



Investing in the FUTURE of the DELTA

2013 DELTA COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT



Ann and Bill Litton

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Bill Litton**WELCOME TO THE 78TH ANNUAL MEETING OF DELTA COUNCIL AND THE DELTA COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT.**

It has been my pleasure to serve as President of Delta Council this year and I am pleased to report to the members and friends of this organization that the work of advancing the Delta is ongoing everyday through the medium of Delta Council. Whether it is transportation policy, agricultural research, water resources, early childhood education, flood protection, industrial development, and the myriad of other challenges and opportunities the region confronts, Delta Council is at the intersection of results and outcomes.

Just as my family business invests every day in people, equipment, and technology so we can be more profitable, my year serving as President of Delta Council has shown me that all of us — through our support and involvement in Delta Council — are investing everyday in the economic well-being of this special place we call home. Never have I been more encouraged about the Delta's ability to meet the challenges of today and tomorrow than I have after being involved with so many of you during the past year. In our busy endeavors, the time and talent you lend to regional economic development is having an impact, and I dare say there are few other places around the country that have the same track record of both membership involvement and success.

Today, and in this Annual Report, we celebrate just some of the people and institutions that have been instrumental in that success. We are also pleased to welcome Senator Debbie Stabenow of Michigan, Chairwoman of the Senate Agriculture Committee. Chairwoman Stabenow is a true champion of rural America and is currently in the process of drafting a Farm Bill that will have a major impact on agriculture, our largest industry in the Delta. The work she has done, and the respect she has earned, is underscored by the presence of her two colleagues in the U.S. Senate from Mississippi — Senators Thad Cochran and Roger Wicker. While so many institutions in our country are assailed for the way they are not working, the Chairwoman's leadership on the Senate Agriculture Committee and the relationships that have been forged prove that some things can still work the right way. We will be the beneficiaries of their leadership and we appreciate them.

Please enjoy the meeting and thank you for your service and friendship to the Delta, and Delta Council.

DEBBIE STABENOW PROFILE



- Native of Gladwin, Michigan
- A former Social Worker, earned her Bachelor degree and Master of Social Work degree from Michigan State University
- Elected to the Michigan House of Representatives where she served for twelve years (1979-1990)
- Elected to the Michigan State Senate where she served for four years (1991-1994)
- Elected to the U.S. Congress in 1996 representing Michigan's Eighth Congressional District
- In 2000, became the first woman from the State of Michigan elected to the U.S. Senate
- In 2009, she was appointed Chairwoman of the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry
- Serves, also, on the following three committees: Budget, Energy and Natural Resources, and Finance
- She has two children, Todd and Michelle, a daughter-in-law Sara, a son-in-law Scott, and three grandchildren

2013 ANNUAL MEETING May 17, 2013



9:00 - 10: 15 a.m.

DELTA 1000 POLITICAL EVENT

"Lame Duck: What's Ahead for President Obama and the Republicans?"

Featuring Stu Rothenberg
Political Analyst

Location: McPherson Recital Hall

9:30 - 10:15 a.m.

2013 SALUTE TO DELTA HONOR GRADUATES

William LaForge, President Delta State University, Host
Mike Espy, Former United States Secretary of Agriculture,
Master of Ceremonies

Location: Southeast Side of Bologna Performing Arts Center

10:30 a.m.

WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Bill Litton
President

INVOCATION

Dr. Rusty Douglas
First Presbyterian Church, Greenwood

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

Boy Scout Troop 4200
Greenwood
Boy Scout Troop 91
Belzoni

PATRIOTIC MUSIC

St. Joseph/Our Lady of Lourdes Choir
Greenville, MS
Directed by Mrs. Laura Jackson

BUSINESS

- Recognition of Special Guests
- Achievement Awards
- Recognition of Delta's Top Honor Graduates
- Wear Cotton Recognition
- Good Middling Lady Presentation
- Introduction of New Officers

INTRODUCTION OF KEYNOTE SPEAKER

U.S. Senator Thad Cochran
State of Mississippi

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow
State of Michigan

Chairwoman, Senate Committee on Agriculture, Forestry and Nutrition

12:00 Noon

CATFISH LUNCHEON

Delta State University, *Quadrangle Lawn*

MISSISSIPPI DELTA 2013

Honor Graduates & Schools

BOLIVAR:

Laura Hayden Bowen - Bayou Academy
TeKierra Bush - East Side High
Lavenus Dudley - East Side High
Maleena Frazier - Broad Street High
April Harris - John F Kennedy High
William Hawkins - Cleveland High
Mary Parker Janoush - Cleveland High
Regina Johnson - John F Kennedy High
Antwanette Keys - Broad Street High
Fatima Leaks - West Bolivar High
Jasmine McRoy - Shaw High
Michael Portner - Bayou Academy
Shannon Smith - Ray Brooks
Dalvin Williams - West Bolivar High
Demerrius Williams - Shaw High
Tericka Wright - Ray Brooks

CARROLL:

Peyton Banes - Carroll Academy
Rachel Brewer - Carroll Academy
Kasey Holman - J.Z. George High
Raul Ledesma - J.Z. George High

COAHOMA:

Shelby Babb - Lee Academy
Cierra Citchens - Coahoma Co. Agricultural High
Candi Ellis - Clarksdale High
Marquisha Lester - Coahoma Co. Agricultural High
Andra Lewis - Clarksdale High
Grace Briana Mitchell - Lee Academy
Ashley Smith - Coahoma County High
Jakirah Starks - Coahoma County High

DESOTO:

Kemary Barnes - Olive Branch High
Kelsey Boyd - Olive Branch High
Dallas Bright - Southaven High
Byron Davis - Horn Lake High
Melissa Dollar - Center Hill High
Victoria Ferguson - Lake Cormorant High
Hunter Gibbs - Southern Baptist Educational Center
Ryne Golden - Desoto Central High
Caitlyn Hamilton - Hernando High
Grace Hamm - Lewisburg High
Colleen Hughes - Hernando High
Marissa Kizer - Desoto County Academy
Isaac Lias, Jr - Southaven High
A J Parmley - Lewisburg High
Julia Roberson - Lake Cormorant High
Jeremy Sorel - Southern Baptist Educational Center
Naomi Taylor - Desoto Central High
Jonathan Uksas - Horn Lake High
Jennifer Weeks - Center Hill High

HOLMES:

Keyoshia Donelson - S.V. Marshall High
Brandi Hudson - S.V. Marshall High
Lily Fran McCrory - Central Holmes Christian School
Destiny Mitchell - Durant High

Kordarius Parker - Williams Sullivan High
Kaneesha Roby - Durant High
Artrista Saffold - J.J. McClain High
Tamara Sly - J.J. McClain High
Brett Spell - Central Holmes Christian School
Shanice Wimsett - Williams Sullivan High

HUMPHREYS:

Cody Alleman - Humphreys Academy
Tayla Frizell - Humphreys Co. High
Alexius Paige - Humphreys Co. High
Daniel Reed - Humphreys Academy

LEFLORE:

Shanecia Beckworth - Leflore County High
Marvin Conrod - Leflore County High
Cayla Freeman - Greenwood High
James Jackson, III - Pillow Academy
Zoe Moore - Greenwood High
Mikia Rich - Amanda Elzy High
Joseph Tillman - Pillow Academy
Jamelia Whitehall - Amanda Elzy High

PANOLA:

Amelia Bailey - South Panola High
Charla Darby - North Delta School
John Huntington Howell - North Delta School
Anastasia Johnson - North Panola High
Lauren Middleton - South Panola High
Tearny Wheatley - North Panola High

QUITMAN:

Emma Haynes - Delta Academy
Ivy Spradling - Delta Academy
Larry Strickland - M.S. Palmer High
Akeyla Young - M.S. Palmer High

SHARKEY/ISSAQUENA:

Roger Davis, Jr. - South Delta High
Amber Ford - South Delta High
LaKen Fulton - Sharkey-Issaquena Academy
Taylor Howle - Sharkey-Issaquena Academy

SUNFLOWER:

Terradeshia Dixon - Gentry High
Peyton Garrett - North Sunflower Academy
Antonia Jetts - Ruleville Central High
Holly Pitts - Indianola Academy
Justice Scott - Ruleville Central High
Chris Seto - Indianola Academy
Melanie Stuckey - Gentry High
J B Willingham - North Sunflower Academy

TALLAHATCHIE:

Jamal Brock - Charleston High
Jacquelyn Brooks - Strider Academy
Seprata Ellis - West Tallahatchie High
Alkeira Gooch - West Tallahatchie High
Alexis Ross - Charleston High
Bradley Williamson - Strider Academy

TATE:

