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#### **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, 2018

or

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 75-2987096

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

35 S. Lindan Avenue, Quincy, CA 95971 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (530) 283-7305

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class: Name of Each Exchange on which Registered:
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Common Stock, no par value The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None.

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

Yes 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 No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(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.

Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted 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 such files). Yes

No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company or an emerging growth company. See definition of "large accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company" and "emerging growth company" in Rule12b-2 of the Exchange Act:

Large Accelerated Filer Accelerated Filer Non-Accelerated Filer Smaller Reporting Company Emerging Growth Company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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Yes No

As of June 30, 2018, the aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates of the Registrant was approximately \$130.6 million, based on the closing price reported to the Registrant on June 29, 2018 of \$28.20 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 4, 2019 was 5,150,876.

Documents Incorporated by Reference: Portions of the definitive proxy statement for the 2019 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 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These forward-looking statements, which involve Plumas Bancorp'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:

Local, regional, national and international economic conditions and the impact they may have on us and our customers, and our assessment of that impact on our estimates including, but not limited to, the allowance for loan losses.

The effects of and changes in trade, monetary and fiscal policies and laws, including the interest rate policies of the Federal Open Market Committee of the Federal Reserve Board.

The ability of Plumas Bank to declare and pay dividends to the Company.

Changes imposed by regulatory agencies to increase our capital to a level greater than the current level required for well-capitalized financial institutions (including the implementation of the Basel III standards), the failure to maintain capital above the level required to be well-capitalized under the regulatory capital adequacy guidelines, the availability of capital from private or government sources, or the failure to raise additional capital as needed.

The effect of changes in accounting policies and practices, as may be adopted by the regulatory agencies, as well as the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, the Financial Accounting Standards Board and other accounting standard setters.

The costs and effects of changes in laws and regulations and of other legal and regulatory developments, including, but not limited to, increases in FDIC insurance premiums, the resolution of legal proceedings or regulatory or other governmental inquiries, and the results of regulatory examinations, reviews or other inquires.

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.
Our success at managing the risks involved in the foregoing items.
Plumas Bancorp undertakes no obligation to revise or publicly release the results of any revision to these forward-looking statements.

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### **ITEM 1. BUSINESS**

References herein to the "Company," "we," "us" and "our" refer to Plumas Bancorp and its consolidated subsidiary, unless the context indicates otherwise. References to the "Bank" refer to Company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Plumas Bank. References to "Management" refer to the members of the Company's management and references to the "Board of Directors" or the "Board" refer to the Company's Board of Directors.

### General

**The Company**. Plumas Bancorp 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 for the purposes of become Plumas Bank's holding company and acquired all of the outstanding shares of 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 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 and the cost of servicing debt, will generally be paid from dividends paid to the Company by the Bank.

At December 31, 2018, the Company had consolidated assets of \$824.4 million, deposits of \$726.6 million, other liabilities of \$30.9 million and shareholders' equity of \$66.9 million. The Company's other liabilities include \$10.3 million in junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures and \$13.1 million in repurchase agreements. These items are described in detail later in this Form 10-K.

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's deposit accounts are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC") up to maximum insurable amounts. 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, 2018 the Bank had approximately \$824 million in assets, \$562 million in net loans and \$727 million in deposits (including deposits of \$0.5 million from the Company). It is currently the largest independent bank headquartered in Plumas County.

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 thirteen-branch network, serves Washoe and Carson City counties in Nevada and the seven contiguous California counties of Plumas, Nevada, Sierra, Placer, Lassen, Modoc and Shasta. The branches are located in the California communities of Quincy, Portola, Greenville, Truckee, Fall River Mills, Alturas, Susanville, Chester, Tahoe City, Kings Beach and Redding; in addition, during December 2015 the Bank opened a branch in Reno, Nevada and effective October 26, 2018 purchased a branch in Carson City, Nevada. The Bank maintains seventeen 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 and commercial/agricultural lending offices located in Chico, California, Red Bluff, California and Klamath Falls, Oregon. 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 government-guaranteed and agricultural loans as well as credit lines. We provide land development and construction loans on a limited basis.

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The Bank's government-guaranteed lending center headquartered in Auburn, California provides Small Business Administration (SBA) 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 2018 proceeds from the sale of government-guaranteed loans totaled \$41.7 million and we generated a gain on sale of \$1.9 million. During 2017 proceeds from the sale of government-guaranteed loans totaled \$36.6 million and we generated a gain on sale of \$2.0 million.

The Agricultural Credit Centers located in Alturas, Chico, Red Bluff and Susanville, California and Klamath Falls, Oregon 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, 2018, the principal areas to which we have directed our lending activities, and the percentage of our total loan portfolio comprised by each, were as follows: (i) commercial real estate -48.0%; (ii) consumer loans (including residential equity lines of credit and automobile loans) -21.1%; (iii) agricultural loans (including agricultural real estate loans) -12.2%; (iv); commercial and industrial loans -8.8%; (v) construction and land development -7.1%; and (vi) residential real estate -2.8%.

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 and premium interest-bearing checking, business sweep, public funds sweep, savings, time deposit and retirement accounts, as well as remote deposit, telephone and mobile banking, including mobile deposit, 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. As of December 31, 2018, the Bank had 33,058 deposit accounts with balances totaling approximately \$727 million, compared to 31,582 deposit accounts with balances totaling approximately \$663 million at December 31, 2017. We attract deposits through our customer-oriented product mix, competitive pricing, convenient locations, mobile and internet banking and remote deposit operations, 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 \$22 thousand at December 31, 2018. 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 and other customary banking services.

Through our offering of a Remote Deposit product our business 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.

The Bank has devoted a substantial amount of time and capital to the improvement of existing Bank services. We added mobile banking services during the first quarter of 2010. During 2015 we enhanced our mobile banking services and began offering mobile deposit services. During the first quarter of 2012 we replaced our ATMs with new state of the art machines that are ADA compliant and capable of accepting check and cash deposits without a deposit envelope. During 2015 we enhanced our mobile banking services and began offering mobile deposit services and in 2018 we began offering the ability for our customers to send money to others from their mobile devices through a linked debit card ("P2P" transfers).

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. We are not dependent on a single customer or group of related customers for a material portion of our deposits. The Company's management has established loan concentration guidelines as a percentage of capital and evaluates loan concentration levels within a single industry or group of related industries on quarterly basis, or more frequently as loan conditions change. There has been no material effect upon our capital expenditures, earnings, or competitive position as a result of federal, state, or local environmental regulation.

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**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 encourage job growth and support community economic development. Types of loans offered range from personal and commercial loans to real estate, construction, agricultural, automobile and government-guaranteed loans. Many banking decisions are made locally with the goal of maintaining customer satisfaction through the timely delivery of high quality products and services.

**Recent Expansion Activities.** On July 31, 2015 the Bank completed its acquisition of the Redding, California, branch of Rabobank N.A. The transaction included the acquisition of approximately \$10 million in deposits. The branch, located at 1335 Hilltop Dr. in Redding, now operates as a branch of the Bank. Following the acquisition, the Bank consolidated its preexisting branch Redding branch on Civic Center Drive branch into this location. The Civic Center Drive facility was sold to an unrelated third party in December 2015.

In December 2015 the Bank opened a full-service branch located at 5050 Meadowood Mall Circle, Reno, Nevada. This was the Bank's first branch location outside of California. On October 26, 2018 we acquired a branch located in Carson City, Nevada from Mutual of Omaha Bank. This transaction resulted in the acquisition of \$45.6 million in deposits and \$1.8 million in loans and the recording of \$1.1 million in intangible assets.

**Dividends.** It is the policy of the Company to periodically distribute excess retained earnings to the shareholders through the payment of cash dividends, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors. On October 20, 2016 the Company announced that its Board of Directors approved the reinstatement of a semi-annual cash dividend. The dividend in the amount of \$0.10 per share was paid on November 21, 2016 to shareholders of record at the close of business day on November 7, 2016. A semi-annual cash dividend totaling \$0.14 per share was paid on May 15, 2017 and November 15, 2017 and a semi-annual cash dividend totaling \$0.18 per share was paid on May 15, 2018 and November 15, 2018.

**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 Delaware 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 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.

The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Dodd-Frank Act") excludes trust preferred securities issued after May 19, 2010, from being included in Tier 1 capital, unless the issuing company is a bank holding company with less than \$500 million in total assets. Trust preferred securities issued prior to that date will continue to count as Tier 1 capital for bank holding companies with less than \$15 billion in total assets, such as the Company.

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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.

**Business Concentrations.** No individual or single group of related customer accounts is considered material in relation to the Bank's assets or deposits, or in relation to our overall business. However, at December 31, 2018 approximately 71% 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 and Carson City Counties 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, drought and floods in these regions in California and Nevada.

Competition. The banking business is highly competitive. 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, Internet-based lending platforms 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 towns in which the Bank has a branch, excluding Carson City, there are 106 banking branch offices of competing institutions (excluding credit unions, but including savings banks), including 69 branches of 11 banks

having assets more than \$10 billion. As of June 30, 2018, the FDIC estimated the Bank's market share of insured deposits within the communities it serves to be as follows: Greenville and Portola 100%, Quincy 86%, Chester 66%, Alturas 59%, Fall River Mills 36%, Kings Beach 32%, Susanville 43%, Truckee 14%, Tahoe City 22%, Redding 1% and Reno less than 1%.

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 home computer, mobile, remote deposit, telephone, ATMs, mail, full-service 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, mobile deposit 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.

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**Employees.** At December 31, 2018, the Company and its subsidiary employed 174 persons. On a full-time equivalent basis, we employed 155 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 the Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer) and financial personnel, known as the Corporate Governance Code of Ethics. This Code of Ethics is available on the Company'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. As banking institution, we are extensively regulated under federal and state law. These laws and regulations are generally intended to protect depositors and customers, not our 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. Our operations may be affected by legislative changes and by the policies of various regulatory authorities. Any change in applicable laws or regulations may have a material effect on our business and prospects. 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.

Holding Company Regulation. We are a registered bank holding company under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended, and are subject to the supervision of, and regulation by, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the "FRB"). We are required to file reports with the FRB and the FRB periodically examines the Company. A bank holding company is required 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. FRB regulations require the Company to meet or exceed certain capital requirements and regulate provisions of certain bank holding company debt. The Company is also a bank holding company within the meaning of Section 3700 of the California Financial Code. Therefore, the Company and any of its subsidiaries are subject to supervision and examination by, and may be required to file reports with, the California Department of Business Oversight ("DBO").

The activities of bank holding companies are generally limited to the business of banking, managing or controlling banks, and other activities that the FRB has determined to be so closely related to banking or managing or controlling banks as to be a proper incident thereto. Bank holding companies that qualify and register as "financial holding companies" are also able to engage in certain additional financial activities, such as merchant banking and securities and insurance underwriting, subject to limitations set forth in federal law. The Company has not elected to become a financial holding company. As a bank holding company, the Company must to obtain prior approval of the FRB before taking any action that causes a bank to become a controlled subsidiary of the bank holding company; acquiring direct or indirect ownership 5% of the outstanding shares of any class of voting securities another bank or bank

holding company, acquiring all or substantially all the assets of a bank or merging or consolidating with another bank holding company.

**Federal and State Bank Regulation.** As a California-chartered commercial bank with deposits insured by the FDIC, the Bank is subject to the supervision and regulation of the DBO and the FDIC, as well as certain of the regulations of the FRB and the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau ("CFPB"). The DBO and the FDIC regularly examine the Bank and may prohibit the Bank from engaging in what they believe constitute unsafe or unsound banking practices or violations of law.

**Securities Regulation.** 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, we are subject to NASDAQ rules for listed companies.

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.

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A banking organization's risk-based capital ratios are obtained by dividing its qualifying capital by its total risk-adjusted 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.

In July, 2013, the federal bank regulatory agencies approved the final rules implementing the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision's capital guidelines for U.S. banks, sometimes called "Basel III". The phase-in period for the final rules began in 2015, with certain of the rules' requirements phased in over a multi-year schedule. Under the final rules minimum requirements increased for both the quantity and quality of capital held by the Company and the Bank. The new capital rules include a new minimum "common equity Tier 1" ratio of 4.5%, a Tier 1 capital ratio of 6.0% (increased from 4.0%), a total risk-based capital ratio of 8.0%, and a minimum leverage ratio of 4.0% (calculated as Tier 1 capital to average consolidated assets). The effective date of these requirements was January 1, 2015. In addition, the new capital rules include a capital conservation buffer of 2.5% above each of these levels (to be phased in over three years which beginning at 0.625% on January 1, 2016 and increasing by that amount on each subsequent January 1, until reaching 2.5% on January 1, 2019) will be required for banking institutions to avoid restrictions on their ability to pay dividends, repurchase stock or pay discretionary bonuses. When fully phased in and including the capital conservation buffer of 2.5%, the new capital rules would result in the following minimum ratios for the Bank to be considered well capitalized: (i) a Tier 1 capital ratio of 8.5%, (ii) a common equity Tier 1 capital ratio of 7.0%, and (iii) a total capital ratio of 10.5%. The new capital rules also implement strict eligibility criteria for regulatory capital instruments.

Under the new capital rules, the minimum capital ratios as of January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018 (including the capital conservation buffer as then phased in) were as follows: a common equity Tier 1 capital ratio of 6.375%; a Tier 1 capital ratio of 7.875%; a total capital risk-based capital ratio of 9.875% and a minimum leverage ratio of 4.0%.

A bank that does not achieve and maintain the required capital levels may be issued a capital directive by the FDIC and/or the DBO to ensure the maintenance of required capital levels. Federal law requires, among other things, that federal bank regulators take "prompt corrective action" with respect to depository institutions that do not meet minimum capital requirements. For this purpose, the law establishes five capital categories: well capitalized, adequately capitalized, undercapitalized, significantly undercapitalized and critically undercapitalized. At each successive lower capital category, an insured depository institution is subject to more restrictions and prohibitions, including restrictions on growth, restrictions on interest rates paid on deposits, restrictions or prohibitions on payment of dividends, and restrictions on the acceptance of brokered deposits. Furthermore, if an insured depository institution is classified in one of the undercapitalized categories, it is required to submit a capital restoration plan to the appropriate federal banking agency, and the holding company and any other company deemed to control the bank must guarantee the performance of that plan. Under current regulations, a depository institution is deemed to be "well capitalized" if it has a total risk-based capital ratio of 10.0% or greater, a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio of 8.0% or greater, a leverage ratio of 5.0% or greater and a common equity Tier 1 ratio of 6.5% or greater. At December 31, 2018, the Bank's capital

ratios exceed the thresholds necessary to be considered "well capitalized."

Under the FRB's Small Bank Holding Company Policy Statement (Regulation Y, Appendix C) (the "Policy Statement"), certain bank holding companies with less than \$1 billion in consolidated assets are exempt from the consolidated capital rules. The Company qualifies for treatment under the Policy Statement and is not currently subject to consolidated capital rules at the bank holding company level. On May 24, 2018, the Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief and Consumer Protection Act (the "Relief Act") was signed into law. The Relief Act included a provision to increase the threshold for qualifying for the Policy Statement from \$1 billion to \$3 billion in total assets.

The new capital rules continue to apply to the Bank. Consistent with the Relief Act, however, the federal banking agencies have proposed a new community bank leverage ratio that is intended to simply the regulatory capital requirements for qualifying community banking organizations. Under the proposal, a qualifying banking organization that so elects would be deemed to have met the well-capital capitalized ratio requirements under the prompt corrective action framework and would be exempt from the generally applicable new capital rules if it maintains a new "community bank leverage ratio" in excess of 9%. The proposed community bank leverage ratio would be equal to tangible equity (as defined the proposal) divided by average total consolidated assets. To qualify, a banking organization would have to have less than \$10 billion in assets and limited off balance sheet exposures and other assets. We cannot predict whether or when this proposal will be adopted.

For additional information, see "Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Capital Standards."

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**Dividends.** The Company's ability to pay cash dividends is dependent on dividends paid to it by the Bank and limited by California 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 permits a California corporation such as the Company to make a distribution to its shareholders if its retained earnings equal at least the amount of the proposed distribution or if after giving effect to the distribution, the value of the corporation's assets exceed the amount of its liabilities plus the amount of shareholders preferences, if any, and certain other conditions are met.

It is the Federal Reserve's policy that bank holding companies should generally pay dividends on common stock only out of income available over the past year, and only if prospective earnings support the organization's expected future needs and financial condition. Further, it is the FRB's policy that bank holding companies should not maintain dividend levels that undermine their ability to be a source of strength to its banking subsidiaries. The Federal Reserve also discourages dividend payment ratios that are at maximum allowable levels unless both asset quality and capital are very strong.

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 Company's business trust subsidiaries.

