has also intensified competitive conditions.

Currently, within the Bank's branch service area there are 55 banking branch offices of competing institutions, including 30 branches of 8 major banks. As of June 30, 2011, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) estimated the Bank's market share of insured deposits within the communities it serves to be as follows: Chester $68 \%$, Quincy $59 \%$, Portola $55 \%$, Alturas $47 \%$, Fall River Mills $36 \%$, Susanville $33 \%$, Kings Beach $32 \%$, Truckee $15 \%$, Tahoe City $5 \%$, Redding less than $1 \%$ and $100 \%$ in Greenville. Redding is the location of our most recently opened branch, which became operational in June 2007.

Technological innovations have also resulted in increased competition in financial services markets. Such innovation has, for example, made it possible for non-depository institutions to offer customers automated transfer payment services that previously were considered traditional banking products. In addition, many customers now expect a choice of delivery systems and channels, including telephone, mail, home computer, mobile, ATMs, fullservice branches, and/or in-store branches. The sources of competition in such products include traditional banks as well as savings associations, credit unions, brokerage firms, money market and other mutual funds, asset management groups, finance and insurance companies, internet-only financial intermediaries, and mortgage banking firms.

For many years we have countered rising competition by providing our own style of community-oriented, personalized service. We rely on local promotional activity, personal contacts by our officers, directors, employees, and shareholders, automated 24 -hour banking, and the individualized service that we can provide through our flexible policies. This approach appears to be well-received by our customers who appreciate a more personal and customer-oriented environment in which to conduct their financial transactions. To meet the needs of customers who prefer to bank electronically, we offer telephone banking, mobile banking, remote deposit, and personal computer and internet banking with bill payment capabilities. This high tech and high touch approach allows the customers to tailor their access to our services based on their particular preference.

Employees. At December 31, 2011, the Company and its subsidiary employed 156 persons. On a full-time equivalent basis, we employed 142 persons. None of the Company's employees are represented by a labor union, and management considers its relations with employees to be good.

Code of Ethics. The Board of Directors has adopted a code of business conduct and ethics for directors, officers (including Plumas Bancorp's principal executive officer and principal financial officer) and financial personnel, known as the Corporate Governance Code of Ethics. This Code of Ethics Policy is available on Plumas Bancorp's website at www.plumasbank.com. Shareholders may request a free copy of the Code of Ethics Policy from Plumas Bancorp, Ms. Elizabeth Kuipers, Investor Relations, 35 S. Lindan Avenue, Quincy, California 95971.

## Supervision and Regulation

General. We are extensively regulated under federal and state law. These laws and regulations are generally intended to protect depositors and customers, not shareholders. To the extent that the following information describes statutory or regulatory provisions, it is qualified in its entirety by reference to the particular statute or regulation. Any change in applicable laws or regulations may have a material effect on our business and prospects. Our operations may be affected by legislative changes and by the policies of various regulatory authorities. We cannot accurately predict the nature or the extent of the effects on our business and earnings that fiscal or monetary policies, or new federal or state legislation may have in the future. The Company is subject to the disclosure and regulatory requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, both as administered by the Securities and Exchange Commission. As a listed company on NASDAQ, the Company is subject to NASDAQ rules for listed companies.

Holding Company Regulation. We are a registered bank holding company under the Bank Holding Company Act, and are subject to the supervision of, and regulation by, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the "Federal Reserve"). As a bank holding company, we are examined by and file reports with the Federal Reserve. The Federal Reserve expects a bank holding company to serve as a source of financial and managerial strength to its subsidiary bank and, under appropriate circumstances, to commit resources to support the subsidiary bank.

Federal and State Bank Regulation. The Bank, as a state chartered bank with deposits insured by the FDIC, is primarily subject to the supervision and regulation of the California Department of Financial Institutions, the FDIC,
and the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB). These agencies may prohibit the Bank from engaging in what they believe constitute unsafe or unsound banking practices. The California Department of Financial Institutions regularly examines the Bank or participates in joint examinations with the FDIC.

The Community Reinvestment Act ("CRA") requires that, in connection with examinations of financial institutions within its jurisdiction, the FDIC evaluate the record of the financial institutions in meeting the credit needs of their local communities, including low- and moderate-income neighborhoods, consistent with the safe and sound operation of those institutions. These factors are also considered in evaluating mergers, acquisitions and applications to open a branch or new facility. A less than "Satisfactory" rating would result in the suspension of any growth of the Bank through acquisitions or opening de novo branches until the rating is improved. As of the most recent CRA examination the Bank's CRA rating was "Satisfactory."

Banks are also subject to certain restrictions imposed by the Federal Reserve Act on extensions of credit to executive officers, directors, principal shareholders or any related interest of such persons. Extensions of credit must be made on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and collateral as, and follow credit underwriting procedures that are not less stringent than, those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with persons not affiliated with the bank, and must not involve more than the normal risk of repayment or present other unfavorable features. Banks are also subject to certain lending limits and restrictions on overdrafts to such persons. A violation of these restrictions may result in the assessment of substantial civil monetary penalties on the affected bank or any officer, director, employee, agent or other person participating in the conduct of the affairs of that bank, the imposition of a cease and desist order, and other regulatory sanctions.

The Federal Reserve Act and related Regulation W limit the amount of certain loan and investment transactions between the Bank and its affiliates, require certain levels of collateral for such loans, and limit the amount of advances to third parties that may be collateralized by the securities of the Company or its subsidiaries. Regulation W requires that certain transactions between the Bank and its affiliates be on terms substantially the same, or at least as favorable to the Bank, as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with or involving nonaffiliated companies or, in the absence of comparable transactions, on terms and under circumstances, including credit standards, that in good faith would be offered to or would apply to nonaffiliated companies. The Company and its subsidiaries have adopted an Affiliate Transactions Policy and have entered into various affiliate agreements in compliance with Regulation W.

The Federal Reserve and the FDIC have adopted non-capital safety and soundness standards for institutions. These standards cover internal controls, information and internal audit systems, loan documentation, credit underwriting, interest rate exposure, asset growth, compensation, fees and benefits, and standards for asset quality, earnings and stock valuation. An institution that fails to meet these standards must develop a plan acceptable to the agency, specifying the steps that it will take to meet the standards. Failure to submit or implement such a plan may subject the institution to regulatory sanctions. We believe that the Bank is in compliance with these standards.

Federal Deposit Insurance. Substantially all deposits with the Bank are insured up to applicable limits by the Deposit Insurance Fund ("DIF") of the FDIC and are subject to deposit insurance assessments to maintain the DIF. The FDIC uses a risk-based assessment system that imposes insurance premiums based upon a bank's capital level and supervisory ratings. The base assessment rates under the Federal Deposit Insurance Reform Act of 2005 ("Reform Act"), enacted in February 2006, ranged from $\$ 0.02$ to $\$ 0.40$ per $\$ 100$ of deposits annually. The FDIC could increase or decrease the assessment rate schedule five basis points (annualized) higher or lower than the base rates in order to manage the DIF to prescribed statutory target levels.

In December 2008, the FDIC adopted a rule that amended the system for risk-based assessments and changed assessment rates in attempt to restore targeted reserve ratios in the DIF. Effective January 1, 2009, the risk-based assessment rates were uniformly raised by seven basis points (annualized). On February 27, 2009, the FDIC further modified the risk-based assessment system, effective April 1, 2009, to effectively require larger risk institutions to pay a larger share of the assessment. Characteristics of larger risk institutions include a significant reliance on secured liabilities or brokered deposits, particularly when combined with rapid asset growth. The rule also provided incentives for institutions to hold long-term unsecured debt and, for smaller institutions, high levels of Tier 1 capital. The initial base assessment rates range from $\$ 0.12$ to $\$ 0.45$ per $\$ 100$ of deposits annually. The Bank's assessment rate for 2010 fell at the middle of this range.

After potential adjustments related to unsecured debt, secured liabilities and brokered deposit balances, the final total assessment rates range from $\$ 0.07$ to $\$ 0.775$ per $\$ 100$ of deposits annually. Initial base assessment rates for well managed, well capitalized institutions ranged from $\$ 0.12$ to $\$ 0.16$ per $\$ 100$ of deposits annually.

In October 2010, the FDIC adopted a new DIF restoration plan to ensure that the fund reserve ratio reaches 1.35\% by September 30, 2020, as required by the Dodd-Frank Act. Under the new restoration plan, the FDIC will forego the uniform three-basis point increase in initial assessment rates schedules for January 1, 2011 and maintain the current schedule of assessment rates. At least semi-annually, the FDIC will update its loss and income projections for the DIF and, if needed, increase or decrease assessment rates. On February 7, 2011, the FDIC adopted a final rule modifying the risk-based assessment system from a domestic deposit base to a scorecard based assessment system, effective April 1, 2011. Effective as of April 1, 2011, the Bank was categorized as a small institution as the Bank has less than $\$ 10$ billion in assets. The initial base assessment rates range from five to 35 basis points. After potential adjustments related to unsecured debt and brokered deposit balances, the final total assessment rates range from 2.5 to 45 basis points. Initial base assessment rates for large institutions ranged from five to 35 basis points. The Bank's assessment rate for 2011 fell at the middle of this range. Further increases in the assessment rate could have a material adverse effect on our earnings, depending upon the amount of the increase.

In 2006, the Reform Act increased the deposit insurance limit for certain retirement plan deposit accounts from $\$ 100,000$ to $\$ 250,000$. The basic insurance limit for other deposits, including individuals, joint account holders, businesses, government entities, and trusts, remained at $\$ 100,000$. The Reform Act also provided for the merger of the two deposit insurance funds administered by the FDIC, the Bank Insurance Fund ("BIF") and the Savings Association Insurance Fund ("SAIF"), into the DIF. On October 3, 2008, the EESA temporarily raised the basic limit on federal deposit insurance coverage from $\$ 100,000$ to $\$ 250,000$ per depositor. While the basic deposit insurance limit was to have returned to $\$ 100,000$ after December 31, 2009, the Helping Families Save Their Homes Act extended the temporary increase in the standard maximum deposit insurance amount to $\$ 250,000$ per depositor through December 31, 2013, and the enactment of the Dodd-Frank Act permanently raised the current standard maximum federal deposit insurance amount from $\$ 100,000$ to $\$ 250,000$ per qualified account.

In November 2008, the FDIC approved the final ruling establishing the Transaction Account Guarantee Program ("TAGP") as part of the Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program ("TLGP"). Under this program, all non-interest bearing transaction accounts became fully guaranteed by the FDIC for the entire amount in the account. This unlimited coverage also extended to NOW (interest bearing deposit accounts) earning an interest rate no greater than $0.50 \%$ and all IOLTAs (lawyers' trust accounts). TAGP was extended with the enactment of the Dodd-Frank Act provides for unlimited deposit insurance for noninterest bearing transactions accounts (excluding NOW, but including IOLTAs) expiring on December 31, 2012.

The FDIC may terminate the deposit insurance of any insured depository institution if it determines that the institution has engaged in or is engaging in unsafe and unsound banking practices, is in an unsafe or unsound condition or has violated any applicable law, regulation or order or any condition imposed in writing by, or pursuant to, any written agreement with the FDIC. The termination of deposit insurance for the Bank could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations due to the fact that the Bank's liquidity position would likely be affected by deposit withdrawal activity.

Capital Adequacy. The FDIC has risk-based capital adequacy guidelines intended to provide a measure of capital adequacy that reflects the degree of risk associated with a banking organization's operations for both transactions reported on the balance sheet as assets, and transactions, such as letters of credit and recourse arrangements, which are reported as off-balance-sheet items. Under these guidelines, nominal dollar amounts of assets and credit equivalent amounts of off-balance-sheet items are multiplied by one of several risk adjustment percentages, which range from $0 \%$ for assets with low credit risk, such as certain U.S. government securities, to $100 \%$ for assets with relatively higher credit risk, such as business loans.

A banking organization's risk-based capital ratios are obtained by dividing its qualifying capital by its total riskadjusted assets and off-balance-sheet items. The regulators measure risk-adjusted assets and off-balance-sheet items against both total qualifying capital (the sum of Tier 1 capital and limited amounts of Tier 2 capital) and Tier 1 capital. Tier 1 capital consists of common stock, retained earnings, noncumulative perpetual preferred stock and minority interests in certain subsidiaries, less most other intangible assets. Tier 2 capital may consist of a limited amount of the allowance for loan and lease losses and certain other instruments with some characteristics of equity.

The inclusion of elements of Tier 2 capital is subject to certain other requirements and limitations of the federal banking agencies. Since December 31, 1992, the FRB and the FDIC have required a minimum ratio of qualifying total capital to risk-adjusted assets and off-balance-sheet items of $8 \%$, and a minimum ratio of Tier 1 capital to riskadjusted assets and off-balance-sheet items of $4 \%$.

In addition to the risk-based guidelines, the FRB requires banking organizations to maintain a minimum amount of Tier 1 capital to average total assets, referred to as the leverage ratio. For a banking organization rated in the highest of the five categories used by regulators to rate banking organizations, the minimum leverage ratio of Tier 1 capital to total assets is $3 \%$. It is improbable; however, that an institution with a $3 \%$ leverage ratio would receive the highest rating by the regulators since a strong capital position is a significant part of the regulators' ratings. For all banking organizations not rated in the highest category, the minimum leverage ratio is at least 100 to 200 basis points above the $3 \%$ minimum. Thus, the effective minimum leverage ratio, for all practical purposes, is at least $4 \%$ or $5 \%$. In addition to these uniform risk-based capital guidelines and leverage ratios that apply across the industry, the FRB and FDIC have the discretion to set individual minimum capital requirements for specific institutions at rates significantly above the minimum guidelines and ratios.

A bank that does not achieve and maintain the required capital levels may be issued a capital directive by the FRB and/or DFI to ensure the maintenance of required capital levels. As discussed above, the Company and the Bank are required to maintain certain levels of capital, as is the Bank. The regulatory capital guidelines as well as the actual capitalization for the Bank and Bancorp as of December 31, 2011 follow:

|  | Requirement for the Bank to be: |  | Plumas Bank |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Adequately Capitalized | Well <br> Capitalized |  | Plumas Bancorp |
| Tier 1 leverage capital ratio | 4.0\% | 5.0\% | 9.8\% | 9.8\% |
| Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio | 4.0\% | 6.0\% | 13.7\% | 13.7\% |
| Total risk-based capital ratio | 8.0\% | 10.0\% | 15.0\% | 15.0\% |

Management believes that the Company and the Bank met all of the above capital adequacy requirements as of December 31, 2011 and 2010.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 ("FDICIA") requires federal banking regulators to take "prompt corrective action" with respect to a capital-deficient institution, including requiring a capital restoration plan and restricting certain growth activities of the institution. The Company could be required to guarantee any such capital restoration plan required of the Bank if the Bank became undercapitalized. Pursuant to FDICIA, regulations were adopted defining five capital levels: well capitalized, adequately capitalized, undercapitalized, severely undercapitalized and critically undercapitalized. Under the regulations, the Bank is considered "Well Capitalized" as of December 31, 2011.

If capital falls below the minimum levels established by these regulatory capital guidelines, a holding company or a bank may be denied approval to acquire or establish additional banks or non-bank businesses or to open new facilities.

Banks with capital ratios below the required minimums are subject to certain administrative actions, including prompt corrective action, the termination of deposit insurance upon notice and hearing, or a temporary suspension of insurance without a hearing.

Effects of Government Monetary Policy. Our earnings and growth are affected not only by general economic conditions, but also by the fiscal and monetary policies of the federal government, particularly the Federal Reserve. The Federal Reserve implements national monetary policy for such purposes as curbing inflation and combating recession, through its open market operations in U.S. Government securities, control of the discount rate applicable to borrowings from the Federal Reserve, and establishment of reserve requirements against certain deposits. These activities influence growth of bank loans, investments and deposits, and also affect interest rates charged on loans or paid on deposits. The nature and impact of future changes in monetary policies and their impact on us cannot be predicted with certainty.

Consumer Protection Laws and Regulations. The banking regulatory agencies are focusing greater attention on compliance with consumer protection laws and their implementing regulations. Examination and enforcement have become more intense in nature, and insured institutions have been advised to monitor carefully compliance with such laws and regulations. The Company is subject to many federal and state consumer protection and privacy statutes and regulations, some of which are discussed below.

The Equal Credit Opportunity Act (the "ECOA") generally prohibits discrimination in any credit transaction, whether for consumer or business purposes, on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, age (except in limited circumstances), receipt of income from public assistance programs, or good faith exercise of any rights under the Consumer Credit Protection Act.

The Truth in Lending Act (the "TILA") is designed to ensure that credit terms are disclosed in a meaningful way so that consumers may compare credit terms more readily and knowledgeably. As a result of the TILA, all creditors must use the same credit terminology to express rates and payments, including the annual percentage rate, the finance charge, the amount financed, the total of payments and the payment schedule, among other things.

The Fair Housing Act (the "FH Act") regulates many practices, including making it unlawful for any lender to discriminate in its housing-related lending activities against any person because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, handicap or familial status. A number of lending practices have been found by the courts to be, or may be considered, illegal under the FH Act, including some that are not specifically mentioned in the FH Act itself.

The Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (the "HMDA"), in response to public concern over credit shortages in certain urban neighborhoods, requires public disclosure of information that shows whether financial institutions are serving the housing credit needs of the neighborhoods and communities in which they are located. The HMDA also includes a "fair lending" aspect that requires the collection and disclosure of data about applicant and borrower characteristics as a way of identifying possible discriminatory lending patterns and enforcing anti-discrimination statutes.

The Right to Financial Privacy Act (the "RFPA") imposes a new requirement for financial institutions to provide new privacy protections to consumers. Financial institutions must provide disclosures to consumers of its privacy policy, and state the rights of consumers to direct their financial institution not to share their nonpublic personal information with third parties.

Finally, the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (the "RESPA") requires lenders to provide noncommercial borrowers with disclosures regarding the nature and cost of real estate settlements. Also, RESPA prohibits certain abusive practices, such as kickbacks, and places limitations on the amount of escrow accounts.

Penalties for noncompliance or violations under the above laws may include fines, reimbursement and other penalties. Due to heightened regulatory concern related to compliance with CRA, ECOA, TILA, FH Act, HMDA, RFPA and RESPA generally, the Company may incur additional compliance costs or be required to expend additional funds for investments in its local communities.

Recent Legislation and Other Changes. Federal and state laws affecting banking are enacted from time to time, and similarly federal and state regulations affecting banking are also adopted from time to time. The following include some of the recent laws and regulations affecting banking.

The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act ("Dodd-Frank Act"), signed into law in July, 2010, will significantly change the current bank regulatory structure and affect the lending, investment, trading and operating activities of financial institutions and their holding companies. The Dodd-Frank Act creates of a new interagency council, the Financial System Oversight Council that is charged with identifying and monitoring the systemic risk to the U.S. economy posed by systemically significant, large financial companies, including bank holding companies and non-bank financial companies. The Office of Thrift Supervision will be eliminated and its powers distributed among the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the Federal Reserve Board and the FDIC. The legislation also establishes a floor for capital of insured depository institutions that cannot be lower than the standards in effect today, and directs the federal banking regulators to implement new leverage and capital requirements within 18 months that take into account off-balance sheet activities and other risks, including risks relating to securitized products and derivatives.

The Dodd-Frank Act also creates a new Consumer Financial Protection Bureau with broad powers to supervise and enforce consumer protection laws. The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau has broad rulemaking authority for a wide range of consumer protection laws that apply to all banks and savings institutions such as the Bank, including the authority to prohibit "unfair, deceptive or abusive" acts and practices. The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau has examination and enforcement authority over all banks and savings institutions with more than $\$ 10$ billion in assets. Banks and savings institutions with $\$ 10$ billion or less in assets will be examined by their applicable bank regulators. The new legislation also weakens the federal preemption available for national banks and federal savings associations, and gives state attorneys general the ability to enforce applicable federal consumer protection laws.

The legislation also broadens the base for FDIC insurance assessments. Assessments will now be based on the average consolidated total assets less tangible equity capital of a financial institution. The Dodd-Frank Act also repeals the prohibition on payment of interest on demand deposits.

Section 613 of the Dodd-Frank Act eliminates interstate branching restrictions that were implemented as part of the Riegle-Neal Interstate Banking and Branching Efficiency Act of 1994, and removes many restrictions on de novo interstate branching by national and state-chartered banks. The FDIC and the OCC now have authority to approve applications by insured state nonmember banks and national banks, respectively, to establish de novo branches in states other than the bank's home state if "the law of the State in which the branch is located, or is to be located, would permit establishment of the branch, if the bank were a State bank chartered by such State." The enactment of this section may significantly increase interstate banking by community banks in western states, where barriers to entry were previously high.

Many of the provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act will not take effect for at least a year, and the legislation requires various federal agencies to promulgate numerous and extensive implementing regulations over the next several years. Although the substance and scope of these regulations cannot be determined at this time, it is expected that the legislation and implementing regulations, particularly those provisions relating to the new Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, will increase the Bank's operating and compliance costs as it is likely that the Bank's existing regulatory agencies will adopt the same or similar consumer protections as the new Consumer Financial Protection Bureau will adopt.

On June 21, 2010, the federal banking agencies issued final guidance on incentive compensation. The final guidance is largely unchanged from the FRB's preliminary guidance published in 2009, with the exception of a few adjustments/clarifications in response to feedback the FRB received during the open comment period. The guidance became effective on June 25, 2010 (the date published in the Federal Register, and applies to all banks. Except for the largest banking organizations, enforcement of this guidance will be handled through the supervisors' regular risk-focused examination process. The guidance is principles-based, rather than prescriptive, and also identifies expectations of large banking organizations that go beyond what will be expected of community banks, and emphasizes that the application of the guidance should be scaled appropriately for the complexity of the organization and the extent to which incentive arrangements are utilized. The employees covered by the final guidance are senior executives and others who are responsible for oversight of the organization's firm-wide activities or material business lines; individual employees, including non-executive employees, whose activities may expose the organization to material amounts of risk; and groups of employees who are subject to the same or similar incentive compensation arrangements and who, in the aggregate, may expose the organization to material amounts of risk, even if no individual employee is likely to expose the organization to material risk. The guidance provides for three principles for safe and sound incentive compensation arrangements:

- Balanced Risk-Taking: Incentive compensation arrangements should balance risk and financial results in a manner that does not encourage employees to expose their organizations to imprudent risks;
- Compatibility with Effective Controls and Risk-Management: A banking organization's risk-management processes and internal controls should reinforce and support the development and maintenance of balanced incentive compensation arrangements;
- Strong Corporate Governance: Banking organizations should have strong and effective corporate governance to help ensure sound compensation practices, including active and effective oversight by the board of directors.

The Electronic Funds Transfer Act (the "EFTA") provides a basic framework for establishing the rights, liabilities, and responsibilities of consumers who use electronic funds transfer ("EFT") systems. The EFTA is implemented by the Federal Reserve's Regulation E, which governs transfers initiated through ATMs, point-of-sale terminals, payroll cards, automated clearinghouse ("ACH") transactions, telephone bill-payment plans, or remote banking services. Regulation E was amended in January 2010 to require consumers to opt in (affirmatively consent) to participation in the Bank's overdraft service program for ATM and one-time debit card transactions before overdraft fees may be assessed on the consumer's account. Notice of the opt-in right must be provided to all existing and new customers who are consumers, and the customer's affirmative consent must be obtained, before charges may be assessed on the consumer's account for paying such overdrafts.

The new rule provides bank customers with an ongoing right to revoke consent to participation in an overdraft service program for ATM and one-time debit card transactions, as opposed to being automatically enrolled in such a program. The new rule also prohibits banks from conditioning the payment of overdrafts for checks, ACH transactions, or other types of transactions that overdraw the consumer's account on the consumer's opting into an overdraft service for ATM and one-time debit card transactions. For customers who do not affirmatively consent to overdraft service for ATM and one-time debit card transactions, a bank must provide those customers with the same account terms, conditions, and features that it provides to consumers who do affirmatively consent, except for the overdraft service for ATM and one-time debit card transactions.

The mandatory compliance date for the Regulation E amendments is July 1, 2010 provided that the Bank may continue to assess overdraft service fees or charges on existing customer accounts prior to August 15, 2010, without obtaining the consumer's affirmative consent. The Bank's compliance with the new Regulation E amendments may have an impact on the Bank's revenue from overdraft service fees and non-sufficient funds ("NSF") charges.

In May 2009 the Helping Families Save Their Homes Act of 2009 was enacted to help consumers avoid mortgage foreclosures on their homes through certain loss mitigation actions including special forbearance, loan modification, pre-foreclosure sale, deed in lieu of foreclosure, support for borrower housing counseling, subordinate lien resolution, and borrower relocation. The new law permits the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), for mortgages either in default or facing imminent default, to: (1) authorize the modification of such mortgages; and (2) establish a program for payment of a partial claim to a mortgagee who agrees to apply the claim amount to payment of a mortgage on a 1- to 4 -family residence. In implementing the law, the Secretary of HUD is authorized to (1) provide compensation to the mortgagee for lost income on monthly mortgage payments due to interest rate reduction; (2) reimburse the mortgagee from a guaranty fund in connection with activities that the mortgagee is required to undertake concerning repayment by the mortgagor of the amount owed to HUD; (3) make payments to the mortgagee on behalf of the borrower, under terms defined by HUD; and (4) make mortgage modification with terms extended up to 40 years from the modification date. The new law also authorizes the Secretary of HUD to: (1) reassign the mortgage to the mortgagee; (2) act as a Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA, or Ginnie Mae) issuer, or contract with an entity for such purpose, in order to pool the mortgage into a Ginnie Mae security; or (3) resell the mortgage in accordance with any program established for purchase by the federal government of insured mortgages. The new law also amends the Foreclosure Prevention Act of 2008, with respect to emergency assistance for the redevelopment of abandoned and foreclosed homes (neighborhood stabilization), to authorize each state that has received certain minimum allocations and has fulfilled certain requirements, to distribute any remaining amounts to areas with homeowners at risk of foreclosure or in foreclosure without regard to the percentage of home foreclosures in such areas.

Also in May 2009, the Credit Card Act of 2009 was enacted to help consumers and ban certain practices of credit card issuers. The new law allows interest rate hikes on existing balances only under limited conditions, such as when a promotional rate ends, there is a variable rate or if the cardholder makes a late payment. Interest rates on new transactions can increase only after the first year. Significant changes in terms on accounts cannot occur without 45 days' advance notice of the change. The new law bans raising interest rates on customers based on their payment records with other unrelated credit issuers (such as utility companies and other creditors) for existing credit card balances, though card issuers would still be allowed to use universal default on future credit card balances if they give at least 45 days' advance notice of the change. The new law allows consumers to opt out of certain significant changes in terms on their accounts. Opting out means cardholders agree to close their accounts and pay off the balance under the old terms. They have at least five years to pay the balance. Credit card issuers will be banned from issuing credit cards to anyone under 21, unless they have adult co-signers on the accounts or can show proof they have enough income to repay the card debt.

The new law requires card issuers to give card account holders "a reasonable amount of time" to make payments on monthly bills. That means payments would be due at least 21 days after they are mailed or delivered. Credit card issuers would no longer be able to set early morning or other arbitrary deadlines for payments. When consumers have accounts that carry different interest rates for different types of purchases payments in excess of the minimum amount due must go to balances with higher interest rates first. Consumers must "opt in" to over-limit fees. Those who opt out would have their transactions rejected if they exceed their credit limits, thus avoiding over-limit fees. Fees charged for going over the limit must be reasonable. Finance charges on outstanding credit card balances would be computed based on purchases made in the current cycle rather than going back to the previous billing cycle to calculate interest charges. Fees on credit cards cannot exceed 25 percent of the available credit limit in the first year of the card.

On February 17, 2009, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 ("ARRA") was enacted to provide stimulus to the struggling US economy. ARRA authorizes spending of $\$ 787$ billion, including about $\$ 288$ billion for tax relief, $\$ 144$ billion for state and local relief aid, and $\$ 111$ billion for infrastructure and science. In addition, ARRA includes additional executive compensation restrictions for recipients of funds from the US Treasury under the Troubled Assets Relief Program of the Emergency Economic Stimulus Act of 2008 ("EESA").

EESA was amended by ARRA to provide additional incentive compensation restrictions for financial institutions receiving TARP funds and also require additional corporate governance provisions with respect to limiting golden parachutes, lavish expenditures and requiring officer certifications of compliance and clawbacks for improperly earned incentive compensation at such institutions.

In addition, EESA as amended by ARRA provides that for any TARP recipient, its annual meeting materials shall include a nonbinding shareholder approval proposal of executive compensation for shareholders to vote.

ARRA also provides $\$ 730$ million to the SBA and makes changes to the agency's lending and investment programs so that they can reach more small businesses that need help. The funding includes:

- $\$ 375$ million for temporarily eliminating fees on SBA-backed loans and raising SBA's guarantee percentage on some loans to 90 percent.
- $\quad \$ 255$ million for a new loan program to help small businesses meet existing debt payments
- $\quad \$ 30$ million for expanding SBA's Microloan program, enough to finance up to $\$ 50$ million in new lending and $\$ 24$ million in technical assistance grants to microlenders.

