Improving operational efficiency in public works through a focus on plant & vehicle (fleet) assets

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# Maximising operational efficiency through a focus on fleet is about:

- Knowing fleet utilisation
- Optimum replacement
- Astute buying decisions
- Proactive maintenance
- Investigating failures
- Knowing downtime costs
- Service level agreements





## **Operational Efficiency**





# Utilisation





# **Utilisation Applications**

- Compare to IPWEA national benchmarks
- Low utilisation:
  - Delay replacement
  - Replace with hire
  - Exceptions.eg specialist vehicles
- High utilisation:
  - Bring forward replacement
  - More frequent servicing



Are you measuring utilisation? What is the information being used for?



# **Optimum Replacement**

- Optimum time to replace item to achieve lowest average annual cost during its life
- Triggered by:
  - ✓ utilisation or
  - ✓ Age







# **Optimum Replacement Benefits**

- reduce annual replacement costs long term
- reduce maintenance costs
- reduce downtime in operations and maximising fleet availability







# Holding too long

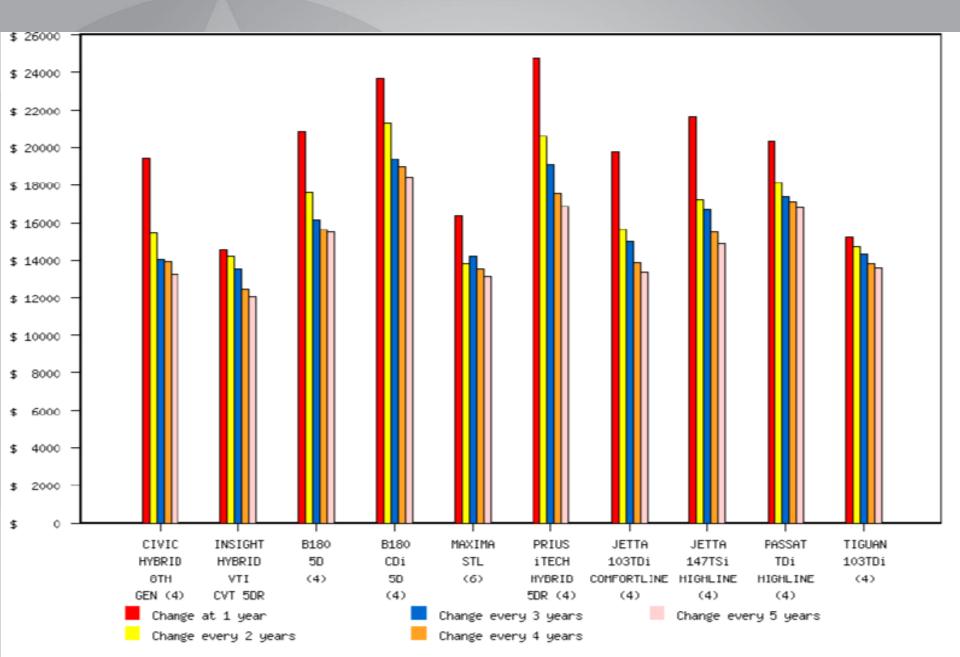
- Breakdowns **UP**
- Maintenance costs UP
- Downtime UP
- Resale values DOWN
- Efficiency DOWN



Case study



### **Optimum Replacement - Impact of changing too early**



# The case for optimum replacement

- One of the major challenges faced by Fleet Managers is getting the support of senior management and elected members for optimum replacement.
- The case for optimum replacement
   is supported by the cost of downtime
   and repairs



What is happening at your organisation?