The Bank is a legal entity that is separate and distinct from its holding company. The Company is dependent on the performance of the Bank for funds which may be received as dividends from the Bank for use in the operation of the Company and the ability of the Company to pay dividends to shareholders. Future cash dividends by the Bank will also depend upon management's assessment of future capital requirements, contractual restrictions, and other factors.

The California Financial Code restricts the dividends that the Bank may pay to the Company 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 DBO, 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, 2018, the maximum amount available for dividend distribution under this restriction was approximately \$21.4 million. In addition, the Bank is subject to the new capital rules and the capital conservation buffer discussed above.

**Loans-to-One Borrower.** Under California law, the Bank's ability to make aggregate secured and unsecured loans-to-one-borrower is limited to 25% and 15%, respectively, of unimpaired capital and surplus. At December 31, 2018, the Bank's limit on aggregate secured loans-to-one-borrower was \$20.8 million and unsecured loans-to-one borrower was \$12.5 million. The Bank has established internal loan limits that are lower than the legal lending limits for a California bank.

The Community Reinvestment Act. The Community Reinvestment Act ("CRA") requires that, in connection with examinations of financial institutions within its jurisdiction, the federal banking regulators 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 likely 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 report of examination the Bank's CRA rating was "Satisfactory."

**Transactions with Affiliates.** Banks are also subject to certain restrictions imposed by the Federal Reserve Act on extensions of credit to executive officers, directors, principal shareholders (including the Company) 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 the FRB's 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.

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**Safety and Soundness Standards**. The FRB 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.

**Federal Deposit Insurance**. In addition to supervising and regulating state-chartered non-member banks, the FDIC insures the Bank's deposits, up to prescribed statutory limits, through the Deposit Insurance Fund (the "DIF"), currently \$250,000 per depositor per institution. The DIF is funded primarily by FDIC assessments paid by each DIF member institution. The amount of FDIC assessments paid by each DIF member institution is based on its relative risk of default as measured by regulatory capital ratios and other supervisory factors. The Bank's FDIC insurance expense totaled \$216 thousand for 2018.

Additionally, all FDIC-insured institutions are required to pay assessments to the FDIC to fund interest payments on bonds issued by the Financing Corporation ("FICO"), an agency of the Federal government established to recapitalize the predecessor to the DIF. The Bank's FICO assessments totaled \$21 thousand for 2018. These assessments will continue until the FICO bonds mature in 2019.

The FDIC may terminate a depository institution's deposit insurance upon a finding that the institution's financial condition is unsafe or unsound or that the institution has engaged in unsafe or unsound practices that pose a risk to the DIF or that may prejudice the interest of the bank's depositors. Under California law, the termination of the Bank's deposit insurance would result in a termination of the Bank's charter.

**Interstate Branching.** The Dodd-Frank Act authorized national and state banks to establish branches in other states to the same extent as a bank chartered by that state would be permitted to branch. Previously, banks could only establish branches in other states if the host state expressly permitted out-of-state banks to establish branches in that state. Accordingly, banks may now enter new markets more freely.

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, including but not limited to the following:

The Equal Credit Opportunity Act 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 ("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. As a result of the Dodd-Frank Act, Regulation Z promulgated under the TILA includes new limits on loan originator compensation for all closed-end mortgages. These changes include, prohibiting certain payments to a mortgage broker or loan officer based on the transaction's terms or conditions, prohibiting dual compensation, and prohibiting a mortgage broker or loan officer compensation.

The Fair Housing Act ("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.

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The Home Mortgage Disclosure Act ("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 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.

The Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act ("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 expectations related to compliance generally, the Company may incur additional compliance costs.

The Dodd-Frank Act created the CFPB as a new, independent federal agency. The CFPB has broad rulemaking, supervisory and enforcement powers under various federal consumer financial protection laws. The CFPB has examination and primary enforcement authority with respect to depository institutions with \$10 billion or more in assets. Smaller institutions, including the Bank, are generally subject to rules promulgated by the CFPB but will continue to be examined and supervised by federal banking regulators for consumer compliance purposes.

Anti-Money Laundering Laws. A series of banking laws and regulations beginning with the Bank Secrecy Act in 1970 requires banks to prevent, detect, and report illicit or illegal financial activities to the federal government to prevent money laundering, international drug trafficking, and terrorism. Under the US PATRIOT Act of 2001, financial institutions are subject to prohibitions against specified financial transactions and account relationships, requirements regarding the Customer Identification Program, as well as enhanced due diligence and "know your customer" standards in their dealings with high risk customers, foreign financial institutions, and foreign individuals and entities.

**Privacy and Data Security.** The Gramm-Leach Bliley Act ("GLBA") of 1999 imposes requirements on financial institutions with respect to consumer privacy. The GLBA generally prohibits disclosure of consumer information to non-affiliated third parties unless the consumer has been given the opportunity to object and has not objected to such disclosure. Financial institutions are further required to disclose their privacy policies to consumers annually. The GLBA also directs federal regulators, including the FDIC, to prescribe standards for the security of consumer information. The Bank is subject to such standards, as well as standards for notifying consumers in the event of a

security breach. The Bank is required to have an information security program to safeguard the confidentiality and security of customer information and to ensure proper disposal of information that is no longer needed. Customers must be notified when unauthorized disclosure involves sensitive customer information that may be misused.

Potential Enforcement Actions; Supervisory Agreements. Under federal law, the Company, the Bank and their institution-affiliated parties may be the subject of potential enforcement actions by the FRB (in the case of the Company) or the FDIC (in the case of the Bank) for unsafe and unsound practices in conducting their businesses, or for violations of any law, rule or regulation or provision, any consent order with any agency, any condition imposed in writing by the agency or any written agreement with the agency. Enforcement actions may include the imposition of a conservator or receiver, cease-and-desist orders and written agreements, the termination of insurance of deposits, the imposition of civil money penalties, the payment of restitution and removal and prohibition orders against institution-affiliated parties. The DBO also has authority to bring similar enforcement actions against the Bank.

Legislation and Proposed Changes. From time to time, legislation is enacted which has the effect of increasing the cost of doing business, limiting or expanding permissible activities or affecting the competitive balance between banks and other financial institutions. Proposals to change the laws and regulations governing the operations and taxation of banks, bank holding companies and other financial institutions are frequently made in Congress, in the California legislature and before various bank regulatory agencies. Typically, the intent of this type of legislation is to strengthen the banking industry, even if it may on occasion prove to be a burden on management's plans. No prediction can be made as to the likelihood of any major changes or the impact that new laws or regulations might have on us.

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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 FRB. The FRB 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 FRB, 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 Company's profitability, like most financial institutions, is primarily dependent on interest rate spreads. In general, the difference between the interest rates paid by the Bank on interest-bearing liabilities, such as deposits and other borrowings, and the interest rates received by the Bank on interest-earning assets, such as loans extended to customers and securities held in the investment portfolio, will comprise the major portion of the Company's earnings. These rates are highly sensitive to many factors that are beyond our control, such as inflation, recession and unemployment, the monetary and fiscal policies of the federal government and the policies of regulatory agencies, particularly the FRB and the impact which future changes in domestic and foreign economic conditions might have on us cannot be predicted. The nature and impact of future changes in monetary policies and their impact on us cannot be predicted with certainty.

### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

See Note 2 – "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

A deterioration of national or local economic conditions could reduce the Company's profitability.

The Company's lending operations and its customers are primarily located in the eastern region of Northern California. A significant downturn in the national economy or the local economy due to agricultural commodity prices, real estate prices, public policy decisions, natural disaster, drought or other factors could result in a decline in the local economy in general, which could in turn negatively impact the Company's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

The majority of the Company's assets are loans, which if not repaid would result in losses to the Bank.

The Bank, like other lenders, is subject to credit risk, which is the risk of losing principal or interest due to borrowers' failure to repay loans in accordance with their terms. Underwriting and documentation controls cannot mitigate all credit risk. Accordingly, the Company's results of operations will be directly affected by the volume and timing of loan losses, which for a number of reasons can vary from period to period. The risks of loan losses may be exacerbated by a downturn in the economy or the real estate market in the Company's market areas or a rapid increase in interest rates, which could have a negative effect on collateral values and borrowers' ability to repay. To the extent loans are not paid timely by borrowers, the loans are placed on non-accrual status, thereby reducing interest income. Further, under these circumstances, an additional provision for loan and lease losses or unfunded commitments may be required, which could negatively impact the Company's income and capital. See Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – "Analysis of Asset Quality and Allowance for Loan Losses".

If the Company's allowance for loan losses is not sufficient to absorb actual loan losses, the Company's profitability could be reduced.

The risk of loan losses is inherent in the lending business. The Company maintains an allowance for loan losses based upon the Company's actual losses over a relevant time period and management's assessment of all relevant qualitative factors that may cause future loss experience to differ from its historical loss experience. Although the Company maintains a rigorous process for determining the allowance for loan losses, it can give no assurance that it will be sufficient to cover future loan losses. If the allowance for loan losses is not adequate to absorb future losses, or if bank regulatory agencies require the Company to increase its allowance for loan losses, earnings could be significantly and adversely impacted.

A deterioration in the real estate market could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations.

As of December 31, 2018, approximately 71% of the Company's total loan portfolio is secured by real estate, the majority of which is commercial real estate. Increases in commercial and consumer delinquency levels or declines in real estate market values would require increased net charge-offs and increases in the allowance for loan losses, which could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations and prospects.

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The FASB has recently issued an accounting standard update that will result in a significant change in how we recognize credit losses and may have a material impact on our results of operations, financial condition or liquidity.

In June 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued ASU 2016-13, Financial Instruments - Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments. ASU 2016-13 requires banking organizations to determine the adequacy of their allowance for loan losses with an expected loss model, which is referred to as the current expected credit loss ("CECL") model. Under the CECL model, banking organizations will be required to present certain financial assets carried at amortized cost, such as loans held for investment and held-to-maturity debt securities, at the net amount expected to be collected. The measurement of expected credit losses is to be based on information about past events, including historical experience, current conditions, and reasonable and supportable forecasts that affect the collectability of the reported amount. This measurement will take place at the time the financial asset is first added to the balance sheet and periodically thereafter. This differs significantly from the "incurred loss" model required under current GAAP, which delays recognition until it is probable a loss has been incurred. ASU 2016-13 is expected to be effective for public business entities for fiscal years after December 15, 2019. CECL will change the manner in which the Company determines the adequacy of its allowance for loan losses. The Company is evaluating the impact the CECL model will have on its accounting, but the Company may recognize a one-time cumulative-effect adjustment to the allowance for loan losses as of the beginning of the first reporting period in which the new standard is effective. The Company cannot yet determine the magnitude of any such one-time cumulative adjustment or of the overall impact of the new standard on its financial condition or results of operations. The federal banking regulators have adopted a rule that gives a banking organization the option to phase in over a three-year period the day-one adverse effects of CECL on its regulatory capital.

### Fluctuations in interest rates could reduce profitability.

The Company's earnings depend largely upon net interest income, which is the difference between the total interest income earned on interest earning assets (primarily loans and investment securities) and the total interest expense incurred on interest bearing liabilities (primarily deposits and borrowed funds). The interest earned on assets and paid on liabilities are affected principally by direct competition, and general economic conditions at the state and national level and other factors beyond the Company's control such as actions of the FRB, the general supply of money in the economy, legislative tax policies, governmental budgetary matters, and other state and federal economic policies. Although the Company maintains a rigorous process for managing the impact of possible interest rate fluctuations on earnings, the Company can provide no assurance that its management efforts will prevent earnings from being significantly and adversely impacted by changes in interest rates.

The Company could be required to raise additional capital in the future, but that capital may not be available when it is needed or may not be available on terms that are favorable to the Company.

Federal and state bank regulatory authorities require the Company and the Bank to maintain adequate levels of capital to support their operations. The Company's ability to raise additional capital if and as needed depends on conditions in the capital markets, which are outside the Company's control, and on the Company's financial performance. Accordingly, the Company may not be able to raise additional capital, if needed, on terms that are acceptable to the Company. If the Company is unable to raise additional capital when needed, it could be required to curtail its growth strategy or reduce the levels of assets owned. In addition, although the Company and the Bank are currently well-capitalized under applicable regulatory frameworks, bank regulators are authorized and sometimes required to impose a wide range of requirements, conditions, and restrictions on banks and bank holding companies that fail to maintain adequate capital levels.

### Drought conditions in California could have an adverse impact on the Company's business.

In recent years, California has experienced a severe drought. However, during 2016 and the first quarter of 2017 much of California has experienced significant rain. A significant portion of the Company's borrowers are involved in or are dependent on the agricultural industry in California, which requires water. As of December 31, 2018, approximately 12% of the Company's loans were categorized as agricultural loans. As a result of the drought, there have been governmental proposals concerning the distribution or rationing of water. If the amount of water available to agriculture becomes scarcer due to drought or rationing, growers may not be able to continue to produce agricultural products profitably, which could force some out of business. Although many of the Company's customers are not directly involved in agriculture, they could be impacted by difficulties in the agricultural industry because many jobs and businesses in the Company's market areas are related to the production of agricultural products. Therefore, the drought could adversely impact the Company's loan portfolio, business, financial condition and results of operations.

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The Company faces substantial competition from larger banks and other financial institutions.

The Company faces substantial competition for deposits and loans. Competition for deposits primarily comes from other commercial banks, savings institutions, thrift and loan associations, money market and mutual funds and other investment alternatives. Competition for loans comes from other commercial banks, savings institutions, credit unions, mortgage banking firms, thrift and loan associations and other financial intermediaries. Larger competitors, by virtue of their larger capital resources, have substantially greater lending limits and marketing resources than the Company. In addition, they have greater resources and may be able to offer longer maturities or lower rates. The Company's competitors may also provide certain services for their customers, including trust and international banking that the Company is only able to offer indirectly through correspondent relationships. Ultimately, competition can reduce the Company's profitability, as well as make it more difficult to increase the size of its loan portfolio and deposit base.

### There are risks associated with the Company's growth strategy.

During the past three years, the Company has completed the purchase and assumption of a branch office in Redding, California, completed the purchase and assumption of a branch office in Carson City, Nevada, opened a branch office in Reno, Nevada and established loan production offices in Red Bluff, California and Klamath Falls, Oregon. The Company may engage in additional acquisition activity and open additional offices in the future to expand the Company's markets or further its growth strategy. Acquiring other banks or branches involves various other risks commonly associated with acquisitions, including, difficulty in estimating the value of the business to be acquired, integrating the operations and retaining key employees and customers. There is no assurance that future acquisitions or offices will be successful. Further, growth may strain the Company's administrative, managerial, financial and operational resources and increase demands on its systems and controls. If the Company pursues its growth strategy too aggressively, fails to attract qualified personnel, control costs or maintain asset quality, or if factors beyond management's control divert attention away from its business operations, the Company's pursuit of its growth strategy could have a material adverse impact on its existing business .

The Company relies on key executives and personnel and the loss of any of them could have a material adverse impact on the Company's prospects.

Competition for qualified employees and personnel in the banking industry is intense and there are a limited number of qualified persons with knowledge of, and experience in, the California community banking industry. The process of recruiting personnel with the combination of skills and attributes required to carry out the Company's strategies is often lengthy. The Company's success depends to a significant degree upon its ability to attract and retain qualified management, loan origination, finance, administrative, marketing, compliance and technical personnel and upon the continued contributions of its management and personnel. In particular, the Company's success has been and continues to be highly dependent upon the abilities of key executives and certain other employees.

Security breaches and technological disruptions could damage the Company's reputation and profitability. The Company's business is highly reliant on third party vendors and its ability to manage the operational risks associated with outsourcing those services.

The Company's electronic banking activities expose it to possible liability and harm to its reputation should an unauthorized party gain access to confidential customer information. Despite its considerable efforts and investment to provide the security and authentication necessary to effect secure transmission of data, the Company cannot fully guarantee that these precautions will protect its systems from future compromises or breaches of its security measures. Although the Company has developed systems and processes that are designed to recognize and assist in preventing security breaches (and periodically test its security), failure to protect against or mitigate breaches of security could adversely affect its ability to offer and grow its online services, constitute a breach of privacy or other laws, result in costly litigation and loss of customer relationships, negatively impact the Bank's reputation, and could have an adverse effect on its business, results of operations and financial condition. The Company may also incur substantial increases in costs in an effort to minimize or mitigate cyber security risks and to respond to cyber incidents.

The potential for operational risk exposure exists throughout the Company's business. Integral to the Company's performance is the continued efficacy of the Company's technology and information systems, operational infrastructure and relationships with third parties and its colleagues in its day-to-day and ongoing operations. Failure by any or all of these resources subjects us to risks that may vary in size, scale and scope. This includes, but is not limited to, operational or systems failures, disruption of client operations and activities, ineffectiveness or exposure due to interruption in third party support as expected, as well as, the loss of key colleagues or failure on the part of key colleagues to perform properly.

