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### **Fairbanks International Airport Manager Jeff Roach Earns Airport Accreditation**

(FAIRBANKS, Alaska) – Fairbanks International Airport Manager, Jeff Roach, A.A.E., has been awarded the distinction of Accredited Airport Executive (A.A.E.) by the American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE).

“I offer my congratulations to Jeff on this significant accomplishment, said DOT&PF Deputy Commissioner of Aviation John Binder. “The A.A.E. certification puts a stamp of approval on the airport and aviation knowledge and experience he demonstrates every day at Fairbanks International Airport.”

To qualify for his distinction, Roach had to successfully complete three phases of the accreditation process: (1) pass a 180-item multiple-choice examination, (2) fulfill a writing requirement, and (3) demonstrate, in the final interview by a panel of A.A.E.s, his knowledge of airport management, business administration, and general transportation economics. Roach’s achievement attests to his ability to meet these stringent requirements and his experience in managing a public airport.

By fulfilling all the requirements leading to the title of Accredited Airport Executive, Roach joins a select group of individuals who have earned the designation in the six plus decades of the accreditation program’s existence. At present, fewer than 10 percent of AAAE’s members throughout the country are active accredited airport executives.

Roach was appointed Airport Manager Nov. 12, 2015 and has more than 30 years of aviation experience in Alaska. He is an active member of the Fairbanks community, serving on a variety of volunteer boards and committees.

The Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities oversees 242 airports, 10 ferries serving 35 communities, over 5,600 miles of highway and 731 public facilities throughout the state of Alaska. The mission of the department is to "**Keep Alaska Moving** through service and infrastructure."

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