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Governor Musgrove Announces Project Funding Through Delta Regional Authority

(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove today announced the availability of \$4.1 million for public projects through the Delta Regional Authority (DRA). The DRA is a federal-state partnership covering eight states. A total of 45 counties in Mississippi are covered under the DRA.

“The Delta Regional Authority, as an organization, is relatively new – but the issues before it are as deeply rooted as the history and culture of the region it serves,” Musgrove said. “By investing in this region, we will make a difference for generations to come. That’s the purpose of the funding we’re announcing today.”

Priority will be given to four types of projects: Basic public infrastructure, transportation infrastructure, business development, and job training and employment-related education. Projects may be construction or non-construction.

The deadline for submitting applications is 5:00 p.m., Friday, July 26, 2002. Completed applications should be mailed to the Office of the Governor, P. O. Box 139, Jackson, MS, 39205, or delivered to the 15th floor of the Woolfolk Office Building located at 501 North West Street in Jackson.

At the press conference, Musgrove also introduced Armerita Tell, Director of Citizen and Community Services for the Governor’s Office, as the Governor’s Alternate to the Delta Regional Authority. Tell is also the contact person for applications and may be reached at 601-359-3150. Applications may also be obtained from the governor’s website at www.governor.state.ms.us.

For more information on the Delta Regional Authority, visit their website at www.dra.gov.

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