FIRST PACTRUST BANCORP INC Form 8-K January 05, 2011

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

January 5, 2011

First PacTrust Bancorp, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

000-49806

(Commission

File Number)

Maryland

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

610 Bay Boulevard, Chula Vista, California

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

04-3639825

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

91910

(Zip Code)

(619) 691-1519

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On January 5, 2011, the Company announced that it had repurchased a warrant which was issued by the Company to the U.S. Department of the Treasury in November 2008 pursuant to the TARP Capital Purchase Program. A copy of the Company's press release making this announcement is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits:

The following exhibit is being provided herewith:

99.1 Press release dated January 5, 2011

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

First PacTrust Bancorp, Inc.

January 5, 2011

By: /s/ James P. Sheehy

Name: James P. Sheehy Title: Executive Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer

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Press release dated January 5, 2011