

The Roanoke Regional Airport Commission Announces New Director of Planning & Engineering



Richard Osborne, CM

ROANOKE, VA – The Roanoke Regional Airport Commission has named Richard Osborne, C.M. as Director of Planning & Engineering for the Roanoke-Blacksburg Regional Airport (ROA). Mr. Osborne will be responsible for organizing, planning, leading and managing the Department of Planning and Engineering as well as the Airport Operations team. He will begin his new position February 3.

Mr. Osborne brings more than 26 years of airport leadership experience to the position, most recently as the Director of Aviation Planning with Parrish and Partners, LLC, a full-service transportation consulting firm. Previously, he was the Airport Manager for the Greater Lafourche Port Commission, Airport Planning Manager of Operations for the Michael Baker Corporation, Airport Director for the City of Winter Haven and the Properties Coordinator for the Greater Orlando Aviation Authority.

“I am very excited to begin the role of Director of Planning and Engineering at ROA and to work with the airport commission, staff, stakeholders and community,” Mr. Osborne said. “I look forward to opportunities that will continue to make ROA a regional catalyst for air service, cargo and economic growth. With several projects in process and slated for this year, I’m excited at the opportunity to help position ROA for success into the future.”

Roanoke-Blacksburg Regional Airport Executive Director, Tim Bradshaw, A.A.E., stated, “We are very happy to have someone with Richard’s background and experience join the team as we continue to work to be the airport of choice for Southwestern Virginia. With several key projects either in process or set to begin in 2020, we are fortunate to have Richard and his team manage them.”

Mr. Osborne holds a bachelor’s degree in Professional Aeronautics from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University and is a Certified Member (C.M.) of the American Association of Airport Executives. He is also a private pilot.

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