

S&W Seed Co
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Szot Matthew K

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 7108 FRESNO STREET, SUITE 380
 (Street)

FRESNO, CA 93720

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 S&W Seed Co [SANW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 10/05/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 EVP Finance & Admin and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code V Amount (D) Price | | |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|--|------|---|-----|-----|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units | (1) | 10/05/2016 | A | 8,210 | | | | | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 8,210 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 4.86 | 10/05/2016 | A | 19,851 | | | | | 01/01/2017(4) | 10/05/2026 | Common Stock | 19,851 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Szot Matthew K 7108 FRESNO STREET, SUITE 380 FRESNO, CA 93720 | | | EVP Finance & Admin and CFO | |

Signatures

Matthew K. Szot
10/07/2016
Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Each restricted stock unit ("RSU") represents the contingent right to receive one share of common stock upon vesting of the unit. The closing price of the Issuer's common stock on the date of this RSU award was \$4.86.
The RSUs vest quarterly over three years on the first day of each fiscal quarter, commencing on January 1, 2017 and continuing thereafter on the first day of each succeeding fiscal quarter through and including October 1, 2019, subject to continued service with the Issuer on each respective vesting date. Of the quarterly vesting installments, 11 will vest an aggregate of 684 RSUs, and the 12th installment will vest an aggregate of 686 RSUs. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person on the settlement date unless the Issuer elects to settle the RSUs in cash or a combination of shares and cash, in the Issuer's sole discretion.
- (3) The RSUs and options were granted pursuant to the Issuer's Amended and Restated 2009 Equity Incentive Plan.
The options vest in 12 quarterly installments over three years, commencing on January 1, 2017 and continuing thereafter on the first day of each succeeding fiscal quarter to and including October 1, 2019, subject to continued service with the Issuer on each respective vesting date. Of the quarterly vesting installments, 11 will vest an aggregate of 1,654 options, and the 12th installment will vest an aggregate of 1,657 options.

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