# Astute buying decisions

- The right machine for the job
- Based on a best value analysis



## **Best Value Assessment Criteria**

- Whole of life cost offer
- Operational requirements
- Mechanical assessment
- Warranty, service and parts support
- Environmental issues
- Risk assessment
   Allocate weightings and discuss with
   evaluation panel



# **Proactive Maintenance**

- Manufacturers provide standards for timing (age/utilisation) and specifications for preventative maintenance
- What are the risks of not following these standards?
  - Loss of warranty
  - Increased downtime
  - Liability being placed
     on the asset owner

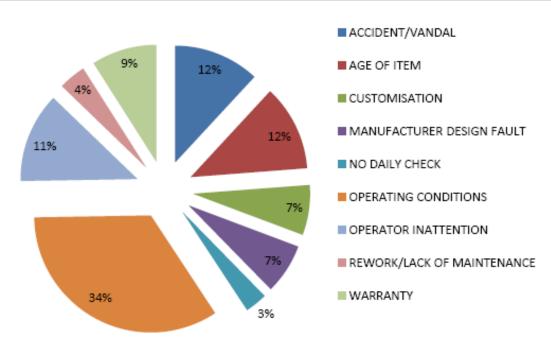




# **Maintenance Failure Records**

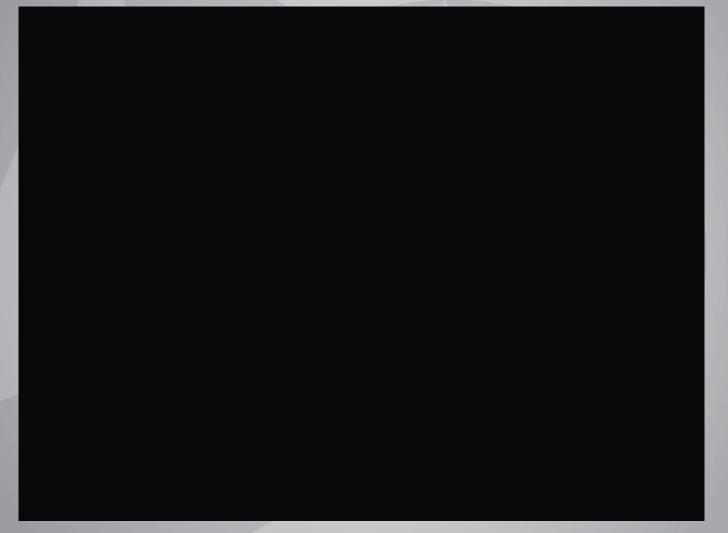
### **Failure Categories**

- Lack of maintenance
- The age of the machine
- Driver errors
- Design fault -Manufacturer
- Operator inattention
- Accident



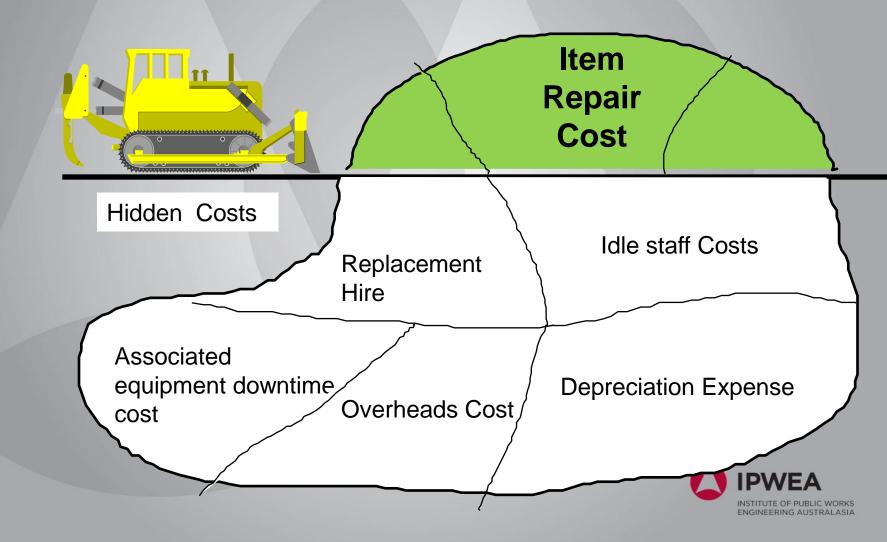


# **Investigate reasons for failures**





### Downtime....the hidden cost of fleet management



# **Downtime cost example**

Grader breaks down in the field......what are the impacts?





