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Truck Bed's and Snow Plow's

As we have been prepping for the 2014/2015 snow season we have noticed that our snow plow truck beds have a considerable amount of rust and "rot" in the lining area and are starting to eat through the sidewalls. The trucks and chassis while a few years old (mid 90's) are still in good shape and have very low mileage considering. There is a need to remain efficient and effective in plowing to either look at replacing the trucks and plows each at the cost of \$120,000 a piece or and the route that we are proposing to replace 3 of the 4 truck bed's to a "hardox" (rust resistant metal) bed and put new plow's on the trucks at a cost of \$140,000 total.

In addition to utilizing the new bed's we are also adding some new technology to the trucks to obtain more efficient use of the salt spreading method and wetting technology to prevent "bounce of the salt off the road". We are looking at financing the cost of these improvements over 3 years.

The truck that we purchased approximately 5 years ago is still in good shape and will not need a bed at this time.