



# The Connecticut Airport Authority invites applications for **Deputy Executive Director - Operations**

Bradley International Airport (BDL), Danielson Airport (LZD)  
Groton-New London Airport (GON), Hartford-Brainard Airport (HFD)  
Waterbury-Oxford Airport (OXC), Windham Airport (IJD)

Windsor Locks, Connecticut

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## The Connecticut Airport Authority

The Connecticut Airport Authority (CAA) was established as a quasi-public agency in 2011 to own, improve, and operate Bradley International Airport and the five state-owned general aviation airports (Danielson, Groton-New London, Hartford-Brainard, Waterbury-Oxford, and Windham). The CAA strives to provide excellent customer service and top-quality facilities for its passengers while making Connecticut's airports more attractive to new airlines, establishing new routes, and supporting Connecticut's overall economic development and growth strategy.

The CAA's five general aviation airports are also crucial components of the state's overall transportation system, providing access to corporate aircraft, local pilots, and convenient charter service for regional businesses.

Already, the CAA has achieved numerous milestones, including the addition of new Bradley service to Dublin (Ireland), Los Angeles, Pittsburgh, Fort Myers, Houston, Tampa and Washington, D.C.

## The Airports: Bradley International Airport

**Bradley International Airport (BDL)** is a civil/military airport in Windsor Locks, Connecticut. Owned and operated by the Connecticut Airport Authority, it is the second-largest airport in New England.

The airport is about halfway between Hartford and Springfield. It is Connecticut's busiest commercial airport with 93,461 operations for the calendar year ending 2015 and enplanements of 1,465,147 as of June, 2016.

Airlines operating at Bradley International Airport include Aer Lingus, Air Canada, American Airlines, Delta, JetBlue, OneJet, Southwest, and United. As a dual-use military facility with the U.S. Air Force, the airport is also home to the 103rd Airlift Wing (103 AW) of the Connecticut Air National Guard.

FBO operators at BDL include TAC Air, Signature Flight Support and ASIG. Cargo carriers include UPS, FedEx and DHL Express.





## Bradley International Airport

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There are 132 employees at BDL: 103 represented employees and 29 non-represented employees. The O&M budget FY17 is \$60.1 million dollars, and the current year capital budget is approaching \$32.5 million dollars.

### **Capital Improvement Projects Underway Include:**

- 1) Repair of Airside Ramp Drainage System
- 2) Design and Construction of Roadway Realignment Project
- 3) Design and Construction of New Parking Lot 1
- 4) Design and Construction of new Dual Cab Elevator and Information booth
- 5) Upper Level Viaduct Repairs
- 6) Master Plan Update



## Danielson Airport

**Danielson Airport (LZD)** is a public-use, publically owned general aviation airport on 257 acres, located approximately two miles northwest of Danielson in the Town of Killingly, in Windham County. The Airport consists of a single 2,700 foot asphalt runway with a full parallel taxiway. Airport facilities include aircraft T-hangars, an aircraft maintenance shop, a flight school, and a seasonal skydiving operation.

## Groton-New London Airport

**Groton-New London Airport (GON)** is a public-use, publicly owned general aviation airport on 489 acres. It is located in the Town of Groton, seven miles from New London's city center, in New London County and is situated in the Mystic Region, a popular area for visitors. The airport consists of two asphalt runways: 4,000 feet and 5,000 feet long, and a supporting infrastructure that includes a taxiway system, aircraft parking aprons, hangar facilities, an instrument landing system, an air traffic control tower, automated weather observation stations, vehicle parking and numerous tenant facilities. The Airport is home to the Army National Guard's 1109th Theatre Aviation Sustainment Maintenance Group (TASMG).



## Hartford-Brainard Airport

**Hartford – Brainard Airport (HFD)** is a public use, publicly owned airport situated on 201 acres, located in the City of Hartford, just 3 miles from the downtown business district. It is the premier general aviation facility serving central Connecticut in the county of Hartford. The airport is designated as a Regional GA Airport and also a Reliever Airport in the FAA's National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS). A full range of FBO aviation business services are available as well as a T-hangar and corporate aircraft storage, private air charter, aircraft sales and rental, car rental, and an on-airport restaurant. Hartford – Brainard Airport is also home to Connecticut Aero Tech School.



## Waterbury-Oxford Airport

**Waterbury - Oxford Airport (OXC)** is a public use, publicly owned GA airport on 424 acres located approximately seven miles from the City of Waterbury in New Haven County, in the Town of Oxford. A small northern portion of the airport is located within the Town of Middlebury. Notably, the airport contains the highest concentration of GA activity in Connecticut, and there is a State designated Airport Development Zone surrounding the airport for business development opportunities. The airport consists of a single 5,800 foot long asphalt runway and supporting infrastructure that includes a full parallel taxiway, aircraft parking aprons, an instrument landing system, air traffic control tower, weather station, vehicle parking, and numerous airport tenant facilities.



## Windham Airport

**Windham Airport (IJD)** is a public use, publicly owned General Aviation airport on 280 acres, located approximately three miles from the City of Willimantic, in the town of Windham, in Windham County. The University of Connecticut's flagship campus in Storrs, Connecticut is a fifteen minute drive from the airport, and Eastern Connecticut State University is also nearby in Willimantic. The airport consists of two asphalt runways, 4,200 feet and 2,700 feet long. Complimentary facilities include aircraft parking aprons; T-hangars and larger aircraft hangar storage; aircraft maintenance and repair; propeller overhaul, repair and sales; weather station; and self-service aircraft fueling facilities accommodating single and multi-engine aircraft with a focus on corporate business and recreational flight operations.