# **Service Level Agreements**



External Maintenance



# Fleet Owner

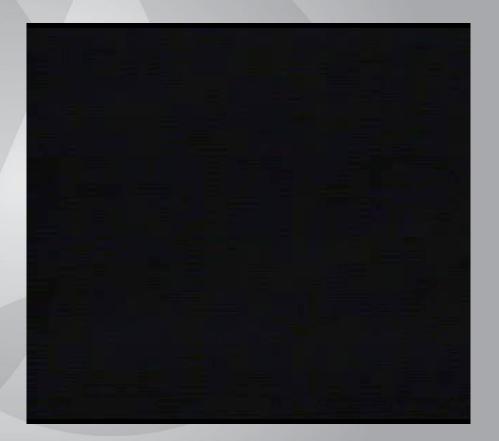
Internal Maintenance

User



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# Your greatest challenge is your limited resources



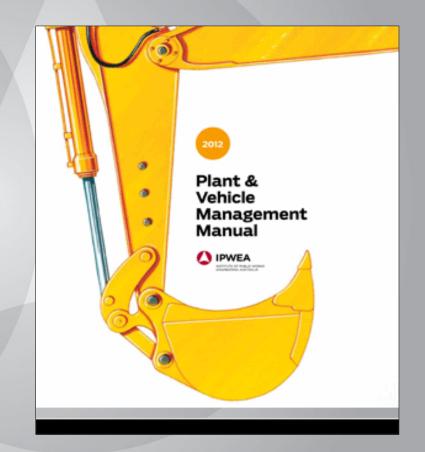
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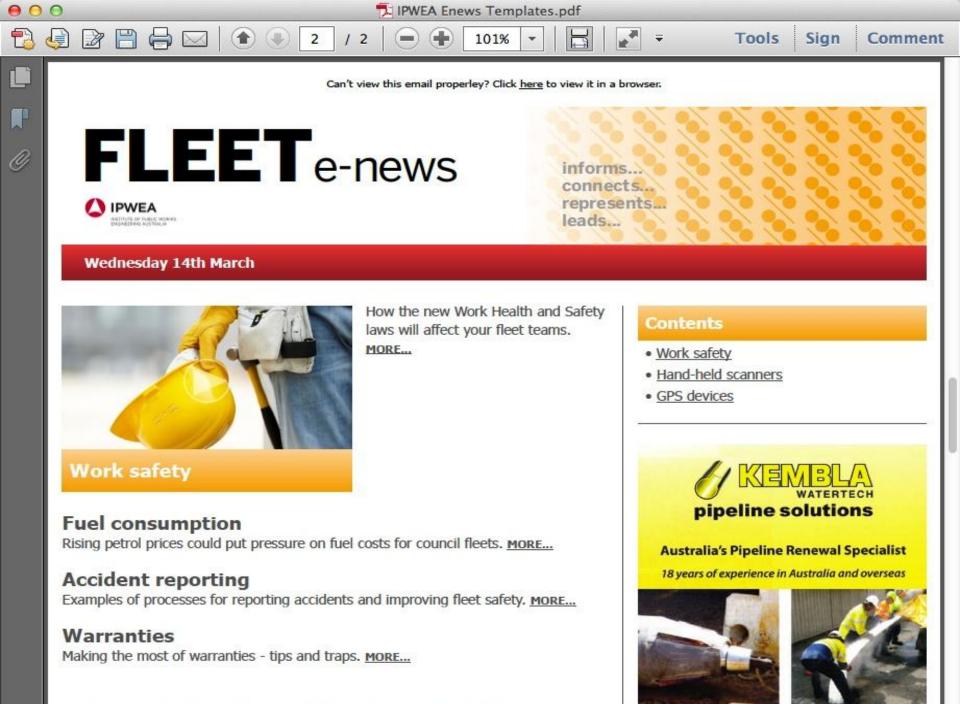
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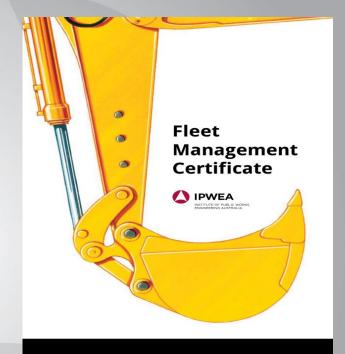


