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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 10-K**

(Mark One)

**ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**  
For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012

or

**TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**  
For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission file number 000-24151

**NORTHWEST BANCORPORATION, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Washington**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**91-1574174**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**421 W. Riverside Avenue, Spokane, WA**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**99201-0403**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(509) 456-8888**

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: **None**

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

**Common Stock, No Par Value**

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Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act.

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Indicate by a check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Website, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 229.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes  No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (§229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this annual report on Form 10-K or any amendment to this annual report on Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  No

The aggregate market value of the common stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant computed by reference to the price at which the common equity was last sold as of the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter was \$16,170,568.

The number of shares outstanding of the registrant's common stock, as of February 15, 2013, was 3,089,957.

### DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the Proxy Statement for the registrant's Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on May 20, 2013 (the 2013 Proxy Statement) have been incorporated by reference into Part III, Items 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of this annual report on Form 10-K.

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**PART I**

*This report contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. For a discussion of the risks and uncertainties inherent in such statements, see Business Forward-Looking Statements and Risk Factors.*

**Item 1. Business.**  
**General**

Northwest Bancorporation, Inc. (the Company), a Washington corporation incorporated in 1991, is a bank holding company registered with and supervised by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the Federal Reserve Board). In 1993, the Company became the bank holding company parent of Inland Northwest Bank (the Bank) by acquiring all the outstanding shares of common stock of the Bank in exchange for an equal number of shares of common stock of the Company. Since commencing operations, the Company's business has consisted primarily of managing and supervising the Bank, and its principal source of income has been derived from the Bank. Although the Company's management continues to consider the possibility of other business opportunities, the Company currently has not established any independent business activity apart from acting as the parent company of the Bank. The Company also owns one-hundred percent of the common stock of Northwest Bancorporation Capital Trust I, a trust established in 2005 for the purpose of issuing trust preferred securities; proceeds received by the trust from the issuance of the trust preferred securities were funded to the Company.

The Bank commenced operations in 1989 as a Washington state-chartered commercial bank and is regulated by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the FDIC) and the Washington State Department of Financial Institutions (the WDFI). The Bank is a full service commercial bank providing a wide range of services to individuals and small to medium-sized businesses in eastern Washington and northern Idaho. The Bank operates seven branch offices in Washington and four branches in Idaho. In November 2011, the Bank formed a wholly-owned subsidiary, Northwest Property LLC, for the sole purpose of holding real estate acquired through foreclosure.

The Company and the Bank are managed as a single entity and not by departments or lines of business. Based on management's analysis, no department or line of business meets the criteria established in Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 280, *Segment Reporting*, for reporting of selected information about operating segments.

The primary asset of the Company is its investment in the common stock of the Bank. The Bank's operating results, financial position, and ability to provide dividends to the Company will directly and materially affect the operating results, financial position and liquidity of the Company. The Bank derives its income principally from interest charged on loans and, to a lesser extent, interest earned on investments and fees received in connection with the origination of loans and for other services. The Bank's principal expenses are interest expense on deposits and borrowings, operating expenses, and the provision for loan losses. Funds for activities of the Bank are provided principally by operating revenues, deposit growth and repayment of outstanding loans and investments. Specific information concerning the effect of these items upon the Bank's operating results for the fiscal years 2012 and 2011 is set forth in Part II, Item 7 of this annual report on Form 10-K. At such time as the Company decides to engage in any other business activities, the success or failure of any new business activities and the associated costs and expenses would be additional factors affecting the operating results, financial position and liquidity of the Company.

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### **Products and Services**

The Bank promotes relationship-based products and services to meet the banking needs of its primary market area. The Bank strives to occupy a niche market wherein it specializes in the personalized delivery of depository, cash management, and lending services to individuals, professionals and small to medium-sized businesses.

A full range of deposit products is offered including noninterest bearing demand deposits, money market demand accounts, negotiable order of withdrawal ( NOW ) accounts, savings accounts, and time deposits. The flow of deposits is influenced significantly by general economic conditions, changes in prevailing interest rates, pricing of deposits and competition. Our deposits are primarily obtained from areas surrounding our banking offices. We rely on marketing, new products, service and long-standing relationships with customers to attract and retain these deposits. Occasionally, the Bank solicits time deposits through brokers. Broker deposits are placed by brokers acting as an administrator, custodian, agent or trustee for funds placed at financial institutions on behalf of a third-party. Deposits of the Bank are insured by the Deposit Insurance Fund administered by the FDIC up to the maximum amount allowed by law.

Other services offered to the Bank's depositors include: cash management services, wire transfers, ACH origination, merchant bankcard services, electronic bill payment, Internet banking, commercial remote deposit capture, ATM and debit cards, safe deposit boxes, and overdraft protection.

The Bank also engages in a full complement of commercial and consumer lending activities in its market area, with the main focus on commercial lending. The Bank primarily originates commercial real estate secured loans, which include loans secured by nonresidential real property. To a lesser extent, the Bank originates commercial loans not secured by real estate, construction and land development loans, one- to four-family and multifamily residential real estate loans, and other consumer loans. Commercial loans consist of business loans and lines of credit on a secured and unsecured basis. Consumer loans consist of loans for a consumer purpose that are secured by collateral other than real estate, such as automobiles, recreational vehicles and boats, however such loans may also be made on an unsecured basis. The Bank also originates first mortgage residential loans, a majority of which are sold to the secondary mortgage market.

### **Market Area and Competition**

The Bank's primary market area is Spokane County, Washington, and Kootenai County, Idaho. Based on population estimates by the U.S. Census Bureau from data collected in the 2011 American Community Survey, the population of Spokane County is 473,761 and the population of Kootenai County is 141,132.

The Bank encounters vigorous competition in its primary market area for the attraction of retail deposits and the origination of loans. Our most direct competition for depositors has historically come from locally owned and out-of-state commercial banks, thrift institutions and credit unions operating in our primary market area. Our competition for loans also comes from banks, thrifts and credit unions in addition to mortgage bankers and brokers. With liberalization of interstate banking limitations and other financial institution regulations, increased competition and consolidation in the overall financial services industry, it is anticipated that competition will continue to increase in the future.

### **Regulation and Supervision**

**General.** Bank holding companies and banks are extensively regulated under both federal and state law. The following information describes certain aspects of regulations applicable to the Company and the Bank, but does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the particular provisions of these regulations. In addition, federal and state regulations are subject to future changes that may have

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significant impact on the way in which bank holding companies and their subsidiaries (including banks) may conduct business. The likelihood and potential effects of such changes cannot be predicted. Legislation enacted in recent years has substantially increased the level of competition among commercial banks, savings banks, thrift institutions and non-banking companies, including insurance companies, securities brokerage firms, mutual funds, investment banks and major retailers. Recent legislation also has broadened the regulatory powers of the federal banking agencies in a number of areas.

**The Company.** As a bank holding company, the Company is subject to various regulations, including the following, some of which may have a material impact upon the Company's future financial performance.

*Bank Holding Company Act.* The Company is subject to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended (the BHC Act), and related federal statutes, and is subject to supervision, regulation and inspection by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (collectively, the Federal Reserve). The Company is required to file with the Federal Reserve an annual report and any additional information that the Federal Reserve may require pursuant to the BHC Act. The Federal Reserve possesses cease and desist powers over bank holding companies and their non-bank subsidiaries if their actions represent unsafe or unsound practices.

*Bank Acquisitions.* With some limited exceptions, the BHC Act requires a bank holding company to obtain prior approval from the Federal Reserve if the Company proposes to: (1) acquire all or substantially all of the assets of any bank, (2) acquire direct or indirect ownership or control of more than 5% of the voting shares of any bank, or (3) merge or consolidate with any other bank holding company. The BHC Act currently permits bank holding companies from any state to acquire banks and bank holding companies located in any other state, subject to certain conditions, including certain nationwide and state-imposed concentration limits. The establishment of new interstate branches also will be possible in those states with laws that expressly permit it. Interstate branches will be subject to certain laws of the states in which they are located. Competition may increase further as banks branch across state lines and enter new markets.

*Non-Bank Acquisitions.* The BHC Act also prohibits a bank holding company, with certain exceptions, from acquiring or retaining direct or indirect ownership or control of more than 5% of the voting shares of any company that is not a bank or bank holding company, and from engaging in any activities other than those of banking, managing or controlling banks, or activities which the Federal Reserve has determined to be so closely related to the business of banking or managing or controlling banks as to be a proper incident thereto.

*Change in Bank Control Act.* The acquisition of 10% or more of the Company's outstanding shares by any person or group of persons may, in certain circumstances, be subject to the provisions of the Change in Bank Control Act of 1978, as amended, and the acquisition of control of the Company by another company would be subject to regulatory approval under the BHC Act.

*Source of Strength Policy.* Under Federal Reserve policy, a bank holding company is expected to act as a source of financial strength to each of its subsidiary banks and to commit resources to support each such bank. Consistent with its source of strength policy for subsidiary banks, the Federal Reserve has stated that, as a matter of prudent banking, a bank holding company generally should not maintain a rate of cash dividends unless its net income available to common shareholders has been sufficient to fully fund the dividends, and the prospective rate of earnings retention appears to be consistent with the corporation's capital needs, asset quality and overall financial condition.

*Sarbanes-Oxley Act.* The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 requires the Company to comply with the internal controls and procedures for reporting companies established by Section 404.

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*Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act.* The Gramm-Leach-Bliley Financial Modernization Act (the GLB ) authorizes a bank holding company to apply to the Federal Reserve to become a financial holding company, and thereby engage (directly or through a subsidiary) in certain activities deemed financial in nature, such as securities brokerage, insurance underwriting, and merchant banking. The Company has not made this application and is not currently engaged in such activities.

*Legislative Initiatives to Address Financial and Economic Crisis.* In response to unprecedented market turmoil and the financial crises affecting the overall banking system and financial markets in the United States, the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 ( EESA ) was enacted in October 2008. On February 17, 2009, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 ( ARRA ) was enacted, which among other things augmented certain provisions of EESA. EESA authorized the United States Department of Treasury (the Treasury ) to establish the Troubled Asset Relief Program ( TARP ) to purchase troubled assets held by financial institutions.

In October 2008, the Treasury announced terms of the TARP Capital Purchase Program (the Capital Purchase Program ), through which the Treasury has made capital investments in banking institutions by purchasing senior preferred shares. The purpose of this program is to restore confidence and stability to the financial markets and to encourage the flow of credit within the financial system. Only institutions determined to be eligible for the Capital Purchase Program by the Treasury and the financial institution's primary federal regulator were allowed to participate.

The Company elected to participate in the Capital Purchase Program and received \$10.5 million through the issuance and sale of (1) 10,500 shares of the Company's Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock Series A (the Series A Preferred Stock ), with a liquidation value of \$1,000 per share, and (2) a warrant (the Warrant ) to purchase 525 shares of the Company's Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock Series B (the Series B Preferred Stock ), with an exercise price of \$0.01 per share. The Treasury immediately exercised the Warrant. Terms of the Series A Preferred Stock and Series B Preferred Stock issued pursuant to the Capital Purchase Program (together, the CPP Stock ) include: (1) an obligation of the Company to pay dividends on the Series A Preferred Stock of 5% per year until February 2014, when the dividend rate increases to 9% per year; (2) an obligation of the Company to pay dividends on the Series B Preferred Stock at a rate of 9% per year; (3) the CPP Stock may be redeemed by the Company at the issue price, plus all accrued and unpaid dividends, and subject to approval by the Company's banking regulators; (4) dividends on the CPP Stock must be paid before other dividends can be paid, except in the case of parity, or pari passu, stock that may be paid pro rata with the CPP Stock; and, (5) compliance with executive compensation standards and restrictions established by the Treasury and the ARRA. On March 11, 2013, Treasury sold its shares of CPP Stock to certain domestic qualified institutional buyers and domestic institutional accredited investors and notified the Company that the information rights and registration rights provided to Treasury under the securities purchase agreement by and between Treasury and the Company dated February 13, 2009 had been assigned to the purchasers of greater than 2% of the aggregate principal amount of the CPP Stock. Additional disclosure regarding the details of this transaction, the agreements and other documents related to the transaction have been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC ) and can be found on the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Additional details regarding the Capital Purchase Program can be found on the Treasury's website at [www.treas.gov/initiatives/financial-stability](http://www.treas.gov/initiatives/financial-stability).

*Securities and Exchange Commission.* The Company is under the jurisdiction of the SEC and certain state securities commissions for matters relating to the offering and sale of our securities. The Company is subject to the disclosure and regulatory requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as administered by the SEC.

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**The Bank.** As a Washington state-chartered commercial bank, with deposits insured by the Deposit Insurance Fund of the FDIC, the Bank is subject to various regulations, including the following:

*Bank Regulation.* The Bank is subject to supervision, regulation and examination by the Divisions of Banking of the States of Washington and Idaho and by the FDIC. The Bank is subject to various requirements and restrictions under federal and state law, including (1) requirements to maintain reserves against deposits, (2) restrictions on the types, amount and terms and conditions of loans that may be granted, (3) limitations on the types of investments that may be made, the activities that may be engaged in, and the types of services that may be offered, and (4) standards relating to asset quality, earnings, and employee compensation.

The approval of a Bank's primary regulator is required prior to any merger or consolidation or the establishment or relocation of any office. Various consumer laws and regulations also affect the operations of the Bank.

*Affiliate Transactions.* The Bank is subject to federal laws that limit the transactions by subsidiary banks with or on behalf of their parent company and with or on behalf of any non-bank subsidiaries. Such transactions by a subsidiary bank to its parent company or to any non-bank subsidiary are limited to 10% of a bank subsidiary's capital and surplus and, with respect to such parent company and all such non-bank subsidiaries, to an aggregate of 20% of such bank subsidiary's capital and surplus. Further, loans and extensions of credit generally are required to be secured by eligible collateral in specified amounts. Federal law also prohibits banks from purchasing low quality assets from affiliates.

*Deposit Insurance.* The deposits of the Bank are insured up to prescribed limits for each depositor by the FDIC's Deposit Insurance Fund (DIF) and are subject to deposit insurance assessments to maintain the DIF. Under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the Dodd-Frank Act), the maximum deposit insurance amount has been permanently increased from \$100,000 to \$250,000 per depositor. Temporary unlimited deposit insurance coverage on noninterest bearing transaction accounts was extended from December 31, 2010 through December 31, 2012. This temporary unlimited coverage is in addition to, and separate from, the coverage of at least \$250,000 available to depositors under the FDIC's general deposit insurance rules.

The DIF is funded by risk-based insurance premium assessments on insured depository institutions. Assessments are based upon several factors, including the level of regulatory capital and the results of regulatory examinations. The FDIC may adjust assessments if the insured institution's risk profile changes or if the size of the DIF declines in relation to the total amount of insured deposits. Since 2008, there have been higher levels of bank failures which has dramatically increased resolution costs of the FDIC and depleted the DIF. In order to maintain a strong funding position and restore reserve ratios of the DIF, the FDIC has increased assessment rates of insured institutions and may continue to do so in the future. In 2009, the FDIC instituted an additional special assessment totaling \$180 thousand for the Bank. Also in 2009, the FDIC required institutions to prepay their assessments for 13 quarters, beginning with the fourth quarter of 2009 through the fourth quarter of 2012. The Bank paid \$2.8 million for this prepaid assessment, which will be applied toward actual quarterly assessments until exhausted; any funds remaining after June 30, 2013 will be returned to the Bank.

The Dodd-Frank Act requires the FDIC to take future steps to increase the reserve ratio of the DIF from 1.15% to 1.35% of insured deposits by September 30, 2020. In setting the assessments, the FDIC is required to offset the effect of the higher reserve ratio against insured depository institutions with total consolidated assets of less than \$10 billion. The Dodd-Frank Act also broadens the base for FDIC insurance assessments so that assessments will be based on the average consolidated total assets less average tangible equity capital of the financial institution, whereas assessments were previously based on an institution's insured deposits.



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In addition to the FDIC assessments, all FDIC-insured depository institutions must pay a quarterly assessment to the FDIC to fund interest payments on bonds issued by the Financing Corporation ( FICO ), an agency of the Federal government established to recapitalize the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation. These assessments will continue until the FICO bonds mature in 2017 through 2019.

We are generally unable to control the amount of premiums that we are required to pay for FDIC insurance. If there are additional financial institution failures or if the FDIC otherwise determines, we may be required to pay even higher FDIC premiums than the recently increased levels. Any future increases in FDIC insurance premiums may have a material and adverse effect on our earnings.

In October 2008, the FDIC announced the Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program (the TLGP ) to strengthen confidence and encourage liquidity in the banking system. The TLGP consists of two components: a temporary guarantee of newly issued senior unsecured debt (the Debt Guarantee Program ) and a temporary unlimited guarantee of funds in noninterest bearing transaction accounts at FDIC-insured institutions (the Transaction Account Guarantee Program or TAGP ). The Company elected to participate in the TAGP, which expired on December 31, 2012.

*Capital Requirements.* The FDIC has adopted risk-based capital guidelines to which the Bank is subject. The guidelines establish a systematic analytical framework that makes regulatory capital requirements more sensitive to differences in risk profiles among banking organizations. The Bank is required to maintain certain levels of regulatory capital in relation to regulatory risk-weighted assets. The ratio of such regulatory capital to regulatory risk-weighted assets is referred to as the risk-based capital ratio. Risk-based capital ratios are determined by allocating assets and specified off-balance sheet items to four risk-weighted categories ranging from 0% to 100%, with the higher levels of capital being required for the categories perceived as representing greater risk.

These guidelines divide a bank's capital into two tiers. The first tier ( Tier 1 ) primarily includes common shareholders' equity, retained earnings, and qualifying preferred stock, less goodwill and other disallowed intangibles. Supplementary ( Tier 2 ) capital includes, among other items, partial recognition of increases in the market value of qualifying equity securities, certain cumulative and limited-life preferred stock, qualifying subordinated debt and the allowance for loan losses, subject to certain limitations, less required deductions as prescribed by regulation. Banks are required to maintain a total risk-based capital ratio of at least 8% and a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio of at least 4%.

In addition, the FDIC has established regulations prescribing a minimum Tier 1 leverage ratio (Tier 1 capital to adjusted average assets as specified in the regulations). These regulations provide for a minimum Tier 1 leverage ratio of 3% for banks that meet certain specified criteria, including that such banks have the highest examination rating, the bank is not anticipating or experiencing significant growth and has well-diversified risk, including no undue interest rate risk exposure, excellent asset quality, high liquidity, good earnings, and in general, a strong banking organization, and receiving the highest rating under the Uniform Financial Institutions Rating System established by the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council. For all but the most highly rated institutions meeting the conditions set forth above, the minimum leverage capital ratio is 4%. The FDIC may, however, set higher capital requirements when particular circumstances warrant.

Under federal banking laws, failure to meet the minimum regulatory capital requirements could subject a bank to a variety of enforcement remedies available to federal bank regulatory agencies, including the termination of deposit insurance by the FDIC and seizure of the institution.

*Prompt Corrective Action.* Federal banking agencies possess broad powers to take corrective action as deemed appropriate for an insured depository institution and its holding company. The extent of these powers depends on whether the institution in question is considered well capitalized, adequately

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capitalized, undercapitalized, significantly undercapitalized or critically undercapitalized. The required Tier 1 capital to average assets ratio, Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets ratio and total capital to risk-weighted assets ratio for classification as adequately capitalized are 4.0%, 4.0% and 8.0%, respectively. The required Tier 1 capital to average assets ratio, Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets ratio and total capital to risk-weighted assets ratio for classification as well capitalized are 5.0%, 6.0% and 10.0%, respectively. As of December 31, 2012, the Bank exceeded the required Tier 1 capital to average assets ratio, Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets ratio and total capital to risk-weighted assets ratio for classification as well capitalized, with ratios of 10.5%, 12.4% and 13.7%, respectively.

*Reserve Requirements.* The Federal Reserve Board of Governors requires all depository institutions to maintain reserves against their net transaction deposit accounts. Within limits specified by law, the Board of Governors has sole authority over changes in reserve requirements. As of December 31, 2012, the Bank is required to maintain reserves of 3% against net transaction accounts greater than \$12.4 million and up to \$79.5 million, and reserves of 10% must be maintained against net transaction accounts in excess of \$79.5 million.

*Environmental Regulations.* Our business is affected from time to time by federal and state laws and regulations relating to hazardous substances. Under the federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ( CERCLA ), owners and operators of properties containing hazardous substances may be liable for the costs of cleaning up the substances. CERCLA and similar state laws can affect us both as an owner of branches and other properties used in our business and as a lender holding a security interest in property found to contain hazardous substances. While CERCLA contains an exemption for holders of security interests, the exemption is not available if the holder participates in the management of a property, and some courts have broadly defined what constitutes participation in management of property. Moreover, CERCLA and similar state statutes can affect our decision as to whether or not to foreclose on a property. When appropriate, before foreclosing on commercial real estate, our general policy is to obtain an environmental report, thereby increasing the costs of foreclosure. In addition, the existence of hazardous substances on a property securing a troubled loan may cause us to elect not to foreclose on the property, thereby reducing our flexibility in handling the loan.

*Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act.* In addition to other consumer privacy provisions, the GLB Act restricts the use by financial institutions of customers nonpublic personal information. At the inception of the customer relationship and annually thereafter, the Bank is required to provide its customers with information regarding its policies and procedures with respect to handling of customers nonpublic personal information. The GLB Act generally prohibits a financial institution from providing a customer s nonpublic personal information to unaffiliated third parties without prior notice and approval by the customer.

*U.S.A. Patriot Act.* The U.S.A. Patriot Act ( the Patriot Act ) facilitates the sharing of information among government entities and financial institutions to combat terrorism and money laundering. The Patriot Act imposes an obligation on financial institutions to establish and maintain anti-money laundering policies and procedures, including a customer identification program.

**The Company and the Bank.** As a bank holding company and state-chartered bank, the Company and the Bank are also subject to the following further regulation:

*Dodd-Frank Act.* On July 21, 2010, the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act was signed into law. The Dodd-Frank Act is intended to effect a fundamental restructuring of federal banking regulation. Although the statute will have a greater impact on larger institutions than community institutions such as the Company, many of its provisions will apply to us. Among other things, the Dodd-Frank Act:

centralizes responsibility for consumer financial protection by creating a new agency, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, responsible for implementing, examining and enforcing compliance with federal consumer financial laws;

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changes the capital requirements for bank holding companies and would require less favorable capital treatment for future issuances of trust preferred securities (although our existing trust preferred securities are grandfathered and therefore not subject to the new rules);

permanently increases the maximum deposit insurance amount to \$250,000 per depositor and extended unlimited deposit insurance to noninterest bearing transaction accounts through December 31, 2012;

broadens the FDIC insurance assessment base to be calculated on the average consolidated total assets less tangible equity capital of a financial institution and increased the reserve ratio for the Deposit Insurance Fund from 1.15% to 1.35% of insured deposits by 2020;

repeals the federal statutory prohibition on the payment of interest on demand deposits, thereby permitting financial institutions to pay interest on business and other accounts;

raises prudential standards by requiring, for instance, annual internal stress testing and establishment of independent risk committees for banks with \$10 billion or more in assets;

grants the FDIC back-up supervisory authority with respect to depository institution holding companies that engage in conduct that poses a foreseeable and material risk to the Deposit Insurance Fund, and heightens the Federal Reserve's authority to examine, prescribe regulations and take action with respect to all subsidiaries of a bank holding company;

prohibits insured state-chartered banks from engaging in derivatives transactions unless the chartering state's lending limit laws take into consideration credit exposure to derivative transactions;

specifies that a bank holding company may acquire control of an out of state bank only if it is well capitalized and well managed, and does not allow interstate merger transactions unless the resulting institution would be well capitalized and well managed after the transaction;

subjects financial institutions to data and information gathering by a newly created Office of Financial Research;

requires retention of 5% of the credit risk in assets transferred, sold or conveyed through issuances of asset-backed securities, with the risk-retention obligation spread between securitizers and originators;

imposes limits on debit card interchange fees that may be charged by card issuers with \$10 billion or more in assets and contains provisions on mortgage-related matters such as steering incentives, determinations as to a borrower's ability to repay and prepayment penalties; and

mandates and allows certain changes regarding corporate governance and executive compensation such as shareholder proxy access for publicly-traded banks' director nominations, clawback of incentive-based compensation from executive officers and increased disclosure on compensation arrangements.

Some aspects of the Dodd-Frank Act are effective immediately, though most will be phased in gradually. In addition, the statute in many instances calls for future rulemaking to implement its provisions, so the precise contours of the law and its effects on the Company cannot yet be fully understood. The provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act and the subsequent exercise by regulators of their revised and expanded powers

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thereunder could materially impact the profitability of our business, the value of assets we hold or the collateral available for our loans, require changes to business practices or force us to discontinue businesses and expose us to additional costs, taxes, liabilities, enforcement actions and reputational risk. Legislators and regulators are also considering a wide range of proposals beyond the Dodd-Frank Act that, if enacted, could result in major changes to the way banking operations are regulated.

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*Incentive Compensation.* In June 2010, the FDIC issued comprehensive final guidance on incentive compensation policies intended to ensure that the incentive compensation practices of banking organizations do not undermine the safety and soundness of such organizations by encouraging excessive risk-taking. The guidance, which covers all employees that have the ability to materially affect the risk profile of an organization, either individually or as part of a group, is based upon the key principles that a banking organization's incentive compensation arrangements should (1) provide incentives that do not encourage risk-taking beyond the organization's ability to effectively identify and manage risks, (2) be compatible with effective internal controls and risk management, and (3) be supported by strong corporate governance, including active and effective oversight by the organization's board of directors. As part of its regular, risk-focused examination process, the FDIC will review incentive compensation arrangements of banking organizations, such as the Company, that are not large, complex banking organizations. The FDIC's findings will be incorporated into the organization's supervisory ratings, which can affect an organization's ability to make acquisitions and take other actions. Enforcement actions may be taken against a banking organization if its incentive compensation arrangements, or related risk-management control or governance processes, pose a risk to the organization's safety and soundness and the organization is not taking prompt and effective measures to correct the deficiencies.

*Capital Requirements.* In June 2012, the Federal Reserve Board, the FDIC and the other federal bank regulatory agencies issued a joint proposal seeking comment on three notices of proposed rulemaking (NPR) that would revise and replace the agencies' current capital rules in connection with the Basel accords. The two NPRs discussed below concern capital issues of significant importance to the Bank and, under certain circumstances, the Company. The third NPR relates to advanced approaches and market risk capital rules and is not applicable to the organization's current operations.

The first NPR relates to Basel III and proposes to revise risk-based and leverage capital requirements, including the implementation of new common equity Tier 1 capital requirements and a higher minimum Tier 1 capital requirement. Also included in the NPR are proposed limitations on capital distributions and certain discretionary bonus payments for any banking organization not holding a specified buffer of common equity Tier 1 capital in excess of its minimum risk-based capital requirement. Revisions to the prompt correction action framework and the tangible common equity definition are also included in the NPR. The other NPR applicable to the organization's operations proposes a standardized approach for risk-weighted assets to enhance risk sensitivity and to address certain weaknesses identified over recent years, including methods for determining risk-weighted assets for residential mortgages, securitization exposures and counterparty credit risk.

The proposed capital requirements were originally proposed to be phased in beginning on January 1, 2013. However, in November 2012, the Federal Reserve Board and FDIC announced that they do not expect that any of the proposed rules would become effective on January 1, 2013 as originally proposed. The announcement did not indicate the likely new effective date.

*Restrictions on Dividends and Other Capital Distributions.* Federal and state banking regulations place restrictions on dividends paid by the Bank and by the Company. In March 2010, the Company entered into a regulatory agreement with the Federal Reserve Bank, the Company's primary regulator, that, among other restrictions, the Company would obtain written approval from the Federal Reserve Bank prior to the Company: (a) declaring or paying dividends, (b) making payments on trust preferred securities, or (c) making any other capital distributions.

In October 2012, the Bank executed a revised regulatory agreement with its primary regulators, the FDIC and the WDFI, that updates and revises an agreement entered into in April 2010. Pursuant to the revised agreement, the Bank has agreed, among other things, that the Bank would obtain written approval from the FDIC prior to paying dividends or any other form of payment or distribution representing a reduction of Bank capital.

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As long as any shares of the CPP Stock continue to be held by a third party, the Company will be prohibited under the terms of the CPP Stock from paying dividends on our common stock or any shares of capital stock that rank equal to or junior to the Company's CPP Stock if the Company is not current in our payment of dividends on our CPP Stock, except in the case of parity, or pari passu, preferred stock that may be paid pro rata with the CPP Stock, so that the respective amounts of such dividends declared shall bear the same ratio to each other as all accrued and unpaid dividends per share on the shares of the CPP Stock and all parity stock payable on such a scheduled dividend payment date bear to each other.

*Consumer Protection Regulations.* Retail activities of banks are subject to a variety of statutes and regulations designed to protect consumers. The Dodd-Frank Act established the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (the CFPB) that, together with the statute's changes to consumer protection laws such as limits on debit card interchange fees and provisions on mortgage-related matters, will likely increase the compliance costs of consumer banking operations. Interest and other charges collected or contracted for by banks are subject to state usury laws and federal laws concerning interest rates. In January 2012, a director was appointed to lead the CFPB and the CFPB began exercising its full range of powers. The CFPB has exclusive authority to require reports and conduct examinations, for purposes of ensuring compliance with federal consumer financial laws and related matters, of insured depository institutions with more than \$10 billion of assets. For insured depository institutions with assets of \$10 billion or less, the CFPB can require reports and conduct examinations on a sample basis.

*Community Reinvestment Act.* Bank holding companies and their subsidiary banks are also subject to the provisions of the Community Reinvestment Act of 1977, as amended (the CRA). Under the terms of the CRA, a bank's record in meeting the credit needs of the community served by the bank, including low-income and moderate-income neighborhoods, is assessed by the bank's primary federal regulator. When a bank holding company applies for approval to acquire a bank or other bank holding company, the Federal Reserve will review the assessment of each subsidiary bank of the applicant bank holding company, and such records may be the basis for denying the application. As of December 31, 2012, the Bank was rated Satisfactory with respect to compliance with the CRA.

*Other Regulations.* The policies of regulatory authorities, including the Federal Reserve and the FDIC, have had a significant effect on the operating results of financial institutions in the past and are expected to do so in the future. An important function of the Federal Reserve is to regulate aggregate national credit and money supply through such means as open market dealings in securities, establishment of the discount rate on bank borrowings and changes in reserve requirements against bank deposits. Policies of these agencies may be influenced by many factors, including inflation, unemployment, short-term and long-term changes in the international trade balance and fiscal policies of the United States government. Supervision, regulation or examination of the Company by these regulatory agencies is not intended for the protection of the Company's shareholders.

