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### WINCHESTER REGIONAL AIRPORT SELECTED FOR NASA/NREL STUDY

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Winchester, VA – June 28, 2024 — The Winchester Regional Airport (OKV) was selected as the sole general aviation airport nationwide to participate in a study, “Airports as Energy Nodes,” or ÆNode for short. ÆNode is an activity within NASA’s Aeronautics Research Mission Directorate in collaboration with the U.S. Department of Energy’s National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL). The study seeks to learn whether airports can provide the energy required to support future aviation operations in a scalable, affordable and sustainable way that provides value to aviation and community stakeholders.

Key airport partners that will support the study include Rappahannock Electric Cooperative, Delta Airport Consultants, Frederick County Planning Department, and Virginia Department of Aviation. (continued Page 2)

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operation and ...

“We have been proactive about preparing for the future of aviation,” states Airport Authority Chairman Bill Pifer. “Our selection by NASA and NREL validates the hard work our team has done to position the region for advanced air mobility concepts like those explored in this study.”

That hard work includes the construction of a replacement terminal building, nicknamed the “Airport Terminal of the Future,” and associated apron project. Both are set to become operational this fall. The terminal prepares the airport for advanced air mobility with fiber-optic data connectivity, 3-phase electricity, onsite backup power generation and passenger amenities to support air taxi services. The innovative parking apron was designed to accommodate a wide spectrum of aircraft simultaneously, including concrete hardstands to support large jets, and infrastructure for future aircraft that use electricity- or hydrogen-based propulsion systems.

“The Winchester Regional Airport is an ideal fit for our study,” says NASA Advanced Concepts Group Lead Nick Borer, PhD. “In addition to their forward-looking approach to operations, OKV is representative of many general aviation airports across the nation that can leverage its robust infrastructure for significant economic and societal benefit.”

The ÆNode study is funded for 24 months, and a final publicly available report is expected by early 2026.

“We are thrilled to work alongside the global thought leaders in aerospace and energy to realize the full promise of advanced air mobility for our region.” said Winchester Regional Airport Executive Director Nick Sabo.

"Rappahannock Electric Cooperative prides itself on working with members to find solutions that power a brighter future," said Peter Muhoro, Chief Strategy, Technology and Innovation Officer. "We are excited to serve as a partner in this pioneering project."

## [XNA modernization project continues next phase of construction - KUAF](#)

KUAF

... **manager**. "That's been the best month in the history of the **airport**, and we are pretty confident that June is going to break that record." She said ...

## [Naples Airport through the years](#)

Naples Daily News

Nathan Greve, assistant **manager** at Naples **Airport**, shows off the 732 acres that includes the control tower, fuel tanks, park area and the rescue ...

## [GSP Airport upgrades include boarding bridges parking and possible hotel - Greenville Online](#)

Greenville Online

Why is GSP **Airport** growing? According to Tiffany Cherry, communications **manager** at GSP **Airport**, in May 2024, the Upstate-based **airport** experienced ...

## [Nashville International Airport introduce The Sunflower Program](#)

International Airport Review

... nashville **airport** sunflower. Nashville International ... **Manager** Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International **Airport**. Balram ...

## [Some suggest room for change in Augusta Regional Airport's relationship with city](#)

The Augusta Press

Three commissioners and Johnson – several of the others were said to be on vacation – spoke with **airport** board members and **Executive Director** ...

## [Should Newport News Williamsburg airport cut passenger service? What mayors are saying ...](#)

WAVY.com

... manager of Norfolk Airport, and then [Newport News Williamsburg **Airport**] **manager** was not there, it says a lot in terms of Norfolk's growth and ...

## [RIC earns national human resources award - The Henrico Citizen](#)

The Henrico Citizen

... **manager**. (Courtesy RIC) Richmond International **Airport** recently earned the "Change **Management** Program Award" in the **Airports** Council International ...

## [Metropolitan Nashville Airport Authority Welcomes New Leaders and Celebrates Key Promotion](#)

Nashville International Airport

... Director. He now takes on the expanded role of Assistant Vice President and John C. Tune **Airport Manager**. In this capacity, he is responsible for ...

