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SGF Director of Aviation Retiring

Gary A. Cyr, Sr., A.A.E., director of aviation for Springfield-Branson National Airport (SGF), is retiring, effective April 1, 2011.

Cyr has been with SGF since 1995 and in his current position since December 2004. Prior to serving as director of aviation, he served as SGF's assistant director for nearly nine years. Previous to his tenure with SGF, Cyr managed the Gunnison County Airport in Gunnison, Colorado.

From SGF Cyr moves to Greeley-Weld County Airport Authority, in Greeley, Colorado, where he'll serve as airport manager.

"I was not planning to leave Springfield for another five or six years," says Cyr. "But when this opportunity came up, my family and I could not pass it up. We've always planned to move back to Colorado, our first home."

During his tenure at SGF Cyr directed the largest capital improvement program in the airport's history, culminating with completion of the midfield terminal in 2009. Other projects included a new fire station, fuel farm, taxiway, and rental car facility.

On March 24, SGF's current assistant director, Shawn Schroeder, will become interim director of aviation. The search for a new director of aviation is expected to begin this spring.

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