MN LARS

Licensing and Registration System

MNLARS Update
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MNLARS (Minnesota License and Registration System) is a multi-year system upgrade project of Driver and Vehicle Services (DVS), a division of the Department of Public Safety. MNLARS replaces DVS's nearly 40-year old mainframe system and its 15-year old ESupport system with a more secure, reliable, flexible modern system.

MNLARS has more than 1,200 deputy registrar and state staff accessing the MNLARS system to conduct their daily business. The current system consists of:

- Identity Access Management – MNLARS has more security around the individual user and how this user is accessing DVS data. All 174 deputy registrar offices are using MNLARS.
- Access to eight (8) types of electronic motor vehicle permits. To date, users have issued more than 17,835 permits.
- A system upgrade to the International Registration Plan and International Fuel Tax Agreement requirements which involves commercial vehicle management.

The partnership between DPS and MN.IT is a vital and respected working relationship. Both departments are committed to the success of MNLARS, share a common vision for MNLARS, and work collaboratively to reduce barriers and oversee the project plan, with an Executive Sponsor Committee providing leadership and support for the program.

The Agile software development methodology has proven successful for the MNLARS system. Agile provides for alternatives to traditional project management by allowing review, analysis, and correction throughout the project. The current development priorities for the project:

- Titling
- Vehicle Registration
- Financial Tracking
- Plate and Sticker Inventory
- Driver License data
- Permits improvements