

SPROWLS ROBERT J
Form 4
August 15, 2012

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SPROWLS ROBERT J

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)

1713 N VALLEJO WAY

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/14/2012

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

President & CEO

UPLAND, CA 91784

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

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

(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	(A) or (D)	Price	
Common Shares	08/14/2012		M		2,105	A	\$ 23.24	37,699.6648 D
Common Shares	08/14/2012		M		8,090	A	\$ 25.92	45,789.6648 D
Common Shares	08/14/2012		S		10,195	D	\$ 44.5	35,594.6648 D

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

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(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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.24	08/14/2012		M		2,105		06/29/2005	06/29/2014	Common Shares	2,105
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.92	08/14/2012		M		8,090		01/02/2006	01/02/2015	Common Shares	8,090

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SPROWLS ROBERT J 1713 N VALLEJO WAY UPLAND, CA 91784			President & CEO	

Signatures

/s/ Robert J.

Sprowls

08/15/2012

Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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