## [Economy parking lot opens at Jacksonville International Airport: Where can you park now?](#)

The Florida Times-Union

Economy Lot 3 added "several hundred new spaces" this year, said Greg Willis, marketing and public relations **manager** for Jacksonville Aviation ...

[Homeless forbidden from sleeping at this North Carolina airport | FOX8 WGHP](#)

FOX8 WGHP

**Airport** officials said the policy applies to all **airport** property both inside and outside. ... **manager** of the Merom Golan kibbutz, center, rides ...

[Fort Lauderdale approves plan to reduce lead emissions at Executive Airport - Sun Sentinel](#)

Sun Sentinel

On June 25, residents of The Lofts of Palm Aire received a letter from **Executive Airport** Director Rufus James, informing them that the same consultant ...

[Air travel is getting worse. That's what passengers are telling the US government - WRBL](#)

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[Charleston Airport Calls on Fort Worth-Based Paslay Group for Expansion Project](#)

Fort Worth Inc.

Phase 1 of the Charleston International **Airport** expansion project. Paslay Group this week announced its latest Executive Program **Management** engagement ...

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## [Upgrades coming to Hattiesburg-Laurel Regional Airport - MSN](#)

MSN

The **airport** offers daily flights to Houston through United Airlines. Since the pandemic, **management** said they've noticed more people using the **airport** ...

## [Eastman, Tri-Cities Airport Authority team up for recycling initiative - Kingsport Times-News](#)

Kingsport Times-News

Eastman and the Tri-Cities **Airport** Authority added new recycling bins at the **airport** ... Moment with a **Manager** · Money · My First Job · Real Estate ...

## [Jackson County unveils expansion of Trent Lott Airport | Regional Gateway](#)

Regional Gateway

Describing the **airport** as a tremendous asset, George Freeland, **Executive Director** of the Jackson County Economic Development Foundation, added ...

## [Boca Raton Airport Breaks Ground on New Observation Area - State Aviation Journal](#)

State Aviation Journal

Pictured above from left are BRAA staff; Christine Landers (Office **Manager**) Robert Abbott (Finance **Director**) Richard Gurzo (Accounting ...

## [Miami International Airport plans \\$400mn cargo facility - The STAT Trade Times](#)

The STAT Trade Times

... **Aviation Department** over the 40 years of the agreement, the release added. Ralph Cutié, **Director** and **CEO**, MIA says: "The VICC is one of the many ...

## [Atlanta still has world's busiest airport, Hartsfield-Jackson announces](#)

WSB-TV

According to **airport** officials, the **Airports** Council International ... **Manager** of ATL said in a statement. "This remarkable feat underscores ...

## [Peninsula Airport Commission says cost cutting could help avoid deficit this year - The Virginian-Pilot](#)

The Virginian-Pilot

The **Airport** Commission is accepting applications through Aug. 11 for executive **director**. Thursday marked the first commission meeting after the public ...

## [Collier County's new airport manager runs 3 airports, shares ideas - Naples Daily News](#)

Naples Daily News

Bryant Garrett, who turns 65 in August, said he always wanted to work in aviation. He is **manager** of Collier County's 3 public **airports**.

## [Should Norfolk and Newport News airports be managed together? Former transportation ...](#)

WAVY.com

The Peninsula **Airport** Commission is now once again looking for a new **executive director**. Layne, who as transportation secretary became very familiar ...

## [Memphis International Airport modernization renderings released |](#)

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The project won't be fully finished until the year 2030, and the budget of \$650 million is only an early estimate. The **airport** said on Thursday it's ...

## [Yeager Airport hosts media day to lay out plans for construction of new terminal building ...](#)

WCHS Network

... airport as well as to build a new snow removal equipment facility. Yeager **Airport Director** and CEO Dominique Ranieri told the media that it's an ...

## **Congratulations to SEC-AAAE Member Robert Bowen, AAE, former Executive Director of Norfolk International Airport**

Virginia Governor Glenn Youngkin has appointed Robert Bowen, AAE, to the Virginia Aviation Board for the term July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2028. Mr. Bowen's oath was administered by the Secretary of the Commonwealth on July 25, 2024.

