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Should San Joaquin Valley get solar power?

The state government has committed to overhauling the electrical grid under Senate Bill 100, which aims for 100% renewable and carbon-free power by 2045. Done right, solar development could provide new employment opportunities in the San Joaquin Valley while keeping fallowed land productive and curbing environmental risks like dust generation.

Could solar development benefit San Joaquin Valley?

Done right, solar development could provide new employment opportunities in the San Joaquin Valley while keeping fallowed land productive and curbing environmental risks like dust generation. To ensure that this development benefits the region's workers, growers and broader community, careful planning is essential.

How can solar power be achieved under low land usage?

The study revealed that high PV performance can be achieved, under low land usage, by adopting novel technologies such as hybrid power systems and/or floating PV systems. The environmental impact of the PV energy system on air quality and climate change is significantly lower than traditional power generation system.

Can San Joaquin Valley become a solar hub?

A recent PPIC report explored how to make these energy and land transitions successful. Transforming the San Joaquin Valley into a solar hub will not be easy. Developers and local communities face serious obstacles, including a lack of available transmission capacity. Getting new solar projects connected to the grid can be difficult and expensive.

Among renewable energy resources, solar energy offers a clean source for electrical power generation with zero emissions of greenhouse gases (GHG) to the atmosphere (Wilberforce et ...

California's Imperial Valley, with lithium-rich geothermal brines, extensive flat agricultural fields with abundant desert sunshine, and access to transmission lines, is a leading case to explore ...

Drafted by the UCR Solar Consortium August 11, 2020 Riverside and San Bernardino Counties - Inland Southern California - can become the most attractive region for solar power in the ...

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Concentrating Solar Power (CSP) systems could potentially cause interference with aircraft operations if reflected light beams become misdirected into aircraft pathways. Operation of solar facilities, and ...

Solar energy not only stands out as a safe alternative to traditional energy sources but also offers substantial environmental benefits. Its role in reducing greenhouse gas emissions, ...

Hundreds of thousands of acres of irrigated farmland may come out of production in the San Joaquin Valley in coming decades. At the same time, the state needs to ramp up renewable ...

California can achieve its long-term clean energy goals while investing in the San Joaquin Valley by developing solar farms on fallowed land.

Areas with higher PV power generation potential, characterized by ample solar radiation and clear sky, tend to experience low or medium-intensity events more frequently, whereas areas ...

Clean Energy Solar Is Booming in the California Desert, if Water Issues Don't Get in the Way Utility-scale solar farms spreading rapidly across the desert Southwest are stressing the region's ...

Land-cover change from energy development, including solar energy, presents trade-offs for land used for the production of food and the conservation of ecosystems. Solar energy plays a ...

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