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Additionally, the Company outsources a large portion of its data processing to third parties which may encounter technological or other difficulties that may significantly affect the Company's ability to process and account for customer transactions. These vendors provide services that support its operations, including the storage and processing of sensitive consumer and business customer data, as well as its sales efforts. A cyber security breach of a vendor's system may result in theft of the Company's data or disruption of business processes. In most cases, the Company will remain primarily liable to its customers for losses arising from a breach of a vendor's data security system. The Company relies on its outsourced service providers to implement and maintain prudent cyber security controls. The loss of these vendor relationships could disrupt the services the Company provides to its customers and cause us to incur significant expense in connection with replacing these services.

The Company may face regulatory enforcement actions, incur fines, penalties and other negative consequences from regulatory violations, possibly even inadvertent or unintentional violations.

The Company is subject to significant federal and state regulation and supervision. In the past, the Company's business has been increasingly affected by these regulations, and this trend is likely to continue into the future. Many of these laws are subject to interpretation and changing regulatory approaches to supervision and enforcement. The Company maintains systems and procedures designed to ensure that it complies with applicable laws and regulations, but there can be no assurance that these will be effective. The Company may face regulatory enforcement actions and incur fines, penalties and other negative consequences from regulatory violations. The Company may also suffer other negative consequences resulting from findings of noncompliance with laws and regulations, that may also damage its reputation, and this in turn might materially affect its business and results of operations. Further, some legal/regulatory frameworks provide for the imposition of fines, restitution or penalties for noncompliance even though the noncompliance was inadvertent or unintentional and even though there were in place at the time systems and procedures designed to ensure compliance.

The Company's disclosure controls and procedures may not prevent or detect all errors or acts of fraud.

The Company's disclosure controls and procedures are designed to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by us in reports it files under the Exchange Act is accurately accumulated and communicated to management, and recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms. The Company believes that any disclosure controls and procedures or internal controls and procedures, no matter how well conceived and operated, cannot provide absolute assurance that the objectives of the control system are met.

These inherent limitations include the realities that judgments in decision making can be faulty, that alternative reasoned judgments can be drawn, or that breakdowns can occur because of a simple error or mistake. Additionally, controls can be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people or by an unauthorized override of the controls. Accordingly, because of the inherent limitations in its control system,

misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected, which could result in a material weakness in its internal controls over financial reporting and the restatement of previously filed financial statements.

The price of the Company's common stock may be volatile or may decline.

The trading price of the Company's common stock may fluctuate as a result of a number of factors, many of which are outside its control. Among the factors that could affect the Company's stock price are:

	actual or anticipated quarterly fluctuations in the Company's operating results and financial
•	condition;

research reports and recommendations by financial analysts;

failure to meet analysts' revenue or earnings estimates;

speculation in the press or investment community;

actions by the Company or its competitors, such as acquisitions or restructurings;

actions by institutional shareholders;

fluctuations in the stock prices and operating results of its competitors;

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general market conditions and, in particular, developments related to market conditions for the financial services industry;

proposed or adopted regulatory changes or developments;

anticipated or pending investigations, proceedings or litigation that involve or affect us;

domestic and international economic factors unrelated to its performance.

Significant decline in the Company's stock price could result in substantial losses for individual shareholders and could lead to costly and disruptive securities litigation.

The trading volume of the Company's common stock is limited.

Although the Company's common stock is traded on the Nasdaq Stock Market, trading volume to date has been relatively modest. The limited trading market for the Company's common stock may lead to exaggerated fluctuations in market prices and possible market inefficiencies compared to more actively traded securities. It may also make it more difficult for investors to sell the Company's common stock at desired prices, especially for holders seeking to dispose of a large number of shares of stock.

The Company depends primarily on the operations of the Bank to pay dividends, repurchase shares, repay its indebtedness and fund its operations. The Bank's ability to pay dividends to the Company depends on the success of the Bank's operations.

The Company is a separate and distinct legal entity from its subsidiary, the Bank, and it receives substantially all of its revenue from dividends paid by the Bank. There are legal limitations on the extent to which the Bank may extend credit, pay dividends or otherwise supply funds to, or engage in transactions with, the Company. The Company's inability to receive dividends from the Bank could adversely affect its business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. Even if applicable laws and regulations would permit the Bank to pay dividends to Company and would permit the Company to pay dividends to its shareholders, the Board of Directors could determine that it is not in the best interest of the Company's shareholders to do so in order to preserve or redeploy our capital resources, for example. For these reasons, the amount and frequency of dividends that the Company pays to shareholders may vary from time to time.

Reduction in the value, or impairment of our investment securities, can impact our earnings and common shareholders' equity.

Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") require the Company to carry its available-for-sale investment securities at fair value on its balance sheet. Unrealized gains or losses on these securities, reflecting the difference between the fair market value and the amortized cost, net of its tax effect, are reported as a component of shareholders' equity. In certain instances, GAAP requires recognition through earnings of declines in the fair value of securities that are deemed to be other than temporarily impaired. Changes in the fair value of these securities may result from a number of circumstances that are beyond the Company's control, such as changes in interest rates, the financial condition of government sponsored enterprises or insurers of municipal bonds, changes in demand for these securities as a result of economic conditions, or reduced market liquidity. There can be no assurance that the declines in market value will not result in other than temporary impairments of these assets, which would lead to loss recognition that could have a material adverse effect on the Company's net income and capital levels.

Damage to the Company's reputation could significantly harm the Company's business and prospects.

The Company's reputation is an important asset. The Company's relationship with many of its customers is predicated upon its reputation as a high-quality provider of financial services that adheres to the highest standards of ethics, service quality and regulatory compliance. The Company's ability to attract and retain customers, investors and employees depends upon external perceptions. Damage to its reputation among existing and potential customers, investors and employees could cause significant harm to the Company's business and prospects and may arise from numerous sources, including litigation or regulatory actions, failing to deliver minimum standards of service and quality, lending practices, inadequate protection of customer information, sales and marketing efforts, compliance failures, unethical behavior and the misconduct of employees. Adverse developments in the banking industry may also, by association, negatively impact the Company's reputation or result in greater regulatory or legislative scrutiny or litigation against us. The Company has policies and procedures in place that seek to protect its reputation and promote ethical conduct, but these policies and procedures may not be fully effective. Negative publicity regarding the Company's business, employees, or customers, with or without merit, may result in the loss of customers, investors, and employees, costly litigation, a decline in revenues and increased governmental regulation.

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The markets in which the Company operates are subject to the risk of earthquakes and other natural disasters.

Most of the Company's offices are located in California. Also, most of the real and personal properties securing the Company's loans are located in California. California is prone to earthquakes, brush fires, flooding and other natural disasters. In addition to possibly sustaining damage to its own properties, if there is a major earthquake, brush fires, flood or other natural disaster, the Company faces the risk that many of the Company's borrowers may experience uninsured property losses, or sustained job interruption and/or loss which may materially impair their ability to meet the terms of their loan obligations. Therefore, a major earthquake, brush fire, flood or other natural disaster in California could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

The Company is exposed to risk of environmental liabilities with respect to real properties that is may acquire.

If the Company's borrowers are unable to meet their loan repayment obligations, it will initiate foreclosure proceedings with respect to and may take actions to acquire title to the personal and real property that collateralized their loans. As an owner of such properties, the Company could become subject to environmental liabilities and incur substantial costs for any property damage, personal injury, investigation and clean-up that may be required due to any environmental contamination that may be found to exist at any of those properties, even though it did not engage in the activities that led to such contamination. In addition, if the Company were the owner or former owner of a contaminated site, it could be subject to common law claims by third parties seeking damages for environmental contamination emanating from the site. If the Company were to become subject to significant environmental liabilities or costs, its business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects could be adversely affected.

### ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

Not applicable.			
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#### **ITEM 2. PROPERTIES**

Of the Company's thirteen depository branches, ten are owned and three are leased. The Company also leases three lending offices and owns four administrative facilities.

<b>Owned</b>	Pror	perties
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35 South Lindan Avenue	32 Central Avenue	80 W. Main St.
Quincy, California (1)	Quincy, California (1)	Quincy, California (1)
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	5050 Meadowood Mall Circle	
Truckee, California	Reno, Nevada	Tahoe City, California (4)
Leased Properties	1005 77111 5 1	45033 1 0 0 1 100
243 North Lake Boulevard	1335 Hilltop Drive	470 Nevada St., Suite 108
Tahoe City, California	Redding, California	Auburn, California (2)
100 4 1 0 5 0 105	107 G 7th G	2120 M : G, G, D
100 Amber Grove Dr., Suite 105		2130 Main St., Ste. B
Chico, CA (3)	Klamath Falls, OR (3)	Red Bluff, California (3)

1101 N. Carson St. Carson City, Nevada

- (1) Non-branch administrative or credit administrative offices.
- (2) SBA lending office.
- (3) Commercial lending office.
- (4) Future home of the Bank's Tahoe City branch.

Total rental expenses under all leases totaled \$340,000, \$308,000 and \$276,000, in 2018, 2017 and 2016 respectively. The expiration dates of the leases vary, with the first such lease expiring during 2019 and the last such lease expiring

during 2022.

Future minimum lease payments for operating leases having initial or remining noncancelable lease terms in excess of one year are as follows:

Year Ending December 31,	
2019	\$248,000
2020	163,000
2021	63,000
2022	59,000
2023	-
	\$533,000

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

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#### **PART II**

# ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCK-HOLDER 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, 2018, there were 5,137,476 shares of the Company's common stock outstanding held by approximately 1,460 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			
Quarter	Dividends	High	Low	
	per share			
4th Quarter 2018	\$ 0.18	\$27.90	\$20.51	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2018	-	\$28.50	\$24.11	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2018	0.18	\$29.45	\$23.50	
1st Quarter 2018	-	\$25.75	\$22.70	
4th Quarter 2017	\$ 0.14	\$23.35	\$20.35	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2017	-	\$21.75	\$19.10	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2017	0.14	\$22.00	\$17.50	
1st Quarter 2017	-	\$19.50	\$15.85	

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 will periodically, but on no regular schedule and in accordance with regulatory restrictions, if any, reviews the appropriateness of a cash dividend payment. A semi-annual cash dividend totaling \$0.14 per share was paid on May 15, 2017 and November 15, 2017 and a semi-annual cash dividend totaling \$0.18 per share was paid on May 15, 2018 and November 15, 2018.

The Company is subject to various restrictions on the payment of dividends. See Note 12 "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.

**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, 2018.

Plan Category	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of	Weighted-average exercise price of	Number of securities remaining available for age future issuance under equity compensation
	outstanding options	outstanding options	plans (excluding securities reflected in
	(a)	(b)	column (a)) (c)
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	202,693	\$13.51	236,100
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	None	Not Applicable	None
Total	202,693	\$13.51	236,100

For additional information related to the above plans see Note 12 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 2018 or 2017.

## 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.

	2018		2017		ecember 31 2016 t per share t		2015 ormation)		2014	
<b>Statement of Income</b>				-	-					
Interest income	\$34,322		\$28,953		\$25,100		\$22,615		\$21,147	
Interest expense	1,236		1,017		1,023		1,204		1,693	
Net interest income	33,086		27,936		24,077		21,411		19,454	
Provision for loan losses	1,000		600		800		1,100		1,100	
Noninterest income	8,881		8,280		7,652		7,715		7,315	
Noninterest expense	21,841		20,111		18,696		18,491		17,845	
Net income before income taxes	19,126		15,505		12,233		9,535		7,824	
Provision for income taxes	5,134		7,316		4,759		3,717		3,086	
Net income	\$13,992		\$8,189		\$7,474		\$5,818		\$4,738	
Total assets	\$824,398		\$745,427		\$657,975		\$599,286		\$538,862	
Total loans	\$566,199		\$486,634		\$461,123		\$400,971		\$370,390	
Allowance for loan losses	\$6,958		\$6,669		\$6,549		\$6,078		\$5,451	
Total deposits	\$726,565		\$662,657		\$582,353		\$527,276		\$467,891	
Total shareholders' equity	\$66,932		\$55,700		\$47,994		\$42,496		\$36,497	
Balance sheet (period average)										
Total assets	\$764,326		\$695,320		\$622,229		\$571,990		\$531,528	
Total loans	\$518,626		\$471,747		\$428,380		\$386,070		\$353,389	
Total deposits	\$677,829		\$617,211		\$549,416		\$503,343		\$464,067	
Total shareholders' equity	\$60,080		\$53,251		\$46,488		\$39,844		\$33,810	
Asset quality ratios										
Nonperforming loans/total loans	0.20	%	0.62	%	0.59	%	1.13	%	1.79	%
Nonperforming assets/total assets	0.28	%	0.59	%	0.53	%	1.06	%	1.90	%
Allowance for loan losses/total loans	1.23	%	1.37	%	1.42	%	1.52	%	1.47	%
Net loan charge-offs	\$711		\$480		\$329		\$473		\$1,166	
Performance ratios										
Return on average assets	1.83	%	1.18	%	1.20	%	1.02	%	0.89	%
Return on average equity	23.3	%	15.4	%	16.1	%	14.6	%	14.0	%
Net interest margin	4.70	%	4.35	%	4.21	%	4.10	%	4.05	%
Loans to deposits	77.9	%	73.4	%	79.2	%	76.0	%	79.2	%
Efficiency ratio	52.0	%	55.5	%	58.9	%	63.5	%	66.7	%
Per share information										
Basic earnings	\$2.74		\$1.64		\$1.54		\$1.21		\$0.99	
Diluted earnings	\$2.68		\$1.58		\$1.47		\$1.15		\$0.95	

Common cash dividends	\$0.36		\$0.28		\$0.10		\$0.00		\$0.00	
Book value per common share	\$13.03		\$11.00		\$9.80		\$8.79		\$7.61	
Common shares outstanding at period end	5,137,47	76	5,064,9	72	4,896,8	75	4,835,4	132	4,799,1	139
<u>Capital ratios – Plumas Ban</u> k										
Leverage ratio	9.3	%	8.8	%	9.2	%	9.4	%	9.8	%
Tier 1 risk-based capital	11.8	%	12.0	%	12.1	%	12.7	%	13.2	%
Total risk-based capital	13.0	%	13.2	%	13.3	%	14.0	%	14.4	%

## 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, automobile and consumer loans and, to a lesser extent, interest on investment securities, fees received in connection with servicing deposit and loan customers and gains from the sale of government guaranteed 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 collectability 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.

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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, 2018 and 2017 and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2018. 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 \$14.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2018, an increase of \$5.8 million or 71% over net income of \$8.2 million during the year ended December 31, 2017. Pretax income increased by \$3.6 million, or 23%, to \$19.1 million in 2018 from \$15.5 million during the year ended December 31, 2017. Net income for 2017 was reduced by \$1.4 million, or \$0.27 per diluted share, because of a one-time revaluation of the Company's deferred tax assets.

Net interest income increased by \$5.2 million to \$33.1 million during 2018 from \$27.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2017. This increase in net interest income resulted from an increase in interest income of \$5.4 million and an increase in interest expense of \$219 thousand. Interest on loans increased by \$4.0 million, interest on investment securities increased by \$1.5 million. Interest on other interest earning assets decreased by \$64 thousand. The provision for loan losses was \$1.0 million during 2018 up \$400 thousand from \$600 thousand during 2017.

During the year ended December 31, 2018 non-interest income totaled \$8.9 million an increase of \$601 thousand from the \$8.3 million earned during 2017. Non-interest expense increased by \$1.7 million to \$21.8 million during the twelve months ended December 31, 2018. The largest component of the increase in non-interest expense was an increase in salary and benefit expense of \$633 thousand.

The provision for income taxes decreased by \$2.2 million from \$7.3 million in 2017 to \$5.1 million during the year ended December 31, 2018.

Total assets at December 31, 2018 were \$824 million, an increase of \$79 million from \$745 million at December 31, 2017. This increase included increases of \$80.3 million in net loans (\$79.6 million in gross loans), \$34.0 million in investment securities, \$2.9 million in premises and equipment and \$2.8 million in other assets. These items were partially offset by a decrease of \$40.8 million in cash and due from banks and \$0.2 million in OREO.

Gross loans increased by \$79.6 million, or 16%, from \$486.6 million at December 31, 2017 to \$566.2 million at December 31, 2018. The increase in loan balances includes \$31.4 million in commercial real estate loans, \$16.7 million in automobile loans, \$15.0 million in construction and land development loans, \$10.3 million in agricultural loans and \$9.9 million in commercial loans. These increases were partially offset by declines in other loan categories the largest of which was a decrease of \$3.3 million in equity lines of credit.

