

ANNOUNCEMENT

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The Moore County Airport Authority Appoints Rick Cloutier, C.M., Airport Director

COLUMBUS, OH – The Moore County Airport Authority has named Rick Cloutier, C.M., Airport Director effective October 1. In this position, he will manage all activities of Moore County Airport (SOP) and the airport’s exclusive fixed based operator. Mr. Cloutier will replace current director Ron Maness who is retiring in October.

Mr. Cloutier has had a career in airport management since 2006 in Maine, North Carolina and Idaho, where he has developed and executed operations administration plans for the facilities. He oversaw the management at the Auburn-Lewiston Municipal Airport in Maine and later moved to Concord Regional Airport, where he was instrumental in developing commercial air service. Most recently he was Airport Director at Idaho Falls Regional Airport, where he expanded commercial services and developed more than \$150 million in airport grants for the facility.



Rick Cloutier, C.M.

“Rick is a superb choice to lead the Moore County Airport into the future,” said Mike Jones, chairman for the Moore County Airport Authority. “His industry knowledge and experience are well-suited to our vision and mission to be one of the best airports in the country. We have great confidence in his performance and high expectations for his future.”

“I am excited to have the opportunity to return to North Carolina and to have the opportunity to serve as director for the Moore County Airport,” said Mr. Cloutier. “The growth the airport has experienced in the past few years, coupled with the fact that the Pinehurst has always been one of the elite golf destinations in the world, opens many opportunities for success for this airport and the community.”

Mr. Cloutier received his bachelor’s degree in Public Administration from the University of Maine. He is a Certified Member (C.M.) of the American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE) and served for two decades in the U.S. Marines Corps worldwide as an aircraft mechanic.

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