In October 2008, the President signed the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 ("EESA"), in response to the global financial crisis of 2008 authorizing the United States Secretary of the Treasury with authority to spend up to $\$ 700$ billion to purchase distressed assets, especially mortgage-backed securities, under the Troubled Assets Relief Program ("TARP") and make capital injections into banks under the Capital Purchase Program. EESA gives the government the unprecedented authority to buy troubled assets on balance sheets of financial institutions under the Troubled Assets Relief Program. Some of the other provisions of EESA are as follows:

- accelerated from 2011 to 2008 the date that the Federal Reserve Bank could pay interest on deposits of banks held with the Federal Reserve to meet reserve requirements;
- to the extent that the U. S. Treasury purchases mortgage securities as part of TARP, the Treasury shall implement a plan to minimize foreclosures including using guarantees and credit enhancements to support reasonable loan modifications, and to the extent loans are owned by the government to consent to the reasonable modification of such loans;
- limits executive compensation for executives for TARP participating financial institutions;
- extends the mortgage debt forgiveness provision of the Mortgage Forgiveness Debt Relief Act of 2007 by three years (2012) to ease the income tax burden on those involved with certain foreclosures.

On January 1, 2012, SB 664 (Committee on Banking and Financial Institutions, Chapter 243, Statutes of 2011) became operative. While some substantive changes were included in this legislation due to the passage of the DoddFrank federal legislation and some technical corrections that resulted from earlier amendments to the Code, the majority of the work involved in SB 664 was to reorder the section numbering in the Code. Among other things, the law requires a bank that establishes a branch office in this state in accordance with the National Bank Act, as
amended by the Dodd-Frank Act to provide a specified notice to the Commissioner of DFI within 10 days of the establishment, relocation, or redesignation of offices.

In California, the enactment of AB329 in 2009, the Reverse Mortgage Elder Protection Act of 2009 prohibits a lender or any other person who participates in the origination of the mortgage from participation in, being associated with, or employing any party that participates in or is associated with any other financial or insurance activity or referring a prospective borrower to anyone for the purchase of other financial or insurance products; and imposes certain disclosure requirements on the lender.

The enactment of AB 1160 in 2009, requires a supervised financial institution in California that negotiates primarily in any of a number of specified languages in the course of entering into a contract or agreement for a loan or extension of credit secured by residential real property, to deliver, prior to the execution of the contract or agreement, and no later than 3 business days after receiving the written application, a specified form in that language summarizing the terms of the contract or agreement; provides for administrative penalties for violations; and requires the California Department of Corporations and the Department of Financial Institutions to create a form for providing translations and make it available in Spanish, Chinese, Tagalog, Vietnamese and Korean. The statute becomes operative on July 1, 2010, or 90 days after issuance of the form, whichever occurs later.

The enactment of AB 1291 in 2009 makes changes to the California Unclaimed Property Law including (among other things): allowing electronic notification to customers who have consented to electronic notice; requiring that notices contain certain information and allow the holder to provide electronic means to enable the owner to contact the holder in lieu of returning the prescribed form to declare the owner's intent; authorizing the holder to give additional notices; and requiring, beginning January 1, 2011, a banking or financial organization to provide a written notice regarding escheat at the time a new account or safe deposit box is opened.

The enactment of SB306 makes specified changes to clarify existing law related to filing a notice of default on residential real property in California, including (among other things): clarifying that the provisions apply to mortgages and deeds of trust recorded from January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2007, secured by owneroccupied 34 residential real property containing no more than 4 dwelling units; revising the declaration to be filed with the notice of default; specifying how the loan servicers have to maximize net present value under their pooling and servicing agreements applies to certain investors; specifying how and when the notice to residents of property subject to foreclosure is to be mailed; and extending the time during which the notice of sale must be recorded from 14 to 20 days. The bill also makes certain changes related to short-pay agreements and short-pay demand statements.

On February 20, 2009, Governor Schwarzenegger signed ABX2 7 and SBX2 7, which established the California Foreclosure Prevention Act. The California Foreclosure Prevention Act modifies the foreclosure process to provide additional time for borrowers to work out loan modifications while providing an exemption for mortgage loan servicers that have implemented a comprehensive loan modification program. Civil Code Section 2923.52 requires an additional 90 day period beyond the period already provided before a Notice of Sale can be given in order to allow all parties to pursue a loan modification to prevent foreclosure of loans meeting certain criteria identified in that section.

A mortgage loan servicer who has implemented a comprehensive loan modification program may file an application for exemption from the provisions of Civil Code Section 2923.52. Approval of this application provides the mortgage loan servicer an exemption from the additional 90 -day period before filing the Notice of Sale when foreclosing on real property covered by the new law.

## Recent Accounting Pronouncements

See Note 3 - "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Adoption of New Accounting Standards" of the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 8 - Financial Statements and Supplementary Data of this Annual Report on Form 10K for information related to recent accounting pronouncements.

## ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

As a smaller reporting company we are not required to provide the information required by this item.

## ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

No comments have been submitted to the registrant by the staff of the Securities Exchange Commission.

## ITEM 2. PROPERTIES

Of the Company's eleven depository branches, ten are owned and one is leased. The Company also leases one lending office and one administrative office, and owns four administrative facilities.

| Owned Properties |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 35 South Lindan Avenue | 32 Central Avenue | 80 W. Main St. |
| Quincy, California (1) | Quincy, California (1) | Quincy, California (3) |
| 424 N. Mill Creek | 336 West Main Street | 120 North Pine Street |
| Quincy, California (1) | Quincy, California | Portola, California |
| 43163 Highway 299E | 121 Crescent Street | 255 Main Street |
| Fall River Mills, California | Greenville, California | Chester, California |
| 510 North Main Street | 3000 Riverside Drive | 8475 North Lake Boulevard |
| Alturas, California | Susanville, California | Kings Beach, California |
| 11638 Donner Pass Road | 2175 Civic Center Drive |  |
| Truckee, California | Redding, California |  |
|  | Leased Properties |  |
| 243 North Lake Boulevard | 1005 Terminal Way, Ste. 246 | 470 Nevada St., Suite 108 |
| Tahoe City, California | Reno, Nevada (1) | Auburn, California (2) |

(1) Non-branch administrative or credit administrative offices.
(2) Commercial lending office.
(3) Leased to a third party.

Total rental expenses under all leases, including premises, totaled $\$ 150,000, \$ 20,000$ and $\$ 317,000$, in 2011, 2010 and 2009 respectively. The decline in rental expense during 2010 resulted from the purchase of our Redding branch building on March 31, 2010. Previously we had leased this building. Under the terms of the lease agreement we were provided free rent for a period of time; however, in accordance with accounting principals we recognized monthly rent expense equal to the total payments required under the lease dividend by the term of the lease in months. At the time of the purchase we reversed this accrual recognizing a $\$ 184$ thousand reduction in rental expense. The expiration dates of the leases vary, with the first such lease expiring during 2012 and the last such lease expiring during 2015.

Future minimum lease payments in thousands of dollars are as follows:

| Year Ending <br> December 31, |  |  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2012 | $\$$ | 147,000 |
| 2013 |  | 75,000 |
| 2014 | 51,000 |  |
| 2015 | $\$$ | 324,000 |

The Company maintains insurance coverage on its premises, leaseholds and equipment, including business interruption and record reconstruction coverage. The branch properties and non-branch offices are adequate, suitable, in good condition and have adequate parking facilities for customers and employees. The Company and Bank are limited in their investments in real property under Federal and state banking laws. Generally, investments in real property are either for the Company and Bank use or are in real property and real property interests in the ordinary course of the Bank's business.

## ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

From time to time, the Company and/or its subsidiary are a party to claims and legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of the Company's management, the amount of ultimate liability with respect to such proceedings will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition or results of operations of the Company taken as a whole.

## ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

## PART II

## ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES.

The Company's common stock is quoted on the NASDAQ Capital Market under the ticker symbol "PLBC". As of December 31, 2011, there were $4,776,339$ shares of the Company's stock outstanding held by approximately 1,640 shareholders of record as of the same date. The following table shows the high and low sales prices for the common stock, for each quarter as reported by Yahoo Finance.

|  | Common <br> Quarter |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Dividends | High | Low |
| $4^{\text {th }}$ Quarter 2011 | - | $\$ 2.92$ | $\$ 1.63$ |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ Quarter 2011 | - | $\$ 2.72$ | $\$ 1.46$ |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ Quarter 2011 | - | $\$ 2.85$ | $\$ 1.94$ |
| $1^{\text {st }}$ Quarter 2011 | - | $\$ 4.00$ | $\$ 1.85$ |
| $4^{\text {th }}$ Quarter 2010 | - | $\$ 3.09$ | $\$ 1.92$ |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ Quarter 2010 | - | $\$ 3.22$ | $\$ 2.53$ |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ Quarter 2010 | - | $\$ 3.39$ | $\$ 2.46$ |
| $1^{\text {st }}$ Quarter 2010 | - | $\$ 3.78$ | $\$ 2.21$ |

Dividends paid to shareholders by the Company are subject to restrictions set forth in California General Corporation Law, which provides that a corporation may make a distribution to its shareholders if retained earnings immediately prior to the dividend payout are at least equal to the amount of the proposed distribution. As a bank holding company without significant assets other than its equity position in the Bank, the Company's ability to pay dividends to its shareholders depends primarily upon dividends it receives from the Bank.

It is the policy of the Company to periodically distribute excess retained earnings to the shareholders through the payment of cash dividends. Such dividends help promote shareholder value and capital adequacy by enhancing the marketability of the Company's stock. All authority to provide a return to the shareholders in the form of a cash or stock dividend or split rests with the Board of Directors (the "Board). The Board will periodically, but on no regular schedule and in accordance with regulatory restrictions, if any, review the appropriateness of a cash dividend payment. No common cash dividends were paid in 2010 or 2011 and none are anticipated to be paid in 2012.

The Company is subject to various restrictions on the payment of dividends. See Note 2 "Regulatory Matters" and Note 13 "Shareholders' Equity - Dividend Restrictions" of the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 8 - Financial Statements and Supplementary Data of this Annual Report on Form 10K.

On January 30, 2009, under the Capital Purchase Program, the Company entered into a Letter Agreement (the "Purchase Agreement") with the United States Department of the Treasury ("Treasury"), pursuant to which the Company issued and sold (i) 11,949 shares of the Company's Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A (the "Preferred Shares") and (ii) a ten-year warrant to purchase up to 237,712 shares of the Company's common stock, no par value at an exercise price, subject to anti-dilution adjustments, of $\$ 7.54$ per share, for an aggregate purchase price of $\$ 11,949,000$ in cash. The Series A Preferred Stock and the Warrant were issued in a private placement exempt from registration pursuant to Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. As described in the following paragraph the Purchase Agreement contains provisions that restrict the payment of dividends on Plumas Bancorp common stock and restrict the Company's ability to repurchase Plumas Bancorp common stock.

Under the Purchase Agreement, prior to January 30, 2012, unless the Company has redeemed the Preferred Shares, or the Treasury has transferred the Preferred Shares to a third party, the consent of the Treasury will be required for the Company to: (1) declare or pay any dividend or make any distribution on shares of the Common Stock (other than regular quarterly cash dividends of not more than $\$ 0.04$ per share or regular semi-annual cash dividends of not more than $\$ 0.08$ per share); or (2) redeem, purchase or acquire any shares of Common Stock or other equity or capital securities, other than in connection with benefit plans consistent with past practice and certain other circumstances specified in the Purchase Agreement.

Securities Authorized for Issuance under Equity Compensation Plans. The following table sets forth securities authorized for issuance under equity compensation plans as of December 31, 2011.

|  | Number of securities to <br> be issued upon exercise <br> of outstanding options <br> (a) | Weighted-average <br> exercise price of <br> outstanding options <br> (b) | Number of securities remaining <br> available for future issuance <br> under equity compensation <br> plans (excluding securities <br> reflected in column (a)) <br> (c) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| compensation plans <br> ed by security holders | 482,780 | $\$ 8.74$ | 0 |
| compensation plans not <br> ed by security holders <br> Total | None | Not Applicable | None |
|  | $\$ 82,780$ | $\$ 8.74$ | 0 |

For additional information related to the above plans see Note 13 of the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 8 - Financial Statements and Supplementary Data of this Annual Report on Form 10K.

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities. There were no purchases of Plumas Bancorp common stock by the Company during 2011.

## ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The following table presents a summary of selected financial data and should be read in conjunction with the Company's consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included under Item 8 - Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.

|  | At or for the year ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2011 |  | 2010 |  | 2009 |  | 2008 |  | 2007 |
| Statement of Operations | (dollars in thousands except per share information) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest income | \$ | 18,668 | \$ | 20,680 | \$ | 22,836 | \$ | 25,440 | \$ | 30,284 |
| Interest expense |  | 1,848 |  | 3,147 |  | 3,655 |  | 5,364 |  | 8,536 |
| Net interest income |  | 16,820 |  | 17,533 |  | 19,181 |  | 20,076 |  | 21,748 |
| Provision for loan losses |  | 3,500 |  | 5,500 |  | 14,500 |  | 4,600 |  | 800 |
| Noninterest income |  | 7,162 |  | 8,468 |  | 5,664 |  | 5,091 |  | 5,448 |
| Noninterest expense |  | 19,246 |  | 19,141 |  | 26,266 |  | 20,475 |  | 19,671 |
| Provision for (benefit from) income taxes |  | 295 |  | 389 |  | $(6,775)$ |  | (212) |  | 2,502 |
| Net income (loss) | \$ | 941 | \$ | 971 | \$ | $(9,146)$ | \$ | 304 | \$ | 4,223 |
| Preferred Stock dividends and discount accretion |  | 684 |  | 684 |  | 628 |  | - |  | - |
| Net income (loss) available to common shareholders | \$ | 257 | \$ | 287 | \$ | $(9,774)$ | \$ | 304 | \$ | 4,223 |
| Balance sheet (end of period) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total assets | \$ | 455,349 | \$ | 484,480 | \$ | 528,117 | \$ | 457,175 | \$ | 453,115 |
| Total loans | \$ | 293,865 | \$ | 314,200 | \$ | 332,678 | \$ | 366,017 | \$ | 352,949 |
| Allowance for loan losses | \$ | 6,908 | \$ | 7,324 | \$ | 9,568 | \$ | 7,224 | \$ | 4,211 |
| Total deposits | \$ | 391,140 | \$ | 424,887 | \$ | 433,255 | \$ | 371,493 | \$ | 391,940 |
| Total shareholders' equity | \$ | 39,634 | \$ | 37,988 | \$ | 38,231 | \$ | 35,437 | \$ | 37,139 |
| Balance sheet (period average) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total assets | \$ | 467,354 | \$ | 500,082 | \$ | 490,000 | \$ | 447,720 | \$ | 464,974 |
| Total loans | \$ | 302,841 | \$ | 323,906 | \$ | 354,482 | \$ | 355,416 | \$ | 353,384 |
| Total deposits | \$ | 407,982 | \$ | 430,777 | \$ | 403,896 | \$ | 382,279 | \$ | 403,772 |
| Total shareholders' equity | \$ | 39,244 | \$ | 38,941 | \$ | 43,839 | \$ | 37,343 | \$ | 37,041 |
| Capital ratios |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Leverage ratio |  | 9.8\% |  | 8.9\% |  | 7.9\% |  | 9.8\% |  | 10.0\% |
| Tier 1 risk-based capital |  | 13.7\% |  | 12.7\% |  | 10.4\% |  | 11.0\% |  | 11.6\% |
| Total risk-based capital |  | 15.0\% |  | 13.9\% |  | 11.6\% |  | 12.2\% |  | 12.7\% |
| Asset quality ratios |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nonperforming loans/total loans |  | 5.73\% |  | 8.07\% |  | 4.30\% |  | 7.31\% |  | 0.75\% |
| Nonperforming assets/total assets |  | 5.60\% |  | 7.07\% |  | 4.84\% |  | 6.78\% |  | 0.70\% |
| Allowance for loan losses/total loans |  | 2.35\% |  | 2.33\% |  | 2.88\% |  | 1.97\% |  | 1.19\% |
| Net loan charge-offs | \$ | 3,916 | \$ | 7,744 | \$ | 12,156 | \$ | 1,587 | \$ | 506 |
| Performance ratios |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Return (loss) on average assets |  | 0.20\% |  | 0.19\% |  | (1.87)\% |  | 0.07\% |  | 0.91\% |
| Return (loss) on average common equity |  | 0.9\% |  | 1.1\% |  | (29.5)\% |  | 0.8\% |  | 11.4\% |
| Return (loss) on average equity |  | 2.4\% |  | 2.5\% |  | (20.9)\% |  | 0.8\% |  | 11.4\% |
| Net interest margin |  | 4.08\% |  | 4.24\% |  | 4.52\% |  | 4.99\% |  | 5.18\% |
| Loans to deposits |  | 75.1\% |  | 73.9\% |  | 76.8\% |  | 98.5\% |  | 90.1\% |
| Efficiency ratio |  | 80.3\% |  | 73.6\% |  | 105.7\% |  | 81.4\% |  | 72.3\% |
| Per share information |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic earnings (loss) | \$ | 0.05 | \$ | 0.06 | \$ | (2.05) | \$ | 0.06 | \$ | 0.85 |
| Diluted earnings (loss) | \$ | 0.05 | \$ | 0.06 | \$ | (2.05) | \$ | 0.06 | \$ | 0.84 |
| Common cash dividends | \$ | 0.00 | \$ | 0.00 | \$ | 0.00 | \$ | 0.24 | \$ | 0.30 |
| Dividend payout ratio |  | -\% |  | -\% |  | -\% |  | 400\% |  | 35.3\% |
| Book value per common share | \$ | 5.83 | \$ | 5.51 | \$ | 5.58 | \$ | 7.42 | \$ | 7.63 |
| Common shares outstanding at period end |  | 776,339 |  | 76,339 |  | 76,339 |  | 75,339 |  | 69,130 |

## ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

## General

We are a bank holding company for Plumas Bank, a California state-chartered commercial bank. We derive our income primarily from interest received on real estate related, commercial and consumer loans and, to a lesser extent, interest on investment securities, fees received in connection with servicing deposit and loan customers and fees from the sale of loans. Our major operating expenses are the interest we pay on deposits and borrowings and general operating expenses. We rely on locally-generated deposits to provide us with funds for making loans.

We are subject to competition from other financial institutions and our operating results, like those of other financial institutions operating in California, are significantly influenced by economic conditions in California, including the strength of the real estate market. In addition, both the fiscal and regulatory policies of the federal and state government and regulatory authorities that govern financial institutions and market interest rates also impact the Bank's financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

## Critical Accounting Policies

Our accounting policies are integral to understanding the financial results reported. Our most complex accounting policies require management's judgment to ascertain the valuation of assets, liabilities, commitments and contingencies. We have established detailed policies and internal control procedures that are intended to ensure valuation methods are applied in an environment that is designed and operating effectively and applied consistently from period to period. The following is a brief description of our current accounting policies involving significant management valuation judgments.

Allowance for Loan Losses. The allowance for loan losses is an estimate of credit losses inherent in the Company's loan portfolio that have been incurred as of the balance-sheet date. The allowance is established through a provision for loan losses which is charged to expense. Additions to the allowance are expected to maintain the adequacy of the total allowance after credit losses and loan growth. Credit exposures determined to be uncollectible are charged against the allowance. Cash received on previously charged off amounts is recorded as a recovery to the allowance. The overall allowance consists of two primary components, specific reserves related to impaired loans and general reserves for inherent losses related to loans that are collectively evaluated for impairment.

We evaluate our allowance for loan losses quarterly. We believe that the allowance for loan losses is a "critical accounting estimate" because it is based upon management's assessment of various factors affecting the collectibility of the loans, including current economic conditions, past credit experience, delinquency status, the value of the underlying collateral, if any, and a continuing review of the portfolio of loans.

We cannot provide you with any assurance that economic difficulties or other circumstances which would adversely affect our borrowers and their ability to repay outstanding loans will not occur which would be reflected in increased losses in our loan portfolio, which could result in actual losses that exceed reserves previously established.

Other Real Estate Owned. Other real estate owned (OREO) represents properties acquired through foreclosure or physical possession. OREO is initially recorded at fair value less costs to sell when acquired. Write-downs to fair value at the time of transfer to OREO is charged to allowance for loan losses. Subsequent to foreclosure, we periodically evaluate the value of OREO held for sale and record a valuation allowance for any subsequent declines in fair value less selling costs. Subsequent declines in value are charged to operations. Fair value is based on our assessment of information available to us at the end of a reporting period and depends upon a number of factors, including our historical experience, economic conditions, and issues specific to individual properties. Our evaluation of these factors involves subjective estimates and judgments that may change.

Income Taxes. The Company files its income taxes on a consolidated basis with its subsidiary. The allocation of income tax expense (benefit) represents each entity's proportionate share of the consolidated provision for income taxes.

Deferred income taxes reflect the estimated future tax effects of temporary differences between the reported amount of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and such amounts as measured by tax laws and regulations. We use an estimate of future earnings to support our position that the benefit of our deferred tax assets will be realized. A valuation allowance is recognized if, based on the weight of available evidence, management believes it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. If future income should prove non-existent or less than the amount of the deferred tax assets within the tax years to which they may be applied, the asset may not be realized and our net income will be reduced.

When tax returns are filed, it is highly certain that some positions taken would be sustained upon examination by the taxing authorities, while others are subject to uncertainty about the merits of the position taken or the amount of the position that would be ultimately sustained. The benefit of a tax position is recognized in the financial statements in the period during which, based on all available evidence, management believes it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained upon examination, including the resolution of appeals or litigation processes, if any. Tax positions taken are not offset or aggregated with other positions. Tax positions that meet the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold are measured as the largest amount of tax benefit that is more than 50 percent likely of being realized upon settlement with the applicable taxing authority. The portion of the benefits associated with tax positions taken that exceeds the amount measured as described above is reflected as a liability for unrecognized tax benefits in the accompanying balance sheet along with any associated interest and penalties that would be payable to the taxing authorities upon examination.

The following discussion is designed to provide a better understanding of significant trends related to the Company's financial condition, results of operations, liquidity and capital. It pertains to the Company's financial condition, changes in financial condition and results of operations as of December 31, 2011 and 2010 and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2011. The discussion should be read in conjunction with the Company's audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto and the other financial information appearing elsewhere herein.

## Overview

The Company recorded net income of $\$ 941$ thousand for the year ended December 31, 2011, a slight decrease from net income of $\$ 971$ thousand during the year ended December 31, 2010 but up $\$ 10.1$ million over 2009's net loss of $\$ 9.1$ million. Excluding a $\$ 1.4$ million gain ( $\$ 0.8$ million net of tax) in 2010 on sale of the Bank's merchant card portfolio, net income would have increased by $\$ 0.8$ million over 2010.

Net interest income declined by $\$ 713$ thousand from $\$ 17.5$ million during 2010 to $\$ 16.8$ million for the year ended December 31, 2011. This decrease in net interest income was mostly related to a $\$ 21$ million decline in average loan balances. During the year ended December 31, 2011 non-interest income decreased by $\$ 1.3$ million to $\$ 7.2$ million, from $\$ 8.5$ million during the year ended December 31, 2010. This decrease was related to a $\$ 1.4$ million gain on the sale of our merchant processing portfolio in 2010. Additionally, gain on sale of investment securities declined by $\$ 494$ thousand from $\$ 1.2$ million in 2010 to $\$ 0.7$ million for the year ended December 31, 2011. Partially offsetting these declines in non-interest income was an $\$ 884$ thousand increase in gain on sale of government guaranteed loans from $\$ 1.1$ million in 2010 to $\$ 1.9$ million in 2011. Non-interest expense increased by $\$ 105$ thousand from $\$ 19.1$ million during the year ended December 31, 2010 to $\$ 19.2$ million during the current twelve month period. While we have achieved savings in many categories of non-interest expense these were offset in the current year by an increase of $\$ 649$ thousand in loss on sale of OREO.

The most significant expense reduction was a $\$ 2.0$ million decrease in our provision for loan losses from $\$ 5.5$ million for the year ended December 31, 2010 to $\$ 3.5$ million during 2011. The $\$ 3.5$ million provision recorded for the year ended December 31, 2011 primarily relates to net charge-offs during the twelve month period. We have experienced a $\$ 3.8$ million decrease in net charge-offs during the comparison years. Net charge-offs declined from $\$ 7.7$ million during 2010 to $\$ 3.9$ million during the year ended December 31, 2011. Net charge-offs as percentage of average loans decreased significantly from 2.39\% during the twelve months ended December 31, 2010 to $1.29 \%$ during the current year.

The provision for income taxes declined from $\$ 389$ thousand in 2010 to $\$ 295$ thousand during the year ended December 31, 2011.

Net income allocable to common shareholders decreased slightly from $\$ 287$ thousand during the year ended December 31, 2010 to $\$ 257$ thousand during 2011. Income allocable to common shareholders is calculated by subtracting dividends and discount amortized on preferred stock from net income.

Total assets at December 31, 2011 decreased $\$ 29.1$ million, or $6 \%$ to $\$ 455$ million. Decreases include $\$ 5.1$ million in investment securities, $\$ 19.7$ million in net loans, $\$ 1.6$ million in cash and due from banks and $\$ 2.7$ million in all other assets. Net loans decreased by $6 \%$ from $\$ 307$ million at December 31, 2010 to $\$ 287$ million at December 31, 2011. This decline in net loans was mostly related to normal pay downs and prepayments, loan charge-offs, real estate acquired through foreclosure and our continued efforts to reduce the level of construction and land development loan balances. At December 31, 2011 investment securities totaled $\$ 57.9$ million compared to $\$ 63.0$ million at December 31, 2010. Investment securities are composed of debt securities issued by agencies sponsored by the U.S. Government.

Total deposits were $\$ 391$ million as of December 31, 2011, a decrease of $\$ 33.7$ million, or $8 \%$, from the December 31,2010 balance of $\$ 425$ million. The decline in deposits was primarily related to maturities from a higher rate promotional time deposit product we began offering in June, 2009 and continued to offer until April 30, 2010. Core deposit growth was strong with increases in non-interest bearing deposits of $\$ 14.1$ million and savings deposits of $\$ 10.8$ million. Non-interest bearing deposits as a percentage of total deposits increased from $26.3 \%$ at December 31, 2010 to $32.2 \%$ at December 31, 2011.

Shareholders' equity as of December 31, 2011 increased by $\$ 1.6$ million to $\$ 39.6$ million up from $\$ 38.0$ million as of December 31, 2010. This increase was mostly related to earnings during the period, the reversal of $\$ 524$ thousand in accrued preferred stock dividends and an increase of $\$ 210$ thousand in accumulated other comprehensive income/loss from a loss of $\$ 52$ thousand at December 31, 2010 to accumulated other comprehensive income of $\$ 158$ thousand at December 31, 2011.

The return on average assets was $0.20 \%$ for 2011 , up from $0.19 \%$ for 2010 . The return on average common equity was $0.9 \%$ for 2011 , down from $1.1 \%$ for 2010 .