Total deposits increased by \$63.9 million, or 10%, from \$662.7 million at December 31, 2017 to \$726.6 million at December 31, 2018. The increase in deposits includes \$45 million in deposits at our Carson City, Nevada branch which we purchased from Mutual of Omaha Bank on October 26, 2018. At December 31, 2018, 42% of the Company's deposits were in the form of non-interest-bearing demand deposits. At December 31, 2017, 43% of the Company's deposits were in the form of non-interest-bearing demand deposits.

The increase in deposits of \$63.9 million includes increases of \$22.0 million in money market accounts, \$21.8 million in demand deposits, \$10.9 million in time deposits, \$5.9 million in interest-bearing demand deposits and \$3.3 million in savings accounts. The increase in time deposits relates to the Carson City branch acquisition as does much of the increase in money market accounts. The Company has no brokered deposits.

Total shareholders' equity increased by \$11.2 million from \$55.7 million at December 31, 2017 to \$66.9 million at December 31, 2018. The largest component of the \$11.2 million increase was earnings during the twelve-month period totaling \$14.0 million. During 2018 the Company paid two 18 cents per share semi-annual cash dividends which had the effect of reducing shareholders' equity by \$1.8 million.

The return on average assets was 1.83% for 2018, up from 1.18% for 2017. The return on average equity was 23.3% for 2018, up from 15.4% for 2017.

## **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 endo	ed Decemb	oer 31,	2017			2016			
		Interest	Rates		Interest	Rates		Interest	Rates	
	Average	income/	oomod/	Average	income/	oomod/	Average	income/	oomod/	
	balance	income/	earneu/	balance	income/	earneu/	balance	income/	earneu/	
		expense	paid		expense	paid		expense	paid	
	(dollars in	thousands	<u>s)</u>							
Assets										
Interest bearing deposits	\$32,937	\$610	1.85 %	6 \$56,524	\$674	1.19 %	\$43,843	\$274	0.62 %	
Investment securities <sup>(1)</sup>	152,966	3,951	2.58	114,477	2,479	2.17	99,689	1,898	1.90	
Total loans (2)(3)	518,626	29,761	5.74	471,747	25,800	5.47	428,380	22,928	5.35	
Total earning assets	704,529	34,322	4.87 %	642,748	28,953	4.50 %	571,912	25,100	4.39 %	
Cash and due from banks	21,639			19,531			17,494			
Other assets	38,158			33,041			32,823			
Total assets	\$764,326			\$695,320			\$622,229			
Liabilities and shareholders' equity Interest bearing	\$103,494	96	0.09 %	6 \$96,945	89	0.09 %	\$92,481	85	0.09 %	
demand deposits	φ105,174	70	0.00	Ψ Ψ ΣΟ, Σ 1 Σ	0)	0.00 70	Ψ , 101	05	0.00	
Money market deposits	69,405	134	0.19	58,594	84	0.14	54,559	78	0.14	
Savings deposits	176,796	294	0.17	159,707	264	0.17	133,304	217	0.16	
Time deposits	44,715	192	0.43	47,360	145	0.31	50,788	157	0.31	
Note payable	10,310	- 510	- 4.95	700 10,310	28 401	4.00 3.89	3,289 10,310	133 348	4.04 3.38	
	10,510	310	4.73	10,510	401	3.07	10,510	340	5.50	

Junior subordinated												
debentures												
Other	9,132	10	0.11		7,421	6	0.08		6,423	5	0.08	
Total interest-bearing liabilities	413,852	1,236	0.30	%	381,037	1,017	0.27	%	351,154	1,023	0.29	%
Noninterest bearing demand deposits	283,419				254,605				218,284			
Other liabilities	6,975				6,427				6,303			
Shareholders' equity	60,080				53,251				46,488			
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$764,326				\$695,320				\$622,229			
Net interest income		\$33,086				\$27,936				\$24,077		
Net interest spread (4)			4.57	%			4.23	%			4.10	%
Net interest margin (5)			4.70	%			4.35	%			4.21	%

<sup>(1)</sup> Interest income is reflected on an actual basis and is not computed on a tax-equivalent basis.

Loan origination fees and costs are included in interest income as adjustments of the loan yields over the life of the (3)loan using the interest method. Loan interest income includes net loan costs of \$462,000, \$501,000 and \$678,000 for 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

<sup>(2)</sup> Average nonaccrual loan balances of \$1.0 million for 2018, \$3.2 million for 2017 and \$3.8 million for 2016 are included in average loan balances for computational purposes.

Net interest spread represents the average yield earned on interest-earning assets less the average rate paid on interest-bearing liabilities.

<sup>(5)</sup> 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:

	2018 co	mpared to	2017		2017 compared to 2016						
	Increase in:	e (decreas	e) due to	change	Increase (decrease) due to change in:						
	Volume	e Average (Rate <sup>(2)</sup> in thousan	Mix <sup>(3)</sup>	Total	_	e Average (Rate <sup>(2)</sup>	Mix <sup>(3)</sup>	Total			
<b>Interest-earning assets:</b>			•								
Interest bearing deposits	\$(281)	\$ 373	\$(156)	\$(64)	\$79	\$ 249	\$ 72	\$400			
Investment securities	833	478	161	1,472	282	261	38	581			
Loans	2,564	1,271	126	3,961	2,321	500	51	2,872			
Total interest income	3,116	2,122	131	5,369	2,682	1,010	161	3,853			
Interest-bearing liabilities:											
Interest bearing demand deposits	6	1	-	7	4	-	-	4			
Money market deposits	16	29	5	50	6	-	-	6			
Savings deposits	28	2	-	30	43	3	1	47			
Time deposits	(8)	58	(3)	47	(11)	(1	) -	(12)			
Note payable	(28)	-	-	(28)	(105)	(1	) 1	(105)			
Subordinated debentures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Junior subordinated debentures	-	109	-	109	-	53	-	53			
Other borrowings	1	2	1	4	1	-	-	1			
Total interest expense	15	201	3	219	(62)	54	2	(6)			
Net interest income	\$3,101	\$ 1,921	\$128	\$5,150	\$2,744	\$ 956	\$ 159	\$3,859			

The volume change in net interest income represents the change in average balance multiplied by the previous year's rate.

**2018 compared to 2017.** Net interest income is the difference between interest income and interest expense. Net interest income was \$33.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2018, up \$5.2 million, or 18%, from \$27.9 million during 2017. The \$5.2 million included an increase of \$5.4 million, or 18.5%, in interest income, from \$28.9 million during 2017 to \$34.3 million during the current year and an increase of \$219 thousand in interest expense.

The rate change in net interest income represents the change in rate multiplied by the previous year's average balance.

<sup>(3)</sup> The mix change in net interest income represents the change in average balance multiplied by the change in rate.

Interest and fees on loans increased by \$4.0 million, interest on investment securities increased by \$1.5 million. Interest on deposits decreased by \$64 thousand. The increases in interest on loans and investments include both an increase in average balance and an increase in average yield.

Interest and fees on loans was \$29.8 million during 2018. The average loan balances were \$518.6 million for 2018, up \$46.9 million from the \$471.7 million during 2017. The following table compares loan balances by type at December 31, 2018 and 2017.

		Percent of		Percent of	
(dollars in thousands)	Balance at End	Loans in Each	Balance at End	Loans in Each	
(London III and London)	of Period	Category to	of Period	Category to	
		Total Loans		Total Loans	
	12/31/18	12/31/18	12/31/17	12/31/17	,
Commercial	\$49,563		\$39,620	8.1	%
Agricultural	69,160	12.2	-	12.1	%
Real estate – residential	15,900	2.8	6 16,624	3.4	%
Real estate – commercial	271,710	48.0	240,257	49.4	%
Real estate – construction & land development	40,161	7.1	25,181	5.2	%
Equity Lines of Credit	38,490	6.8	6 41,798	8.6	%
Auto	77,135	13.6	60,438	12.4	%
Other	4,080	0.7	3,808	0.8	%
Total Gross Loans	\$566,199	100 %	\$486,634	100	%

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The average yield on loans was 5.74% for 2018 up 27 basis points from 5.47% for 2017. We attribute much of the increase in yield to an increase in the average prime rate of 81 basis points. At December 31, 2018 approximately 28% of the Company's loan portfolio was comprised of loans tied to the prime rate or an equivalent rate.

Interest on investment securities increased by \$1.5 million as a result of an increase in yield of 41 basis points from 2.17% during 2017 to 2.58% during 2018 and an increase in average balance from \$114.5 million in 2017 to \$153.0 million in 2018. During the current period yield benefited from market conditions and the maturity, sales and payments on lower earning securities. Interest income on interest bearing deposits, which totaled \$610 thousand in 2018 and \$674 thousand in 2017, primarily relates to interest on cash balances held at the Federal Reserve. The \$64 thousand decrease in interest on interest bearing deposits was related to a decrease in average interest earning deposits of \$23.6 million from \$56.5 million during 2017 to \$32.9 million in 2018. The decrease in average balance was mostly offset by an increase in yield of 66 basis points from 119 basis points in 2017 to 185 basis points in 2018; consistent with the increase in the average fed funds rate during these periods.

Interest expense on deposits increased by \$134 thousand to \$716 thousand for the twelve months ended December 31, 2018, up from \$582 thousand in 2017. Of this increase, \$81 thousand relates to interest in our Carson City branch which we acquired on October 26, 2018. The average rate paid on the Carson City money market and time deposits exceeds that which the Bank pays in other markets and we would expect some runoff on these accounts as they reprice over time. Interest expense on NOW accounts increased by \$7 thousand. Rates paid on NOW accounts averaged 0.09% during 2018 and 2017. Average balances increased by \$6.6 million to \$103.5 million during 2018 from \$96.9 million during 2017. Interest expense on money market accounts increased by \$50 thousand to \$134 thousand during the year ended December 31, 2018. Rates paid on money market accounts averaged 0.19% during 2018 and 0.14% in 2017. The increase is primarily related to higher cost money market accounts at the Carson City branch. Average balances increased by \$10.8 million from \$58.6 million in 2017 to \$69.4 million during the year ended December 31, 2018. Much of this increase is associated with the acquisition of the Carson City branch. Interest expense on savings accounts increased by \$30 thousand as we continued to experience growth in this category of deposits. Average savings deposits increased by \$17.1 million from \$159.7 million during 2017 to \$176.8 million during 2018. The average rate paid on savings accounts was 17 basis points in 2018 and 2017.

Interest expense on time deposits increased \$47 thousand from \$145 thousand during 2017 to \$192 thousand during 2018 primarily as a result of the acquisition of the Carson City branch Average time deposits declined by \$2.7 million from \$47.4 million during 2017 to \$44.7 million during the year ended December 31, 2018. The average rate paid on time deposits was 0.43% in 2018 and 0.31% during 2017.

Interest expense on other interest-bearing liabilities increased by \$85 thousand from \$435 thousand during the year ended December 31, 2017 to \$520 thousand during the current twelve-month period. Interest expense on the Company's note payable decreased by \$28 thousand during the twelve months ended December 31, 2018. This decrease was related to a decrease in average borrowings on this note from \$700 thousand during 2017 to \$0 in 2018. The note payable was paid off in April of 2017. Interest expense on junior subordinated debentures, which increased by \$109 thousand to \$510 thousand, fluctuates with changes in the 3-month London Interbank Offered Rate (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 2018 increased to 4.70%, from 4.35% during 2017.

**2017 compared to 2016.** Net interest income was \$27.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2017, up \$3.8 million, or 16%, from \$24.1 million for 2016. The \$3.8 million included an increase of \$3.8 million, or 15.4%, in interest income, from \$25.1 million during 2016 to \$28.9 million during the current year and a decrease of \$6 thousand in interest expense.

Interest and fees on loans increased by \$2.9 million, interest on investment securities increased by \$581 thousand and interest on deposits increased by \$400 thousand. These increases include both an increase in average balance and an increase in average yield.

Interest and fees on loans was \$25.8 million during 2017. The average loan balances were \$471.7 million for 2017, up \$43.3 million from the \$428.4 million during 2016.

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The average yield on loans was 5.47% for 2017 up 12 basis points from 5.35% for 2016. We attribute much of the increase in yield to an increase in the average prime rate of 59 basis points mostly offset to by price competition in our service area. At December 31, 2017 approximately 30% of the Company's loan portfolio was comprised of loans tied to the prime rate or an equivalent rate.

Interest on investment securities increased by \$581 thousand as a result of an increase in yield of 27 basis points from 1.90% during 2016 to 2.17% during 2017 and an increase in average balance from \$99.7 million in 2016 to \$114.5 million in 2017. During the current period yield benefited from market conditions and the maturity, sales and payments on lower earning securities. Interest income on interest bearing deposits, which totaled \$674 thousand in 2017 and \$274 thousand in 2016, primarily relates to interest on cash balances held at the Federal Reserve. The \$400 thousand increase in interest on interest bearing deposits was related to an increase in yield of 57 basis points from 62 basis points in 2016 to 119 basis points in 2017; consistent with the increase in the average fed funds rate during these periods. In addition, average interest earning deposits increased by \$12.7 million from \$43.8 million during 2016 to \$56.5 million in 2017.

Interest expense on deposits increased by \$45 thousand to \$582 thousand for the twelve months ended December 31, 2017, up from \$537 thousand in 2016. Interest expense on NOW accounts increased by \$4 thousand. Rates paid on NOW accounts averaged 0.09% during 2017 and 2016. Average balances increased by \$4.4 million to \$96.9 million during 2017 from \$92.5 million during 2016. Interest expense on money market accounts increased by \$6 thousand to \$84 thousand during the year ended December 31, 2017. Rates paid on money market accounts averaged 0.14% during 2017 and 2016. Average balances increased by \$4.0 million from \$54.6 million in 2016 to \$58.6 million during the year ended December 31, 2017. Interest expense on savings accounts increased by \$47 thousand as we continued to experience strong growth in this category of deposits. Average savings deposits increased by \$26.4 million from \$133.3 million during 2016 to \$159.7 million during 2017. The average rate paid on savings accounts increased slightly from 16 basis points during 2016 to 17 basis points in 2017.

Interest expense on time deposits declined by \$12 thousand from \$157 thousand during 2016 to \$145 thousand during 2017. Average time deposits declined by \$3.4 million from \$50.8 million during 2016 to \$47.4 million during the year ended December 31, 2017. We attribute much of this decline to migration into other types of deposits given the low rates and lack of liquidity associated with time deposits. The average rate paid on time deposits was 0.31% during both 2016 and 2017.

Interest expense on other interest-bearing liabilities decreased by \$51 thousand from \$486 thousand during the year ended December 31, 2016 to \$435 thousand during the current twelve-month period. Interest expense on the Company's note payable decreased by \$105 thousand to \$28 thousand during the twelve months ended December 31, 2017. This decrease was related to a decrease in average borrowings on this note from \$3.3 million during the 2016 to \$700 thousand during 2017. The note payable was paid off in April of 2017. Interest expense on junior subordinated debentures, which increased by \$53 thousand to \$401 thousand, fluctuates with changes in the 3-month London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) rate.

As a result of the changes noted above, the net interest margin for 2017 increased to 4.35%, from 4.21% during 2016.

#### **Provision for Loan Losses**

During the year ended December 31, 2018 we recorded a provision for loan losses of \$1.0 million up \$400 thousand from \$600 thousand during the year ended December 31, 2017. 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 collectability 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, 2018, 2017 and 2016.

	Years E	inded De	Change			
	31,			during Year		
	2018	2017	2016	2018	2017	
	(dollars	in thouse	ands)			
Service charges on deposit accounts	\$2,576	\$2,467	\$2,291	\$109	\$176	
Interchange revenue	2,174	1,987	1,740	187	247	
Gain on sale of loans, net	1,903	2,039	1,770	(136)	269	
Loan servicing fees	800	731	642	69	89	
Earnings on bank owned life insurance policies	328	338	341	(10)	(3)	
Gain on equity securities with no readily determinable fair value	209	-	-	209	-	
Loss on sale of investments	(8)	(158)	(32)	150	(126)	
Other income	899	876	900	23	(24)	
Total non-interest income	\$8,881	\$8,280	\$7,652	\$601	\$628	

**2018 compared to 2017.** During the year ended December 31, 2018, non-interest income totaled \$8.9 million, an increase of \$601 thousand from the twelve months ended December 31, 2017. Included in this increase were two items of a non-recurring nature. A \$209 thousand gain was recorded upon the prospective adoption of a newly effective accounting pronouncement impacting the measurement of equity securities, which in our case consists of stock in our correspondent banks, without a readily determinable fair market value, and the loss on sale of investment securities declined by \$150 thousand to \$8 thousand in 2018. Other significant increases in non-interest income included \$109 thousand in service charges on deposit accounts, \$187 thousand in interchange income and \$69 thousand in loan service fees. We attribute these increases primarily to growth in the bank.

