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### **FRESNO COUNTY AT THE FOREFRONT OF SOLAR IN THE VALLEY**

**Fresno, California-** Recognizing the many benefits of Solar Power, Fresno County Assessor Paul Dictos announced today a record number of acres producing solar energy in Fresno. More than 3,800 acres of land are currently producing electricity and adding over 52 million dollars of value to the county's tax roll. On April 4, 2016 Solar Energy Industries Association (SEIA) announced 2,005 Megawatts under development, which approximates 20,000 acres of future solar facilities in Fresno County. *"All this means more jobs and more tax dollars for our county"* said Dictos. SEIA further reports that California had 8,620 Megawatts of major solar installed and operating, 1,672 Megawatts under construction, and 32,611 Megawatts under development for a total of 42,903 Megawatts. Solar energy is not only sustainable, it is renewable and this means that we will never run out of it. It is about as natural a source of power as it is possible to generate electricity. The creation of solar energy requires little or no maintenance and solar power creates jobs, provides independence, reliability, slows/stops global warming, provides security and saves society billions or trillions of dollars. *"This is **GOOD NEWS** for our children and our communities"*, said Assessor-Recorder Paul Dictos.

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