

NIEBLA JESUS FERNANDO
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 NIEBLA JESUS FERNANDO

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC
 [GVA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 585 W. BEACH STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 07/24/2009

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

WATSONVILLE, CA 95076
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price | | |
| Common Stock | 07/24/2009 | | M | | 336 A \$ 8.6 | 6,223.595 (1) | D |
| Common Stock | 07/24/2009 | | M | | 668 A \$ 6 | 6,891.595 (1) | D |
| Common Stock | 07/24/2009 | | M | | 324 A \$ 8.95 | 7,215.595 (1) | D |
| Common Stock | 07/24/2009 | | M | | 421 A \$ 8.53 | 7,636.595 (1) | D |

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

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

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. P Der Sec (Ins | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| | | | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) |
| Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 8.6 | 07/24/2009 | | M | 336 | 09/30/1999 | 09/30/2009 | Common Stock | 336 |
| Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 6 | 07/24/2009 | | M | 668 | 12/31/1999 | 12/31/2009 | Common Stock | 668 |
| Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 8.95 | 07/24/2009 | | M | 324 | 03/31/2000 | 03/31/2010 | Common Stock | 324 |
| Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 8.53 | 07/24/2009 | | M | 421 | 06/30/2000 | 06/30/2010 | Common Stock | 421 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| NIEBLA JESUS FERNANDO 585 W. BEACH STREET WATSONVILLE, CA 95076 | X | | | |

Signatures

Michael Futch, Secretary, for J. Fernando Niebla 07/24/2009

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Includes 3,887.595 Stock Units and Dividend Shares on Stock Units.

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