The largest decrease in non-interest income was a \$136 thousand decline in gains on sale of loans. The decline in gain on sale relates to a decline in the average premium received on sale. Gains on sale of loans mostly relate to sales of SBA 7(a) loans. Gains on sale of loans decreased from \$2.0 million during 2017 to \$1.9 million during the twelve months ended December 31, 2018. Proceeds from SBA loan sales totaled \$41.7 million during 2018 and \$36.6 million during the twelve months ended December 31, 2017. Loans originated for sale totaled \$38.9 million during the twelve months ended December 31, 2018 and \$31.3 million during 2017. Loan servicing income, which increased by \$69 thousand, represents servicing income received on the guaranteed portion of SBA loans sold into the secondary market. At December 31, 2018 we were servicing \$122 million in guaranteed portions of loans, an increase of \$9 million from \$113 million at December 31, 2017.

2017 compared to 2016. During the year ended December 31, 2017, non-interest income totaled \$8.3 million, an increase of \$628 thousand from the twelve months ended December 31, 2016. The largest components of this increase were increases of \$423 thousand in service charge income, \$269 thousand gain on sale of loans and \$89 thousand in loan servicing income. The increase in service charge income includes significant increases in interchange income on debit card transactions, an increase in overdraft income and an increase in service charges on deposit accounts. Interchange income benefited from an increase in the size of the Bank as well as an increase in marketing efforts directed to this product, while overdraft income and service charges on deposit accounts benefited both from an increase in the size of the Bank as well as an increase in rates charged for various services beginning in October of 2016. Gains on sale of loans increased from \$1.8 million during 2016 to \$2.0 million during the twelve months ended December 31, 2017. Proceeds from SBA loan sales totaled \$36.6 million during 2017 and \$30.7 million during the twelve months ended December 31, 2016. Loans originated for sale totaled \$31.3 million during the twelve months ended December 31, 2017 and \$30.4 million during 2016. Loan servicing income, which increased by \$89 thousand, represents servicing income received on the guaranteed portion of SBA loans sold into the secondary market. At December 31, 2017 we were servicing \$113 million in guaranteed portions of loans, an increase of \$16 million from \$97 million at December 31, 2016. The largest decrease in non-interest income was a \$126 increase in loss on sale of investment securities from \$32 thousand in 2016 to \$158 thousand in 2017.

## **Non-Interest Expense**

The following table sets forth the components of other non-interest expense for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016.

	Years Eı	nded Dece	Change during Year		
	2018	2017	2016	2018	2017
	(dollars i	n thousan	ds)		
Salaries and employee benefits	\$12,138	\$11,505	\$10,440	\$633	\$1,065
Occupancy and equipment	2,962	2,840	2,847	122	(7)
Outside service fees	2,376	2,234	2,105	142	129
Professional fees	925	612	608	313	4
Telephone and data communications	528	561	450	(33	) 111
Business development	439	389	344	50	45
Advertising and promotion	433	372	366	61	6
Armored car and courier	329	278	248	51	30
Director compensation, education and retirement	267	336	348	(69	) (12 )
Deposit insurance	237	248	285	(11	) (37 )
Loan collection costs	216	194	166	22	28
Provision from change in OREO valuation	155	124	37	31	87
Stationery and supplies	118	118	119	-	(1)
OREO expenses	76	73	(34)	3	107
Insurance	53	75	78	(22	) (3 )
Postage	51	49	40	2	9
Gain on sale of OREO	(47)	(130)	(60)	83	(70 )
Other operating expense	585	233	309	352	(76)
Total non-interest expense	\$21,841	\$20,111	\$18,696	\$1,730	\$1,415

2018 compared to 2017. Non-interest expense increased by \$1.7 million to \$21.8 million during the twelve months ended December 31, 2018, up from \$20.1 million during 2017. The three largest components of this increase were increases of \$633 thousand in salaries and benefits, \$313 thousand in professional fees and \$352 thousand in Other. The largest components of the increase in salary and benefit expense were increases of \$762 thousand in salary expense and \$386 thousand in bonus expense. Salary expense increased to \$9.5 million related to additions to staff and merit and promotion increases. Total Full Time Equivalent (FTE) employees increased from 142 at December 31, 2017 to 155 at December 31, 2018. This increase includes 4 FTE at our Carson City branch. The additional nine FTE includes additions to staff to support branch and lending activities as well as additional administrative personnel. Bonus expense is mostly a function of pretax income; the increase during the 2018 period is primarily related to the increase in pretax income and expansion in 2018 in the bonus plan to include nonofficer level personnel. These items were partially offset by an increase in the deferral of loan origination costs of \$731 thousand to \$2.5 million related mostly to an increase in loan origination activity.

Professional fees increased by \$313 thousand related primarily to an \$139 thousand increase in consulting expense and a \$132 thousand increase in legal expense. The increase in consulting costs includes costs related to an external review of our compliance management system and ongoing bank compliance consulting and \$30 thousand related to our acquisition of Mutual Omaha Bank's Carson City Nevada branch. The increase in legal expense mostly relates to costs associated with the above-mentioned branch acquisition and costs associated with litigation brought by a third-party municipality against one of our borrowers which could adversely affect our collateral position. The increase in other non-interest expense included a \$50 thousand increase in the reserve for undisbursed loan commitments, an increase of \$63 thousand in charge offs on over drafted deposit accounts and an accrual for costs associated with the termination of our lease at our Tahoe City, California branch. In 2018 we purchased a building in Tahoe City which, after remodeling is complete, will become the new home of our Tahoe City Branch. Our lease obligation at our current location includes a termination penalty that has been accrued into other expense. These three items accounted for approximately 70% of the \$352 thousand increase in Other expense.

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**2017 compared to 2016.** Non-interest expense increased by \$1.4 million to \$20.1 million during the twelve months ended December 31, 2017, up from \$18.7 million during 2016. The largest components of this increase were \$1.1 million in salary and benefit expense, \$129 thousand in outside service fees, \$111 thousand in telephone and data communication costs and \$107 thousand in OREO expenses. The largest declines in non-interest expense were \$70 thousand in gain on sale of OREO and \$76 thousand in other operating expense.

Salary expense increased by \$481 thousand to \$8.8 million related to additions to staff and merit and promotion increases. Bonus expense increased by \$199 thousand related to increased profitability, commission expense, related to our SBA operations, increased by \$121 thousand consistent with an increase in SBA activity, payroll tax expense increased by \$81 thousand and health insurance costs increased by \$67 thousand. Outside service fees increased by \$129 thousand to \$2.2 million during the twelve months ended December 31, 2017. This increase included an increase in expenses related to the generation of interchange income consistent with the increase in interchange income and an increase in expense related to the outsourced operations of the Company's computer network as well as an increase in costs associated with the Company's online banking offerings.

During 2017 the Company expanded its data communication network, installed a secondary fallback network at its branches and changed data communication providers. The increases in telephone and data communications was primarily related to the expanded data communication network and to a lesser extent to one-time costs related to the conversion to a new data communication provider. OREO costs in 2016 were abnormally low, benefiting from a reimbursement of previously incurred costs and \$86 thousand in rental income on a new OREO property which was sold in December of 2016. During the year ended December 31, 2016 we sold 6 OREO properties for total proceeds of \$2.2 million recording a net gain on sale of \$60 thousand. This compares to proceeds of \$0.7 million on the sale of 5 properties and a net gain on sale of \$130 thousand during 2017. The \$130 thousand gain is related to one property which was acquired and sold during the fourth quarter of 2017.

**Provision for Income Taxes.** The Company recorded an income tax provision of \$5.1 million, or 26.8% of pre-tax income for the year ended December 31, 2018. This compares to an income tax provision of \$7.3 million, or 47.2% of pre-tax income during 2017. The decline from 47.2% to 26.8% mostly relates from a change in the Federal corporate tax rate, under the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, from 34% to 21% and a one-time revaluation of the Company's deferred tax assets during the fourth quarter of 2017 totaling \$1.4 million. The percentages for 2018 and 2017 differ from statutory rates as tax exempt items of income such as earnings on Bank owned life insurance and municipal loan and securities interest decrease taxable income. In addition, the 2018 and 2017 provision include income tax benefits related to the exercise of stock options of \$134 thousand and \$112 thousand, respectively.

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. 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, 2018 and 2017 will be fully realized and therefore no valuation allowance was recorded.

### **Financial Condition**

Loan Portfolio. Gross loans balances increased by \$79 million, or 16%, from \$487 million at December 31, 2017 to \$566 million at December 31, 2018. The increase in loan balances includes increases of \$31.4 million in commercial real estate loans, \$16.7 million in automobile loans, \$15.0 million in construction loans, \$10.3 million in agricultural loans and \$9.9 million in commercial loans. These increases were partially offset by declines in other loan categories the largest of which was a decrease of \$3.3 million in equity lines of credit. While construction loans increased by \$15 million they remain a low percentage of the Company's overall loan portfolio at 7.1% at December 31, 2018. 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 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.

As shown in the following table the Company's largest lending categories are commercial real estate loans, auto loans, equity lines of credit, agricultural loans and commercial loans.

	Percent of				Percent of		
	Balance	Loans in		Balance	Loans in	n	
(1-11	at	Each		at	Each		
(dollars in thousands)	End of	<b>G</b> .		End of	<b>a</b> .		
	Period	Category to	7	Period	Categor to	<b>·y</b>	
		Total			Total		
		Loans			Loans		
	12/31/18	12/31/18		12/31/17	12/31/17	7	
Commercial	\$49,563	8.8	%	\$39,620	8.1	%	
Agricultural	69,160	12.2	%	58,908	12.1	%	
Real estate – residential	15,900	2.8	%	16,624	3.4	%	
Real estate – commercial	271,710	48.0	%	240,257	49.4	%	
Real estate – construction & land development	40,161	7.1	%	25,181	5.2	%	
Equity Lines of Credit	38,490	6.8	%	41,798	8.6	%	
Auto	77,135	13.6	%	60,438	12.4	%	
Other	4,080	0.7	%	3,808	0.8	%	
Total	\$566,199	100	%	\$486,634	100	%	

The Company's real estate related loans, including real estate mortgage loans, real estate construction and land development loans, consumer equity lines of credit, and agricultural loans secured by real estate comprised 71% of the total loan portfolio at December 31, 2018. Moreover, the business activities of the Company currently are focused in the California counties of Plumas, Nevada, Placer, Lassen, Modoc, Shasta, and 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. The frequency in which variable rate loans reprice can vary from one day to several years. At December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, approximately 75% of the Company's loan portfolio was comprised of variable rate loans. At December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, 33% and 40%, respectively of the variable loans were at their respective floor rate. 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. The most significant change has been an increase in indirect auto lending with automobile loans increasing from 2.5% of gross loans at December 31, 2011 to 13.6% of gross loans at December 31, 2018. The automobile portfolio provides diversification to the loan portfolio in terms of rate, term and balance as these loans tend to have a much shorter term and balance than commercial real-estate loans and are fixed rate. In addition, the Company remains committed to the agricultural industry in Northern 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 \$69 million at December 31, 2018 and \$59 million at December 31, 2017.

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

	At Decem	ber 31,			
	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
	(dollars in	thousands)			
Real estate – mortgage	\$287,610	\$256,881	\$247,419	\$217,569	\$192,590
Real estate – construction and land development	40,161	25,181	21,904	16,188	24,572
Commercial	49,563	39,620	41,293	37,084	31,465
Consumer (1)	119,705	106,044	99,404	90,274	86,408
Agriculture (2)	69,160	58,908	51,103	39,856	35,355
Total loans	566,199	486,634	461,123	400,971	370,390
Deferred costs	3,257	2,283	2,006	1,940	1,848
Allowance for loan losses	(6,958)	(6,669)	(6,549)	(6,078)	(5,451)
Net loans	\$562,498	\$482,248	\$456,580	\$396,833	\$366,787

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

The following table sets forth the maturity of gross loan categories as of December 31, 2018. Also provided with respect to such loans are the amounts due after one year, classified according to sensitivity to changes in interest rates:

	Within One Year	After One Through Five	After Five Years	Total
		Years		
	(dollars in	thousands)		
Real estate – mortgage	\$21,771	\$65,720	\$200,119	\$287,610
Real estate – construction and land development	23,404	10,489	6,268	40,161
Commercial	17,010	18,425	14,128	49,563
Consumer	18,420	58,457	42,828	119,705
Agriculture	25,107	15,721	28,332	69,160
Total	\$105,712	\$168,812	\$291,675	\$566,199
Loans maturing after one year with:				
Fixed interest rates		\$77,343	\$28,775	\$106,118
Variable interest rates		91,469	262,900	354,369
Total		\$168,812	\$291,675	\$460,487

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 and past due 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 assets. It consists of the Bank's Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Credit Officer, and the activities are governed by a formal written charter. The MARC meets 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, and 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 the loan portfolio. The adequacy of the allowance for loan losses is based upon management's continuing assessment of various factors affecting the collectability 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 collectability 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.

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 collectability of the portfolio as of the evaluation date. Historical loss data from the beginning of the latest business cycle are incorporated in the loss factors.

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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,								
	2018 2017 2016 2015 201								
	(dollars in	n thousand	ds)						
Balance at beginning of period	\$6,669	\$6,549	\$6,078	\$5,451	\$5,517				
Charge-offs:									
Commercial and agricultural (2)	325	202	268	91	191				
Real estate mortgage	25	48	292	132	1,015				
Real estate construction & land	-	-	5	55	106				
Consumer (1)	841	629	414	549	601				
Total charge-offs	1,191	879	979	827	1,913				
Recoveries:									
Commercial and agricultural (2)	83	89	53	173	89				
Real estate mortgage	114	118	45	8	19				
Real estate construction & land	3	-	389	-	491				
Consumer (1)	280	192	163	173	148				
Total recoveries	480	399	650	354	747				
Net charge-offs	711	480	329	473	1,166				
Provision for loan losses	1,000	600	800	1,100	1,100				
Balance at end of period	\$6,958	\$6,669	\$6,549	\$6,078	\$5,451				
Net charge-offs during the period to average loans	0.14 %	0.10 %	0.08 %	0.12 %	0.33 %				
Allowance for loan losses to total loans	1.23 %	1.37 %	1.42 %	1.52 %	1.47 %				

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

During the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 we recorded a provision for loan losses of \$1 million and \$600 thousand, respectively. Net charge-offs totaled \$711 thousand during the year ended December 31, 2018 up \$231 thousand from \$480 thousand during the year ended December 31, 2017. This increase was mostly related to an increase in charge-offs on automobile loans. Net charge-offs as a percentage of average loans increased from 0.10% during 2017 to 0.14% during the year ended December 31, 2018.

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

		Percent of			Percent of	
	Balance	Loans in		Balance	Loans in	n
(dollars in thousands)	at			at	Each	
	End of Period	Category to		End of Period	Category to	
	2018	Total Loans 2018		2017	Total Loans 2017	
Commercial and agricultural	\$ 1,452	21.0	%	\$ 1,348	20.2	%
Real estate mortgage	2,900	50.8	%	2,960	52.8	%
Real estate construction & land	758	7.1	%	783	5.2	%
Consumer (includes equity lines of credit & auto)	1,848	21.1	%	1,578	21.8	%
Total	\$6,958	100.0	%	\$6,669	100.0	%

The allowance for loan losses totaled \$7.0 million at December 31, 2018 and \$6.7 million at December 31, 2017. Specific reserves related to impaired loans increased by \$99 thousand from \$82 thousand at December 31, 2017 to \$181 thousand at December 31, 2018. At least quarterly the Company evaluates each specific reserve and if it determines that the loss represented by the specific reserve is uncollectable it records a charge-off for the uncollectable portion. General reserves were \$6.8 million at December 31, 2018 and \$6.6 million at December 31, 2017. The allowance for loan losses as a percentage of total loans decreased from 1.37% at December 31, 2017 to 1.23% at December 31, 2018. The percentage of general reserves to unimpaired loans totaled 1.20% at December 31, 2018 and 1.36% at December 31, 2017.