Emily Ballhelmer - Magnolia Heights School
Ashley Blackburn - Coldwater High
Parker Durham - Magnolia Heights School
Kassie Geeslin - Independence High
Raven Gordon - Senatobia High
Diana Grindlay - Strayhorn High
Letia McGee - Coldwater High
Mallory Payne - Senatobia High
Alexandria Rowland - Strayhorn High
Ben Stump - Independence High

TUNICA:

Samuel McGee - Tunica Academy
Claire Schubert - Tunica Academy
Brittany Smith - Rosa Fort High
Jamal Stevenson - Rosa Fort High

WARREN:

William Ballard - Warren Central High
Steven Cialone - St Aloysius High School
Tabitha Hayden - Vicksburg High
Claire Kendall - Warren Central High
Hannah Krapac - Porter's Chapel Academy
Victoria Lewis - Vicksburg High
Katherine Ann Locke - Porter's Chapel Academy
Mallory McGuffee - St Aloysius High School

WASHINGTON:

Krista Barrett - Washington School
Lauren Bostic - St Joseph High School
Christian James Bradshaw - Greenville Christian School
Keshia Brady - Riverside High
Courtland Brown - Simmons Jr/Sr High
Richard Deangelo Carter - St Joseph High School
Hannah Gammill - Greenville Weston High
Haley Hobart - Deer Creek School
Amber Love - Simmons Jr/Sr High
Christopher McWright - Leland High
Hailey Melton - Washington School
Scanita Miller - O'Bannon High
Keyanna Nealon - Leland High
Olivia Peyton - Deer Creek School
Austin Smith - Riverside High
Kennedy Washington - Greenville Weston High
Keyondria Williams - O'Bannon High

YAZOO:

Nora Grace Davis - Benton Academy
Jenquil Dent - Yazoo City High
Kathryn Homel Dooley - Benton Academy
Stephen Matory - Yazoo County High
Lyncyn Reliquias - Manchester Academy
Cubdeerix Robinson - Yazoo City High
Royce Swayze - Manchester Academy
Alice Thornton - Yazoo County High

2012-2013 Officers



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Greenwood



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Cruger



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2012-2013

Delta Council Achievement Awards



Outstanding Rice Producer:

MURRELL FARMS

Raymond Murrell
Terry Murrell
Carter Murrell
Kevin Murrell
Avon



Outstanding Soybean Producer:

Bill Ryan Tabb
Cleveland



Outstanding Cotton Ginner:

Herbie Kirk
Benton



Conservation Farmer:

Pete Hunter
Clarksdale



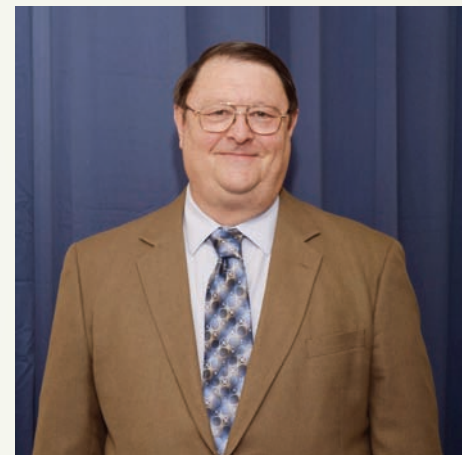
Outstanding Contributions to Hardwood Forestry:

Dr. Steve Meadows
Stoneville



Good Middling Lady:

Betty Lynn Cameron
Greenville



Researcher of the Year:

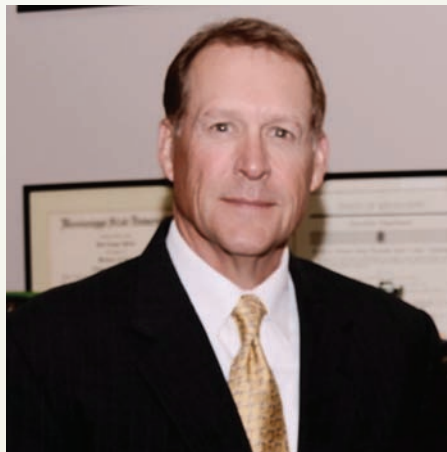
Dr. Lawrence Young
Stoneville

Outstanding Membership Chairmen:



Membership Chairman

Merlin Richardson
Anguilla



Membership Chairman

Paul Hollis
Anguilla



Membership Chairman

Clifton Porter
Fitler



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For over 100 years, BankPlus has served the people and businesses of Mississippi. BankPlus has over 60 banking offices in 33 Mississippi communities. As a bank that started in the Delta and maintains strong community values, BankPlus is proud to sponsor Delta Council.

