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) April 21, 2003

SIERRA BANCORP

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California (State or other jurisdiction

000-33063 (Commission 33-0937517 (I.R.S. Employee

of incorporation or organization)

File No.)

Identification No.)

86 North Main Street, Porterville, CA (Address of principal executive offices)

93257 (Zip code)

(559) 782-4900

(Registrant s telephone number including area code)

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Not applicable

 $(Former\ name\ or\ former\ address,\ if\ changed\ since\ last\ report)$

Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press release concerning earnings for March 31, 2003 calendar quarter.

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On April 21, 2003, Sierra Bancorp issued a press release concerning its results of operations and financial condition as of and for the calendar quarter ended March 31, 2003. This information is being furnished pursuant to

Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition of Form 8-K. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

SIGNATURES

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

Dated: April 23, 2003

By:

Kenneth R. Taylor

Senior Vice President &

Chief Financial Officer

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