The eight-member Virginia Aviation Board is authorized to promulgate regulations relating to airports, landing fields and other aviation facilities, aircraft, construction and inspection of airports, licensing of airmen, obstructions to navigable airspace, and such other matters as necessary to promote safe aviation practices and operations. The Board is responsible for the allocation of all state funds to localities, airport boards, commissions, and authorities.

Also, during the 2022 Session of the Virginia General Assembly, the House of Delegates and Senate passed Resolution No. 416 commending Mr. Bowen's retirement. The Resolution, which was received in February 2024, states in part:

*Whereas*, Robert Bowen's tireless efforts and steadfast dedication over the past four decades have made a profound and lasting impact on the Norfolk Airport Authority and the Norfolk International Airport, as well as the community it serves, now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the House of Delegates*, the Senate concurring, that the General Assembly hereby commends Robert S. Bowen, Executive Director of the Norfolk Airport Authority, on the occasion of his retirement; and, be it

*Further Resolved*, that the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Robert S. Bowen as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his contributions to the Commonwealth and its best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement.

Delegate (now Senator) Angelia Williams Graves was the patron of this Resolution.

## Teen girl stabbed while living at Miami International **Airport**. Advocates seek solutions

Hastings Tribune

Ralph Cutie, **director** and **chief executive** officer of the Miami-Dade **Aviation Department**, which oversees MIA, said anywhere from nine to 25 ...

## Largely forgotten: West Volusia's **airport** formed by women for women

The West Volusia Beacon

“The location behind us was an eight-runway **airport** owned and controlled by women,” City **Manager** Dale Arrington said. “The determination and the ...

## Two new restaurants open in Shreveport Regional **Airport**. Here's what we know

Shreveport Times

... **Airport** Authority Marketing and Public Relations **Manager**. Tacomania is now at the Shreveport Regional **Airport**, July 28, 2024. Tacomania is a ...

## Can The St. Augustine **Airport** Authority find a way through challenges? - Jacksonville ...

The Business Journals

The board chose to not renew the contract of then-**Executive Director** Ed Wuellner last year, and the two following **executive directors** both resigned ...

## 17 Mississippi **airports** getting additional \$5.3 million in federal funding

SuperTalk Mississippi

Golden Triangle **Regional Airport** (\$1,621,119) – To reseal 11,718 square yards of the existing north general aviation apron pavement, construct new ...

## New NCWV **Airport** terminal set for completion next year - WAJR

WAJR

Construction of the new \$25 million terminal building at the North Central West Virginia **Airport** (CKB) is on budget and on time, according to **Director** ...

## Lexington **airport** officials celebrate passenger numbers and cope with **flight** delay issues

WEKU

Blue Grass **Airport Executive Director** Eric Frankl said 2024 will likely go down in the books as the Lexington **aviation** center's busiest year on ...

## **Memphis airport** renovation aims to upgrade travelers' experience. Here's what to expect.

The Commercial Appeal

From traffic changes to new check-in areas, here's a look at what is included in **Memphis International Airport's** \$650 million modernization ...

## FAY gains additional flight; Offers 22 flights daily | BizFayetteville

Greater Fayetteville Business Journal

“We are excited to announce another step forward for the Fayetteville Regional Airport,” said Interim **Airport Director** Deontae Watson in a press ...

## Virginia Aviation Award Winners Announced - The Roanoke Star News

The Roanoke Star News

In addition to these honors, a “**Director's** Award” is presented by the **head** of the DOAV, Greg Campbell. The DOAV is proud to announce 2024's recipients ...

## How the New PIT Terminal Will Reduce Stress, Improve Travel Experience | Aviation Pros

Aviation Pros

... **manager** on the project and one of its lead designers. As ... **airport** operations, FBOs, **airport** based businesses, their people and suppliers.

## XNA to add 'Escape Lounge' this winter - KHBS

KHBS

XNA public affairs **manager** Olivia Tyler said. "And for many, going through the **airport** is the first time they experience Northwest Arkansas. So ...

## Collier, Naples officials talk Naples Airport study, possible move

Naples Daily News

It has been a topic of conversation for years among city council members. Naples **Airport** Authority **Executive Director** Chris Rozansky said the ...

