

Great Western Bancorp, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
October 30, 2017

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): October 30, 2017

GREAT WESTERN BANCORP, INC.  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)  
001-36688    47-1308512  
(Commission File Number)    (IRS Employer Identification No.)

225 South Main Avenue  
Sioux Falls, South Dakota    57104  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)    (Zip Code)

(605) 334-2548  
(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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).  
Emerging growth company

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If an emerging growth company, indicate by checkmark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

Ken Karels, President and Chief Executive Officer, Peter Chapman, Chief Financial Officer and Stephen Ulenberg, Chief Risk Officer of Great Western Bancorp, Inc. (the “Company”), each previously adopted stock trading plans in accordance with the guidelines specified under Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (“10b5-1 Sales Plan”). On October 30, 2017, Mr. Karels, Mr. Chapman and Mr. Ulenberg amended their respective 10b5-1 Sales Plan to provide that the election to sell those restricted share awards vesting on December 2, 2017 and December 4, 2017 in an amount sufficient to cover taxes and fees associated with the awards is hereby deleted as each has decided to surrender units/shares sufficient to cover tax withholding obligations arising out of the aforementioned vestings in accordance with the Company’s Plan. All other terms and conditions of each 10b5-1 Sales Plan shall continue in full force and effect.

Any transactions under the 10b5-1 Sales Plan will be disclosed publicly through Form 4 filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission when due. Except as may be required by law, the Company does not undertake to report 10b5-1 trading plans by other officers or directors of the Company in the future, or to report modifications or terminations of any such plans, whether or not the plan was publicly announced, except to the extent required by law.

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SIGNATURE

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.

GREAT WESTERN BANCORP,  
INC.

Date: October 30, 2017 By: /s/ Donald J. Straka  
Name: Donald J. Straka  
Title: General Counsel and Secretary