

FIRST COMMUNITY BANCORP /CA/
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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 *
 RUH WILLIAM J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 FIRST COMMUNITY BANCORP /CA/ [FCBP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 P.O. BOX 1329
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/30/2005

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

RANCHO SANTA FE, CA 92067
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 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) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|---|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | | | |
| Common Stock | 08/30/2005 | | P | A | 200 | \$ 47.5013 | 1,100 | I | As trustee |
| Common Stock | 08/30/2005 | | P | A | 200 | \$ 47.6013 | 1,300 | I | As trustee |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 51,720 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 2,030,378 | I | Castle Creek Capital holdings (1) |

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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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| RUH WILLIAM J P.O. BOX 1329 RANCHO SANTA FE, CA 92067 | | X | | |

Signatures

William J. Ruh 09/16/2005

__Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

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

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In addition to William J. Ruh, this form is filed by John M. Eggemeyer, III, Eggemeyer Advisory Corp. ("EAC"); William J. Ruh; WJR Corp.; Castle Creek Capital, LLC; Castle Creek Capital Partners Fund I, LP; Castle Creek Capital Partners Fund IIA, LP; and Castle Creek Capital Partners Fund IIB, LP (the "Castle Creek Funds"). Castle Creek Capital, LLC is the sole general partner of the Castle Creek

(1) Funds. Accordingly, securities owned by Fund I, Fund IIA and Fund IIB may be regarded as being beneficially owned by Castle Creek Capital, LLC. EAC and WJR Corp. are controlling persons of Castle Creek Capital, LLC. Accordingly, securities owned by Castle Creek Capital, LLC may be regarded as being beneficially owned by Eggemeyer Advisory Corp. and WJR Corp. Messrs Eggemeyer and Ruh are the sole shareholders of EAC and WJR Corp, respectively.

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