

1. INTRODUCTION

As shown in **Figure 1**, the DRA encompasses 240 counties and parishes in Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri and Tennessee.

Figure 1 – Delta Regional Authority



During the development of the DRA Highway Transportation Plan, the work team coordinated all planning efforts with the eight-state Departments of Transportation (SDOT), Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and Local Development Districts (LDDs) to develop the:

- Delta Development Highway System (DDHS) Designation Criteria (**Table 1**, pg. 4),
- DDHS Design Standards,
- DDHS Corridors,
- DDHS Priorities,
- DDHS Planning-level Cost Estimates,
- DDHS Project Descriptions, and
- DDHS Estimated Economic Impact.