



## Delta Regional Authority

### SUPPORT ROBUST FUNDING IN FY 2025 APPROPRIATIONS BILLS

**Congressional Action Needed:** NADO encourages members of Congress, especially those serving on the U.S. House and Senate Energy and Water Development Appropriations Subcommittees, to maximize funding for the Delta Regional Authority’s (DRA) community and economic development programs in FY 2025. DRA invests its resources into basic public infrastructure, workforce training, business development, and capacity-building to support job creation/retention and capital investment within the eight-state Mississippi River Delta region of the country.

Annual Appropriations Levels for DRA				
	<a href="#">FY 2021</a>	<a href="#">FY 2022</a>	<a href="#">FY 2023</a>	<a href="#">FY 2024</a>
<b>Delta Regional Authority</b>	\$30 million	\$30.1 million	\$30.1 million	<b>\$31.1 million</b>

**Background:** Established by the Consolidated Appropriations Act for FY 2001, DRA is a regional economic development agency that represents a partnership between federal, state, and local governments. DRA’s region encompasses 252 counties and parishes in parts of Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee. Led by a Federal Co-Chair who is appointed by the President and confirmed by the U.S. Senate, DRA’s board consists of governors representing the eight Delta states, who collectively help guide the agency’s programmatic activities and investments in their respective states.

DRA partners with 45 Local Development Districts (LDDs) across the Delta Region to provide technical assistance to local governments and nonprofit organizations that are interested in applying for DRA funds. These LDDs also serve as project managers for DRA, as LDDs help administer project funding within their regions.