

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT of NATURAL and CULTURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF FORESTS AND LANDS

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His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu and the Honorable Executive Council State House Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

In accordance with Administrative Rule Adm 611.08 (g), the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Division of Forests and Lands, Communication Operations Bureau, respectfully requests permission to increase their fleet size by two vehicles effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval.

EXPLANATION

The Division of Forests and Lands has two new Forest Rangers positions included in the new biennium budget. These are first responder positions which are responsible for responding to wildfire incidents and law enforcement issues throughout the state. These positions require the use of emergency response vehicles which are also capable of transportation of fire supplies including pumps, chainsaws, fuel, hose and backpacks, and to tow heavy equipment, including prevention and Incident Command trailers to carry out the duties and responsibilities as assigned. Additionally, this position requires a vehicle equipped with the ability to travel off road to navigate the remote regions of the state and to transport personnel. For this reason, we are requesting approval for two additional fleet vehicles.

The Division of Forests and Lands is requesting a fleet increase by adding two $\frac{1}{2}$ ton extended or crew cab 4wd pick up trucks. These pick-up trucks are necessary for the two additional forest ranger positions to fulfill the job requirements. One pick-up truck was ordered in January (PO 1090133), but not yet received and we plan to not surplus FL32 as this request was processed prior to the additional position. Funding for the second pick-up truck is available in account 03-035-035-351010-35050000-030-500300. Source of funds is 100% Other Funds (Agency Income).

Respectfully submitted,

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Attn: Director Patrick Hackley NH Department of Natural and Cultural Resources 172 Pembroke Road Concord, NH 03301

SUBJECT: Response to Fleet Increase Request 10/31/23

Director Hackley:

Please accept this as receipt of your request to increase the NH Department of Natural and Cultural Resources fleet size by two (2) pickup trucks prior to submission to the Governor and Executive Council for formal consideration.

It is the position of the DAS Division of Procurement and Support Services Fleet Management that the NH Department of Natural and Cultural Resources fleet be increased by two (2) pickup trucks to bring your total Division of Forest and Lands fleet size to fifty-eight (58) vehicles.

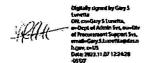
The request to increase the fleet by two (2) pickup trucks is reasonably justified and compelling enough to merit consideration by the Governor and Executive Council in a near future meeting.

Thank you for your proactive request to involve us in your fleet review in support of statewide efforts to maintain fleet efficiency.

Respectfully submitted,

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