Fuel Bar

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To Be Implemented

One-off cost ghost (i.e. Dashing)

- The Fuel Bar should show the amount of Fuel consumed by an action in a different color (ghost) yellow in the example below.
- This communicates to players how much Fuel has been consumed by the action they just performed.
- Note that the actual Fuel consumed is immediately subtracted from the total Fuel.
- After the Fuel cost has been subtracted, the yellow part stays visible for a fraction of a second and then quickly decreases to match the current Fuel value.

Example from Elden Ring (see green bar):



Must Haves (Min Quality)

Notes:

- Action = an action that has a one-off fuel cost (i.e. dashing)
- values in [square brackets] are tentative and subject to tweaking
- 1. Action cost is detracted from the fuel bar immediately (same as current behaviour)
- 2. *Action* cost is displayed as a bar of different color (ghost bar) of a size proportional to that of the cost just subtracted from the fuel bar.
 - a. Ghost bar color (hex value): #80b321

Mock-up:



- 3. After [0.5 seconds], if no other Action is performed, the ghost bar quickly decreases to match the fuel bar.
- 4. As soon as the ghost bar has matched the fuel bar, it disappears.
- 5. If another *Action* is performed while the ghost bar is still visible (i.e. **before** it disappears):
 - a. If the ghost bar was decreasing, it stops decreasing.
 - b. The cost of the new Action is detracted from the fuel bar immediately and added to the ghost bar
 - c. Back to point 3.

Not enough fuel to perform action

When there's not enough fuel to perform a certain action (i.e. Sprinting, Dashing, Flying etc.) the fuel bar should flash red, to:

- Clearly communicate to players why they are not being able to perform that action.
- Highlight the fact that fuel is over and they need to regen it.

Example (Stamina bar in Valheim):



Must Haves (Min Quality) If an action that has a fuel cost (sprinting, dashing, flying, etc.) is performed while there's not enough fuel to pay that cost, the whole fuel bar flashes for [0.3 seconds] changing color (lerping) between the empty fuel bar color and pure red (hex value: #ff0000). Mock-up: Should Haves (Premium Quality) SFXs Audio cues for the player: • A short SFX plays when the fuel bar is flashing • A short SFX plays when the fuel bar is completely regenerated again (100% fuel)

Already Implemented

Cost over time (i.e. Sprinting, Flying)

• Actions that drain Fuel over time (i.e. Sprinting, Flying) are displayed on the Fuel Bar as a continuous drain (i.e. without the yellow part of the bar)

Example:



Fuel regeneration

• Fuel regeneration should happen at a constant speed (i.e. not in "chunks")

For example, see how Fuel goes up after being drained by a few consecutive actions:

