



Media Fact Sheet

About

The BlueTechValley: Central Valley Regional **Innovation Cluster** represents an expansion and interconnection of multiple incubator and/or entrepreneurship programs with services located at each of seven designated BlueTechValley Cluster Hubs, collectively serving 39 counties covering two-thirds of California's geographic area.

Funding for the new cluster is provided by a \$5 million grant from the California Energy Commission.

In 2011, the BlueTechValley Initiative was established in Fresno – the heart of Central California's San Joaquin Valley – home to a number of rural and urban communities, boasting a unique ecosystem that sustains a robust culture of water innovation.

Statistics & Accomplishments

- Student interns involved: 25
- Networking events: 26

Participating Ventures:

- Ventures being assisted: 42
- Patents pending/approved: 60
- Pilot tests completed/in progress: 209
- Employees: 211

Services

- Technology Innovation Evaluation
- Commercialization
- Acceleration
- Funding and Resource Advisory Support
- Events and Networking
- Testing
- Workspace
- Membership

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BlueTechValley is the Central California's San Joaquin Valley. Its water-scarce climate fuels the need for extreme water efficiency, making it the ideal place to test, develop, and commercialize new technology.

Hubs

- California State University, Bakersfield
- California State University, Chico
- California State University, Fresno
- California State University, Humboldt
- California State University, Monterey Bay
- California State University, Sacramento
- Sierra Small Business Development Center, Truckee

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