



Texas looks to local wind development

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MINNEAPOLIS, April 30 (UPI) -- National Wind of Minnesota announced the launch of a community wind project in Texas that will produce up to 300 megawatts of clean energy.

National Wind joined KRS Energy of Colorado to launch Buffalo Wind Energy in Randall County, Texas. The wind project is meant to generate up to 300 megawatts of energy, National Wind said.

The joint project leased 14,500 acres of land in the cities of Amarillo and Umbarger. Buffalo Wind Energy also worked with the direct participation of 12 families, who appointed four individuals to serve as advisers to the project's board.

Travis Moen, project director for National Wind, said that while Texas has more wind projects installed than any other U.S. state, there are few community wind projects.

"This is National Wind's first Texas wind project and we are excited to work with KRS Energy to introduce landowners to our community wind model," he added.

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