## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AMERICAN STATES WATER CO</u> [ AWR ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
				Director 10% Owner					
,			—	X Officer (give title Other (specify					
(Last)	(First) (Middle		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	below) below)					
3419 VIA LIDO DRIVE PMB#334			02/01/2012	Sr. Vice President					
(Street)	T		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
NEWPOR BEACH	L CA	92663		X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
DEACH				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							

### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities A Disposed Of (D			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Shares	02/01/2012		F		287.3602(1)	D	\$36.17	8,149.2479	D	
Common Shares	02/01/2012		A		1,396.911	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	8,149.2479	Ι	401K

# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)		of Expiratio		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	Date Amount of		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. 690 previously reported RSU's of which 287.3602 were withheld to satisfy tax withholding

#### /s/ McClellan Harris III

02/02/2012 Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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