

Wind farm term sheet released

(KMZA)--The long awaited term sheet for the proposed Soldier Creek Wind Farm in Nemaha County was released Monday.

The release of the document follows the finalization of negotiations that began late last year between the county and NextEra Energy Resources.

The term sheet lays out the rules and regulations for the construction, operation and ultimately dismantling of the 300 megawatt wind farm.

Also released was a map with exclusion zones where no turbines will be allowed, and showing a footprint where the project will be located.

The document calls for NextEra to make an initial pyament of \$1.25 million to the county before construction begins, and annual payments for 30 years totaling nearly \$34 million--including the initial payment.

The term sheet and project map have been posted on the [Nemaha County web site](#) and are available at the Nemaha County Clerk's Office.

Two public meetings have scheduled at the Nemaha County Community Building in Seneca to discuss the term sheet. The first meeting will be held April 22 from 1 to 5 in the afternoon and the second meeting on April 25 from 6 to 10 in the evening.

Anyone who wants to speak will need to sign up in advance and their time will be limited.

Nemaha County Commissioners have gone into a “ blackout” period and won't respond to comments or questions on the project from the public until after the public meetings are held.

It is anticipated commissioners will vote on approval of the terms the week after the public meetings, but it's not required and they can decide to delay the vote.