## **Employees**

The Bank employed 120 employees, representing 111 full-time equivalent positions as of December 31, 2012. The Company, separate from the Bank, does not have any compensated employees; however, the Company reimburses the Bank for time that Bank employees spend on Company business. In 2012, the Company reimbursed the Bank \$85,320 for work performed by Bank employees. None of the Bank's employees are represented by a union or covered under a collective bargaining agreement. Management of the Bank considers their employee relations to be excellent.

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### **Forward-Looking Statements**

From time to time, the Company and its senior managers have made and will make forward-looking statements that are not historical facts and that are intended to be covered by the safe harbor for forward-looking statements provided by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements may include, but are not limited to, statements about the Company's plans, objectives, expectations, strategies and intentions and other statements contained in this report that are not historical facts and pertain to the Company's future operating results and capital position. When used in this report, the words expects, anticipates, intends, plans, believes, seeks, estimates and similar expressions are generally intended to identify forward-looking statements. Management may make forward-looking statements regarding projected sources of funds, use of proceeds, availability of acquisition and growth opportunities, ability to repay government funds, payment of dividends, adequacy of the Company's allowance for loan losses and provision for loan losses, the Company's real estate portfolio and subsequent charge-offs. Such statements may be contained in this report and in other documents that the Company files with the SEC. Such statements may also be made by the Company and its senior managers in oral or written presentations to analysts, investors, the media and others.

Actual results may differ materially from the results discussed in these forward-looking statements, because such statements are inherently subject to significant assumptions, risks and uncertainties, many of which are difficult to predict and are generally beyond the Company's control. These include but are not limited to:

the inflation, interest rate levels and market and monetary fluctuations;

trade, monetary and fiscal policies and laws, including interest rate policies of the federal government;

applicable laws and regulations and legislative or regulatory changes;

the timely development and acceptance of new products and services of the Company;

the willingness of customers to substitute competitors' products and services for the Company's products and services;

the financial condition of the Company's borrowers and lenders;

the Company's success in gaining regulatory approvals, when required;

technological and management changes;

growth and acquisition strategies;

the Company's critical accounting policies and the implementation of such policies;

lower-than-expected revenue or cost savings or other issues in connection with mergers and acquisitions;

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changes in consumer spending and saving habits;

the strength of the United States economy in general and the strength of the local economies in which the Company conducts its operations; and

the Company's success at managing the risks involved in the foregoing.

Other factors that could cause actual conditions, events or results to differ significantly from those described in the forward-looking statements may be found under the headings "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" below, as updated periodically in the Company's filings with the SEC. Unless legally required, the Company disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statements. You should consider any forward-looking statements in light of this explanation, and we caution you about relying on forward-looking statements.



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### **Available Information**

The Company files reports with the SEC. The public may read and copy any materials the Company files with the SEC at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549. The public may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-732-0330. The SEC maintains an Internet site that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC. The SEC Internet site is [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). The Company maintains a corporate website at [www.inb.com](http://www.inb.com), and electronic copies of our annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and any amendments to these reports can be found at <http://investors.inb.com>. We will also provide printed copies of our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and any amendments to these reports at no charge upon written request. Requests should be made to Northwest Bancorporation, Inc., 421 W. Riverside Ave., Suite 113, Spokane, WA 99201, Attention: Leilani McKernan, Corporate Secretary.

### **Item 1A. Risk Factors.**

An investment in our common stock is subject to risks inherent to our business. The material risks and uncertainties that management believes affect us are described below. Before making an investment decision, you should carefully consider the risks and uncertainties described below together with all of the other information included or incorporated by reference in this report. The risks and uncertainties described below are not the only ones we face. Additional risks and uncertainties that management is not aware of or focused on or that management currently deems immaterial may also impair our business operations. This report is qualified in its entirety by these risk factors.

If any of the following risks or uncertainties actually occur, our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows could be materially and adversely affected. If this were to happen, the value of our common stock could decline significantly, and you could lose all or part of your investment.

*Our business has been adversely affected by conditions in the local economies where we operate as well as by the national economy and financial markets.*

Our success significantly depends upon the growth in population, income levels, deposits and housing starts in our primary and secondary markets as well as economic and political conditions at the local and national level. If the communities in which we operate do not grow or if prevailing economic conditions locally or nationally continue to be unfavorable, our business may not succeed.

We are currently experiencing adverse economic conditions in some of our market areas, which affect the ability of our customers to repay their loans to us and generally negatively affect our financial condition and results of operations. We are less able than a larger institution to spread the risks of unfavorable local economic conditions across a large number of diversified economies and are thus disproportionately impacted. Conditions such as inflation, recession, unemployment, changes in interest rates, money supply and other factors beyond our control may adversely affect our asset quality, deposit levels and loan demand and, therefore, our earnings.

Capital and credit markets have experienced unprecedented levels of volatility and disruption for more than three years. In some cases, the markets have produced downward pressure on stock prices and credit availability for certain issuers without regard to those issuers' underlying financial strength. In addition, the market value of the real estate securing our loans as collateral has been adversely affected by the weak economy and unfavorable economic conditions in our market areas and could be further adversely affected in the future. As of December 31, 2012, approximately 74% of our loans receivable were secured by real

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estate. Any sustained period of increased payment delinquencies, foreclosures or losses caused by the adverse market and economic conditions, including the downturn in the real estate market in Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho, will adversely affect the value of our assets, our revenues, results of operations and financial condition. Currently, our market is experiencing such an economic downturn, and if market conditions continue to worsen, they would likely have adverse effects on us and other financial institutions. In particular, we may face the following risks in connection with these events:

The processes we use to estimate inherent losses may no longer be reliable, because they rely on complex judgments, including forecasts of economic conditions, which may no longer be capable of accurate estimation.

Our ability to assess the creditworthiness of our customers may be impaired if the models and approaches we use to select, manage, and underwrite our customers become less predictive of future charge-offs.

The values of our real estate collateral supporting many construction, land acquisition, multifamily and commercial loans and home mortgages have declined and may continue to decline.

Our ability to borrow from other financial institutions or to engage in securitization funding transactions on favorable terms or at all could be adversely affected by further disruptions in the capital markets or other events, including actions by rating agencies and deteriorating investor expectations.

We may be required to pay significantly higher FDIC premiums, because market developments have significantly depleted the insurance fund of the FDIC and reduced the ratio of reserves to insured deposits.

Competition in our industry for deposits and quality loans has increased significantly and could intensify as a result of the increasing consolidation of financial services companies in connection with current market conditions.

We expect to face increased regulation of our industry. Compliance with such regulation may increase our costs, limit our ability to pursue business opportunities, and increase compliance challenges.

Market developments may affect consumer confidence levels and may cause declines in credit use and adverse changes in payment patterns, causing increases in delinquencies and default rates.

***We remain subject to certain agreements entered into with our regulators and are uncertain when they will be lifted.***

In March 2010, the Company executed a memorandum of understanding ( MOU ) with the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (the Reserve Bank ). The Reserve Bank MOU is an informal administrative agreement pursuant to which the Company has agreed to take various actions and comply with certain requirements to facilitate improvement in its financial condition. In accordance with the MOU, the Company agreed, among other things, to (a) utilize financial and managerial resources to function in a safe and sound manner; (b) obtain prior written approval from the Reserve Bank before receiving dividends or any other form of payment or distribution from the Bank; (c) refrain from paying any dividends, payments on trust preferred securities or make other capital distributions without prior regulatory approval; (d) refrain from incurring, increasing, renewing or guaranteeing any existing debt, or issuing any trust preferred securities without prior regulatory approval; (e) refrain from purchasing, redeeming or otherwise acquiring any of its stock without prior regulatory approval; (f) refrain from appointing any new director or senior executive officer or changing the responsibilities of any senior officer without prior regulatory approval; (g) comply with restrictions on indemnification and severance payments; (h) submit written progress reports detailing the Company's compliance with the MOU within 30 days after the end of each quarter.



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In October 2012, the Bank executed a revised MOU with the FDIC and the WDFI that updates and revises an MOU entered into in April 2010. Pursuant to the revised Bank MOU, the Bank has agreed, among other things, to (a) provide prior notice to, and receive prior approval from, the FDIC and the WDFI prior to appointing any new director or senior executive officer or changing the responsibilities of any senior officer; (b) eliminate or correct all violations of law and contraventions and take steps to ensure future compliance with all applicable laws and regulations; (c) have and maintain its Tier 1 capital equal to or above 9.5% of the Bank's adjusted total assets with the level of Tier 1 capital being in addition to a fully funded allowance for loan losses; (d) refrain from paying dividends or otherwise reducing the Bank's capital without prior regulatory approval; (e) revise, adopt and implement a written three-year strategic plan to improve and sustain the profitability of the Bank, improve its risk profile, and satisfactorily maintain capital; (f) reduce the level of adversely classified and criticized assets pursuant to plan containing appropriate benchmarks; and (g) submit written progress reports detailing the Bank's compliance with the MOU within 30 days after the end of each quarter.

The MOUs will remain in effect until modified or terminated by the Reserve Bank, the FDIC and the WDFI. We cannot determine when or if the MOUs will be lifted or terminated. Even if lifted or terminated, we may still be subject to other agreements with regulators that restrict our activities. The requirements and restrictions of the MOUs are judicially enforceable and the failure of the Company or the Bank to comply with such requirements and restrictions may subject the Company and the Bank to additional regulatory restrictions including: the imposition of civil monetary penalties; the issuance of directives to increase capital or enter into a strategic transaction, whether by merger or otherwise, with a third party; the appointment of a conservator or receiver for the Bank; the termination of insurance of deposits; the issuance of removal and prohibition orders against institution-affiliated parties; and the enforcement of such actions through injunctions or restraining orders.

***As a result of our recent discovery that we failed to provide accurate disclosure to certain customers, we expect to be subject to regulatory action.***

We recently discovered that disclosure provided to our customers regarding the terms of certain interest bearing accounts had not been updated to reflect changes in such terms. As a result, we anticipate that the Bank will be required to provide restitution to certain customers and may be required to pay civil penalties or be subject to other regulatory actions. Accordingly, the Bank accrued \$150,000 in December 2012 for estimated restitution and/or penalties.

***Our allowance for loan losses may not be sufficient to cover actual loan losses.***

Our success depends to a significant extent upon the quality of our assets, particularly loans. In originating loans, there is a substantial likelihood that credit losses will be experienced. The risk of loss will vary with, among other things, general economic conditions, the type of loan being made, the creditworthiness of the borrower over the term of the loan and, in the case of a collateralized loan, the quality of the collateral for the loan.

Our loan customers may not repay their loans according to the terms of these loans, and the collateral securing the payment of these loans may be insufficient to assure repayment. As a result, we may experience significant loan losses, which could have a material adverse effect on our operating results. Management makes various assumptions and judgments about the collectability of our loan portfolio, including the creditworthiness of our borrowers and the value of the real estate and other assets serving as collateral for the repayment of many of our loans. We maintain an allowance for loan losses in an attempt to cover any loan losses that may occur. In determining the size of the allowance, we rely on an analysis of our loan portfolio based on historical loss experience, volume and types of loans, trends in classification, volume and trends in

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delinquencies and nonaccruals, national and local economic conditions and other pertinent information. Our determination of the size of the allowance could be understated due to deviations in one or more of these factors.

If our assumptions are wrong, our current allowance may not be sufficient to cover future loan losses, and adjustments may be necessary to allow for different economic conditions or adverse developments in our loan portfolio. Material additions to our allowance would materially decrease our net income, and our allowance may not be adequate to cover future loan losses given current and future market conditions.

In addition, federal and state regulators periodically review our allowance for loan losses and may require us to increase our provision for loan losses or recognize further loan charge-offs, based on judgments different from those of our management. Any increase in our allowance for loan losses or loan charge-offs as required by these regulatory agencies could have a negative effect on our operating results.

### ***Liquidity risk could impair our ability to fund operations and jeopardize our financial condition.***

Liquidity is essential to our business. An inability to raise funds through traditional deposits, brokered deposits, borrowings, the sale of securities or loans and other sources could have a substantial negative effect on our liquidity. Our access to funding sources in amounts adequate to finance our activities on terms which are acceptable to us could be impaired by factors that affect us specifically or the financial services industry or economy in general. Factors that could detrimentally impact our access to liquidity sources include a decrease in the level of our business activity as a result of a downturn in the markets in which our loans are concentrated or adverse regulatory action against us. Our ability to borrow could also be impaired by factors that are not specific to us, such as a disruption in the financial markets or negative views and expectations about the prospects for the financial services industry in light of the recent turmoil faced by banking organizations and the continued deterioration in credit markets.

We rely on commercial and retail deposits, brokered deposits, advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle ( FHLB ) and other borrowings to fund our operations. Although we have historically been able to replace maturing deposits and advances if desired, we might not be able to replace such funds in the future if, among other things, our results of operations or financial condition or the results of operations or financial condition of the FHLB or market conditions were to change. In addition, if we fall below the FDIC's thresholds to be considered well capitalized, we will be unable to continue with uninterrupted access to brokered funds markets.

Although we consider these sources of funds adequate for our liquidity needs, we may be compelled or elect to seek additional sources of financing in the future. Likewise, we may seek additional debt in the future to achieve our business objectives, in connection with future acquisitions or for other reasons. Additional borrowings, if sought, may not be available to us or, if available, may not be on reasonable terms. Bank and holding company stock prices have been negatively affected by the recent adverse economic trend, as has the ability of banks and holding companies to raise capital or borrow in the debt markets. If additional financing sources are unavailable or not available on reasonable terms, our financial condition, results of operations and future prospects could be materially adversely affected.

We actively monitor the depository institutions that hold our federal funds sold and due from banks cash balances. However, access to our cash equivalents and federal funds sold may be impacted by adverse conditions in the financial markets. Our emphasis is primarily on safety of principal, and we diversify our cash due from banks and federal funds sold among counterparties to minimize exposure to any one of these entities. The financials of the counterparties are routinely reviewed as part of our asset/liability management process. Balances in our accounts with financial institutions in the United States may exceed the FDIC

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insurance limits. While we monitor and adjust the balances in our accounts as appropriate, these balances could be impacted if the financial institutions fail and could be subject to other adverse conditions in the financial markets.

### ***We are subject to credit risk.***

There are inherent risks associated with our lending activities. These risks include, among other things, the impact of changes in interest rates and changes in the economic conditions in the markets where we operate as well as those across the United States and abroad. Increases in interest rates and/or weakening economic conditions could adversely impact the ability of borrowers to repay outstanding loans or the value of the collateral securing these loans. We are also subject to various laws and regulations that affect our lending activities. Failure to comply with applicable laws and regulations could subject us to regulatory enforcement action that could result in the assessment of significant civil money penalties against us.

We seek to mitigate the risks inherent in our loan portfolio by adhering to specific underwriting practices. Although we believe that our underwriting criteria are appropriate for the various kinds of loans we make, we may incur losses on loans that meet our underwriting criteria, and these losses may exceed the amounts set aside as reserves in our allowance for loan losses. Due to recent economic conditions affecting the real estate market, many lending institutions, including us, have experienced substantial declines in the performance of their loans, including commercial real estate, construction, land development and land loans. The value of real estate collateral supporting many construction and land development loans and commercial loans have declined and may continue to decline. Recent negative developments in the financial industry and credit markets may continue to adversely impact our financial condition and results of operations.

### ***We have made and hold in our portfolio a significant number of land acquisition and development and construction loans, which pose more credit risk than other types of loans typically made by financial institutions.***

Historically, we have offered land acquisition and development and construction loans for builders and developers. As of December 31, 2012, these loans totaled \$22 million, or 8%, of our loan portfolio. These land acquisition and development and construction loans are considered more risky than other types of real estate loans. The primary credit risks associated with land acquisition and development and construction lending are underwriting, project risks and market risks. Project risks include cost overruns, borrower credit risk, project completion risk, general contractor credit risk, and environmental and other hazard risks. Market risks are risks associated with the sale of the completed projects. They include affordability risk, which means the risk of affordability of financing by borrowers, product design risk, and risks posed by competing projects. While we believe we have established adequate reserves on our financial statements to cover the credit risk of our land acquisition and development and construction loan portfolio, our losses may exceed our reserves, which could adversely impact our earnings. Given the current environment, we expect that loans in our loan portfolio could result in a material level of charge-offs, which will negatively impact our capital and earnings.

### ***Further deterioration in the housing market may lead to increased losses, delinquencies and nonperforming assets in our loan portfolios. Consequently, our results of operations may be adversely impacted.***

There has been substantial industry concern and publicity over asset quality among financial institutions due in large part to issues related to subprime mortgage lending, declining real estate values and general economic concerns. At December 31, 2012, the Bank's nonperforming assets were \$12.5 million, representing 3.1% of total assets. Furthermore, housing and residential mortgage markets have experienced a variety of difficulties and changed economic conditions. If market conditions continue to deteriorate, they

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may lead to additional valuation adjustments on our loan portfolios and real estate owned as we continue to reassess the market value of our loan portfolio, the losses associated with the loans in default and the net realizable value of real estate owned.

The homebuilding industry has experienced a significant and sustained decline in demand for new homes and an oversupply of new and existing homes available for sale in various markets, including some of the markets in which we lend. Our customers who are builders and developers face greater difficulty in selling their homes in markets where these trends are more pronounced. Consequently, we are facing increased delinquencies and nonperforming assets as these builders and developers are forced to default on their loans with us. We do not anticipate that the housing market will improve in the near-term, and accordingly, additional downgrades, provisions for loan losses and charge-offs related to our loan portfolio may occur. Real estate values and real estate markets are generally affected by changes in national, regional or local economic conditions, fluctuations in interest rates and the availability of loans to potential purchasers, changes in tax laws and other governmental statutes, regulations and policies and acts of nature. We anticipate that further declines in the real estate markets in our primary market area would affect our business.

### ***We face regulatory risks related to our commercial real estate loan concentrations.***

Commercial real estate is cyclical and poses risks of possible loss due to concentration levels and similar risks of the asset class. As of December 31, 2012, approximately 56% of our loan portfolio consisted of commercial real estate loans. Banking regulators have begun giving commercial real estate lending greater scrutiny and may require banks with higher levels of commercial real estate loans to implement more conservative underwriting, internal controls, risk management policies and portfolio stress testing, as well as possibly requiring higher levels of allowances for possible loan losses and capital levels as a result of commercial real estate lending growth and exposures.

### ***Our loan portfolio has commercial and industrial loans that include risks that may be greater than the risks related to residential loans.***

Our commercial and industrial loan portfolio was \$64 million at December 31, 2012, comprising 23% of loans receivable. Commercial and industrial loans generally carry larger loan balances and involve a greater degree of financial and credit risk than home equity loans or residential mortgage loans. Any significant failure to pay on time by our customers would hurt our earnings. The increased financial and credit risk associated with these types of loans is a result of several factors, including the concentration of principal in a limited number of loans and borrowers, the size of loan balances, the effects of general economic conditions on income-producing properties and the increased difficulty of evaluating and monitoring these types of loans. In addition, when underwriting a commercial or industrial loan, we may take a security interest in commercial real estate, and, in some instances upon a default by the borrower, we may foreclose on and take title to the property, which may lead to potential financial risk for us under applicable environmental laws. If hazardous substances were discovered on any of these properties, we may be liable to governmental entities or third parties for the costs of remediation of the hazard, as well as for personal injury and property damage. Many environmental laws can impose liability regardless of whether we knew of, or were responsible for, the contamination.

Furthermore, the repayment of loans secured by commercial real estate is typically dependent upon the successful operation of the related real estate or commercial project. If the cash flow from the project is reduced, a borrower's ability to repay the loan may be impaired. This cash flow shortage may result in the failure to make loan payments. In such cases, we may be compelled to modify the terms of the loan. In addition, the nature of these loans is such that they are generally less predictable and more difficult to evaluate and monitor. As a result, repayment of these loans may, to a greater extent than residential loans, be subject to adverse conditions in the real estate market or economy.

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***Our net interest income could be negatively affected by interest rates adjustments by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve, as well as by competition in our primary market area.***

As a financial institution, our earnings are significantly dependent upon our net interest income, which is the difference between the interest income that we earn on interest earning assets, such as investment securities and loans, and the interest expense that we pay on interest bearing liabilities, such as deposits and borrowings. Therefore, any change in general market interest rates, including changes resulting from changes in the Federal Reserve's fiscal and monetary policies, affects us more than non-financial institutions and can have a significant effect on our net interest income and total income. Our assets and liabilities may react differently to changes in overall market rates or conditions, because there may be mismatches between the re-pricing or maturity characteristics of the assets and liabilities. As a result, an increase or decrease in market interest rates could have material adverse effects on our net interest margin and results of operations.

***Our deposit insurance premiums could be substantially higher in the future, which could have a material adverse effect on our future earnings.***

The FDIC insures deposits at the Bank and at other financial institutions. The FDIC charges insured financial institutions premiums to maintain the Deposit Insurance Fund at a certain level. Current economic conditions have caused bank failures and expectations for additional bank failures, in which case the FDIC, through the Deposit Insurance Fund, ensures payments of customer deposits at failed banks up to insured limits. In addition, deposit insurance limits on customer deposit accounts have generally increased to \$250,000 from \$100,000, and the FDIC adopted the TLGP for noninterest bearing transaction deposit accounts. These developments will cause the premiums assessed by the FDIC to increase and may increase our noninterest expense. An increase in the risk category of the Bank would also cause our premiums to increase. Whether through adjustments to base deposit insurance assessment rates, significant special assessments or emergency assessments under the TLGP, increased deposit insurance premiums could have a material adverse effect on our earnings.

***The price of our common stock could decline.***

The market price of our common stock could decline in response to numerous factors, some of which are beyond our control. These factors include, among other things, actual or anticipated variations in our costs of doing business, operating results and cash flow, the nature and content of our earnings releases and our competitors' earnings releases, changes in financial estimates by securities analysts, business conditions in our markets and the general state of the securities markets and the market for other financial stocks, changes in capital markets that affect the perceived availability of capital to companies in our industry, governmental legislation or regulation, currency and exchange rate fluctuations, as well as general economic and market conditions, such as downturns in our economy and recessions.

***We rely on dividends from our banking subsidiary for most of our revenue.***

As a bank holding company with no significant assets other than the Bank, the Company derives substantially all of its revenue in the form of dividends from the Bank. The Bank's ability to declare and pay dividends to the Company is dependent on certain regulatory considerations in addition to the agreements entered into with the Company's and Bank's regulators and described above. Our ability to pay dividends on our common stock or preferred stock, service our debt or make payments on our other obligations will, therefore, continue to depend in large part upon our receipt of dividends or other capital distributions from the Bank. The ability of the Bank to pay dividends or make other capital distributions to the Company is subject to the Bank's ability to earn net income, comply with state law and meet the regulatory requirements of the Federal Reserve Board, the FDIC and the WDFI.



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***Our ability to pay dividends on our preferred stock and common stock is subject to regulatory and contractual considerations, and under the terms of our preferred stock, we are subject to restrictions that limit our ability to declare or pay dividends and repurchase our shares.***

The terms of the CPP Stock the Company issued under the Treasury's Capital Purchase Program could reduce investment returns to the Company's common shareholders by restricting dividends and restricting capital management practices.

The Company is required to make quarterly dividend payments under the terms of the CPP Stock, until such time as the stock is redeemed by the Company. Payment of these dividends will decrease funds the Company may otherwise have available to pay dividends on the Company's common stock and to use for general corporate purposes, including working capital. The Company is prohibited from continuing to pay dividends on its common stock unless the Company has fully paid all required dividends on the CPP Stock. Our ability to repurchase shares of our common stock and preferred stock is also restricted under the terms of the CPP Stock.

As long as any shares of the CPP Stock continue to be held by a third party, the Company will be prohibited under the terms of the CPP Stock from paying dividends on our common stock or any shares of capital stock that rank equal to or junior to the Company's CPP Stock if the Company is not current in our payment of dividends on our CPP Stock, except in the case of parity, or pari passu, preferred stock that may be paid pro rata with the CPP Stock, so that the respective amounts of such dividends declared shall bear the same ratio to each other as all accrued and unpaid dividends per share on the shares of the CPP Stock and all parity stock payable on such a scheduled dividend payment date bear to each other. For the foreseeable future, the Company does not intend to declare and pay, or seek any and all regulatory or other approvals necessary to declare and pay, each scheduled dividend payment on the CPP Stock or on the Company's common stock, because the Company intends to conserve capital in order to comply with the Reserve Bank MOU and FDIC MOU that are currently in place for the Company and the Bank, respectively.

The Company is also subject to certain other contractual restrictions that could prohibit it from declaring or paying dividends or making liquidation payments on its preferred stock or common stock. See *If we defer payments of interest on our outstanding junior subordinated debentures or if certain defaults relating to those debentures occur, we will be prohibited from declaring or paying dividends or distributions on, and from making liquidation payments with respect to, our preferred stock and common stock* below.

***If we defer payments of interest on our outstanding junior subordinated debentures or if certain defaults relating to those debentures occur, we will be prohibited from declaring or paying dividends or distributions on, and from making liquidation payments with respect to, our preferred stock and common stock.***

As of December 31, 2012, we had outstanding an aggregate principal amount of \$5.15 million of junior subordinated debentures issued in connection with the sale of trust preferred securities by our subsidiary; the accumulated deferred interest that was accrued on these securities was \$356,594. We have also guaranteed those trust preferred securities. There is currently one series of these junior subordinated debentures outstanding, which was issued under an indenture and with a guarantee. This indenture, together with the related guarantee, prohibits us, subject to limited exceptions, from declaring or paying any dividends or distributions on, or redeeming, repurchasing, acquiring or making any liquidation payments with respect to, any of our capital stock (including our preferred stock and common stock) at any time when (1) there shall have occurred and be continuing an event of default under the indenture or any event, act or condition that with notice or lapse of time or both would constitute an event of default under the indenture; or (2) we are in default with respect to payment of any obligations under the guarantee; or (3) we have deferred payment of

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interest on the junior subordinated debentures outstanding under the indenture. In that regard, we are entitled, at our option but subject to certain conditions, to defer payments of interest on the junior subordinated debentures from time to time for up to five years.

Events of default under the indenture generally consist of our failure to pay interest on the junior subordinated debentures outstanding under the indenture under certain circumstances, our failure to pay any principal of or premium on such junior subordinated debentures when due, our failure to comply with certain covenants under the indenture, and certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or liquidation relating to the Company or the Bank.

As a result of these provisions, whenever we elect to defer payments of interest on the junior subordinated debentures, or if any of the other events described in clause (1) or (2) of the first paragraph of this risk factor were to occur, we would be prohibited from declaring or paying any dividends on our preferred stock and our common stock, from repurchasing or otherwise acquiring any of our preferred stock or common stock, and from making any payments to holders of our preferred stock or common stock in the event of our liquidation, which would likely have a material adverse effect on the market value of the preferred stock and common stock. Moreover, without notice to or consent from the holders of the preferred stock or common stock, we may issue additional series of junior subordinated debentures in the future with terms similar to those of our existing junior subordinated debentures or enter into other financing agreements that limit our ability to purchase or to pay dividends or distributions on our capital stock, including our common stock.

***Our preferred stock and common stock are equity and are subordinate to all of our existing and future indebtedness, and we and our subsidiaries may incur additional indebtedness in the future.***

Shares of our preferred stock and common stock are equity interests in the Company and do not constitute indebtedness. As such, our preferred stock and common stock rank junior to all indebtedness and other non-equity claims on the Company with respect to assets available to satisfy claims on the Company, including in a liquidation of the Company. Unlike indebtedness, where principal and interest would customarily be payable on specified due dates, in the case of our preferred stock and common stock: (1) dividends are payable only when, as and if authorized and declared by our Board of Directors and depend on, among other things, our results of operations, financial condition, debt service requirements, other cash needs and any other factors our Board of Directors deems relevant; (2) as a Washington corporation, under Washington law we are subject to restrictions on payments of dividends out of lawfully available funds; and (3) the Company's ability to pay dividends is subject to regulatory and contractual restrictions.

In addition, our preferred stock does not limit the amount of additional debt or other obligations we may incur in the future. Accordingly, we and our subsidiaries may incur substantial amounts of debt and other obligations that will rank senior to our preferred stock and common stock or to which the preferred stock and common stock will be structurally subordinated.

***We may need to raise additional capital in the future, but the Company may not be able to obtain approval to issue capital stock of the Company and such capital may not be available when it is needed.***

We are required by federal and state regulatory authorities to maintain adequate levels of capital to support our operations. In addition, we may elect to raise additional capital to support our business or to finance acquisitions, if any, or we may otherwise elect to raise additional capital. In that regard, a number of financial institutions have recently raised considerable amounts of capital as a result of deterioration in their results of operations and financial condition arising from the turmoil in the mortgage loan market, deteriorating economic conditions, declines in real estate values and other factors. Should we be required by regulatory authorities to raise additional capital, we may seek to do so through the issuance of, among other things, our common stock or preferred stock, which could dilute current shareholders' ownership interest in the Company.

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Pursuant to the Reserve Bank MOU, the Company is currently required to obtain prior written approval of the Reserve Bank before issuing additional shares of the Company's capital stock. Even if the Company successfully obtains any required regulatory or shareholder approval, the Company's ability to successfully raise capital will depend on conditions in the capital markets, economic conditions and a number of other factors, many of which are outside our control, and on our financial performance. Accordingly, we may not be able to raise additional capital if needed or on terms acceptable to us. If we cannot raise additional capital when needed, it may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

### *Recent changes have created regulatory uncertainty.*

Regulation of the financial services industry is undergoing major changes. The Dodd-Frank Act of 2010 significantly revises and expands the rulemaking, supervisory and enforcement authority of federal bank regulators. Although the statute will have a greater impact on larger institutions than community institutions such as the Company, many of its provisions will apply to us. Among other things, the Dodd-Frank Act:

is changing the capital requirements for bank holding companies and would require less favorable capital treatment for future issuances of trust preferred securities (although our existing trust preferred securities are grandfathered and therefore not subject to the new rules);

raises prudential standards by requiring, for instance, annual internal stress testing and establishment of independent risk committees for banks with \$10 billion or more in assets;

grants the FDIC back-up supervisory authority with respect to depository institution holding companies that engage in conduct that poses a foreseeable and material risk to the Deposit Insurance Fund, and heightens the Federal Reserve's authority to examine, prescribe regulations and take action with respect to all subsidiaries of a bank holding company;

prohibits insured state-chartered banks from engaging in derivatives transactions unless the chartering state's lending limit laws take into consideration credit exposure to derivative transactions;

specifies that a bank holding company may acquire control of an out of state bank only if it is well-capitalized and well-managed, and does not allow interstate merger transactions unless the resulting bank would be well-capitalized and well-managed after the transaction;

changes how the FDIC calculates deposit insurance assessments and effectively requires increases in deposit insurance fees that will be borne primarily by institutions with assets of greater than \$10 billion;

subjects both large and small financial institutions to data and information gathering by a newly created Office of Financial Research;

requires retention of 5% of the credit risk in assets transferred, sold or conveyed through issuances of asset-backed securities, with the risk-retention obligation spread between securitizers and originators;

creates a new Consumer Financial Protection Bureau given rulemaking, examination and enforcement authority over consumer protection matters, imposes limits on debit card interchange fees that may be charged by card issuers with \$10 billion or more in assets and contains provisions on mortgage-related matters such as steering incentives, determinations as to a borrower's ability to repay and prepayment penalties; and

mandates and allows certain changes regarding corporate governance and executive compensation such as shareholder proxy access for publicly-traded banks director nominations, clawback of incentive-based compensation from executive officers and increased disclosure on compensation arrangements.

