

Nemaha Co Emergency Management gets drone

(KMZA)--Nemaha County, Kansas Emergency Management has a new tool to aid the county's emergency responders--a drone.

Emergency Management Director Eddie Aldrine told MSC News that the drone has thermal imaging capabilities, which can help in search and rescue and missing person cases.

The drone can also be used for tracking suspects and identifying hot spots in wildfires. In addition, he said the drone can be used by his office for storm damage assessments plus for many other uses.

Aldrine said the drone was purchased for just under \$16,000, with most of the cost funded through a grant from TC Energy, which owns the Keystone Pipeline that runs through the county.

County residents can get an up close look at the drone during the Nemaha County Fair, which kicks off Thursday and runs through Monday at the fairgrounds in Seneca. Aldrine will have a booth set up in the Community Building where he will be displaying the drone.

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