BankPlus offers cutting-edge services and products coupled with the best in customer service and customer care.

For additional information on BankPlus, please visit www.BankPlus.net.



Jimmy Sanders, Inc., established in 1953, is one of the largest agricultural input supply and distribution businesses in the Mid-South. Family owned and headquartered in Cleveland, Mississippi, the company currently services growers through 70 retail locations in Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana, Tennessee, Alabama, Kentucky, and Georgia.

Sanders is multifaceted in its operations, which include seed production and sales, agricultural chemical distribution, bulk handling of fertilizer and, through its award-winning OptiGro® program, variable rate technology and other precision agriculture services. The company also provides wildlife food plot products and services through its Wildwood Genetics™ brand.



Part Of The Farm Credit System

Mississippi Land Bank and Southern Ag Credit provide long term and short term financing solutions for land, operation capital, equipment and farm equity. From a few acres to a few thousand acres, these Farm Credit Association lenders have been working with growers and rural land owners in Mississippi for over 95 years. They offer flexible loan programs, knowledge of the territory, expertise in land values and agricultural operation needs. As cooperatives, the borrowers are the owners of these banks and, as such, share in the profits through a patronage refund at the end of each successful year. Mississippi Land Bank has ten locations across North Mississippi. Southern Ag Credit also has eleven offices located throughout South Mississippi and North Louisiana. Both of these financial institutions are proud to support Delta Council and welcome the opportunity to discuss a financing solution designed to help you grow.

Visit them online at www.MississippiLandBanks.com.



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“Voices of Mississippi Agriculture” represent the farmer-funded research and market development efforts of the five major commodities produced in the Mississippi Delta — catfish, corn, cotton, rice and soybeans. Combined, these industries account for the economic chassis that the economy of the region rides upon, producing over 31,000 jobs and accounting for more than \$580 million in local, state, and federal tax revenues to support basic services, from school teachers to garbage pick-up. These farmer funded programs work to invest in the future of agriculture, so that the ag part of our Delta Gross Domestic Product (GDP) continues to generate a positive cash flow on the farm and provide a major contribution to the State’s economy.



Rob Coker, Yazoo City
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DELTA COUNCIL

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Powell Litton, Clarksdale
Will Long, Indianola
Xan Robertson, Jr., Greenville
Myrtis Tabb, Cleveland
Collier Tillman, Minter City
Frank West, Batesville



For those that do a little extra...

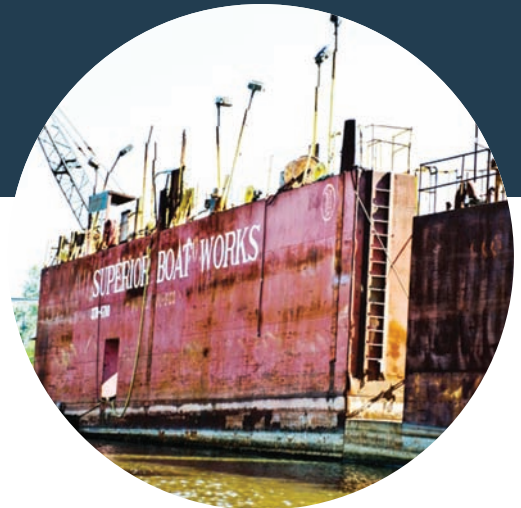


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 Monty Noland

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| Maury Knowlton,* Perthshire (1951-52) | Robroy Fisher,* Glen Allan (1977-78) | Dan Branton, Leland (2003-2004) |
| J.R. Flautt,* Swan Lake (1952-53) | Seymour Johnson, Indianola (1978-79) | Ken Murphree, Tunica (2004-05) |
| C.R. Sayre,* Scott (1953-54) | Jimmie Dick Carter, Rolling Fork (1979-80) | Kent Wyatt, Cleveland (2005-06) |
| William A. Crabill,* Marks (1954-55) | William H. Houston III, Tunica (1980-81) | Tom Gary, Jr., Greenwood (2006-07) |
| Luther W. Wade,* Greenwood (1955-56) | Bruce J. Brumfield, Inverness (1981-82) | Bill Kennedy, Inverness (2007-08) |
| LeRoy P. Percy,* Greenville (1956-57) | W.A. Percy II, Greenville (1982-83) | John Phillips, Yazoo City (2008-09) |
| G.C. Cortright,* Rolling Fork (1957-58) | R.B. Flowers, Tunica (1983-84) | Travis Satterfield, Benoit (2009-10) |
| R.P. Parish,* Greenwood (1958-59) | B.A. Jordan,* Yazoo City (1984-85) | Cass Pennington, Indianola (2010-2011) |
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| Sidney Levingston,* Ruleville (1960-61) | Charles W. Capps, Jr.,* Cleveland (1986-87) | Bill Litton, Greenwood (2012-2013) |
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RESOLUTIONS