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Some of these changes are effective immediately, though most will be phased in gradually. In addition, the statute in many instances calls for future rulemaking to implement its provisions, so the precise contours of the law and its effects on us cannot yet be fully understood. The provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act and the subsequent exercise by regulators of their revised and expanded powers thereunder could materially impact the profitability of our business, the value of assets we hold or the collateral available for our loans, require changes to business practices or force us to discontinue businesses and expose us to additional costs, taxes, liabilities, enforcement actions and reputational risk. Legislators and regulators are also considering a wide range of proposals beyond the Dodd-Frank Act that, if enacted, could result in major changes to the way banking operations are regulated.

***We could be materially and adversely affected if we or any of our officers or directors fail to comply with bank and other laws and regulations.***

The Company and the Bank are subject to laws, regulations, administrative actions and policies that govern financial institutions in each location in which we operate. Congress and federal regulatory agencies continually review banking laws, regulations and policies for possible changes. Such changes could subject the Company to additional costs, limit the types of financial services and products the Company may offer and/or increase the ability of non-banks to offer competing financial services and products, among other things. Failure to comply with applicable laws, regulations or policies could result in sanctions by regulatory agencies, civil money penalties and/or reputation damage, which could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations.

***We may be subject to more stringent capital requirements.***

As discussed above, the Dodd-Frank Act would require the federal banking agencies to establish stricter risk-based capital requirements and leverage limits to apply to banks and bank holding companies. In addition, the Basel III standards announced by the Basel Committee, if adopted, could lead to significantly higher capital requirements, higher capital charges and more restrictive leverage and liquidity ratios. The standards would, among other things, impose more restrictive eligibility requirements for Tier 1 and Tier 2 capital; increase the minimum Tier 1 common equity ratio to 4.5%, net of regulatory deductions, and introduce a capital conservation buffer of an additional 2.5% of common equity to risk-weighted assets, raising the target minimum common equity ratio to 7%; increase the minimum Tier 1 capital ratio to 8.5% inclusive of the capital conservation buffer; increase minimum total capital ratio to 10.5% inclusive of the capital buffer; and introduce a countercyclical capital buffer up to 2.5% of common equity or other fully loss absorbing capital for periods of excess credit growth. Basel III also introduces a non-risk adjusted Tier 1 leverage ratio of 3%, based on a measure of total exposure rather than total assets, and new liquidity standards. It is not yet known when the Basel III capital standards will be implemented by U.S. regulators or how they will be applied to community banks of our size. Implementation of these standards, or any other new regulations, may adversely affect our ability to pay dividends, or require us to reduce business levels or raise capital, including in ways that may adversely affect our results of operations or financial condition.

***Our profitability depends significantly on economic conditions in the Pacific Northwest.***

Our success depends primarily on the general economic conditions in the areas in which we conduct business. Unlike larger banks that are more geographically diversified, we provide banking and financial services to customers primarily in the Inland Northwest. The local economic conditions in our market area have a significant impact on the demand for our products and services as well as the ability of our customers to repay loans, the value of collateral securing loans and the stability of our deposit funding sources. Adverse economic conditions unique to the Pacific Northwest could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations. Further, a significant decline in general economic conditions caused by inflation, natural disasters, recession, unemployment or other factors beyond our control could affect our local economic conditions and could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

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***The value of our investment securities portfolio may be negatively affected by interest rate changes or disruptions in securities markets, including the municipal bond markets and we may realize losses on our investment securities in future periods.***

The market for some of the investment securities held in our portfolio experienced extreme volatility over the past two years. Volatile market conditions may detrimentally affect the value of these securities, such as through reduced valuations due to the perception of heightened credit and liquidity risks. Declines in market value associated with these disruptions may result in other-than-temporary or permanent impairments of these assets, which would lead to accounting charges that could have a material adverse effect on our net income, capital levels and liquidity.

In addition, we held \$26 million of municipal bonds as of December 31, 2012. The current economic downturn has impacted the credit worthiness of a number of municipalities and some municipalities are struggling to meet financial obligations. We have certain municipal investment securities that are subject to credit risk if the municipalities are unable to meet their obligations. A continued or further decline in the economy could result in credit ratings downgrades for the municipalities that have issued the bonds held by us, which could negatively impact the value of the bonds. Although we believe the municipalities will be able to meet their obligations, there can be no certainty in this regard, and a significant decline in the value of these securities could have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations.

***The Bank may be required to repurchase mortgage loans in some circumstances, which could harm our liquidity, results of operations and financial condition.***

When the Bank sells mortgage loans, we are required to make certain representations and warranties to the purchaser about the loans and the manner in which they were originated. Our sales agreements require us to repurchase mortgage loans in the event we breach any of these representations or warranties. In addition, we may be required to repurchase mortgage loans as a result of borrower fraud or in the event of early payment default of the borrower on a mortgage loan. If repurchase and indemnity demands increase, our liquidity, results of operations and financial condition will be adversely affected.

***The soundness of other financial institutions could adversely affect us.***

Our ability to engage in routine funding transactions could be adversely affected by the actions and commercial soundness of other financial institutions. Financial services companies are interrelated as a result of trading, clearing, counterparty, or other relationships. We have exposure to many different industries and counterparties, and we routinely execute transactions with counterparties in the financial services industry, including brokers and dealers, commercial banks, investment banks, mutual funds, and other institutional clients. As a result, defaults by, or even rumors or questions about, one or more financial services companies, or the financial services industry generally, have led to market-wide liquidity problems and could lead to losses or defaults by us or by other institutions.

***We operate in a highly competitive industry and market area.***

We face substantial competition in all areas of our operations from a variety of direct and indirect competitors, some of which are larger and may have more financial resources. Such competitors primarily include national, regional, and community banks within the market areas we serve. We also face competition from many other types of financial institutions, including, without limitation, savings and loans, credit unions, finance companies, brokerage firms, insurance companies, factoring companies and other financial intermediaries. The financial services industry could become even more competitive as a result of legislative, regulatory and technological changes and continued consolidation. Banks, securities firms and insurance companies can merge under the umbrella of a financial holding company, which can offer virtually any type

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of financial service, including banking, securities underwriting, insurance (both agency and underwriting) and merchant banking. Additionally, we expect competition to intensify among financial services companies due to the recent consolidation of certain competing financial institutions and the conversion of certain investment banks to bank holding companies. Also, technology has lowered barriers to entry and made it possible for non-banks to offer products and services traditionally provided by banks, such as automatic funds transfer and automatic payment systems. Some of our competitors have fewer regulatory constraints and may have lower cost structures. Additionally, due to their size, some competitors may be able to achieve economies of scale and, as a result, may offer a broader range of products and services as well as better pricing for those products and services.

### ***Our cost of funds may increase as a result of a change in one or more variables.***

Our cost of funds may remain higher than prevailing interest rates because of general economic conditions, unfavorable conditions in the capital markets, interest rates and competitive pressures. The Bank has traditionally obtained funds principally through deposits and borrowings. As a general matter, deposits are a cheaper source of funds than borrowings, because interest rates paid for deposits are typically less than interest rates charged for borrowings. If, as a result of general economic conditions, market interest rates, competitive pressures, or other factors, our level of deposits decreases relative to our overall banking operation, we may have to rely more heavily on borrowings as a source of funds in the future, which may negatively impact net interest margin. Additional borrowings, if sought, may not be available to us or, if available, may not be on favorable terms. If additional borrowing sources are unavailable or not available on reasonable terms, our financial condition, results of operations and future prospects could be materially adversely affected.

### ***We are dependent on key personnel and the loss of one or more of those key personnel could harm our business.***

As a community bank, our success depends greatly on the continued services of our senior management. Failure to attract, retain and motivate key employees could have an adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition and prospects. In connection with the Company's sale of preferred stock to the Treasury as part of its participation in the Capital Purchase Program, we agreed to abide by certain limitations on the compensation of certain executive officers. Congress may impose additional restrictions in the future. These restrictions may have an adverse effect on our ability to attract and retain executive talent.

### ***Our controls and procedures may fail or be circumvented.***

Management regularly reviews and updates our internal controls, disclosure controls and procedures, and corporate governance policies and procedures. Any system of controls, however well designed and operated, is based in part on certain assumptions and can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurances that the objectives of the system are met. Any failure or circumvention of our controls and procedures or failure to comply with regulations related to controls and procedures could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, cash flows and financial condition.

### ***Our information systems may experience an interruption or breach in security.***

We rely heavily on communications and information systems to conduct our business, including systems provided by third-party service providers. Specifically, we receive core systems processing, essential web hosting and other Internet systems and deposit and other transaction processing services from third-party service providers. If these third-party service providers experience difficulties or terminate their services, and we are unable to replace them with other service providers, our operations could be interrupted. Any failure, interruption or breach in security of these systems could result in failures or disruptions in our customer

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relationship management, general ledger, deposit, loan and other systems. While we have policies and procedures designed to prevent or limit the effect of the failure, interruption or security breach of our information systems, such failures, interruptions or security breaches may occur, and if they do occur, they may not be adequately addressed. The occurrence of any failures, interruptions or security breaches of information systems could damage our reputation, result in a loss of customer business, subject us to additional regulatory scrutiny, or expose us to civil litigation and possible financial liability, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

***We are exposed to the risk of environmental liabilities with respect to properties to which we take title.***

In the course of our business, we may own or foreclose and take title to real estate, and could be subject to environmental liabilities with respect to these properties. We may be held liable to a governmental entity or to third parties for property damage, personal injury, investigation and clean-up costs incurred by these parties in connection with environmental contamination, or may be required to investigate or clean up hazardous or toxic substances, or chemical releases at a property. The costs associated with investigation or remediation activities could be substantial. In addition, as the owner or former owner of a contaminated site, we may be subject to common law claims by third parties based on damages and costs resulting from environmental contamination emanating from the property. If we ever become subject to significant environmental liabilities, our business, financial condition, cash flows, liquidity and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected.

***Because we have less than 1,200 record holders of our common stock, we may elect to terminate our reporting obligations under the Securities Exchange Act. If we choose to do so, the price and liquidity of our common stock would likely decline.***

As a result of the passage of the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act ( JOBS Act ), the Company is eligible to voluntarily suspend our reporting obligations under the Securities Exchange Act, because we have fewer than 1,200 holders of record of our common shares. If we were to terminate our reporting obligations, we would no longer be required to file periodic reports, including financial information, proxy solicitation materials, or other information with the SEC. As a financial institution, our common stock would continue to be eligible to be quoted on the OTC Bulletin Board, so long as we continued to file certain financial information with the FDIC. The lack of publicly available information about the Company from SEC periodic reports, however, may have a negative effect on the liquidity, trading volume and trading prices of our common stock as well as our ability to raise future financing. The lack of publicly available information about the Company would also likely make it more difficult for affiliates of the Company to trade any restricted shares of the Company's common stock.

**Item 1B. *Unresolved Staff Comments.***

None.

**Item 2. *Properties.***

The Company historically has not owned or leased real or personal property apart from the premises and equipment of the Bank. In 2008, the Company purchased undeveloped property located in Airway Heights, Washington for \$1.3 million and divided it into two parcels, one of which was used to construct a new branch for the Bank as a replacement for the branch located in a grocery store in Airway Heights. The ground on which the branch was built was transferred to the Bank in 2008. The Company retained ownership of the remaining parcel and currently has it listed for sale.



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The Bank leases its principal office and main branch, which is located in downtown Spokane. The Company's registered office is also at this location. The Company pays no rent or other form of consideration for the use of the Bank's main office as its principal executive offices.

The Bank also owns the real property for the Northpointe, Ruby and Valley branches located in Spokane, Washington. In Idaho, the Bank owns the real property for the Coeur d'Alene, Post Falls, Hayden and Spirit Lake branches. The Bank owns the buildings for the Francis and South Hill branches, which are located on leased property.

We consider our facilities to be suitable and adequate for our current and immediate future purposes. As of December 31, 2012, the total net book value of the Company's premises and equipment was \$16.5 million.

**Item 3.        *Legal Proceedings.***

Other than routine litigation incidental to the business of the Bank, there are no pending legal proceedings in which the Company or the Bank is a party or any of their respective properties is subject. There are no pending legal proceedings to which any director, officer or affiliate of the Company, any owner of record or beneficiary of more than 5% of the common stock of the Company, or any security holder of the Company is a party adverse to the Company or the Bank or has a material interest adverse to the Company or the Bank.

**Item 4.        *Mine Safety Disclosures.***

Not applicable.

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Common shares of Northwest Bancorporation, Inc. are traded over-the-counter under the symbol NBCT. At the close of business on December 31, 2012, there were 3,089,957 shares of common stock outstanding, held by approximately 556 shareholders of record, including shares held by 164 known beneficial shareholders by 25 nonaffiliated depositories. The Company has relied upon information received from those depositories in determining the number of beneficial holders.

There is no established public trading market for the Company's shares of common stock. Quotations may be obtained by researching the stock symbol NBCT. Various Internet quotation services detail information about daily transaction volume and price. One such service is the OTC Markets ([www.otcmarkets.com](http://www.otcmarkets.com)) where a list of market makers is also detailed. The high and low range of actual transactions using the daily ending price, by quarter, for the Company's last two fiscal years is set forth below.

	2012		2011	
	High	Low	High	Low
First quarter	\$8.00	\$4.50	\$4.90	\$3.68
Second quarter	\$7.50	\$5.85	\$5.00	\$4.00
Third quarter	\$6.75	\$6.55	\$4.65	\$4.30
Fourth quarter	\$6.74	\$5.41	\$5.00	\$4.00

The above quotations may not reflect inter-dealer prices and should not be considered over-the-counter market quotations as that term is customarily used.

In order to conserve capital in the current uncertain economic environment, the Company's Board of Directors determined that it was in the best interest of the Company and its shareholders not to declare a dividend on its common stock during 2012 and 2011 and not to declare the dividends payable during 2012 and 2011 on its Series A and Series B Preferred Stock. As of the date of this report, the Company has deferred 12 dividend payments on the CPP Stock. In addition, the Company has been deferring interest payments on the junior subordinated debentures underlying its trust preferred securities as permitted by the related indentures. As of December 31, 2012, the accumulated deferred interest that was accrued on the trust preferred securities was \$356,594. During the period which the Company defers payments on its junior subordinated debentures, it is prohibited under the indentures from declaring or paying dividends on its capital stock. The Company is also prohibited from declaring or paying dividends on its common stock while dividends on its CPP Stock are in arrears. For the foreseeable future, the Company does not intend to declare and pay, or seek any and all regulatory or other approvals necessary to declare and pay, each scheduled dividend payment on the CPP Stock, because the Company intends to conserve capital in order to comply with the Reserve Bank MOU and FDIC MOU that are currently in place for the Company and the Bank, respectively. In March 2010, the Company agreed with the Federal Reserve Bank that the Company would obtain written approval from the Federal Reserve Bank prior to the Company: (a) declaring or paying dividends, (b) making payments on trust preferred securities, or (c) making any other capital distributions. In April 2010, the Bank agreed with the FDIC and the WDFI that the Bank would obtain written approval from the FDIC prior to paying dividends or any other form of payment or distribution representing a reduction of Bank capital.

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As a bank holding company that has no significant assets other than its equity interest in the Bank, the Company's ability to declare dividends depends primarily upon dividends it receives from the Bank. Future dividend payments are at the discretion of the Board of Directors and will depend on a variety of factors including, but not limited to, results of operations, general business and economic conditions, financial condition, capital adequacy, liquidity, statutory and regulatory limitations and other factors deemed relevant.

**Equity Compensation Plan Information**

Information regarding stock-based compensation awards outstanding and available for future grant as of December 31, 2012, is presented in the table below.

	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights (a)	Weighted average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights (b)	Number of securities available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a)) (c)
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	13,682	\$ 13.75	218,939
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	-	-	-
	13,682	\$ 13.75	218,939

**Recent Sales of Unregistered securities**

Not applicable.

**Purchases of Equity Securities by the Issuer and Affiliated Purchasers**

Occasionally, the Company will repurchase shares of its common stock from employees, former employees, or other shareholders who own less than 100 shares; the price that the Company pays for such shares is reflective of the last several trades reported on various Internet quotation services, such as www.otcmatrix.com. During the fourth-quarter, the Company did not repurchase any shares.

**Item 6. Selected Financial Data.**

Not applicable because the Company is a smaller reporting company.

**Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.**

*This report contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. For a discussion of the risks and uncertainties inherent in such statements, see Business Forward-Looking Statements and Risk Factors.*

**Summary of Critical Accounting Policies**

The SEC defines critical accounting policies as those that require the application of management's most difficult, subjective, or complex judgments, often as a result of the need to make estimates about the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain and may change in future periods. Significant accounting policies are also described in the notes to consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Form 10-K. Management believes that the following policies would be considered critical under the SEC's definition:

*Allowance for Loan Losses*

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The allowance for losses on outstanding loans is classified as a contra-asset account offsetting outstanding loans on the consolidated statements of financial condition. The allowance for loan losses is established

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through a provision for loan losses charged against earnings. The balance of the allowance for loan losses for outstanding loans is maintained at an amount that management believes will be adequate to absorb known and inherent losses in the loan portfolio. The allowance is evaluated on a regular basis by management and is based upon management's periodic review of the collectability of loans in light of historical experience, the nature and volume of the loan portfolio, adverse situations that may affect the borrower's ability to repay, estimated value of any underlying collateral and prevailing economic conditions. This evaluation is inherently subjective as it requires estimates that are susceptible to significant revision as more information becomes available. Revisions to these estimates and assumptions typically occur on a regular basis and may have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements or results of operations.

### *Foreclosed Real Estate*

Foreclosed real estate is recorded at the lower of estimated fair value, less costs to sell, or the carrying value of the defaulted loan on the acquisition date. Estimated fair value is based upon many subjective factors, including location and condition of the property and current economic conditions, among other things. The carrying value of the property is periodically evaluated by management and, if necessary, allowances are established to reduce the carrying value to net realizable value. Because the calculation of fair value relies on estimates and judgments relating to inherently uncertain events, the amounts ultimately recovered from property sales may differ substantially from the carrying value of the assets.

### *Fair Value Measurements*

FASB ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements*, establishes a hierarchical disclosure framework associated with the level of pricing observability utilized in measuring financial instruments at fair value. The degree of judgment utilized in measuring the fair value of financial instruments generally correlates to the level of pricing observability. Financial instruments with readily available active quoted prices or for which fair value can be measured from actively quoted prices generally will have a higher degree of pricing observability and a lesser degree of judgment utilized in measuring fair value. Conversely, financial instruments rarely traded or not quoted will generally have little or no pricing observability and a higher degree of judgment utilized in measuring fair value. Pricing observability is impacted by a number of factors, including the type of financial instrument, whether the financial instrument is new to the market and not yet established and the characteristics specific to the transaction. See the notes to consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Form 10-K for additional information about the level of pricing transparency associated with financial instruments carried at fair value.

### *Income Taxes*

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are determined using the liability method. Under this method, the net deferred tax asset or liability is recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases as well as net operating and capital loss carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates applied to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income tax expense in the period that includes the enactment date. To the extent that current available evidence about the future raises doubt about the likelihood of a deferred tax asset being realized, a valuation allowance is established. The judgment about the level of future taxable income, including that which is considered capital, is inherently subjective and is reviewed on a continual basis as regulatory and business factors change.

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**Overview and Financial Highlights**

We are a bank holding company providing banking and other financial services throughout Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho to consumers and to small- and medium-sized businesses, including the owners and employees of those businesses. We offer an array of banking products and services to the communities we serve, including accepting time and demand deposits and originating real estate loans, commercial loans and consumer loans. We derive our income primarily from interest received on loans and, to a lesser extent, interest on investment securities, and fees received in connection with servicing loans and deposit accounts. Our major operating expenses are the interest we pay on deposits and borrowings and general operating expenses. We rely primarily on locally generated deposits to provide us with funds for making loans, but we have also used brokered time deposits and time deposits obtained through a national listing service to fund loan demand.

We are subject to competition from other financial institutions and our operating results, like those of other financial institutions operating exclusively or primarily in the Pacific Northwest, are significantly influenced by economic conditions in Washington and Idaho, including the strength of the real estate market. In addition, both the fiscal and regulatory policies of the federal government and regulatory authorities that govern financial institutions and market interest rates also impact our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

The following discussion contains a review of Northwest Bancorporation, Inc.'s and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Inland Northwest Bank's, consolidated operating results and financial condition for the year ended December 31, 2012. When warranted, comparisons are made to the same period in 2011. The discussion should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes included in Item 8 of this Form 10-K. All numbers, except per share data, are expressed in thousands of dollars, unless otherwise noted.

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The following summary financial information is derived from the consolidated financial statements and other data of the Company for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011:

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2012	2011
	(\$ in thousands, except per share data)	
<b>Results of Operations:</b>		
Interest income	\$ 16,949	\$ 19,370
Interest expense	2,749	4,123
Net interest income	14,200	15,247
Provision for loan losses	1,600	6,874
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	12,600	8,373
Noninterest income	5,566	4,053
Noninterest expense	16,431	13,965
Income (loss) before income taxes	1,735	(1,539)
Income tax expense (benefit)	371	(793)
Net income (loss)	1,364	(746)
Preferred stock dividends and discount accretion, net	677	677
Net income (loss) applicable to common shares	\$ 687	\$ (1,423)

**Per Common Share Data:**

Basic earnings (loss)	\$ 0.22	\$ (0.46)
Diluted earnings (loss)	\$ 0.22	\$ (0.46)
Book value	\$ 8.74	\$ 8.30

**Selected Ratios:**

Return on average assets	0.18%	-0.36%
Return on average equity	1.86%	-3.89%
Net interest margin	4.00%	4.29%
Efficiency ratio	83.13%	72.36%
Noninterest income to average assets	1.42%	1.03%
Noninterest expense to average assets	4.20%	3.57%
Ending shareholders equity to average assets	9.69%	9.29%
Nonperforming loans to gross loans	2.96%	3.64%
Allowance for loan losses to gross loans	1.94%	2.56%

**Results of Operations***Earnings*

The Company recognized net income applicable to common shares of \$687 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to a net loss applicable to common shares of \$1.4 million in 2011. The return on average assets during 2012 was 0.18% compared to 0.36% in 2011, and the return on average equity during 2012 was 1.86% compared to 3.89% in 2011.

Earnings during 2012 compared to the prior year were favorably impacted by an increase in noninterest income and decreases in interest expense and the provision for loan losses. These improvements in operating results were partially offset by reductions in interest income and increased noninterest expenses. Details of changes in the various components of earnings are further discussed below.

*Net Interest Income*

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The principal component of the Company's earnings is its net interest income. Net interest income is the difference between the income earned on assets and the interest paid on deposits and on borrowings used to



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support such assets. Net interest income is determined by the yields earned on the Company's interest earning assets and the rates paid on its interest bearing liabilities, the relative amounts of interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities, and the degree of mismatch and the maturity and re-pricing characteristics of its interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities. The Company's net interest rate spread is determined based upon the total interest earning assets yield, less the total interest bearing liabilities rate.

*Average Balances, Rates, and Interest Income and Expense.* The following table sets forth certain information related to the Company's average balance sheet and its average yields on assets and average costs of liabilities. Such yields are derived by dividing income or expense by the average balance of the corresponding assets or liabilities.

	Year Ended December 31,					
	Average Balance	2012 Interest Income or Expense <sup>(1)</sup>	Average Yield or Rate	Average Balance	2011 Interest Income or Expense <sup>(1)</sup>	Average Yield or Rate
(\$ in thousands)						
<b>ASSETS</b>						
Loans receivable, gross <sup>(2) (3)</sup>	\$ 270,291	\$ 14,911	5.52%	\$ 277,571	\$ 17,071	6.15%
Investment securities	74,379	1,997	2.68%	69,218	2,282	3.30%
Other interest earning assets	10,695	41	0.38%	8,511	17	0.20%
Total interest earning assets	355,365	16,949	4.77%	355,300	19,370	5.45%
Noninterest earning assets	36,015			36,361		
Total assets	\$ 391,380			\$ 391,661		
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>						
Money market accounts	46,370	137	0.30%	39,820	214	0.54%
NOW accounts	66,444	562	0.85%	60,403	1,038	1.72%
Savings accounts	58,441	206	0.35%	53,825	343	0.64%
Time deposits	90,284	1,462	1.62%	115,236	2,185	1.90%
Total interest bearing deposits	261,539	2,367	0.91%	269,284	3,780	1.40%
Securities sold under repurchase agreements	-	-	0.00%	13	-	0.00%
Federal funds purchased and borrowed funds	7,408	269	3.63%	6,490	234	3.61%
Junior subordinated debentures	5,155	113	2.19%	5,155	109	2.11%
Total borrowed funds	12,563	382	3.04%	11,658	343	2.94%
Total interest bearing liabilities	274,102	2,749	1.00%	280,942	4,123	1.47%
Noninterest bearing deposits	74,714			69,500		
Other noninterest bearing liabilities	5,536			4,637		
Shareholders' equity	37,028			36,582		
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 391,380			\$ 391,661		
Net interest income		\$ 14,200			\$ 15,247	
Net interest spread			3.77%			3.98%
Net interest income to average earning assets (margin)			4.00%			4.29%

**Comments:**

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- (1) There are no tax equivalency adjustments.
- (2) Nonaccrual loans and loans held for sale are included in average loan balances.
- (3) Loan fee income in the amount of \$180 thousand and \$426 thousand is included in loan interest income for 2012 and 2011, respectively. During the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, net interest income was \$14.2 million and \$15.2 million, respectively. This decrease in net interest income of \$1.0 million, or 6.9%, resulted from interest income declining at a faster rate than interest expense as well as from decreases in, and changes in the mix of, interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities. The net interest margin declined 29 basis points from 4.29% to 4.00% for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2012, respectively.

Interest income fell \$2.5 million, or 12.5%, during 2012 ending the year at \$16.9 million compared to \$19.4 million for 2011. The decrease in interest income is related to a change in the mix of interest earning

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assets and decreases in yields on loans and investments. Loans, the highest yielding component of earning assets, represented 76.1% of average earning assets in 2012, compared to 78.1% in 2011. The average yield on loans fell 63 basis points to 5.52% in 2012 from 6.15% in 2011. The reduction in loan yield combined with a \$7.3 million, or 2.6%, decrease in average loan balances resulted in interest income on loans decreasing \$2.2 million, or 12.7%. Average investment securities increased \$5.2 million, or 7.5%, during 2012. The yield on investment securities decreased 62 basis points from 3.30% in 2011 to 2.68% in 2012. The decrease in yield on securities resulted in a reduction in investment income of \$285 thousand, or 12.5%.

Interest expense was \$2.7 million in 2012, representing a decrease of \$1.4 million, or 33.3%, from the \$4.1 million in interest expense for 2011. This improvement in interest expense was impacted by reductions in time deposit balances as well as reductions in rates paid on all interest bearing deposits, and was partially offset by increased balances in non-maturity deposit accounts and borrowed funds. Overall, the average cost of interest bearing deposits improved 49 basis points from 1.40% in 2011 to 0.91% in 2012.

*Rate/Volume Analysis.* The following table sets forth the effects of changing rates and volumes on net interest income. The rate column shows the effects attributable to changes in rate (changes in rate multiplied by prior volume). The volume column shows the effects attributable to changes in volume (changes in volume multiplied by prior rate). The rate/volume column shows the effects attributable to changes in both rate and volume (changes in rate multiplied by changes in volume).

	2012 over 2011 Increase (Decrease) Due to Changes in				2011 over 2010 Increase (Decrease) Due to Changes in			
	Volume	Rate	Rate/ Volume	Total	Volume	Rate	Rate/ Volume	Total
<i>(\$ in thousands)</i>								
<b><u>Interest and dividend income:</u></b>								
Loans receivable	\$ (448)	\$ (1,749)	\$ 37	\$ (2,160)	\$ (1,907)	\$ (339)	\$ 23	\$ (2,223)
Investment securities	170	(429)	(26)	(285)	1,156	(199)	(155)	802
Other interest earning assets	4	15	5	24	(11)	-	-	(11)
<b>Total interest and dividend income</b>	<b>(274)</b>	<b>(2,163)</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>(2,421)</b>	<b>(762)</b>	<b>(538)</b>	<b>(132)</b>	<b>(1,432)</b>
<b><u>Interest expense:</u></b>								
Money market accounts	35	(96)	(16)	(77)	73	(132)	(33)	(92)
NOW accounts	104	(526)	(54)	(476)	140	(5)	(3)	132
Savings accounts	30	(156)	(11)	(137)	81	(126)	(26)	(71)
Time deposits	(474)	(323)	74	(723)	(922)	(1,125)	254	(1,793)
Borrowed funds	33	1	1	35	(96)	(26)	7	(115)
Junior subordinated debentures	-	4	-	4	-	(102)	-	(102)
<b>Total interest expense</b>	<b>(272)</b>	<b>(1,096)</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>(1,374)</b>	<b>(724)</b>	<b>(1,516)</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>(2,041)</b>
<b>Net interest income</b>	<b>\$ (2)</b>	<b>\$ (1,067)</b>	<b>\$ 22</b>	<b>\$ (1,047)</b>	<b>\$ (38)</b>	<b>\$ 978</b>	<b>\$ (331)</b>	<b>\$ 609</b>

During 2012, the decreases in interest income were primarily attributable to decreases in yields on loans and investments and changes in the mix of interest earning assets with loan volume down and investment volume up. The decreases in interest income were partially offset by reductions in rates paid on interest bearing deposits and decreases in time deposit balances.