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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. Included in nonperforming loans at December 31, 2017 were three loans to one customer totaling \$1.8 million that were 90 days past due and still accruing interest. These loans were well secured and in process of collection at December 31, 2017. During 2018 we collected all principal and interest due on these loans. 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 collectability 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 (TDRs) and not included in nonperforming loans in the following table totaled \$1.0 million, \$1.1 million, \$2.6 million, \$2.0 million and \$2.0 million at December 31, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015 and 2014, respectively. For additional information related to restructured loans see Note 5 of the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 8 – Financial Statements and Supplementary Data of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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

At December 31,												
2018	2017	2016	2015	2014								
(dollars	in thousan	ıds)										
\$1,117	\$1,226	\$2,724	\$4,546	\$6,625								

Nonaccrual loans

Loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing	-	1,796	-	-	-
Total nonperforming loans	1,117	3,022	2,724	4,546	6,625
Other real estate owned	1,170	1,344	735	1,756	3,590
Other vehicles owned	53	35	12	30	13
Total nonperforming assets	\$2,340	\$4,401	\$3,471	\$6,332	\$10,228
Interest income forgone on nonaccrual loans	\$46	\$50	\$164	\$303	\$345
Interest income recorded on a cash basis on nonaccrual loans	\$-	\$-	\$29	\$-	\$31
Nonperforming loans to total loans	0.20 %	0.62 %	0.59 %	1.13 %	1.79 %
Nonperforming assets to total assets	0.28 %	0.59 %	0.53 %	1.06 %	1.90 %

Nonperforming loans at December 31, 2018 were 1.1 million, a decrease of \$1.9 million from the \$3.0 million balance at December 31, 2017. Specific reserves on nonaccrual loans totaled \$128 thousand at December 31, 2018 and \$24 thousand at December 31, 2017, respectively. Performing loans past due thirty to eighty-nine days were \$2.6 million at December 31, 2018 and \$3.4 million at December 31, 2017.

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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 \$2.4 million from \$3.2 million at December 31, 2017 to \$741 thousand at December 31, 2018. Loans classified as special mention increased by \$3.6 million from \$642 thousand at December 31, 2017 to \$4.3 million at December 31, 2018. At December 31, 2018, \$33 thousand 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, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the Company's recorded investment in impaired loans totaled \$1.3 million and \$2.3 million, respectively. The specific allowance for loan losses related to impaired loans totaled \$181 thousand and \$82 thousand at December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively. Additionally, \$11 thousand had been charged off against the impaired loans at December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017.

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, 2018 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 acquired 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. OREO holdings represented six properties totaling \$1.2 million at December 31, 2018 and six properties totaling \$1.3 million at December 31, 2017. Nonperforming assets as a percentage of total assets were 0.28% at December 31, 2018 and 0.59% at December 31, 2017.

The following table provides a summary of the change in the number and balance of OREO properties for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, dollars in thousands:

	<b>Year Ended December</b>						
	31,						
	#	2018	#	2017			
Beginning Balance	6	\$1,344	6	\$735			
Additions	4	656	5	1,292			
Dispositions	(4)	(675)	(5)	(559)			
Provision from change in OREO valuation	-	(155)	-	(124)			
Ending Balance	6	\$1,170	6	\$1,344			

Investment Portfolio and Federal Reserve Balances. Total investment securities were \$171.5 million as of December 31, 2018 and \$137.5 million as of December 31, 2017. Unrealized loss on available-for-sale investment securities totaling \$2.9 million were recorded, net of \$846 thousand in tax benefits, as accumulated other comprehensive income within shareholders' equity at December 31, 2018. During the year ended December 31, 2018 the Company sold eighteen available-for-sale investment securities for total proceeds of \$4,157,000 recording a \$8,000 loss on sale. The Company realized a gain on sale from eight of these securities totaling \$4,000 and a loss on sale on ten securities of \$12,000. The investment portfolio at December 31, 2018 consisted of \$132.7 million in securities of U.S. Government-sponsored agencies and 119 municipal securities totaling \$38.8 million. Unrealized loss on available-for-sale investment securities totaling \$809 thousand were recorded, net of \$239 thousand in tax benefits, as accumulated other comprehensive income within shareholders' equity at December 31, 2017. During the year ended December 31, 2017 the Company sold sixteen available-for-sale investment securities for total proceeds of \$9.6 million recording a \$158 thousand loss on sale. The Company realized a gain on sale from four of these securities totaling \$4 thousand and a loss on sale on twelve securities of \$162 thousand. The investment portfolio at December 31, 2017 consisted of \$103.8 million in securities of U.S. Government-sponsored agencies and 115 municipal securities totaling \$33.7 million.

The Bank maintained interest earning balances at the Federal Reserve Bank totaling \$19.9 million at December 31, 2018 and \$62.2 million at December 31, 2017. The balances, at December 31, 2018, earn interest at the rate of 2.40%.

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:

	December	· 31,	
Available-for-sale (fair value)	2018	2017	2016
	(dollars in	thousands	)
U.S. Government-sponsored agency residential mortgage-backed securities	\$132,678	\$103,788	\$74,911
Municipal obligations	38,829	33,678	26,684
Total	\$171,507	\$137,466	\$101,595

The following table summarizes the maturities of the Company's securities at their carrying value, which represents fair value, and their weighted average tax equivalent yields at December 31, 2018. Mortgage-backed securities are included in maturity categories based on their stated maturity date. Expected maturities may differ from contractual maturities because the issuers may have the right to call or prepay obligations.

(dollars in thousands)	Withi One	in		After Or Through					After Ten Years		Total	
	Year			Five Years		Ten Years						
Available-for-sale (Fair Value)	Amo	melo	d	Amount	Yield	l	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield
U.S. Government-sponsored agency residential mortgage-backed securities	\$ -	- 9	%	\$-	-	%	\$20,883	2.09 %	\$111,795	2.79 %	\$132,678	2.68 %
Municipal obligations	-	- 9	%	3,636	2.59	%	16,525	2.76%	18,668	3.65 %	38,829	3.18 %
Total	\$ -	- 9	%	\$3,636	2.59	%	\$37,408	2.39 %	\$130,463	2.91 %	\$171,507	2.79%

**Deposits.** Total deposits increased by \$63.9 million, or 10%, from \$662.7 million at December 31, 2017 to \$726.6 million at December 31, 2018. The increase in deposits includes \$45 million in deposits at our Carson City, Nevada branch which we purchased from Mutual of Omaha Bank on October 26, 2018. At December 31, 2018, 42% of the Company's deposits were in the form of non-interest-bearing demand deposits. At December 31, 2017, 43% of the Company's deposits were in the form of non-interest-bearing demand deposits. The increase in deposits of \$63.9 million includes increases of \$22.0 million in money market accounts, \$21.8 million in demand deposits, \$10.9 million in time deposits, \$5.9 million in interest-bearing demand deposits and \$3.3 million in savings accounts. The increase in time deposits relates to the Carson City branch acquisition as does much of the increase in money market accounts. The Company has no brokered deposits. 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 following table shows the distribution of deposits by type at December 31, 2018 and 2017.

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		Percent of			Percent of	
	Balance at End	Deposits in		Balance at End	<b>Deposits</b> in	
(dollars in thousands)	rs in thousands)  Each of Period Category			of Period	Each Category	
		to Total			to Total	
	12/31/18	<b>Deposits</b> 12/31/18		12/31/17	<b>Deposits</b> 12/31/17	
Non-interest bearing	\$304,039	41.8	%	\$282,239	42.6	%
NOW	105,107	14.5	%	99,195	15.0	%
Money Market	82,743	11.4	%	60,757	9.2	%
Savings	177,710	24.5	%	174,426	26.3	%
Time	56,966	7.8	%	46,040	6.9	%
Total Deposits	\$726,565	100	%	\$662,657	100	%

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. To assist in meeting any funding demands, the Company maintains a secured borrowing arrangement with the FHLB. There were no brokered deposits at December 31, 2018 or December 31, 2017.

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The Company's time deposits of \$100,000 or more had the following schedule of maturities at December 31, 2018 (dollars in thousands):

Remaining Maturity:	Amount
Three months or less	\$5,094
Over three months to six months	5,793
Over six months to 12 months	9,708
Over 12 months	4,247
Total	\$24,842

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 \$207 million from the FHLB secured by commercial and residential mortgage loans with carrying values totaling \$340 million. The Company is required to hold FHLB stock as a condition of membership. At December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the Company held \$3.0 million and \$2.7 million, respectively of FHLB stock which is recorded as a component of other assets. Based on this level of stock holdings at December 31, 2018, the Company can borrow up to \$112.1 million. To borrow the \$207 million in available credit the Company would need to purchase \$2.6 million in additional FHLB stock. In addition to its FHLB borrowing line, the Company has unsecured short-term borrowing agreements with three of its correspondent banks in the amounts of \$20 million, \$11 million and \$10 million. There were no outstanding borrowings to the FHLB or the correspondent banks under these agreements at December 31, 2018 and 2017.

**Note Payable and Term Loan.** On October 1, 2015, the Company entered into a \$5.0 million term loan (the "Term Loan"), which was scheduled to mature on October 1, 2018. On April 20, 2017 Plumas Bancorp paid off the \$2,250,000 remaining balance on the Term Loan. The payment was funded through a \$4 million dividend from Plumas Bank.

On October 1, 2018 the Company renewed its line of credit, for a one-year term, with the same lender (the "Note"). The maximum amount outstanding at any one time on the Note cannot exceed \$5 million. There were no borrowings on the Note during 2018 or 2017. The Note bears interest at a rate of the U.S. "Prime Rate" plus one-quarter percent per annum and is secured by 100 shares of Plumas Bank stock representing the Company's 100% ownership interest in Plumas Bank. Under the Note, the Bank is subject to several negative and affirmative covenants including, but not limited to providing timely financial information, maintaining specified levels of capital, restrictions on additional borrowings, and meeting or exceeding certain capital and asset quality ratios. The Bank was in compliance with all such covenants related to the Note at December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017. Interest expense related to the Term Loan for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 totaled \$0, \$28 thousand and \$133 thousand,

respectively.

**Repurchase Agreements.** In 2011 the Bank introduced a new product for its larger business customers which use securities sold under agreements to repurchase as an alternative to interest-bearing deposits. Securities sold under agreements to repurchase totaling \$13.1 million at December 31, 2018 and \$10.1 million at December 31, 2017 are secured by U.S. Government agency securities with a carrying amount of \$21.8 million and \$16.8 million at December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Interest paid on this product is similar to that which is paid on the Bank's premium money market account; however, these are not deposits and are not FDIC insured.

**Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures.** Plumas Statutory Trust I and II are business trust subsidiaries formed by the Company with capital of \$338 thousand and \$174 thousand, respectively, for the sole purpose of issuing trust preferred securities fully and unconditionally guaranteed by the Company.

During 2002, Trust I issued 6,000 Floating Rate Capital Trust Pass-Through Securities ("Trust Preferred Securities"), with a liquidation value of \$1,000 per security, for gross proceeds of \$6,000,000. During 2005, 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.

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Trust I's Subordinated Debentures mature on September 26, 2032, bear a current interest rate of 6.22% (based on 3-month LIBOR plus 3.40%), with repricing and payments due quarterly. Trust II's Subordinated Debentures mature on September 28, 2035, bear a current interest rate of 4.27% (based on 3-month LIBOR plus 1.48%), with repricing and payments due quarterly. The interest rate of the Trust Preferred Securities issued by Trust I adjust on each quarterly anniversary date to equal the 3-month 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.

Interest expense recognized by the Company for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 related to the subordinated debentures was \$510,000, \$401,000 and \$348,000, respectively.

## **Capital Resources**

Total shareholders' equity increased by \$11.2 million from \$55.7 million at December 31, 2017 to \$66.9 million at December 31, 2018. The \$11.2 million includes earnings during the twelve-month period totaling \$14.0 million and stock option activity totaling \$0.5 million. These items were partially offset by the payment of two \$0.18 semi-annual cash dividends totaling \$1.8 million and an increase in the unrealized loss on investment securities totaling \$1.5 million.

It is the policy of the Company to periodically distribute excess retained earnings to the shareholders through the payment of cash dividends. The Board of Directors believes that 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 periodically, but on no regular schedule, reviews the appropriateness of a cash dividend payment. The Company's ability to pay dividends is limited by California and federal law and the policies and regulations of the FRB as well as restrictions the Subordinated Debentures.

On October 20, 2016 the Company announced that its Board of Directors approved the reinstatement of a semi-annual cash dividend. The dividend in the amount of \$0.10 per share was paid on November 21, 2016. On May 15, 2017 and November 15, 2017, the Company paid semi-annual cash dividends each of which totaled \$0.14 per share. On May 15, 2018 and November 15, 2018, the Company paid semi-annual cash dividends each of which totaled \$0.18 per share.

**Warrant.** On April 15, 2013 the Company issued a \$7.5 million subordinated debenture ("subordinated debt"). The subordinated debt was issued to an unrelated third-party pursuant to a subordinated debenture purchase agreement,

subordinated debenture note, and stock purchase warrant. On April 16, 2015 the Company paid off the subordinated debt. The subordinated debt had an interest rate of 7.5% per annum and a term of 8 years with no prepayment allowed during the first two years and was made in conjunction with an eight-year warrant to purchase up to 300,000 shares of the Bancorp's common stock, no par value at an exercise price, subject to anti-dilution adjustments, of \$5.25 per share. In May of 2016 the Company repurchased a portion of the warrant, representing the right to purchase 150,000 shares of the registrant's common stock at a cost of \$862 thousand. The remaining warrant represented the right to purchase 150,000 shares of Plumas Bancorp common stock at an exercise price of \$5.25 per share was scheduled to expire on April 15, 2021. In May 2017 the warrant was exercised in a cashless exercise resulting in the issuance of 108,112 common shares.

**Capital Standards.** The Company uses a variety of measures to evaluate its capital adequacy. 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.

In July, 2013, the federal bank regulatory agencies approved the final rules implementing the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision's capital guidelines for U.S. banks, sometimes called "Basel III". The phase-in period for the final rules began in 2015, with certain of the rules' requirements phased in over a multi-year schedule. Under the final rules minimum requirements increased for both the quantity and quality of capital held by the Company and the Bank. The new capital rules include a new minimum "common equity Tier 1" ratio of 4.5%, a Tier 1 capital ratio of 6.0% (increased from 4.0%), a total risk-based capital ratio of 8.0%, and a minimum leverage ratio of 4.0% (calculated as Tier 1 capital to average consolidated assets). The effective date of these requirements was January 1, 2015. In addition, the new capital rules include a capital conservation buffer of 2.5% above each of these levels (to be phased in over three years which beginning at 0.625% on January 1, 2016 and increasing by that amount on each subsequent January 1, until reaching 2.5% on January 1, 2019) will be required for banking institutions to avoid restrictions on their ability to pay dividends, repurchase stock or pay discretionary bonuses. Including the capital conservation buffer of 2.5%, the new capital rules would result in the following minimum ratios to be considered well capitalized: (i) a Tier 1 capital ratio of 8.5%, (ii) a common equity Tier 1 capital ratio of 7.0%, and (iii) a total capital ratio of 10.5%. The final rules also implement strict eligibility criteria for regulatory capital instruments.

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Plumas Bancorp qualifies for treatment under the Small Bank Holding Company Policy Statement (Regulation Y, Appendix C) (the "Policy Statement") and is thereby not subject to consolidated capital rules at the bank holding company level. On May 24, 2018, the Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief and Consumer Protection Act (the "Relief Act") was signed into law. The Relief Act included a provision to increase the threshold for qualifying for the Policy Statement from \$1 billion to \$3 billion in total assets.

The new capital rules continue to apply to the Bank. Consistent with the Relief Act, however, the federal banking agencies have proposed a new community bank leverage ratio that is intended to simply the regulatory capital requirements for qualifying community banking organizations. Under the proposal, a qualifying banking organization that so elects would be deemed to have met the well-capital capitalized ratio requirements under the prompt corrective action framework and would be exempt from the generally applicable new capital rules if it maintains a new "community bank leverage ratio" in excess of 9%. The proposed community bank leverage ratio would be equal to tangible equity (as defined the proposal) divided by average total consolidated assets. To qualify, a banking organization would have to have less than \$10 billion in assets and limited off balance sheet exposures and other assets. We cannot predict whether or when this proposal will be adopted.

The following table sets forth the Bank's actual capital amounts and ratios (dollar amounts in thousands):

			Minimum Amount of Capital					
			Required	ł				
						To be		
						Well-Capi	italized	
			For Capi	ital		<b>Under Pro</b>	ompt	
	A -41		Adequacy			Corrective		
	Actual		Purposes (1)		<b>Provisions</b>			
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio		Amount	Ratio	
<b>December 31, 2018</b>								
Common Equity Tier 1 Ratio	\$76,545	11.8 %	\$29,071	4.5	%	\$41,911	6.5	%
Tier 1 Leverage Ratio	76,545	9.3 %	32,765	4.0	%	40,956	5.0	%
Tier 1 Risk-Based Capital Ratio	76,545	11.8 %	38,761	6.0	%	51,681	8.0	%
Total Risk-Based Capital Ratio	83,753	13.0 %	51,681	8.0	%	64,602	10.0	%
December 31, 2017								
Common Equity Tier 1 Ratio	\$65,085	12.0 %	\$24,453	4.5	%	\$ 35,321	6.5	%
Tier 1 Leverage Ratio	65,085	8.8 %	29,663	4.0	%	37,079	5.0	%
Tier 1 Risk-Based Capital Ratio	65,085	12.0 %	32,604	6.0	%	43,472	8.0	%
Total Risk-Based Capital Ratio	71,878	13.2 %	43,472	8.0	%	53,340	10.0	%

<sup>(1)</sup> Does not include amounts required to maintain the capital conservation buffer under the new capital rules

Management believes that the Bank met all its capital adequacy requirements as of December 31, 2018.

