Technology

The Governor's proposed 2002-04 budget for Technology includes a net decrease of \$1.9 million GF for the biennium, resulting primarily from a 6 percent across-the-board reduction that is contained in the Central Appropriations. Actions for achieving these savings are not specified in the budget.

Substantial NGF increases are detailed below.

Department of Technology Planning

- Wireless E-911 Services. Provides \$15.0 million NGF the first year and \$10.0 million NGF the second year to continue the development of Wireless E-911 Services. The source of the funds is the Wireless E-911 Fund.
- Virginia Base Mapping Program. Provides \$8.0 million NGF the first year to continue the Virginia base mapping program. The purpose of the program, which is funded by the Wireless E911 Fund, is to acquire, process, and distribute high-resolution digital photography of the Virginia land base.
- Virginia Geographic Information Network. Reduces appropriation by \$125,000 GF and substitutes \$125,000 from the E-911 Wireless Fund to support the Virginia Geographic Information Network.
- E-Government Initiative. Provides \$1.7 million NGF and 8.0 FTE positions each year for an e-government initiative. The initiative would be funded from savings identified in agencies' budgets resulting from a new COVANET telecommunications contract.

• Central Appropriations

 Across-the-Board General Fund Reductions. Reduces general fund appropriations for technology agencies by \$900,000 each year, for a biennial reduction as shown below.

Technology Central Appropriations Reductions	
Department of Technology Planning	\$231,054
Office of Technology	67,830
Center for Innovative Technology	1,500,806
Total	\$1,799,690