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Advisory Research:

- Research and Extension Priorities
- Advisory Research
- Application Technology Research
- Mississippi Boll Weevil Program
- Gross Domestic Product: Agriculture's Impact on the Delta
- Transgenic and Conventional Plant Varieties
- Cotton Research and Market Development: Non-Wovens

Aquaculture:

- Aquaculture
- CP-40 – Catfish Ponds: Conservation Reserve Program
- Catfish

Farm Policy:

- Corn
- Farm Policy
- Copper Theft

Rice and Small Grains:

- Mississippi Rice Check-Off
- Rice

Soybean, Wheat and Feed Grains:

- Soybeans

Soil and Water Resources:

- NRCS Programs Aimed at Water Supply
- Agricultural Chemical Water Study
- Conservation Programs – USDA-Wetlands Reserve Program Enrollment Caps – CRP-Catfish Ponds

- USDA Conservation Programs and Local Tax Base
- Water Resources
- USDA-NRCS National Priority Area – Water Balance – Water Quality Research
- South Delta Environmental Education Center

Development Department

- Delta Regional Authority
- Workforce
- Delta Heritage Area
- Mississippi Delta Developers Association
- Genesee and Wyoming Rail: Rail Line between Columbus and Greenwood
- Improved Broadband and Wireless Opportunities for the Delta

Education and Health Policy:

- Delta Education Initiative
- Adult Literacy
- Early Learning
- Higher Education Funding
- Health Care

Highway Improvement and Transportation:

- Highway Development – Federal Highway Authorization Measure
- Corridor 18 (I-69)
- Highway 8
- Expanded Four-Lane Highway System
- Delta Rail Service
- Regional Air Service



Investing in **INFRASTRUCTURE**





Throughout our 78 years of existence, the steady and consistent improvement of the Delta's infrastructure has undergirded the work of Delta Council. It remains so today more than ever before. Without a Delta Council, there would be improvements to the transportation infrastructure of the region. However, would there be a new interstate highway, the potential of a new protection levee in Yazoo County, a world-class agricultural research station in Stoneville, the possibility of a revitalized east-west rail corridor, foreseeably a new highway program, an enhanced broadband capacity, and any other number of fundamental infrastructure issues that have either been accomplished or are on the daily agenda for the Delta? The answer is maybe. But, with the regional approach of local community leaders and local development organizations working together through Delta Council, the answer is *not maybe*; instead, it is a *certainty*.





Investing in RESOURCES



Delta Wildlife has spent nearly 25 years investing in the future of the region's wildlife. A substantial part of the organization's current and historical efforts has been placed on the restoration and management of wetlands and bottomland hardwood forests. These areas support an abundance of wildlife, including the region's most beloved game species. But wetlands and bottomland forests also help to store water and improve the water in our rivers and lakes. Just in the past twelve months, Delta Wildlife has planted nearly 500,000 trees and constructed more than 500 new wetlands sites for the benefit of the Delta's wildlife and water resources.



Farmers are among the most progressive conservationists, employing new technology and science to every aspect of production agriculture and the land from which it grows. It is the job of Delta F.A.R.M. to further advance these conservation efforts and facilitate landowner participation in voluntary environmental stewardship to ensure that agriculture, and the natural resources it depends upon, can be sustainable in the Delta. In terms of dependency on natural resources, water is likely the most important to agriculture only behind land. With the realization that the region's irrigation water supplies are not infinite, Delta F.A.R.M. has begun to more aggressively invest in the advancement of conservation practices that conserve water supplies without reducing profitability.



