

NextEra Energy

Website: <https://www.nexteraenergyresources.com/>

Positions: Wind and Solar Technician positions in the southwest. Most jobs will have “technician” in the job title.

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Application: <https://jobs.nexteraenergy.com/>

Presentation Slides: email Benjamin.Sandoval@npc.edu to request access to the slides. Restricted to NPC students, alumni, & staff.

NextEra Energy is the world’s largest generator of wind and solar energy. Ben Wambheim is responsible for the ongoing management and staffing of NextEra’s 1 GW+ of wind facilities across Arizona and New Mexico. He presented to NPC’s Energy & Industrial Technician class. NextEra Energy is currently building a new 100 MW wind farm off of Hwy 60 between Eager, AZ and Quemado, NM as well several solar sites in eastern and southern Arizona. New wind and solar technician career opportunities available for the right candidates. Across the Southwest, they expect to hire 10-15 technicians per year with a starting wage between \$21 - \$26 per hour with both a signing bonus and relocation package possible. If new employees continue to learn and grow their skills, they can expect to be promoted quickly within the first two years – often earning \$80k or more per year.

NextEra Energy is looking for candidates to be motivated self-starters, technically sound in mechanical and electrical skills, knowledgeable with the use of hand and power tools, and above all else: safety conscious. Those completing their degree in NPC’s Energy & Industrial Technician program are highly qualified and encouraged to apply. You can contact Ron Navarro (see above). Ben Wambheim’s contact information is available from the EIT instructor, Kevin Westfall.

More Information and Resources:

- NextEra Wind Technician Application (apply here anytime): <https://webqa.nexteraenergyresources.com/landing/wind-technician.html>
- NextEra Corporate Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pg0blO6t6vw>
- NREL Map of Arizona Wind Capacity: <https://windexchange.energy.gov/states/az>
- NREL Map of Arizona Solar Capacity: <https://www.nrel.gov/gis/assets/images/solar-annual-ghi-2018-usa-scale-01.jpg>
- Location of their Borderland facility: <https://www.google.com/maps/place/Borderlands+Wind/@34.1347997,-108.9974616,59216m/data=!3m1!1e3!4m5!3m4!1s0x872667190a7fbd31:0x593123b6b25daa47!8m2!3d34.1222839!4d-108.9369812>