*Interest Rate Risk.* The Bank seeks to reduce fluctuations in its net interest margin and to optimize net interest income with acceptable levels of risk through periods of changing interest rates. The Bank's interest rate sensitivity is monitored by its Asset and Liability Committee (ALCO) on an ongoing basis. The ALCO establishes risk measures, limits and policy guidelines for managing the amount of interest rate risk and its effect on net interest income and capital. An earnings simulation model is used as a quantitative tool to measure the impact of changing interest rates on net interest income. The model quantifies the effects of various interest rate scenarios on projected net interest income over the next 12 months and uses various assumptions regarding the maturity and re-pricing characteristics of interest bearing assets and liabilities, as well as the relative sensitivities of these balance sheet components. The model assumes instantaneous and uniform changes in market interest rates at the earliest re-pricing opportunity. Notwithstanding the Bank's interest rate risk management activities, the potential for changing interest rates is an uncertainty that can have an adverse effect on net income.



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At December 31, 2012, the simulation model projected that immediate rate increases of 100, 200 and 300 basis points would result in decreases to net interest income of 1.0%, 1.8% and 3.0%, respectively, relative to the base case, over the next 12 months. Conversely, the simulation model projected that an immediate rate decrease of 25 basis points would result in an increase to net interest income of 0.8% relative to the base case, over the next 12 months. The likelihood of a decrease in interest rates beyond 25 basis points as of December 31, 2012, was considered remote given prevailing interest rate levels.

Computation of the prospective effect of hypothetical interest rate changes is based on a number of assumptions and results could vary significantly if different assumptions were used. The assumptions relied upon in making these calculations include the level of market interest rates, the shape of the yield curve, the degree to which certain assets and liabilities with similar maturities or periods to re-pricing react to changes in market interest rates, the degree to which non-maturity deposits react to changes in market rates, expected prepayment rates, the degree to which early withdrawals occur on time deposits and the volume of other deposit flows. In addition, the analysis does not reflect future actions that the Bank's ALCO might take in responding to or anticipating changes in interest rates. Accordingly, although the above table provides an indication of the Bank's sensitivity to interest rate changes at a point in time, these estimates are not intended to, and do not provide, a precise forecast of the effect of changes in market interest rates on the Bank's net interest income.

### *Provision for Loan Losses*

The provision for loan losses represents an expense against income that allows the Bank to establish an appropriate allowance for loan losses. Charges to the provision for loan losses result from management's ongoing analysis of probable losses in the loan portfolio. The 2012 provision for loan losses was \$1.6 million, a substantial decrease from the \$6.9 million expensed in 2011. The lower provision for loan losses is attributable to a \$7.3 million decline in average loans receivable and improved credit quality of the loan portfolio. The provision for loan losses as a percentage of average outstanding loans was 0.59% and 2.48% in 2012 and 2011, respectively. See Allowance for Loan Losses caption below for further analysis of the provision for loan losses.

### *Noninterest Income*

Noninterest income in 2012 was \$5.6 million, an increase of \$1.5 million, or 37.3%, from 2011.

Service charge income on deposits declined \$213 thousand, or 14.3%, in 2012 compared to 2011 primarily due to reduced income from overdraft and nonsufficient funds fees collected under the Bank's overdraft privilege program, which decreased \$200 thousand from 2011 to 2012.

Net gains from sale of loans totaled \$1.6 million in 2012, representing an increase of \$672 thousand, or 74.9%, from 2011. Gains from the sale of loans represent income from the origination and sale of residential mortgage loans, which are typically sold in the secondary mortgage market. This mortgage loan income increased as a result of a higher volume of homeowners refinancing their existing mortgages and purchasing new homes, which is partially attributable to the Bank adding two additional mortgage loan officers during 2012.

During 2012, the Company reported net gains on sales of securities totaling \$380 thousand compared to \$264 thousand in 2011.

Other noninterest income was \$2.3 million in 2012, compared to \$1.4 million in 2011, representing an increase of \$939 thousand, or 66.9%. This increase is primarily attributable to higher operating income generated from foreclosed real estate properties totaling \$748 thousand in addition to higher debit and credit card income totaling \$159 thousand.

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*Noninterest Expense*

Noninterest expense increased from \$14.0 million in 2011 to \$16.4 million in 2012, representing an increase of \$2.5 million, or 17.7%. The increase in noninterest expense from 2011 to 2012 was primarily a result of increased net losses on foreclosed real estate and higher costs related to operating, maintaining or selling foreclosed real estate properties.

Salaries and employee benefits in 2012 increased 4.7%, or \$303 thousand, compared to 2011. Full-time employee equivalents ( FTEs ) shrunk 2.6% from 114 FTEs at the end of 2011 to 111 FTEs at the end of 2012. Most of the FTE reduction occurred during the fourth quarter of 2012, so savings from the reduction will not be fully realized until 2013. Mortgage loan officer commissions increased \$194 thousand, or 52.4%, year over year, which is attributable to the increase in gains on sales of mortgage loans. Salaries, incentive, employee benefits and stock compensation costs also increased during the year. However, these increases were partially offset by an increase of \$221 thousand in loan origination fee salary credits.

Occupancy and equipment expense was \$24 thousand, or 1.8%, lower in 2012 compared to 2011. The decrease is attributable to \$56 thousand in lower rental expense for bank premises, partially offset by \$33 thousand in higher outsourced computer maintenance costs.

Depreciation and amortization expense decreased \$23 thousand, or 1.9%, during 2012 as a result of older assets becoming fully depreciated.

Advertising and promotion expense for 2012 increased \$12 thousand, or 4.0%, compared to 2011 primarily due to higher business development costs associated with increased loan and deposit production.

Net losses on foreclosed real estate and other property owned were \$1.2 million in 2012, compared to \$355 thousand in 2011. During 2012, the net loss on foreclosed real estate and other property owned included net losses from property sales of \$43 thousand and foreclosed real estate valuation allowance provisions of \$1.2 million. During 2011, the net loss on foreclosed real estate and other property owned included net gains from property sales of \$391 thousand, offset by valuation allowance provisions of \$646 thousand on foreclosed real estate and \$100 thousand on other property owned.

FDIC assessments decreased \$80 thousand, or 13.9%, in 2012 compared to 2011. This reduction in assessments was the result of the FDIC changing its assessment method from a deposit-based assessment to an asset-based assessment in April 2011.

Other noninterest expense increased \$1.4 million, or 37.2%, in 2012 compared to 2011. The largest contributor to the year-over-year increase was higher costs related to operating, maintaining or selling foreclosed real estate properties. Aggregate total expense in this category for 2012 was \$764 thousand, with this expense mostly offset by an increase in income generated by these properties. Other significant year-over-year cost increases in other noninterest expense included: noninterest loan and deposit account costs, which increased \$113 thousand; software expense, which increased \$99 thousand; legal fees, which increased \$125 thousand; director compensation and other costs, which increased \$85 thousand; appraisal costs related to new and existing loans, which increased \$43 thousand; and office supply costs, which increased \$39 thousand. These increases in other noninterest expense were partially offset by a decrease of \$114 thousand in costs related to properties securing nonaccrual loans. Other nonrecurring costs included in noninterest expense during 2012 included \$150 thousand in accrued costs associated with estimated regulatory compliance restitution and/or penalties and \$81 thousand in fees incurred for the prepayment of \$557 thousand in FHLB advances that carried a weighted average rate of 5.16% and a weighted average maturity of 6 years.

**Table of Contents***Income Taxes*

For the year ended December 31, 2012, the Company recorded income tax expense of \$371 thousand compared to an income tax benefit of \$793 thousand in 2011, reflecting the Company's return to profitability in 2012.

The Company's normal, expected statutory income tax rate is 36.0%, representing a blend of the statutory federal income tax rate of 34.0% and apportioned effects of the Idaho income tax rate of 7.4%. The ratio of tax expense (benefit) to the net income (loss) before tax (referred to as the effective tax rate) differs from statutory tax rates due to permanent differences arising primarily from nontaxable interest income on state and municipal securities and nontaxable increases in the value of bank owned life insurance. The differences between tax expense (benefit) at the statutory rates and actual tax expense (benefit) were as follows for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011:

	December 31,	
	2012	2011
	<i>(\$ in thousands)</i>	
Federal income tax at statutory rate	\$ 585	\$ (524)
Effect of tax-exempt interest income	(243)	(246)
Effect of nondeductible interest expense	9	13
Effect of other nondeductible expenses	16	14
Effect of state income taxes	-	(34)
Other	4	(16)
<b>Income tax expense (benefit)</b>	<b>\$ 371</b>	<b>\$ (793)</b>

*Preferred Stock Dividends and Discount Accretion*

In connection with preferred stock issued to the Treasury under the Capital Purchase Program in February 2009, the Company accrued preferred stock dividends and accreted the related net discount in the amount of \$677 thousand during both years ending December 31, 2012 and 2011. As of the date of this report, the Company has deferred 12 dividend payments on the CPP Stock.

**Financial Condition**

Total assets at December 31, 2012, were \$398.9 million, an increase of \$13.2 million, or 3.4%, when compared to total assets of \$385.7 million at December 31, 2011. Total earning assets, which are comprised of loans, investment securities, FHLB stock, interest bearing deposits, averaged \$355.4 million in 2012, compared to \$355.3 million in 2011. Earning assets serve as the primary revenue source for the Company.

**Table of Contents***Securities*

In addition to generating revenue, the Bank maintains its investment securities portfolio to manage interest rate risk, provide liquidity, provide collateral for borrowings, and to diversify the credit risk of earning assets. The securities portfolio is classified as available for sale and consists primarily of U.S. government agency securities, municipal securities, corporate debt obligations, and mortgage-backed and other asset-backed securities. The following table sets forth the amortized cost and fair values of the securities portfolio:

	December 31, 2012		December 31, 2011	
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
	(\$ in thousands)			
U.S. government agency securities	\$ 5,140	\$ 5,177	\$ 6,735	\$ 6,802
State and municipal securities	24,688	26,243	23,529	25,054
Corporate debt obligations	11,886	12,442	11,909	11,751
SBA participation certificates	11,461	11,920	8,756	8,950
Mortgage backed securities	4,970	5,073	4,284	4,397
Collateralized mortgage obligations	12,646	12,701	9,201	9,296
	\$ 70,791	\$ 73,556	\$ 64,414	\$ 66,250

As of December 31, 2012, the Bank had \$73.6 million in securities classified as available for sale, which represents an increase of \$7.3 million, or 11.0%, from December 31, 2011. Activity in the securities portfolio during 2012 included \$26.8 million in purchases, \$7.7 million in called and matured securities, principal paydowns of \$5.3 million, amortization of net purchase price premiums of \$1.1 million, and \$6.4 million in securities sold. As of December 31, 2012, the securities portfolio included a net unrealized gain of \$2.8 million, representing an improvement of \$929 thousand, or 50.6%, from December 31, 2011. With the exception of corporate bonds with a fair value of \$12.4 million, all securities as of December 31, 2012, are fully insured by or are obligations of either U.S. government agencies or government-sponsored enterprises or state or municipal governments. At December 31, 2012, there were no securities issued by a single issuer (other than U.S. government or government-sponsored enterprise securities) that had an aggregate book value in excess of 10% of our shareholders' equity.

The following table sets forth the distribution of contractual maturities, excluding periodic principal payments, and the weighted average yields of available for sale securities, based on amortized cost, at December 31, 2012. Actual maturities will differ from contractual maturities, because issuers may have the right to call or prepay obligations. Weighted average yields are not presented on a tax equivalent basis.

	Within one year		After one but within five years		After five but within ten years		After ten years		Total	
	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield
	(\$ in thousands)									
U.S. government agency securities	\$ -	0.00%	\$ -	0.00%	\$ 3,636	2.89%	\$ 1,504	4.29%	\$ 5,140	3.30%
State and municipal securities	429	3.73%	7,896	2.67%	9,621	3.82%	6,742	4.49%	24,688	3.64%
Corporate debt obligations	-	0.00%	8,539	3.63%	3,097	4.19%	250	4.37%	11,886	3.80%
SBA participation certificates	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	11,461	3.31%	11,461	3.31%
Mortgage backed securities	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	837	1.84%	4,133	1.67%	4,970	1.69%
Collateralized mortgage obligations	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	918	0.89%	11,728	1.59%	12,646	1.53%
	\$ 429	3.73%	\$ 16,435	3.17%	\$ 18,109	3.46%	\$ 35,818	2.83%	\$ 70,791	3.07%

*Loans*



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At December 31, 2012, the Bank reported \$271.7 million in gross loans receivable, an increase of \$5.9 million, or 2.2%, compared to December 31, 2011. This increase is a result of organic growth realized within the Bank's primary market, reflecting efforts to pursue lending relationships with creditworthy customers

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despite continued weak loan demand in our market place during 2012 and 2011. Loan demand has been adversely influenced by economic forces that have disrupted local and national economies. Specifically, real estate and related activities have slowed significantly, local unemployment rates remain very high, and real estate and other asset prices have declined appreciably.

The following table presents the composition of the loan portfolio for the periods indicated:

	2012		2011		December 31, 2010		2009		2008	
	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%
(\$ in thousands)										
Real estate:										
Commercial	\$ 152,734	56.2%	\$ 142,465	53.6%	\$ 150,373	53.4%	\$ 149,970	46.6%	\$ 159,839	47.0%
Construction and land development	21,923	8.1%	31,381	11.8%	40,145	14.2%	72,076	22.4%	72,815	21.4%
Residential	26,641	9.8%	32,180	12.1%	35,061	12.4%	33,227	10.3%	29,853	8.8%
Commercial and industrial	63,678	23.4%	53,224	20.0%	47,345	16.8%	55,917	17.4%	65,590	19.3%
Consumer	6,742	2.5%	6,553	2.5%	9,026	3.2%	10,688	3.3%	11,891	3.5%
<b>Total gross loans</b>	<b>271,718</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>265,803</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>281,950</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>321,878</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>339,988</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Allowance for loan losses	(5,260)		(6,816)		(6,918)		(7,082)		(4,737)	
Net deferred loan fees	(380)		(401)		(616)		(643)		(946)	
<b>Total loans, net</b>	<b>\$ 266,078</b>		<b>\$ 258,586</b>		<b>\$ 274,416</b>		<b>\$ 314,153</b>		<b>\$ 334,305</b>	

**Loan Origination/Risk Management.** The Bank has lending policies and procedures in place that are designed to maximize loan income within an acceptable level of risk. Management reviews and approves these policies and procedures on a regular basis. A reporting system supplements the review process by providing management with frequent reports related to loan production, loan quality, concentrations of credit, loan delinquencies, nonperforming loans and other potential problem loans. Diversification in the loan portfolio is a means of managing risk associated with fluctuations in economic conditions. See the notes to consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Form 10-K for further details of the Bank's policies and procedures related to loan origination and risk management.

**Real Estate Loans.** Real estate loans are generally collateralized by real property located within the Bank's market area and are made primarily for the purpose of purchasing, refinancing and constructing 1-4 family, multifamily and commercial properties, and for the acquisition and development of land for the purpose of providing residential and commercial lots for sale. Real estate loans also include consumer home equity loans and lines of credit. Because a significant portion of real estate loans are secured by properties located in Spokane County, Washington and Kootenai County, Idaho, declines in these local economies and in real estate values have had a significant effect on the collectability of our real estate loans and on the level of allowance for loan losses determined to be necessary.

Total real estate loans decreased \$4.7 million, or 2.3%, during 2012 and comprise 74.1% of the loan portfolio. Included in real estate loans are commercial real estate loans, which increased \$10.3 million (7.2%). This increase in commercial real estate loans was more than offset by decreases in construction and land development loans, which decreased \$9.5 million (30.1%), and residential real estate loans, which decreased \$5.5 million (17.2%). In response to the continuing weak economy, the Bank has implemented more stringent lending practices and is limiting new loans for land development, speculative construction and non-owner occupied commercial real estate. The Bank's primary focus for the commercial real estate portfolio has been growth in loans secured by owner occupied properties. These loans are viewed primarily as cash flow loans and secondarily as loans secured by real estate. Consequently, these loans must undergo a similar analysis and underwriting process as that of a commercial and industrial loan, in addition to a real estate analysis.

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The Bank also originates long-term conventional residential real estate loans which typically conform to secondary market requirements and are originated with a commitment from a correspondent financial institution to purchase the loan within 30 days of closing. Such loans are classified as loans held for sale in the Company's consolidated financial statements. At December 31, 2012 and 2011, loans held for sale totaled \$6.5 million and \$2.7 million, respectively.

*Commercial and Industrial Loans.* The commercial and industrial loan segment comprised 23.4% of the loan portfolio at December 31, 2012, representing an increase of \$10.5 million, or 19.6%, during the year. Commercial and industrial loans include both secured and unsecured loans for working capital, expansion, and other business purposes. The Bank also makes term commercial loans secured by real estate, which are categorized as real estate loans. Lending decisions are based on an evaluation of the financial strength, management and credit history of the borrower, and the quality of the collateral securing the loan. The Bank's underwriting standards require a verifiable primary and secondary source of repayment, a reasonable expectation of future profitability based on historical earnings and future projections, and personal guarantees when appropriate. Commercial loans are a major focus of the Bank's lending activities as they have lower historical net charge-off ratios and generally provide greater yields and more frequent re-pricing than other types of loans.

*Consumer.* The consumer loan segment accounted for 2.5% of the loan portfolio at December 31, 2012, representing an increase of \$189 thousand, or 2.9%, during the year. Consumer loans include vehicle loans, boat and other recreational vehicle financing, and other secured and unsecured personal loans and lines of credit. Consumer loans are generally smaller in amount and are often either unsecured or secured by rapidly depreciable assets. Consumer delinquencies are sensitive to job loss, illness and other personal factors. The Bank attempts to manage the risks inherent in consumer lending by following established credit guidelines and underwriting practices designed to minimize risk of loss.

*Maturities and Sensitivities of Loans to Changes in Interest Rates.* The table below presents the maturity distribution and interest rate structure for loans outstanding as of December 31, 2012. The dollar amounts of loans maturing are based on their contractual terms to maturity and do not include scheduled payments or potential prepayments.

	Within one year	One to five years	Over five years	Total
	(\$ in thousands)			
<b>By loan type:</b>				
Commercial real estate	\$ 32,785	\$ 35,847	\$ 84,102	\$ 152,734
Construction and land development	17,034	3,903	986	21,923
Residential real estate	5,888	8,595	12,158	26,641
Commercial and industrial	33,677	21,653	8,348	63,678
Consumer	2,353	1,843	2,546	6,742
	\$ 91,737	\$ 71,841	\$ 108,140	\$ 271,718
<b>By interest rate structure:</b>				
Fixed rate loans	\$ 37,578	\$ 54,875	\$ 10,362	\$ 102,815
Variable rate loans	54,159	16,966	97,778	168,903
	\$ 91,737	\$ 71,841	\$ 108,140	\$ 271,718

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*Nonperforming Assets.* Nonperforming assets include nonaccrual loans, loans that are 90 or more days past due, and foreclosed real estate. The following table shows a summary of nonperforming assets:

	2012	2011	December 31, 2010	2009	2008
	(\$ in thousands)				
<b>Nonaccrual loans:</b>					
Commercial real estate	\$ 6,324	\$ 3,870	\$ 8,661	\$ 3,191	\$ 2,570
Construction and land development	1,227	3,953	2,613	7,845	10,493
Residential real estate	290	1,758	1,362	190	876
Commercial and industrial	169	50	21	434	2,048
Consumer	34	43	56	16	43
Loans past due 90 days or more and accruing interest	-	-	-	-	1,081
<i>Total nonperforming loans</i>	8,044	9,674	12,713	11,676	17,111
Foreclosed real estate	4,430	4,459	3,963	3,672	1,702
<i>Total nonperforming assets</i>	\$ 12,474	\$ 14,133	\$ 16,676	\$ 15,348	\$ 18,813
<b>Ratio of nonperforming assets to:</b>					
Total loans and foreclosed assets	4.5%	5.2%	5.8%	4.7%	5.5%
Total assets	3.1%	3.7%	4.2%	3.9%	4.7%

At December 31, 2012, nonperforming assets were \$12.5 million, representing a decrease of \$1.7 million, or 11.7%, from December 31, 2011. Nonperforming assets as a percentage of total assets were 3.1% and 3.7% at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. In general, the level of nonperforming assets in recent years is reflective of the weaker economic conditions, which began in the latter part of 2008.

Loans are generally placed on nonaccrual status when full payment of principal and interest is not reasonably expected, or when principal or interest due on the loan is 90 days or more past due. A rare exception to the 90-day nonaccrual policy may be allowed if the loan is both well secured and in the process of collection. When loans are placed on nonaccrual status, future interest accruals are discontinued and all unpaid accrued interest is reversed against interest income. Loans may be returned to accrual status when all principal and interest amounts contractually due are brought current and future payments are reasonably assured.

At December 31, 2012, the Bank had twelve nonaccrual loans totaling \$8.0 million compared to eighteen nonaccrual loans totaling \$9.7 million at December 31, 2011, representing a decrease of \$1.7 million, or 16.8%. This decrease was mainly comprised of \$2.7 million in construction and land development loans and \$1.5 million in residential real estate loans and was partially offset by an increase of \$2.5 million in commercial real estate loans.

All of the Bank's nonaccrual loans are in the process of collection or under some form of a negotiated agreement for repayment of the debt and are supported by liens on collateral that mitigates the risk of loss. Whenever management determines that a collateral position is weak or insufficient to reasonably protect the Bank from loss, the loan balance is written down with a partial charge-off to a level where collateral protection is deemed adequate. If the customer has identifiable sources of repayment and is working on a repayment plan, a partial charge-off may be deferred and the amount of the exposure set aside in a specific reserve. If nonaccrual loans had performed in accordance with their original contract terms, additional interest income of \$412 thousand in 2012 and \$413 thousand in 2011 would have been recognized.

Seven of the nonaccrual loans totaling \$4.7 million, or 59.0% of total nonaccrual loans, are under a formal workout, forbearance agreement or approved bankruptcy plan. All of these loans include negotiated repayment schedules or liquidation plans. One loan, totaling \$1.7 million, is more than 30 days past due and

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is in the process of foreclosure. The remaining nonaccrual loans, totaling \$3.0 million, are either in the process of foreclosure, liquidation or repossession, are the subject of negotiations for a workout or forbearance agreement, or are currently in litigation. If a nonaccrual loan performs under the agreed terms for a period of at least six months, and if the borrower can establish a reliable source of future repayment, the loan may be considered for return to accrual. In several cases, repayment plans include the liquidation of all or a portion of the collateral supporting the loan. In such cases, the loan has also been written down to a balance that management believes can be supported by the collateral value.

Foreclosed real estate represents real property acquired as the result of borrowers defaulting on loans and is recorded at estimated fair value, less estimated selling costs, at the time of foreclosure. Impairments, if any, identified at the time of foreclosure are charged against the allowance for loan losses. Foreclosed properties are appraised as deemed necessary due to market fluctuations or as required by applicable regulations. Additional identified impairments resulting from declines in value subsequent to foreclosure are included in other noninterest expense along with other expenses related to maintaining the properties.

Foreclosed real estate totaled \$4.4 million at December 31, 2012, representing a decrease of \$29 thousand, or 0.7%, from the amount reported at December 31, 2011. The three foreclosed real estate properties with the largest balances include a motel, commercial real estate, and undeveloped land located in Kootenai and Shoshone counties of Idaho, with an aggregate total value of \$3.2 million. The motel was sold in January 2013, reducing the balance of foreclosed real estate by \$1.5 million. The remaining foreclosed real estate properties consist of seven commercial and residential properties. Most of the properties are listed for sale under a marketing plan intended to liquidate the assets in a responsible and timely manner.

*Impaired Loans.* At December 31, 2012 and 2011, the Bank had \$14.6 million and \$30.4 million in impaired loans having valuation allowances of \$757 thousand and \$2.6 million, respectively. A loan is considered impaired when, based on current information and events, it is improbable the Bank will be able to collect all amounts due in accordance with the original contractual terms of the loan agreement, including scheduled principal and interest payments. Impaired loans are generally measured based upon the present value of future cash flows discounted at the historical effective interest rate, except that all collateral-dependent loans are measured for impairment based on the fair value of the collateral.

*Restructured Loans.* Restructured loans, also known as troubled debt restructurings, are those for which, due to a borrower's financial difficulties, the Bank grants a concession in loan terms or conditions that it would not otherwise consider or that would not otherwise be available to the borrower. Restructured loans are included in impaired loans until such time as the restructured loan performs according to the new terms for an acceptable duration, typically one year or longer depending on the circumstances specific to each loan, and the interest rate at the time of restructure was at or above market for a comparable loan. Restructured loans performing in accordance with their new terms are not included in nonaccrual loans unless there is uncertainty as to the ultimate collection of principal or interest. The following table presents a summary of restructured loans:

	December 31, 2012			December 31, 2011		
	Accruing Restructured Loans	Restructured Loans Included in Nonaccrual Loans	Total	Accruing Restructured Loans	Restructured Loans Included in Nonaccrual Loans	Total
Real estate:						
Commercial	\$ 4,926	\$ 3,169	\$ 8,095	\$ 9,684	\$ 1,939	\$ 11,623
Construction and land development	-	44	44	-	2,957	2,957
Residential	-	-	-	-	815	815
Commercial and industrial	508	-	508	535	-	535
	\$ 5,434	\$ 3,213	\$ 8,647	\$ 10,219	\$ 5,711	\$ 15,930

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Restructured loans decreased from \$15.9 million at December 31, 2011, to \$8.6 million at December 31, 2012. Many of the restructured loan agreements grant a period of interest-only payments without imposing other significant consequences. The Bank enters into workout agreements with the intention of improving or protecting the Bank's opportunity for successful liquidation of the asset. As of December 31, 2012, four restructured loans totaling \$3.5 million were 30 or more days past due with their payments. One of these four restructured loans, with a total balance of \$1.7 million, is in process of foreclosure. A second loan, with a total balance of \$1.5 million, is in the hands of a receiver with a plan for liquidation. Collection efforts for the remaining two loans, with an aggregate total balance of \$327 thousand, are being aggressively pursued. Any failure of a borrower with a restructured loan to make timely payments according to the terms of their agreement is subject to aggressive collection efforts or legal action and will be placed on nonaccrual if future payment is deemed to be in jeopardy.

Included in total restructured loans are A/B notes totaling \$1.8 million and \$2.1 million as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. In A/B note restructurings, the original note is split into two notes where the A note represents the portion of the original loan which allows for an acceptable loan-to-value and debt service coverage and is expected to be collected in full. The B note is fully charged off and represents the portion of the original loan where there is a shortfall in collateral and/or cash flow support. The A/B note balances as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, are comprised of A note balances only.

*Potential Problem Loans.* Management has identified potential problem loans totaling \$16.9 million as of December 31, 2012, compared to \$30.3 million as of December 31, 2011. These loans have been internally classified as special mention or substandard, yet are not currently impaired or on nonaccrual status. Management has identified potential credit problems with these loans, which, in the future, may result in a borrower's noncompliance with current loan repayment terms. Management believes the allowance for loan losses is adequate to cover probable credit losses in the loan portfolio.

### *Allowance for Loan Losses*

The allowance for loan losses is a reserve established through a provision for loan losses charged to expense. The allowance for loan losses represents management's best estimate of probable losses within the existing portfolio of loans. The allowance is necessary to reserve for estimated loan losses and risks inherent in the loan portfolio. The Bank's methodology for establishing the allowance for loan losses is based upon guidance from ASC Topic 310, *Receivables*, and ASC Topic 450, *Contingencies*. Accordingly, the methodology is based on historical loss experience, internal risk grade, specific homogeneous risk pools and specific loss allocations, with adjustments for current events and conditions. The Bank's process for determining the appropriate level of the allowance for loan losses is designed to account for credit deterioration as it occurs. The provision for loan losses reflects not only the necessary increases in the allowance for loan losses related to newly identified classified loans, but it also reflects actions taken related to other loans including, among other things, any necessary increases or decreases in required allowances for specific loans or loan pools. See the notes to consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 on this Form 10-K for additional details about the Bank's methodology for estimating the appropriate level of the allowance for loan losses. Management's methodology for analyzing probable loan losses is consistent with the methods used as of December 31, 2011, except that the calculation was adjusted for changes in leading indicators such as unemployment and real estate market trends, as well as changes in the weighted average risk rating of loans in the portfolio.

As of December 31, 2012, the allowance for loan losses was \$5.3 million, a decrease of \$1.6 million, or 22.8%, from December 31, 2011. The decrease in the allowance for loan losses is principally attributable to net charge-offs exceeding the amount that was provisioned for loan losses during 2012. The allowance for loan losses represented 1.9% and 2.6% of gross loans outstanding as of December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively.

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The following table provides a summary of activity in the allowance for loan losses and an analysis of losses by loan type during each of the last five years:

	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
	<i>( in thousands )</i>				
Balance of allowance for loan losses, beginning of year	\$ 6,816	\$ 6,918	\$ 7,082	\$ 4,737	\$ 2,711
Loan charge-offs:					
Real estate	(3,306)	(6,609)	(2,616)	(3,061)	(1,465)
Commercial and industrial	(787)	(315)	(433)	(2,038)	(361)
Consumer	(83)	(97)	(174)	(86)	(131)
Total charge-offs	(4,176)	(7,021)	(3,223)	(5,185)	(1,957)
Recoveries of previous loan losses:					
Real estate	913	26	65	13	21
Commercial and industrial	60	15	27	165	-
Consumer	47	4	17	5	7
Total recoveries	1,020	45	109	183	28
Net charge-offs	(3,156)	(6,976)	(3,114)	(5,002)	(1,929)
Provision for loan losses	1,600	6,874	2,950	7,347	3,955
Balance of allowance for loan losses, end of year	\$ 5,260	\$ 6,816	\$ 6,918	\$ 7,082	\$ 4,737

**Ratios at end of year:**

Net charge-offs to average gross loans	1.17%	2.51%	1.49%	0.61%	0.09%
Allowance for loan losses to gross loans	1.94%	2.56%	2.45%	2.08%	1.70%
Allowance for loan losses to nonperforming loans	65.39%	70.46%	59.25%	27.68%	495.61%

Net charge-offs in 2012 were \$3.2 million, compared to net charge-offs of \$7.0 million reported in 2011. Net charge-offs represented 1.17% and 2.51% of average loans outstanding in 2012 and 2011, respectively. The majority of net loan charge-offs in 2012 were due to losses related to real estate loans, which accounted for 76% of net charge-offs; commercial and industrial loans accounted for 23% of net charge-offs. In 2011, real estate loans accounted for 94% of net charge-offs, and commercial and industrial loans accounted for 4% of net charge-offs. Charge-offs of real estate loans are detailed as follows for the years ended December 31:

	2012	2011
Commercial real estate	\$ 1,816	\$ 2,546
Construction and land development	321	3,282
Residential real estate	1,169	781
	\$ 3,306	\$ 6,609

Total real estate loan charge-offs of \$3.3 million in 2012 were related to 25 different borrowers. Total real estate loan charge-offs of \$6.6 million in 2011 were related to 26 different borrowers. Included in the total for 2011 was one large real estate secured land development loan that became impaired in 2011, and the Bank charged off \$2.5 million of the loan balance. In 2012, \$865 thousand of the amount previously charged off was recovered and credited to the allowance for loan losses.

