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## Tax Windfall Anticipated from Fracking

*By Kevin Kirkpatrick, San Antonio*

The Eagle Ford Shale, which lies under 22 counties in South Texas, is having a profound economic impact on the area—creating jobs, stimulating economic growth and pumping up tax revenues.

Hydraulic fracturing or “fracking” extracts oil and gas from dense rock formations underground. As San Antonio Mayor Julian Castro explains, “The Eagle Ford promises to transform Texas in the same way that Spindletop did.”

Local officials are anticipating a tax windfall since Eagle Ford is regarded as one of the top shale plays in the nation. Owners and operators must understand their options to avoid over assessment and tax bills that are too high.

### LONG TERM GAINS

Eagle Ford wells have turned out to be the most profitable of the thousands of similar wells being drilling into shale rocks nationwide each year, according to an analysis by Credit Suisse Group.

In addition, the number of wells in South Texas is growing. The industry expects as many as 25,000 wells to be operational over the next couple of decades.

The shale industry supported more than 600,000 jobs across the nation in 2010. That number will likely grow to nearly 870,000 by 2015 and more than 1.6 million by 2035. With more jobs come increased needs for city services and infrastructure. That’s why local tax jurisdictions are aggressively assessing everything from the equipment and technology needed to get the oil and gas out of the ground -- to storage, processing and transportation.

Tax revenue from shale gas production accounted for \$18.5 billion to federal, state and local governments last year. HIS Global Insight, an energy research firm, projects tax revenues to total \$933 billion over the next 25 years.

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## RENDITIONS ARE KEY

Texas law requires businesses to report their personal property assets annually between January 1st and April 15th. But it's crucial to understand what should and should not be disclosed.

Even large companies that have their own tax departments can benefit from a local tax expert's knowledge and working relationships with assessors.

POER has already discovered cases in which personal property assessments doubled over the previous year for companies working the Eagle Ford Shale. If your business has questions or issues regarding your rendition, you should contact us immediately so your problems can be resolved before the April 15th filing deadline.