## Results of Operations

## Net Interest Income

The following table presents, for the years indicated, the distribution of consolidated average assets, liabilities and shareholders' equity. Average balances are based on average daily balances. It also presents the amounts of interest income from interest-earning assets and the resultant yields expressed in both dollars and yield percentages, as well as the amounts of interest expense on interest-bearing liabilities and the resultant cost expressed in both dollars and rate percentages. Nonaccrual loans are included in the calculation of average loans while nonaccrued interest thereon is excluded from the computation of yields earned:

|  | Year ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 |  |  | 2010 |  |  | 2009 |  |  |
|  | Average balance | Interest income/ expense | Rates earned / paid | Average balance | Interest income/ expense <br> llars in tho | Rates earned / paid sands) | Average balance | Interest income/ expense | Rates earned / paid |
| Assets |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest bearing deposits | \$ 49,628 | \$ 124 | 0.25\% | \$ 19,808 | \$ 48 | 0.24\% | \$ 6,298 | \$ 15 | 0.24\% |
| Federal funds sold | - | - | - | - | - | - | 12 | - | - |
| Investment securities ${ }^{(1)}$ | 59,439 | 1,144 | 1.92 | 69,357 | 1,772 | 2.55 | 64,047 | 2,163 | 3.38 |
| Total loans ${ }^{(2)(3)}$ | 302,841 | 17,400 | 5.75 | 323,906 | 18,860 | 5.82 | 354,482 | 20,658 | 5.83 |
| Total earning assets | 411,908 | 18,668 | 4.53\% | 413,071 | 20,680 | 5.01\% | 424,839 | 22,836 | 5.38\% |
| Cash and due from banks | 13,204 |  |  | 38,945 |  |  | 27,372 |  |  |
| Other assets | 42,242 |  |  | 48,066 |  |  | 37,789 |  |  |
| Total assets | \$ 467,354 |  |  | \$ 500,082 |  |  | \$ 490,000 |  |  |
| Liabilities and shareholders' equity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest bearing demand deposits | \$ 93,925 | 187 | 0.20\% | \$ 101,519 | 382 | 0.38\% | \$ 98,394 | 671 | 0.68\% |
| Money market deposits | 40,050 | 115 | 0.29 | 42,514 | 221 | 0.52 | 41,844 | 346 | 0.83 |
| Savings deposits | 58,996 | 106 | 0.18 | 51,011 | 86 | 0.17 | 50,286 | 90 | 0.18 |
| Time deposits | 96,961 | 1,061 | 1.09 | 124,810 | 2,007 | 1.61 | 105,313 | 2,062 | 1.96 |
| Short-term borrowings | - | - | - | 986 | 5 | 0.51 | 24,292 | 80 | 0.33 |
| Long-term borrowings | - | - | - | 9,973 | 130 | 1.30 | 1,589 | 27 | 1.70 |
| Junior subordinated debentures | 10,310 | 326 | 3.16 | 10,310 | 312 | 3.03 | 10,310 | 371 | 3.60 |
| Other | 3,188 | 53 | 1.66 | 123 | 4 | 3.25 | 212 | 8 | 3.77 |
| Total interest bearing liabilities | 303,430 | 1,848 | 0.61\% | 341,246 | 3,147 | 0.92\% | 332,240 | 3,655 | 1.10\% |
| Noninterest bearing demand deposits | 118,050 |  |  | 110,923 |  |  | 108,059 |  |  |
| Other liabilities | 6,630 |  |  | 8,972 |  |  | 5,862 |  |  |
| Shareholders' equity | 39,244 |  |  | 38,941 |  |  | 43,839 |  |  |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity | \$ 467,354 |  |  | \$ 500,082 |  |  | \$ 490,000 |  |  |
| Net interest income |  | \$16,820 |  |  | \$ 17,533 |  |  | \$ 19,181 |  |
| Net interest spread ${ }^{(4)}$ |  |  | 3.92\% |  |  | 4.09\% |  |  | 4.28\% |
| Net interest margin ${ }^{(5)}$ |  |  | 4.08\% |  |  | 4.24\% |  |  | 4.52\% |

(1) Interest income is reflected on an actual basis and is not computed on a tax-equivalent basis.
(2) Average nonaccrual loan balances of $\$ 20.2$ million for 2011 , $\$ 18.8$ million for 2010 and $\$ 25.1$ million for 2009 are included in average loan balances for computational purposes.
(3) Loan origination fees and costs are included in interest income as adjustments of the loan yields over the life of the loan using the interest method. Loan interest income includes net loan fees (costs) of $\$ 49,000, \$(20,000)$ and $\$(214,000)$ for 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.
(4) Net interest spread represents the average yield earned on interest-earning assets less the average rate paid on interest-bearing liabilities.
(5) Net interest margin is computed by dividing net interest income by total average earning assets.

The following table sets forth changes in interest income and interest expense, for the years indicated and the amount of change attributable to variances in volume, rates and the combination of volume and rates based on the relative changes of volume and rates:

(1) The volume change in net interest income represents the change in average balance multiplied by the previous year's rate.
(2) The rate change in net interest income represents the change in rate multiplied by the previous year's average balance.
(3) The mix change in net interest income represents the change in average balance multiplied by the change in rate.

2011 compared to 2010. Net interest income is the difference between interest income and interest expense. Net interest income, on a nontax-equivalent basis, was $\$ 16.8$ million for the year ended December 31, 2011, a decline of $\$ 0.7$ million, or $4.1 \%$, from $\$ 17.5$ million for 2010.

The overall change in net interest income was primarily a result of a decrease of $\$ 1.5$ million in loan interest income and a decline of $\$ 628$ thousand in interest income on investment securities. The decline in interest on loans was mostly related to a decline in average loans outstanding. Interest on investments securities declined related to a decrease in both yield and average balance. Partially offsetting these decreases in interest income was a decline in rates paid on the Company's deposits and a decline in the average balance of time deposits, interest bearing demand deposits and long-term borrowings.

Interest income decreased $\$ 2.0$ million, or $9.7 \%$, to $\$ 18.7$ million for the year ended December 31, 2011. Interest and fees on loans decreased by $\$ 1.5$ million from $\$ 18.9$ million for the year ended December 31, 2010 to $\$ 17.4$ million for 2011. The average loan balances were $\$ 302.8$ million for 2011 , down $\$ 21.1$ million from the $\$ 323.9$ million for 2010. This decline in loans was mostly related to normal pay downs and prepayments, loan charge-offs, real estate acquired through foreclosure and our on-going efforts to reduce the level of construction and land development loan balances. The average yields on loans were $5.75 \%$ for 2011 down from the $5.82 \%$ for 2010 .

Interest on investment securities decreased by $\$ 628$ thousand resulting from a decrease in yield of 63 basis points and a decline in average investment securities of $\$ 9.9$ million. The decline in yield is primarily related to the replacement of matured and sold investment securities with new investments with market yields below those which they replaced.

Interest income on other interest-earning assets, which totaled $\$ 124$ thousand in 2011 and $\$ 48$ thousand in 2010, relates to interest on cash balances held at the Federal Reserve.

Interest expense on deposits decreased by $\$ 1.2$ million, or $46 \%$, to $\$ 1.5$ million for the twelve months ended December 31, 2011, down from $\$ 2.7$ million in 2011. This decrease primarily relates to decreases in the average balance and rate paid on time deposits and a decline in the rate paid on demand deposit (NOW) and money market accounts.

Interest on time deposits declined by $\$ 946$ thousand. Average time deposits declined by $\$ 27.8$ million from $\$ 124.8$ million during 2010 to $\$ 97.0$ million for the year ended December 31, 2011. The decrease in time deposits is mostly related to a promotional time deposit product we began offering in June, 2009 and continued to offer until April 30, 2010. These promotional time deposits have now fully matured. The average rate paid on these promotional deposits during 2011 was $2 \%$. The average rate paid on time deposits decreased from $1.61 \%$ during 2010 to $1.09 \%$ during the current twelve month period. This decrease primarily relates to a decline in market rates paid in the Company's service area and the maturity of the higher rate promotional deposits.

Interest expense on NOW accounts declined by $\$ 195$ thousand. Rates paid on NOW accounts declined by 18 basis points from $0.38 \%$ during 2010 to $0.20 \%$ during 2011, as we significantly lowered the rate paid on local public agencies NOW accounts. Although we lost deposits by lowering this rate; we continue to focus on the profitability of the public sweep accounts rather than growing public sweep balances.

Interest expense on money market accounts decreased by $\$ 106$ thousand related primarily to a decrease in rate paid on these accounts of 23 basis points from $0.52 \%$ during 2010 to $0.29 \%$ during 2011 . This was primarily related to a significant drop in the rates paid on our money market sweep product. We no longer offer the money market sweep account having replaced it with a product that utilizes repurchase agreements during the third quarter of 2011.

Interest on FHLB long term borrowings decreased by $\$ 130$ thousand as there were no outstanding long term borrowings during 2011. Interest expense on junior subordinated debentures, which increased by $\$ 14$ thousand from 2010, fluctuates with changes in the 3-month London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) rate.

Interest on other borrowings in 2011 primarily relates to interest paid on repurchase agreements.
Net interest margin is net interest income expressed as a percentage of average interest-earning assets. As a result of the changes noted above, the net interest margin for 2011 decreased 16 basis points to $4.08 \%$, from $4.24 \%$ for 2010 .

2010 compared to 2009. Net interest income, on a nontax-equivalent basis, was $\$ 17.5$ million for the year ended December 31, 2010, a decline of $\$ 1.6$ million, or $8.6 \%$, from $\$ 19.2$ million for 2009.

The overall change in net interest income was primarily a result of a decrease of $\$ 1.8$ million in loan interest income, due to a decline in average loans outstanding. Additionally, interest on investments securities declined by $\$ 391$ thousand, related to a decrease in yield. Partially offsetting these decreases in interest income was a decline in rates paid on the Company's deposits and borrowings.

Interest income decreased $\$ 2.2$ million, or $9.4 \%$, to $\$ 20.7$ million for the year ended December 31, 2010. Interest and fees on loans decreased by $\$ 1.8$ million from $\$ 20.7$ million for the year ended December 31, 2009 to $\$ 18.9$ million for 2010. The average loan balances were $\$ 323.9$ million for 2010 , down $\$ 30.6$ million from the $\$ 354.5$ million for 2009. The decline in loan balances is consistent with the decrease in economic activity in the Company's service area and the Company's successful effort to reduce its exposure to real estate construction and land development loans. The average yields on loans were $5.82 \%$ for 2010 as compared to the $5.83 \%$ for 2009 .

Interest on investment securities decreased by $\$ 391$ thousand, as a decrease in yield of 83 basis points was partially offset by an increase in average investment securities of $\$ 5.3$ million. The decline in yield is primarily related to the replacement of matured and sold investment securities with new investments with market yields below those which they replaced.

Deposit rates in the Bank's service area continued to decline in 2010 resulting in a decline in interest expense on deposits of $\$ 473$ thousand for the year ended December 31, 2010, from $\$ 3.2$ million for 2009 to $\$ 2.7$ million for the year ended December 31, 2010. All deposit products experienced rate declines in 2010.

Interest expense on NOW accounts decreased by $\$ 289$ thousand related to a decrease in the average rate paid on these accounts. Rates paid on NOW accounts declined by 30 basis points from $0.68 \%$ during 2009 to $0.38 \%$ during 2010 as we significantly lowered the rate paid on local public agencies NOW accounts. Although we lost some deposits by lowering this rate; we currently are more focused on the profitability of the public sweep accounts rather than the amount of deposits we can generate from this source.

Interest expense on money market accounts decreased by $\$ 125$ thousand related to a decrease in rate paid on these accounts of 31 basis points from $0.83 \%$ during the year ended December 31, 2009 to $0.52 \%$ during 2010. This was primarily related to a significantly drop in the rates paid on our money market sweep product.

Interest on time deposits declined by $\$ 55$ thousand as an increase in average balance was offset by a decline in rate paid. For the year ended December 31, 2010 compared to 2009, the Company's average time deposits increased by $\$ 19.5$ million from $\$ 105.3$ million for 2009 to $\$ 124.8$ million for the year ended December 31, 2010. The increase in time deposits is related to a promotional time deposit product we began offering in June, 2009 and continued to offer until April 30, 2010. The average rate paid on time deposits decreased from $1.96 \%$ during 2009 to $1.61 \%$ during 2010. This decrease primarily relates to a decline in market rates in the Company's service area.

Interest on borrowings increased by $\$ 28$ thousand related to an increase in the rate paid on borrowings as we chose to extend the term of our borrowings; however, this was partially offset by a $\$ 59$ thousand decline in interest paid on junior subordinated debentures.

Interest expense on FHLB long-term borrowings increased by $\$ 103$ thousand to $\$ 130$ thousand for the year ended December 31, 2010. We chose to prepay these borrowings during July 2010 as we had significant excess liquidity and no longer projected a need for these long-term borrowings. We incurred a $\$ 226$ thousand prepayment penalty on these advances which we anticipate will be more than offset by future savings in interest expense. Interest on short-term borrowings decreased by $\$ 75$ thousand to $\$ 5$ thousand related to a decline in average balance of $\$ 23.3$ million from \$24.3 million during 2009 to $\$ 986$ thousand during 2010.

Interest expense on junior subordinated debentures, which fluctuates with changes in the 3-month London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) rate, decreased by $\$ 59$ thousand during 2010 as a result of a decrease in the LIBOR rate.

Net interest margin is net interest income expressed as a percentage of average interest-earning assets. As a result of the changes noted above, the net interest margin for 2010 decreased 28 basis points to $4.24 \%$, from $4.52 \%$ for 2009 .

## Provision for Loan Losses

During the year ended December 31, 2011 we recorded a provision for loan losses of $\$ 3.5$ million down $\$ 2.0$ million from the $\$ 5.5$ million provision recorded during 2010. See "Analysis of Asset Quality and Allowance for Loan Losses" for further discussion of loan quality trends and the provision for loan losses.

The allowance for loan losses is maintained at a level that management believes will be appropriate to absorb inherent losses on existing loans based on an evaluation of the collectibility of the loans and prior loan loss experience. The evaluations take into consideration such factors as changes in the nature and volume of the portfolio, overall portfolio quality, review of specific problem loans, and current economic conditions that may affect the borrower's ability to repay their loan. The allowance for loan losses is based on estimates, and ultimate losses may vary from the current estimates. These estimates are reviewed periodically and, as adjustments become necessary, they are reported in earnings in the periods in which they become known.

Based on information currently available, management believes that the allowance for loan losses is appropriate to absorb potential risks in the portfolio. However, no assurance can be given that the Company may not sustain charge-offs which are in excess of the allowance in any given period.

## Non-Interest Income

The following table sets forth the components of non-interest income for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009.

|  | Years Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |  | Change during Year |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2011 |  | 2010 |  | 2009 |  | 2011 |  | 2010 |
|  | (dollars in thousands) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Service charges on deposit accounts | \$ | 3,477 | \$ | 3,642 | \$ | 3,796 | \$ | (165) | \$ | (154) |
| Gain on sale of loans, net |  | 1,939 |  | 1,055 |  | 593 |  | 884 |  | 462 |
| Gain on sale of investments |  | 666 |  | 1,160 |  | 10 |  | (494) |  | 1,150 |
| Earnings on bank owned life insurance policies |  | 352 |  | 351 |  | 346 |  | 1 |  | 5 |
| Loan servicing fees |  | 219 |  | 195 |  | 139 |  | 24 |  | 56 |
| Customer service fees |  | 141 |  | 135 |  | 121 |  | 6 |  | 14 |
| Safe deposit box and night depository income |  | 66 |  | 66 |  | 68 |  | - |  | (2) |
| Merchant processing |  | 15 |  | 141 |  | 282 |  | (126) |  | (141) |
| Sale of merchant processing portfolio |  | - |  | 1,435 |  | - |  | $(1,435)$ |  | 1,435 |
| Other income |  | 287 |  | 288 |  | 309 |  | (1) |  | (21) |
| Total non-interest income | \$ | 7,162 | \$ | 8,468 | \$ | 5,664 | \$ | $(1,306)$ | \$ | 2,804 |

2011 compared to 2010. During the year ended December 31, 2011 non-interest income decreased by $\$ 1.3$ million to $\$ 7.2$ million, from $\$ 8.5$ million during the year ended December 31,2010 . This decrease was related to the sale of our merchant processing portfolio in 2010. During June 2010 we entered into an alliance with a world-wide merchant processing leader. In conjunction with this alliance we sold our merchant processing business, recording a one-time gain of $\$ 1.4$ million. Related to this sale we experienced a decrease in merchant processing income of $\$ 126$ thousand during the comparison periods. Service charges on deposit accounts declined by $\$ 165$ thousand primarily related to a decline in overdraft fees as new regulations placed additional restrictions on the Bank in charging overdraft fees on ATM and Point of Sale transactions. Gain on sale of investments declined by $\$ 494$ thousand. During the year ended December 31, 2011 we sold twenty-seven investment securities classified as available-for-sale for $\$ 29.4$ million recognizing a $\$ 0.7$ million gain on sale. During the 2010 period we sold sixtyfive investment securities classified as available-for sale for $\$ 40.9$ million and recorded a $\$ 1.2$ million gain on sale. We chose to sell some of the securities in our investment portfolio in order to lock in gains; this had the additional benefit of partially offsetting some nonrecurring expense items such as losses on sale of OREO.

Partially offsetting these declines in income was a $\$ 884$ thousand increase in gain on sale of government guaranteed loans. Gains on sale in 2011 were particularly strong related to two factors. First, during the first quarter of 2011 the SBA eliminated the recourse provision related to loan sales allowing us to record both gains on sales from loans sold during the fourth quarter of 2010 and the first quarter of 2011. In addition, many loans sold in 2011 were $90 \%$ guaranteed related to a temporary increase in guarantee percentage enacted on February 17, 2009 as part of the Recovery Act. Currently loans made through the SBA 7(a) program carry a $75 \%$ to $85 \%$ guarantee. The production and sale of government guaranteed loans has become an important component of the Company's core business. We expect government guaranteed lending activity to remain strong in 2012; however, we anticipate a reduction in gains on sale during 2012.

Loan servicing fees increased by $\$ 24$ thousand to $\$ 219$ thousand for the year ended December 31, 2011. Loan servicing fees are primarily related to fees earned for servicing the sold portion of SBA loans and the increase in this category is consistent with the increase in sold SBA loans.

2010 compared to 2009. During the year ended December 31, 2010 non-interest income increased by $\$ 2.8$ million to $\$ 8.6$ million, from $\$ 5.8$ million during 2009 . This increase was primarily related to three items, the largest of which was a $\$ 1.4$ million gain on the sale of our merchant processing portfolio. Additionally we sold securities having a book value of $\$ 39.7$ million, recording a gain on sale of $\$ 1.2$ million. We chose to sell substantially our entire municipal securities portfolio as part of our overall asset/liability management strategy and related to the
favorable market price for these securities. In addition, we sold $\$ 28.9$ million in U.S. government agency securities to lock in significant gains that were available on these securities. Finally, we recorded a gain on sale of government guaranteed loans of $\$ 1.1$ million representing the sale of $\$ 13.6$ million in loans. Additional SBA government guaranteed loans totaling $\$ 4.3$ million were sold during the fourth quarter; however, the gain on sale generated was not recorded until the 90-day premium recourse period on SBA loan sales had expired. During the first quarter of 2011, the Company recognized a gain on sale of approximately $\$ 338$ thousand related to loans sold during the fourth quarter of 2010; however, this gain was partially offset by commission expense of approximately $\$ 106$ thousand.

Loan servicing fees increased by $\$ 56$ thousand to $\$ 195$ thousand for the year ended December 31, 2010. Loan servicing fees are primarily related to fees earned for servicing the sold portion of SBA loans and the increase in this category is consistent with the increase in sold SBA loans.

Service charges on deposit accounts declined by $\$ 154$ thousand primarily related to a decline in overdraft fees as new regulations placed additional restrictions on the Bank in charging overdraft fees on ATM and Point of Sale transactions. Merchant processing fees declined by $\$ 141$ thousand related to the sale of our merchant processing portfolio in June, 2010.

## Non-Interest Expense

The following table sets forth the components of other non-interest expense for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009.

|  | Years Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |  | Change during Year |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2011 |  | 2010 |  | 2009 |  | 2011 |  | 2010 |
|  | (dollars in thousands) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Salaries and employee benefits |  | \$ 9,195 |  | 9 9,732 | \$ | 11,054 | \$ | (537) | \$ | $(1,322)$ |
| Occupancy and equipment |  | 3,088 |  | 3,096 |  | 3,759 |  | (8) |  | (663) |
| Outside service fees |  | 1,270 |  | 1,212 |  | 990 |  | 58 |  | 222 |
| FDIC insurance |  | 1,099 |  | 1,009 |  | 1,125 |  | 90 |  | (116) |
| Professional fees |  | 730 |  | 587 |  | 789 |  | 143 |  | (202) |
| Loss (gain) on sale of OREO |  | 606 |  | (43) |  | 158 |  | 649 |  | (201) |
| Provision for OREO losses |  | 579 |  | 356 |  | 4,800 |  | 223 |  | $(4,444)$ |
| OREO costs |  | 422 |  | 573 |  | 370 |  | (151) |  | 203 |
| Telephone and data communications |  | 331 |  | 338 |  | 392 |  | (7) |  | (54) |
| Business development |  | 262 |  | 250 |  | 333 |  | 12 |  | (83) |
| Loan collection costs |  | 261 |  | 261 |  | 399 |  | - |  | (138) |
| Advertising and promotion |  | 236 |  | 252 |  | 327 |  | (16) |  | (75) |
| Director compensation and retirement |  | 229 |  | 233 |  | 293 |  | (4) |  | (60) |
| Armored car and courier |  | 225 |  | 239 |  | 281 |  | (14) |  | (42) |
| Postage |  | 190 |  | 207 |  | 207 |  | (17) |  |  |
| Core deposit intangible |  | 173 |  | 173 |  | 173 |  | - |  |  |
| Stationery and supplies |  | 140 |  | 145 |  | 183 |  | (5) |  | (38) |
| Insurance |  | 42 |  | 125 |  | 54 |  | (83) |  | 71 |
| Other operating expense |  | 168 |  | 396 |  | 579 |  | (228) |  | (183) |
| Total non-interest expense | \$ | 19,246 | \$ | 19,141 | \$ | 26,266 | \$ | 105 | \$ | $(7,125)$ |

2011 compared to 2010. While we have achieved savings in many categories of non-interest expense these were offset in the current year by an increase of $\$ 649$ thousand in loss on sale of OREO. Non-interest expense increased by $\$ 105$ thousand from $\$ 19.1$ million during the year ended December 31, 2010 to $\$ 19.2$ million during the current twelve month period.

OREO represents real property taken by the Bank either through foreclosure or through a deed in lieu thereof from the borrower. Loss on sale of OREO totaled $\$ 606$ thousand primarily related to the sale of one property. During June, 2011 the Bank sold its largest OREO holding which represented $\$ 4.3$ million, or $48 \%$ of the total balance in OREO at January 1, 2011. The Bank incurred a $\$ 617$ thousand loss on sale; however, management believes the loss was prudent given the significant affect this transaction had in decreasing nonperforming assets.

Outside service fees increased by $\$ 58$ thousand which mostly relates to our on-line banking and bill payment platform. FDIC insurance costs increased related to an increase in the rate the FDIC charges Plumas Bank. Professional fees increased by $\$ 143$ thousand the largest portion of which was related to an increase in consulting cost of $\$ 97$ thousand. During the second half of 2011 we contracted with an outside party to provide assistance in the management of our nonperforming assets. Total costs incurred related to this consultant were $\$ 42$ thousand. In addition we incurred $\$ 21$ thousand in costs related to an outside management study required by the Consent Order.

The largest reduction in expense was a decrease of $\$ 537$ thousand in salaries and employee benefits. Salary expense, excluding commissions, declined by $\$ 667$ thousand mostly related to a reduction in staffing, during the second quarter of 2010, which affected most functional areas with the exception of government guaranteed lending and problem assets. On a full-time equivalent basis, we employed 142 persons at December 31, 2011 down from 146 at December 31, 2010 and 163 at December 31, 2009. Commission expense, which relates to government guaranteed lending personnel and is included in salary expense, increased by $\$ 318$ thousand resulting from the increase in government guaranteed loan gains.

The provision for OREO losses increased by $\$ 223$ thousand related to one land development property that, based on a recent appraisal, declined in value by $\$ 417$ thousand. This property is currently valued at approximately $\$ 1$ million. OREO carrying costs declined by $\$ 151$ thousand from $\$ 573$ thousand during 2010 to $\$ 422$ thousand during 2011. These savings were primarily related to property taxes on OREO properties and refunds on prior year tax payments related to some of our OREO properties being reassessed.

Insurance expense declined by $\$ 83$ thousand primarily related to the forfeiture of retirement split dollar life insurance benefits by one of our executive officers who chose to terminate his employment during 2011 prior to age sixty-five.

Other non-interest expense declined by $\$ 228$ thousand related to a $\$ 226$ thousand prepayment penalty incurred upon the prepayment of our long-term Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings during July, 2010.

2010 compared to 2009. During the second quarter of 2010 we performed an extensive analysis of our personnel requirements throughout the organization and based on this analysis we were able to reduce our head count by approximately $10 \%$ which resulted in significant savings in salary and benefits during the second half of 2010. During the year ended December 31, 2010, total non-interest expense decreased by $\$ 7.1$ million, or $27 \%$, to $\$ 19.2$ million, down from $\$ 26.3$ million for the comparable period in 2009 . This decrease in non-interest expense was primarily the result of savings in salaries and employee benefits, occupancy and equipment costs, professional fees, provision for OREO losses and a reduction in losses on the sale of OREO. These items and other reductions were partially offset by increases in outside service fees, OREO carrying expenses and insurance expense.

Salaries and employee benefits decreased by $\$ 1.3$ million primarily related to four items. Salary expense, excluding commissions, declined by $\$ 796$ thousand related to a reduction in staffing in all areas with the exception of government guaranteed lending and problem assets. While the Company reduced personnel in most functional areas, we increased staffing in our problem asset department to effectively manage our increased level of nonperforming assets. Additionally, staffing in our government guaranteed lending department was increased to support opportunities for loan growth in this area. Commission expense, which relates to government guaranteed lending personnel and is included in salary expense, increased by $\$ 152$ thousand resulting from the increase in government guaranteed loan sales. Stock compensation expense decreased by $\$ 199$ thousand. During the first quarter of 2010 we recorded an adjustment to the estimated forfeiture rate associated with option expense. Finally, we eliminated discretionary bonuses in 2010 resulting in a decrease in bonus expense of $\$ 269$ thousand and during the second quarter of 2010 we discontinued the Company matching contributions to our 401 k plan saving $\$ 172$ thousand during 2010.

The decline in occupancy and equipment expense primarily relates to the savings realized from the purchase of our Redding branch. On March 31, 2010 we purchased the building housing our Redding branch at a cost of $\$ 1.0$ million. Previously we had leased this building. Under the terms of the lease agreement we were provided free rent for a period of time; however, in accordance with accounting principals we recognized monthly rent expense equal to the total payments required under the lease dividend by the term of the lease in months. At the time of the purchase we reversed this accrual recognizing a $\$ 184$ thousand reduction in occupancy costs. In addition to the onetime savings from the reversal of accrued rent we benefit from reduced operating costs on this building as the owner rather than a renter. Occupancy costs also benefited from a milder winter resulting in reduced utility and snow removal costs. Equipment costs benefited from a $\$ 153$ thousand reduction in depreciation expense.

Professional fees were abnormally high during 2009 related to consulting costs associated with our computer network and telephone system. The decrease in profession fees includes a $\$ 157$ thousand reduction in consulting costs.

Losses on the sale of OREO totaled \$158 thousand during 2009; however, during 2010 we recorded $\$ 43$ thousand net gains on sale of OREO. During 2009 we experienced a significant decline in the value of many of our OREO properties requiring a $\$ 4.8$ million loss provision; however, this decline in value slowed significantly in 2010. During 2010 our provision for OREO losses declined by $\$ 4.4$ million to $\$ 356$ thousand.

Other reductions in expense include savings in FDIC insurance, telephone, loan collection costs, business development, advertising, director expense, courier expense, director expenses, supplies costs and other. In total these costs were down $\$ 789$ thousand for 2010.

Outside service fees increased by $\$ 222$ thousand related to the outsourcing of daily management of our computer network operations and the installation of a new internet banking platform. Consistent with the increase in average OREO (See "Analysis of Asset Quality and Allowance for Loan Losses") OREO carrying expenses increased by \$203 thousand.

Insurance expense was abnormally low in 2009. During the first quarter of 2009 our Chief Information and Technology officer retired from the Company. Because his retirement took place prior to the age of sixty-five he forfeited his benefits under his company provided split dollar life insurance plan. To reflect this forfeiture we recorded a one-time reduction in insurance expense totaling $\$ 83$ thousand.

Provision for Income Taxes. The Company recorded an income tax provision of $\$ 295$ thousand, or $23.9 \%$ of pretax income for the year ended December 31, 2011. During 2010 the Company recorded an income tax provision of $\$ 389$ thousand, or $28.6 \%$ of pre-tax income for the year ended December 31, 2010. The percentages for 2011 and 2010 differ from the statutory rate as tax exempt income such as earnings on Bank owned life insurance, municipal loan interest, and in the state of California enterprise zone interest decrease taxable income.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the tax consequences of temporary differences between the reported amount of assets and liabilities and their tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The determination of the amount of deferred income tax assets which are more likely than not to be realized is primarily dependent on projections of future earnings, which are subject to uncertainty and estimates that may change given economic conditions and other factors. The realization of deferred income tax assets is assessed and a valuation allowance is recorded if it is "more likely than not" that all or a portion of the deferred tax asset will not be realized. "More likely than not" is defined as greater than a $50 \%$ chance. All available evidence, both positive and negative is considered to determine whether, based on the weight of that evidence, a valuation allowance is needed.

As part of its analysis, the Company considered the following positive evidence:

- The Company's 2009 net loss was largely attributable to losses on its Construction and Land Development portfolio that represented approximately $80 \%$ of net charge-offs during the year ended December 31, 2009. This portfolio has decreased from \$74 million at December 31, 2008 to $\$ 17$ million at December 312011.
- The Company's 2009 net loss was also attributable to significant write-downs on foreclosed construction and land development real estate properties which represented the majority of its provision for losses on other real estate during 2009. During 2010 other real estate write-downs decreased by $\$ 4.4$ million from $\$ 4.8$ million during the year ended December 31, 2009 to $\$ 356$ thousand during 2010 . Write-downs on construction and land development real estate owned during 2011 totaled $\$ 440$ thousand.
- The Company has a long history of earnings and profitability.
- The Company was profitable in 2011 and 2010 and is projecting future taxable and book income will be generated by operations.
- The size of loans in the Company's pipeline of potential problem loans has significantly decreased.
- The Company does not have a history of net operating losses carry forwards or tax credits expiring unused.

As part of its analysis, the Company also considered the following negative evidence:

- The Company recorded a large net loss in 2009 and is in a cumulative loss position for the current and preceding two years.

Based upon the analysis of available evidence, management has determined that it is "more likely than not" that all deferred income tax assets as of December 31, 2011 and 2010 will be fully realized and therefore no valuation allowance was recorded.