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The table below sets forth the allowance for loan losses by category of loan and summarizes the percentage of total loans in each category to total loans as of December 31:

	2012		2011		2010		2009		2008	
	Amount	Percent of Loans	Amount	Percent of Loans	Amount	Percent of Loans	Amount	Percent of Loans	Amount	Percent of Loans
Real estate:	(\$ in thousands)									
Commercial	\$ 2,361	56.2%	\$ 3,135	53.6%	\$ 2,779	53.4%	\$ 1,269	46.6%	\$ 1,437	46.6%
Construction and land development	710	8.1%	1,304	11.8%	1,341	14.2%	1,761	22.4%	1,293	22.4%
Residential	959	9.8%	1,274	12.1%	1,081	12.4%	604	10.3%	223	10.3%
Commercial and industrial	839	23.4%	751	20.0%	1,162	16.8%	2,660	17.4%	1,448	17.4%
Consumer	82	2.5%	140	2.5%	347	3.2%	133	3.3%	179	3.3%
Unallocated	308	n/a	212	n/a	208	n/a	655	n/a	157	n/a
	\$ 5,259	100.0%	\$ 6,816	100.0%	\$ 6,918	100.0%	\$ 7,082	100.0%	\$ 4,737	100.0%

*Premises and Equipment*

Net premises and equipment was \$16.5 million at December 31, 2012, representing an increase of \$23 thousand from 2011. The increase is a result of net fixed asset purchases primarily related to the remodel of the Bank's downtown branch which was completed in December 2012. The asset purchases were mostly offset by depreciation and amortization totaling \$1.2 million during 2012.

*Deferred Tax Asset*

At December 31, 2012, the Company had recorded a net deferred tax liability of \$253 thousand, which compared to a net deferred tax asset of \$433 thousand at December 31, 2011. The change in deferred taxes during 2012 primarily resulted from a decrease in the deferred tax asset related to temporary differences in the allowance for loan losses and from an improvement in the fair value of available for sale securities.

The most significant component in the calculation of net deferred tax assets relates to the provision for loan losses. For tax purposes and to simplify disclosure, loan losses can be expensed as they are incurred; for financial statement purposes, however, an expense is recorded in anticipation of future loan losses and funded to the allowance for loan losses. From inception and through the end of 2012, the Bank has expensed significantly more to the allowance for loan losses than the IRS allows as a deduction for tax purposes. The tax benefit that the Bank would realize if, in fact, actual losses were equal to the amount that it has expensed for financial statement purposes is \$765 thousand. Offsetting that tax asset, the Company has recorded accelerated depreciation as permitted by the IRS and has thereby reduced the amount of taxes that it has had to pay. Over time, and assuming no changes to Company assets, financial statement depreciation and tax depreciation are expected to offset each other and the Company expects to pay the taxes that the IRS has previously allowed to be deferred; the Company has recognized the difference as a liability in the amount of \$1.3 million. Other tax asset and tax liability balances are detailed in the notes to consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Form 10-K.

During 2009, the Company recorded a valuation allowance of \$742 thousand against a portion of its net deferred tax asset due to uncertainty about the Company's ability to generate future taxable income sufficient to realize the benefits of temporary deductible differences that could not have been realized through carry-backs to prior years or through the reversal of future temporary taxable differences. Due to ongoing weakness in the economy and its effect on credit quality, uncertainty remains about the extent to which a pattern of future taxable income will be established. Accordingly, the Company continued to maintain a valuation allowance of \$742 thousand as of December 31, 2012.



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The Bank offers traditional deposit products that include noninterest bearing demand, money market, NOW, savings, and time deposit accounts. Deposits are the Bank's primary source of funding and are predominantly provided by individuals and businesses within our primary market area.

As of December 31, 2012, the Bank reported \$333.1 million in total deposits, which represents an increase of \$1.0 million, or 0.3%, from the \$332.1 million in deposits reported as of December 31, 2011. The levels and mix of deposits are influenced by such factors as interest rates paid, service charges, customer service and the convenience of banking locations. Competition for deposits from other financial institutions in our market is strong, which affects the availability and pricing of deposits. The composition of deposits as of December 31, 2012 and 2011 is summarized in the following table:

	2012		2011	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
	<i>(\$ in thousands)</i>			
Noninterest bearing demand deposits	\$ 77,853	23.4%	\$ 64,982	19.6%
Interest bearing demand deposits:				
Money market	52,262	15.7%	40,388	12.2%
NOW accounts	68,175	20.5%	69,818	21.0%
Savings deposits	55,475	16.6%	58,505	17.6%
Time deposits	79,339	23.8%	98,441	29.6%
	\$ 333,104	100.0%	\$ 332,134	100.0%

Noninterest bearing demand deposits increased \$12.9 million and other interest bearing deposits increased \$7.2 million, whereas time deposits decreased \$19.1 million. About \$5 million of the increase in noninterest bearing demand deposits is attributable to one depositor whose funds are not expected to remain on deposit long-term. Included in time deposits are brokered time deposits and time deposits obtained through a national listing service, which together decreased \$7.3 million, or 38.2%, during the year. Management elected not to renew these time deposits at maturity, because the funds were not needed for loan growth. Other time deposits decreased \$11.8 million, or 14.9%, which reflects management's decision to allow maturing higher priced time deposits to migrate off the balance sheet or into non-maturity deposit accounts after determining that the Bank had more than adequate liquidity levels.

Core deposits, which exclude time deposits, are considered to be more stable and typically carry a lower cost of funds than time deposits. Core deposits increased \$20.1 million, or 8.6%, during 2012 and represented 76.2% and 70.4% of total deposits as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

Overall deposit growth continues to be positively impacted by general adverse economic conditions that have encouraged consumers to become more defensive by saving a greater percentage of their income, as well as spreading their deposit balances to multiple financial institutions to ensure their balances are insured by the FDIC.

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The composition of average deposits and the average rates paid on such deposits are summarized for the periods indicated in the following table:

	2012		2011	
	Average Balance	Average Rate	Average Balance	Average Rate
	(\$ in thousands)			
Noninterest bearing demand deposits	\$ 74,714	0.00%	\$ 69,500	0.00%
Interest bearing demand deposits:				
Money market accounts	46,370	0.30%	39,820	0.54%
NOW accounts	66,444	0.85%	60,403	1.72%
Savings accounts	58,441	0.35%	53,825	0.64%
Time deposits	90,284	1.62%	115,236	1.90%
	\$ 336,253	0.70%	\$ 338,784	1.12%

Management strives to remain competitive on deposit rates while balancing the need to control the overall cost of deposits and to maintain adequate deposit levels. Compared to 2011, the Bank was successful in reducing the average cost of deposits by 42 basis points, or 37.3%, for the year ended December 31, 2012. The decrease in average cost of deposits during 2012 was primarily the result of decreases in interest rates offered on certain deposit products due to decreases in average market rates and decreases in renewal interest rates on maturing time deposits given the current low interest rate environment. Additionally, the relative proportion of time deposits to total average interest bearing deposits decreased from 42.8% in 2011 to 34.5% in 2012.

The total value of time deposits with balances of \$100 thousand or more was \$38.0 million, representing 11.4% of the deposit portfolio as of December 31, 2012. The distribution of maturities for time deposits over \$100 thousand as of December 31, 2012, is provided in the following table:

	Amount (\$ in thousands)
Less than 3 months	\$ 7,253
3 months to 6 months	1,594
6 months to 1 year	8,832
Over 1 year	20,342
	\$ 38,021

**Borrowings**

Borrowings provide an additional source of funding for the Company. At December 31, 2012 and 2011, borrowings and the related weighted average interest rate were as follows:

	December 31, 2012		December 31, 2011	
	Amount	Weighted Average Rate	Amount	Weighted Average Rate
	(\$ in thousands)			
Federal funds purchased	\$ 1,255	0.50%	\$ -	0.00%
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	7,336	1.51%	7,473	2.46%
Junior subordinated debentures	5,155	2.01%	5,155	2.26%
Capital lease obligation	564	7.00%	579	7.00%

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The \$1.1 million increase in borrowings is primarily the result of a temporary increase in federal funds purchased at the end of 2012. FHLB advances decreased from \$7.5 million as of December 31, 2011 to \$7.3 million as of December 31, 2012. In November 2012, the Bank prepaid \$557 thousand in FHLB advances that carried a weighted average rate of 5.16% and a weighted average maturity of 6 years. Also in November 2012, the Bank restructured \$5.3 million in FHLB advances, which reduced the weighted average rate by 35 basis points and increased the weighted average maturity by 18 months. Additional information regarding the terms of borrowings is included in the notes to consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Form 10-K. There were no short-term borrowings for which the average balance outstanding during 2012 or 2011 exceeded 30% of ending shareholders' equity.

*Capital Resources*

Capital reflects the value of the shareholders' investment in the Company. Capital can be increased through the retention of earnings and the sale of new stock, including the exercise of stock options, and can be decreased as a result of the payment of dividends, the repurchase of outstanding shares and operating losses. Stock dividends do not affect capital. Capital formation allows the Company to grow assets and provides flexibility in times of adversity.

Shareholders' equity was \$37.9 million at December 31, 2012, compared with \$36.4 million at December 31, 2011. The \$1.5 million increase in shareholders' equity is attributable to net income of \$1.4 million and to a \$613 thousand increase in the amount of net unrealized gain on investment securities, offset by \$572 thousand in accrued preferred stock dividends. Shareholders' equity as a percent of total assets increased from 9.4% at December 31, 2011, to 9.5% at December 31, 2012.

The Company and the Bank are subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by federal banking agencies. Failure to meet minimum capital requirements can initiate certain mandatory and possible additional discretionary actions by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements. Under capital adequacy guidelines and the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action, the Bank must meet specific capital guidelines that involve quantitative measures of its assets, liabilities, and certain off-balance sheet items as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. The Company's capital amounts and classifications are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings, and other factors. The following table provides the Company and the Bank's regulatory capital ratios:

	December 31,		Minimum Requirements for Capital Adequacy Purposes	Minimum To Be Well Capitalized Under Prompt Corrective Action Provisions
	2012	2011		
<b>Leverage:</b>				
Company	10.3%	10.3%	4.0%	n/a
Bank	10.5%	10.2%	4.0%	5.0%
<b>Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets:</b>				
Company	12.4%	12.4%	4.0%	n/a
Bank	12.4%	12.2%	4.0%	6.0%
<b>Total capital to risk-weighted assets:</b>				
Company	13.6%	13.6%	8.0%	n/a
Bank	13.7%	13.4%	8.0%	10.0%

All of the capital ratios disclosed above for the Company and the Bank exceeded regulatory minimum capital requirements, and at December 31, 2012, the Bank was deemed to be well capitalized, which is the FDIC's highest capital rating. Further information regarding actual and required capital ratios is provided in the notes to consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Form 10-K.

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In March 2010, the Company agreed with the Federal Reserve Bank that the Company would, among other things, support the Bank's compliance with the Bank's obligations to the FDIC and WDFI by not receiving dividends or any other form of payment or distribution representing a reduction of capital from the Bank without the prior written approval of the Federal Reserve Bank. The Company further agreed that it would obtain written approval from the Federal Reserve Bank prior to the Company: (a) declaring or paying dividends, (b) making payments on trust preferred securities, or (c) making any other capital distributions.

In April 2010, the Bank agreed with the FDIC and the WDFI that the Bank would, among other things, achieve and maintain a minimum leverage ratio of 10.0%; this agreement was amended in October 2012 to lower the minimum required leverage ratio to 9.5%. As of December 31, 2012, the Bank's leverage ratio was 10.5%. The Bank also agreed that it would obtain written approval from the FDIC prior to paying dividends or any other form of payment or distribution representing a reduction of Bank capital.

In February 2009, the Company received \$10.5 million in proceeds from the issuance and sale of 10,500 shares of Series A Preferred Stock and 525 shares of Series B Preferred Stock to the Treasury under the Capital Purchase Program. From these proceeds, the Company invested \$7 million in the Bank, paid off a \$2.9 million note payable, and retained the remainder for operating cash.

The Bank did not pay any cash dividends to the Company during 2012 and 2011. The Company's ability to service borrowings is generally dependent upon the availability of dividends from the Bank. The Bank's ability to pay dividends is limited by its earnings, financial condition, capital requirements, and capital distribution regulations. As a result of current restrictions that prevent the Bank from paying dividends to the Company, the Company has been deferring the payment of interest on its trust preferred debentures and the payment of dividends on its preferred stock.

The Company has the potential to secure additional capital through the capital markets. The availability and cost of such capital is partially dependent on conditions in the capital markets, economic conditions and a number of other factors, many of which are outside our control, as well as on our financial performance. There can be no assurance the Company will be able to raise additional capital if needed or on terms acceptable to us.

The Company declared no dividends in 2012 or 2011, and the ability of the Company to declare or pay dividends or distributions on, or purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire for consideration, shares of its common stock is subject to various restrictions as a result of its participation in the Capital Purchase Program, the terms of its outstanding preferred stock and certain contractual obligations. The Company is prohibited from paying dividends on its common stock unless the Company has fully paid all required dividends on the CPP Stock. Our ability to repurchase shares of our common stock and preferred stock is also restricted under the terms of the CPP Stock. As long as any shares of the CPP Stock continue to be held by a third party, the Company will be prohibited under the terms of the CPP Stock from paying dividends on our common stock or any shares of capital stock that rank equal to or junior to the Company's CPP Stock if the Company is not current in our payment of dividends on our CPP Stock, except in the case of parity, or *pari passu*, preferred stock that may be paid pro rata with the CPP Stock, so that the respective amounts of such dividends declared shall bear the same ratio to each other as all accrued and unpaid dividends per share on the shares of the CPP Stock and all parity stock payable on such a scheduled dividend payment date bear to each other. For the foreseeable future, the Company does not intend to declare and pay, or seek any and all regulatory or other approvals necessary to declare and pay, each scheduled dividend payment on the CPP Stock or on the Company's common stock, because the Company intends to conserve capital in order to comply with the Reserve Bank MOU and FDIC MOU that are currently in place for the Company and the Bank, respectively.

**Table of Contents****Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements and Commitments**

In the normal course of operations, the Company engages in a variety of financial transactions that, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, are not recorded in our consolidated financial statements. These transactions consist primarily of commitments to extend credit and other contractual obligations.

*Credit Commitments*

Commitments to extend credit are legally binding agreements to lend to a customer at predetermined interest rates as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. These loan commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee. Commitments under lines of credit generally have variable interest rates. Loan commitments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit and interest rate risk in excess of the amount recognized in the financial statements. Standby letters of credit are conditional commitments issued to guarantee a customer's performance to a third party and have essentially the same credit risk as other lending facilities. Standby letters of credit often expire without being used. The Bank uses the same credit underwriting procedures for commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit as it does for other credit products. The exposure to credit loss in the event of nonperformance by the other party to the instrument is represented by the contractual notional amount of the instrument. Since certain commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements.

At December 31, 2012, the Bank had issued commitments to extend credit of \$86.1 million and standby letters of credit of \$1.6 million. The following table sets forth the length of time until maturity for credit commitments at December 31, 2012:

	Less than 1 year	1 to 3 years	3 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total
	(\$ in thousands)				
Unused commitments to extend credit	\$ 43,424	\$ 16,048	\$ 6,409	\$ 20,233	\$ 86,114
Standby letters of credit	1,601	-	-	-	1,601
	\$ 45,025	\$ 16,048	\$ 6,409	\$ 20,233	\$ 87,715

*Contractual Obligations*

The table below presents, as of December 31, 2012, the Company's significant fixed and determinable contractual obligations, within the categories described below, by payment date. With the exception of operating lease obligations, these contractual obligations are included in the consolidated statements of financial condition. Payment amounts represent the amounts contractually due to the recipient but do not include interest.

	Less than 1 year	1 to 3 years	3 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total
	(\$ in thousands)				
Time deposits	\$ 39,516	\$ 31,696	\$ 8,127	\$ -	\$ 79,339
Federal funds purchased	1,255	-	-	-	1,255
FHLB advances	400	800	2,946	3,190	7,336
Junior subordinated debentures	-	-	-	5,155	5,155
Operating lease obligations	560	1,157	1,227	1,512	4,456
Salary continuation agreements <sup>(1)</sup>	258	240	208	588	1,294
Spokane Public Facilities District <sup>(2)</sup>	150	300	-	-	450
Capital lease obligation	15	33	76	440	564
	\$ 42,154	\$ 34,226	\$ 12,584	\$ 10,885	\$ 99,849

- (1) Amounts represent total future potential payouts assuming all current participants become fully vested.
- (2) Contract for naming rights to the INB Performing Arts Center.

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### **Liquidity**

Liquidity management involves the ability to meet current and future cash flow requirements arising from fluctuations in deposit levels and demands of daily operations, which include funding of securities purchases, providing for customers' credit needs, and ongoing repayment of borrowings.

The Bank's primary sources of liquidity are derived from financing activities, which include the acceptance of customer, and to a lesser extent, broker deposits, federal funds facilities, and advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank. These funding sources are augmented by payments of principal and interest on loans and securities, the stability of our core deposits, and the ability to sell investment securities. Primary uses of funds include withdrawal of and interest payments on deposits, originations and purchases of loans, purchases of investment securities, capital expenditures, and payment of operating expenses. Due to the negative impact of the current economic environment and slow economic recovery, expanding the loan portfolio or finding adequate investments to utilize some of our excess liquidity has proven difficult.

As a means of augmenting our liquidity, the Bank has established access to various borrowing arrangements. At December 31, 2012, the Bank's available borrowing capacity includes approximately \$13.7 million in federal funds lines with various correspondent banks and \$60.4 million in unused FHLB advances. Additional information regarding the terms of borrowings is included in the notes to consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Form 10-K.

The liquidity of the Company, separate from the Bank, has historically been dependent on the payment of cash dividends from the Bank, subject to limitations imposed by regulations. In addition to its operating expenses, the Company is responsible for the payment of any dividends that may be declared for its shareholders and interest and principal on outstanding debt. As previously noted, the Company has deferred interest payments on its junior subordinated debentures. During the period the junior subordinated debenture payments are deferred, the Company is prohibited under the indentures from declaring or paying dividends on its capital stock. During the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, the Company did not receive any dividends from the Bank.

The Company's liquidity position is actively managed on a daily basis and reviewed periodically by management and the Board of Directors. This process is intended to ensure the maintenance of sufficient funds to meet our needs, including adequate cash flow for off-balance sheet commitments. Management is not aware of any undisclosed information that is reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on the Company's liquidity position.

### **Effect of Inflation and Changing Prices**

The consolidated financial statements and related financial data included in Item 8 of this annual report on Form 10-K have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, which require the measurement of financial position and operating results in terms of historical dollars without considering changes in the relative purchasing power of money over time due to inflation. The primary impact of inflation on the Company's operations is reflected in increased operating costs. Unlike most industrial companies, nearly all of the assets and liabilities of a financial institution are monetary in nature. As a result, interest rates generally have a greater impact on a financial institution's performance than do general levels of inflation. Interest rates do not necessarily move in the same direction or in the same magnitude as the price of goods and services.

### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

See the notes to consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Form 10-K for discussion of recent accounting pronouncements.



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**Item 7A.**      *Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.*  
Not applicable because the Company is a smaller reporting company.

**Item 8.**        *Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.*

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

To the Board of Directors

Northwest Bancorporation, Inc. and Subsidiary

Spokane, Washington

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statements of financial condition of Northwest Bancorporation, Inc. and subsidiary, Inland Northwest Bank (Company), as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flows for the two years ended December 31, 2012. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall consolidated financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Northwest Bancorporation, Inc. and subsidiary as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the two years ended December 31, 2012, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ Moss Adams LLP

Spokane, Washington

March 18, 2013

**Table of Contents****NORTHWEST BANCORPORATION, INC.****Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition**

	December 31,	
	2012	2011
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and due from banks	\$ 19,983,856	\$ 13,510,519
Interest bearing deposits	5,438	13,774,264
Time deposits held for investment	3,140,000	-
Securities available for sale, at fair value	73,556,381	66,250,141
Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost	1,238,600	1,261,000
Loans receivable, net of allowance for loan losses of \$5,260,444 and \$6,816,391	266,077,839	258,586,232
Loans held for sale	6,484,105	2,727,644
Premises and equipment, net	16,455,405	16,432,227
Accrued interest receivable	1,420,477	1,456,321
Foreclosed real estate	4,430,042	4,458,975
Bank owned life insurance	4,038,394	3,915,776
Other assets	2,038,542	3,359,881
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 398,869,079</b>	<b>\$ 385,732,980</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Deposits	\$ 333,104,243	\$ 332,133,821
Accrued interest payable	640,052	507,312
Federal funds purchased	1,254,796	-
Borrowed funds	13,055,507	13,206,779
Other liabilities	12,898,732	3,485,924
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>360,953,330</b>	<b>349,333,836</b>
<b>SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY</b>		
Preferred stock Series A Cumulative Perpetual; \$1,000 liquidation value; 10,500 shares authorized and issued	10,367,022	10,248,819
Preferred stock Series B Cumulative Perpetual; \$1,000 liquidation value; 525 shares authorized and issued	539,853	553,056
Common stock, no par value, authorized 5,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding 3,089,957 and 3,084,548 shares	26,096,105	25,984,339
Accumulated deficit	(912,139)	(1,598,902)
Accumulated other comprehensive income	1,824,908	1,211,832
<b>Total shareholders equity</b>	<b>37,915,749</b>	<b>36,399,144</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 398,869,079</b>	<b>\$ 385,732,980</b>

See accompanying notes.

**Table of Contents****NORTHWEST BANCORPORATION, INC.****Consolidated Statements of Operations**

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2012	2011
<b>Interest and dividend income:</b>		
Loans receivable, including fees	\$ 14,910,543	\$ 17,071,350
Investment securities	1,996,906	2,281,862
Other	41,268	17,316
<b>Total interest and dividend income</b>	<b>16,948,717</b>	<b>19,370,528</b>
<b>Interest expense:</b>		
Deposits	2,367,136	3,780,573
Borrowed funds	382,167	342,798
<b>Total interest expense</b>	<b>2,749,303</b>	<b>4,123,371</b>
Net interest income	14,199,414	15,247,157
Provision for loan losses	1,600,000	6,874,000
<b>Net interest income after provision for loan losses</b>	<b>12,599,414</b>	<b>8,373,157</b>
<b>Noninterest income:</b>		
Service charges on deposits	1,275,686	1,488,830
Gains from sale of loans, net	1,568,593	896,812
Gain on investment securities, net	379,771	263,832
Other noninterest income	2,342,353	1,403,097
<b>Total noninterest income</b>	<b>5,566,403</b>	<b>4,052,571</b>
<b>Noninterest expense:</b>		
Salaries and employee benefits	6,781,215	6,478,021
Occupancy and equipment	1,302,893	1,326,737
Depreciation and amortization	1,177,498	1,200,804
Advertising and promotion	315,074	302,973
FDIC assessments	499,655	580,123
Loss on foreclosed real estate and other property owned, net	1,248,390	355,097
Other noninterest expense	5,106,349	3,721,035
<b>Total noninterest expense</b>	<b>16,431,074</b>	<b>13,964,790</b>
Income (loss) before income taxes	1,734,743	(1,539,062)
Income tax expense (benefit)	370,730	(792,814)
<b>NET INCOME (LOSS)</b>	<b>\$ 1,364,013</b>	<b>\$ (746,248)</b>
Preferred stock dividends and discount accretion, net	677,250	677,250
<b>Net income (loss) applicable to common shares</b>	<b>\$ 686,763</b>	<b>\$ (1,423,498)</b>

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Earnings (loss) per common share - basic	\$	0.22	\$	(0.46)
Earnings (loss) per common share - diluted	\$	0.22	\$	(0.46)
Weighted average common shares outstanding - basic		3,084,755		3,080,229
Weighted average common shares outstanding - diluted		3,135,211		3,080,229

See accompanying notes.

**Table of Contents****NORTHWEST BANCORPORATION, INC.****Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income**

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2012	2011
Net income (loss)	\$ 1,364,013	\$ (746,248)
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:		
Unrealized gains on securities	362,427	1,768,403
Less reclassification adjustment for gains included in net income	250,649	174,129
Other comprehensive income	613,076	1,942,532
<b>COMPREHENSIVE INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 1,977,089</b>	<b>\$ 1,196,284</b>

See accompanying notes.

**Table of Contents****NORTHWEST BANCORPORATION, INC.****Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity**

	Common Stock			Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)		Total
	Preferred Stock	Shares	Amount				
Balance, December 31, 2010	\$ 10,696,875	3,076,848	\$ 25,896,090	\$ (175,404)	\$ (730,700)	\$ 35,686,861	
Net loss	-	-	-	(746,248)	-	(746,248)	
Stock issued to directors	-	7,700	33,187	-	-	33,187	
Dividends on preferred stock	-	-	-	(572,250)	-	(572,250)	
Accretion of preferred stock discount, net	105,000	-	-	(105,000)	-	-	
Equity-based compensation expense	-	-	55,062	-	-	55,062	
Net change in unrealized gain on securities available for sale, net of tax	-	-	-	-	1,942,532	1,942,532	
Balance, December 31, 2011	10,801,875	3,084,548	25,984,339	(1,598,902)	1,211,832	36,399,144	
Net income	-	-	-	1,364,013	-	1,364,013	
Stock issued to directors	-	5,409	30,496	-	-	30,496	
Dividends on preferred stock	-	-	-	(572,250)	-	(572,250)	
Accretion of preferred stock discount, net	105,000	-	-	(105,000)	-	-	
Equity-based compensation expense	-	-	81,270	-	-	81,270	
Net change in unrealized gain on securities available for sale, net of tax	-	-	-	-	613,076	613,076	
Balance, December 31, 2012	\$ 10,906,875	3,089,957	\$ 26,096,105	\$ (912,139)	\$ 1,824,908	\$ 37,915,749	

See accompanying notes.

**Table of Contents****NORTHWEST BANCORPORATION, INC.****Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2012	2011
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net income (loss)	\$ 1,364,013	\$ (746,248)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Amortization of securities premiums and discounts, net	1,069,760	523,261
Gain on sale or call of securities, net	(379,771)	(263,832)
Accretion of net deferred loan fees	(176,529)	(248,398)
Provision for loan losses	1,600,000	6,874,000
Origination of loans held for sale	(64,882,921)	(42,548,727)
Proceeds from sales of loans held for sale	62,695,053	43,088,546
Gain on sale of loans held for sale	(1,568,593)	(896,812)
Depreciation and amortization	1,177,498	1,200,804
Loss on disposal of premises and equipment	443	5,416
Provision for losses on foreclosed real estate and other property owned	1,205,120	746,402
Loss (gain) on sale of foreclosed real estate and other property owned, net	43,270	(391,305)
Increase in cash surrender value of bank owned life insurance	(122,618)	(123,667)
Deferred income tax provision (benefit)	370,730	(563,192)
Equity-based compensation expense	81,270	55,062
Issuance of common stock under directors' compensation plan	30,496	33,187
Change in assets and liabilities:		
Accrued interest receivable	35,844	50,714
Other assets	634,784	580,844
Accrued interest payable	132,740	43,418
Other liabilities	8,840,558	379,282
 Net cash provided by operating activities	 12,151,144	 7,798,755
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Purchase of time deposits held for investment	(3,140,000)	-
Securities available for sale:		
Purchases	(26,807,561)	(30,550,931)
Proceeds from maturities, calls and principal payments	12,972,448	28,324,350
Proceeds from sales	6,767,786	8,390,515
Proceeds from redemption of FHLB stock	22,400	-
Net (increase) decrease in loans	(12,522,843)	6,595,459
Purchases of premises and equipment	(1,201,118)	(422,376)
Proceeds from sale of premises and equipment	-	200
Proceeds from sale of foreclosed real estate	2,388,308	1,856,988
 Net cash (used) provided by investing activities	 (21,520,579)	 14,194,204

See accompanying notes.



**Table of Contents****NORTHWEST BANCORPORATION, INC.****Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2012	2011
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net increase (decrease) increase in deposits	\$ 970,422	\$ (14,102,804)
Net decrease in securities sold under agreements to repurchase	-	(135,254)
Proceeds from borrowed funds	3,254,796	7,000,000
Repayment of borrowed funds	(2,151,272)	(3,310,814)
Net cash provided (used) by financing activities	2,073,946	(10,548,872)
<b>NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	(7,295,489)	11,444,087
	27,284,783	15,840,696
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 19,989,294	\$ 27,284,783
<b>SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES:</b>		
Cash paid during the year for:		
Interest	\$ 2,616,563	\$ 4,079,953
Income taxes	370,730	329,298
Noncash investing and financing activities:		
Net change in unrealized gain on securities available for sale	613,076	1,942,532
Acquisition of real estate in settlement of loans	3,607,764	2,842,257
Foreclosed real estate financed in-house	-	233,777
Preferred stock dividend accrued but not paid	572,250	572,250

See accompanying notes.

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**NORTHWEST BANCORPORATION, INC.**

**Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

**Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

***Basis of presentation and consolidation:***

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Northwest Bancorporation, Inc. (the Company), its wholly-owned subsidiary, Inland Northwest Bank (the Bank), and the Bank's wholly-owned subsidiary, Northwest Property LLC. All material intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

***Nature of business:***

The Bank is a state-chartered commercial bank under the laws of the state of Washington, and provides banking services primarily in eastern Washington and northern Idaho. The Bank is subject to competition from other financial institutions, as well as nonfinancial intermediaries. The Company and the Bank are also subject to the regulations of certain federal and state agencies and undergo periodic examinations by those regulatory agencies.

***Segment reporting:***

The Company has not established any independent business activity apart from acting as the parent company of the Bank. The Company and the Bank are managed as a single entity and not by departments or lines of business. Based on management's analysis, no department or line of business meets the criteria established in Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 280, Segment Reporting, for reporting of selected information about operating segments.

