

This inquiry on ER&R is being sent by CRAB to all County Engineers

We've received a comment from one County Engineer that the county's ER&R fund rental rates seem to be falling behind the actual O&M and replacement costs for the fleet. Among the components of the rental rates, the current rise in fuel costs is likely a significant part of that shortfall, as well as higher acquisition prices for replacement equipment.

If you've had similar experiences in the last year or two, might you share two or three steps your ER&R Manager has taken to address the issues?

We would also ask if you might provide us with your current rental rates for these typical vehicles in your fleet:

- ¾-ton 4x4 Pickup
- 10-yard Dump Truck
- Motor Grader
- Front End Loader (Cat 950 or larger)
- Office Sedan
- Sheriff Patrol Car

Thanks! Please respond via e-mail by Monday, August 4, 2008, if possible.

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