Met Tower or Remote Sensing System COST OF OWNERSHIP CHECKLIST

What does it cost to measure the wind? Use this checklist to budget, whether you're planning to use a mast or a remote sensor.

Met Tower — Typical Costs

Item	How Often
☐ Land owner / land lease costs	Annually or monthly
☐ Tower and instrumentation costs	One-time
Remote power source	One-time
Stamped tower drawings	Per installation
☐ Permit	Per installation
☐ Soil analysis	Per installation
☐ Met tower installation	Per installation
☐ Met mast monitoring visits	Monthly, quarterly, or annually
☐ Field support	Monthly average or annual fee
☐ Winter field support	Possible additional monthly charge
Data communications and management	Monthly
Obstruction lighting and power supply	One-time
Obstruction lighting monitoring	Monthly
☐ Tower removal	Per installation
☐ Insurance	Annually
Anemometer replacement	Every 18-24 months

Remote Sensing System — Typical Costs

Item	How Often
☐ Land owner / land lease costs	Annually or monthly
Equipment purchase	One-time
☐ Trailer or housing	One-time
Power supply	One-time
Remote sensor installation	Per installation
Remote sensor siting and calibration	Per installation
☐ Fuel	Monthly
☐ Fueling / monitoring visits	Monthly, quarterly, or annually
☐ Field support	Monthly average or annual fee
☐ Winter field support	Possible additional monthly charge
Data communications and management	Monthly
Remote sensor removal	Per installation
☐ Insurance	Annually

