

GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Richards James D.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC  
[GVA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
585 WEST BEACH STREET  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/13/2016

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

WATSONVILLE, CA 95076

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (A) or (D) Price   |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/13/2016                           |  | F                              | 508 <sup>(1)</sup> D \$ 43.09                                     | 14,995.89   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/14/2016                           |  | A                              | 6,312 <sup>(2)</sup> A \$ 35.19                                   | 21,307.89   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/14/2016                           |  | F                              | 410 <sup>(3)</sup> D \$ 43.12                                     | 21,006.89   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/14/2016                           |  | F                              | 481 <sup>(4)</sup> D \$ 43.12                                     | 20,525.89   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/14/2016                           |  | F                              | 210 <sup>(5)</sup> D \$ 43.12                                     | 20,315.89   | D  |                                   |

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|              |            |   |              |   |          |               |   |         |
|--------------|------------|---|--------------|---|----------|---------------|---|---------|
| Common Stock | 03/14/2016 | A | 3,479<br>(6) | A | \$ 43.12 | 23,794.89 (7) | D |         |
| Common Stock |            |   |              |   |          | 6,052.06 (8)  | I | by ESOP |

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

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

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

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                      | Relationships |           |                       |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer               | Other |
| Richards James D.<br>585 WEST BEACH STREET<br>WATSONVILLE, CA 95076 |               |           | Senior Vice President |       |

## Signatures

Nancy Valek-Corbett, attorney-in-fact for James D. Richards  
03/15/2016

Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Shares surrendered for taxes due to vesting on March 13, 2016 (initial grant date 3/13/15).
- (2)

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Stock units granted pursuant to the Granite Construction Incorporated 2012 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). The stock units vest 100% ten days after the date of grant.

- (3) Shares surrendered for taxes due to vesting on March 14, 2016 (initial grant date 3/14/14).
- (4) Shares surrendered for taxes due to vesting on March 14, 2016 (initial grant date 3/14/13).
- (5) Shares surrendered for taxes due to vesting on March 14, 2016 (initial grant date 3/14/13).
- (6) Stock units granted pursuant to the Granite Construction Incorporated 2012 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). The stock units vest in three equal annual installments on the first, second and third anniversaries of the Grant Date.
- (7) Total adjusted to include dividend equivalent units (109 DEUs) credited to the reporting person under the dividend reinvestment feature of the Plan since the Reporting Person's last report.
- (8) Adjusted to reflect dividends earned under the dividend reinvestment feature of the ESOP Plan since the Reporting Person's last report.

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