

PACWEST BANCORP
Form 8-K
January 22, 2010

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

**Current Report
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

January 21, 2010

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

PACWEST BANCORP

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

00-30747
(Commission File Number)

33-0885320
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**401 West A Street
San Diego, California 92101**
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(619) 233-5588
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.*

On January 21, 2010, PacWest Bancorp announced its results of operations and financial condition for the quarter and twelve months ended December 31, 2009. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.*

(d) Exhibits.

| Exhibit No. | Description |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 99.1 | Press release dated January 21, 2010 |

*The information furnished under Item 2.02 and Item 9.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the exhibit, shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any registration statement or other filings of PacWest Bancorp under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be set forth by specific reference in such filing.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

PACWEST BANCORP

Date: January 22, 2010

By: */s/ Jared M. Wolff*
Name: Jared M. Wolff
Title: Executive Vice President and General Counsel