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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION 450 Fifth Street NW Washington, D.C. 29549

### Form 8-K

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): June 25, 2015

## First Bancorp

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

North Carolina 0-15572 56-1421916 (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification Number)

300 SW Broad Street, Southern Pines,

North Carolina 28387

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(910) 246-2500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)
Not Applicable
(Former Name or Former Address, if changed since last report)
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On June 25, 2015, the Registrant redeemed \$32 million (32,000 shares) of the outstanding Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series B ("SBLF Stock") that had been issued to the United States Secretary of the Treasury in September 2011 related to the Registrant's participation in the Small Business Lending Fund. The shares were redeemed at their liquidation value of \$1,000 per share plus accrued dividends.

The Registrant continues to have outstanding \$31.5 million (31,500 shares) of SBLF Stock.

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## Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

First Bancorp

June 25, 2015 By: /s/ Richard H. Moore
Richard H. Moore
President and Chief Executive Officer

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