## Financial Condition

Loan Portfolio. The Company continues to manage the mix of its loan portfolio consistent with its identity as a community bank serving the financing needs of all sectors of the area it serves. Although the Company offers a broad array of financing options, it continues to concentrate its focus on small to medium sized commercial businesses. These commercial loans offer diversification as to industries and types of businesses, thus limiting material exposure in any industry concentrations. The Company offers both fixed and floating rate loans and obtains collateral in the form of real property, business assets and deposit accounts, but looks to business and personal cash flows as its primary source of repayment.

The Company's largest lending categories are commercial real estate loans, residential real estate loans, and agricultural loans. These categories accounted for approximately $40.6 \%, 13.3 \%$ and $13.2 \%$, respectively of the Company's total loan portfolio at December 31, 2011, and approximately $37.9 \%, 13.8 \%$ and $12.2 \%$, respectively of the Company's total loan portfolio at December 31, 2010. Construction and land development loans continue to decline and represented $5.8 \%$ and $9.9 \%$ of the loan portfolio as of December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. The construction and land development portfolio component has been identified by Management as a higher-risk loan category. The quality of the construction and land development category is highly dependent on property values both in terms of the likelihood of repayment once the property is transacted by the current owner as well as the level of collateral the Company has securing the loan in the event of default. Loans in this category are characterized by the speculative nature of commercial and residential development properties and can include property in various stages of development from raw land to finished lots. The decline in these loans as a percentage of the Company's loan portfolio reflects management's continued efforts, which began in 2009, to reduce its exposure to construction and land development loans due to the severe valuation decrease in the real estate market.

The Company's real estate related loans, including real estate mortgage loans, real estate construction loans, consumer equity lines of credit, and agricultural loans secured by real estate comprised $81 \%$ and $80 \%$ of the total loan portfolio at December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. Moreover, the business activities of the Company currently are focused in the California counties of Plumas, Nevada, Placer, Lassen, Modoc, Shasta, Sierra and in Washoe County in Northern Nevada. Consequently, the results of operations and financial condition of the Company are dependent upon the general trends in these economies and, in particular, the residential and commercial real estate markets. In addition, the concentration of the Company's operations in these areas of Northeastern California and Northwestern Nevada exposes it to greater risk than other banking companies with a wider geographic base in the event of catastrophes, such as earthquakes, fires and floods in these regions.

The rates of interest charged on variable rate loans are set at specific increments in relation to the Company's lending rate or other indexes such as the published prime interest rate or U.S. Treasury rates and vary with changes in these indexes. At December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, approximately $73 \%$ and $66 \%$, respectively, of the Company's loan portfolio was comprised of variable rate loans. While real estate mortgage, commercial and consumer lending remain the foundation of the Company's historical loan mix, some changes in the mix have occurred due to the changing economic environment and the resulting change in demand for certain loan types. In addition, the Company remains committed to the agricultural industry in Northeastern California and will continue to pursue high quality agricultural loans. Agricultural loans include both commercial and commercial real estate loans. The Company's agricultural loan balances totaled $\$ 39$ million at December 31, 2011 and $\$ 38$ million at December 31, 2010.

The following table sets forth the amounts of loans outstanding by category as of the dates indicated.

|  | At December 31, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 |  | 2010 |  | 2009 |  | 2008 |  | 2007 |  |
|  | (dollars in thousands) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Real estate - mortgage | \$ | 158,431 | \$ | 162,513 | \$ | 161,397 | \$ | 151,943 | \$ | 128,357 |
| Real estate - construction and land development |  | 17,063 |  | 31,199 |  | 38,061 |  | 73,820 |  | 76,478 |
| Commercial |  | 30,235 |  | 33,433 |  | 37,056 |  | 42,528 |  | 39,584 |
| Consumer (1) |  | 49,268 |  | 48,586 |  | 54,442 |  | 61,706 |  | 72,768 |
| Agriculture (2) |  | 38,868 |  | 38,469 |  | 41,722 |  | 36,020 |  | 35,762 |
| Total loans |  | 293,865 |  | 314,200 |  | 332,678 |  | 366,017 |  | 352,949 |
| Less: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Deferred costs |  | (475) |  | (275) |  | (298) |  | (279) |  | (564) |
| Allowance for loan losses |  | 6,908 |  | 7,324 |  | 9,568 |  | 7,224 |  | 4,211 |
| Net loans | \$ | 287,432 | \$ | 307,151 | \$ | 323,408 | \$ | 359,072 | \$ | 349,302 |

(1) Includes equity lines of credit
(2) Includes agriculture real estate

The following table sets forth the maturity of gross loan categories as of December 31, 2011. Also provided with respect to such loans are the amounts due after one year, classified according to sensitivity to changes in interest rates:


Analysis of Asset Quality and Allowance for Loan Losses. The Company attempts to minimize credit risk through its underwriting and credit review policies. The Company's credit review process includes internally prepared credit reviews as well as contracting with an outside firm to conduct periodic credit reviews. The Company's management and lending officers evaluate the loss exposure of classified and impaired loans on a quarterly basis, or more frequently as loan conditions change. The Management Asset Resolution Committee (MARC) reviews the asset quality of criticized loans on a monthly basis and reports the findings to the full Board of Directors. The Board's Loan Committee reviews the asset quality of new loans on a monthly basis and reports the findings to the full Board of Directors. In management's opinion, this loan review system helps facilitate the early identification of potential criticized loans.

The Company has implemented MARC to develop an action plan to significantly reduce nonperforming loans. It consists of members of executive management and credit administration management, and the activities are governed by a formal written charter. The MARC meets at least monthly and reports to the Board of Directors.

More specifically, a formal plan to effect repayment and/or disposition of every significant nonperforming loan relationship is developed and documented for review and on-going oversight by the MARC. Some of the strategies used include but are not limited to: 1) obtaining additional collateral, 2) obtaining additional investor cash infusion, 3) sale of the promissory note to an outside party, 4) proceeding with foreclosure on the underlying collateral, 5) legal action against borrower/guarantors to encourage settlement of debt and/or collect any deficiency balance owed. Each step includes a benchmark timeline to track progress.

MARC also provides guidance for the maintenance and timely disposition of OREO properties; including developing financing and marketing programs to incent individuals to purchase OREO.

The allowance for loan losses is established through charges to earnings in the form of the provision for loan losses. Loan losses are charged to and recoveries are credited to the allowance for loan losses. The allowance for loan losses is maintained at a level deemed appropriate by management to provide for known and inherent risks in loans. The adequacy of the allowance for loan losses is based upon management's continuing assessment of various factors affecting the collectibility of loans; including current economic conditions, maturity of the portfolio, size of the portfolio, industry concentrations, borrower credit history, collateral, the existing allowance for loan losses, independent credit reviews, current charges and recoveries to the allowance for loan losses and the overall quality of the portfolio as determined by management, regulatory agencies, and independent credit review consultants retained by the Company. There is no precise method of predicting specific losses or amounts which may ultimately be charged off on particular segments of the loan portfolio. The collectibility of a loan is subjective to some degree, but must relate to the borrower's financial condition, cash flow, quality of the borrower's management expertise, collateral and guarantees, and state of the local economy.

The federal financial regulatory agencies in December 2006 issued a new interagency policy statement on the allowance for loan and lease losses along with supplemental frequently asked questions. When determining the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses, the Company follows these guidelines. The policy statement revises and replaces a 1993 policy statement on the allowance for loan and lease losses. The agencies issued the revised policy statement in view of today's uncertain economic environment and the presence of concentrations in untested loan products in the loan portfolios of insured depository institutions. The policy statement was also revised to conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") and post-1993 supervisory guidance. The policy statement reiterates that each institution has a responsibility for developing, maintaining and documenting a comprehensive, systematic, and consistently applied process appropriate to its size and the nature, scope, and risk of its lending activities for determining the amounts of the allowance for loan and lease losses and the provision for loan and lease losses and states that each institution should ensure controls are in place to consistently determine the allowance for loan and lease losses in accordance with GAAP, the institution's stated policies and procedures, management's best judgment and relevant supervisory guidance.

The policy statement also restates that insured depository institutions must maintain an allowance for loan and lease losses at a level that is appropriate to cover estimated credit losses on individually evaluated loans determined to be impaired as well as estimated credit losses inherent in the remainder of the loan and lease portfolio, and that estimates of credit losses should reflect consideration of all significant factors that affect the collectibility of the portfolio as of the evaluation date. The policy statement states that prudent, conservative, but not excessive, loan loss allowances that represent management's best estimate from within an acceptable range of estimated losses are appropriate. In addition, the Company incorporates the Securities and Exchange Commission Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 102, which represents the SEC staff's view related to methodologies and supporting documentation for the Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses that should be observed by all public companies in complying with the federal securities laws and the Commission's interpretations.

The Company's methodology for assessing the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses consists of several key elements, which include but are not limited to:

- specific allocation determined in accordance with ASC Topic 310 - Receivables, based on probable losses on specific loans.
- general reserves determined in accordance with guidance in ASC Topic 450 - Contingencies, based on historical loan loss experience adjusted for other qualitative risk factors both internal and external to the Company.

Specific allocations are established based on management's periodic evaluation of loss exposure inherent in classified, impaired, and other loans in which management believes that the collection of principal and interest under the original contractual terms of the loan agreement are in question. For purposes of this analysis, loans are grouped by internal risk classifications which are "watch", "substandard", "doubtful", and "loss". Watch loans are currently performing but are potentially weak, as the borrower has begun to exhibit deteriorating trends, which if not corrected, could jeopardize repayment of the loan and result in further downgrade. Substandard loans have welldefined weaknesses which, if not corrected, could jeopardize the full satisfaction of the debt. A loan classified as "doubtful" has critical weaknesses that make full collection of the obligation improbable. Classified loans, as defined by the Company, include loans categorized as substandard and doubtful. Loans classified as loss are immediately charged off.

Loans are consistently monitored against risk rating criteria. As loans are identified that may warrant a classification change, they are discussed with the Company's credit administration officers and appropriate risk grades are assigned. There are several times in the life of a loan that this occurs:

- loan origination
- loan renewal
- loan servicing actions (change in terms, collateral release, etc.)
- annual financial review
- delinquency monitoring and follow-up
- loan review process
- audit process

If weaknesses (or improvements) are noted, a change in risk rating, if warranted by credit administration, will be made. Loans classified Watch or below in an amount of $\$ 100,000$ or more will be individually evaluated for impairment in accordance with the Bank's policy for determining and measuring impairment.

Formula allocations are calculated by applying loss factors to outstanding loans with similar characteristics. Loss factors are based on the Company's historical loss experience as adjusted for changes in the business cycle and may be adjusted for significant factors that, in management's judgment, affect the collectibility of the portfolio as of the evaluation date. Effective for the third quarter of 2010, the Company modified its method of estimating the allowance for loan losses for loans collectively evaluated for impairment. This modification incorporated historical loss experience based on a rolling eight quarters ending with the most recently completed calendar quarter to identified pools of loans. This modification did not have a material affect on the Company's allowance for loans losses or provision for loan losses. No modifications to the allowance for loan losses methodology were made in 2011.

The discretionary allocation is based upon management's evaluation of various loan segment conditions that are not directly measured in the determination of the formula and specific allowances. The conditions may include, but are not limited to, general economic and business conditions affecting the key lending areas of the Company, credit quality trends, collateral values, loan volumes and concentrations, and other business conditions.

The following table provides certain information for the years indicated with respect to the Company's allowance for loan losses as well as charge-off and recovery activity.

|  | For the Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 |  | 2010 |  | 2009 |  | 2008 |  | 2007 |  |
|  | (dollars in thousands) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Balance at beginning of period | \$ | 7,324 | \$ | 9,568 | \$ | 7,224 | \$ | 4,211 | \$ | 3,917 |
| Charge-offs: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Commercial and agricultural |  | 539 |  | 1,219 |  | 663 |  | 477 |  | 83 |
| Real estate mortgage |  | 483 |  | 3,105 |  | 1,145 |  | 95 |  | - |
| Real estate construction |  | 2,603 |  | 3,617 |  | 10,133 |  | 522 |  | 46 |
| Consumer |  | 622 |  | 408 |  | 559 |  | 689 |  | 657 |
| Total charge-offs |  | 4,247 |  | 8,349 |  | 12,500 |  | 1,783 |  | 786 |
| Recoveries: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Commercial and agricultural |  | 199 |  | 26 |  | 18 |  | 11 |  | 53 |
| Real estate mortgage |  | 18 |  | 396 |  | 8 |  | 14 |  | - |
| Real estate construction |  | 5 |  | 65 |  | 90 |  | - |  | - |
| Consumer |  | 109 |  | 118 |  | 228 |  | 171 |  | 227 |
| Total recoveries |  | 331 |  | 605 |  | 344 |  | 196 |  | 280 |
| Net charge-offs |  | 3,916 |  | 7,744 |  | 12,156 |  | 1,587 |  | 506 |
| Provision for loan losses |  | 3,500 |  | 5,500 |  | 14,500 |  | 4,600 |  | 800 |
| Balance at end of period | \$ | 6,908 | \$ | 7,324 | \$ | 9,568 | \$ | 7,224 | \$ | 4,211 |
| Net charge-offs during the period to average loans |  | 1.29\% |  | 2.39\% |  | 3.43\% |  | 0.45\% |  | 0.14\% |
| Allowance for loan losses to total loans |  | 2.35\% |  | 2.33\% |  | 2.88\% |  | 1.97\% |  | 1.19\% |

During the year ended December 31, 2011 we recorded a provision for loan losses of $\$ 3.5$ million down $\$ 2.0$ million from the $\$ 5.5$ million provision recorded during the year ended December 31, 2010. Net charge-offs totaled $\$ 3.9$ million during the year ended December 31, 2011 and $\$ 7.7$ million during 2010. Net charge-offs as a percentage of average loans decreased from $2.39 \%$ during 2010 to $1.29 \%$ during the year ended December 31, 2011.

The following table provides a breakdown of the allowance for loan losses:

|  |  | Percent of <br> Loans in Each <br> Category to <br> Total Loans | Palance at <br> End of Period | Palance at <br> End of Period |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Loans in Each <br> Category to <br> Total Loans |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 0}$ |
| Commercial and agricultural | 1,355 | $23.5 \%$ | 944 | $22.9 \%$ |
| Real estate mortgage | 2,623 | $53.9 \%$ | 2,451 | $51.7 \%$ |
| Real estate construction | 2,006 | $5.8 \%$ | 3,011 | $9.9 \%$ |
| Consumer (includes equity LOC) | 924 | $16.8 \%$ | 918 | $15.5 \%$ |
| Total | 6,908 | $100.0 \%$ | 7,324 | $100.0 \%$ |

The allowance for loan losses totaled $\$ 6.9$ million at December 31, 2011 and $\$ 7.3$ million at December 31, 2010. Specific reserves related to impaired loans increased from $\$ 1.9$ million at December 31, 2010 to $\$ 2.1$ million at December 31, 2011. At least quarterly the Company evaluates each specific reserve and if it determines that the loss represented by the specific reserve is uncollectable it reverses the specific reserve and takes a partial charge-off in its place. General reserves decreased by $\$ 579$ thousand to $\$ 4.8$ million at December 31, 2011. The allowance for loan losses as a percentage of total loans increased slightly from $2.33 \%$ at December 31,2010 to $2.35 \%$ at December 31, 2011. The percentage of general reserves to unimpaired loans decreased from $1.90 \%$ at December 31, 2010 to $1.80 \%$ at December 31, 2011 primarily related to a decrease in charge-offs during the eight quarters ending December 31, 2011 as compared to the eight quarters ended December 31, 2010 which resulted in a lower loss rate applied to unimpaired loans.

The Company places loans 90 days or more past due on nonaccrual status unless the loan is well secured and in the process of collection. A loan is considered to be in the process of collection if, based on a probable specific event, it is expected that the loan will be repaid or brought current. Generally, this collection period would not exceed 90 days. When a loan is placed on nonaccrual status the Company's general policy is to reverse and charge against current income previously accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income on such loans is subsequently recognized only to the extent that cash is received and future collection of principal is deemed by management to be probable. Where the collectibility of the principal or interest on a loan is considered to be doubtful by management, it is placed on nonaccrual status prior to becoming 90 days delinquent.

Impaired loans are measured based on the present value of the expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate or the fair value of the collateral if the loan is collateral dependent. The amount of impaired loans is not directly comparable to the amount of nonperforming loans disclosed later in this section. The primary difference between impaired loans and nonperforming loans is that impaired loan recognition considers not only loans 90 days or more past due, restructured loans and nonaccrual loans but also may include identified problem loans other than delinquent loans where it is considered probable that we will not collect all amounts due to us (including both principal and interest) in accordance with the contractual terms of the loan agreement.

A restructuring of a debt constitutes a troubled debt restructuring (TDR) if the Company, for economic or legal reasons related to the debtor's financial difficulties, grants a concession to the debtor that it would not otherwise consider. Restructured workout loans typically present an elevated level of credit risk as the borrowers are not able to perform according to the original contractual terms. Loans that are reported as TDRs are considered impaired and measured for impairment as described above.

Loans restructured and in compliance with modified terms totaled $\$ 8.4$ million, $\$ 2.0$ million and $\$ 3.4$ million at December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. There were no troubled debt restructurings at December 31, 2008, or 2007. For additional information related to restructured loans see Note 6 of the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 8 - Financial Statements and Supplementary Data of this Annual Report on Form 10K.

The following table sets forth the amount of the Company's nonperforming assets as of the dates indicated.

|  | At December 31, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 |  | 2010 |  | 2009 |  | 2008 |  | 2007 |  |
|  | (dollars in thousands) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nonaccrual loans | \$ | 16,757 | \$ | 25,313 | \$ | 14,263 | \$ | 26,444 | \$ | 2,618 |
| Loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing |  | 72 |  | 45 |  | 28 |  | 297 |  | 14 |
| Total nonperforming loans |  | 16,829 |  | 25,358 |  | 14,291 |  | 26,741 |  | 2,632 |
| Other real estate owned |  | 8,623 |  | 8,867 |  | 11,204 |  | 4,148 |  | 402 |
| Other vehicles owned |  | 57 |  | 17 |  | 65 |  | 129 |  | 135 |
| Total nonperforming assets | \$ | 25,509 | \$ | 34,242 | \$ | 25,560 | \$ | 31,018 | \$ | 3,169 |
| Interest income forgone on nonaccrual loans | \$ | 510 | \$ | 1,021 | \$ | 568 | \$ | 576 | \$ | 161 |
| Interest income recorded on a cash basis on nonaccrual loans | \$ | 285 | \$ | 608 | \$ | 369 | \$ | 74 | \$ | 118 |
| Nonperforming loans to total loans |  | 5.73\% |  | 8.07\% |  | 4.30\% |  | 7.31\% |  | 0.75\% |
| Nonperforming assets to total assets |  | 5.60\% |  | 7.07\% |  | 4.84\% |  | 6.78\% |  | 0.70\% |

Nonperforming loans at December 31, 2011 were $\$ 16.8$ million, a decrease of $\$ 8.5$ million from the $\$ 25.3$ million balance at December 31, 2010. The decline of $\$ 8.5$ million includes $\$ 5.7$ million in loans transferred to OREO, a $\$ 4.4$ million loan that was returned to performing status and charge-offs and principal repayments on nonperforming loans partially offset by $\$ 9.1$ million in additional loans placed on nonperforming status during the period. Specific reserves on nonaccrual loans totaled $\$ 1.3$ million at December 31, 2011 and $\$ 1.8$ million at December 31, 2010, respectively. Performing loans past due thirty to eighty-nine days increased from $\$ 2.9$ million at December 31, 2010 to $\$ 5.1$ million at December 31, 2011.

A substandard loan is not adequately protected by the current sound worth and paying capacity of the borrower or the value of the collateral pledged, if any. Total substandard loans decreased by $\$ 9.4$ million from $\$ 38.6$ million at December 31, 2010 to $\$ 29.2$ million at December 31, 2011. Loans classified as watch decreased as well from $\$ 14.2$ million at December 31, 2010 to $\$ 10.7$ million at December 31, 2011. At December 31, 2011, $\$ 13.9$ million of performing loans were classified as substandard. Further deterioration in the credit quality of individual performing substandard loans or other adverse circumstances could result in the need to place these loans on nonperforming status.

At December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the Company's recorded investment in impaired loans totaled \$24.4 million and $\$ 28.8$ million, respectively. The specific allowance for loan losses related to impaired loans totaled $\$ 2.1$ million and $\$ 1.9$ million at December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. Additionally, $\$ 940$ thousand has been charged off against the impaired loans at December 31, 2011 and $\$ 2.8$ million at December 312010.

It is the policy of management to make additions to the allowance for loan losses so that it remains appropriate to absorb the inherent risk of loss in the portfolio. Management believes that the allowance at December 31, 2011 is appropriate. However, the determination of the amount of the allowance is judgmental and subject to economic conditions which cannot be predicted with certainty. Accordingly, the Company cannot predict whether charge-offs of loans in excess of the allowance may occur in future periods.

OREO represents real property taken by the Bank either through foreclosure or through a deed in lieu thereof from the borrower. Repossessed assets include vehicles and other commercial assets acquired under agreements with delinquent borrowers. Repossessed assets and OREO are carried at fair market value, less selling costs. OREO holdings represented forty-four properties totaling $\$ 8.6$ million at December 31, 2011 and thirty-one properties totaling $\$ 8.9$ million at December 31, 2010. During June, 2011 the Bank sold its largest OREO holding which represented $\$ 4.3$ million, or $48 \%$ of the total balance in OREO at January 1, 2011. The Bank incurred a $\$ 617$ thousand loss on sale; however, management believes the loss was prudent given the significant affect this transaction had in decreasing nonperforming assets. Nonperforming assets as a percentage of total assets were $5.60 \%$ at December 31, 2011 and 7.07\% at December 31, 2010.

The following table provides a summary of the change in the OREO balance for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010:

|  | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 0}$ |  |
| (in thousands) |  |  |  |
| Beginning Balance | $\$ 8,867$ | $\$ 11,204$ |  |
| Additions | 5,825 | 1,438 |  |
| Dispositions | $(5,490)$ | $(3,419)$ |  |
| Write-downs | $(579)$ | $(356)$ |  |
| Ending Balance | $\boxed{08,623}$ | $\$ 8,867$ |  |

Investment Portfolio and Federal Funds Sold. Total investment securities decreased by $\$ 5.1$ million from $\$ 63.0$ million at December 31, 2010 to $\$ 57.9$ million as of December 31, 2011. While investment securities decreased from December 31, 2010 levels, we anticipate adding to investment securities during the next three months. The investment portfolio at December 31, 2011 was invested entirely in U.S. Government-sponsored agencies, at December 31, 2010 the investment portfolio consisted of $2 \%$ U.S. Treasuries and $98 \%$ U.S. Government-sponsored agencies. There were no Federal funds sold at December 31, 2011 or 2010; however, the Bank maintained interest earning balances at the Federal Reserve Bank (FRB) totaling $\$ 47.8$ million at December 31, 2011 and $\$ 52.3$ million at December 31, 2010, respectively. These balances currently earn 25 basis points.

The Company classifies its investment securities as available-for-sale or held-to-maturity. Currently all securities are classified as available-for-sale. Securities classified as available-for-sale may be sold to implement the Company's asset/liability management strategies and in response to changes in interest rates, prepayment rates and similar factors.

The following tables summarize the values of the Company's investment securities held on the dates indicated:

| Available-for-sale (fair value) | December 31, |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 |  | 2010 |  | 2009 |  |
|  | (dollars in thousands) |  |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. Treasuries | \$ | - | \$ | 1,032 | \$ | 1,052 |
| U.S. Government-sponsored agencies |  | 32,777 |  | 40,430 |  | 55,889 |
| U.S. Government-sponsored agency residential mortgage-backed securities |  | 25,140 |  | 21,273 |  | 19,287 |
| Municipal obligations |  | - |  | 282 |  | 11,722 |
| Total | \$ | 57,917 | \$ | 63,017 | \$ | 87,950 |

At December 31, 2009 the Company transferred all of its municipal securities from held-to-maturity to available-for-sale as it was determined that management no longer had the intent to hold these investments to maturity.

The following table summarizes the maturities of the Company's securities at their carrying value and their weighted average tax equivalent yields at December 31, 2011.

| (dollars in thousands) | After One Through Five Years |  | After Five Through Ten Years |  |  | After Ten Years |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Available-for-sale (Fair Value) | Amount | Yield |  | mount | Yield | Amount | Yield | Amount | Yield |
| U.S. Governmentsponsored agencies | \$32,777 | 1.08\% |  | - | -\% | - | -\% | \$32,777 | 1.08\% |
| U.S. Governmentsponsored agency residential mortgagebacked securities | 554 | 3.84\% | \$ | 6,395 | 1.74\% | \$18,191 | 2.59\% | 25,140 | 2.40\% |
| Total | \$33,331 | 1.12\% |  | 6,395 | 1.74\% | \$18,191 | 2.59\% | \$57,917 | 1.65\% |

Deposits. Total deposits were $\$ 391.1$ million as of December 31, 2011, a decrease of $\$ 33.8$ million, or $8 \%$, from the December 31, 2010 balance of $\$ 424.9$ million. The decline in deposits was mostly related to maturities from a higher rate promotional time deposit product we began offering in June, 2009 and continued to offer until April 30, 2010. Core deposit growth was strong with increases in non-interest bearing deposits of $\$ 14.1$ million and an increase in savings accounts of $\$ 10.8$ million.

The Company continues to manage the mix of its deposits consistent with its identity as a community bank serving the financial needs of its customers. The deposit mix changed slightly from December 31, 2010 as time deposits deceased and we had an increase in non-interest bearing demand deposits and savings accounts. Non-interest bearing demand deposits were $32 \%$ of total deposits at December 31, 2011 and $26 \%$ of total deposits at December 31, 2010. Interest bearing transaction accounts were $21 \%$ of total deposits at December 31, 2011 and $24 \%$ of total deposits at December 31, 2010. Money market and savings deposits totaled $26 \%$ of total deposits at December 31, 2011 and $22 \%$ at December 31, 2010. Time deposits were $21 \%$ of total deposits at December 31, 2011 and 28\% of total deposits at December 31, 2010.

Deposits represent the Bank's primary source of funds. Deposits are primarily core deposits in that they are demand, savings and time deposits generated from local businesses and individuals. These sources are considered to be relatively stable, long-term relationships thereby enhancing steady growth of the deposit base without major fluctuations in overall deposit balances. The Company experiences, to a small degree, some seasonality with the slower growth period between November through April, and the higher growth period from May through October. In order to assist in meeting any funding demands, the Company maintains a secured borrowing arrangement with the Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco. Included in time deposits at December 31, 2010 were $\$ 2.0$ million in CDARS reciprocal time deposits which, under regulatory guidelines, are classified as brokered deposits. There were no brokered deposits at December 31, 2011.

The Company's time deposits of $\$ 100,000$ or more had the following schedule of maturities at December 31, 2011:

|  |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| Remaining Maturity: | Amount |
| Three months or less | $\$ 7,566$ |
| Over three months to six months | 5,519 |
| Over six months to 12 months | 11,093 |
| Over 12 months | 7,446 |
| Total | $\$ 31,624$ |

Time deposits of $\$ 100,000$ or more are generally from the Company's local business and individual customer base. The potential impact on the Company's liquidity from the withdrawal of these deposits is discussed at the Company's asset and liability management committee meetings, and is considered to be minimal.

## Short-term Borrowing Arrangements.

The Company is a member of the FHLB and can borrow up to $\$ 86,388,000$ from the FHLB secured by commercial and residential mortgage loans with carrying values totaling $\$ 178,987,000$. The Company is required to hold FHLB stock as a condition of membership. At December 31, 2011, the Company held $\$ 2,043,000$ of FHLB stock which is recorded as a component of other assets. At this level of stock holdings the Company can borrow up to $\$ 43,466,000$. There were no borrowings outstanding as of December 31, 2011. To borrow the $\$ 86,388,000$ in available credit the Company would need to purchase $\$ 2,017,000$ in additional FHLB stock.

## Repurchase Agreements.

Recently Plumas Bank introduced a new product for its larger business customers which use repurchase agreements as an alternative to interest-bearing deposits. The balance in this product at December 31, 2011 was $\$ 8.3$ million. Interest paid on this product is similar to that which can be earned on the Bank's premium money market account; however, these are not deposits and are not FDIC insured.

## Capital Resources

Shareholders' equity as of December 31, 2011 totaled $\$ 39.6$ million up from $\$ 38.0$ million as of December 31, 2010.
On January 30, 2009, under the Capital Purchase Program, the Company sold (i) 11,949 shares of the Company's Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A (the "Preferred Shares") and (ii) a ten-year warrant to purchase up to 237,712 shares of the Company's common stock, no par value at an exercise price, subject to antidilution adjustments, of $\$ 7.54$ per share, for an aggregate purchase price of $\$ 11,949,000$ in cash. Ten million of the twelve million in proceeds from the sale of the Series A Preferred Stock was injected into Plumas Bank providing addition capital for the bank to support growth in loans and investment securities and strengthen its capital ratios. The remainder provided funds for holding company activities and general corporate purposes.
It is the policy of the Company to periodically distribute excess retained earnings to the shareholders through the payment of cash dividends. Such dividends help promote shareholder value and capital adequacy by enhancing the marketability of the Company's stock. All authority to provide a return to the shareholders in the form of a cash or stock dividend or split rests with the Board of Directors (the "Board). The Board will periodically, but on no regular schedule, review the appropriateness of a cash dividend payment. Banking regulations limit the amount of dividends that may be paid without prior approval of regulatory agencies. No common cash dividends were paid in 2009, 2010 or 2011 and none are anticipated to be paid in 2012.

