



Federal Aviation
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Catherine (Kate) Lang

Deputy Associate Administrator for Airports



Catherine (Kate) M. Lang has served as the Deputy Associate Administrator for Airports since August 2003 after serving as the Director of FAA's Office of Airport Planning and Programming for almost 4 years and the Deputy Director for 2 years.

The mission of the Airports organization is to provide leadership in planning and developing a safe and efficient national airport system. The office has responsibility for all programs related to airport safety and inspections, and standards for airport design, construction and operation (including international harmonization of airport standards). Each year, the office awards \$3.5 billion in airport grants and approves passenger facility charge collections totaling \$2 billion. The office also is responsible for national airport planning, as well as environmental and social requirements. The office establishes policies related to airport rates and charges, compliance with grant assurances and airport privatization.

Prior to joining the Airports organization, Ms. Lang served for 3 years as Chief of Staff to FAA Deputy Administrator Linda Daschle. Her first position in the agency, which she joined in 1992, was as Assistant Manager for the Policy and Systems Analysis Division of the Office of Aviation Policy and Plans.

Before coming to the agency, Ms. Lang worked for the city of Chicago as Assistant Commissioner of the Department of Aviation. Ms. Lang received a B.A. from Briar Cliff College and a M.P.S. from Loyola University of Chicago. She serves on the TRB's Airport Cooperative Research Program Oversight Committee and is FAA's Liaison to the Aero Club of Washington.