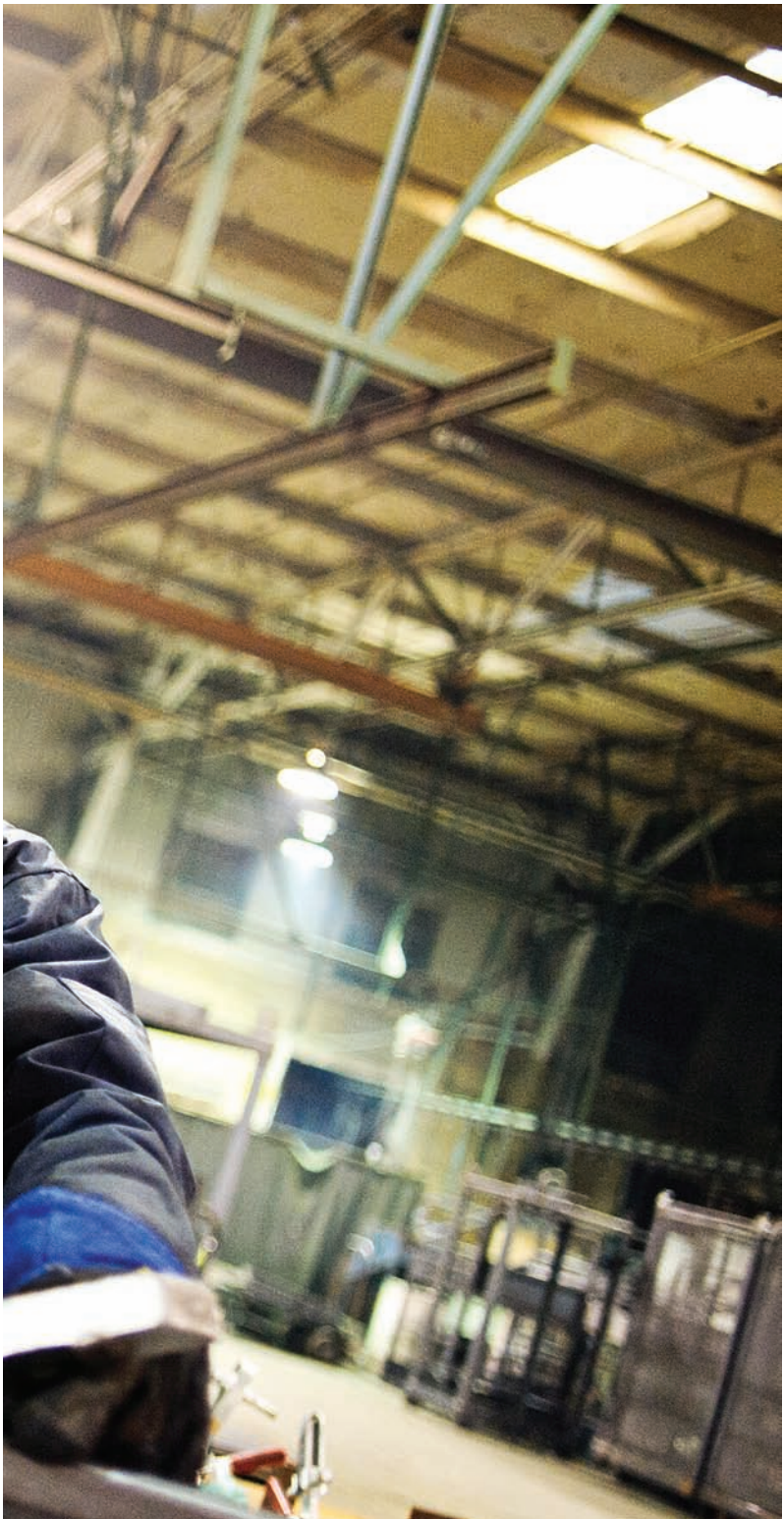
The future of the Delta depends on reliable sources of good quality ground and surface water. Whether needed for urban and industrial growth, crops, aquaculture, or sustaining fish and wildlife, the region must have water for a healthy environment. It is for these reasons that the Mississippi Delta must place the highest level of focus on expanded water conservation measures, the development of alternative surface water supplies, and managing our ground and surface water resources in a conjunctive manner. Our livelihood depends on it...and it will define our legacy for future generations.



Investing in **PEOPLE...**

THE DELTA'S MOST
IMPORTANT INFRASTRUCTURE

The Delta enjoys no greater resource than our people! And Delta people have an impressive story to tell. From workforce training, to adult literacy, to heritage and cultural tourism, to early childhood education, to health outcomes, to higher education funding, we confront our challenges as a region every day. When an issue that affects the educational outcomes, quality of life, or social well-being is identified as regional, then Delta Council goes to work to produce a plan for a positive outcome. And while the Delta may have our share of challenges, we have more than enough of our best resource — our people — to meet them head-on and produce results.





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- Corn Promotion Board
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