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# **Fleet Management Certificate**

### 6 Units

- Utilisation
- Whole of Life Costs
- Tendering
- Maintenance
- Service Level Agreements
- Regulatory requirements



Live online training now included – next series starts June.



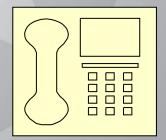
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- 6 units over 4 weeks
- 1 hr sessions
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- Stand alone PD





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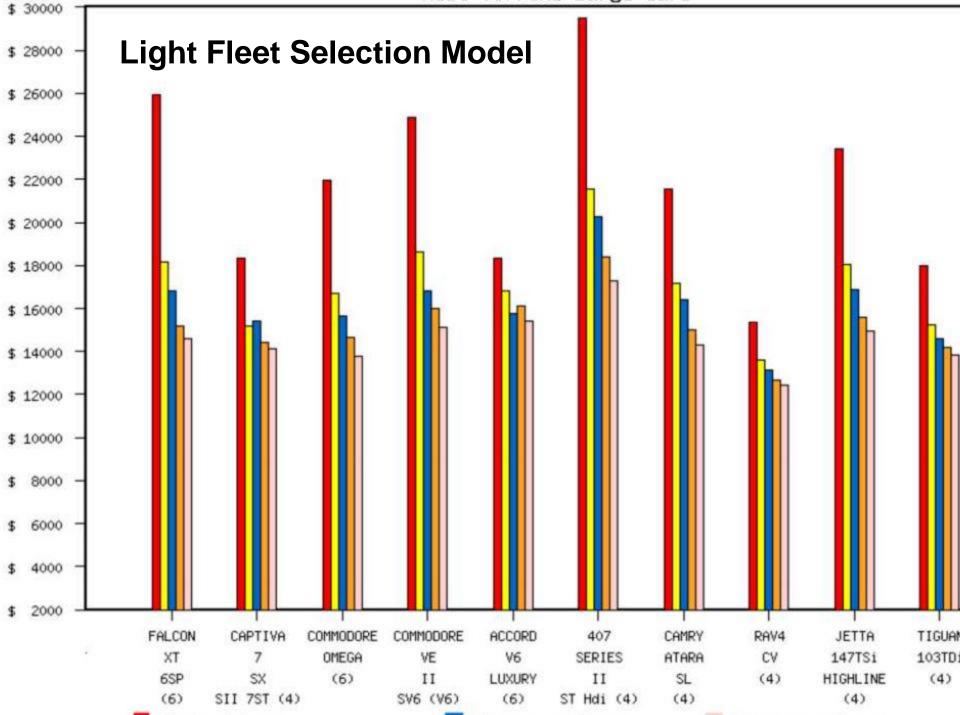
- Light Fleet selection model
- Whole of Life Cost calculator
- Best Value Tender Analysis



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Designed to follow best practice, save time and \$\$







- In line with IPWEA best practice P&VM Manual
- Provides machine productivity
- Output includes environmental impact
- Operator costs can be included
- Output report suitable for Council submission

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#### Optimum Replacement Point Calculation

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# Tender Analysis Template

- In line with best practice P&VMM
- Provides a comprehensive report
- Choose evaluation criteria
- Allocate weightings
- Score submissions
- Output report suitable for Council submission



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