The current and projected capital positions of the Bank and the impact of capital plans and long-term strategies are reviewed regularly by management. The Company policy is to maintain the Bank's ratios above the prescribed well-capitalized ratios 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, 2018, the Company had \$126.9 million in unfunded loan commitments and \$417 thousand in letters of credit. This compares to \$107.4 million in unfunded loan commitments and \$477 thousand in letters of credit at December 31, 2017. Of the \$126.9 million in unfunded loan commitments, \$78.0 million and \$48.9 million represented commitments to commercial and consumer customers, respectively. Of the total unfunded commitments at December 31, 2018, \$74.2 million were secured by real estate, of which \$35.6 million was secured by commercial real estate and \$38.6 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 and overdraft protection 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.

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**Operating Leases.** The Company leases three depository branches and four lending offices and two non-branch automated teller machine locations. Total rental expenses under all operating leases were \$340,000 and \$308,000 during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The expiration dates of the leases vary, with the first such lease expiring during 2019 and the last such lease expiring on December 31, 2022.

## **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.

The Company is a member of the FHLB and can borrow up to \$207 million from the FHLB secured by commercial and residential mortgage loans with carrying values totaling \$340 million. See "Short-term Borrowing Arrangements" for additional information on our FHLB borrowing capacity. In addition to its FHLB borrowing line, the Company has unsecured short-term borrowing agreements with three of its correspondent banks in the amounts of \$20 million, \$11 million and \$10 million. There were no outstanding borrowings under the FHLB or the correspondent bank borrowing lines at December 31, 2018 or 2017.

Customer deposits are the Company's primary source of funds. Total deposits increased by \$63.9 million, or 10%, from \$662.7 million at December 31, 2017 to \$726.6 million at December 31, 2018. Deposits are held in various forms with varying maturities. The Company's securities portfolio, Federal funds sold, FHLB 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, 2018, 2017 and 2016.

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### MANAGEMENT'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

Management of Plumas Bancorp and subsidiary (the "Company"), is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. The Company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed under the supervision of the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of the Company's financial statements for external reporting purposes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As of December 31, 2018, management assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on the framework established in the 2013 Internal Control — Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Based on this assessment, management has determined that the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2018, is effective.

Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co., LLP, the independent registered public accounting firm that audited the 2018 consolidated financial statements included in this annual report on Form 10-K, has issued an audit report on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2018, which is included herein.

### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders
Plumas Bancorp and Subsidiary

Quincy, California

### Opinions on the Consolidated Financial Statements and Internal Control over Financial Reporting

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Plumas Bancorp and Subsidiary (the "Company") as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, and the related consolidated statements of income and comprehensive income, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three year period ended December 31, 2018, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statements").

We also have audited the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2018, based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework: (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the years in the three year period ended December 31, 2018 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also in our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2018, based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework: (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

**Basis for Opinions** 

The Company's management is responsible for these financial statements, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our

responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements and an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud, and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects.

Our audits of the financial statements included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

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### **Definition and Limitations of Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

/s/ Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co., LLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2013.

Laguna Hills, California

March 7, 2019

# PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

# **December 31, 2018 and 2017**

ACCETTO	2018	2017
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents Investment securities available for sale Loans, less allowance for loan losses of \$6,958,000 in 2018 and \$6,669,000 in 2017 Real estate acquired through foreclosure Premises and equipment, net Bank owned life insurance Accrued interest receivable and other assets	\$46,686,000 171,507,000 562,498,000 1,170,000 14,287,000 12,856,000 15,394,000	\$87,537,000 137,466,000 482,248,000 1,344,000 11,346,000 12,866,000 12,620,000
Total assets	\$824,398,000	\$745,427,000
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Deposits:		
Non-interest bearing	\$304,039,000	\$282,239,000
Interest bearing	422,526,000	380,418,000
Total deposits	726,565,000	662,657,000
Repurchase agreements	13,058,000	10,074,000
Accrued interest payable and other liabilities	7,533,000	6,686,000
Junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures	10,310,000	10,310,000
Total liabilities	757,466,000	689,727,000
Commitments and contingencies (Note 11)		
Shareholders' equity:		
Serial preferred stock - no par value; 10,000,000 shares authorized; none outstanding	-	-
Common stock - no par value; 22,500,000 shares authorized; issued and outstanding – 5,137,476 at December 31, 2018 and 5,064,972 at December 31, 2017	6,944,000	6,415,000
Retained earnings	62,005,000	49,855,000
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of taxes	(2,017,000)	(570,000)

Total shareholders' equity 66,932,000 55,700,000

Total liabilities and shareholders' equity \$824,398,000 \$745,427,000

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

# PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

# For the Years Ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016

	2018	2017	2016
Interest income: Interest and fees on loans	\$29,761,000	\$25,800,000	\$22,928,000
Interest on investment securities: Taxable Exempt from Federal income taxes Other	3,099,000 852,000 610,000	1,791,000 688,000 674,000	1,382,000 516,000 274,000
Total interest income	34,322,000	28,953,000	25,100,000
Interest expense: Interest on deposits Interest on note payable Interest on junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures Other	716,000 - 510,000 10,000	582,000 28,000 401,000 6,000	537,000 133,000 348,000 5,000
Total interest expense	1,236,000	1,017,000	1,023,000
Net interest income before provision for loan losses	33,086,000	27,936,000	24,077,000
Provision for loan losses	1,000,000	600,000	800,000
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	32,086,000	27,336,000	23,277,000
Non-interest income: Service charges Interchange revenue Gain on sale of loans Loan servicing fees Loss on sale of investments Earnings on bank owned life insurance policies, net Other	2,576,000 2,174,000 1,903,000 800,000 (8,000 ) 328,000 1,108,000	2,467,000 1,987,000 2,039,000 731,000 (158,000 338,000 876,000	2,291,000 1,740,000 1,770,000 642,000 (32,000 ) 341,000 900,000
Total non-interest income	8,881,000	8,280,000	7,652,000

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## PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

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For the Years Ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016

	2018	2017	2016
Non-interest expenses:			
Salaries and employee benefits	\$12,138,000	\$11,505,000	\$10,440,000
Occupancy and equipment	2,962,000	2,840,000	2,847,000
Other	6,741,000	5,766,000	5,409,000
Total non-interest expenses	21,841,000	20,111,000	18,696,000
Income before income taxes	19,126,000	15,505,000	12,233,000
Provision for income taxes	5,134,000	7,316,000	4,759,000
Net income	\$13,992,000	\$8,189,000	\$7,474,000
Basic earnings per common share	\$2.74	\$1.64	\$1.54
Diluted earnings per common share	\$2.68	\$1.58	\$1.47
Common dividends per share	\$0.36	\$0.28	\$0.10

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

# PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

# For the Years Ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016

Net Income	<b>2018</b> \$13,992,000	<b>2017</b> \$8,189,000	<b>2016</b> \$7,474,000
Other comprehensive income (loss):			
Change in net unrealized (loss) gain	(2,062,000)	687,000	(1,614,000)
Less: reclassification adjustments for net losses included in net income	8,000	158,000	32,000
Net unrealized holding (loss) gain	(2,054,000)	845,000	(1,582,000)
Related income tax effect:			
Change in unrealized (gain) loss	609,000	(284,000)	665,000
Reclassification of losses included in net income	(2,000)	(65,000)	(13,000 )
Income tax effect	(607,000 )	(349,000)	652,000
Total other comprehensive income (loss)	(1,447,000)	496,000	(930,000)
Comprehensive income	\$12,545,000	\$8,685,000	\$6,544,000

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

# PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

# For the Years Ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016

				Accumulated	
	Common Stock		Retained	Other	Total
	Common S	OLOCK	Retained	Comprehensiv	e Shareholders'
	Shares	Amount	Earnings	(Loss) Income (Net of Taxes)	Equity
Balance, January 1, 2016	4,835,432	\$6,475,000	\$36,063,000	\$ (42,000	) \$42,496,000
Net Income Other comprehensive loss Exercise of stock options and tax effect Repurchase of common stock warrant Cash dividend on common stock	61,443	189,000 (862,000)	7,474,000 (489,000 )	(930,000	7,474,000 ) (930,000 ) 189,000 (862,000 ) (489,000 )
Stock-based compensation expense Balance, December 31, 2016	4,896,875	116,000 5,918,000	43,048,000	(972,000	116,000 ) 47,994,000
Net Income Other comprehensive income Cumulative effect of adopting of ASU		84,000	8,189,000 (78,000 )	496,000	8,189,000 496,000 6,000
2016-09 Reclassification of stranded tax effects from change in tax rate Exercise of stock options	59,985	261,000	94,000	(94,000	261,000
Cashless exercise of common stock warrant Cash dividends on common stock Stock-based compensation expense Balance, December 31, 2017	108,112 5,064,972	152,000 6,415,000	(1,398,000) 49,855,000	(570,000	- (1,398,000 ) 152,000 ) 55,700,000
Net Income Other comprehensive loss Exercise of stock options	72,504	330,000	13,992,000	(1,447,000	13,992,000 ) (1,447,000 ) 330,000

Cash dividends on common stock			(1,842,000)	)	(1,842,000)
Stock-based compensation expense		199,000			199,000
Balance, December 31, 2018	5,137,476	\$6,944,000	\$62,005,000	\$ (2,017,000	) \$66,932,000

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

# PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

# For the Years Ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016

	2018	2017	2016
Cash flows from operating activities: Net income	\$13,992,000	\$8,189,000	\$7,474,000
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	\$13,992,000	\$8,189,000	\$7,474,000
Provision for loan losses	1,000,000	600,000	800,000
Change in deferred loan origination costs/fees, net	(1,581,000)	(754,000)	(491,000)
Stock-based compensation expense	199,000	152,000	116,000
Depreciation and amortization	1,042,000	1,026,000	1,076,000
Amortization of investment security premiums	691,000	615,000	650,000
Loss on sale of investments	8,000	158,000	32,000
Gain on equity securities with no readily determinable fair value	(209,000)	-	-
Gain on sale of loans held for sale	(1,903,000)	(2,039,000)	(1,770,000)
Loans originated for sale	(38,914,000)	(31,348,000)	(30,368,000)
Proceeds from loan sales	41,748,000	36,583,000	30,727,000
Provision from change in OREO valuation	155,000	124,000	37,000
Net gain on sale of OREO	(47,000)	(130,000)	(60,000)
Net gain on sale of other vehicles owned	(24,000)	(10,000)	(36,000)
Earnings on bank owned life insurance policies	(328,000)	(338,000)	(341,000)
Provision (benefit) for deferred income taxes	360,000	503,000	(660,000)
(Increase) decrease in accrued interest receivable and other assets	(1,397,000)	(513,000)	975,000
Increase (decrease) in accrued interest payable and other liabilities	847,000	(1,340,000)	738,000
Net cash provided by operating activities	15,639,000	11,478,000	8,899,000

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# PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

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# For the Years Ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016

	2018	2017	2016
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Proceeds from matured and called available- for-sale investment securities	\$-	\$-	\$4,000,000
Proceeds from sale of available-for-sale securities	4,157,000	9,594,000	14,589,000
Purchases of available-for-sale investment securities	(56,607,000)	(58,341,000)	(39,643,000)
Proceeds from principal repayments from available-for-sale government-guaranteed mortgage-backed securities	15,324,000	12,702,000	13,905,000
Net increase in loans	(82,412,000)	(30,962,000)	(60,619,000)
Proceeds from bank owned life insurance	338,000	-	-
Proceeds from sale of vehicles	473,000	313,000	331,000
Proceeds from sale of other real estate	723,000	689,000	2,245,000
Proceeds from sale of premises and equipment	-	-	42,000
Purchases of premises and equipment	(3,866,000)	(531,000)	(600,000)
Net cash used in investing activities	(121,870,000)	(66,536,000)	(65,750,000)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Net increase in demand, interest-bearing and savings deposits	52,982,000	83,866,000	57,738,000
Net increase (decrease) in time deposits	10,926,000	(3,562,000)	(2,661,000)
Net increase (decrease) in securities sold under agreements to repurchase	2,984,000	3,157,000	(124,000 )
Cash dividends paid on common stock	(1,842,000)	(1,398,000)	(489,000)
Principal payment on note payable	-	(2,375,000)	(2,500,000)
Repurchase of common stock warrant	-	-	(862,000)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	330,000	261,000	200,000
Net cash provided by financing activities	65,380,000	79,949,000	51,302,000
(Decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(40,851,000)	24,891,000	(5,549,000 )
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	87,537,000	62,646,000	68,195,000
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$46,686,000	\$87,537,000	\$62,646,000

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## PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

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For the Years Ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016

Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:	2018	2017	2016
Cash paid during the year for: Interest expense Income taxes	\$1,212,000 \$4,506,000		\$1,022,000 \$5,206,000
Non-cash investing activities: Real estate acquired through foreclosure Vehicles acquired through repossession Loans provided for sales of real estate owned	\$656,000	\$1,293,000	\$1,201,000
	\$466,000	\$325,000	\$277,000
	\$-	\$480,000	\$2,073,000
Non-Cash Financing Activities: Common stock retired in connection with the exercise of stock options Common stock issued in connection with the cashless exercise of stock warrant	\$29,000	\$10,000	\$-
	\$-	\$787,000	\$-

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. In December, 2015 the Bank opened a branch in Reno, Nevada; its first branch outside of California and in 2018 the Bank purchased a branch located in Carson City, Nevada. The Bank's administrative headquarters is in Quincy, California. In addition, the Bank operates a lending office specializing in government-guaranteed lending in Auburn, California, and commercial/agricultural lending offices in Chico and Red Bluff, California and Klamath Falls, Oregon. 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.

### 2.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 \$338,000 and Trust II of \$174,000 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 2018. These reclassifications had no impact on the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations or net change in cash and cash equivalents.

### **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.

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

### **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.

## 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. Cash held with other federally insured institutions in excess of FDIC limits as of December 31, 2018 was \$10.1 million. 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. As of December 31, 2018 and 2017 the Company did not have any investment securities classified as held-to-maturity.

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

As of December 31, 2018, and 2017 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 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.

### PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY

#### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

### 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, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the Company held \$3,027,000 and \$2,685,000, respectively of FHLB stock. 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.

As of December 31, 2018, and 2017 the Company had \$1.3 million and \$614 thousand, respectively in government guaranteed loans held for sale. Loans held for sale are recorded at the lower of cost or fair value 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.

Government guaranteed loans with unpaid balances of \$122,379,000 and \$112,781,000 were being serviced for others at December 31, 2018 and 2017, 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 income. 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 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.

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## 2.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 collectability 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. Past due status is based on the contractual terms of the loan. Subsequent payments on these loans, or payments received on nonaccrual loans for which the ultimate collectability of principal is not in doubt, are applied first to earned but unpaid interest and then to principal. Loans are returned to accrual status when all the principal and interest amounts contractually due are brought current and future payments are reasonably assured.

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, 2018 and 2017, there were no such loans being accounted for under this policy.

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

### Allowance for Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses is an estimate of probable incurred 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. Loan losses are charged against the allowance when management believes the uncollectibility of a loan balance is confirmed. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited 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 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 by portfolio segment from January 1, 2008 (the beginning of the latest business cycle as determined by management) to the most current balance sheet date, 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 incurred losses inherent in the portfolio taken as a whole.

The Company maintains a separate allowance for each portfolio segment (loan type). These portfolio segments include commercial, agricultural, real estate construction (including land and development loans), commercial real estate mortgage, residential mortgage, home equity loans, automobile loans and other loans primarily consisting of consumer installment loans. 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 criticized and classified loans over \$100,000 to identify credit 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.

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

Allowance for Loan Losses (continued)

The risk ratings can be grouped into three major categories, defined as follows:

*Special Mention* – Loans classified as special mention have a potential weakness that deserves management's close attention. If left uncorrected, these potential weaknesses my result in deterioration of the repayment prospects for the loan or of the institution's credit position at some future date.

**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.

Loans not meeting the criteria above that are analyzed individually as part of the above described process are considered to be pass-rated loans.

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 are generally underwritten to existing cash flows of operating businesses. Debt coverage is 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.