## The Community

Hartford is Connecticut's capital and one of New England's oldest cities. Home to the nation's oldest public art museum, the Wadsworth Athenaeum, the oldest public park, Bushnell Park, and the oldest continually published newspaper, The Hartford Courant, Hartford is a destination that has seamlessly woven a rich historical past into a vibrant modern city. Whether you're here for work, for play, or for both you'll discover that "Hartford Has It". Enjoy tantalizing bites at over 40 local restaurants, see a show at one of the nation's leading resident theatres, the Hartford Stage, or catch the pulse pounding action of the Hartford Wolf Pack hockey team at the XL Center. Or better yet, do it all!

# Hartford

Hartford is only 125 miles from New York City, 109 miles from Boston and 98 miles from Providence, ensuring that fun day trips are only a few hours away.

As of the 2010 Census, Hartford's population was 124,775, making it Connecticut's fourth-largest city after the coastal cities of Bridgeport, New Haven, and Stamford.

Whether you love history or art, science or sports, you'll find it in Hartford. Residents and visitors enjoy spending time at the Connecticut Science Center. Located directly across from the Connecticut Convention Center and accessible via a pedestrian bridge, the Connecticut Science Center is the place for endless exploration. With 150 hands-on exhibits, a state-of-the-art 3D digital theater, four educational labs, plus daily programs and events everything from physics to forensics, geology to astronomy is right at your fingertips.

Did you know that Mark Twain and his family lived in Hartford, CT from 1874 to 1891? In the Mark Twain House, he wrote his most important works including *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* and *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*. Plus, right across the street you can visit the house of Harriet Beecher Stowe, who was a friend of Twain.



## The Community *(continued...)*

For art enthusiasts, The Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art is the oldest continuously-operating public art museum in the U.S. Composed of five connected buildings the museum's collection holds approximately 50,000 works of art that span 5,000 years.

For a fun family day, head to Bushnell Park. The 50-acre Bushnell Park is the oldest publicly funded park in the U.S. The park offers views of the Connecticut Capitol's gold-leaf dome, rides on a vintage 1914 carousel, and tree-lined walking paths. Food trucks and some of the city's most popular restaurants (Vito's, Salute, Black Eyed Sally's) line its periphery.

Speaking of restaurants, Hartford boasts a dining scene combining its historical New England traditions with its contemporary, innovative spirit. Hartford's locally owned restaurants offer a wide range of cuisines, ensuring there's something for every palette.

### Fun Facts:

- Charles Bulfinch (1763-1844), the first nationally recognized American architect, completed his first public building, the Old State House in 1796. The Old State House is the oldest state house in America.
- Hartford was the first city in the United States to erect a building designed for use as a YWCA-1867.
- The Bulkeley Bridge is the largest stone arch bridge in the world.
- Hartford Public High School is the second oldest secondary school still in operation in the U.S.
- The Hartford Courant is the oldest continually published newspaper in America. First issue of "The Connecticut Courant" was issued October 29, 1764.
- The first author to submit a typewritten manuscript to a publisher was Hartford resident "Mark Twain".





## The Position

As a member of the Connecticut Airport Authority (CAA) senior management team, this position works under the direction of the Executive Director, and through subordinate personnel, leads, organizes and directs the day to day activities of all maintenance, operations, planning, engineering, environmental and public safety functions at Bradley International Airport and the five general aviation airports. The incumbent will also work on an interdepartmental basis with other Deputy Executive Directors and staff to assist in the achievement of established organizational strategic goals and objectives.

### The Deputy Executive Director – Operations will:

- Provide leadership, direction and expertise in all areas of responsibility.
- Oversee the development of departmental short- and long-term plans and strategies, consistent with those set by the organization in the strategic plan and other CAA initiatives.
- Assume responsibility for the safe and secure operation and maintenance of all runways, taxiways, grounds and buildings.
- Direct the prioritization and execution of all maintenance, facility development and planning projects.
- Ensure compliance with FAA and TSA regulations, legislative requirements and complementary airport rules, policies and procedures.
- Assume responsibility for airport operational, safety and emergency operations plans to include the Airport Certification Manual (ACM), Airport Emergency Plan, Airport Security Manual (ACM), the Airport Diversion Plan, and the Wildlife Hazard Management Plan and programs.

For a full job description, [click here](#).

## Position Preferences

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in Aviation, Business, Transportation, Public Administration, Engineering or related field is preferred.
- Certification as an Accredited Airport Executive by the American Association of Airport Executives is preferred.
- Seven (7) to ten (10) years of professional experience in an airport managerial position with responsibility for operational and engineering activities and formulation of policies regarding operations and/or administration of an established, FAR Part 139 Certified civil airport accepting regularly scheduled commercial flights.
- It is also preferred that seven (7) years of this experience has been in a managerial capacity responsible for overseeing engineering and/or construction planning and project management activities.
- Experience with airport/aviation-related engineering and/or construction initiatives and projects.





## Salary & Compensation

The starting salary range for this position is \$155,751 - \$194,689, with an attractive benefits package.

## How to Apply:

**A.** Please submit, **in PDF format**, both a cover letter and résumé. One file is appreciated. *Please do not send your cover letter in the body of an email.* Send your

**PDF files** to ADK Executive Search at:  
**[BDL@adkexecutivesearch.com](mailto:BDL@adkexecutivesearch.com)**

**B.** Please complete the ADK employment application form at:  
**[ADK Application Form](#)**  
*(this is a secure link)*

**Filing Deadline: Open Until Filled**

We will consider only complete electronic submissions.

Email questions to: **[BDL@adkexecutivesearch.com](mailto:BDL@adkexecutivesearch.com)**

