VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP Form 8-K July 26, 2017

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): July 26, 2017

#### VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

New Jersey 1-11277 22-2477875 (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification Number)

1455 Valley Road, Wayne, New Jersey 07470 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) (973) 305-8800 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- "Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- "Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- "Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933(§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company "

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. "

<sup>&</sup>quot;Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On July 26, 2017, Valley National Bancorp (the "Company") issued a press release announcing the commencement of a proposed underwritten public offering, subject to market and other conditions, of non-cumulative perpetual preferred stock ("Preferred Stock").

The Preferred Stock will be issued pursuant to an effective shelf registration statement (File No. 333-202916) (including base prospectus) and, in each case, a preliminary prospectus supplement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"), and a final prospectus supplement to be filed with the Commission.

The press release announcing the commencement of the proposed offering is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

This Current Report on Form 8-K and the attached press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the Preferred Stock in any state or jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities law of any such state or jurisdiction. Any offering of the Preferred Stock is being made only by means of a written prospectus meeting the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release, dated July 26, 2017.

### **SIGNATURE**

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.

Dated: July 26, 2017 VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP

By: /s/ Alan D. Eskow Alan D. Eskow Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial Officer)

## EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

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