

SPROWLS ROBERT J
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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 *
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)
09/01/2011

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
President & CEO

UPLAND, CA 91784

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		128,138.2 (1)	A	\$ 33.1 23,916.7066 D
Common Shares	06/01/2011		A		131,492.6 (2)	A	\$ 34.19 24,048.1992 D
Common Shares	09/01/2011		A		129,390.6 (3)	A	\$ 35.03 24,177.5898 D
Common Shares	09/01/2011		M		2,000	A	\$ 23.24 26,177.5898 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
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.24	09/01/2011		M	2,000	06/29/2005 ⁽⁴⁾ 06/29/2014	Common Shares	2,000

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
09/06/2011
**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)

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This option became exercisable as to 33% of the total number of shares subject to the option on 6/29/2005, 33% on 6/29/2006, and 34% on 6/29/2007

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