

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 30, 2002

American States Water Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California	American States Water Company	333-47647	95-4676679
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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

630 East Foothill Boulevard, San Dimas, California	91773-9016
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(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number including area code: (909) 394-3600

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)
Not applicable.

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.

The Board of Directors of the Company has approved a three-for-two stock split payable on June 7, 2002 to shareholders of record on May 15, 2002. Fractional shares will be paid in cash. As a result of the stock split, the total number of Common Shares outstanding will increase from approximately 10.1 million to approximately 15.2 million.

SIGNATURES

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.

AMERICAN STATES WATER COMPANY

/S/ MCCLELLAN HARRIS III

By: McClellan Harris III
Vice President - Finance,
Chief Financial Officer,
Treasurer and Secretary

DATED: April 30, 2002