The Company is subject to various restrictions on the payment of dividends.
At the request of the FRB, Plumas Bancorp deferred its regularly scheduled quarterly interest payments on its outstanding junior subordinated debentures relating to its two trust preferred securities and suspended quarterly cash dividend payments on its Series A Preferred Stock. Therefore, Plumas Bancorp is currently in arrears with the dividend payments on the Series A Preferred Stock and interest payments on the junior subordinated debentures as permitted by the related documentation. As of December 31, 2011 the amount of the arrearage on the dividend
payments of the Series A Preferred Stock is $\$ 1,046$ thousand representing seven quarterly payments and the amount of the arrearage on the payments on the subordinated debt associated with the trust preferred securities is $\$ 569$ thousand also representing seven quarterly payments.

## Capital Standards.

The Company uses a variety of measures to evaluate its capital adequacy, with risk-based capital ratios calculated separately for the Company and the Bank. Management reviews these capital measurements on a monthly basis and takes appropriate action to ensure that they are within established internal and external guidelines. The FDIC has promulgated risk-based capital guidelines for all state non-member banks such as the Bank. These guidelines establish a risk-adjusted ratio relating capital to different categories of assets and off-balance sheet exposures. There are two categories of capital under the guidelines: Tier 1 capital includes common stockholders' equity, and qualifying trust-preferred securities (including notes payable to unconsolidated special purpose entities that issue trust-preferred securities), less goodwill and certain other deductions, notably the unrealized net gains or losses (after tax adjustments) on available-for-sale investment securities carried at fair market value; Tier 2 capital can include qualifying subordinated debt and the allowance for loan losses, subject to certain limitations. The Series A Preferred Stock qualifies as Tier 1 capital for the Company.

As noted previously, the Company's junior subordinated debentures represent borrowings from its unconsolidated subsidiaries that have issued an aggregate $\$ 10$ million in trust-preferred securities. These trust-preferred securities currently qualify for inclusion as Tier 1 capital for regulatory purposes as they do not exceed $25 \%$ of total Tier 1 capital, but are classified as long-term debt in accordance with GAAP. On March 1, 2005, the Federal Reserve Board adopted a final rule that allows the continued inclusion of trust-preferred securities (and/or related subordinated debentures) in the Tier I capital of bank holding companies.

The following tables present the capital ratios for the Company and the Bank compared to the standards for bank holding companies and the regulatory minimum requirements for depository institutions as of December 31, 2011 and 2010 (amounts in thousands except percentage amounts).

|  | December 31, 2011 |  |  | December 31, 2010 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Amount |  | Ratio | Amount |  | Ratio |
| Tier 1 Leverage Ratio |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Plumas Bancorp and Subsidiary | \$ | 45,024 | 9.8\% | \$ | 42,994 | 8.9\% |
| Minimum regulatory requirement |  | 18,313 | 4.0\% |  | 19,361 | 4.0\% |
| Plumas Bank |  | 45,073 | 9.8\% |  | 43,262 | 8.9\% |
| Minimum requirement for "Well-Capitalized" institution under the prompt corrective action regulation |  | 22,882 | 5.0\% |  | 24,190 | 5.0\% |
| Minimum regulatory requirement |  | 18,305 | 4.0\% |  | 19,352 | 4.0\% |
| Tier 1 Risk-Based Capital Ratio |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Plumas Bancorp and Subsidiary |  | 45,024 | 13.7\% |  | 42,994 | 12.7\% |
| Minimum regulatory requirement |  | 13,149 | 4.0\% |  | 13,570 | 4.0\% |
| Plumas Bank |  | 45,073 | 13.7\% |  | 43,262 | 12.8\% |
| Minimum requirement for "Well-Capitalized" institution under the prompt corrective action regulation |  | 19,710 | 6.0\% |  | 20,342 | 6.0\% |
| Minimum regulatory requirement |  | 13,140 | 4.0\% |  | 13,561 | 4.0\% |
| Total Risk-Based Capital Ratio |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Plumas Bancorp and Subsidiary |  | 49,169 | 15.0\% |  | 47,274 | 13.9\% |
| Minimum regulatory requirement |  | 26,298 | 8.0\% |  | 27,140 | 8.0\% |
| Plumas Bank |  | 49,215 | 15.0\% |  | 47,539 | 14.0\% |
| Minimum requirement for "Well-Capitalized" institution under the prompt corrective action regulation |  | 32,850 | 10.0\% |  | 33,903 | 10.0\% |
| Minimum regulatory requirement |  | 26,280 | 8.0\% |  | 27,123 | 8.0\% |

Management believes that the Company and the Bank currently meet their entire capital adequacy requirements including a minimum 9\% Tier 1 Leverage Ratio required under the Bank's informal agreement with the FDIC and DFI.

The current and projected capital positions of the Company and the Bank and the impact of capital plans and longterm strategies are reviewed regularly by management. The Company policy is to maintain the Bank's ratios above the prescribed well-capitalized leverage, Tier 1 risk-based and total risk-based capital ratios of $5 \%, 6 \%$ and $10 \%$, respectively, at all times.

## Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

Loan Commitments. In the normal course of business, there are various commitments outstanding to extend credits that are not reflected in the financial statements. Commitments to extend credit and letters of credit are agreements to lend to a customer as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. Annual review of commercial credit lines, letters of credit and ongoing monitoring of outstanding balances reduces the risk of loss associated with these commitments. As of December 31, 2011, the Company had $\$ 79.2$ million in unfunded loan commitments and $\$ 50$ thousand in letters of credit. This compares to $\$ 71.6$ million in unfunded loan commitments and $\$ 164$ thousand in letters of credit at December 31, 2010. Of the $\$ 79.2$ million in unfunded loan commitments, $\$ 35.1$ million and $\$ 44.1$ million represented commitments to commercial and consumer customers, respectively. Of the total unfunded commitments at December 31, 2011, $\$ 36.1$ million were secured by real estate, of which $\$ 8.8$ million was secured by commercial real estate and $\$ 27.3$ million was secured by residential real estate in the form of equity lines of credit. The commercial loan commitments not secured by real estate primarily represent business lines of credit, while the consumer loan commitments not secured by real estate primarily represent revolving credit card lines. Since some of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements.

Operating Leases. The Company leases one depository branch, one lending office and one loan administration office and two non branch automated teller machine locations. Total rental expenses under all operating leases, including premises, totaled $\$ 150,000$ and $\$ 20,000$, during the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The expiration dates of the leases vary, with the first such lease expiring during 2012 and the last such lease expiring during 2015.

The reduced level of rental expense during 2010 resulted from the purchase of our Redding branch building on March 31, 2010. Previously we had leased this building. Under the terms of the lease agreement we were provided free rent for a period of time; however, in accordance with applicable accounting standards we recognized monthly rent expense equal to the total payments required under the lease dividend by the term of the lease in months. At the time of the purchase we reversed this accrual recognizing a $\$ 184$ thousand reduction in rental expense.

## Liquidity

The Company manages its liquidity to provide the ability to generate funds to support asset growth, meet deposit withdrawals (both anticipated and unanticipated), fund customers' borrowing needs, satisfy maturity of short-term borrowings and maintain reserve requirements. The Company's liquidity needs are managed using assets or liabilities, or both. On the asset side, in addition to cash and due from banks, the Company maintains an investment portfolio which includes unpledged U.S. Government-sponsored agency securities that are classified as available-for-sale. On the liability side, liquidity needs are managed by charging competitive offering rates on deposit products and the use of established lines of credit.

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Customer deposits are the Company's primary source of funds. Total deposits were $\$ 391.1$ million as of December 31,2011 , a decrease of $\$ 33.8$ million, or $8 \%$, from the December 31, 2010 balance of $\$ 424.9$ million. Deposits are held in various forms with varying maturities. The Company's securities portfolio, Federal funds sold, Federal Home Loan Bank advances, and cash and due from banks serve as the primary sources of liquidity, providing adequate funding for loans during periods of high loan demand. During periods of decreased lending, funds obtained from the maturing or sale of investments, loan payments, and new deposits are invested in short-term earning assets, such as cash held at the FRB, Federal funds sold and investment securities, to serve as a source of funding for future loan growth. Management believes that the Company's available sources of funds, including borrowings, will provide adequate liquidity for its operations in the foreseeable future.

## ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

As a smaller reporting company we are not required to provide the information required by this item.

## ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

The following consolidated financial statements of Plumas Bancorp and subsidiary, and report of the independent registered public accounting firm are included in the Annual Report of Plumas Bancorp to its shareholders for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009.

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# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM 

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders
Plumas Bancorp and Subsidiary
Quincy, California

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Plumas Bancorp and subsidiary (the "Company") as of December 31, 2011, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in shareholders' equity and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2011, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.
/s/ Crowe Horwath LLP
Sacramento, California
March 23, 2012

# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM 

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders
Plumas Bancorp and Subsidiary
Quincy, California
We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Plumas Bancorp and subsidiary (the "Company") as of December 31, 2010 and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in shareholders' equity and cash flows for each of the years in the two year period ended December 31, 2010. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Plumas Bancorp and subsidiary as of December 31, 2010, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the two year period ended December 31, 2010, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
/s/ Perry-Smith LLP

Sacramento, California
March 23, 2011

## PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 2011 and 2010


## The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

## PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY <br> CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

For the Years Ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009

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# PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY <br> CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS <br> (Continued) 

For the Years Ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009


The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.
PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS＇EQUITY


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| Comprehensive <br> Income（loss） |

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PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY
For the Years Ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009


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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

## PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

## For the Years Ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009

|  | 2011 |  | 2010 |  | 2009 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cash flows from operating activities: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net income (loss) | \$ | 941,000 | \$ | 971,000 | \$ | $(9,146,000)$ |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Provision for loan losses |  | 3,500,000 |  | 5,500,000 |  | 14,500,000 |
| Change in deferred loan origination costs/fees, net |  | $(441,000)$ |  | $(79,000)$ |  | $(19,000)$ |
| Stock-based compensation expense |  | $(29,000)$ |  | 57,000 |  | 256,000 |
| Depreciation and amortization |  | 1,409,000 |  | 1,693,000 |  | 1,929,000 |
| Amortization of investment security premiums |  | 410,000 |  | 514,000 |  | 283,000 |
| Accretion of investment security discounts |  | $(32,000)$ |  | $(55,000)$ |  | $(53,000)$ |
| Gain on sale of investments |  | $(666,000)$ |  | $(1,160,000)$ |  | $(10,000)$ |
| Gain on sale of loans held for sale |  | $(1,939,000)$ |  | $(1,055,000)$ |  | $(593,000)$ |
| Loans originated for sale |  | $(18,550,000)$ |  | $(21,286,000)$ |  | $(12,598,000)$ |
| Proceeds from loan sales |  | 23,368,000 |  | 14,873,000 |  | 11,393,000 |
| Provision for losses on other real estate |  | 579,000 |  | 356,000 |  | 4,800,000 |
| Proceeds from secured borrowing |  |  |  | 4,284,000 |  |  |
| Net (gain) loss on sale of premises and equipment |  | $(3,000)$ |  | 4,000 |  | $(6,000)$ |
| Net loss (gain) on sale of other real estate and vehicles owned |  | 611,000 |  | $(58,000)$ |  | 198,000 |
| Earnings on bank owned life insurance policies |  | $(352,000)$ |  | $(351,000)$ |  | $(346,000)$ |
| Provision (benefit) for deferred income taxes |  | 259,000 |  | 385,000 |  | $(3,852,000)$ |
| Decrease (increase) in accrued interest receivable and other assets |  | 1,575,000 |  | 5,325,000 |  | $(7,021,000)$ |
| (Decrease) increase in accrued interest payable and other liabilities |  | (554,000) |  | 197,000 |  | 355,000 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities |  | 10,086,000 |  | 10,115,000 |  | 70,000 |

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## PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS <br> (Continued)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009

|  | 2011 |  | 2010 |  | 2009 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cash flows from investing activities: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Proceeds from matured and called available-for-sale investment securities | \$ | 29,182,000 | \$ | 31,895,000 | \$ | 8,000,000 |
| Proceeds from matured and called held-tomaturity investment securities |  |  |  |  |  | 1,836,000 |
| Proceeds from sale of held-to-maturity securities |  |  |  |  |  | 943,000 |
| Proceeds from sale of available-for-sale securities |  | 29,404,000 |  | 40,902,000 |  | 86,000 |
| Purchases of available-for-sale investment securities |  | $(59,247,000)$ |  | $(57,238,000)$ |  | $(65,876,000)$ |
| Purchases of held-to-maturity investment securities |  |  |  |  |  | $(1,586,000)$ |
| Proceeds from principal repayments from available-for-sale government-guaranteed mortgage-backed securities |  | 6,406,000 |  | 8,927,000 |  | 7,320,000 |
| Net decrease in loans |  | 3,386,000 |  | 16,623,000 |  | 8,683,000 |
| Proceeds from sale of vehicles |  | 33,000 |  | 177,000 |  | 270,000 |
| Proceeds from sale of other real estate |  | 4,937,000 |  | 3,462,000 |  | 1,992,000 |
| Purchases of premises and equipment |  | $(271,000)$ |  | $(1,210,000)$ |  | $(253,000)$ |
| Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities |  | 13,830,000 |  | 43,538,000 |  | $(38,585,000)$ |
| Cash flows from financing activities: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net increase (decrease) in demand, interest-bearing and savings deposits |  | 3,534,000 |  | $(3,353,000)$ |  | 37,383,000 |
| Net increase in securities sold under agreements |  |  |  |  |  | 24,379,000 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net decrease in short-term borrowings |  |  |  | $(20,000,000)$ |  | $(14,000,000)$ |
| Proceeds from long-term debt |  |  |  |  |  | 20,000,000 |
| Repayment of long-term debt |  |  |  | $(20,000,000)$ |  |  |
| Issuance of preferred stock, net of discount |  |  |  |  |  | 11,516,000 |
| Payment of cash dividend on preferred stock |  |  |  | $(150,000)$ |  | $(473,000)$ |
| Issuance of common stock warrant |  |  |  |  |  | 407,000 |
| Proceeds from exercise of stock options |  |  |  |  |  | 5,000 |
| Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities |  | $(25,468,000)$ |  | $(48,518,000)$ |  | 79,217,000 |
| (Decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents |  | $(1,552,000)$ |  | 5,135,000 |  | 40,702,000 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year |  | 64,628,000 |  | 59,493,000 |  | 18,791,000 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of year | \$ | 63,076,000 | \$ | 64,628,000 | \$ | 59,493,000 |

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PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
(Continued)
For the Years Ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009
$2011 \quad 2010 \quad 2009$
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:
Cash paid during the year for:
Interest expense \$ 1,688,000 \$ 3,000,000 \$ 3,666,000

Income taxes
\$ 2,000 \$ \$ 65,000
Non-cash investing activities:
Real estate acquired through foreclosure Vehicles acquired through repossession Investment securities transferred from held-to-maturity to available-for-sale

| $\$$ | $5,710,000$ | $\$$ | $1,391,000$ | $\$$ | $14,053,000$ |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| $\$$ | 79,000 | $\$$ | 112,000 | $\$$ | 245,000 |
| $\$$ |  | $\$$ |  | $\$$ | $11,722,000$ |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

## PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## 1. THE BUSINESS OF PLUMAS BANCORP

During 2002, Plumas Bancorp (the "Company") was incorporated as a bank holding company for the purpose of acquiring Plumas Bank (the "Bank") in a one bank holding company reorganization. This corporate structure gives the Company and the Bank greater flexibility in terms of operation expansion and diversification. The Company formed Plumas Statutory Trust I ("Trust I") for the sole purpose of issuing trust preferred securities on September 26, 2002. The Company formed Plumas Statutory Trust II ("Trust II") for the sole purpose of issuing trust preferred securities on September 28, 2005.

The Bank operates eleven branches in California, including branches in Alturas, Chester, Fall River Mills, Greenville, Kings Beach, Portola, Quincy, Redding, Susanville, Tahoe City, and Truckee. The Bank's administrative headquarters is in Quincy, California. In addition, the Bank operates a loan administrative office in Reno, Nevada and a lending office specializing in government-guaranteed lending in Auburn, California. The Bank's primary source of revenue is generated from providing loans to customers who are predominately small and middle market businesses and individuals residing in the surrounding areas.

On July 21, 2010, President Barack Obama signed the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Dodd-Frank Act"), which, in part, permanently raised the current standard maximum deposit insurance amount to $\$ 250,000$. Amendments related to the enactment of the Dodd-Frank Act provide full deposit insurance coverage for noninterest bearing deposit transaction accounts beginning December 31, 2010 for a two year period.

## 2. REGULATORY MATTERS

On February 15, 2012, the Bank received notice from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and the California Department of Financial Institutions ("DFI") that the Consent Order with the FDIC and the DFI which was effective on March 16, 2011 had been terminated. While the Bank is no longer subject to an Order, the Bank has entered into an informal agreement with the FDIC and DFI which, among other things, requests that the Bank continue to maintain a Tier 1 Leverage Capital Ratio of 9\% which is in excess of that required for well capitalized institutions and continue to reduce its level of classified asset balances that were outstanding as of September 30, 2011 to not more than $50 \%$ of Tier 1 Capital plus the allowance for loan losses. At December 31, 2011 this ratio was 68\%.

On July 28, 2011 the Company entered into an agreement with the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (the "FRB Agreement"). Under the terms of the FRB Agreement, Plumas Bancorp has agreed to take certain actions that are designed to maintain its financial soundness so that it may continue to serve as a source of strength to the Bank. Among other things, the FRB Agreement requires prior written approval related to the payment or taking of dividends and distributions, making any distributions of interest, principal or other sums on subordinated debentures or trust preferred securities, incurrence of debt, and the purchase or redemption of stock. In addition, the FRB Agreement requires Plumas Bancorp to submit, within 60 days of the FRB Agreement, a written statement of Plumas Bancorp's planned sources and uses of cash for debt service, operating expense and other purposes ("Cash Flow Statement") for the

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## 2. REGULATORY MATTERS (Continued)

remainder of 2011 and annually thereafter. The Company submitted the Cash Flow Statements within the required time frames.

## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## Consolidation and Basis of Presentation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and the consolidated accounts of its wholly-owned subsidiary, Plumas Bank. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated.

Plumas Statutory Trust I and Trust II are not consolidated into the Company's consolidated financial statements and, accordingly, are accounted for under the equity method. The Company's investment in Trust I of \$283,000 and Trust II of \$154,000 are included in accrued interest receivable and other assets on the consolidated balance sheet. The junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures issued and guaranteed by the Company and held by Trust I and Trust II are reflected as debt on the consolidated balance sheet.

The accounting and reporting policies of Plumas Bancorp and subsidiary conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and prevailing practices within the banking industry.

## Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to prior years' balances to conform to the classifications used in 2011.

## Segment Information

Management has determined that since all of the banking products and services offered by the Company are available in each branch of the Bank, all branches are located within the same economic environment and management does not allocate resources based on the performance of different lending or transaction activities, it is appropriate to aggregate the Bank branches and report them as a single operating segment. No customer accounts for more than 10 percent of revenues for the Company or the Bank.

## Use of Estimates

To prepare financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America management makes estimates and assumptions based on available information. These estimates and assumptions affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and the disclosures provided, and actual results could differ. The allowance for loan losses, loan servicing rights, deferred tax assets, and fair values of financial instruments are particularly subject to change.

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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash and due from banks and Federal funds sold are considered to be cash equivalents. Generally, Federal funds are sold for one day periods. As of December 31, 2011 all cash held with other federally insured institutions was fully insured by the FDIC. Net cash flows are reported for customer loans and deposit transactions and repurchase agreements.

Investment Securities
Investments are classified into one of the following categories:

- Available-for-sale securities reported at fair value, with unrealized gains and losses excluded from earnings and reported, net of taxes, as accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) within shareholders' equity.
- Held-to-maturity securities, which management has the positive intent and ability to hold, reported at amortized cost, adjusted for the accretion of discounts and amortization of premiums.

Management determines the appropriate classification of its investments at the time of purchase and may only change the classification in certain limited circumstances.

During 2009, management determined they no longer had the positive intent to hold their held-to-maturity securities and transferred their held-to-maturity securities to available-for-sale (see note 5). This transfer increased the Company's flexibility in managing its investment portfolio allowing the investments to be sold in implementing its asset/liability management strategies and in response to changes in interest rates, prepayment rates and similar factors. All transfers between categories are accounted for at fair value. There were no transfers between categories during 2011 or 2010.

As of December 31, 2011 and 2010 the Company did not have any investment securities classified as trading and gains or losses on the sale of securities are computed on the specific identification method. Interest earned on investment securities is reported in interest income, net of applicable adjustments for accretion of discounts and amortization of premiums accounted for by the level yield method with no pre-payment anticipated.

An investment security is impaired when its carrying value is greater than its fair value. Investment securities that are impaired are evaluated on at least a quarterly basis and more frequently when economic or market conditions warrant such an evaluation to determine whether such a decline in their fair value is other than temporary. Management utilizes criteria such as the magnitude and duration of the decline and the intent and ability of the Company to retain its investment in the securities for a period of time sufficient to allow for an anticipated recovery in fair value, in addition to the reasons underlying the decline, to determine whether the loss in value is other than temporary. The term "other than temporary" is not intended to indicate that the decline is permanent, but indicates that the prospects for a near-term recovery of value is not

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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Investment Securities (continued)
necessarily favorable, or that there is a lack of evidence to support a realizable value equal to or greater than the carrying value of the investment. Once a decline in value is determined to be other than temporary, and management does not intend to sell the security or it is more likely than not that the Company will not be required to sell the security before recovery, only the portion of the impairment loss representing credit exposure is recognized as a charge to earnings, with the balance recognized as a charge to other comprehensive income. If management intends to sell the security or it is more likely than not that the Company will be required to sell the security before recovering its forecasted cost, the entire impairment loss is recognized as a charge to earnings.

## Investment in Federal Home Loan Bank Stock

As a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) System, the Bank is required to maintain an investment in the capital stock of the FHLB. The investment is carried at cost classified as a restricted security, and periodically evaluated for impairment based on ultimate recovery of par value. At December 31, 2011 and 2010, FHLB stock totaled $\$ 2,043,000$ and $\$ 2,188,000$, respectively. On the consolidated balance sheet, FHLB stock is included in accrued interest receivable and other assets.

## Loans Held for Sale, Loan Sales and Servicing

Included in the loan portfolio are loans which are $75 \%$ to $85 \%$ guaranteed by the Small Business Administration (SBA), US Department of Agriculture Rural Business Cooperative Service (RBS) and Farm Services Agency (FSA). The guaranteed portion of these loans may be sold to a third party, with the Bank retaining the unguaranteed portion. The Company can receive a premium in excess of the adjusted carrying value of the loan at the time of sale.

At December 31, 2010, we recorded the proceeds from the sale of the guaranteed portions of SBA loans that were subject to a premium refund obligation, which totaled $\$ 4,284,000$, were recorded as a secured borrowing and such secured borrowings were included in other liabilities on the balance sheet. Once the premium refund obligation elapsed the transaction was recorded as a sale with the guaranteed portions of loans and the secured borrowing removed from the balance sheet and the resulting gain on sale recorded. Included in commercial loans at December 31, 2010 is $\$ 4,284,000$ in guaranteed portions of SBA loans sold subject to a 90 -day premium refund obligation. In February 2011, the SBA eliminated the refund obligation period and the Company is no longer required to defer gain recognition.

As of December 31, 2011 and 2010 the Company had $\$ 3,091,000$ and $\$ 5,208,000$, respectively in government guaranteed loans held for sale. Loans held for sale are recorded at the lower of cost or fair vale and therefore may be reported at fair value on a non-recurring basis. The fair values for loans held for sale are based on either observable transactions of similar instruments or formally committed loan sale prices.

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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Loans Held for Sale, Loan Sales and Servicing (continued)
Government guaranteed loans with unpaid balances of \$47,708,000 and \$33,686,000 were being serviced for others at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The Company also services loans previously sold to the Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA) totaling \$1,932,000 and \$2,185,000 as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

The Company accounts for the transfer and servicing of financial assets based on the fair value of financial and servicing assets it controls and liabilities it has assumed, derecognizes financial assets when control has been surrendered, and derecognizes liabilities when extinguished.

Servicing rights acquired through 1) a purchase or 2) the origination of loans which are sold or securitized with servicing rights retained are recognized as separate assets or liabilities. Servicing assets or liabilities are recorded at fair value and are subsequently amortized in proportion to and over the period of the related net servicing income or expense. Servicing rights are evaluated for impairment based upon the fair value of the rights as compared to carrying amount. Impairment is determined by stratifying rights into groupings based on predominant risk characteristics, such as interest rate, loan type and investor type. Impairment is recognized through a valuation allowance for an individual grouping, to the extent that fair value is less than the carrying amount. If the Company later determines that all or a portion of the impairment no longer exists for a particular grouping, a reduction of the allowance may be recorded as an increase to income. Changes in valuation allowances are reported with non-interest income on the statement of operations. The fair values of servicing rights are subject to significant fluctuations as a result of changes in estimated and actual prepayment speeds and default rates and losses.

The Company's investment in the loan is allocated between the retained portion of the loan, the servicing asset, the interest-only (IO) strip, and the sold portion of the loan based on their fair values on the date the loan is sold. The gain on the sold portion of the loan is recognized as income at the time of sale.

The carrying value of the retained portion of the loan is discounted based on the estimated value of a comparable non-guaranteed loan. The servicing asset is recognized and amortized over the estimated life of the related loan. Assets (accounted for as IO strips) are recorded at the fair value of the difference between note rates and rates paid to purchasers (the interest spread) and contractual servicing fees, if applicable. IO strips are carried at fair value with gains or losses recorded as a component of shareholders' equity, similar to available-for-sale investment securities. Significant future prepayments of these loans will result in the recognition of additional amortization of related servicing assets and an adjustment to the carrying value of related IO strips.

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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Loans
Loans that management has the intent and ability to hold for foreseeable future or until maturity or payoff are reported at the principal balance outstanding, net of purchase premiums or discounts, deferred loan fees and costs, and an allowance for loan losses. Loans, if any, that are transferred from loans held for sale are carried at the lower of principal balance or market value at the date of transfer, adjusted for accretion of discounts. Interest is accrued daily based upon outstanding loan balances. However, when, in the opinion of management, loans are considered to be impaired and the future collectibility of interest and principal is in serious doubt, loans are placed on nonaccrual status and the accrual of interest income is suspended. Any interest accrued but unpaid is charged against income. Payments received are applied to reduce principal to the extent necessary to ensure collection. A loan is moved to non-accrual status in accordance with the Company's policy, typically after 90 days of non-payment unless well secured and in the process of collection. Subsequent payments on these loans, or payments received on nonaccrual loans for which the ultimate collectibility of principal is not in doubt, are applied first to earned but unpaid interest and then to principal.

Loan origination fees, commitment fees, direct loan origination costs and purchased premiums and discounts on loans are deferred and recognized as an adjustment of yield, to be amortized to interest income over the contractual term of the loan. The unamortized balance of deferred fees and costs is reported as a component of net loans.

The Company may acquire loans through a business combination or a purchase for which differences may exist between the contractual cash flows and the cash flows expected to be collected due, at least in part, to credit quality. When the Company acquires such loans, the yield that may be accreted (accretable yield) is limited to the excess of the Company's estimate of undiscounted cash flows expected to be collected over the Company's initial investment in the loan. The excess of contractual cash flows over cash flows expected to be collected may not be recognized as an adjustment to yield, loss, or a valuation allowance. Subsequent increases in cash flows expected to be collected generally should be recognized prospectively through adjustment of the loan's yield over its remaining life. Decreases in cash flows expected to be collected should be recognized as an impairment.

The Company may not "carry over" or create a valuation allowance in the initial accounting for loans acquired under these circumstances. At December 31, 2011 and 2010, there were no such loans being accounted for under this policy.

## Allowance for Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses is an estimate of credit losses inherent in the Company's loan portfolio that have been incurred as of the balance-sheet date. The allowance is established through a provision for loan losses which is charged to expense. Additions to the allowance are expected to maintain the adequacy of the total allowance after credit losses and loan growth. Credit exposures determined to be uncollectible are charged against the allowance. Cash received on previously charged off amounts is recorded as a recovery to the allowance. The overall allowance consists of two primary

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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Allowance for Loan Losses (continued)

components, specific reserves related to impaired loans and general reserves for inherent losses related to loans that are not impaired but collectively evaluated for impairment.

