FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

| STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP |
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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* Mandal Sumant | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RUBICON PROJECT, INC. [RUBI] | | | | | | | | (Check all ap X Dire | plicable) ctor | | erson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner | | | |
|--|---|------|---------------|-------------------------|------------|---|--------|--------|---|--------|--|--------|---------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|---|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle 725 ARIZONA AVENUE SUITE 304 | | | | e) | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/25/2019 | | | | | | | | | Officer (give titl below) | | e Othe belov | | er (specify ow) | |
| (Street) SANTA MONICA CA 9040 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | 1 | - 4. I | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filin Line) X Form filed by One Reference Form filed by More the Person | | | | | | | | | eporting Person | | | | | |
| | | Tabl | e I - | Non-Deriv | /ative | Sec | uritie | s A | cqui | red, [| Disposed | of, or | Benefic | ially Own | ed | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transactio Date (Month/Day/Y | | | | | Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | Beneficially Owned Following | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and | on(s) | | | (Insti | r. 4) | | | | |
| Common Stock 02/25/20: | | | | | 19 | | | | J ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ | | 1,746 | A | \$0(1)(2) | 44,98 | 8(1) | Ι |) | | | |
| Common Stock 02 | | | | | 02/25/2019 | | J | | J ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾ | | 508,938 | D | \$0 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾ | 1,548,980(2)(3) | | I | | See Foo | tnotes ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾ | |
| | | Та | ble | II - Deriva (e.g., p | | | | | | | sposed of , converti | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | vative Conversion Date Exe urity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if a | | Exec if an | | | | | | Exp (Mo | e | Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Inst and 4) Amotor Numl Expiration | | nt of ities lying ative ity (Instr. 3 | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | Derivative derivative Security | | ove es Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4 tion(s) | | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Reflects 1,746 shares of Common Stock of the Issuer (the "Shares") received by the reporting person on February 25, 2019 in connection with pro-rata distributions-in-kind of shares for no consideration. The aforementioned distributions were made in accordance with the exemptions afforded by Rule 16a-13 and Rule 16a-9 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- 2. Represents the following distributions on February 25, 2019, for no consideration: (i) Clearstone Venture Partners III-A, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("CVP III-A"), distributed 500,000 Shares to its partners, including 1,241 Shares to its General Partner, Clearstone Venture Management III, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company ("CVM III"), representing each such partners' pro rata interest in the Shares held by CVP III-A, and (ii) Clearstone Venture Partners III-B, L.P., a Delaware multiple series limited liability company ("CVP III-B"), distributed 8,938 Shares to its members, including the reporting person, representing each such members' pro rata interest in the Shares held by CVP III-B. On February 25, 2019, CVM III distributed to its members, including the reporting person, the 1,241 Shares that it received as a distribution on February 25, 2019 from CVP III-A.
- 3. These distributions were made in accordance with the exemptions afforded by Rule 16a-13 and Rule 16a-9 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended,
- 4. Represents (i) 11,283 Shares directly beneficially owned by CVM III, (ii) 1,510,692 Shares directly beneficially owned by CVP III-A, and (iii) 27,005 Shares directly beneficially owned by CVP III-B (together with CVM III and CVP III-A, the "Funds"). The reporting person is a managing member of CVM III and a member of CVP III-B.
- 5. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the Shares held by the Funds, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, if any, and the inclusion of these Shares in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of the reported shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

/s/ Jonathan Feldman, attorneyin-fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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