***Use of estimates:***

In preparing the consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of certain assets and liabilities as of the date of the consolidated statements of financial condition and certain revenues and expenses for the period. Actual results could differ, either positively or negatively, from those estimates.

Material estimates that are particularly susceptible to significant change in the near-term relate to the determination of the allowance for loan losses, the valuation of foreclosed real estate and other property owned, deferred taxes, stock options, and fair value measurements.

Management believes that the allowance for loan losses is adequate. While management uses currently available information to recognize losses on loans, future changes to the allowance for loan losses may be necessary based on changes in economic conditions. In addition, various regulatory agencies, as an integral part of their examination process, periodically review the Bank's allowance for loan losses. Such agencies may require the Bank to recognize additions to the allowance based on their judgments of information available to them at the time of their examination.

Real estate acquired in connection with foreclosures or in satisfaction of a loan is recorded at the lower of the recorded investment in the loan prior to foreclosure or the fair market value of the property less expected selling costs. The Bank periodically reevaluates the value of the property and records a valuation allowance against the asset when it is determined to have decreased in value. Valuation allowances on foreclosed real estate are based on information related to the property received during the period, including updated appraisals of the underlying properties, or upon management's authorization to reduce the selling price of a property.

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The Company has recorded a valuation allowance against its deferred tax assets, net of deferred tax liabilities, because management believes it is more likely than not that, as of December 31, 2012, the net deferred tax assets will not be realized in future years in their entirety. If future taxable income is sufficient to realize the benefits of temporary deductible differences, the valuation allowance will be reversed.

Consistent with the provisions of ASC Topic 718, *Stock Compensation*, the Company recognizes expense for the grant-date fair value of stock options and restricted stock awards issued to employees over the employees' requisite service period (generally the vesting period). The requisite service period may be subject to performance conditions. The fair value of each stock option is estimated as of the grant date using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. The fair value of each restricted stock award is estimated as of the grant date by calculating the average of the most recent trade prices of the Company's stock. The management assumptions used at the time of grant impact the fair value of each stock-based award, and ultimately, the expense that will be recognized over the life of the award.

FASB ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. ASC 820 establishes a three-level hierarchy for disclosure of assets and liabilities recorded at fair value. The classification of assets and liabilities within the hierarchy is based on whether the inputs to the valuation methodology used for measurement are observable or unobservable. Observable inputs reflect market-derived or market-based information obtained from independent sources, while unobservable inputs reflect our estimates about market data. In general, fair values determined by Level 1 inputs use quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities traded in active markets that the Company has the ability to access. Fair values determined by Level 2 inputs use inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level 2 inputs include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, and inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, such as interest rates and yield curves that are observable at commonly quoted intervals. Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, and include situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability. In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement in its entirety falls has been determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. Management's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment, and considers factors specific to the asset or liability.

### ***Cash and cash equivalents:***

For the purpose of presentation in the consolidated statements of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents are defined as those amounts included in the consolidated statements of financial condition captioned cash and due from banks and interest bearing deposits, which have an original maturity of three months or less. The Bank is required to maintain a reserve balance with the Federal Reserve Bank, or maintain such reserve in cash on hand. Cash balances on hand were sufficient to meet the required reserves at December 31, 2012 and 2011.

### ***Securities available for sale:***

Securities available for sale are those securities not classified as securities held to maturity or trading securities. Unrealized holding gains and losses, net of tax, on securities available for sale are reported as a net amount in accumulated other comprehensive income. Gains and losses on the sale of securities available for sale are determined using the specific-identification method.

Premiums and discounts are recognized in interest income using the methodology that is most appropriate for each type of security. For agency, municipal and corporate bonds, the constant yield method is used. For collateralized mortgage obligations (CMOs), the amortization/accretion is a two-step process. The first

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step decreases the bond's premium or discount with respect to the percentage of the current principal paydown. The second step is based on a calculated final amortization/accretion date. These dates are reviewed monthly using constant prepayment rates (CPRs) and take into consideration call features and end-of-payment dates as they relate to the current period. For mortgage-backed securities and SBA participation certificates, the amortization/accretion is a two-step process. The first step is consistent with the methodology used for CMOs. The second step is computed using the rolling three-month historical CPR and the periodic discounted cash flow yield. Prepayment trends are monitored to determine if a change is needed.

### ***Federal Home Loan Bank stock:***

As a condition of membership in the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle (FHLB), the Bank is required to purchase and hold a certain amount of FHLB stock, which is based in part upon the outstanding principal balance of advances from the FHLB and is calculated in accordance with the Capital Plan of the FHLB. FHLB stock has a par value of \$100 per share, is carried at cost, and is subject to impairment testing.

### ***Other-than-temporary impairment:***

Management reviews investment securities on an ongoing basis for the presence of other-than-temporary impairment (OTTI), taking into consideration current market conditions, fair value in relationship to cost, extent and nature of the change in fair value, issuer rating changes and trends, whether we intend to sell a security or if it is likely that we will be required to sell the security before recovery of the amortized cost basis of the investment, which may be at maturity, and other factors. The evaluation includes a consideration of the risk profile specific to each class of security; for example, the contractual terms of U.S. government agency securities do not permit the issuer to settle the securities at a price less than par. The Bank's securities portfolio does not include any private label mortgage backed securities or investments in trust preferred securities.

For debt securities, if we intend to sell the security or it is likely that we will be required to sell the security before recovering its cost basis, the entire impairment loss would be recognized in earnings as an OTTI. If we do not intend to sell the security and it is not likely that we will be required to sell the security but we do not expect to recover the entire amortized cost basis of the security, only the portion of the impairment loss representing credit losses would be recognized in earnings. The credit loss on a security is measured as the difference between the amortized cost basis and the present value of the cash flows expected to be collected. Projected cash flows are discounted by the original or current effective interest rate depending on the nature of the security being measured for potential OTTI. The remaining impairment related to all other factors, the difference between the present value of the cash flows expected to be collected and fair value, is recognized as a charge to other comprehensive income (OCI). Impairment losses related to all other factors are presented as separate categories within OCI. If there is an indication of additional credit losses, the security is re-evaluated in accordance with the procedures described above.

### ***Loans held for sale:***

Mortgage loans originated and intended for sale in the secondary market are carried at the lower of cost or estimated market value in the aggregate. Net unrealized losses, if any, are recognized in a valuation allowance by charges to income. Gains or losses on the sale of such loans are based on the specific identification method.

### ***Loans:***

The Bank grants real estate mortgage, commercial and consumer loans to its customers. A substantial portion of the loan portfolio is represented by loans throughout eastern Washington and northern Idaho. The ability of the Bank's debtors to honor their contracts is dependent upon the real estate and general economic conditions in this area.

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Loans that management has the intent and ability to hold for the foreseeable future or until maturity or pay-off are generally reported at their outstanding unpaid principal balances adjusted for charge-offs, the allowance for loan losses, and any deferred fees or costs on originated loans. Interest income is accrued on the unpaid principal balance. Loan origination fees, net of certain direct origination costs, are deferred and recognized as an adjustment of the related loan yield using the effective interest method.

The accrual of interest on loans is discontinued at the time the loan is 90 days delinquent unless the credit is both well secured and in process of collection. Management may also discontinue accrual of interest if management feels the borrower may be unable to meet payments as they become due. When interest accrual is discontinued, all unpaid accrued interest is reversed against interest income. Generally, any cash payments are applied as a reduction of principal outstanding. In cases where the future collectability of the principal balance in full is expected, interest income may be recognized on a cash basis only to the extent cash payments are received, until qualifying for return to accrual. Loans are returned to accrual status when all the principal and interest amounts contractually due are brought current and future payments are reasonably assured.

Loans are reported as restructured when the Bank grants a concession(s) to a borrower experiencing financial difficulties that it would not otherwise consider. Examples of such concessions include forgiveness of principal or accrued interest, extending the maturity date or providing a lower interest rate than would be normally available for a transaction of similar risk. As a result of these concessions, restructured loans are considered impaired since the Bank will not collect all of the principal and interest due in accordance with the terms of the original loan agreement.

In the ordinary course of business, the Bank has entered into commitments to extend credit, including commitments under credit card arrangements and standby letters of credit. Such financial instruments are recorded when they are funded.

### ***Purchased loans:***

The Bank occasionally purchases individual loans from other institutions. Purchased loans are recorded at their estimated fair value on the purchase date and are accounted for prospectively based on expected cash flows. No allowance for loan losses is recorded on purchased loans at the acquisition date. Expected future cash flows in excess of the fair value of loans at the purchase date (the accretable yield) are recorded as interest income over the life of the loans if the timing and amount of the future cash flows can be reasonably estimated. The non-accretable yield represents estimated losses in the portfolio and is equal to the difference between contractually required payments and the cash flows expected to be collected at acquisition. Subsequent to the purchase date, increases in cash flows for purchased loans over those expected at the purchase date that can be reasonably estimated are recognized as interest income prospectively. The present value of any decreases in expected cash flows after the purchase date is recognized by recording a charge-off through the allowance for loan losses. After acquisition, losses are recognized by an increase in the allowance for loan losses.

### ***Allowance for loan losses:***

As loan losses are estimated to have occurred, the allowance for loan losses is established by recording a provision for loan losses against earnings. Loan losses are charged against the allowance when management believes the uncollectability of a loan balance is confirmed. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance.

The allowance for loan losses is evaluated on a regular basis by management and is based upon management's periodic review of the collectability of the loans in light of historical experience, the nature and volume of the loan portfolio, adverse situations that may affect borrowers' abilities to repay, estimated

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value of any underlying collateral and prevailing economic conditions. This evaluation is inherently subjective as it requires estimates that are susceptible to significant revision as more information becomes available.

A loan is considered impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that the Bank will be unable to collect the scheduled payments, principal, or interest when due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Factors considered by management in determining impairment include payment status, collateral value, and the probability of collecting scheduled principal and interest payments when due. Loans that experience insignificant payment delays and payment shortfalls generally are not classified as impaired. Management determines the significance of payment delays and payment shortfalls on a case-by-case basis, taking into consideration all of the circumstances surrounding the loan and the borrower, including the length of the delay, the reasons for the delay, the borrower's prior payment record, and the amount of the shortfall in relation to the principal and interest owed. Impairment is measured on a loan by loan basis for commercial and construction loans by either the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate, the loan's obtainable market price, or the fair value of the collateral if the loan is collateral dependent. Large groups of smaller balance homogeneous loans are collectively evaluated for impairment. Accordingly, the Bank does not separately identify individual consumer and residential loans for impairment disclosures.

### ***Foreclosed real estate:***

Real estate properties acquired through, or in lieu of, loan foreclosure are to be sold and are initially recorded at the lower of cost or fair value at the date of foreclosure, less costs to sell, which establishes a new carrying value. After foreclosure, valuations are periodically performed by management, and the real estate is carried at the lower of carrying amount or fair value less selling cost. An allowance for impairment losses is used for declines in estimated fair value, and the corresponding expense is netted with gains on sales of foreclosed real estate and included in the consolidated statements of operations under the caption Loss on foreclosed real estate and other property owned. Any improvements that increase the sales value of the property are capitalized.

### ***Premises and equipment:***

Buildings, furniture and equipment, and leasehold improvements are carried at cost, less accumulated depreciation and amortization over estimated useful lives or the related lease terms of the assets, which range from 3 to 39 years. Land is carried at cost. Depreciation and amortization expense is calculated using the straight-line method for financial statement purposes. Normal costs of maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as incurred.

### ***Bank owned life insurance:***

The carrying amount of bank owned life insurance approximates its fair value. Fair value of bank owned life insurance is estimated using the cash surrender value, net of surrender charges.

### ***Valuation of long-lived assets:***

The Company, using its best estimates based on reasonable and supportable assumptions and projections, reviews assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances have indicated that the carrying amount of its assets might not be recoverable. In accordance with FASB ASC 360-10-45, *Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets*, impaired assets are reported at the lower of cost or fair value. A land investment was considered impaired and was written down by \$100,000 in 2011; the carrying value of the land was \$443,586 as of December 31, 2012.

### ***Stock-based compensation:***

The Company has in effect several stock-based employee compensation plans, including a Director compensation plan, which are described more fully in Note 14. The Company applies the fair value recognition provision of FASB ASC 718, *Stock Compensation*, to its stock-based employee compensation.

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### ***Income taxes:***

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are determined using the liability (or balance sheet) method. Under this method, the net deferred tax asset or liability is determined based on the tax effects of the temporary differences between the book and tax bases of the various balance sheet assets and liabilities and gives current recognition to changes in tax rates and laws.

### ***Earnings (loss) per share:***

Earnings (loss) per share represents income (loss) available to common shareholders divided by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings (loss) per share reflect additional common shares that would have been outstanding if dilutive potential common shares had been issued. Potentially dilutive common shares that may be issued by the Company relate to stock options and unvested restricted stock for all periods presented. In accordance with FASB ASC 260, *Earnings per Share*, there is no dilutive effect when the Company reports a net loss.

### ***Comprehensive income (loss):***

Accounting principles generally require that recognized revenue, expenses, gains and losses be included in net income (loss). However, certain changes in assets and liabilities, such as unrealized gains and losses on available for sale securities, are components of comprehensive income (loss) and are reported in a separate statement following the statements of operations, along with net income (loss).

### ***Reclassifications:***

Certain reclassifications have been made to prior periods consolidated financial statements to conform to the current period's presentation. These reclassifications had no effect on previously reported net income or shareholders' equity.

### ***Advertising costs:***

Advertising costs are charged to operations when incurred. Advertising expense for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 was \$27,271 and \$53,370, respectively.

### ***Subsequent events:***

The Company has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through the day the financial statements were issued.

### ***New accounting pronouncements:***

In addition to other established accounting policies, the following is a discussion of recent accounting pronouncements:

*ASU No. 2011-04, Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820) Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRS.* The amendments in this ASU result in common fair value measurement and disclosure requirements between GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). Consequently, the amendments change the wording used to describe many of the requirements in GAAP for measuring fair value and for disclosing information about fair value measurements. For many of the requirements, the FASB does not intend for the amendments in this ASU to result in a change in the application of the requirements in Topic 820. Some of the amendments clarify the FASB's intent about the application of existing fair value measurement requirements. Other amendments change a particular principle or requirement for measuring fair value or for disclosing information about fair value measurements. The amendments in this ASU explain how to measure fair value. They do not require additional fair value measurements and are not intended to establish valuation standards or affect valuation practices outside of financial reporting. The provisions of this ASU were effective beginning in the first quarter of 2012 and were applied prospectively. This ASU did not have a significant impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

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*ASU No. 2011-11 Balance Sheet (Topic 210) Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities.* This update was issued jointly by the FASB and International Accounting Standards Board ( IASB ) to require specific disclosures about netting arrangements for assets and liabilities. Entities are now required to disclose both gross information and net information about both instruments and transactions eligible for offset in the statement of financial position and instruments and transactions subject to an agreement similar to a master netting arrangement. The scope of this update includes derivatives, sale and repurchase agreements and reverse sale and repurchase agreements, and securities borrowing and securities lending arrangements. The objective of this disclosure is to facilitate comparison between those entities that prepare their financial statements on the basis of U.S. GAAP and those that prepare their financial statements on the basis of IFRS, as well as to enable users of the financial statements to understand the effect of those arrangements on its financial position. This amendment is effective for the interim period beginning on or after January 1, 2013 and is not expected to have a material impact on the Company s consolidated financial statements.

*ASU No. 2011-12, Comprehensive Income (Topic 220) Deferral of the Effective Date for Amendments to the Presentation of Reclassifications of Items Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income in Accounting Standards Update No. 2011-05.* In June 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-05, which includes, among other things, requirements to disclose reclassifications of items out of accumulated other comprehensive income by component in both the statement of operations and the statement of other comprehensive income. Due to concerns that the disclosure requirements may add unnecessary complexity to financial statements, the FASB deferred the effective date pertaining to reclassification adjustments until the IASB is able to reconsider those provisions. All other requirements in ASU No. 2011-05 are not affected by this update, including the requirement to present comprehensive income either in a single continuous financial statement or in two separate but consecutive financial statements. The provisions of this update were effective upon its issuance in December 2011 and did not have a significant impact on the Company s consolidated financial statements.



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Securities held by the Bank have been classified in the consolidated statements of financial condition according to management's intent. All securities were classified as available for sale at December 31, 2012 and 2011, and all SBA participation certificates, mortgage backed securities, and collateralized mortgage obligations are government guaranteed.

The amortized cost of securities and their approximate fair values at December 31, 2012 and 2011, were as follows:

	December 31, 2012			
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
U.S. government agency securities	\$ 5,140,496	\$ 36,859	\$ -	\$ 5,177,355
State and municipal securities	24,688,362	1,576,878	(21,768)	26,243,473
Corporate debt obligations	11,885,867	583,551	(27,371)	12,442,047
SBA participation certificates	11,460,638	459,145	-	11,919,783
Mortgage backed securities	4,969,641	102,919	-	5,072,560
Collateralized mortgage obligations	12,646,365	143,292	(88,493)	12,701,163
	\$ 70,791,369	\$ 2,902,644	\$ (137,632)	\$ 73,556,381

	December 31, 2011			
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
U.S. government agency securities	\$ 6,735,317	\$ 66,567	\$ -	\$ 6,801,884
State and municipal securities	23,528,818	1,526,245	(578)	25,054,485
Corporate debt obligations	11,909,305	119,796	(278,412)	11,750,689
SBA participation certificates	8,755,492	194,412	(297)	8,949,607
Mortgage backed securities	4,284,155	115,305	(2,066)	4,397,394
Collateralized mortgage obligations	9,200,945	146,262	(51,125)	9,296,082
	\$ 64,414,032	\$ 2,168,587	\$ (332,478)	\$ 66,250,141

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As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, there were 15 and 30 securities with unrealized losses. The following tables show the investments gross unrealized losses and fair values, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position:

	Less Than 12 Months		December 31, 2012 12 Months or More		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
	State and municipal securities	\$ 1,069,213	\$ 21,768	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,069,213
Corporate debt obligations	973,140	25,031	247,660	2,340	1,220,800	27,371
Collateralized mortgage obligations	4,754,028	75,177	1,178,544	13,316	5,932,572	88,493
	\$ 6,796,381	\$ 121,976	\$ 1,426,204	\$ 15,656	\$ 8,222,585	\$ 137,632

	Less Than 12 Months		December 31, 2011 12 Months or More		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
	State and municipal securities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 258,948	\$ 578	\$ 258,948
Corporate debt obligations	3,018,015	103,618	3,622,088	174,794	6,640,103	278,412
SBA participation certificates	1,078,559	297	-	-	1,078,559	297
Mortgage backed securities	1,085,285	2,066	-	-	1,085,285	2,066
Collateralized mortgage obligations	3,883,101	50,715	266,707	410	4,149,808	51,125
	\$ 9,064,960	\$ 156,696	\$ 4,147,743	\$ 175,782	\$ 13,212,703	\$ 332,478

Management has evaluated the above securities and does not believe that any individual unrealized loss as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, represents an other-than-temporary impairment ( OTTI ). The decline in fair market value of these securities was generally due to changes in market interest rates or the widening of market spreads since purchase and was not related to any known decline in the creditworthiness of the issuer. Management does not intend to sell any impaired securities nor does available evidence suggest it is more likely than not that management will be required to sell any impaired securities. Management believes there is a high probability of collecting all contractual amounts due, because the majority of the securities in the Bank's investment portfolio are backed by government agencies or government-sponsored enterprises. However, a recovery in value may not occur for some time, if at all, and may be delayed for greater than the one-year time horizon or perhaps even until maturity.

Scheduled maturities of securities available for sale at December 31, 2012, are listed below according to contractual maturity date. Expected or actual maturities may differ from contractual maturities, because issuers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
Due in one year or less	\$ 429,236	\$ 440,323
Due from one year to five years	16,435,740	17,130,481
Due from five to ten years	18,108,772	19,077,272
Due after ten years	35,817,621	36,908,305

	\$ 70,791,369	\$ 73,556,381
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At December 31, 2012 and 2011, securities with an amortized cost of \$6,980,331 and \$6,027,137, respectively, were pledged to secure public deposits and for other purposes as required or permitted by law. The market value for these securities was \$7,108,742 and \$6,138,950 at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

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Fourteen securities were sold during the year ended December 31, 2012, resulting in gross gains of \$392,367 and gross losses of \$2,515. Thirteen securities were sold during the year ended December 31, 2011, resulting in gross gains of \$299,491 and gross losses of \$33,409.

When a security is called by the issuer prior to maturity, any remaining premium or discount is reported in noninterest income as a gain or loss. During the year ended December 31, 2012, one security was called prior to maturity, resulting in a net loss of \$10,081. During the year ended December 31, 2011, two securities were called prior to maturity, resulting in a loss of \$2,250.

At December 31, 2012 and 2011, the Bank owned \$1,238,600 and \$1,261,000, respectively, of stock of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle. At December 31, 2012, the Bank's minimum required investment in FHLB stock was \$273,200. The Bank may request redemption at par value of any stock in excess of the minimum required investment. Stock redemptions are at the discretion of the FHLB.

**Note 3 - Loans Receivable and Allowance for Loan Losses**

The following table presents the Bank's loan balances for the periods indicated:

	December 31,	
	2012	2011
Real estate:		
Commercial	\$ 152,734,410	\$ 142,465,272
Construction and land development	21,922,658	31,380,968
Residential	26,640,575	32,179,959
Commercial and industrial	63,678,093	53,223,979
Consumer	6,742,536	6,553,215
	271,718,272	265,803,393
Allowance for loan losses	(5,260,444)	(6,816,391)
Net deferred loan fees	(379,989)	(400,770)
	\$ 266,077,839	\$ 258,586,232

Loans fall into the following fixed and variable components:

	December 31,	
	2012	2011
Fixed rate loans	\$ 102,815,254	\$ 97,629,682
Variable rate loans	168,903,018	168,173,711
	\$ 271,718,272	\$ 265,803,393

**Loan origination/risk management:** The Bank has lending policies and procedures in place that are designed to maximize loan income within an acceptable level of risk. Management reviews and approves these policies and procedures on a regular basis. A reporting system supplements the review process by providing management with frequent reports related to loan production, loan quality, concentrations of credit, loan delinquencies, nonperforming loans, and other potential problem loans. Diversification in the loan portfolio is a means of managing risk associated with fluctuations in economic conditions. In general, loans are underwritten after evaluating and understanding the borrower's ability to operate profitably and prudently and to repay their obligations as agreed. Cash flows of borrowers, however, may not be as expected, and the collateral securing these loans may fluctuate in value. Most loans are secured by the assets being financed or other business assets such as accounts receivable or inventory and typically incorporate a

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personal guarantee. However, some short-term loans may be made on an unsecured basis. In the case of loans secured by accounts receivable, the availability of funds for the repayment of these loans may be substantially dependent on the ability of the borrower to collect amounts due from its customers. In the case of loans secured by real estate, the properties are diverse in terms of type, but are concentrated to a large extent in the Bank's primary market area, which is Spokane County, Washington and Kootenai County, Idaho. This concentration may increase the Bank's exposure to adverse economic events that affect a single market or industry. Construction loans are generally based upon estimates of costs and value associated with the complete project with repayment substantially dependent on the success of the ultimate project such as sales of developed property or an interim loan commitment from the Bank until permanent financing is obtained. These loans are closely monitored by on-site inspections and are considered to have higher risks than other real estate loans due to their ultimate repayment being sensitive to interest rate changes, governmental regulation of real property, general economic conditions and the availability of long-term financing.

The Bank originates consumer loans utilizing an individualized underwriting process. To monitor and manage consumer loan risk, policies and procedures are developed and modified as needed. This activity, coupled with relatively small loan amounts that are spread across many individual borrowers, minimizes risk.

The Bank's internal audit department performs an independent review to validate the credit risk program on a periodic basis. Results of these reviews are presented to management and the Board of Directors. The loan review process complements and reinforces the risk identification and assessment decisions made by the Bank's loan officers and credit personnel, as well as the Bank's policies and procedures.

**Past due and nonaccrual loans:** The following table presents an age analysis of past due loans, segregated by class of loans:

	December 31, 2012					
	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	90 or More Days Past Due	Total Past Due	Current	Total Loans
Real estate:						
Commercial	\$ 2,191,825	\$ -	\$ 4,620,936	\$ 6,812,761	\$ 145,921,649	\$ 152,734,410
Construction and land development	192,865	-	1,183,109	1,375,974	20,546,684	21,922,658
Residential	199,980	-	290,000	489,980	26,150,595	26,640,575
Commercial and industrial	683,419	-	168,974	852,393	62,825,700	63,678,093
Consumer	63,605	18,112	18,347	100,064	6,642,472	6,742,536
	\$ 3,331,694	\$ 18,112	\$ 6,281,366	\$ 9,631,172	\$ 262,087,100	\$ 271,718,272

	December 31, 2011					
	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	90 or More Days Past Due	Total Past Due	Current	Total Loans
Real estate:						
Commercial	\$ 742,574	\$ 348,926	\$ 3,272,843	\$ 4,364,343	\$ 138,100,929	\$ 142,465,272
Construction and land development	1,267,914	101,996	2,685,000	4,054,910	27,326,058	31,380,968
Residential	11,337	1,689,651	-	1,700,988	30,478,971	32,179,959
Commercial and industrial	293,876	-	-	293,876	52,930,103	53,223,979
Consumer	127,132	44,327	1,213	172,672	6,380,543	6,553,215
	\$ 2,442,833	\$ 2,184,900	\$ 5,959,056	\$ 10,586,789	\$ 255,216,604	\$ 265,803,393

No loans over 90 days past due were still on accrual status as of December 31, 2012 and 2011.

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Nonaccrual loans, segregated by class of loans, were as follows:

	December 31,	
	2012	2011
Real estate:		
Commercial	\$ 6,324,259	\$ 3,869,995
Construction and land development	1,226,640	3,952,914
Residential	290,000	1,758,296
Commercial and industrial	168,974	49,634
Consumer	33,903	42,810
	<b>\$ 8,043,776</b>	<b>\$ 9,673,649</b>

If the Bank's nonaccrual loans had performed in accordance with their original contract terms, additional interest income of \$411,871 in 2012 and \$412,708 in 2011 would have been recognized.

**Impaired loans:** Loans are considered impaired when, based on current information and events, it is improbable the Bank will be able to collect all amounts due in accordance with the original contractual terms of the loan agreement, including scheduled principal and interest payments. Impairment is evaluated in total for smaller-balance loans of a similar nature and on an individual loan basis for other loans. If a loan is impaired, a specific valuation allowance is allocated, if necessary, so that the loan is reported net, at the present value of estimated future cash flows using the loan's existing rate or at the fair value of collateral if repayment is expected solely from the collateral. Interest payments on impaired loans are applied to principal if the loan is on nonaccrual. Impaired loans, or portions thereof, are charged off if management determines them to be uncollectible. Impaired loan balances were as follows:

	December 31, 2012				
	Unpaid Contractual Principal Balance	Recorded Investment With No Allowance	Recorded Investment With Allowance	Total Recorded Investment	Related Allowance
Real estate:					
Commercial	\$ 14,880,904	\$ 10,061,319	\$ 2,367,839	\$ 12,429,158	\$ 420,500
Construction and land development	1,399,665	316,992	-	316,992	-
Residential	822,029	321,552	70,486	392,038	70,486
Commercial and industrial	1,592,108	954,164	471,922	1,426,086	252,030
Consumer	105,149	21,379	53,494	74,873	13,819
	<b>\$ 18,799,855</b>	<b>\$ 11,675,406</b>	<b>\$ 2,963,741</b>	<b>\$ 14,639,147</b>	<b>\$ 756,835</b>

	December 31, 2011				
	Unpaid Contractual Principal Balance	Recorded Investment With No Allowance	Recorded Investment With Allowance	Total Recorded Investment	Related Allowance
Real estate:					
Commercial	\$ 16,725,622	\$ 4,963,893	\$ 9,680,802	\$ 14,644,695	\$ 1,587,250
Construction and land development	15,015,192	8,450,612	3,130,912	11,581,524	115,000
Residential	3,032,615	849,535	1,910,939	2,760,474	542,530
Commercial and industrial	1,279,382	33,977	1,245,406	1,279,383	322,643
Consumer	126,303	17,119	103,362	120,481	44,476

\$ 36,179,114	\$ 14,315,136	\$ 16,071,421	\$ 30,386,557	\$ 2,611,899
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The average recorded investment in impaired loans and the related interest income recognized for cash payments received were as follows at December 31:

	2012		2011	
	Average Recorded Investment	Interest Income Recorded for Cash Payments Received	Average Recorded Investment	Interest Income Recorded for Cash Payments Received
Real estate:				
Commercial	\$ 15,623,827	\$ 624,484	\$ 19,087,109	\$ 1,038,379
Construction and land development	8,892,927	337,515	11,664,621	483,753
Residential	1,639,380	47,802	2,579,031	90,181
Commercial and industrial	1,159,857	71,025	1,817,266	147,790
Consumer and other	129,964	13,910	182,021	15,006
	\$ 27,445,955	\$ 1,094,736	\$ 35,330,048	\$ 1,775,109

**Troubled debt restructuring ( TDR ):** A troubled debt restructuring occurs when, due to a borrower's financial difficulties, the Bank grants a concession that it would not otherwise consider. The concession can take the form of an interest rate or principal reduction or an extension of payments of principal or interest, or both. Restructured loans are included in impaired loans until such time as the restructured loan performs according to the new terms for an acceptable duration, typically one year or longer depending on the circumstances specific to each loan, and the interest rate at the time of restructure was at or above market for a comparable loan. Restructured loans performing in accordance with their new terms are not included in nonaccrual loans unless there is uncertainty as to the ultimate collection of principal or interest. The recorded investment in restructured loans was as follows:

	December 31, 2012			December 31, 2011		
	Accruing Restructured Loans	Restructured Loans Included in Nonaccrual Loans	Total	Accruing Restructured Loans	Restructured Loans Included in Nonaccrual Loans	Total
Real estate:						
Commercial	\$ 4,925,573	\$ 3,169,799	\$ 8,095,372	\$ 9,684,024	\$ 1,939,412	\$ 11,623,436
Construction and land development	-	43,530	43,530	-	2,956,795	2,956,795
Residential	-	-	-	-	815,379	815,379
Commercial and industrial	508,456	-	508,456	534,709	-	534,709
	\$ 5,434,029	\$ 3,213,329	\$ 8,647,358	\$ 10,218,733	\$ 5,711,586	\$ 15,930,319

For the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, the Bank recognized interest income of \$475,586 and \$581,951, respectively, in connection with restructured accruing loans.