## Atlanta airport worker once fired for speaking out says city wastes money on dormant equipment

FOX 5 Atlanta

The Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International **Airport** interim general **manager** said she will look into allegations that two multi-million dollar ...

## Virginia Tech Montgomery Executive Airport receives grant for future improvements

WSLS 10

... **aviation** fuels,” said Keith Holt, **executive director** of the **airport**. “So, this is **aviation** users of which that the tax on their fuel that they ...

## New Orleans International Airport's Kevin Dolliole Named Airport Director of the Year by ...

Biz New Orleans

NEW ORLEANS (press release) —The Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport (MSY) announced today that **Director of Aviation** Kevin Dolliole ...

## Local airport official garners statewide aviation accolade - Gazette Leader

Gazette Leader

Also honored at the ceremony was Nicholas Sabo, executive director at Winchester Regional Airport, who was named **Airport Manager** of the Year.

## Daytona Beach International Airport named top commercial service airport in state by FDOT

Observer Local News

... **director of Aviation** and Economic Resources. The award is selective to airports that have proven exceptional aviation safety, completed aesthetic ...



## [Chattanooga Airport officials eye a possible international future](#)

Chattanooga Times Free Press

Andrew Swain, general **manager** at the Wilson Air Center that provides service for private aircraft at the **airport**, said at the meeting that it sees ...

## [Upshur County \(West Virginia\) Regional Airport takes back off after pandemic lull - WV News](#)

WV News

**Airport Authority Director** Jenny Powers has been on the job for a little over two years. She first started at the general aviation **airport** overseeing ...

## [Expanded Chili's opens at Jacksonville International Airport | Jax Daily Record](#)

Jax Daily Record

With a 50% expansion, we expect sales to grow significantly," JAA Properties **Manager** Jeff Taylor told the authority board on July 27. He noted the ...

## [CLT chooses Crosland Southeast to develop site at airport's front door - Charlotte Business Journal](#)

The Business Journals

Stuart Hair, CLT's **director** of commercial and community engagement ... Where CLT now ranks among busiest **airports**. Where CLT now ranks among ...

## [South Carolina airport has among fewest flight delays in US - The State](#)

The State

Tiffany Cherry, communications **manager** for the Greenville-Spartanburg **Airport** District, said **airports** themselves don't have a lot of oversight over ...

## [XNA to add 'Escape Lounge' this winter](#)

MSN

A place for travelers to dine and relax, away from the hustle and bustle of the **airport** terminal. ... " XNA public affairs **manager** Olivia Tyler said.

## [Traffic, TSA changes coming to Charleston's airport as new parking deck project gets underway](#)

Post and Courier

**Charleston** International **Airport** is undergoing a \$1 billion expansion plan. It kicks off with construction of a new parking garage, ...

## [Fredrick J. Piccolo Receives 2024 Florida Airports Council Aviation Leadership Award](#)

SRQ Magazine

The Florida **Airports** Council (FAC) presented Fredrick J. Piccolo, A.A.E., **President, Chief Executive Officer** of the Sarasota Manatee **Airport** ...

## [Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport to receive new 100000 sq. MRO - WMBB](#)

WMBB

BAY COUNTY, Fla. (WMBB) – The Northwest Florida Beaches **International Airport** will house a 100000-square-foot MRO facility.

## **In Memory of Bob Poole Roanoke Regional Airport**

December 7, 1929 - July 6, 2024

Robert "Bob" Clancy Poole, 94, passed away peacefully on Saturday, July 6, 2024.

He was born on December 7, 1929, in Roanoke, Va., the son of the late Terence C. Poole and Claudine Robertson Poole. He was also predeceased by his wife, Katherine Minahan Poole.

Bob was a life-long member of St. Andrew's Catholic Church and a graduate of Roanoke Catholic School, Class of 1948. He served in the United States Navy during the Korean War aboard the U.S.S. Corson. Upon honorable discharge from the Navy, he joined the Roanoke City Fire Department and later became manager of the Roanoke Regional Airport until his retirement in 1991.



Robert C. "Bob" Poole



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