

GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC

Form 8-K

January 23, 2006

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K
CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) January 17, 2006

GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INCORPORATED
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

1-12911
(Commission File Number)

77-0239383
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

585 West Beach Street
Watsonville, California 95076
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(831) 724-1011

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 5.02 Election of Director

On January 17, 2006 at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of Granite Construction Incorporated, by recommendation of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, James W. Bradford was elected to the newly created directorship of the Board of Directors of Granite Construction Incorporated and to the class whose term expires at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders in 2006. It is not yet determined on which committees Mr. Bradford will serve.

It was determined that Mr. Bradford meets the independence and financial literacy requirements of the listing standards of the New York Stock Exchange and the applicable SEC rules and regulations.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

GRANITE CONSTRUCTION
INCORPORATED

Date: January 23, 2006

By: /s/ William E. Barton
William E. Barton
Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer