



Top 10 things to consider in wind and solar energy leases

1. How will the project influence surface uses?
2. What is the duration of the lease?
3. Understand how lease renewals can be made and your part in renewals
4. Make sure you are compensated for any increases in taxes or insurance premiums
5. Understand the basis of payments: generation, capacity, other?
6. If you are paid on a “royalty” basis, how will that calculation work?
7. Secure a convenient means of auditing payments.
8. Know the triggers for your project milestones and payments.
9. Be clear on how land will be released from encumbrances
10. Harmonize surface uses