SIERRA BANCORP Form SC 13G March 11, 2002

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CUSIP NO. 82620P102

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C.

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No\_\_\_)

SIERRA BANCORP				
(Name of Issuer)				
Common Stock				
(Title of Class of Securities)				
82620P102				
(CUSIP Number)				
8/09/01				
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)				
Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:				
[ ] Rule 13d-1(b) [ ] Rule 13d-1(c) [x] Rule 13d-1(d)				
*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.				
The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of				

1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act

but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY). Gregory A. Childress				
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP  (a) [_]  (b) [_]				
3	SEC USE ONLY				
	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION				
4	U.S.A.				
	NUMBER OF	5	SOLE VOTING POWER  877,836		
	SHARES -				
В	BENEFICIALLY	6	SHARED VOTING POWER		
	OLINED DV		717,712		
	OWNED BY				
EACH	EACH	7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER		
	REPORTING	7	877,836		
	PERSON -		SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER		
	WITH	8	717,712		
	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON				
9	1,695,548				
	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)				
10					
				[_]	
	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)				
11	18.21%				
	10.210				
	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)				
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Item 1: (a) Issuer: Sierra Bancorp

(b) Principal Executive Offices: 86 North Main Street, Porterville, CA. 93257

Item 2: (a) Person Filing: Gregory A. Childress

> Address: 12012 Road 200, Porterville, CA 93257 (b)

(C) Citizen of the U.S.A.

(d) Class of Securities: Common Stock, no par value

(e) Cusip #82620P102

Item 3: N/A

(a) Total Shares Beneficially Owned: 1,695,548
(b) Percentage of Ownership: 18.21%
(c)(i) Shares with Sole Voting Power: 877,836 (includes 100,000) Item 4: (a)

vested option shares)

- (ii) Shares with Shared Voting Power: 717,712 (includes 5,280 shares and 34,440 shares owned by the Childress, Bates, Childress, Inc. Defined Pension Plan of which Mr. Childress is a trustee and a beneficiary and 677,992 shares owned by CPG Ranch, a partnership of which Mr. Childress is a partner)
- (iii) Shares with Sole Investment Power: Same shares as Item i above
- (iv) Shares with Shared Investment Power: Same shares as Item ii

Item 5: N/A

Item 6: N/A

Item 7: N/A

Item 8: N/A

Item 9: N/A

Item 10: By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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#### Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

February 11, 2002

Date

/s/Gregory A. Childress

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Signature

Gregory A. Childress, Director

Name/Title