Troubled debt restructurings which occurred during the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, were as follows:

	December 31, 2012			December 31, 2011		
	Number of Contracts	Pre-modification Recorded Investment	Post-modification Recorded Investment	Number of Contracts	Pre-modification Recorded Investment	Post-modification Recorded Investment
Real estate:						



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Commercial	1	\$	862,041	\$	862,041	6	\$	8,315,887	\$	8,315,887
Construction and land development	2		299,973		299,973	2		2,956,795		2,956,795
Residential	-		-		-	1		815,379		815,379
Commercial and industrial	1		20,441		20,441	1		287,076		287,076
	4	\$	1,182,455	\$	1,182,455	10	\$	12,375,137	\$	12,375,137

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In each case, the loans listed above were modified to allow the borrower an additional period of interest-only payments, and in some cases, the interest rate was decreased. The Bank is not committed to lend additional funds to debtors whose loans have been restructured.

Troubled debt restructurings modified within the previous 12 months for which there was a declaration of default which remains unresolved during the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, were as follows:

	December 31, 2012		December 31, 2011	
	Number of Contracts	Recorded Investment	Number of Contracts	Recorded Investment
Real estate:				
Construction and land development	1	\$ 1,703,323	2	\$ 2,956,795
Residential	1	43,530	1	815,379
Consumer and other	1	283,684	-	-
	3	\$ 2,030,537	3	\$ 3,772,174

The Bank may declare a borrower to be in default when an event of default, such as a payment more than 30 days past due, has occurred and is not remedied in a reasonable amount of time. Restructured loans for which there was a declared and continuing default during the period are included in the calculation of the allowance for loan losses as deemed appropriate for each defaulted credit.

**Credit Quality Indicators:** The Bank utilizes a risk grading system to monitor credit quality of the loan portfolio. These risk grades can generally be described by the following groupings:

*Pass/Watch* These loans range from minimal credit risk to lower than average, but still acceptable, credit risk.

*Special Mention* A Special Mention loan has potential weaknesses that deserve management's close attention. If left uncorrected, these potential weaknesses may result in deterioration of the repayment prospects for the asset or the Bank's credit position at some future date. They contain unfavorable characteristics and are generally undesirable. Loans in this category are currently protected but are potentially weak and constitute an undue and unwarranted credit risk, but not to the point of a Substandard classification. A Special Mention loan has potential weaknesses such as inadequate working capital or underperformance compared to plan, which if not checked or corrected, weaken the asset or inadequately protect the Bank's position at some future date. Unlike a Substandard credit, there should be a reasonable expectation that these temporary issues will be corrected in a reasonable period of time, without liquidation of assets and within the normal course of business.

*Substandard* A Substandard loan is inadequately protected by the current sound worth and paying capacity of the obligor or of the collateral pledged, if any. Assets so classified must have a well-defined weakness or weaknesses that jeopardize the liquidation of the debt. They are characterized by the distinct possibility that the Bank will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected. Loss potential, while existing in the aggregate amount of Substandard loans, does not have to exist in individual assets classified as Substandard. Loans are classified as Substandard when they have unsatisfactory characteristics causing unacceptable levels of risk, such as cash flow trends that are of a magnitude as to jeopardize current and future payments, or prolonged unsuccessful business operations or economic trends to which the borrower has not been able to adjust. The likely need to liquidate assets to correct the problem, rather than repayment from successful operations is a key distinction between Special Mention and Substandard.

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**Doubtful/Loss** Loans classified as Doubtful have all the same weaknesses inherent in loans classified as Substandard with the added characteristic that the weaknesses make collection or liquidation in full highly questionable and improbable, on the basis of currently existing facts, conditions and values. The possibility of loss is extremely high, but because of certain important and reasonably specific pending factors, which may work towards strengthening of the loan, classification as a Loss (and immediate charge-off) is deferred until a more exact status may be determined. Pending factors include proposed merger, acquisition, liquidation procedures, capital injection, and perfection of liens on additional collateral and refinancing plans. A Loss rating is assigned to loans considered uncollectible and of such little value that the continuance as an active Bank asset is not warranted. This rating does not mean that the loan has no recovery or salvage value, but rather that the loan should be charged off now, even though partial or full recovery may be possible in the future.

The following table summarizes the Bank's internal risk rating by loan class:

	December 31, 2012				
	Pass/Watch	Special Mention	Substandard	Doubtful/Loss	Total Loans
Real estate:					
Commercial	\$ 124,718,331	\$ 15,809,495	\$ 12,206,584	\$ -	\$ 152,734,410
Construction and land development	19,976,237	1,629,429	316,992	-	21,922,658
Residential	24,689,908	1,100,422	850,245	-	26,640,575
Commercial and industrial	58,262,942	3,320,388	2,094,763	-	63,678,093
Consumer	6,631,915	28,323	82,298	-	6,742,536
	\$ 234,279,333	\$ 21,888,057	\$ 15,550,882	\$ -	\$ 271,718,272

	December 31, 2011				
	Pass/Watch	Special Mention	Substandard	Doubtful/Loss	Total Loans
Real estate:					
Commercial	\$ 107,723,226	\$ 18,789,784	\$ 15,952,262	\$ -	\$ 142,465,272
Construction and land development	15,431,033	4,028,411	11,921,524	-	31,380,968
Residential	27,654,941	1,532,964	2,992,054	-	32,179,959
Commercial and industrial	47,556,658	3,169,646	2,497,675	-	53,223,979
Consumer	6,405,613	26,465	117,759	3,378	6,553,215
	\$ 204,771,471	\$ 27,547,270	\$ 33,481,274	\$ 3,378	\$ 265,803,393

**Allowance for Loan Losses:** The allowance for loan losses is a reserve established through a provision for loan losses charged to expense. The allowance for loan losses represents management's best estimate of probable losses within the existing loan portfolio. The allowance, in the judgment of management, is necessary to reserve for estimated loan losses and risks inherent in the loan portfolio. The Bank's allowance for loan loss methodology is based on guidance from ASC Topic 310, *Receivables*, and ASC Topic 450, *Contingencies*. The Bank's process for determining the appropriate level of the allowance for loan losses is designed to account for credit deterioration as it occurs. The amount of the provision reflects not only the necessary increases in the allowance for loan losses related to newly identified criticized loans, but it also reflects actions taken related to other loans including, among other things, any necessary increases or decreases in required allowances for specific loans or loan pools.

The level of the allowance reflects management's continuing evaluation of industry concentrations, specific credit risks, loan loss experience, current loan portfolio quality, present economic, political and regulatory conditions and unidentified losses inherent in the current loan portfolio. Portions of the allowance may be allocated for specific credits; however, the entire allowance is available for any credit that, in management's judgment, should be charged off. While management utilizes its best judgment and information available, the

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ultimate adequacy of the allowance is dependent upon a variety of factors beyond the Bank's control, including, among other things, the performance of the Bank's loan portfolio, the economy, changes in interest rates and the view of regulatory authorities toward loan classifications.

The Bank's allowance for loan losses consists of two elements: (1) general valuation allowances determined in accordance with ASC Topic 450 based on historical loan loss experience for similar loans with similar characteristics and trends, adjusted as necessary to reflect the impact of current economic conditions and other qualitative risk factors both internal and external to the Bank; and (2) specific valuation allowances determined in accordance with ASC Topic 310 based on probable losses on specific loans.

The allowances established for expected losses on specific loans are based on a regular analysis and evaluation of problem loans. Loans are classified based on an internal credit risk grading process that evaluates, among other things: (1) the borrower's ability to repay; (2) the financial condition of the borrower; (3) the quality of the borrower's management; (4) the underlying collateral, if any; (5) the strength of the guarantors; (6) the structure of the loan; (7) the quality, availability and timeliness of financial information; and (8) the industry and economic environment in which the borrower operates. This analysis is performed at the relationship manager level for all commercial loans. When a loan has been classified as Substandard or worse, a special assets officer analyzes the loan to determine whether the loan is impaired and, if impaired, the need to specifically allocate a portion of the allowance for loan losses to the loan. Impairment is determined in accordance with ASC Topic 310, which specifies that a loan is impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that the Bank will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement, including principal and interest, as scheduled in the loan agreement. Indicators of impairment include evidence the borrower is experiencing problems such as operating losses, marginal working capital, inadequate cash flow, or business interruptions; loans that are secured with collateral that is no longer readily marketable or that is subject to deterioration in realizable value; loans to borrowers in industries that are currently experiencing economic instability; and other factors. If a loan is determined to be impaired, the balance is segregated from the pool of loans and a specific valuation allowance is established by measuring the impairment. Most loans are collateral dependent and as such, impairment is measured by comparing the loan balance with the current market value of the collateral, less selling and holding costs. A deficiency is recorded as a specific valuation allowance, and is included as a component of the allowance for loan losses. If the deficiency on a collateral dependent loan remains for more than 90 days, it is charged off.

General valuation allowances are calculated based on the historical loss experience of specific types of loans, plus general economic conditions and other qualitative internal and external risk factors. The Bank calculates historical loss ratios for pools of similar loans with similar characteristics based on the proportion of actual charge-offs experienced compared to the total population of loans in the pool. The historical loss ratios are periodically updated based on actual charge-off experience. A historical valuation allowance is established for each pool of similar loans based upon the product of the historical loss ratio and the total dollar amount of the loans in the pool.

Added to the Bank's historical loss experience are metrics of general economic conditions and other qualitative risk factors both internal and external to the Bank. The risk factors believed by management to be most relevant to the loan portfolio are: (1) current unemployment levels in our operating areas, as compared to normal levels of unemployment; (2) the current level of past due and nonaccrual loans as compared to levels during years of low charge-offs; (3) a consideration of the trend of median home prices and foreclosure rates as they relate to construction and land loans; (4) a consideration of the trend of new housing starts and absorption rates as they relate to construction loans; (5) commercial and apartment vacancy rates and their relationship to multi-family and other commercial real estate loans; and (6) the change in the average risk rating of our portfolio, by loan type, as it relates to charge-off experience. Each component is

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used to calculate a risk factor, which is input into a general reserve matrix along with the historical loss rates discussed above. The total combined risk factor for each loan type is then applied to the loan balances that remain after impaired loans are segregated from the pool to determine an appropriate general valuation allowance. Management evaluates the change each one of these components has on the quality of the loan portfolio on a quarterly basis. In addition, management evaluates and documents intangible factors such as: (1) the experience, ability and effectiveness of the Bank's lending management and staff; (2) the effectiveness of the Bank's loan policies, procedures and internal controls; (3) the composition and concentrations of credit; and, (4) the effectiveness of the internal loan review function.

Activity in the allowance for loan losses was as follows for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011:

## Year Ended December 31, 2012

	Balance, Beginning of Period	Provision for Loan Losses	Charge-offs	Recoveries	Balance, End of Period
Real estate:					
Commercial	\$ 3,134,833	\$ 1,034,683	\$ (1,816,108)	\$ 8,692	\$ 2,362,100
Construction and land development	1,304,196	(1,155,574)	(321,284)	882,307	709,645
Residential	1,274,488	831,500	(1,169,070)	21,912	958,830
Commercial and industrial	750,603	815,301	(786,571)	59,881	839,214
Consumer	139,706	(21,723)	(83,106)	47,400	82,277
Unallocated	212,565	95,813	-	-	308,378
	\$ 6,816,391	\$ 1,600,000	\$ (4,176,139)	\$ 1,020,192	\$ 5,260,444

## Year Ended December 31, 2011

	Balance, Beginning of Period	Provision for Loan Losses	Charge-offs	Recoveries	Balance, End of Period
Real estate:					
Commercial	\$ 2,779,108	\$ 2,902,070	\$ (2,546,345)	\$ -	\$ 3,134,833
Construction and land development	1,340,832	3,241,137	(3,281,975)	4,202	1,304,196
Residential	1,081,459	951,815	(780,871)	22,085	1,274,488
Commercial and industrial	1,162,215	(111,043)	(314,908)	14,339	750,603
Consumer	347,266	(114,945)	(96,534)	3,919	139,706
Unallocated	207,599	4,966	-	-	212,565
	\$ 6,918,479	\$ 6,874,000	\$ (7,020,633)	\$ 44,545	\$ 6,816,391

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The Bank's recorded investment in loans and the related allowance for loan losses by portfolio segment, disaggregated on the basis of the Bank's impairment methodology, was as follows:

	December 31, 2012			
	Collectively Evaluated for Impairment		Individually Evaluated for Impairment	
	Loans	Related Allowance	Loans	Related Allowance
Real estate:				
Commercial	\$ 140,305,252	\$ 1,941,600	\$ 12,429,158	\$ 420,500
Construction and land development	21,605,666	709,645	316,992	-
Residential	26,248,537	888,344	392,038	70,486
Commercial and industrial	62,252,007	587,184	1,426,086	252,030
Consumer	6,667,663	68,458	74,873	13,819
Unallocated	-	308,378	-	-
	\$ 257,079,125	\$ 4,503,609	\$ 14,639,147	\$ 756,835

	December 31, 2011			
	Collectively Evaluated for Impairment		Individually Evaluated for Impairment	
	Loans	Related Allowance	Loans	Related Allowance
Real estate:				
Commercial	\$ 127,820,577	\$ 1,547,583	\$ 14,644,695	\$ 1,587,250
Construction and land development	19,799,444	1,189,196	11,581,524	115,000
Residential	29,419,485	731,958	2,760,474	542,530
Commercial and industrial	51,944,597	427,960	1,279,382	322,643
Consumer	6,432,734	95,230	120,481	44,476
Unallocated	-	212,565	-	-
	\$ 235,416,836	\$ 4,204,492	\$ 30,386,557	\$ 2,611,899

Management also evaluates the risk of loss associated with commitments to lend funds, such as with a letter or line of credit. A reserve has been established to absorb inherent losses with unfunded commitments using a blended rate of historical charge-off experience and is monitored on a regular basis.

**Note 4 - Premises and Equipment**

Components of premises and equipment included in the consolidated statements of financial condition were as follows:

	December 31,	
	2012	2011
Land	\$ 4,475,437	\$ 4,475,437
Buildings and improvements	11,664,015	11,677,459
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	6,402,050	6,362,212
Leasehold improvements	1,966,940	1,185,391
Construction in progress	81,269	6,593

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Total cost	24,589,711	23,707,092
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	(8,134,306)	(7,274,865)
Premises and equipment, net	\$ 16,455,405	\$ 16,432,227

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The Bank has operating leases on a number of its branches that expire on various dates through 2026. The lease agreements have various renewal options.

The following is a schedule by year of future minimum rental payments required under operating leases that have initial or remaining noncancellable lease terms in excess of one year as of December 31, 2012:

Year ending December 31,		
2013	\$	559,581
2014		571,701
2015		585,844
2016		606,996
2017		619,661
Thereafter		1,511,949
<b>TOTAL MINIMUM PAYMENTS REQUIRED</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,455,732</b>

Total lease payments under the above mentioned operating leases and other month-to-month rentals for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, were \$467,108 and \$523,442, respectively.

The Bank acquired \$600,404 in land under a capital lease agreement that expires in 2031. The minimum annual lease commitments under this capital lease agreement are summarized as follows:

Year ending December 31,		
2012	\$	54,000
2013		54,000
2014		54,000
2015		55,688
2016		60,750
Thereafter		718,979
		997,417
Less amount representing interest		432,942
<b>PRESENT VALUE OF LEASE PAYMENTS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>564,475</b>

**Note 5 - Foreclosed Real Estate**

The following table presents the changes in foreclosed real estate, net of any related valuation allowance, for the years ended December 31:

	2012	2011
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 4,458,975	\$ 3,962,580
Transfers in from loans	3,607,764	2,842,257
Capital improvements to property	26,815	51,144
Dispositions of property	(2,458,392)	(1,750,604)
Provision charged to income	(1,205,120)	(646,402)
Balance, end of year	\$ 4,430,042	\$ 4,458,975



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Foreclosed real estate is carried at the lower of the recorded investment in the loan (prior to foreclosure) or the fair market value of the property less expected selling costs. The Bank recognized a valuation allowance of \$1,205,120 and \$646,402 on its foreclosed real estate as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. An additional valuation allowance of \$100,000 was recognized on other property owned by the Company as of December 31, 2011. Valuation allowances on foreclosed real estate and other property owned are based on updated appraisals of the underlying collateral as received during the period or management's authorization to reduce the selling price of a property during the period.

**Table of Contents****Note 6 - Deposits**

Classifications of deposits at December 31, were as follows:

	2012	2011
Noninterest bearing demand deposits	\$ 77,853,058	\$ 64,982,073
Money market	52,261,683	40,388,384
NOW accounts	68,175,076	69,817,787
Savings deposits	55,474,981	58,504,626
Time deposits, \$100,000 and over	38,020,847	52,620,294
Other time deposits	41,318,598	45,820,657
	\$ 333,104,243	\$ 332,133,821

Maturities for time deposits at December 31, 2012, are summarized as follows:

2013	\$ 39,516,448
2014	14,406,551
2015	17,289,140
2016	3,965,369
2017	4,161,937
	\$ 79,339,445

Overdraft deposit accounts with balances of \$80,602 and \$109,049 at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively, were reclassified as loans receivable.

The Bank's deposits are insured to applicable limits by the FDIC. Under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, unlimited deposit insurance on noninterest bearing transaction accounts was extended through December 31, 2012.

**Note 7 - Borrowed Funds**

Borrowed funds consist of the following at December 31:

	2012	2011
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	\$ 7,336,032	\$ 7,473,351
Junior subordinated debentures	5,155,000	5,155,000
Capital lease obligation	564,475	578,428
	\$ 13,055,507	\$ 13,206,779

**FHLB advances:** FHLB advances are secured by a blanket pledge on Bank assets, including certain qualified loans. Scheduled maturities and weighted average interest rates of FHLB advances at December 31, 2012, are as follows:

Amount

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		Weighted Average Interest Rate
2013	\$ 400,000	1.54%
2014	400,000	1.58%
2015	400,000	1.62%
2016	400,000	1.66%
2017	2,545,556	1.99%
Thereafter	3,190,476	1.99%
	\$ 7,336,032	

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**Junior subordinated debentures:** In June 2005, the Company issued junior subordinated debentures with an aggregate value of \$5,155,000 to Northwest Bancorporation Capital Trust I (the Trust), with interest fixed at 5.95% through June 30, 2010, thereafter re-pricing quarterly at three-month LIBOR plus 1.70%, which was 2.01% at December 31, 2012. The Trust issued \$155,000 of common securities to the Company and capital securities with an aggregate liquidation amount of \$5,000,000 to third-party investors. The common securities are included in other assets and the subordinated debentures are included in borrowed funds on the consolidated statements of financial condition. The subordinated debentures are includable as Tier 1 capital for regulatory purposes. The subordinated debentures and the capital securities pay interest and dividends, respectively, on a quarterly basis, which are included in interest expense. The subordinated debentures will mature on June 30, 2035, at which time the capital securities must be redeemed. The subordinated debentures and capital securities can be redeemed, in whole or in part, beginning June 30, 2010, at a par value. The Company has provided a full and unconditional guarantee of the obligations of the Trust under the capital securities in the event of default. Pursuant to ASC 810, *Consolidation*, the Trust is not consolidated in these financial statements.

On June 4, 2010, the Company gave written notice to the holders of its outstanding junior subordinated debentures that regularly scheduled interest payments would be deferred. Under the terms of the related Trust documents, the Company is allowed to defer payments of interest for up to 20 consecutive quarterly periods without default. During the deferral period, the respective Trust will likewise suspend the declaration and payment of dividends on the trust preferred securities. Also during the deferral period, the Company generally may not pay cash dividends on or repurchase its common stock or preferred stock, including the Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A and Series B, issued by the Company under the Treasury's Troubled Asset Relief Program's (TARP) Capital Purchase Program (the Capital Purchase Program). In addition, the Company is restricted from making any payment on outstanding debt obligations that rank equally with, or junior to, the junior subordinated notes. As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, the accumulated deferred interest that was accrued on these securities was \$356,594 and \$243,433, respectively.

**Capital lease obligation:** The capital lease obligation is related to a ground lease, with a purchase option, that the Bank entered into in 2005 for one of the Bank's branch locations. As a capitalized lease, the value of the property is included as an asset on the consolidated statements of financial condition in Premises and equipment, net, and the net present value of future payments is included in Borrowed funds.

**Lines of credit:** The Bank has operating lines of credit with various correspondent banks, which are detailed as follows:

	December 31, 2012		December 31, 2011	
	Line Amount	Outstanding Balance	Line Amount	Outstanding Balance
Federal Home Loan Bank	\$ 60,383,952	\$ -	\$ 44,983,643	\$ -
Pacific Coast Bankers Bank	10,000,000	-	10,000,000	-
Zions Bank	5,000,000	1,254,796	5,000,000	-
	\$ 75,383,952	\$ 1,254,796	\$ 59,983,643	\$ -

The FHLB line is secured by a blanket pledge on Bank assets as well as certain specific loans; advances on the FHLB line may require additional purchases of FHLB stock. The Pacific Coast Bankers Bank line is unsecured. The Zions Bank line includes \$1 million that is unsecured, and the rest of the line is secured by certain investment securities.

**Table of Contents****Note 8 - Commitments and Contingencies**

In the ordinary course of business, the Bank makes various commitments and incurs certain contingent liabilities, which are not reflected in the accompanying financial statements. The Bank uses the same credit policies in making such commitments as they do for instruments that are included in the consolidated statements of financial condition. These commitments and contingent liabilities include various commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit. At December 31, 2012 and 2011, commitments under standby letters of credit were \$1,600,965 and \$1,416,710, respectively, and firm loan commitments were \$86,113,635 and \$74,129,683, respectively. The Bank has not experienced any losses and does not anticipate any material losses as a result of these commitments.

The Bank is a party to various claims and lawsuits that are brought by and against the Bank and Company in the ordinary course of business, the aggregate effect of which are not expected to be material to the financial condition of the Company.

The Bank has an agreement with the Spokane Public Facilities District ( PFD ) for the purchase of naming rights to the INB Performing Arts Center in Spokane. Under the agreement, the Bank will pay the PFD \$150,000 per year for a period of ten years, with the final payment due in 2015.

**Note 9 - Concentrations of Credit Risk**

The majority of the Bank's loans, commitments, and standby letters of credit have been granted to customers in the Bank's market area, which is the eastern Washington and northern Idaho area. Substantially all such customers are depositors of the Bank. The concentrations of credit by type of loan are set forth in Note 3. The distribution of commitments to extend credit approximates the distribution of loans outstanding. Outstanding commitments and standby letters of credit were granted primarily to commercial borrowers.

The Bank places its cash with high credit quality financial institutions. The amount on deposit fluctuates, and at times exceeds the insured limit by the U.S. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, which potentially subjects the Bank to credit risk. The Bank evaluates the credit quality and liquidity of these financial institutions to mitigate its credit risk.

**Note 10 - Other Noninterest Income and Expense**

Other noninterest income and expense totals are presented in the following tables. Components of these totals exceeding 1% of the aggregate of total net interest income and total noninterest income are stated separately.

	2012	2011
<b>Other noninterest income:</b>		
Foreclosed real estate income	\$ 856,580	\$ 108,172
Other	1,485,773	1,294,925
<b>OTHER NONINTEREST INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 2,342,353</b>	<b>\$ 1,403,097</b>
<b>Other noninterest expense:</b>		
Foreclosed real estate expense	\$ 1,119,970	\$ 356,260
ATM and debit card costs	356,447	293,348
Software expense	317,946	219,417
Legal fees	311,708	186,542
Other	3,000,278	2,665,468
<b>OTHER NONINTEREST EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$ 5,106,349</b>	<b>\$ 3,721,035</b>

**Table of Contents****Note 11 - Income Taxes**

The components of income tax expense (benefit) are as follows:

	2012	2011
Current tax expense (benefit)	\$ -	\$ (229,622)
Deferred tax expense (benefit)	370,730	(563,192)
<b>INCOME TAX EXPENSE (BENEFIT)</b>	<b>\$ 370,730</b>	<b>\$ (792,814)</b>

The Company's normal, expected statutory income tax rate is 36.0%, representing a blend of the statutory federal income tax rate of 34.0% and apportioned effects of the Idaho income tax rate of 7.4%. The ratio of tax expense to net income before tax (referred to as the effective tax rate) differs from statutory tax rates due to permanent differences arising primarily from nontaxable interest income on state and municipal securities and nontaxable increases in the value of bank owned life insurance. The differences between tax expense at the statutory rates and actual tax expense were as follows for the years ended December 31:

	2012	2011
Federal income tax at statutory rate	\$ 584,815	\$ (523,281)
Effect of tax-exempt interest income	(242,932)	(245,845)
Effect of nondeductible interest expense	8,608	12,714
Effect of other nondeductible expenses	16,206	13,610
Effect of state income taxes	(414)	(33,684)
Other	4,447	(16,328)
<b>INCOME TAX EXPENSE (BENEFIT)</b>	<b>\$ 370,730</b>	<b>\$ (792,814)</b>

The components of the deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are as follows at December 31:

	2012	2011
<b>Deferred tax assets:</b>		
Allowance for loan losses	\$ 765,257	\$ 1,416,728
Writedown of foreclosed real estate and other property owned	720,331	735,387
Federal net operating loss carryforward	945,530	721,549
Deferred compensation	295,406	260,228
Other	190,794	127,909
Stock options	114,356	86,724
Goodwill amortization	12,127	16,626
Nonaccrual loan interest	85,459	13,326
Gross deferred tax assets	3,129,260	3,378,477
Valuation allowance	(742,000)	(742,000)
Net deferred tax assets	2,387,260	2,636,477
<b>Deferred tax liabilities:</b>		
Fixed asset basis differentials	1,281,143	1,221,964
Net unrealized gain on securities available for sale	940,104	624,277
Deferred loan fees and costs	229,343	179,837
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	92,375	92,375

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Prepaid expenses	97,380	84,552
Net deferred tax liabilities	2,640,345	2,203,005
NET DEFERRED TAX (LIABILITY) ASSET	\$ (253,085)	\$ 433,472

At December 31, 2012, an income tax receivable of \$0 and a net deferred tax liability of \$253,085 were included in other assets on the consolidated statements of financial condition. At December 31, 2011, an income tax receivable of \$608,139 and a net deferred tax asset of \$433,472 were included in other assets on the consolidated statements of financial condition.

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At December 31, 2012 and 2011, the Company had a valuation allowance of \$742,000 against a portion of its deferred tax assets due to uncertainty about the Company's ability to generate future taxable income sufficient to realize the benefits of temporary deductible differences that could not have been realized through carry-backs to prior years or through the reversal of future temporary taxable differences. Due to the ongoing weakness in the economy and its effect on credit quality, uncertainty remains about the extent to which a pattern of future taxable income will be established.

The Company follows the provisions of FASB ASC 740, *Income Taxes*, relating to the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes. The Company periodically reviews its income tax positions based on tax laws and regulations and financial reporting considerations, and records adjustments as appropriate. This review takes into consideration the status of current taxing authorities' examinations of the Company's tax returns, recent positions taken by the taxing authorities on similar transactions, if any, and the overall tax environment. The Company had no unrecognized tax benefits at December 31, 2012 and 2011. The Company recognizes interest accrued and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits in tax expense. During the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 the Company recognized no interest and penalties.

The Company files a United States federal income tax return and an Idaho income tax return. With few exceptions, the Company is no longer subject to U.S. federal or state/local income tax examinations by tax authorities for years before 2009.

As of December 31, 2012, the Company has federal and state net operating loss carryforwards of \$2,780,970 and \$667,188, respectively. These carryforwards expire between 2029 and 2032.

### **Note 12 - Employee Benefits**

The Bank maintains a 401(k) profit sharing plan covering all employees who meet certain eligibility requirements. The plan provides for employees to elect up to 50% of their compensation to be paid into the plan. The Bank's policy is to match contributions equal to 50% of the participant's contribution, not to exceed 3% of the participant's compensation. Vesting occurs over a six-year graded vesting schedule. Expenses associated with the plan were \$131,243 and \$110,145 for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

The Bank maintains a nonqualified deferred compensation plan under which eligible participants may elect to defer a portion of their compensation, with prior annual approval of the Board of Directors. The Bank does not match contributions to this plan, but does credit interest on amounts deferred based on the tax-equivalent rate earned on its bank-owned life insurance products. Expenses associated with the plan were \$10,949 and \$14,751 for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. Liabilities associated with the plan were \$238,544 and \$229,797 for December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. To fund benefits under this plan, the Bank is the owner and beneficiary of single premium life insurance policies on certain current and past employees. At December 31, 2012 and 2011, the cash value of these policies was \$4,038,394 and \$3,915,776, respectively.

The Bank maintains unfunded, nonqualified executive income and retirement plans for certain of its current and retired senior executives under which participants designated by the Board of Directors are entitled to supplemental income or retirement benefits. Expenses associated with these plans were \$125,474 and \$106,590 for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. Liabilities associated with these plans were \$636,393 and \$535,557 as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.



**Table of Contents****Note 13 - Stock-Based Compensation**

On May 15, 2006, shareholders approved the Inland Northwest Bank 2006 Share Incentive Plan and the issuance of shares of common stock of the Company pursuant to the Plan. This Plan is an amendment and restatement of the Inland Northwest Bank Nonqualified Stock Option Plan originally effective July 21, 1992, as revised December 21, 1993, December 21, 1999 and April 16, 2002. The Plan allows the Board of Directors of Inland Northwest Bank to grant stock options and restricted stock awards to key employees of the Bank.

The decision as to whether to grant restricted stock awards or options for purposes of employee recruitment, retention or reward is at the discretion of the Compensation Committee. The maximum number of stock options and restricted stock awards that may be granted under the Plan, as adjusted for stock dividends, is 384,911. At December 31, 2012, there were 218,939 shares and/or options available for grant to employees.

Restricted stock awards cliff-vest after either a three-year or five-year period depending on the individual grant, except that awards issued to one executive officer may not vest prior to the redemption of the Company's outstanding preferred stock. The fair value of these awards is recognized ratably over the vesting period as compensation expense.

Restricted stock award activity is summarized in the following table:

	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Fair Value
Outstanding at December 31, 2010	59,751	\$ 3.71
Granted	35,151	4.42
Vested	-	-
Forfeited	-	-
Outstanding at December 31, 2011	94,902	3.99
Granted	-	-
Vested	-	-
Forfeited	(4,500)	4.11
Outstanding at December 31, 2012	90,402	3.98

Stock options vest over a five-year period and expire ten years from the date of grant. The fair value of these awards is recognized ratably over the vesting period as compensation expense. The exercise price of each option equals the fair market value of the Company's stock on the date of grant. The fair value of each option award is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model that uses the following assumptions: the risk-free rate is based on the Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of grant; the expected life of options granted represents the period of time that options granted are expected to be outstanding; expected volatilities are based on historical volatility of the Company's stock; the forfeiture rate is expected to be high; and the estimated dividend yield reflects the Company's expected future dividend rate.

