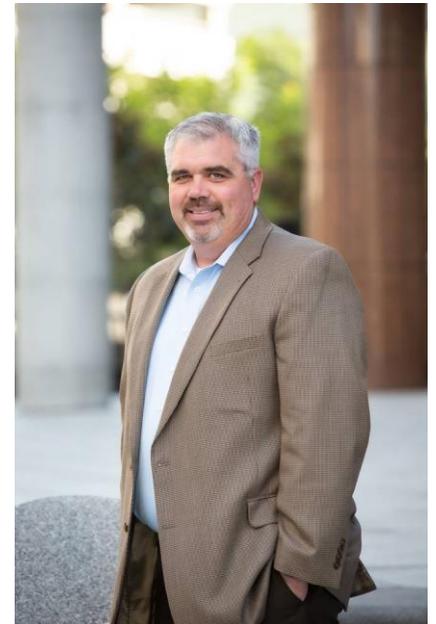




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Denver International Airport Announces James Starling as Chief Construction and Infrastructure Officer/Executive Vice President

DENVER – Sept. 23, 2021 – Denver International Airport (DEN) announced that James Starling, PE has been appointed by DEN CEO Phillip Washington to serve as the new Chief Construction and Infrastructure Officer/Executive Vice President for DEN. In this position, Starling will oversee planning, design and construction at the airport.



“Jim comes to DEN to lead our efforts in completing airport improvements needed to keep pace with passenger traffic growth. His experience will be invaluable in completing the Great Hall Project, the Gate Expansion Program, improvements to Peña Boulevard, among many other projects as part of our Vision 100 plan to prepare DEN for 100 million annual passengers in approximately 10 years,” explained DEN CEO Phillip Washington. “His resume, combined with his intimate knowledge of the area strongly suits him for the task at hand.”

For over 25 years, Starling has managed large and complex transportation projects in planning, design, construction and commissioning. He has extensive experience managing alternative delivery method contracts, including CM/GC (construction manager/general contractor) and Design Build. He currently is serving as Construction Program Manager on the Mid-Coast Corridor program in San Diego. In this role, he is part of the executive team focused on construction management. This 11-mile, \$2.2 billion LRT program will open in November, on time and within budget.

Prior to working in San Diego, Jim worked for Denver’s Regional Transportation District (RTD) and played a key role in expanding Denver’s rail network. He served as Corridor Manager for the West Rail Line – part of the \$6.9 billion FasTracks program – and managed consultant and contractor teams over the course of the planning, design and implementation phases. This light rail transit project was completed eight months ahead of schedule and under budget. Starling also served as the Engineering Manager on the Transportation Expansion Project (TREX) and Project Manager on the Central Platte Valley Spur and Southwest Corridor projects.

Starling grew up in Colorado and graduated from Colorado State University with a degree in Civil Engineering. He is a registered Professional Engineer (PE) in the State of Colorado. He is active in many professional organizations, is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers’ Construction Institute Board of Governors and will become the institute’s president in October. He also has served on the WTS (Women in Transportation Seminar) San Diego chapter board (Transportation YOU committee) for the past four years.

Starling will begin his position at DEN in late November.

Denver International Airport is the third-busiest airport in the United States and one of the top ten busiest airports in the world. DEN is the primary economic engine for the state of Colorado, generating more than \$33 billion for the region annually. For more information visit www.FlyDenver.com, check us out on [YouTube](#) and [Instagram](#), like us on [Facebook](#) and follow us on [Twitter](#).
