

TANNER ROLAND S  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
TANNER ROLAND S

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
11/18/2011

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
VICE PRESIDENT

SAN DIMAS, CA 91773

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Shares	03/01/2011		A		29.2722 (1)	A	\$ 33.1 6,400.3909 D
Common Shares	06/01/2011		A		30.7585 (2)	A	\$ 34.19 6,431.1494 D
Common Shares	09/01/2011		A		30.2669 (3)	A	\$ 35.03 6,461.4163 D
Common Shares	11/18/2011		M		750	A	\$ 23.43 7,211.4163 D
Common Shares	11/18/2011		M		750	A	\$ 23.15 7,961.4163 D

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Common Shares	11/18/2011	M	750	A	\$ 25.55	8,711.4163	D
Common Shares	11/18/2011	M	9,075	A	\$ 25.92	17,786.4163	D

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.43	11/18/2011		M	750	02/03/2003 <sup>(4)</sup> 02/03/2012	Common Shares	750	
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.15	11/18/2011		M	750	12/31/2003 <sup>(5)</sup> 12/31/2012	Common Shares	750	
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.55	11/18/2011		M	750	02/01/2005 <sup>(6)</sup> 02/01/2014	Common Shares	750	
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.92	11/18/2011		M	9,075	01/02/2006 <sup>(7)</sup> 01/02/2015	Common Shares	9,075	

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

/s/ Roland S.  
Tanner

11/22/2011

\_\_Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) DER units credited on 3/1/2011 as dividend at FMV
- (2) DER units credited on 6/1/2011 as dividend at FMV
- (3) DER units credited on 9/1/2011 as dividend at FMV
- (4) The option became exercisable as to 33% of the total number of shares subject to the option on 2/3/2003, 33% on 2/3/2004 and 34% on 2/3/2005
- (5) The option became exercisable as to 33% of the total number of shares subject to the option on 12/31/2003, 33% on 12/31/2004 and 34% on 12/31/2005
- (6) The option became exercisable as to 33% of the total number of shares subject to the option on 2/1/2005, 33% on 2/1/2006 and 34% on 2/1/2007
- (7) The option became exercisable as to 33% of the total number of shares subject to the option on 1/2/2006, 33% on 1/2/2007 and 34% on 1/2/2008

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