A loan is considered impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that the Company will be unable to collect all amounts due, including principal and interest, according to the contractual terms of the original agreement. Loans determined to be impaired are individually evaluated for impairment. When a loan is impaired, the Company measures impairment based on the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate, except that as a practical expedient, it may measure impairment based on a loan's observable market price, or the fair value of the collateral if the loan is collateral dependent. A loan is collateral dependent if the repayment of the loan is expected to be provided solely by the underlying collateral.

A restructuring of a debt constitutes a troubled debt restructuring (TDR) if the Company, for economic or legal reasons related to the debtor's financial difficulties, grants a concession to the debtor that it would not otherwise consider. Restructured workout loans typically present an elevated level of credit risk as the borrowers are not able to perform according to the original contractual terms. Loans that are reported as TDRs are considered impaired and measured for impairment as described above.

The determination of the general reserve for loans that are not impaired is based on estimates made by management, to include, but not limited to, consideration of historical losses over the past eight quarters by portfolio segment, internal asset classifications, and qualitative factors to include economic trends in the Company's service areas, industry experience and trends, geographic concentrations, estimated collateral values, the Company's underwriting policies, the character of the loan portfolio, and probable losses inherent in the portfolio taken as a whole. Effective for the third quarter of 2010, the Company modified its method of estimating the allowance for loan losses for loans collectively evaluated for impairment. This modification incorporated historical loss experience based on a rolling eight quarters ending with the most recently completed calendar quarter to identified pools of loans. This modification did not have a material affect on the Company's allowance for loans losses or provision for loan losses. No modifications to the allowance for loan losses methodology were made in 2011.

The Company maintains a separate allowance for each portfolio segment (loan type). These portfolio segments include commercial and industrial, agricultural, real estate construction (including land and development loans), commercial real estate mortgage, residential mortgage, home equity loans, installment loans, automobile loans and other loans primarily consisting of credit card receivables. The allowance for loan losses attributable to each portfolio segment, which includes both impaired loans and loans that are not impaired, is combined to determine the Company's overall allowance, and is included as a component of loans on the consolidated balance sheet.

The Company assigns a risk rating to all loans and periodically, but not less than annually, performs detailed reviews of all such loans over $\$ 100,000$ to identify credit

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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## Allowance for Loan Losses (continued)

risks and to assess the overall collectability of the portfolio. These risk ratings are also subject to examination by independent specialists engaged by the Company and the Company's regulators. During these internal reviews, management monitors and analyzes the financial condition of borrowers and guarantors, trends in the industries in which borrowers operate and the fair values of collateral securing these loans. These credit quality indicators are used to assign a risk rating to each individual loan.

The risk ratings can be grouped into five major categories, defined as follows:
Pass - A pass loan is a strong credit with no existing or known potential weaknesses deserving of management's close attention.

Watch - A Watch loan has potential weaknesses that deserve management's close attention. If left uncorrected, these potential weaknesses may result in deterioration of the repayment prospects for the loan or in the Company's credit position at some future date. Watch loans are not adversely classified and do not expose the Company to sufficient risk to warrant adverse classification.

Substandard - A substandard loan is not adequately protected by the current sound worth and paying capacity of the borrower or the value of the collateral pledged, if any. Loans classified as substandard have a well-defined weakness or weaknesses that jeopardize the liquidation of the debt. Well defined weaknesses include a project's lack of marketability, inadequate cash flow or collateral support, failure to complete construction on time or the project's failure to fulfill economic expectations. They are characterized by the distinct possibility that the Company will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected.

Doubtful - Loans classified doubtful have all the weaknesses inherent in those classified as substandard with the added characteristic that the weaknesses make collection or liquidation in full, on the basis of currently known facts, conditions and values, highly questionable and improbable.

Loss - Loans classified as loss are considered uncollectible and charged off immediately.

The general reserve component of the allowance for loan losses associated with loans collectively evaluated for impairment also consists of reserve factors that are based on management's assessment of the following for each portfolio segment: (1) historical losses and (2) other qualitative factors, including inherent credit risk. These reserve factors are inherently subjective and are driven by the repayment risk associated with each portfolio segment described below.

Commercial - Commercial loans generally possess a lower inherent risk of loss than real estate portfolio segments because these loans are generally underwritten to existing cash flows of operating businesses. Debt coverage is

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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Allowance for Loan Losses (continued)
provided by business cash flows and economic trends influenced by unemployment rates and other key economic indicators are closely correlated to the credit quality of these loans.

Agricultural - Loans secured by crop production and livestock are especially vulnerable to two risk factors that are largely outside the control of Company and borrowers: commodity prices and weather conditions.

Real estate - Residential and Home Equity Lines of Credit -The degree of risk in residential real estate lending depends primarily on the loan amount in relation to collateral value, the interest rate and the borrower's ability to repay in an orderly fashion. These loans generally possess a lower inherent risk of loss than other real estate portfolio segments. Economic trends determined by unemployment rates and other key economic indicators are closely correlated to the credit quality of these loans. Weak economic trends indicate that the borrowers' capacity to repay their obligations may be deteriorating.

Real estate - Commercial - Commercial real estate mortgage loans generally possess a higher inherent risk of loss than other real estate portfolio segments, except land and construction loans. Adverse economic developments or an overbuilt market impact commercial real estate projects and may result in troubled loans. Trends in vacancy rates of commercial properties impact the credit quality of these loans. High vacancy rates reduce operating revenues and the ability for properties to produce sufficient cash flow to service debt obligations.

Real estate - Construction and Land Development - Construction and land development loans generally possess a higher inherent risk of loss than other real estate portfolio segments. A major risk arises from the necessity to complete projects within specified cost and time lines. Trends in the construction industry significantly impact the credit quality of these loans, as demand drives construction activity. In addition, trends in real estate values significantly impact the credit quality of these loans, as property values determine the economic viability of construction projects.

Installment - An installment loan portfolio is usually comprised of a large number of small loans scheduled to be amortized over a specific period. Most installment loans are made directly for consumer purchases, but business loans granted for the purchase of heavy equipment or industrial vehicles may also be included. Economic trends determined by unemployment rates and other key economic indicators are closely correlated to the credit quality of these loans. Weak economic trends indicate that the borrowers' capacity to repay their obligations may be deteriorating.

Other - Other loans primarily consist of automobile and credit card loans and are similar in nature to installment loans.

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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## Allowance for Loan Losses (continued)

Although management believes the allowance to be adequate, ultimate losses may vary from its estimates. At least quarterly, the Board of Directors and management review the adequacy of the allowance, including consideration of the relative risks in the portfolio, current economic conditions and other factors. If the Board of Directors and management determine that changes are warranted based on those reviews, the allowance is adjusted. In addition, the Company's primary regulators, the FDIC and DFI, as an integral part of their examination process, review the adequacy of the allowance. These regulatory agencies may require additions to the allowance based on their judgment about information available at the time of their examinations.

The Company also maintains a separate allowance for off-balance-sheet commitments. Management estimates anticipated losses using historical data and utilization assumptions. The allowance for these commitments totaled $\$ 141,000$ at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively and is included in accrued interest payable and other liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet.

## Other Real Estate

Other real estate owned relates to real estate acquired in full or partial settlement of loan obligations, which was $\$ 8,623,000$ ( $\$ 11,668,000$ less a valuation allowance of $\$ 3,045,000$ ) at December 31, 2011 and $\$ 8,867,000$ ( $\$ 13,056,000$ less a valuation allowance of $\$ 4,188,000$ ) at December 31, 2010. Proceeds from sales of other real estate owned totaled $\$ 4,937,000, \$ 3,462,000$ and $\$ 1,992,000$ for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. For the year ended December 31, 2011 the Company recorded a loss on sale of other real estate owned of $\$ 606,000$. This compares to a gain on sale of $\$ 43,000$ during 2010 and a loss on sale of $\$ 158,000$ during 2009. Other real estate owned is initially recorded at fair value less cost to sell when acquired, any excess of the Bank's recorded investment in the loan balance and accrued interest income over the estimated fair value of the property less costs to sell is charged against the allowance for loan losses. A valuation allowance for losses on other real estate is maintained to provide for temporary declines in value. The allowance is established through a provision for losses on other real estate which is included in other expenses. Subsequent gains or losses on sales or write-downs resulting from permanent impairment are recorded in other income or expenses as incurred.

The following table provides a summary of the change in the OREO balance for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010:

|  | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 |  | 2010 |
| Beginning balance | \$ 8,867,000 | \$ | 11,204,000 |
| Additions | 5,825,000 |  | 1,438,000 |
| Dispositions | $(5,490,000)$ |  | $(3,419,000)$ |
| Write-downs | ( 579,000) |  | ( 356,000) |
| Ending balance | \$ 8,623,000 | \$ | 8,867,000 |
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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Intangible Assets
Intangible assets consist of core deposit intangibles related to branch acquisitions and are amortized using the straight-line method over ten years. The Company evaluates the recoverability and remaining useful life annually to determine whether events or circumstances warrant a revision to the intangible asset or the remaining period of amortization. There were no such events or circumstances in 2011 or 2010.

## Premises and Equipment

Premises and equipment are carried at cost. Depreciation is determined using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets. The useful lives of premises are estimated to be twenty to thirty years. The useful lives of furniture, fixtures and equipment are estimated to be two to ten years. Leasehold improvements are amortized over the life of the asset or the life of the related lease, whichever is shorter. When assets are sold or otherwise disposed of, the cost and related accumulated depreciation or amortization are removed from the accounts, and any resulting gain or loss is recognized in income for the period. The cost of maintenance and repairs is charged to expense as incurred. The Company evaluates premises and equipment for financial impairment as events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of such assets may not be fully recoverable.

## Bank Owned Life Insurance

The Company has purchased life insurance policies on certain key executives. Bank owned life insurance is recorded at the amount that can be realized under the insurance contract at the balance sheet date, which is the cash surrender value adjusted for other charges or other amounts due that are probable at settlement.

## Income Taxes

The Company files its income taxes on a consolidated basis with its subsidiary. Income tax expense is the total of current year income tax due or refundable and the change in deferred tax assets and liabilities.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the tax consequences of temporary differences between the reported amount of assets and liabilities and their tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are adjusted for the effects of changes in tax laws and rates on the date of enactment. A valuation allowance is recognized if, based on the weight of available evidence management believes it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. On the consolidated balance sheet, net deferred tax assets are included in accrued interest receivable and other assets.

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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes

When tax returns are filed, it is highly certain that some positions taken would be sustained upon examination by the taxing authorities, while others are subject to uncertainty about the merits of the position taken or the amount of the position that would be ultimately sustained. The benefit of a tax position is recognized in the financial statements in the period during which, based on all available evidence, management believes it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained upon examination, including the resolution of appeals or litigation processes, if any. Tax positions taken are not offset or aggregated with other positions. Tax positions that meet the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold are measured as the largest amount of tax benefit that is more than 50 percent likely of being realized upon settlement with the applicable taxing authority. The portion of the benefits associated with tax positions taken that exceeds the amount measured as described above is reflected as a liability for unrecognized tax benefits in the accompanying balance sheet along with any associated interest and penalties that would be payable to the taxing authorities upon examination.

Interest expense and penalties associated with unrecognized tax benefits, if any, are classified as income tax expense in the consolidated statement of operations. There have been no significant changes to unrecognized tax benefits or accrued interest and penalties for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010.

## Earnings (Loss) Per Share

Basic earnings (loss) per share (EPS), which excludes dilution, is computed by dividing income (loss) available to common stockholders (net income or (loss) less preferred dividends) by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted EPS reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue common stock, such as stock options, result in the issuance of common stock which shares in the earnings of the Company. The treasury stock method has been applied to determine the dilutive effect of stock options in computing diluted EPS.

Comprehensive Income:
Comprehensive income consists of net income and other comprehensive income. Other comprehensive income includes unrealized gains and losses on securities available for sale which are also recognized as separate components of equity.

## Dividend Restrictions

Banking regulations require maintaining certain capital levels and may limit the dividend paid by the bank to the holding company or by the holding company to shareholders. In addition, the Bank and the Bancorp cannot currently pay dividends without the prior approval of their primary regulators.

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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Stock-Based Compensation

Compensation expense related to the Company's Stock Option Plan, net of related tax (expense)/benefit, recorded in 2011, 2010 and 2009 totaled $\$(38,000)$, \$53,000 and $\$ 237,000$ or $\$(0.01)$, $\$ 0.01$ and $\$ 0.05$ per diluted share, respectively. Compensation expense is recognized over the vesting period on a straight line accounting basis.

The Company determines the fair value of options on the date of grant using a Black-Scholes-Merton option pricing model that uses assumptions based on expected option life, expected stock volatility and the risk-free interest rate. The expected volatility assumptions used by the Company are based on the historical volatility of the Company's common stock over the most recent period commensurate with the estimated expected life of the Company's stock options. The Company bases its expected life assumption on its historical experience and on the terms and conditions of the stock options it grants to employees. The risk-free rate is based on the U.S. Treasury yield curve for the periods within the contractual life of the options in effect at the time of the grant. The Company also makes assumptions regarding estimated forfeitures that will impact the total compensation expenses recognized under the Plans.

The fair value of each option is estimated on the date of grant using the following assumptions.

|  | 2011 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Expected life of stock options | 5.3 years |
| Risk free interest rate | $2.26 \%$ |
| Volatility | $46.1 \%$ |
| Dividend yields | $3.05 \%$ |
| Weighted-average fair value of |  |
| $\quad$ options granted during the year | $\$ 0.99$ |

No options were granted during the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009.

## Adoption of New Accounting Standards

In April 2011, the FASB amended existing guidance for assisting a creditor in determining whether a restructuring is a troubled debt restructuring. The amendments clarify the guidance for a creditor's evaluation of whether it has granted a concession and whether a debtor is experiencing financial difficulties. With regard to determining whether a concession has been granted, the ASU clarifies that creditors are precluded from using the effective interest method to determine whether a concession has been granted. In the absence of using the effective interest method, a creditor must now focus on other considerations such as the value of the underlying collateral, evaluation of other collateral or guarantees, the debtor's ability to access other funds at market rates, interest rate increases and whether the restructuring results in a delay in payment that is insignificant. This guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods ending after June 15, 2011, and should be applied retrospectively to the beginning of the annual period of adoption. For purposes of measuring impairment on newly identified troubled debt restructurings, the amendments should be applied prospectively

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Adoption of New Accounting Standards (continued)
for the first interim or annual period beginning on or after June 15, 2011. The effect of adopting this standard did not have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In May, 2011, the FASB issued an amendment to achieve common fair value measurement and disclosure requirements between U.S. and International accounting principles. Overall, the guidance is consistent with existing U.S. accounting principles; however, there are some amendments that change a particular principle or requirement for measuring fair value or for disclosing information about fair value measurements. The amendments in this guidance are effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2011. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this amendment on the consolidated financial statements.

In June 2011, the FASB amended existing guidance and eliminated the option to present the components of other comprehensive income as part of the statement of changes in shareholders' equity. The amendment requires that comprehensive income be presented in either a single continuous statement or in two separate consecutive statements. The amendments in this guidance are effective as of the beginning of a fiscal reporting year, and interim periods within that year, that begins after December 15, 2011. Early adoption is permitted. The adoption of this amendment will change the presentation of the components of comprehensive income for the Company, as this presentation will no longer be included as part of the consolidated statement of shareholders' equity.

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## 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

## Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The estimated fair values of the Company's financial instruments are as follows:

|  | December 31, 2011 |  | December 31, 2010 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Carrying Amount | Fair Value | Carrying Amount | Fair Value |
| Financial assets: |  |  |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 63,076,000 | \$ 63,076,000 | \$ 64,628,000 | \$ 64,628,000 |
| Investment securities | 57,917,000 | 57,917,000 | 63,017,000 | 63,017,000 |
| Loans, net | 287,432,000 | 290,710,000 | 307,151,000 | 304,045,000 |
| FHLB stock | 2,043,000 | N/A | 2,188,000 | N/A |
| Accrued interest receivable | 1,638,000 | 1,638,000 | 1,784,000 | 1,784,000 |
| Financial liabilities: |  |  |  |  |
| Deposits | \$ 391,140,000 | \$ 391,410,000 | \$ 424,887,000 | \$ 425,009,000 |
| Repurchase agreements | 8,279,000 | 8,279,000 |  |  |
| Junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures | 10,310,000 | 3,079,000 | 10,310,000 | 2,992,000 |
| Accrued interest payable | 783,000 | 783,000 | 623,000 | 623,000 |

These estimates do not reflect any premium or discount that could result from offering the Company's entire holdings of a particular financial instrument for sale at one time, nor do they attempt to estimate the value of anticipated future business related to the instruments. In addition, the tax ramifications related to the realization of unrealized gains and losses can have a significant effect on fair value estimates and have not been considered in any of these estimates.

The following methods and assumptions were used by management to estimate the fair value of its financial instruments at December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010:

Cash and cash equivalents: For cash and cash equivalents, the carrying amount is estimated to be fair value.

Investment securities: For investment securities, fair values are based on quoted market prices, where available. If quoted market prices are not available, fair values are estimated using quoted market prices for similar securities and indications of value provided by brokers.

Loans: For variable-rate loans that reprice frequently with no significant change in credit risk, fair values are based on carrying values. Fair values of loans held for sale, if any, are estimated using quoted market prices for similar loans. The fair values for other loans are estimated using discounted cash flow analyses, using interest rates currently being offered at each reporting date for loans with similar terms to borrowers of comparable creditworthiness. The fair value of loans is adjusted for the allowance for loan losses. The carrying value of accrued interest receivable approximates its fair value.

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## 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

The fair value of impaired loans is based on either the estimated fair value of underlying collateral or estimated cash flows, discounted at the loan's effective rate. Assumptions regarding credit risk and cash flows are determined using available market information and specific borrower information.

FHLB stock: It was not practicable to determine the fair value of the FHLB stock due to restrictions placed on its transferability.

Deposits: The fair values for demand deposits are, by definition, equal to the amount payable on demand at the reporting date represented by their carrying amount. Fair values for fixed-rate certificates of deposit are estimated using a discounted cash flow analysis using interest rates offered at each reporting date by the Bank for certificates with similar remaining maturities. The carrying amount of accrued interest payable approximates its fair value.

## Repurchase agreements:

The carrying amount of securities sold under repurchase agreements is estimated based on bid quotations received from brokers.

Junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures: The fair value of junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures was determined based on the current market value for like kind instruments of a similar maturity and structure.

Commitments to extend credit and letters of credit: The fair value of commitments are estimated using the fees currently charged to enter into similar agreements. Commitments to extend credit are primarily for variable rate loans and letters of credit.

For these commitments, there is no significant difference between the committed amounts and their fair values and therefore, these items are not included in the table above.

Because no market exists for a significant portion of the Company's financial instruments, fair value estimates are based on judgments regarding current economic conditions, risk characteristics of various financial instruments and other factors. These estimates are subjective in nature and involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment and therefore cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the fair values presented.

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## 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

The Company measures fair value under the fair value hierarchy described below.
Level 1: Quoted prices for identical instruments traded in active exchange markets.
Level 2: Quoted prices (unadjusted) for similar instruments in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active and modelbased valuation techniques for which all significant assumptions are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data.

Level 3: Model based techniques that use one significant assumption not observable in the market. These unobservable assumptions reflect the Company's estimates of assumptions that market participants would use on pricing the asset or liability. Valuation techniques include management judgment and estimation which may be significant.

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement in its entirety falls has been determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. The Company's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment, and considers factors specific to the asset or liability.

Management monitors the availability of observable market data to assess the appropriate classification of financial instruments within the fair value hierarchy. Changes in economic conditions or model-based valuation techniques may require the transfer of financial instruments from one fair value level to another. In such instances, the transfer is reported at the beginning of the reporting period.

Management evaluates the significance of transfers between levels based upon the nature of the financial instrument and size of the transfer relative to total assets, total liabilities or total earnings.

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## 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

The following tables present information about the Company's assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring and non recurring basis as of December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, and indicates the fair value hierarchy of the valuation techniques utilized by the Company to determine such fair value:

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis are summarized below:

|  | Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2011 Using |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
| Quoted Prices in |  |  |  |
| Active Markets for | Significant Other | Significant |  |
| Total Fair | Identical Assets <br> (Level 1) | Observable Inputs <br> (Level 2) | Unobservable <br> Inputs (Level 3) |

Assets:

| U.S. Government sponsored agencies | \$ | 32,777,000 |  | \$ | 32,777,000 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| U.S. Governmentsponsored agencies collateralized by mortgage obligations |  | 25,140,000 |  |  | 25,140,000 |  |
|  | \$ | 57,917,000 | \$ | \$ | 57,917,000 | \$ |


|  | Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2010 Using |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Fair Value | Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1) | Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2) | Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) |

Assets:
U.S. Treasury securities
U.S. Government sponsored agencies
U.S. Government sponsored agencies collateralized by mortgage obligations

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## 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

The fair value of securities available-for-sale equals quoted market price, if available. If quoted market prices are not available, fair value is determined using quoted market prices for similar securities. There were no changes in the valuation techniques used during 2011 or 2010. There were no transfers between levels during the year ended December 31, 2011 or December 31, 2010. Changes in fair market value are recorded in other comprehensive income.
Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis at December 31, 2011 are summarized below:

|  |  | Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2011 Using |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

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## 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis at December 31, 2010 are summarized below:

|  |  | Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2010 Using |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

The Company has no liabilities which are reported at fair value.
The following methods were used to estimate the fair value of each class of assets above.

Impaired Loans: The fair value of impaired loans with specific allocations of the allowance for loan losses or loans that have been subject to partial charge-offs are generally based on recent real estate appraisals. These appraisals may utilize a single valuation approach or a combination of approaches including comparable sales and the income approach. Adjustments are routinely made in the appraisal process by the independent appraisers to adjust for differences between the comparable sales and income data available. Such adjustments are usually significant and typically result in a Level 3 classification of the inputs for determining fair value. Total losses of $\$ 1,417,000$ and $\$ 1,356,000$ represent impairment charges recognized during the years ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively related to the above impaired loans.

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## 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

Other Real Estate: Nonrecurring adjustments to certain commercial and residential real estate properties classified as other real estate owned (OREO) are measured at fair value, less costs to sell. Fair values are based on recent real estate appraisals. These appraisals may use a single valuation approach or a combination of approaches including comparable sales and the income approach. Adjustments are routinely made in the appraisal process by the independent appraisers to adjust for differences between the comparable sales and income data available. Such adjustments are usually significant and typically result in a Level 3 classification of the inputs for determining fair value.

## 5. INVESTMENT SECURITIES

The amortized cost and estimated fair value of investment securities at December 31, 2011 and 2010 consisted of the following:
Available-for-Sale

Debt securities:
U.S. Government-sponsored agencies
U.S. Government-sponsored agencies collateralized by mortgage obligations

| 2011 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Amortized Cost |  | Gross ealized Gains |  | ross <br> ealized <br> sses | Estimated Fair Value |
| \$ 32,708,000 | \$ | 92,000 | \$ | $(23,000)$ | \$ 32,777,000 |
| 24,941,000 |  | 251,000 |  | $(52,000)$ | 25,140,000 |
| \$ 57,649,000 | \$ | 343,000 | \$ | $(75,000)$ | \$ 57,917,000 |

Net unrealized gains on available-for-sale investment securities totaling \$268,000 were recorded, net of $\$ 110,000$ in tax expense, as accumulated other comprehensive income within shareholders' equity at December 31, 2011. During the year ended December 31, 2011 the Company sold twenty-seven available-for-sale securities for $\$ 29,404,000$, recording a $\$ 666,000$ gain on sale. No securities were sold at a loss.

|  | 2010 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Amortized Cost | $\begin{gathered} \text { Gross } \\ \text { Unrealized } \\ \text { Gains } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Gross } \\ \text { Unrealized } \\ \text { Losses } \end{gathered}$ |  | Estimated Fair Value |  |
| Debt securities: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. Treasury securities | \$ 1,025,000 | \$ | 7,000 |  |  |  | 1,032,000 |
| U.S. Government-sponsored agencies | 40,662,000 |  | 58,000 | \$ | $(290,000)$ |  | 40,430,000 |
| U.S. Government-sponsored agencies collateralized by mortgage obligations | 21,110,000 |  | 270,000 |  | $(107,000)$ |  | 21,273,000 |
| Obligations of states and political subdivisions | 308,000 |  |  |  | $(26,000)$ |  | 282,000 |
|  | \$ 63,105,000 | \$ | 335,000 | \$ | $(423,000)$ |  | 63,017,000 |

Net unrealized losses on available-for-sale investment securities totaling \$88,000 were recorded, net of $\$ 36,000$ in tax benefit, as accumulated other comprehensive loss within shareholders' equity at December 31, 2010. During the year ended December 31, 2010 the Company sold sixty-five available-for-sale securities for $\$ 40,902,000$, recording a
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## 5. INVESTMENT SECURITIES (Continued)

\$1,160,000 gain on sale. During 2009 we sold one available-for-sale investment security for $\$ 86,000$, recording a $\$ 1,000$ gain on sale.

## Held-to-Maturity

There were no securities classified as held-to-maturity at December 31, 2011 or December 31, 2010. Related to a significant deterioration in creditworthiness, during 2009 we sold five held-to maturity securities for $\$ 943,000$, recording a $\$ 9,000$ gain on sale. At December 31, 2009 the Company transferred all of its obligations of states and political subdivisions from held-to-maturity to available-for-sale as it was determined that management no longer had the intent to hold these investments to maturity. At the time of the transfer these securities had an amortized cost of $\$ 11,387,000$ and a fair value of $\$ 11,722,000$. There were no sales or transfers of held-to-maturity investment securities during the years ended December 31, 2011 or 2010.

Investment securities with unrealized losses at December 31, 2011 and 2010 are summarized and classified according to the duration of the loss period as follows:

December 31, 2011

| Less than |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| Fair | Months |
| Value | Unrealized |
|  |  |

Debt securities:

## U.S. Government-sponsored agencies

U.S. Government- sponsored agencies collateralized by mortgage obligations

| $\$ 11,044,000$ |  | $\$ 23,000$ |
| ---: | :--- | ---: |
| $9,144,000$ |  | 52,000 |
|  |  |  |

December 31, 2010

| Less than |  |
| :--- | ---: |
|  |  |
| Fair | Months |
| Value | Unrealized |
|  |  |

Debt securities:
U.S. Government-sponsored agencies
U.S. Government- sponsored agencies collateralized by mortgage obligations Obligations of states and political subdivisions


There were no securities in a loss position for more than one year as of December 31, 2011 and 2010.

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## 5. INVESTMENT SECURITIES (Continued)

At December 31, 2011, the Company held 47 securities of which 12 were in a loss position. Of the securities in a loss position, all were in a loss position for less than twelve months. Of the 12 securities 7 are U.S. government-sponsored agencies and 5 are U.S. Government-sponsored agencies collateralized by residential mortgage obligations. The unrealized losses relate principally to market rate conditions. All of the securities continue to pay as scheduled. When analyzing an issuer's financial condition, management considers the length of time and extent to which the market value has been less than cost; the historical and implied volatility of the security; the financial condition of the issuer of the security; and the Company's intent and ability to hold the security to recovery. As of December 31, 2011, management does not have the intent to sell these securities nor does it believe it is more likely than not that it will be required to sell these securities before the recovery of its amortized cost basis. Based on the Company's evaluation of the above and other relevant factors, the Company does not believe the securities that are in an unrealized loss position as of December 31, 2011 are other than temporarily impaired.

The amortized cost and estimated fair value of investment securities at December 31, 2011 by contractual maturity are shown below. Expected maturities will differ from contractual maturities because the issuers of the securities may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

|  | Amortized |  | Estimated Fair Value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| After one year through five years | \$ | 32,708,000 | 32,777,000 |
| Investment securities not due at a single maturity date: |  |  |  |
| Government-sponsored mortgage-backed securities |  | 24,941,000 | 25,140,000 |

Investment securities with amortized costs totaling \$44,878,000 and \$36,828,000 and estimated fair values totaling $\$ 45,149,000$ and $\$ 36,814,000$ at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively, were pledged to secure deposits and repurchase agreements.

