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Jeffrey Bourk Selected to Lead Wilmington International Airport (ILM) to New Heights

WILMINGTON, NC – The New Hanover County Airport Authority Board has named Jeffrey Bourk as ILM's new Airport Director. Mr. Bourk will begin in this new role on January 3, 2022.

"The Airport Authority members all feel that Mr. Bourk's strategic approach, new synergy, and career aviation knowledge will help ILM grow to heightened levels of excellence and we look forward to working with him," said Airport Authority Chairman Donna Girardot.



Jeffrey Bourk, A.A.E.

Mr. Bourk has served as the Executive Director of Branson Airport in Hollister, MO for 14 years where he successfully contributed to one of the industry's

largest public private partnerships constructing a green field airport that created millions of dollars of economic benefit to the Branson Tri-Lakes region since opening in 2009.

Prior to his role at Branson Airport, he was Assistant Airport Manager for Portland International Jetport for six years where he managed all airport facility operations and was vital in attracting and growing new air service. He has also worked in operations management roles for the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey at Teterboro Airport, one of the largest General Aviation Airports in the U.S. Early in his career he held a leadership role in operations at White Plains Airport.

Mr. Bourk has a Master of Business Administration with a concentration in Aviation Management from Daniel Webster College, graduating from the top of his class, a Bachelor of Science from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and is an Accredited Airport Executive. He was a certified aircraft rescue firefighter, has his FAA private pilot certificate, and is involved in numerous airport and pilot trade associations.

"I am excited for this new opportunity to move my family to Wilmington, to get to know the community and serve in this role as Airport Director with the great team ILM has in place," said Mr. Bourk. "The airport is experiencing a lot of exciting new changes, with the terminal expansion, increased activity in the business park, and the addition of several new, non-stop flights. I look forward to creating and implementing strategic air service development and business park plans, ensuring ILM contributes the maximum economic impact to the region, bringing in additional flights, and ensuring our business operations align with sustainable growth to provide high-quality service for residents and visitors."

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