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KDOT announces Aviation Day at the Capitol

TOPEKA – Aviation stakeholders from across Kansas will assemble to discuss jobs, infrastructure and emerging technologies as part of Aviation Day at the Capitol from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 15. The event is sponsored by the Kansas Department of Transportation and the Kansas Commission on Aerospace Education.

Numerous organizations will be participating and have booths on the first floor of the rotunda with information and demonstrations for visitors. The event helps increase awareness of aviation industry opportunities across the state.

Presentations will begin at 10 a.m. and will also take place on the first floor. Keynote speakers include Joe Miniace, Federal Aviation Administration Central Region Administrator, and Pierre Harter, Associate Vice President for Industry and Defense Programs, Research Operations at Wichita State University. Harter also serves as Director of Research and Development at the National Institute for Aviation Research at the university.

Aviation Day sponsors and exhibitors include:

- 1 Vision Aviation PLLC
- AOPA (Aircraft Owners and Pilots Associations)
- Aviation Explorers Post 8
- Alfred Benesch & Company
- Bombardier
- Burns & McDonnell
- Butler National Corporation
- Commemorative Air Force – Heart of America Wing
- Civil Air Patrol
- Combat Air Museum
- Federal Aviation Administration – Wichita Flight Standards District Office
- Garmin International
- Garver
- KAA (Kansas Association of Airports)
- KAAA (Kansas Agricultural Aviation Association)
- Kansas Aviation Museum

- Kansas Department of Transportation
- Kansas State University – Salina Aerospace and Technology Campus
- Lee Aerospace Inc.
- NIAR – Wichita State University National Institute for Aviation Research
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- WSU Tech

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