
VIRGINIA STATE BUDGET

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Budget Bill - HB1400 (Introduced)

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Department of Forestry

Item 109	First Year - FY2003	Second Year - FY2004
Forest Land Management (50100)	\$25,373,846 \$23,995,165	\$26,094,543 \$23,129,533
Forestry and Reforestation Incentives (50102)	\$2,356,731 \$1,837,768	\$2,356,731 \$1,417,768
Forestry Operations (50103)	\$19,755,268 \$18,895,550	\$20,475,965 \$18,335,028
Reforestation Operations (50104)	\$2,961,847	\$2,961,847 \$3,076,737
Financial Assistance for Forest Land Management (50105)	\$300,000	\$300,000
Fund Sources:		
General	\$15,727,403 \$14,357,187	\$16,448,100 \$13,663,869
Special	\$7,626,183 \$7,617,718	\$7,626,183 \$7,445,404
Federal Trust	\$2,020,260	\$2,020,260

Authority: Title 10.1, Chapter 11, and Title 58.1, Chapter 32, Article 4, Code of Virginia.

A. The State Forester is hereby authorized to utilize any unobligated balances in the fire suppression fund authorized by § 10.1-1124, Code of Virginia, for the purpose of acquiring replacement equipment for forestry management and protection operations.

B. In the event that budgeted amounts for forest fire suppression are insufficient to meet forest fire suppression demands, such amounts as may be necessary for this purpose may be transferred from Item 512 of this act to the Department of Forestry.

C. This appropriation includes annual membership dues to the Southeast Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact, \$1,000 the first year and \$1,000 the second year, from nongeneral funds.

D. The Department shall provide technical assistance and project supervision in the aerial spraying of herbicides on timberland on landowner property. In addition to recovering the direct cost associated with the spraying contract, the Department may charge an administrative fee for this service.

E. The Department of Forestry, in cooperation with the Department of Corrections, shall increase the use of inmate labor for routine and special work projects in state forests.

F. The Department shall report by December 15th of each year on the progress of implementing the silvicultural water quality laws in Virginia. The report shall be submitted to the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees.

G. Out of the amounts for Forestry Operations shall be provided ~~\$720,698~~ \$90,000 the first year and ~~\$1,441,395~~ \$650,000 the second year from the general fund for lease payments through the Master Equipment Leasing Program for firefighting equipment.

H. ~~The appropriation in the Forestry and Reforestation Incentives subprogram includes \$550,000 the first year and \$550,000 the second year from the general fund for the Reforestation of Timberlands Fund. This appropriation shall be deemed sufficient to meet the provisions of §§ 10.1-1176 and 58.1-1605, Code of Virginia~~ *The appropriation to the Reforestation of Timberland Fund shall be deemed sufficient to meet the provisions of §§ 10.1-1176 and 58.1-1605, Code of Virginia.*