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Stock option activity is summarized in the following table:

	2012		2011	
	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Outstanding options, beginning of year	34,224	\$ 11.16	62,882	\$ 10.08
Granted	-	-	-	-
Exercised	-	-	-	-
Expired	(20,542)	9.44	(19,565)	7.46
Forfeited/cancelled	-	-	(9,093)	11.63
Outstanding options, end of year	13,682	13.75	34,224	11.16
Options exercisable, end of year	13,682	13.75	33,224	10.99

Options outstanding at December 31, 2012 were as follows:

	Options outstanding				Exercisable options		
	Number Outstanding at Year End	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life (Years)	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Intrinsic Value of Stock Options <sup>(1)</sup>	Number Exercisable at Year End	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Intrinsic Value of Stock Options <sup>(1)</sup>
Range of exercise prices:							
\$10.00 through \$14.00	8,682	1.72	\$ 11.88	\$ -	8,682	\$ 11.88	\$ -
\$14.01 through \$17.00	5,000	4.44	17.00	-	5,000	17.00	-
	13,682	2.71	13.75	-	13,682	13.75	-

<sup>(1)</sup> Options that are calculated to have a negative intrinsic value are excluded from the calculated total.

For the year ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, no cash proceeds were received from the exercise of options. It is the Company's policy to issue new shares for the exercise of stock options.

The pre-tax compensation expense yet to be recognized for stock-based awards that have been awarded but not vested is as follows as of December 31, 2012:

	Stock Options	Restricted Stock	Total Awards
2013	\$ -	\$ 78,883	\$ 78,883
2014	-	74,211	74,211
2015	-	44,402	44,402
2016	-	17,524	17,524
2017	-	-	-
	\$ -	\$ 215,020	\$ 215,020

**Note 14 - Common and Preferred Stock**

*Common Stock:*

No cash dividends or stock dividends on common stock were declared during the years ended 2012 and 2011. During 2012 and 2011, the Board of Directors voted to issue 5,409 shares and 7,700 shares, respectively, of Company stock to nonemployee Directors pursuant to the Company's Director Compensation Plan.

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### ***Preferred Stock:***

On February 14, 2009, as part of the Capital Purchase Program of the Treasury, the Company entered into a Letter Agreement incorporating an attached Securities Purchase Agreement Standard Terms (collectively, the Purchase Agreement ) with the Treasury. Under the Purchase Agreement, the Company agreed to issue and sell to the Treasury (1) 10,500 shares of the Company's Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A (the Series A Preferred Stock ), with a liquidation value of \$1,000 per share, and (2) a warrant (the Warrant ) to purchase 525 shares of the Company's Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series B (the Series B Preferred Stock ), with an exercise price of \$0.01 per share, for an aggregate purchase price of \$10,500,000. The Treasury immediately exercised the Warrant.

The Company is obligated to pay cumulative dividends on the Series A Preferred Stock at a rate of 5% per annum until February 2014, when the dividend rate rises to 9% per annum. The Company is obligated to pay cumulative dividends on the Series B Preferred Stock of 9% per annum. The Company may, at its option, redeem the Series A Preferred Stock and the Series B Preferred Stock (together, the CPP Stock ) at the issue price, plus accrued and unpaid dividends. The CPP Stock is generally non-voting and qualifies as Tier 1 capital.

On March 11, 2013, Treasury sold the Company's CPP Stock to certain domestic qualified institutional buyers and domestic institutional accredited investors. As long as any shares of the CPP Stock continue to be held by a third party, the Company will be prohibited under the terms of the CPP Stock from paying dividends on common stock or any shares of capital stock that rank equal to or junior to the Company's CPP Stock if the Company is not current in its payment of dividends on the CPP Stock, except in the case of parity, or pari passu, preferred stock that may be paid pro rata with the CPP Stock, so that the respective amounts of such dividends declared shall bear the same ratio to each other as all accrued and unpaid dividends per share on the shares of the CPP Stock and all parity stock payable on such a scheduled dividend payment date bear to each other.

During each of the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, the Company did not declare any preferred stock dividends. Subsequent to the payment made on February 16, 2010, the Company began deferring payment of dividends on its preferred stock but continues to accrue the liability for the dividends. As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, accrued and unpaid dividends totaled \$1,645,219 and \$1,072,969, respectively.

### ***Capital Held in Escrow:***

On December 28, 2012, the Company entered into stock purchase agreements (the Stock Purchase Agreements ) with certain accredited investors pursuant to which the Company agreed to issue, subject to certain closing conditions, common stock and preferred stock in a private placement offering (the Offering ). The purpose of the Offering was to raise sufficient proceeds to enable the Company to bid on the Company's CPP Stock in an auction of the CPP Stock conducted by Treasury in February 2013. As of December 31, 2012, the Company held \$8,325,000 of the Offering proceeds in a designated escrow account at the Bank, which was reported in the Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition as Other liabilities. See Note 21 for subsequent event information.

**Table of Contents****Note 15 - Related Party Transactions**

The Company, through its Bank subsidiary, has had, and may be expected to have in the future, banking transactions in the ordinary course of business with directors, principal officers, their immediate families, and affiliated companies in which they are principal shareholders. Loan balances with related parties were as follows at December 31:

	2012	2011
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 30,350	\$ 179,761
Advances	74,217	28,950
Payments	(33,252)	(63,639)
No longer related parties	-	(114,722)
<b>Balance, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 71,315</b>	<b>\$ 30,350</b>

Aggregate deposit balances with related parties at December 31, 2012 and 2011, were \$1,782,025 and \$1,637,743, respectively. All related party loans and deposits have been made on the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with others.

**Note 16 - Restrictions on Dividends and Retained Earnings**

Federal and state banking regulations place certain restrictions on dividends paid by the Bank to the Company. The total amount of dividends, which may be paid at any date, is generally limited to the retained earnings of the Bank, which was \$15,703,644 at December 31, 2012. Accordingly, \$27,404,068 of the Company's equity in the net assets of the Bank was restricted at December 31, 2012.

Dividends paid by the Bank to the Company would be prohibited if the effect thereof would cause the Bank's capital to be reduced below applicable minimum capital requirements. During 2011, the Bank agreed with the FDIC to obtain a non-objection from the FDIC and the Washington State Department of Financial Institutions (the WDFI) before paying any cash dividends or any other form of payment or distribution representing a reduction of bank capital.

**Note 17 - Regulatory Capital Requirements**

The Bank is subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by the federal banking agencies. Failure to meet minimum capital requirements can initiate certain mandatory, and possibly additional discretionary, actions by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a direct material effect on the Bank's financial statements. Under capital adequacy guidelines on the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action, the Bank must meet specific capital adequacy guidelines that involve quantitative measures of the Bank's assets, liabilities, and certain off-balance-sheet items as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. The Bank's capital classification is also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings, and other factors.

Quantitative measures established by regulation to ensure capital adequacy require the Bank to maintain minimum amounts and ratios (set forth in the following table) of Tier 1 capital (as defined in the regulations) to total average assets (as defined), and minimum ratios of Tier 1 and total capital (as defined) to risk-weighted assets (as defined). Under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action, the Bank must maintain minimum Tier 1 leverage, Tier 1 risk-based capital, and total risk-based capital ratios as set forth in the table.

As of December 31, 2012, the Bank was categorized as well capitalized under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. To be categorized as well capitalized, the Bank must maintain minimum capital ratios as set forth in the following table. No conditions or events exist that management believes have changed the institution's category.

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The Company's and Bank's actual December 31, 2012 and 2011, capital amounts and ratios are presented in the table:

	Actual		Capital Adequacy Purposes		To Be Well Capitalized Under Prompt Corrective Action Provisions	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
<b>December 31, 2012:</b>						
Total capital (to risk-weighted assets):						
Northwest Bancorporation	\$ 45,259,000	13.63%	\$ 26,572,720	≥ 8%	NA	NA
Inland Northwest Bank	45,451,000	13.68%	26,572,720	≥ 8%	\$ 33,215,900	≥ 10%
Tier 1 capital (to risk-weighted assets):						
Northwest Bancorporation	41,091,000	12.37%	13,286,360	≥ 4%	NA	NA
Inland Northwest Bank	41,283,000	12.43%	13,286,360	≥ 4%	19,929,540	≥ 6%
Tier 1 capital (to average assets):						
Northwest Bancorporation	41,091,000	10.35%	15,883,960	≥ 4%	NA	NA
Inland Northwest Bank	41,283,000	10.47%	15,776,800	≥ 4%	19,721,000	≥ 5%
<b>December 31, 2011:</b>						
Total capital (to risk-weighted assets):						
Northwest Bancorporation	\$ 44,285,000	13.63%	\$ 25,993,600	≥ 8%	NA	NA
Inland Northwest Bank	43,445,000	13.41%	25,925,280	≥ 8%	\$ 32,406,600	≥ 10%
Tier 1 capital (to risk-weighted assets):						
Northwest Bancorporation	40,187,000	12.37%	12,996,800	≥ 4%	NA	NA
Inland Northwest Bank	39,528,000	12.20%	12,962,640	≥ 4%	19,443,960	≥ 6%
Tier 1 capital (to average assets):						
Northwest Bancorporation	40,187,000	10.32%	15,581,920	> 4%	NA	NA
Inland Northwest Bank	39,528,000	10.17%	15,553,800	≥ 4%	19,442,250	≥ 5%

In April 2010, the Bank agreed with the FDIC and the WDFI that the Bank would, among other things, achieve and maintain a minimum leverage ratio of 10%; this agreement was amended in October 2012 to lower the minimum required leverage ratio to 9.5%. As of December 31, 2012, the Bank's leverage ratio was 10.47%.

**Note 18 - Earnings (Loss) Per Share**

Earnings (loss) per share and the calculated effect of dilutive securities on loss per share is as follows for the year ended December 31:

	2012	2011
<b>Numerator:</b>		
Net income (loss) applicable to common shares	\$ 686,763	\$ (1,423,498)
<b>Denominator:</b>		
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,084,755	3,080,229
Dilutive effect of stock based compensation	50,456	-
Total	3,135,211	3,080,229

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Basic earnings (loss) per common share	\$	0.22	\$	(0.46)
Diluted earnings (loss) per common share	\$	0.22	\$	(0.46)

The Company had no anti-dilutive shares as of December 31, 2012 and 2011.

**Table of Contents****Note 19 - Fair Values****Fair Value Hierarchy:**

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in the principal or most advantageous market for an asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. GAAP established a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the use of inputs used in valuation methodologies into the following three levels:

- Level 1: Inputs to the valuation methodology are quoted prices, unadjusted, for identical assets or liabilities in active markets. A quoted price in an active market provides the most reliable evidence of fair value and shall be used to measure fair value whenever available. A contractually binding sales price also provides reliable evidence of fair value.
- Level 2: Inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active; or inputs to the valuation methodology that utilize model-based techniques for which all significant assumptions are observable in the market.
- Level 3: Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement; inputs to the valuation methodology that utilize model-based techniques for which significant assumptions are not observable in the market; or inputs to the valuation methodology that requires significant management judgment or estimation, some of which may be internally developed.

Management maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs when determining fair value measurements. Management reviews and updates the fair value hierarchy classifications of the Company's assets and liabilities on a quarterly basis.

**Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis:**

The following table presents the Company's financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

	December 31, 2012			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Securities available for sale:				
U.S. government agency securities	\$ -	\$ 5,177,355	\$ -	\$ 5,177,355
State and municipal securities	-	26,243,473	-	26,243,473
Corporate debt obligations	-	12,442,047	-	12,442,047
SBA participation certificates	-	11,919,783	-	11,919,783
Mortgage backed securities	-	5,072,560	-	5,072,560
Collateralized mortgage obligations	-	12,701,163	-	12,701,163

	December 31, 2011			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Securities available for sale:				
U.S. government agency securities	\$ -	\$ 6,801,884	\$ -	\$ 6,801,884
State and municipal securities	-	25,054,485	-	25,054,485
Corporate debt obligations	-	11,750,689	-	11,750,689
SBA participation certificates	-	8,949,607	-	8,949,607
Mortgage backed securities	-	4,397,394	-	4,397,394
Collateralized mortgage obligations	-	9,296,082	-	9,296,082

Fair values of investment securities available for sale were primarily measured using information from a third-party pricing service. This service provides pricing information by utilizing evaluated pricing models





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supported with market data information. Standard inputs include benchmark yields, reported trades, broker/dealer quotes, issuer spreads, two-sided markets, benchmark securities, bids, offers, and reference data from market research publications. Fair values were estimated primarily by obtaining quoted prices for similar assets in active markets or through the use of pricing models. In cases where there may be limited or less transparent information provided by the Company's third-party pricing service, fair value may be estimated by the use of secondary pricing services or through the use of non-binding third-party broker quotes.

**Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Nonrecurring Basis:**

Certain financial instruments are measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis. Adjustments to fair value generally result from the application of lower-of-cost-or-market accounting or impairments of individual assets. The following table presents the Company's financial instruments measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis:

	December 31, 2012			Total
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Impaired loans	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,206,906	\$ 2,206,906
Foreclosed real estate	-	-	4,430,042	4,430,042

	December 31, 2011			Total
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Impaired loans	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,459,522	\$ 13,459,522
Foreclosed real estate	-	-	4,458,975	4,458,975

Losses resulting from nonrecurring fair value adjustments were as follows during the years ended December 31:

	2012	2011
Impaired loans	\$ 3,531,537	\$ 6,422,693
Foreclosed real estate	1,205,120	646,402

**Impaired loans:** The loan amount above represents impaired, collateral dependent loans held by the Bank at the balance sheet date that have been adjusted to fair value. When collateral dependent loans are identified as impaired, the impairment is measured using the current fair value of the collateral securing these loans, less selling costs. The fair value of real estate collateral is determined using independent appraisals. The fair value of business equipment, inventory and accounts receivable collateral is typically based on the net book value on the business' financial statements, but in some cases, an appraisal is obtained for equipment and inventory. Appraised and reported values are discounted based on management's review and analysis, which may include historical knowledge, changes in market conditions, estimated selling and other anticipated costs, and/or expertise and knowledge of the client and the client's business. The loss represents charge-offs or impairments on collateral dependent loans for adjustments made based on the fair value of the collateral.

**Foreclosed real estate:** The amount shown above represents impaired real estate properties that have been adjusted to fair value, which is typically determined using an independent appraisal. At the time of foreclosure, these assets are measured and recorded at the lower of carrying amount of the loan or fair value less costs to sell, which becomes the property's new basis. Any impairment based on the asset's fair value at the date of acquisition is charged to the allowance for loan losses. After foreclosure, management periodically re-assesses the value so that the property is carried at the lower of its new cost basis or fair value, net of estimated costs to sell. Appraised values may be discounted based on management's review and analysis, which may include historical knowledge, changes in market conditions, estimated selling and other

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anticipated costs, and/or expertise and knowledge of the client and the client's business. Fair value adjustments on foreclosed real estate are recognized in the consolidated statements of operations. Losses from nonrecurring valuations represent impairments on foreclosed real estate made based on the fair value of the property.

**Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments:**

The following table presents the carrying amount, fair value, and placement in the fair value hierarchy of the Company's financial instruments as of December 31:

	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	December 31, 2012		
			Fair Value Measurements		
			Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
			(\$ in thousands)		
<b>Financial Instruments Assets:</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 19,989,294	\$ 19,989,294	\$ 19,989,294	\$ -	\$ -
Time deposits held for investment	3,140,000	3,210,685	-	3,210,685	-
Loans receivable, net	266,077,839	267,980,810	-	-	267,980,810
Loans held for sale	6,484,105	6,484,105	-	6,484,105	-
<b>Financial Instruments Liabilities:</b>					
Deposits	333,104,243	334,053,653	253,764,798	-	80,288,855
Federal funds purchased	1,254,796	-	1,254,796	-	-
Borrowed funds	13,055,507	10,939,011	-	10,939,011	-

	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	December 31, 2011		
			Fair Value Measurements		
			Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
			(\$ in thousands)		
<b>Financial Instruments Assets:</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 27,284,783	\$ 27,284,783	\$ 27,284,783	\$ -	\$ -
Loans receivable, net	258,586,232	258,586,232	-	-	258,586,232
Loans held for sale	2,727,644	2,727,644	-	2,727,644	-
<b>Financial Instruments Liabilities:</b>					
Deposits	332,133,821	333,403,840	233,692,871	-	99,710,969
Borrowed funds	13,206,779	11,220,978	-	11,220,978	-

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments for which it is practicable to estimate that value:

*Cash and cash equivalents:* The carrying value approximates fair value because of the short maturity of these instruments.

*Time deposits held for investment:* Fair values of time deposits held for investment were estimated using the discounted value of contractual cash flows. The discount rates used for these estimates were based on rates currently offered for time deposits with similar remaining maturities.

*Loans:* Fair values are estimated for portfolios of loans with similar financial characteristics. Loans are segregated by type such as real estate, commercial and industrial, and consumer. Each loan category is further segmented into fixed and adjustable rate interest terms. The fair values for fixed-rate loans are estimated by discounting the future cash flows using the current rates at which similar loans would be made to borrowers with similar credit ratings and for the same remaining maturities. Expected future cash flows were projected based on contractual cash flows, adjusted for estimated prepayments. For variable rate loans that re-price frequently and have no significant change in credit risk, fair values are based on carrying values.

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*Loans held for sale:* The carrying value approximates fair value because of the short maturity of these instruments.

*Deposits:* The fair value of deposits with no stated maturity such as noninterest bearing demand deposits, money market accounts, NOW accounts, and savings accounts is equal to the amount payable on demand at the reporting date, and such deposits are classified as Level 1 instruments. The fair value of fixed-maturity time deposits is based on the discounted value of contractual cash flows. The discount rate is estimated using the rates currently offered for deposits of similar remaining maturities. Time deposits are classified as Level 3 instruments.

*Federal funds purchased:* The carrying value approximates fair value because of the short maturity of these instruments.

*Borrowed funds:* The fair values of term debt, junior subordinated debentures, and capital lease obligations are estimated using the discounted value of contractual cash flow using the Company's current incremental borrowing rate for similar types of borrowing arrangements.

*Off-balance sheet instruments:* Fair values for off-balance sheet lending commitments are based on fees currently charged to enter into similar agreements, taking into account the remaining terms of the agreements and the counterparties' credit standings. The fair value of these commitments were not significant as of December 31, 2012 and 2011.

Amounts could be transferred between levels if the inputs used for valuation change and become more or less observable. The Company's policy is to recognize transfers in and transfers out as of the actual date of the event or change in circumstances that caused the transfer. There were no transfers between levels during the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011.

**Table of Contents****Note 20 - Parent Company-Only Financial Information**

The following Northwest Bancorporation, Inc. parent company-only financial information should be read in conjunction with the other notes to consolidated financial statements. The accounting policies for the parent company-only financial statements are the same as those used in the presentation of the consolidated financial statements other than the parent company-only financial statements account for the parent company's investments in its subsidiaries under the equity method.

**Condensed Statements of Condition:**

(\$ in thousands)

	December 31,	
	2012	2011
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash	\$ 9,217	\$ 1,348
Investment in subsidiaries	43,263	40,895
Premises and equipment, net	602	616
Other assets	438	845
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 53,520</b>	<b>\$ 43,704</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Junior subordinated debentures	\$ 5,155	\$ 5,155
Other liabilities	10,449	2,150
Shareholders' equity	37,916	36,399
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 53,520</b>	<b>\$ 43,704</b>

**Condensed Statements of Operations:**

(\$ in thousands)

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2012	2011
Operating income	\$ 3	\$ 5
Operating expenses	(595)	(497)
Loss before taxes and equity in undistributed earnings of subsidiaries	(592)	(492)
Income tax benefit	201	167
Loss before equity in undistributed earnings of subsidiaries	(391)	(325)
Equity in undistributed (distributed) earnings of subsidiaries	1,755	(421)
<b>NET INCOME (LOSS)</b>	<b>\$ 1,364</b>	<b>\$ (746)</b>
Preferred stock dividends and discount accretion, net	677	677
<b>NET INCOME (LOSS) APPLICABLE TO COMMON SHARES</b>	<b>\$ 687</b>	<b>\$ (1,423)</b>

**Table of Contents****Condensed Statements of Cash Flows:**

(\$ in thousands)

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2012	2011
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Net income (loss)	\$ 1,364	\$ (746)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash used by operating activities:		
Equity in undistributed (income) loss of consolidated subsidiaries	(1,755)	421
Depreciation	14	14
Impairment loss on property owned	-	100
Decrease (increase) in other assets	407	(106)
Increase in other liabilities	7,839	752
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>7,869</b>	<b>435</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Net cash provided by investing activities	-	-
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Net cash provided by financing activities	-	-
<b>NET CHANGE IN CASH</b>	<b>7,869</b>	<b>435</b>
Cash, beginning of year	1,348	913
Cash, end of year	\$ 9,217	\$ 1,348
<b>SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOWS INFORMATION:</b>		
Interest paid	\$ -	\$ -

**Note 21 - Subsequent Events**

On March 11, 2013, Treasury completed the sale of all 10,500 shares of the Company's Series A Preferred Stock and all 525 shares of the Company's Series B Preferred Stock previously owned by Treasury. The Treasury sold this CPP Stock in a non-public offering as part of a modified Dutch auction process. The Company was an unsuccessful bidder in the auction, and all shares were sold to third party purchasers unaffiliated with the Company. The Company did not receive any proceeds from the sale of the CPP Stock.

The terms of Stock Purchase Agreements entered into by the Company on December 28, 2012 (see Note 14) required the Company to be a successful bidder in the Treasury's auction of the CPP Stock in order to consummate the transactions contemplated by the Stock Purchase Agreements, including the closing of the Offering. Since the Company was not a successful bidder in the auction, the Stock Purchase Agreements have been terminated and the Company is returning the \$9,425,000 raised under the Offering to the respective investors.

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### **Item 9. *Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure.***

During the Company's two most recent fiscal years, there have been no disagreements with the Company's independent accountants on accounting and financial disclosures that have not been resolved satisfactorily and no resignation (or declination to stand for re-election) or dismissal of the principal independent registered public accountant of the Company or the Bank.

### **Item 9A. *Controls and Procedures.***

The Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have reviewed and evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 240.13a-15(e)) as of December 31, 2012, the date of this annual report. Based on that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that the Company's current disclosure controls and procedures are effective and timely, providing them with material information relating to the Company required to be disclosed in the reports that are filed or submitted under the Exchange Act.

Management of the Company, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). The Company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed under the supervision of the Company's management, including its Chief Executive Officer and its Chief Financial Officer, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of the Company's financial statements for external reporting purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America.

The Company's internal control over financial reporting includes policies and procedures that: pertain to the maintenance of records which, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect transactions and dispositions of assets; provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and the directors of the Company; and provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the Company's assets that could have a material effect on the Company's financial statements.

Management recognizes that there are inherent limitations in the effectiveness of any system of internal control and, accordingly, even effective internal controls can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and fair presentation. Further, because of changes in conditions, the effectiveness of internal control may vary over time.

Under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, the Company conducted an assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on the framework established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on this assessment, management has determined that the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012 is effective.

There have been no changes in internal controls or procedures during the last quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect the Company's control over financial reporting.

### **Item 9B. *Other Information.***

None.

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**PART III**

**Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance.**  
*Directors and Officers*

Information required by this item is set forth in the Company's Proxy Statement for its 2013 annual meeting of shareholders, under the headings Proposal 1. Election of Three Directors of the Company for Terms Ending in the Year 2016, Board of Directors of Northwest Bancorporation, Inc., Information Concerning the Board of Directors and its Committees, Corporate Governance, and Executive Officers and is incorporated in this Item 10 by reference.

*Compliance with Section 16(a)*

Information regarding compliance with Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act of 1934, by certain affiliates of the Company, is set forth in the Company's Proxy Statement for its 2013 annual meeting of shareholders, under the heading Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance and is incorporated in this Item 10 by reference.

*Code of Ethics*

Information regarding the Company's code of ethics is set forth in the Company's Proxy Statement for its 2013 annual meeting of shareholders, under the heading Corporate Governance Code of Ethics and is incorporated in this Item 10 by reference.

*Audit Committee and Audit Committee Financial Expert*

In response to this Item, the information set forth in the Company's Proxy Statement for its 2013 annual meeting of shareholders, under the headings Information Concerning the Board of Directors and its Committees Committees of the Board Audit Committee is incorporated in this Item 10 by reference.

**Item 11. Executive Compensation.**

The information with respect to executive compensation, director compensation, and employee benefits required to be included in this Item 11 is included under the headings Executive Officers, Executive Compensation, and Compensation Committee Report in the Company's 2013 Proxy Statement and is incorporated in this Item 11 by reference.

**Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters.**

The information with respect to security ownership required by this Item 12 is included under the headings Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Equity Compensation Plan Information in the Company's 2013 Proxy Statement and is incorporated in this Item 12 by reference.

**Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence.**

The information with respect to certain relationships and transactions required by this Item 13 is included under the headings Transactions with Management and Others and Corporate Governance Director Independence in the Company's 2013 Proxy Statement and is incorporated in this Item 13 by reference.



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**Item 14.**      *Principal Accounting Fees and Services.*

The information with respect to principal accounting fees and services required by this Item 14 is included under the headings "Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm's Fees" and "Pre-Approval of Audit and Non-Audit Services" in the Company's 2013 Proxy Statement and is incorporated in this Item 14 by reference.

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**PART IV**

**Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules.**

(a)(1) *Financial Statements.* The following financial statements are filed in Item 8 of this Form 10-K:

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition as of December 31, 2012 and 2011

Consolidated Statements of Operations for the Years Ended December 31, 2012 and 2011

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the Years Ended December 31, 2012 and 2011

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity for the Years Ended December 31, 2012 and 2011

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the Years Ended December 31, 2012 and 2011

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

(a)(2) *Financial Statement Schedules.* All schedules are omitted as the required information is not applicable or the information is presented in the consolidated financial statements or related notes.

(a)(3) *Exhibits.* The following exhibits are filed as part of this report and are incorporated herein by reference:

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
3.1	Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Company. Filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's annual report on Form 10-K, filed with the SEC on March 27, 2009, and incorporated herein by reference.
3.2	Amended and restated bylaws of the Company. Filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's current report on Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on January 25, 2010, and incorporated herein by reference.
4.1	Reference is made to Exhibits 3.1 and 3.2.
4.2	Form of Certificate for Series A Preferred Stock. Filed as Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's current report on Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on February 17, 2009, and incorporated herein by reference.
4.3	Form of Certificate for Series B Preferred Stock. Filed as Exhibit 4.2 to the Company's current report on Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on February 17, 2009, and incorporated herein by reference.
10.1	Letter Agreement, dated February 13, 2009, between the Company and the United States Department of the Treasury. Filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's current report on Form 8-K, filed on February 17, 2009, and incorporated herein by reference.
10.2	Lease Agreement for the Company's Main Branch dated March 3, 2010, by and between the Company and Diamond Plaza, LLC. Filed as Exhibit 99.1 to the Company's current report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 11, 2009, and incorporated herein by reference.
10.3	Unfunded Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, dated August 29, 2008, for Randall L. Fewel. Filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's current report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on September 4, 2008, and incorporated herein by reference.



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10.4	Inland Northwest Bank 2006 Share Incentive Plan. Filed as Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's annual report on Form 10-K, filed with the SEC on February 29, 2012, and incorporated herein by reference.
10.5	Randall L. Fewel Employment Agreement dated January 8, 2003. Filed as Exhibit 10.7 to the Company's annual report on Form 10-K, filed with the SEC on March 27, 2009, and incorporated herein by reference.
10.6	Holly A. Austin ( Poquette ) Employment Agreement dated January 8, 2003. Filed as Exhibit 10.8 to the Company's annual report on Form 10-K, filed with the SEC on March 27, 2009, and incorporated herein by reference.
10.7	Scott W. Southwick Employment Agreement dated June 11, 2007. Filed as an Exhibit 10.2.9 to the Company's Form 10-Q on August 10, 2007, and incorporated herein by reference.
21.1	Subsidiaries of registrant. Filed herewith.
31.1	Certification of Randall L. Fewel, President and Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934. Filed herewith.
31.2	Certification of Holly A. Poquette, Chief Financial Officer, pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934. Filed herewith.
32.1	Certification of Randall L. Fewel, President and Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350. Furnished herewith.
32.2	Certification of Holly A. Poquette, Chief Financial Officer, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350. Furnished herewith.
99.1	Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Section 111(b)(4) of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008. Filed herewith.
99.2	Certification of Principal Financial Officer pursuant to Section 111(b)(4) of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008. Filed herewith.
101	The following materials from the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, are formatted in Extensible Business Reporting Language ( XBRL ) and furnished herewith: (a) the Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition, (b) the Consolidated Statements of Operations, (c) the Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income, (d) the Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity, (e) the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, and (f) the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.(1)

(1) As provided in Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, these interactive data files are furnished and not deemed filed or part of a registration statement or prospectus for purposes of Sections 11 and 12 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and otherwise are not subject to liability under these sections.

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Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

NORTHWEST BANCORPORATION, INC.

/s/ Randall L. Fewel

Date: March 18, 2013

Randall L. Fewel

President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<b>Signature</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date</b>
/s/ Randall L. Fewel Randall L. Fewel	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	March 18, 2013
/s/ Holly A. Poquette Holly A. Poquette	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	March 18, 2013
/s/ Leilani T. McKernan Leilani T. McKernan	Vice President and Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)	March 18, 2013
/s/ Anthony D. Bonanzino Anthony D. Bonanzino	Chairman of the Board	March 18, 2013
/s/ Freeman B. Duncan Freeman B. Duncan	Vice Chairman of the Board	March 18, 2013
/s/ Dwight B. Aden, Jr. Dwight B. Aden, Jr.	Director	March 18, 2013
/s/ Katie Brodie Katie Brodie	Director	March 18, 2013
/s/ Harlan D. Douglass Harlan D. Douglass	Director	March 18, 2013
/s/ Clark H. Gemmill Clark H. Gemmill	Director	March 18, 2013

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Clark H. Gemmill

/s/ Bryan S. Norby

Director

March 18, 2013

Bryan S. Norby

/s/ William E. Shelby

Director

March 18, 2013

William E. Shelby

/s/ Jennifer P. West

Director

March 18, 2013

Jennifer P. West