Open House Set for New Nemaha Co Jail

(KMZA)--The new Nemaha County Jail in Seneca is nearly complete and the public will chance to view the facility later this month.

Sheriff Rich Vernon took the media on a tour of the facility Wednesday afternoon.

Vernon says staff is currently being trained on the new equipment. He says he plans to use the current staff to operate the jail and try not to add more employees. Vernon says the new equipment will help him do that.

Groundbreaking for the construction of the new 36-bed, 15,000-square-foot jail addition was held in November 2014.

The county financed the nearly \$4.6 million project through existing capital outlay funds.

Vernon says project is coming in about \$40,000 under budget. He says plans are to use the leftover funds to improve the old facility's intake and book-in spaces for use as office space.

The public open house will take place Friday, May 27th from 2 to 7 p.m. and Saturday, May 28th from 8 to noon in the morning.

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