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## 6. LOANS AND THE ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES

Outstanding loans are summarized below:

|  | December 31, |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 | 2010 |
| Commercial | \$ 30,235,000 | \$ 33,433,000 |
| Agricultural | 38,868,000 | 38,469,000 |
| Real estate - residential | 39,019,000 | 43,291,000 |
| Real estate - commercial | 119,412,000 | 119,222,000 |
| Real estate - construction and land development | 17,063,000 | 31,199,000 |
| Equity lines of credit | 37,581,000 | 36,946,000 |
| Installment | 2,515,000 | 2,879,000 |
| Other | 9,172,000 | 8,761,000 |
|  | 293,865,000 | 314,200,000 |
| Deferred loan costs, net | 475,000 | 275,000 |
| Allowance for loan losses | $(6,908,000)$ | (7,324,000) |
|  | \$ 287,432,000 | \$ 307, 151,000 |

Changes in the allowance for loan losses were as follows:

|  | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 |  | 2010 |  | 2009 |  |
| Balance, beginning of year | \$ | 7,324,000 | \$ | 9,568,000 | \$ | 7,224,000 |
| Provision charged to operations |  | 3,500,000 |  | 5,500,000 |  | 14,500,000 |
| Losses charged to allowance |  | $(4,247,000)$ |  | $(8,349,000)$ |  | $(12,500,000)$ |
| Recoveries |  | 331,000 |  | 605,000 |  | 344,000 |
| Balance, end of year | \$ | 6,908,000 | \$ | 7,324,000 | \$ | 9,568,000 |

The recorded investment in impaired loans totaled $\$ 24,402,000$ and $\$ 28,755,000$ at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The Company had specific allowances for loan losses of $\$ 2,066,000$ on impaired loans of $\$ 14,130,000$ at December 31, 2011 as compared to specific allowances for loan losses of $\$ 1,903,000$ on impaired loans of $\$ 11,292,000$ at December 31, 2010. The balance of impaired loans in which no specific reserves were required totaled $\$ 10,272,000$ and $\$ 17,463,000$ at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The average recorded investment in impaired loans for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 was \$25,536,000, \$20,833,000 and $\$ 25,092,000$, respectively. The Company recognized $\$ 666,000, \$ 608,000$ and $\$ 369,000$ in interest income on a cash basis for impaired loans during the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Included in impaired loans are troubled debt restructurings. A troubled debt restructuring is a formal restructure of a loan where the Company for economic or legal reasons related to the borrower's financial difficulties, grants a concession to the borrower. The concessions may be granted in various forms, including reduction in the stated interest rate, reduction in the loan balance or accrued interest, and extension of the maturity date.

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## 6. LOANS AND THE ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)

The Company has allocated $\$ 1,164,000$ and $\$ 271,000$ of specific reserves to customers whose loan terms have been modified in troubled debt restructurings as of December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010. The Company has not committed to lend additional amounts on loans classified as troubled debt restructurings at December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010.

During the year ended December 31, 2011, the terms of certain loans were modified as troubled debt restructurings. The modification of the terms of such loans included one or a combination of the following: a reduction of the stated interest rate of the loan; an extension of the maturity date at a stated rate of interest lower than the current market rate for new debt with similar risk; or a permanent reduction of the recorded investment in the loan.

Modifications involving a reduction of the stated interest rate of the loan were for periods ranging from 1 month to 2 years. Modifications involving an extension of the maturity date were for periods ranging from 1 month to 10 years.

The following table presents loans by class modified as troubled debt restructurings that occurred during the twelve months ending December 31, 2011:

|  | Number of Loans |  | dification tanding Investment |  | odification corded stment |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Troubled Debt Restructurings: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Commercial | 2 | \$ | 129,000 | \$ | 129,000 |
| Agricultural | 4 |  | 996,000 |  | 996,000 |
| Real Estate: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Construction and land development | 5 |  | 4,977,000 |  | 4,977,000 |
| Equity LOC | 1 |  | 787,000 |  | 787,000 |
| Other | 19 |  | 179,000 |  | 179,000 |
| Total | 31 | \$ | 7,068,000 | \$ | 7,068,000 |

The troubled debt restructurings described above increased the allowance for loan losses by $\$ 132,000$ during the year ending December 31, 2011. The troubled debt restructurings described above did not result in charge offs during the year ending December 31, 2011.

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## 6. LOANS AND THE ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)

The following table presents loans by class modified as troubled debt restructurings for which there was a payment default within twelve months following the modification during the year ending December 31, 2011

|  | Number of Loans | Recorded Investment |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Troubled Debt Restructurings: |  |  |
| Agricultural |  |  |
| Real Estate: | 3 | \$ 630,000 |
| Construction and land development | 2 | 139,000 |
| Equity LOC | 1 | 787,000 |
| Total | 6 | \$1,556,000 |

A loan is considered to be in payment default once it is 90 days contractually past due under the modified terms. The troubled debt restructurings that subsequently defaulted described above increased the allowance for loan losses by $\$ 81,000$ and resulted in charge offs of $\$ 51,000$ during the year ending December 31, 2011.

The terms of certain other loans were modified during the year ending December 31, 2011 that did not meet the definition of a troubled debt restructuring. These loans have a total recorded investment as of December 31, 2011 of $\$ 13.5$ million. The modification of these loans involved either a modification of the terms of a loan to borrowers who were not experiencing financial difficulties or a delay in a payment that was considered to be insignificant.

In order to determine whether a borrower is experiencing financial difficulty, an evaluation is performed of the probability that the borrower will be in payment default on any of its debt in the foreseeable future without the modification. This evaluation is performed under the company's internal underwriting policy.

Certain loans which were modified during the period ending December 31, 2011 and did not meet the definition of a troubled debt restructuring as the modification was a delay in a payment that was considered to be insignificant had delays in payment ranging from 30 days to 2 months.

At December 31, 2011 and 2010, nonaccrual loans totaled \$16,757,000 and $\$ 25,313,000$, respectively. Interest foregone on nonaccrual loans totaled $\$ 510,000$, $\$ 1,021,000$ and $\$ 568,000$ for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Loans past due 90 days or more and on accrual status were $\$ 72,000$ and $\$ 45,000$ at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Salaries and employee benefits totaling $\$ 706,000, \$ 638,000$ and $\$ 708,000$ have been deferred as loan origination costs during the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.
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## LOANS AND THE ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)

The following table shows the loan portfolio allocated by management's internal risk ratings at the dates indicated, in thousands: Commercial Credit Exposure

| Equity LOC |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$ | 34,296 | \$ | 242,082 |
|  | 1,300 |  | 10,711 |
|  | 1,974 |  | 29,197 |
|  | 11 |  | 188 |
| \$ | 37,581 | \$ | 282,178 | Credit Risk Profile by Internally Assigned Grade Real | $\begin{array}{c}\text { Real Estate- } \\ \text { Construction }\end{array}$ |  |
| :---: | ---: |
| $\$$ | 11,383 |
|  | 50 |
|  | 5,630 |
| $\$$ | 17,063 | $\begin{array}{lc} & \text { Real } \\ \text { Real Estate- } & \text { Estate- }\end{array}$

Commercial

Credit Risk Profile by Internally Assigned Grade
Real

December 31, 2010 Commercial Credit Exposure

| Grade: | Commercial |  | Agricultural |  | Real EstateResidential |  | Real EstateCommercial |  | Real EstateConstruction |  | Equity LOC |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pass | \$ | 28,923 \$ |  | 34,081 | \$ | 39,194 | \$ | 96,527 | \$ | 15,987 | \$ | 34,787 | \$ | 249,499 |
| Watch |  | 904 |  | 646 |  | 1,738 |  | 8,192 |  | 2,165 |  | 585 |  | 14,230 |
| Substandard |  | 3,606 |  | 3,742 |  | 2,295 |  | 14,503 |  | 12,982 |  | 1,502 |  | 38,630 |
| Doubtful |  | - |  | - |  | 64 |  | - |  | 65 |  | 72 |  | 201 |
| Total | \$ | 33,433 \$ |  | 38,469 | \$ | 43,291 | \$ | 119,222 | \$ | 31,199 | \$ | 36,946 | \$ | 302,560 |
|  | Consumer Credit Exposure Credit Risk Profile Based on Payment Activity December 31, 2011 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Consumer Credit Exposure Credit Risk Profile Based on Payment Activity December 31, 2010 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Installment |  | Other |  | Total |  |  |  | Installment |  | Other |  | Total |  |
| Grade: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Performing | \$ | 2,465 | \$ | 9,024 | \$ | 11,489 |  |  | \$ | 2,830 | \$ | 8,643 | \$ | 11,473 |
| Non-performing |  | 50 |  | 148 |  | 198 |  |  |  | 49 |  | 118 |  | 167 |
| Total | \$ | 2,515 | \$ | 9,172 | \$ | 11,687 |  |  | \$ | 2,879 | \$ | 8,761 | \$ | 11,640 |



December 31, 2011
December 31, 2010 Commercial Credit Exposure
Grade: Pass
Watch
Substandard
Doubtful Total
 12,442


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 December 31, 2011:
Allowance for Loan Losses Ending balance: individually evaluated for impairment Ending balance: collectively evaluated for impairment Loans Ending balance
Ending balance: individually evaluated for impairment Ending balance: collectively evaluated for impairment December 31, 2010: Allowance for Loan Losses Ending balance Ending balance: individually evaluated for impairment Ending balance: collectively evaluated for impairment
Loans Ending balance: individually evaluated for impairment Ending balance: collectively evaluated for impairment

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## 6. LOANS AND THE ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)

The following table shows an aging analysis of the loan portfolio by the time past due at the dates indicated (amounts in thousands):

| December 31, 2011 | $\begin{gathered} \text { 30-89 Days } \\ \text { Past Due } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  | 90 Days and Still Accruing |  | Nonaccrual |  | Total Past Due |  | Current |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Commercial: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Commercial | \$ | 456 | \$ | - | \$ | 4,819 | \$ | 5,275 | \$ | 24,960 | \$ | 30,235 |
| Agricultural |  | - |  | - |  | 999 |  | 999 |  | 37,869 |  | 38,868 |
| Real estate - construction |  | 1,113 |  | - |  | 634 |  | 1,747 |  | 15,316 |  | 17,063 |
| Real estate |  | 1,939 |  | - |  | 5,557 |  | 7,496 |  | 111,916 |  | 119,412 |
| Residential: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Real estate |  | 461 |  | - |  | 3,141 |  | 3,602 |  | 35,417 |  | 39,019 |
| Equity LOC |  | 775 |  | - |  | 1,481 |  | 2,256 |  | 35,325 |  | 37,581 |
| Consumer: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Installment |  | 31 |  | - |  | 50 |  | 81 |  | 2,434 |  | 2,515 |
| Other |  | 351 |  | 72 |  | 76 |  | 499 |  | 8,673 |  | 9,172 |
| Total | \$ | 5,126 | \$ | 72 | \$ | 16,757 | \$ | 21,955 | \$ | 271,910 | \$ | 293,865 |
| December 31, 2010 |  | Days <br> Due |  |  |  | ccrual |  | otal st Due |  | urrent |  | Total |
| Commercial: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Commercial | \$ | 352 | \$ | - | \$ | 2,706 | \$ | 3,058 | \$ | 30,375 | \$ | 33,433 |
| Agricultural |  | 272 |  | - |  | 868 |  | 1,140 |  | 37,329 |  | 38,469 |
| Real estate - construction |  | 136 |  | - |  | 9,797 |  | 9,933 |  | 21,266 |  | 31,199 |
| Real estate |  | 802 |  | - |  | 8,204 |  | 9,006 |  | 110,216 |  | 119,222 |
| Residential: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Real estate |  | 400 |  | - |  | 2,189 |  | 2,589 |  | 40,702 |  | 43,291 |
| Equity LOC |  | 494 |  | - |  | 1,382 |  | 1,876 |  | 35,070 |  | 36,946 |
| Consumer: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Installment |  | 56 |  | - |  | 49 |  | 105 |  | 2,774 |  | 2,879 |
| Other |  | 348 |  | 45 |  | 118 |  | 511 |  | 8,250 |  | 8,761 |
| Total | \$ | 2,860 | \$ | 45 | \$ | 25,313 | \$ | 28,218 | \$ | 285,982 | \$ | 314,200 |

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## 6. LOANS AND THE ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)

The following tables show information related to impaired loans at the dates indicated, in thousands:

As of December 31, 2011:
With no related allowance recorded:
Commercial
Agricultural
Real estate - construction
Real estate - commercial
Real estate - residential
Equity Lines of Credit
Installment
Other
With an allowance recorded:
Commercial
Agricultural
Real estate - construction
Real estate - commercial
Real estate - residential
Equity Lines of Credit
Installment
Other
Total:
Commercial
Agricultural
Real estate - construction
Real estate - commercial
Real estate - residential
Equity Lines of Credit
Installment
Other

As of December 31, 2010:
With no related allowance recorded:
Commercial

Agricultural
Real estate - construction
Real estate - commercial
Real estate - residential
Equity Lines of Credit Installment
Other
With an allowance recorded:
Commercial
Agricultural
Real estate - construction
Real estate - commercial
Real estate - residential
Equity Lines of Credit
Installment
Other
Total:
Commercial
Agricultural
Real estate - construction
Real estate - commercial
Real estate - residential
Equity Lines of Credit Installment
Other
$\left.\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrr}\begin{array}{c}\text { Recorded } \\ \text { Investment }\end{array} & & \begin{array}{c}\text { Unpaid } \\ \text { Principal } \\ \text { Balance }\end{array} & & & \begin{array}{c}\text { Related } \\ \text { Allowance }\end{array} & & \begin{array}{c}\text { Average } \\ \text { Recorded } \\ \text { Investment }\end{array} & \end{array} \begin{array}{c}\text { Interest } \\ \text { Income } \\ \text { Recognized }\end{array}\right)$

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## 7. PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT

Premises and equipment consisted of the following:

|  | December 31, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 |  | 2010 |  |
| Land | \$ | 2,628,000 | \$ | 2,628,000 |
| Premises |  | 15,412,000 |  | 15,394,000 |
| Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements |  | 9,874,000 |  | 9,810,000 |
|  |  | 27,914,000 |  | 27,832,000 |
| Less accumulated depreciation and amortization |  | $(14,457,000)$ |  | $(13,401,000)$ |
|  |  | 13,457,000 |  | 14,431,000 |

Depreciation and amortization included in occupancy and equipment expense totaled $\$ 1,233,000, \$ 1,521,000$ and $\$ 1,756,000$ for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

## 8. DEPOSITS

Interest-bearing deposits consisted of the following:

Interest-bearing demand deposits Money market
Savings
Time, \$100,000 or more
Other time

| December 31, |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 | 2010 |
| \$ | 82,025,000 | \$ 100,000,000 |
|  | 38,840,000 | 42,279,000 |
|  | 63,969,000 | 53,150,000 |
|  | 31,624,000 | 52,104,000 |
|  | 48,751,000 | 65,552,000 |

$\$ 265,209,000 \$ 313,085,000$

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8. DEPOSITS (Continued)

At December 31, 2011, the scheduled maturities of time deposits were as follows:

| Year Ending |
| :---: |
| December 31, |


| 2012 | $\$$$64,986,000$ <br> 2013 <br> 2014 <br> 2015 |
| :--- | ---: |
| 2016 | $2,865,000$ |
|  | $2,136,000$ |
|  | $\$ 802,000$ |

At December 31, 2011, the contractual maturities of time deposits with a denomination of $\$ 100,000$ and over were as follows: $\$ 7,566,000$ in 3 months or less, $\$ 5,519,000$ over 3 months through 6 months, \$11,093,000 over 6 months through 12 months, and $\$ 7,446,000$ over 12 months.

Deposit overdrafts reclassified as loan balances were $\$ 331,000$ and $\$ 314,000$ at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

## 9. SECURITIES SOLD UNDER AGREEMENTS TO REPURCHASE

Securities sold under agreements to repurchase are secured by U.S. Government agency securities with a carrying amount of $\$ 8,279,000$ at year-end 2011. There were no securities sold under agreements to repurchase during 2010 or 2009.

Securities sold under agreements to repurchase are financing arrangements that mature within two years. At maturity, the securities underlying the agreements are returned to the Company. Information concerning securities sold under agreements to repurchase during 2011 is summarized as follows:

| Average daily balance during the year | $\$ 3,124,000$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Average interest rate during the year | $0.42 \%$ |
| Maximum month-end balance during the year | $\$ 8,300,000$ |
| Weighted average interest rate at year-end | $0.41 \%$ |

## 10. BORROWING ARRANGEMENTS

The Company is a member of the FHLB and can borrow up to $\$ 86,388,000$ from the FHLB secured by commercial and residential mortgage loans with carrying values totaling $\$ 178,987,000$. The Company is required to hold FHLB stock as a condition of membership. At December 31, 2011, the Company held $\$ 2,043,000$ of FHLB stock which is recorded as a component of other assets. At this level of stock holdings the Company can borrow up to $\$ 43,466,000$. To borrow the $\$ 86,388,000$ in available credit the Company would need to purchase $\$ 2,017,000$ in additional FHLB stock. There were no outstanding borrowings under this agreement at December 31, 2011 and 2010.

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## 11. JUNIOR SUBORDINATED DEFERRABLE INTEREST DEBENTURES

Plumas Statutory Trust I and II are Connecticut business trusts formed by the Company with capital of $\$ 283,000$ and $\$ 154,000$, respectively, for the sole purpose of issuing trust preferred securities fully and unconditionally guaranteed by the Company. Under applicable regulatory guidance, the amount of trust preferred securities that is eligible as Tier 1 capital is limited to twenty-five percent of the Company's Tier 1 capital, as defined, on a pro forma basis. At December 31, 2011, all of the trust preferred securities that have been issued qualify as Tier 1 capital.

During 2002, Plumas Statutory Trust I issued 6,000 Floating Rate Capital Trust PassThrough Securities ("Trust Preferred Securities"), with a liquidation value of \$1,000 per security, for gross proceeds of $\$ 6,000,000$. During 2005, Plumas Statutory Trust II issued 4,000 Trust Preferred Securities with a liquidation value of $\$ 1,000$ per security, for gross proceeds of $\$ 4,000,000$. The entire proceeds were invested by Trust I in the amount of $\$ 6,186,000$ and Trust II in the amount of $\$ 4,124,000$ in Floating Rate Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures (the "Subordinated Debentures") issued by the Company, with identical maturity, repricing and payment terms as the Trust Preferred Securities. The Subordinated Debentures represent the sole assets of Trusts I and II.

Trust I's Subordinated Debentures mature on September 26, 2032, bear a current interest rate of $3.97 \%$ (based on 3 -month LIBOR plus $3.40 \%$ ), with repricing and payments due quarterly. Trust Il's Subordinated Debentures mature on September 28, 2035 , bear a current interest rate of $2.03 \%$ (based on 3 -month LIBOR plus $1.48 \%$ ), with repricing and payments due quarterly. The Subordinated Debentures are redeemable by the Company, subject to receipt by the Company of prior approval from the Federal Reserve Board of Governors, on any quarterly anniversary date on or after the 5-year anniversary date of the issuance. The redemption price is par plus accrued and unpaid interest, except in the case of redemption under a special event which is defined in the debenture. The Trust Preferred Securities are subject to mandatory redemption to the extent of any early redemption of the Subordinated Debentures and upon maturity of the Subordinated Debentures on September 26, 2032 for Trust I and September 28, 2035 for Trust II.

Holders of the Trust Preferred Securities are entitled to a cumulative cash distribution on the liquidation amount of $\$ 1,000$ per security. The interest rate of the Trust Preferred Securities issued by Trust I adjust on each quarterly anniversary date to equal the 3month LIBOR plus $3.40 \%$. The Trust Preferred Securities issued by Trust II adjust on each quarterly anniversary date to equal the 3 -month LIBOR plus $1.48 \%$. Both Trusts I and II have the option to defer payment of the distributions for a period of up to five years, as long as the Company is not in default on the payment of interest on the Subordinated Debentures. The Trust Preferred Securities were sold and issued in private transactions pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The Company has guaranteed, on a subordinated basis, distributions and other payments due on the Trust Preferred Securities. Since the second quarter of 2010, the Company has deferred regularly scheduled quarterly interest payments on its outstanding junior subordinated debentures relating to its two trust preferred securities and has given notice of deferral each quarterly payment period.

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## 11. JUNIOR SUBORDINATED DEFERRABLE INTEREST DEBENTURES (Continued)

While the Company has accrued for this obligation, it is currently deferring the interest payments on the junior subordinated debentures as permitted by the agreements. As of December 31, 2011 and 2010, the amount of the arrearage on the payments on the subordinated debt associated with the trust preferred securities was $\$ 569,000$ and \$243,000, respectively.

Interest expense recognized by the Company for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 related to the subordinated debentures was $\$ 326,000, \$ 312,000$ and $\$ 371,000$, respectively.

## 12. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

## Leases

The Company has commitments for leasing premises under the terms of noncancelable operating leases expiring from 2012 to 2015 . Future minimum lease payments are as follows:

| Year Ending <br> December 31, |  |  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2012 | $\$$ | 147,000 |
| 2013 |  | 75,000 |
| 2014 |  | 51,000 |
| 2015 |  | 51,000 |
|  |  | 324,000 |

Rental expense included in occupancy and equipment expense totaled \$150,000, $\$ 20,000$ and $\$ 317,000$ for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

## Financial Instruments With Off-Balance-Sheet Risk

The Company is a party to financial instruments with off-balance-sheet risk in the normal course of business in order to meet the financing needs of its customers. These financial instruments include commitments to extend credit and letters of credit. These instruments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit and interest rate risk in excess of the amount recognized on the consolidated balance sheet.

The Company's exposure to credit loss in the event of nonperformance by the other party for commitments to extend credit and letters of credit is represented by the contractual amount of those instruments. The Company uses the same credit policies in making commitments and letters of credit as it does for loans included on the consolidated balance sheet.

The following financial instruments represent off-balance-sheet credit risk:

|  | December 31, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2011 |  | 2010 |
| Commitments to extend credit | \$ | 79,164,000 | \$ | 71,605,000 |
| Letters of credit | \$ | 50,000 | \$ | 164,000 |

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## 12. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee. Since some of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. The Company evaluates each customer's creditworthiness on a case-by-case basis. The amount of collateral obtained, if deemed necessary by the Company upon extension of credit, is based on management's credit evaluation of the borrower. Collateral held varies, but may include accounts receivable, crops, inventory, equipment, incomeproducing commercial properties, farm land and residential properties.

Letters of credit are conditional commitments issued by the Company to guarantee the performance of a customer to a third party. The credit risk involved in issuing letters of credit is essentially the same as that involved in extending loans to customers. The fair value of the liability related to these letters of credit, which represents the fees received for issuing the guarantees, was not significant at December 31, 2011 and 2010. The Company recognizes these fees as revenues over the term of the commitment or when the commitment is used.

At December 31, 2011, consumer loan commitments represent approximately $21 \%$ of total commitments and are generally unsecured. Commercial and agricultural loan commitments represent approximately $33 \%$ of total commitments and are generally secured by various assets of the borrower. Real estate loan commitments, including consumer home equity lines of credit, represent the remaining $46 \%$ of total commitments and are generally secured by property with a loan-to-value ratio not to exceed $80 \%$. In addition, the majority of the Company's commitments have variable interest rates.

## Concentrations of Credit Risk

The Company grants real estate mortgage, real estate construction, commercial, agricultural and consumer loans to customers throughout Plumas, Nevada, Placer, Lassen, Sierra, Shasta and Modoc counties in California and Washoe county in Northern Nevada.

Although the Company has a diversified loan portfolio, a substantial portion of its portfolio is secured by commercial and residential real estate. A continued substantial decline in the economy in general, or a continued decline in real estate values in the Company's primary market areas in particular, could have an adverse impact on the collectibility of these loans. However, personal and business income represents the primary source of repayment for a majority of these loans.

## Contingencies

The Company is subject to legal proceedings and claims which arise in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, the amount of ultimate liability with respect to such actions will not materially affect the financial position or results of operations of the Company.

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## 13. SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

## Dividend Restrictions

The Company's ability to pay cash dividends is dependent on dividends paid to it by the Bank and limited by California corporation law. Under California law, the holders of common stock of the Company are entitled to receive dividends when and as declared by the Board of Directors, out of funds legally available, subject to certain restrictions. The California general corporation law prohibits the Company from paying dividends on its common stock unless: (i) its retained earnings, immediately prior to the dividend payment, equals or exceeds the amount of the dividend or (ii) immediately after giving effect to the dividend, the sum of the Company's assets (exclusive of goodwill and deferred charges) would be at least equal to $125 \%$ of its liabilities (not including deferred taxes, deferred income and other deferred liabilities) and the current assets of the Company would be at least equal to its current liabilities, or, if the average of its earnings before taxes on income and before interest expense for the two preceding fiscal years was less than the average of its interest expense for the two preceding fiscal years, at least equal to $125 \%$ of its current liabilities.

Dividends from the Bank to the Company are restricted under California law to the lesser of the Bank's retained earnings or the Bank's net income for the latest three fiscal years, less dividends previously declared during that period, or, with the approval of the DFI, to the greater of the retained earnings of the Bank, the net income of the Bank for its last fiscal year, or the net income of the Bank for its current fiscal year. As of December 31, 2011, the Bank was restricted, without prior approval from the DFI, from paying cash dividends to the Company. In addition the Company's ability to pay dividends is subject to certain covenants contained in the indentures relating to the Trust Preferred Securities issued by the business trusts (see Note 11 for additional information related to the Trust Preferred Securities).

As described below, dividends on common stock are also limited related to the Company's participation in the Capital Purchase Program. Additionally, Plumas Bancorp is required by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (FRB) to obtain the FRB's prior written consent before paying any dividends on its common stock or its Series A Preferred Stock, or making any payments on its trust preferred securities.

## Preferred Stock

On January 30, 2009 the Company entered into a Letter Agreement (the "Purchase Agreement") with the United States Department of the Treasury ("Treasury"), pursuant to which the Company issued and sold (i) 11,949 shares of the Company's Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A (the "Series A Preferred Stock") and (ii) a warrant (the "Warrant") to purchase 237,712 shares of the Company's common stock, no par value (the "Common Stock"), for an aggregate purchase price of \$11,949,000 in cash.

The Warrant has a 10-year term and is exercisable, with an exercise price, subject to antidilution adjustments, equal to $\$ 7.54$ per share of the Common Stock. Treasury has

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## 13. SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY (Continued)

agreed not to exercise voting power with respect to any shares of Common Stock issued upon exercise of the Warrant.

The Company allocated the proceeds received on January 30, 2009 between the Series A Preferred Stock and the Warrant based on the estimated relative fair value of each. The fair value of the Warrant was estimated based on a Black-Scholes-Merton model and totaled $\$ 320,000$. The discount recorded on the Series A Preferred Stock was based on a discount rate of $12 \%$ and will be amortized by the level-yield method over 5 years. Discount accretion for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010, and 2009 totaled $\$ 87,000, \$ 87,000$ and $\$ 79,000$, respectively.

The Series A Preferred Stock qualifies as Tier 1 capital and will pay cumulative dividends quarterly at a rate of $5 \%$ per annum for the first five years, and $9 \%$ per annum thereafter. The Company may redeem the Series A Preferred Stock at its liquidation preference ( $\$ 1,000$ per share) plus accrued and unpaid dividends under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, subject to the Treasury's consultation with the Company's appropriate federal regulator.

With respect to dividends on the Company's common stock, Treasury's consent shall be required for any increase in common dividends per share until the third anniversary of the date of its investment unless prior to such third anniversary the Series A Preferred Stock is redeemed in whole or the Treasury has transferred all of the Senior Preferred Series A Preferred Stock to third parties. Furthermore, with respect to dividends on certain other series of preferred stock, restrictions from Treasury may apply. The Company does not have any outstanding preferred stock other than the Series A Preferred Stock discussed above.

During the second quarter of 2010, Plumas Bancorp, as required by the FRB, suspended the declaration and payment of future quarterly cash dividends on its Series A Preferred Stock. Plumas Bancorp is in arrears in the amount of \$1,046,000 and $\$ 449,000$ with the dividend payments on the Series A Preferred Stock as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

## Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share is computed by dividing income (loss) available to common shareholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted earnings per share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue common stock, such as stock options, result in the issuance of common stock which shares in the earnings of the Company. The treasury stock method has been applied to determine the dilutive effect of stock options in computing diluted earnings per share.

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13. SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY (Continued)

| (In thousands, except per share data) | $2011$ |  |  | ded De |  | ber 31, |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 2010 |  | 2009 |  |
| Net Income (loss): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net income (loss) | \$ | 941 | \$ | 971 | \$ | $(9,146)$ |
| Dividends on preferred shares |  | (684) |  | (684) |  | (628) |
| Net income (loss) available to common shareholders | \$ | 257 | \$ | 287 | \$ | (9,774) |
| Earnings (loss) Per Share: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic earnings (loss) per share | \$ | 0.05 | \$ | 0.06 | \$ | (2.05) |
| Diluted earnings (loss) per share | \$ | 0.05 | \$ | 0.06 | \$ | (2.05) |
| Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic shares |  | 4,776 |  | 4,776 |  | 4,776 |
| Diluted shares |  | 4,776 |  | 4,776 |  | 4,776 |

Shares of common stock issuable under stock options for which the exercise prices were greater than the average market prices were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share due to their antidilutive effect. When a net loss occurs, no difference in earnings per share is calculated because the conversion of potential common stock is anti-dilutive. Stock options not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share, due to shares not being in the-money and having an antidilutive effect, were 483,000 and 312,000 for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

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## 13. SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY (Continued)

## Stock Options

In 2001, the Company established a Stock Option Plan for which 482,780 shares of common stock remain reserved for issuance to employees and directors and no shares are available for future grants as of December 31, 2011. The Plan requires that the option price may not be less than the fair market value of the stock at the date the option is granted, and that the stock must be paid in full at the time the option is exercised. Payment in full for the option price must be made in cash or with Company common stock previously acquired by the optionee and held by the optionee for a period of at least six months. The Plan does not provide for the settlement of awards in cash and new shares are issued upon option exercise. The options expire on dates determined by the Board of Directors, but not later than ten years from the date of grant. Upon grant, options vest ratably over a three to five year period. A summary of the activity within the Plan follows:

|  | Shares | Weighted Average Exercise Price |  | Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term | Intrinsic Value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Options outstanding at January 1, 2009 | 466,956 | \$ | 13.38 |  |  |
| Options exercised | $(1,000)$ |  | 5.43 |  |  |
| Options cancelled | $(61,990)$ |  | 12.38 |  |  |
| Options outstanding at December 31, 2009 | 403,966 | \$ | 13.56 |  |  |
| Options cancelled | $(91,936)$ |  | 14.05 |  |  |
| Options outstanding at December 31, 2010 | 312,030 | \$ | 13.41 |  |  |
| Options granted | 248,000 |  | 2.95 |  |  |
| Options cancelled | $(77,250)$ |  | 9.05 |  |  |
| Options outstanding at December 31, 2011 | 482,780 | \$ | 8.74 | 4.9 | \$ |
| Options exercisable at December 31, 2011 | 243,512 | \$ | 13.89 | 2.8 | \$ |
| Expected to vest after December 31, 2011 | 196,944 | \$ | 3.49 | 7.0 | \$ |

As of December 31, 2011, there was $\$ 126,000$ of total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested share-based compensation arrangements granted under the Plan. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 3.1 years.

