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OAK VALLEY COMMUNITY BANK ANNOUNCES LOAN OFFICER HIRING

OAKDALE, CA – Oak Valley Community Bank, a wholly owned subsidiary of Oak Valley Bancorp (NASDAQ: OVLY), announced that Michael Stevens has joined the Bank as Vice President, Commercial Loan Officer. He will be based out of the Stockton Branch.

Stevens brings over twelve years of commercial banking experience to Oak Valley. In his

new role, he will help grow and maintain new and existing loan relationships. He is currently a Loan Committee member at California Capital Financial Development Corporation and Vice President with Laguna Youth Baseball.

"We are pleased to have Michael join our commercial lending team. With his wide-ranging knowledge in portfolio management and business community banking, he will be a great asset to the bank," stated Gary Stephens, SVP, Senior Lending Officer.



Stevens attended California State University, Sacramento and obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in Finance. In his free time, he enjoys spending time volunteering as a coach for youth sports and golfing. He currently resides in Elk Grove with his wife Brooke and their three children.

Oak Valley Bancorp operates Oak Valley Community Bank & Eastern Sierra Community Bank, through which it offers a variety of loan and deposit products to individuals and small businesses. They currently operate through 16 conveniently located branches: Oakdale, Turlock, Stockton, Patterson, Ripon, Escalon, Manteca, Tracy, two branches in Sonora, three branches in Modesto, and three branches in their Eastern Sierra Division, including Bridgeport, Mammoth Lakes and Bishop.

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