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PRPA Wind Site to Expand

FORT COLLINS, Colo.—The reliable Wyoming winds now driving Platte River Power Authority's eight existing wind turbines outside of Medicine Bow will have more work to do this summer.

Platte River is adding two additional 660 kW Vestas wind turbines to its Medicine Bow Wind Project due to customer demand. The addition of the two new turbines will give Platte River approximately 6 megawatts (MW) of capacity at the site.

"We're pleased that the wind program is proving to be a service that our customers want," said Brian Moeck, Platte River's general manager.

The energy generated from the new turbines will go to the existing wind power programs offered by the cities of Fort Collins, Longmont, and Loveland, in addition to the new program currently under development in the town of Estes Park.

Construction of the new turbines is expected to be complete the summer of 2000.

Platte River is a public power utility with facilities primarily located along the Front Range of northern Colorado. Platte River provides wholesale electricity and support services to its owner cities of Estes Park, Fort Collins, Longmont, and Loveland, and to other utilities and businesses in the western United States.