

## **Houston company to develop wind farms off Texas coast**

**A Houston company has won leases off Mustang Island and South Padre Island to develop wind farms.**

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The Texas General Land Office announced the agreement with Baryonyx Corp.

The company also plans to establish a wind-powered data center in Dallam County. A data center is where governments and businesses house computer systems offsite in a secure area.

Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson said that if the turbines are built, the state's Permanent School Fund could gain \$338 million over 30 years.

Baryonyx CEO Douwe Franssens told the Corpus Christi Caller-Times that he had no estimate on how many turbines are planned. He says construction could begin in two or three years.

The turbines would be visible from shore.