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As Mid-Atlantic Aviation Director for VHB, Laurie is responsible for establishing the direction, marketing, and business development for aviation clients in the Mid-Atlantic area of the US. Laurie's technical expertise includes airport and environmental planning projects, capital planning and programming efforts, airport operations and management, and national aviation research initiatives.

Prior to joining VHB, Laurie served as Northeast Aviation Regional Manager for Atkins, where she was responsible for establishing the direction, marketing, and business development for aviation clients in the Northeast US. Prior to Atkins, Laurie served as Vice President of HNTB where she oversaw the engineers performing design and construction oversight

activities for aviation clients in the Northeast, directed all aviation marketing as Northeast Division Aviation Market Sector Leader, lead the aviation practice for the east coast as East Region Director and was the Principal Investigator for two Airport Cooperative Research Program (ACRP) projects, which included writing ACRP Report 49, [Collaborative Airport Capital Planning Handbook](#).

Laurie served as the executive vice president at Rhode Island Airport Corporation prior to joining HNTB. She was responsible for operating and maintaining T.F. Green Airport, a medium-hub airport that saw 4.5 million annual passengers, and five general aviation airports. She managed more than 190 staff members and a \$45 million operating budget. At RIAC, Laurie was also responsible for all environmental, planning, design, and construction activities for the six-airport system including a \$80 million terminal expansion and in-line EDS BHS program, negotiations for a new CONRAC and an EIS for a runway extension and major expansion program at T.F. Green Airport.

Prior to RIAC, Laurie spent 15 years at the Massachusetts Port Authority as the Airside Program Manager responsible for managing the multi-million dollar capital programs at Boston-Logan International Airport, L.G. Hanscom Field and Worcester Regional Airport for ten years. In addition to capital program management, Laurie managed the environmental permitting for major transportation and worked with environmental agencies on mitigation programs for those projects at Massport projects for five years.

Laurie has a Bachelor of Arts degree in environmental science from the University of Rochester and a Master's of Public Administration from the University of Rhode Island. Laurie serves in leadership roles on several aviation industry committees including Steering Group Member of the ACI-NA Environmental Affairs Committee and Committee Research Coordinator for the Transportation Research Board Committee on Intergovernmental Relations in Aviation (AV010), as well as a member of the American Association of Airport Executives. Laurie is an Accredited Airport Executive from the American Association of Airport Executives. In her spare time, Laurie enjoys golf and cake decorating. Laurie resides in Lincoln, RI with her husband, Kevin, and her three children, Lindsay, Meghan and Timothy.

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