

GREEN FLEET POLICY

DeKalb shall give preference to the purchase and use of fuel efficient and lowest emission vehicles and equipment (collectively the "Fleet") that both meet the intended use of the Fleet unit and are reasonably cost competitive over the life of the unit. Additionally, DeKalb will implement strategic fleet management practices to further reduce both the emissions and environmental impact of the Fleet. Through implementation of this policy, DeKalb shall constantly seek to decrease total emissions and the environmental impact of the Fleet.

Green Fleet Procurement:

Decrease Fleet Emissions Evaluations

DeKalb shall procure units with the lowest emissions and/or Hybrid/Alternatively Fueled units when it is in alignment with the intended use of the Fleet unit and is reasonably cost competitive over its useful life (e.g. life cycle cost).

"Clean" fuels (such as propane, natural gas, ethanol, electricity and biodiesel) shall be used when feasible. Feasibility assessment will include considerations of vehicles or equipment able to utilize the "clean" fuel shall include: vehicle costs, fuel availability, fuel economy and the ability to utilize existing fueling infrastructure.

The life cycle cost analysis, which will include fuel, maintenance, and operational costs over the projected life of the vehicle, will be performed prior to procurement and will be communicated in the corresponding bid process as appropriate.

No Idle Policy

DeKalb employees shall comply with Executive Order 09-05 DeKalb County, Georgia's Policy for Idling of County Vehicles governing the idling of County vehicles when in use. Idle time shall be monitored using GPS software.

Decrease Fleet Maintenance/Repair Requirements

DeKalb shall procure units with the lowest preventive maintenance requirements for: ignition components, oil changes and filter/belt/hoses changes for units that are in alignment with the intended use of the Fleet unit and is reasonably cost competitive over its useful life (e.g. life cycle cost).

DeKalb shall procure units with the lowest repair requirements for: drive train and body for units that are in alignment with the intended use of the Fleet unit and is reasonably cost competitive over its useful life (e.g. life cycle cost).

Green Strategic Fleet Management:

Optimize Fleet Size

DeKalb shall seek to optimize its Fleet and consider the following for removal or reassignment:

Light duty vehicles (passenger cars, light duty pickup trucks and vans) that are driven less than 1,200 miles annually; and

Equipment that is used less than 240 hours annually; and

The availability of rental equipment to be used in place of such equipment will be taken into consideration.

Fleet reduction or reassignment will be performed according to the on-going operational needs of the user departments. The determination of which Fleet units are to be reassigned shall be at the discretion of the Fleet Management Director working in cooperation with user departments.

Fleet Reductions

DeKalb shall encourage the selection of vehicles of a smaller class/size whenever possible to achieve greater fuel efficiency and lower emissions. User departments shall select the smallest possible vehicle that will achieve its intended use.

Focus on Minimizing Vehicle Miles Travelled

Route optimization shall be employed, when applicable, to reduce travel time, distance, and fuel usage.

Encourage meetings at centralized locations to reduce unnecessary travel.

Encourage and enable alternate meeting methods, such as conference calls, to reduce the number of necessary trips.