December 08, 2011

#### 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

December 6, 2011 (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 (Commission File Number) 94-3327828 (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)

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### Item 8.01 Other Events

On December 6, 2011, Farmers & Merchants Bancorp announced the Board of Directors' declaration of a year-end cash dividend, a copy of which is included as Exhibit 99 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

## (c) Exhibits:

<u>99</u>Press release announcing the Board of Directors of Farmers & Merchants Bancorp's declaration of a year-end cash dividend.

## **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

By /s/ Stephen W. Haley

Stephen W. Haley Executive Vice President

& Chief Financial Officer

Date: December 7, 2011