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

Allowance for Loan Losses (continued)

**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.

**Automobile** – An automobile loan portfolio is usually comprised of a large number of smaller loans scheduled to be amortized over a specific period. Most automobile loans are made directly for consumer purchases, but business 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 consumer loans and are similar in nature to automobile loans.

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 the California Department of Business Oversight (the "DBO"), 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 \$250,000 and \$200,000 at December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively and is included in accrued interest payable and other liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet.

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

#### Other Real Estate

Other real estate owned relates to real estate acquired in full or partial settlement of loan obligations, which was \$1,170,000 (\$2,451,000 less a valuation allowance of \$1,281,000) at December 31, 2018 and \$1,344,000 (\$2,642,000 less a valuation allowance of \$1,298,000) at December 31, 2017. Of these amounts \$368,000 at December 31, 2018 and \$110,000 at December 31, 2017 represent foreclosed residential real estate property. There was one consumer mortgage loans with a balance of \$90,000 secured by a residential real estate property for which formal foreclosure proceedings were in process at December 31, 2018. No consumer mortgage loans secured by residential real estate properties were in the process of foreclosure at December 31, 2017. Proceeds from sales of other real estate owned totaled \$722,000, \$689,000 and \$2,245,000 for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively. For the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 the Company recorded gains on sale of other real estate owned of \$47,000, \$130,000 and \$60,000, respectively. 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 also recorded in other expenses as incurred.

The following table provides a summary of the change in the OREO balance for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	Year Ended l	December
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	2018	2017
Beginning balance	\$1,344,000	\$735,000
Additions	656,000	1,292,000
Dispositions	(675,000)	(559,000)
Write-downs	(155,000)	(124,000)
Ending balance	\$1,170,000	\$1,344,000

### **Intangible Assets**

Intangible assets consist of core deposit intangibles related to branch acquisitions and are amortized on an accelerated basis 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 during the periods presented.

Aggregate amortization expense was \$27,000, \$6,000, and \$6,000 for 2018, 2017 and 2016.

The gross carrying amount of intangible assets and accumulated amortization was:

	2018		2017	
	Gross	Aggumulated	Gross	Accumulated
	Carrying	Accumulated	Carrying	Accumulated
	Amount	Amortization	Amount	Amortization
Core deposit intangibles	\$1,226,000	\$ 42,000	\$96,000	\$ 15,000

The increase in intangible assets in 2018 relates to the purchase of the Bank's Carson City branch in October 2018.

Estimated amortization expense for each of the next five years is \$263,000, \$198,000, \$161,000, \$132,000 and \$108,000.

#### PLUMAS BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARY

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

### Premises and Equipment

Land is carried at cost. Premises and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. 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.

### Revenue from Contracts with Customers

The Company records revenue from contracts with customers in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification Topic 606, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers" ("Topic 606"). Under Topic 606, the Company must identify the contract with a customer, identify the performance obligations in the contract, determine the transaction price, allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract, and recognize revenue when (or as) the Company satisfies a performance obligation. Significant revenue has not been recognized in the current reporting period that

results from performance obligations satisfied in previous periods.

Most of our revenue-generating transactions are not subject to ASC 606, including revenue generated from financial instruments, such as our loans and investment securities. The Company has evaluated the nature of its contracts with customers and determined that further disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers into more granular categories beyond what is presented in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income was not necessary. The Company generally fully satisfies its performance obligations on its contracts with customers as services are rendered and the transaction prices are typically fixed; charged either on a periodic basis or based on activity. Because performance obligations are satisfied as services are rendered and the transaction prices are fixed, there is little judgment involved in applying Topic 606 that significantly affects the determination of the amount and timing of revenue from contracts with customers.

### **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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### 2.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 income statement. There have been no significant changes to unrecognized tax benefits or accrued interest and penalties for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017.

### **Earnings Per Share**

Basic earnings per share (EPS), which excludes dilution, is computed by dividing income available to common stockholders (net income plus discount on redemption of preferred stock less preferred dividends and accretion) 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. The amount reclassified out of other accumulated comprehensive income relating to realized losses on securities available for sale was \$8,000, \$158,000 and \$32,000 for 2018, 2017 and 2016, with the related tax effect of \$2,000, \$65,000 and \$13,000, respectively.

In February 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-02, *Reclassification of Certain Tax Effects from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income* ("AOCI"). The Company early adopted this new standard in the current year. ASU 2018-02 allows entities to elect to reclassify stranded tax effects on items within AOCI, resulting from the new tax bill signed into law on December 22, 2017, to retained earnings. The Company elected to early adopt this new standard in 2017 and recorded a reclassification from AOCI to retained earnings in the amount of \$94,000

### **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.

#### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Fair values of financial instruments are estimated using relevant market information and other assumptions, as more fully disclosed in a separate note. Fair value estimates involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment regarding interest rates, credit risk, prepayments, and other factors, especially in the absence of broad markets for particular items. Changes in assumptions or in market conditions could significantly affect these estimates.

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

### **Stock-Based Compensation**

Compensation expense related to the Company's Stock Option Plans, net of related tax benefit, recorded in 2018, 2017 and 2016 totaled \$185,000, \$141,000 and \$103,000 or \$0.04, \$0.03 and \$0.02 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.

During 2018 and 2016 the Company granted options to purchase 76,000 and 108,000 shares of common stock, respectively. The fair value of each option was estimated on the date of grant using the following assumptions.

	2018	2016
Expected life of stock options (in years)	5.1	5.1
Risk free interest rate	2.38%	1.52%
Volatility	30.4%	53.6%
Dividend yields	1.39%	2.00%
Weighted-average fair value of options granted during the year	\$6.54	\$3.55

No options were granted during the year ended December 31, 2017.

### **Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements**

In February 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-02, Reclassification of Certain Tax Effects from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income ("AOCI"). ASU No. 2018-02 allows entities to elect to reclassify stranded tax effects on items within AOCI, resulting from the new tax bill signed into law on December 22, 2017, to retained earnings. The Company elected to early adopt this new standard in 2017 and recorded a reclassification from AOCI to retained earnings in the amount of \$94,000.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09 Revenue from Contracts with Customers ("ASU 2014-09"), which requires an entity to recognize the amount of revenue to which it expects to be entitled for the transfer of promised goods or services to customers. The ASU replaces most existing revenue recognition guidance in GAAP. The new standard was effective for the Company on January 1, 2018. Adoption of ASU 2014-09 did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements and related disclosures as the Company's primary sources of revenues are derived from interest and dividends earned on loans, investment securities, and other financial instruments that are not within the scope of ASU 2014-09. The Company's revenue recognition pattern for revenue streams within the scope of ASU 2014-09, including but not limited to service charges on deposit accounts and gains/losses on the sale of loans, did not change significantly from current practice. The standard permits the use of either the full retrospective or modified retrospective transition method. The Company elected to use the modified retrospective transition method which requires application of ASU 2014-09 to uncompleted contracts at the date of adoption however, periods prior to the date of adoption will not be retrospectively revised as the impact of the ASU on uncompleted contracts at the date of adoption was not material.

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

Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements (continued)

On January 5, 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-01, Financial Instruments—Overall: Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities. Changes made to the current measurement model primarily affect the accounting for equity securities with readily determinable fair values, where changes in fair value will impact earnings instead of other comprehensive income. The accounting for other financial instruments, such as loans, investments in debt securities, and financial liabilities is largely unchanged. The Update also changes the presentation and disclosure requirements for financial instruments including a requirement that public business entities use exit price when measuring the fair value of financial instruments measured at amortized cost for disclosure purposes. This Update is generally effective for public business entities in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company adopted ASU No. 2016-01 on January 1, 2018 and recorded a \$209,000 gain related to adjusting the carrying value of equity securities without a readily determinable fair market to \$662,000 in accordance with this standard. Additionally, we refined the calculation used to determine the disclosed fair value of our loans held for investment as part of adopting this standard. The refined calculation did not have a significant impact on our fair value disclosures.

### **Pending Accounting Pronouncements**

On February 25, 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, Leases. The most significant change for lessees is the requirement under the new guidance to recognize right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for all leases not considered short-term leases, which is generally defined as a lease term of less than 12 months. This change will result in lessees recognizing right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for most leases currently accounted for as operating leases under current lease accounting guidance. ASU 2016-02 is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2018. The Company has several lease agreements, including two branch locations, which are currently considered operating leases, and therefore, not recognized on the Company's consolidated statements of condition. The Company expects the new guidance will require some of these lease agreements to now be recognized on the consolidated statements of condition as a right-of-use asset and a corresponding lease liability. The Company has performed a preliminary evaluation of the provisions of ASU No. 2016-02. Based on this evaluation, the Company has determined that under the provisions of ASU No. 2016-02 we will recognize right-of-use assets and lease liabilities of

approximately \$565,000 on January 1, 2019.

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-13, Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments. ASU No. 2016-13 significantly changes how entities will measure credit losses for most financial assets and certain other instruments that aren't measured at fair value through net income. The standard will replace today's "incurred loss" approach with an "expected loss" model. The new model, referred to as the current expected credit loss ("CECL") model, will apply to: (1) financial assets subject to credit losses and measured at amortized cost, and (2) certain off-balance sheet credit exposures. This includes, but is not limited to, loans, leases, held-to-maturity securities, loan commitments, and financial guarantees. The CECL model does not apply to available-for-sale ("AFS") debt securities. For AFS debt securities with unrealized losses, entities will measure credit losses in a manner similar to what they do today, except that the losses will be recognized as allowances rather than reductions in the amortized cost of the securities. The ASU also simplifies the accounting model for purchased credit-impaired debt securities and loans. ASU No. 2016-13 also expands the disclosure requirements regarding an entity's assumptions, models, and methods for estimating the allowance for loan and lease losses. ASU No. 2016-13 is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019; early adoption is permitted for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2018. Entities will apply the standard's provisions as a cumulative-effect adjustment to retained earnings as of the beginning of the first reporting period in which the guidance is effective (i.e., modified retrospective approach). The Company has begun its implementation efforts by establishing an implementation team chaired by the Company's Chief Lending Officer and composed of members of the Company's credit administration and accounting departments. We have purchased software to support the CECL calculation of the allowance for loan losses under ASU No 2016-13 and have engaged the software vendor to assist in the transition to the CECL model. We expect to produce an initial CECL allowance calculation prior to June 30, 2019. The Company's preliminary evaluation indicates the provisions of ASU No. 2016-13 are expected to impact the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements, in particular the level of the reserve for credit losses. However, the Company continues to evaluate the extent of the potential impact.

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

Pending Accounting Pronouncements (continued)

On March 30, 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-08, Receivables – Non-Refundable Fees and Other Costs: Premium Amortization on Purchased Callable Debt Securities. This ASU amends the amortization period for certain purchased callable debt securities held at a premium, shortening such period to the earliest call date. The amendments do not require an accounting change for securities held at a discount; the discount continues to be amortized to maturity. ASU 2017-08 is effective for public business entities for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2018. Entities will apply the standard's provisions as a cumulative-effect adjustment to retained earnings as of the beginning of the first reporting period in which the guidance is effective (i.e., modified retrospective approach). The Company has performed a preliminary evaluation of the provisions of ASU No. 2017-08. Based on this evaluation, the Company has determined that ASU No. 2017-08 is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements.

In July 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-11, Leases - Targeted Improvements. ASU No. 2018-11 provides entities with relief from the costs of implementing certain aspects of the new leasing standard, ASU No. 2016-02. Specifically, under the amendments in ASU 2018-11: (1) entities may elect not to recast the comparative periods presented when transitioning to the new leasing standard, and (2) lessors may elect not to separate lease and non-lease components when certain conditions are met. The amendments have the same effective date as ASU 2016-02 (January 1, 2019 for the Company). The Company expects to elect both transition options. ASU 2018-11 is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements.

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-13, Fair Value Measurement, Disclosure Framework – Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Fair Value Measurement. The amendments in this update modify the disclosure requirements for fair value measurements by removing, modifying, or adding certain disclosures. The update is effective for interim and annual periods in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, with early adoption permitted. Entities are also allowed to elect early adoption of the eliminated or modified disclosure requirements and delay adoption of the new disclosure requirements until their effective date. As ASU No. 2018-13 only revises disclosure requirements, it will not have a material impact on the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements.

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#### 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

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 model-based 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.

The methods of determining the fair value of assets and liabilities presented in this note as of December 31, 2018 are consistent with the methods used as of December 31, 2017 except for the valuation of loans held for investment at December 31, 2018. We refined the calculation used to determine the disclosed fair value of our loans held for investment to estimate the fair value of our loan portfolio based on an exit price concept as part of adopting ASU 2016-01.

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## **3.FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)**

# Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The carrying amounts and estimated fair values of financial instruments, at December 31, 2018 are as follows:

		Fair Value Mea	asurements at D	ecember 31, 201	C
	Carrying Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Fair Value
Financial assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$46,686,000	\$46,686,000			\$46,686,000
Investment securities	171,507,000		\$171,507,000		171,507,000
Loans, net	562,498,000			\$580,396,000	580,396,000
FHLB stock	3,027,000				N/A
Accrued interest receivable	3,345,000	22,000	685,000	2,638,000	3,345,000
Financial liabilities:					
Deposits	726,565,000	669,599,000	57,050,000		726,649,000
Repurchase agreements	13,058,000		13,058,000		13,058,000
Junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures	10,310,000			8,092,000	8,092,000
Accrued interest payable	88,000	11,000	52,000	25,000	88,000

The carrying amounts and estimated fair values of financial instruments, at December 31, 2017 are as follows:

	Fair Value M	leasurements a	t December 31,	2017 Using:
Carrying Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Fair Value

Financial assets:

Cash and cash equivalents	\$87,537,000	\$87,537,000			\$87,537,000
Investment securities	137,466,000		\$137,466,000		137,466,000
Loans, net	482,248,000			\$484,269,000	484,269,000
FHLB stock	2,685,000				N/A
Accrued interest receivable	2,582,000	31,000	522,000	2,029,000	2,582,000
Financial liabilities:					
Deposits	662,657,000	616,617,000	46,061,000		662,678,000
Repurchase agreements	10,074,000		10,074,000		10,074,000
Junior subordinated deferrable interest	10,310,000			7,829,000	7,829,000
debentures	10,510,000			7,027,000	7,027,000
Accrued interest payable	64,000	10,000	39,000	15,000	64,000

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. Those estimates that are subjective in nature and involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment and therefore cannot be determined with precision are included in Level 3. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the fair values presented.

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.

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#### **3.FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)**

Fair Value of Financial Instruments (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, 2018 and December 31, 2017, 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 at December 31, 2018 are summarized below:

Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2018 Using Quoted **Prices** Significant Significant Active Other **Total Fair** Unobservable Markets Observable Value Inputs Inputs Identical (Level 3) Assets (Level 2) (Level 1) \$132,678,000 \$- \$132,678,000 \$

Assets:

U.S. Government-sponsored agencies collateralized by mortgage

obligations-residential

Obligations of states and political subdivisions 38,829,000 38,829,000

\$171,507,000 \$- \$171,507,000 \$

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis at December 31, 2017 are summarized below:

Fair Value Measurements at

December 31, 2017 Using

Quoted

Prices

Significant

Significant

Total Fair

Markets Observable

Unobservable

Value

Inputs

Inputs Identical

(Level 3)

Assets (Level 2)

(Level 1)

Assets:

U.S. Government-sponsored agencies collateralized by mortgage

obligations-residential

Obligations of states and political subdivisions

\$103,788,000 \$- \$103,788,000 \$

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\$137,466,000 \$- \$137,466,000 \$

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 or matrix pricing. There were no changes in the valuation techniques used during 2018 or 2017. Transfers between hierarchy measurement levels are recognized by the Company as of the beginning of the reporting period. Changes in fair market value are recorded in other comprehensive income.

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## 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis at December 31, 2018 are summarized below:

Assets: Other real estate:	Total Fair Value	2018 Usin Quoted Prices	ficant rvable	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Total Gains (Losses)
Real estate – residential Real estate – commercial Real estate – construction and land development	\$368,000 347,000 455,000 \$1,170,000	<b>\$- \$</b>	-	\$ 368,000 347,000 455,000 \$ 1,170,000	- (117,000) \$(117,000)

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis at December 31, 2017 are summarized below:

Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2017 Using Quoted

Prices

<sup>1n</sup> Significant

Active Significant

Active Other

Value

Unobservable Total

Markets Fair Observable

Inputs Gains (Losses)

Inputs Identical

(Level 3)

Assets (Level 2)

(Level 1)

Assets:

Impaired loans:

Equity lines of credit \$80,000 \$ \$ \$ 80,000 \$ 7,000

Total impaired loans 80,000 -