

TANNER ROLAND S
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 *
TANNER ROLAND S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AMERICAN STATES WATER CO
[AWR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
630 E FOOTHILL BLVD

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/15/2012

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
VICE PRESIDENT

SAN DIMAS, CA 91773

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price (A) or (D) | | |
| Common Shares | 06/01/2012 | | A | | 32.1037 (1) \$ 36.61 | D | |
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | | M | | 4,320 \$ 33.73 | D | |
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | | M | | 4,302 \$ 2,379 | D | |
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | | S | | 1,700 \$ 44.7 | D | |
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | | S | | 550 \$ 44.71 | D | |

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|---------------|------------|---|-----|---|----------|-------------|---|
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | S | 149 | D | \$ 44.72 | 23,521.3193 | D |
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | S | 300 | D | \$ 44.75 | 23,221.3193 | D |
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | S | 500 | D | \$ 44.78 | 22,721.3193 | D |
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | S | 300 | D | \$ 44.79 | 22,421.3193 | D |
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | S | 300 | D | \$ 44.8 | 22,121.3193 | D |
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | S | 900 | D | \$ 44.83 | 21,221.3193 | D |
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | S | 200 | D | \$ 44.84 | 21,021.3193 | D |
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | S | 300 | D | \$ 44.86 | 20,721.3193 | D |
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | S | 198 | D | \$ 44.88 | 20,523.3193 | D |
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | S | 100 | D | \$ 44.91 | 20,423.3193 | D |
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | S | 502 | D | \$ 44.92 | 19,921.3193 | D |
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | S | 100 | D | \$ 44.94 | 19,821.3193 | D |
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | S | 100 | D | \$ 44.96 | 19,721.3193 | D |
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | S | 300 | D | \$ 45.02 | 19,421.3193 | D |
| Common Shares | 08/15/2012 | S | 200 | D | \$ 45.06 | 19,221.3193 | D |

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 | 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 | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
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| Derivative Security | | | (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|---------------------------------------|----------|------------|--|---|------------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | | | | |
| Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 36.38 | 08/15/2012 | M | | 01/29/2007 | 01/29/2016 | Common Shares | 4,320 |
| Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 36.61 | 08/15/2012 | M | | 01/01/2008 | 01/01/2017 | Common Shares | 2,379 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| TANNER ROLAND S 630 E FOOTHILL BLVD SAN DIMAS, CA 91773 | | | VICE PRESIDENT | |

Signatures

/s/ Roland S. Tanner
08/16/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
 - ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) DER units credited on 6/1/2012 as dividend at FMV

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