The total fair value of options vested was $\$ 153,000$ for the year ended December 31, 2011.

The total intrinsic value of options at time of exercise was $\$ 1,000$ for the year ended December 31, 2009. Cash received from options exercised for the year ended December 31, 2009 was $\$ 5,000$. There was no tax benefit realized from options exercised in 2009.

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13. SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY (Continued)

## Regulatory Capital

The Company and the Bank are subject to certain regulatory capital requirements administered by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the FDIC. Failure to meet these minimum capital requirements can initiate certain mandatory and possibly additional discretionary, actions by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a direct material effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Under capital adequacy guidelines, the Company and the Bank must meet specific capital guidelines that involved quantitative measures of their assets, liabilities and certain offbalance sheet items as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. These quantitative measures are established by regulation and require that minimum amounts and ratios of total and Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets and of Tier 1 capital to average assets be maintained. Capital amounts and classifications are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings and other factors.

The Bank is also subject to additional capital guidelines under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. To be categorized as well capitalized, the Bank must maintain total risk-based, Tier 1 risk-based and Tier 1 leverage ratios as set forth in the table on the following page and cannot be subject to a written agreement, order or capital directive issued by the FDIC. In addition, under the Consent Order that was in place until February 15, 2012 the Bank was subject to a minimum 10\% Tier 1 leverage ratio and a minimum $13 \%$ total risk-based capital ratio at December 31, 2011. Currently under an informal agreement with the FDIC and DFI the Bank has agreed to maintain its Tier 1 leverage ratio at or above $9 \%$.

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Regulatory Capital (continued)

|  | December 31, |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 |  |  | 2010 |  |  |
|  |  | Amount | Ratio |  | Amount | Ratio |
| Leverage Ratio |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Plumas Bancorp and Subsidiary | \$ | 45,024,000 | 9.8\% | \$ | 42,994,000 | 8.9\% |
| Minimum regulatory requirement | \$ | 18,313,000 | 4.0\% | \$ | 19,361,000 | 4.0\% |
| Plumas Bank | \$ | 45,073,000 | 9.8\% | \$ | 43,262,000 | 8.9\% |
| Minimum requirement for "WellCapitalized" institution under the prompt corrective action | \$ | 22,882,000 | 5.0\% | \$ | 24,190,000 | 5.0\% |
| Minimum regulatory requirement | \$ | 18,305,000 | 4.0\% |  | 19,352,000 | 4.0\% |
| Tier 1 Risk-Based Capital Ratio |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Plumas Bancorp and Subsidiary | \$ | 45,024,000 | 13.7\% | \$ | 42,994,000 | 12.7\% |
| Minimum regulatory requirement | \$ | 13,149,000 | 4.0\% | \$ | 13,570,000 | 4.0\% |
| Plumas Bank | \$ | 45,073,000 | 13.7\% | \$ | 43,262,000 | 12.8\% |
| Minimum requirement for "WellCapitalized" institution under the prompt corrective action | \$ | 19,710,000 | 6.0\% | \$ | 20,342,000 | 6.0\% |
| Minimum regulatory requirement | \$ | 13,140,000 | 4.0\% |  | 13,561,000 | 4.0\% |
| Total Risk-Based Capital Ratio |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Plumas Bancorp and Subsidiary | \$ | 49,169,000 | 15.0\% | \$ | 47,274,000 | 13.9\% |
| Minimum regulatory requirement | \$ | 26,298,000 | 8.0\% | \$ | 27,140,000 | 8.0\% |
| Plumas Bank \$ 49,215,000 15.0\% \$ 47,539,000 14.0\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Minimum requirement for "WellCapitalized" institution under the prompt corrective action |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$ | 32,850,000 | 10.0\% | \$ | 33,903,000 | 10.0\% |
| Minimum regulatory requirement | \$ | 26,280,000 | 8.0\% | \$ | 27,123,000 | 8.0\% |

## PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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## 14. OTHER EXPENSES

Other expenses consisted of the following:

|  | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 |  | 2010 |  | 2009 |  |
| Outside service fees | \$ | 1,270,000 | \$ | 1,212,000 | \$ | 990,000 |
| FDIC Insurance |  | 1,099,000 |  | 1,009,000 |  | 1,125,000 |
| Professional fees |  | 730,000 |  | 587,000 |  | 789,000 |
| Loss (gain) on sale of other real estate |  | 606,000 |  | $(43,000)$ |  | 158,000 |
| OREO expenses |  | 422,000 |  | 573,000 |  | 370,000 |
| Telephone and data communications |  | 331,000 |  | 338,000 |  | 392,000 |
| Business development |  | 262,000 |  | 250,000 |  | 333,000 |
| Loan collection expenses |  | 261,000 |  | 261,000 |  | 399,000 |
| Advertising and promotion |  | 236,000 |  | 252,000 |  | 327,000 |
| Director compensation and retirement |  | 229,000 |  | 233,000 |  | 293,000 |
| Armored car and courier |  | 225,000 |  | 239,000 |  | 281,000 |
| Postage |  | 190,000 |  | 207,000 |  | 207,000 |
| Core deposit intangible amortization |  | 173,000 |  | 173,000 |  | 173,000 |
| Stationery and supplies |  | 140,000 |  | 145,000 |  | 183,000 |
| Insurance |  | 42,000 |  | 125,000 |  | 54,000 |
| Other operating expenses |  | 168,000 |  | 396,000 |  | 579,000 |
|  |  | 6,384,000 | \$ | 5,957,000 | \$ | 6,653,000 |

## 15. INCOME TAXES

The provision for (benefit from) income taxes for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 consisted of the following:
$\underline{2011}$
Current
Deferred
Federal State Total

| $\$$ | 34,000 | $\$$ | 2,000 | $\$$ | 36,000 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 228,000 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 31,000 |  | 259,000 |

Provision for income taxes
$\$ \quad 262,000 \$ \quad 33,000 \$ 295,000$
$\underline{2010}$
Current
Deferred
Benefit from income taxes
$\underline{\text { Federal }} \xrightarrow{\text { State }}$

|  | $\$$ | 4,000 | $\$$ | 4,000 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\$ \quad 277,000$ |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 108,000 | 385,000 |  |

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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15. INCOME TAXES (Continued)
$\underline{2009}$
Current
Deferred
Benefit from provision for Income taxes
Federal State Total
\$ $(2,803,000) \$(120,000) \$(2,923,000)$
(2,122,000) (1,730,000) $\quad(3,852,000)$
$\$ \quad(4,925,000) \underline{\$(1,850,000)} \$(6,775,000)$

Deferred tax assets (liabilities) consisted of the following:
December 31,

|  | 2011 |  | 2010 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$ | 1,183,000 | \$ | 1,490,000 |
|  | 2,867,000 |  | 2,418,000 |
|  | 1,661,000 |  | 1,614,000 |
|  | 245,000 |  | 255,000 |
|  | 1,253,000 |  | 1,723,000 |
|  | 607,000 |  | 521,000 |

Total deferred tax assets
7,816,000 8,021,000

Deferred tax liabilities:

Prepaid costs
Deferred loan costs
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale investment securities
Other
Total deferred tax liabilities
Net deferred tax assets
$(167,000)$
$(104,000)$
$(779,000)$
$(739,000)$

| $(110,000)$ <br> $(162,000)$ |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $(1,218,000)$ | $(174,000)$ |
| $\$ \quad 6,598,000$ | $\$ 7,017,000)$ |

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the tax consequences of temporary differences between the reported amount of assets and liabilities and their tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The determination of the amount of deferred income tax assets which are more likely than not to be realized is primarily dependent on projections of future earnings, which are subject to uncertainty and estimates that may change given economic conditions and other factors. The realization of deferred income tax assets is assessed and a valuation allowance is recorded if it is "more likely than not" that all or a portion of the deferred tax asset will not be realized. "More likely than not" is defined as greater than a $50 \%$ chance. All available evidence, both positive and negative is considered to determine whether, based on the weight of that evidence, a valuation allowance is needed.

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 

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15. INCOME TAXES (Continued)

As part of its analysis, the Company considered the following positive evidence:

- The Company's 2009 net loss was largely attributable to losses on its Construction and Land Development portfolio that represented approximately $80 \%$ of net charge-offs during the year ended December 31, 2009. This portfolio has decreased from $\$ 74$ million at December 31, 2008 to $\$ 17$ million at December 31 2011.
- The Company's 2009 net loss was also attributable to significant write-downs on foreclosed construction and land development real estate properties which represented the majority of its provision for losses on other real estate during 2009. During 2010 other real estate write-downs decreased by $\$ 4.4$ million from $\$ 4.8$ million during the year ended December 31, 2009 to $\$ 356$ thousand during 2010. Write-downs on construction and land development real estate owned during 2011 totaled \$440 thousand.
- The Company has a long history of earnings and profitability.
- The Company was profitable in 2011 and 2010 and is projecting future taxable and book income will be generated by operations.
- The size of loans in the Company's pipeline of potential problem loans has significantly decreased.
- The Company does not have a history of net operating losses carry forwards or tax credits expiring unused.

As part of its analysis, the Company also considered the following negative evidence:

- The Company recorded a large net loss in 2009 and is in a cumulative loss position for the current and preceding two years.

Based upon the analysis of available evidence, management has determined that it is "more likely than not" that all deferred income tax assets as of December 31, 2011 and 2010 will be fully realized and therefore no valuation allowance was recorded.

The provision for income taxes differs from amounts computed by applying the statutory Federal income tax rate to operating income before income taxes. The significant items comprising these differences consisted of the following:

Federal income tax, at statutory rate
State franchise tax, net of Federal tax effect
Interest on obligations of states and political subdivisions
Net increase in cash surrender value of bank owned life insurance
Other
Effective tax rate

| 2011 | 2010 | 2009 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 34.0 \% | 34.0 \% | 34.0 \% |
| 4.4 \% | 5.5 \% | 7.0 \% |
| (2.7)\% | (4.4)\% | 1.3 \% |
| (9.7)\% | (8.8)\% | 0.8 \% |
| (2.1)\% | 2.3 \% | (0.5)\% |
| 23.9 \% | 28.6 \% | 42.6 \% |

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 

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15. INCOME TAXES (Continued)

At year end 2011, the Company had federal operating loss carry-forwards of approximately $\$ 5,431,000$ which expire at various dates from 2029 to 2031. In addition, at year end 2011, the Company had state operating loss carry-forwards of approximately $\$ 14,262,000$ which expire at various dates from 2029 to 2031. Deferred tax assets are recognized for net operating losses because the benefit is more likely than not to be realized.

The Company and its subsidiary file income tax returns in the U.S. federal and California jurisdictions. The Company conducts all of its business activities in the states of California and Nevada. There are currently no pending U.S. federal, state, and local income tax or non-U.S. income tax examinations by tax authorities.

With few exceptions, the Company is no longer subject to tax examinations by U.S. Federal taxing authorities for years ended before December 31, 2008, and by state and local taxing authorities for years ended before December 31, 2007.

The unrecognized tax benefits and changes therein and the interest and penalties accrued by the Company as of or during the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 were not significant. The Company does not expect the total amount of unrecognized tax benefits to significantly increase or decrease in the next twelve months.

## 16. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the normal course of business, the Company enters into transactions with related parties, including executive officers and directors. The following is a summary of the aggregate activity involving related party borrowers during 2011:

Balance, January 1, 2011
Disbursements
\$ 1,015,000

Amounts repaid
Balance, December 31, 2011
Undisbursed commitments to related parties, December 31, 2011
$\$ \quad 657,000$

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 

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## 17. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

## Profit Sharing Plan

The Plumas Bank Profit Sharing Plan commenced April 1, 1988 and is available to employees meeting certain service requirements. Under the Plan, employees are able to defer a selected percentage of their annual compensation. Included under the Plan's investment options is the option to invest in Company stock. The Company's contribution consists of the following:

- For the year ended December 31, 2009 and the three months ended March 31, 2010 a contribution which matches the participant's contribution, up to a maximum
- of $3 \%$ of the employee's compensation. No contribution was made for the year ended December 31, 2011 or the nine months ended December 31, 2010.
- An additional discretionary contribution. No discretionary contribution was made for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009.

During the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, the Company's contribution totaled \$0, \$41,000 and \$213,000, respectively.

## Salary Continuation and Retirement Agreements

Salary continuation and retirement agreements are in place for three key executives and seven members of the Board of Directors. Under these agreements, the directors and executives will receive monthly payments for twelve to fifteen years, respectively, after retirement. The estimated present value of these future benefits is accrued over the period from the effective dates of the agreements until the participants' expected retirement dates. The expense recognized under these plans for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 totaled \$385,000, \$342,000 and \$330,000, respectively. Accrued compensation payable under these plans totaled \$3,784,000 and $\$ 3,613,000$ at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

In connection with these agreements, the Bank purchased single premium life insurance policies with cash surrender values totaling $\$ 10,815,000$ and $\$ 10,463,000$ at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Income earned on these policies, net of expenses, totaled $\$ 352,000$, $\$ 351,000$ and $\$ 346,000$ for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 

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## 18. COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

Comprehensive income (loss) is reported in addition to net income for all periods presented. Comprehensive income (loss) is a more inclusive financial reporting methodology that includes disclosure of other comprehensive income (loss) that historically has not been recognized in the calculation of net income. The unrealized gains and losses on the Company's available-for-sale investment securities are included in other comprehensive income (loss). Total comprehensive income (loss) and the components of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) are presented in the consolidated statement of changes in shareholders' equity.
At December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, the Company held securities classified as available-for-sale which had unrealized gains as follows:

For the Year Ended December 31, 2011 Total other comprehensive income:
Unrealized holding gains
Reclassification adjustment for gains included in net income
Total other comprehensive income

For the Year Ended December 31, 2010 Total other comprehensive loss:

Unrealized holding gains
Reclassification adjustment for gains included in net income Total other comprehensive loss

For the Year Ended December 31, 2009 Total other comprehensive income: Unrealized gains on securities transferred from held-to-maturity to available for-sale \$ Unrealized holding gains

Reclassification adjustment for gains included in net loss
Total other comprehensive income

Tax

|  | Before <br> Tax | Benefit (Expense) |  | After Tax |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$ | 1,023,000 | \$ | $(422,000)$ | \$ 601,000 |
|  | $(666,000)$ |  | 275,000 | $(391,000)$ |
| \$ | 357,000 | \$ | $(147,000)$ | \$ 210,000 |

Tax

| Before Tax |  | nefit ense) | After Tax |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$ 12,000 | \$ | $(5,000) \$$ | 7,000 |
| $(1,160,000)$ |  | 479,000 | $(681,000)$ |
| \$(1,148,000) | \$ | 474,000 $\$$ | (674,000) |

# PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY <br> NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 

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## 19. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

During 2003, the Company acquired certain assets and liabilities of five branches from another bank. Upon acquisition, premises and equipment were valued at fair value and a core deposit premium was recorded as an intangible asset. This core deposit premium is amortized using the straight-line method over ten years. Annually, the intangible asset is analyzed for impairment.

At December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, no impairment of the intangible asset has been recognized in the consolidated financial statements. Amortization expense totaled \$173,000 for each of the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009.

The gross carrying amount of intangible assets and accumulated amortization was:
December 31, 2011 December 31, 2010


The estimated remaining intangible amortization is as follows:

| Year Ending <br> December 31, |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | ---: |
| 2012 | $\$$ | 173,000 |
| 2013 |  | 129,000 |

# PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY <br> NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS <br> (Continued) 

## 20. PARENT ONLY CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET
December 31, 2011 and 2010


CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
For the Years Ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009


# PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY <br> NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 

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20. PARENT ONLY CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
For the Years Ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009

|  | 2011 | 2010 | 2009 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cash flows from operating activities: $\quad$ 2011 |  |  |  |
| Net income (loss) | \$ 941,000 | 971,000 | \$ $(9,146,000)$ |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities: |  |  |  |
| Undistributed (income) loss of subsidiary | $(1,244,000)$ | $(1,292,000)$ | 8,452,000 |
| Stock-based compensation expense | 2,000 | 10,000 | 47,000 |
| (Increase) decrease in other assets | $(15,000)$ | $(619,000)$ | 124,000 |
| Increase in other liabilities | 350,000 | $(4,000)$ | 115,000 |
| Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities | 34,000 | (934,000) | $(408,000)$ |
| Cash flows from investing activities: |  |  |  |
| Investment in bank subsidiary |  | $(2,000,000)$ | $(8,000,000)$ |
| Net cash used in investing activities |  | $(2,000,000)$ | (8,000,000) |
| Cash flows from financing activities: |  |  |  |
| Payment of cash dividends on preferred stock |  | $(150,000)$ | $(473,000)$ |
| Issuance of preferred stock, net of discount |  |  | 11,517,000 |
| Issuance of common stock warrant |  |  | 407,000 |
| Proceeds from the exercise of stock options |  |  | 5,000 |
| Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities |  | $(150,000)$ | 11,456,000 |
| Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 34,000 | $(3,084,000)$ | 3,048,000 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year | 626,000 | 3,710,000 | 662,000 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of year | \$ 660,000 | \$ 626,000 | \$ 3,710,000 |

## ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

None.

## ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

As of the end of the period covered by this report, we conducted an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). Based on this evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms. There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting during our most recently completed fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

## REPORT OF MANAGEMENT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

The management of Plumas Bancorp and subsidiary (the "Company"), is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Management, including the undersigned Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, assessed the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as of December 31, 2011. In conducting its assessment, management used the criteria established by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission in Internal Control - Integrated Framework. Based on this assessment, management concluded that, as of December 31, 2011, our internal control over financial reporting was effective based on those criteria.

This annual report does not include an attestation report of the Company's independent registered public accounting firm regarding internal control over financial reporting. Management's report was not subject to attestation by the Company's independent registered public accounting firm pursuant to the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission that permit the Company to provide only management's report in this annual report.
/s/ Andrew J. Ryback
Andrew J. Ryback
President and Chief Executive Officer
/s/ Richard L. Belstock
Richard L. Belstock
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated March 23, 2012

## ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

## PART III

## ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The information required by Item 10 can be found in Plumas Bancorp's Definitive Proxy Statement pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and is by this reference incorporated herein.

## ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information required by Item 11 can be found in Plumas Bancorp's Definitive Proxy Statement pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and is by this reference incorporated herein.

## ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

The information required by Item 12 can be found in Plumas Bancorp's Definitive Proxy Statement pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and is by this reference incorporated herein.

## ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

The information required by Item 13 can be found in Plumas Bancorp's Definitive Proxy Statement pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and is by this reference incorporated herein.

## ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES

The information required by Item 14 can be found in Plumas Bancorp's Definitive Proxy Statement pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and is by this reference incorporated herein.

## PART IV

## ITEM 15. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

## (a) Exhibits

The following documents are included or incorporated by reference in this Annual Report on Form 10K.
3.1 Articles of Incorporation as amended of Registrant included as exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Form S-4, File No. 333-84534, which is incorporated by reference herein.
3.2 Bylaws of Registrant as amended on March 16, 2011 included as exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Form 10-K for December 31, 2010, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
3.3 Amendment of the Articles of Incorporation of Registrant dated November 1, 2002, is included as exhibit 3.3 to the Registrant's 10-Q for September 30, 2005, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
3.4 Amendment of the Articles of Incorporation of Registrant dated August 17, 2005, is included as exhibit 3.4 to the Registrant's 10-Q for September 30, 2005, which is incorporated by this reference herein.

4 Specimen form of certificate for Plumas Bancorp included as exhibit 4 to the Registrant's Form S-4, File No. 333-84534, which is incorporated by reference herein.
4.1 Certificate of Determination of Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A, is included as exhibit 4.1 to Registrant's 8-K filed on January 30, 2009, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.1 Executive Salary Continuation Agreement of Andrew J. Ryback dated December 17, 2008, is included as exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's $10-\mathrm{K}$ for December 31, 2008, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.2 Split Dollar Agreement of Andrew J. Ryback dated August 23, 2005, is included as Exhibit 10.2 to the Registrant's 8-K filed on October 17, 2005, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.8 Director Retirement Agreement of John Flournoy dated March 21, 2007, is included as Exhibit 10.8 to Registrant's 10-Q for March 31, 2007, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.18 Amended and Restated Director Retirement Agreement of Daniel E. West dated May 10, 2000, is included as Exhibit 10.18 to the Registrant's 10-QSB for June 30, 2002, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.19 Consulting Agreement of Daniel E. West dated May 10, 2000, is included as Exhibit 10.19 to the Registrant's 10-QSB for June 30, 2002, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.21 Amended and Restated Director Retirement Agreement of Alvin G. Blickenstaff dated April 19, 2000, is included as Exhibit 10.21 to the Registrant's 10-QSB for June 30, 2002, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.22 Consulting Agreement of Alvin G. Blickenstaff dated May 8, 2000, is included as Exhibit 10.22 to the Registrant's $10-$ QSB for June 30, 2002, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.24 Amended and Restated Director Retirement Agreement of Gerald W. Fletcher dated May 10, 2000, is included as Exhibit 10.24 to the Registrant's 10-QSB for June 30, 2002, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.25 Consulting Agreement of Gerald W. Fletcher dated May 10, 2000, is included as Exhibit 10.25 to the Registrant's $10-$ QSB for June 30, 2002, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.27 Amended and Restated Director Retirement Agreement of Arthur C. Grohs dated May 9, 2000, is included as Exhibit 10.27 to the Registrant's 10-QSB for June 30, 2002, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.28 Consulting Agreement of Arthur C. Grohs dated May 9, 2000, is included as Exhibit 10.28 to the Registrant's 10-QSB for June 30, 2002, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.33 Amended and Restated Director Retirement Agreement of Terrance J. Reeson dated April 19, 2000, is included as Exhibit 10.33 to the Registrant's 10-QSB for June 30, 2002, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.34 Consulting Agreement of Terrance J. Reeson dated May 10, 2000, is included as Exhibit 10.34 to the Registrant's $10-$ QSB for June 30, 2002, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.35 Letter Agreement, dated January 30, 2009 by and between Plumas Bancorp, Inc. and the United States Department of the Treasury and Securities Purchase Agreement - Standard Terms attached thereto, is included as exhibit 10.1 to Registrant's 8-K filed on January 30, 2009, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.36 Form of Senior Executive Officer letter agreement, is included as exhibit 10.2 to Registrant's 8-K filed on January 30, 2009, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.37 Deferred Fee Agreement of Alvin Blickenstaff is included as Exhibit 10.37 to the Registrant's 10-Q for March 31, 2009, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.40 2001 Stock Option Plan as amended is included as exhibit 99.1 of the Form S-8 filed July 23, 2002, File No. 333-96957, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.41 Form of Indemnification Agreement (Plumas Bancorp) is included as Exhibit 10.41 to the Registrant's $10-\mathrm{Q}$ for March 31, 2009, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.42 Form of Indemnification Agreement (Plumas Bank) is included as Exhibit 10.42 to the Registrant's 10-Q for March 31, 2009, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.43 Plumas Bank 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan as amended is included as exhibit 99.1 of the Form S-8 filed February 14, 2003, File No. 333-103229, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.46 1991 Stock Option Plan as amended is included as Exhibit 10.46 to the Registrant's $10-\mathrm{Q}$ for

September 30, 2004, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.47 Specimen form of Incentive Stock Option Agreement under the 1991 Stock Option Plan is included as Exhibit 10.47 to the Registrant's 10-Q for September 30, 2004, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.48 Specimen form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement under the 1991 Stock Option Plan is included as Exhibit 10.48 to the Registrant's 10-Q for September 30, 2004, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.49 Amended and Restated Plumas Bancorp Stock Option Plan is included as Exhibit 10.49 to the Registrant's 10-Q for September 30, 2006, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.50 Executive Salary Continuation Agreement of Rose Dembosz, is included as exhibit 10.50 to the Registrant's 10-K for December 31, 2008, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.51 First Amendment to Split Dollar Agreement of Andrew J. Ryback, is included as exhibit 10.51 to the Registrant's $10-\mathrm{K}$ for December 31, 2008, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.64 First Amendment to the Plumas Bank Amended and Restated Director Retirement Agreement for Alvin Blickenstaff adopted on September 19, 2007, is included as Exhibit 10.64 to the Registrant's 8 -K filed on September 25, 2007, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.65 First Amendment to the Plumas Bank Amended and Restated Director Retirement Agreement for Arthur C. Grohs adopted on September 19, 2007, is included as Exhibit 10.65 to the Registrant's 8K filed on September 25, 2007, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.66 Director Retirement Agreement of Robert McClintock
10.67 First Amendment to the Plumas Bank Amended and Restated Director Retirement Agreement for Terrance J. Reeson adopted on September 19, 2007, is included as Exhibit 10.67 to the Registrant's 8-K filed on September 25, 2007, which is incorporated by this reference herein..
10.69 First Amendment to the Plumas Bank Amended and Restated Director Retirement Agreement for Daniel E. West adopted on September 19, 2007, is included as Exhibit 10.69 to the Registrant's 8-K filed on September 25, 2007, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.70 First Amendment to the Plumas Bank Amended and Restated Director Retirement Agreement for Gerald W. Fletcher adopted on October 9, 2007, is included as Exhibit 10.70 to the Registrant's 10Q for September 30, 2007, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.71 Consent Order issued by the FDIC and CDFI to Plumas Bank on March 18, 2011, is included as Exhibit 10.1 of the Registrant's 8-K filed on March 21, 2011, which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.72 Stipulation and Consent to the Issuance of Consent Order among Plumas Bank and the FDIC entered into on March 16, 2011, is included as Exhibit 10.2 of the Registrant's 8-K filed on March 21,2011 , which is incorporated by this reference herein.
10.73 Written Agreement with Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco effective July 28, 2011, is included as Exhibit 10.1 of the Registrant's $8-\mathrm{K}$ filed on July 29, 2011, which is incorporated by this reference herein.

11 Computation of per share earnings appears in the attached 10-K under Item 8 Financial Statements Plumas Bancorp and Subsidiary Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements as Footnote 13 Shareholders' Equity.
21.01 Plumas Bank - California.
21.02 Plumas Statutory Trust I - Connecticut.
21.03 Plumas Statutory Trust II - Connecticut.
23.01 Independent Registered Public Accountant's Consent for audit of year ended December 31, 2011 dated March 23, 2012
23.02 Independent Registered Public Accountant's Consent for audit of years ended December 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009 dated March 23, 2012
31.1 Rule 13a-14(a) [Section 302] Certification of Principal Financial Officer dated March 23, 2012
31.2 Rule 13a-14(a) [Section 302] Certification of Principal Executive Officer dated March 23, 2012
32.1 Certification of Principal Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, As Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 dated March 23, 2012.
32.2 Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, As Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 dated March 23, 2012.
99.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 111(b)(4) of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 dated March 23, 2012.
99.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 111(b)(4) of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 dated March 23, 2012.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

## PLUMAS BANCORP

(Registrant)
Date: March 23, 2012
/s/ ANDREW J. RYBACK
Andrew J. Ryback
President and Chief Executive Officer
/s/ RICHARD L. BELSTOCK
Richard L. Belstock
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the date indicated.

> /s/ DANIEL E. WEST

Daniel E. West, Director and Chairman of the Board
/s/ TERRANCE J. REESON

Terrance J. Reeson, Director and Vice Chairman of the Board
/s/ ALVIN G. BLICKENSTAFF

Alvin G. Blickenstaff, Director
/s/ W. E. ELLIOTT
William E. Elliott, Director
/s/ GERALD W. FLETCHER
Gerald W. Fletcher, Director
/s/ JOHN FLOURNOY

John Flournoy, Director
/s/ ARTHUR C. GROHS

Arthur C. Grohs, Director
/s/ ROBERT J. MCCLINTOCK

Dated: March 23, 2012

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## Corporate Information

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May 16, 2012 at 10:30 a.m.
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## SEC Reports \& Additional Information

Plumas Bancorp, upon request and without charge, will provide shareholders, security analysts and investors a copy of Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. To request a copy by mail, please contact our Administrative Offices. To view a pdf version online, please go to our website at www.plumasbank.com.

