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Form 8-K April 23, 2018

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

April 23, 2018

(Date of earliest event reported)

Farmers & Merchants Bancorp

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000 - 26099 94-3327828

(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

111 West Pine Street, Lodi, California 95240

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(209) 367-2300

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changes 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 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

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition 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

Attached as Exhibit 20 and incorporated herein by reference is the Letter to Shareholders from the Company's 2017 Annual Report to Shareholders.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits:

20 Letter to Shareholders

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.

FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANCORP

/s/ Stephen W. Haley

Stephen W. Haley Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

Date: April 23, 2018