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# **Interim state aviation director named**

Kansas Transportation Secretary Mike King has named Dennis O'Connor the state's interim director of aviation.

O'Connor, who has been at the Kansas Department of Transportation since July 2014, has been serving as the agency's manager of federal and state affairs. In 1986, he earned his first pilot's license; since 1998 he has served in a variety of capacities at airports and aviation agencies in Tennessee, New Jersey, California and New York. He is an instrument-rated commercial pilot and flight instructor and has a communications degree from State University of New York at Geneseo.

Tiffany Brown, whose last day as the director of aviation is today, has taken a position with the Federal Aviation Administration in Denver. A search for a permanent director is underway.

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