

**Indiana Department of Natural Resources
Administrative Bureau
Facilities, Fleet and Asset Management**

Background:

The Indiana Department of Natural Resources currently operates approximately 1,200 vehicles on the Gauge Telematics System. Another 250 DNR Law Enforcement vehicles have not been required to participate in the system. In addition to those commissions DNR maintains a wide variety of heavy equipment, trailers, watercraft and ATV that have not been part of the Gauge system, primarily due to cost and the large amount of equipment.

DNR equipment and the need for available equipment in an emergency to the nature of our campgrounds and modern cabins and hotel settings have long been debated. The very nature of our emergency response has limited equipment sharing and or centralized locations. This must be addressed to remain relevant and cost effective.

DNR like most agencies, currently utilize multiple systems for telematics, M-5 Fleet management and fuel cards. We have been limited to funding and installing card readers at our internal bulk fueling locations due to cost and network capabilities in our rural areas.

At a minimum if we are to continue to utilize multiple systems, they must integrate to create efficiencies. Entering data in three places is no efficient in this day and age of technology.

DEMOS:

DNR would be willing to commit 10 units to a demo of a new system.

The term of the demo should be limited to fewer than 3 months for those vehicles and or equipment and trailers. I feel like it is necessary to expand to equipment and trailers.

I think that the integration piece is mission critical, beyond that standard dashboards and reports should be innovative and capable of more features than we have today.

Success:

For my team, this is an underutilized tool in the toolbox. Training and access to training is also critical. System updates that are communicated and monthly demos would be helpful to keep pace with ever-changing technology.