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Bradley International Airport named “Top 10 Best Airport in U.S.” by Condé Nast Traveler for eighth consecutive year

Windsor Locks, CONN – October 1, 2024 – The Connecticut Airport Authority (CAA) is pleased to announce that Bradley International Airport (BDL) has received the Condé Nast Traveler’s 2024 Readers’ Choice Award – naming BDL as a “Top 10 Best Airport in the U.S.” This is the eighth consecutive year that BDL has received this recognition.

The Readers' Choice Awards are regarded as the travel industry's longest-running and most prestigious accolades – remaining the ultimate symbol and acknowledgment of excellence within the travel sector. BDL ranks number eight this year. The full list of winners can be found [HERE](#).

“Bradley International Airport takes tremendous pride in the convenience we offer our travelers, which includes a growing list of airlines, nonstop destinations, and significant additions and upgrades to dining, shopping, and services that benefit our travelers,” said Kevin A. Dillon, A.A.E., Executive Director of the Connecticut Airport Authority. “This award from Condé Nast Traveler affirms the impact we are having on the millions of people who travel through Bradley International Airport every year, and we thank the entire airport community for helping to make this type of recognition possible.”

This year’s award comes as BDL grows its list of nonstop flights to more than 45 destinations on 12 different airlines. The airport has also made significant upgrades to several of its retail locations, which includes the introduction of two new concepts, Charter Oak Emporium and CT River Landing, as well as the renovation of its existing New England Travel Mart location with other upgrades on the way. The airport has also opened Beercode Kitchen & Bar, which is the first sit-down restaurant inside the gates 21-30 concourse, and has also introduced Sam Adams pre-TSA screening. BDL is also in the middle of two major construction projects that will greatly enhance the flow and functionality of the airport for arriving and departing passengers once complete in late 2025. Additionally, BDL has a new concierge service available for travelers in partnership with Travelers Aid International.

The 2024 Readers' Choice Awards are published on Condé Nast Traveler's website at www.cntraveler.com/rca and celebrated in the November issue.

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About Bradley International Airport

Bradley International Airport (BDL) is New England’s second-largest airport. Recognized nationally by leading travel publications for its ease of travel, Bradley International Airport is ready to welcome you with new nonstops and expanded services. The award-winning airport is operated by the Connecticut Airport Authority, and its operations are entirely self-funded. The airport contributes nearly \$3.6 billion to the regional economy. For more info, visit www.bradleyairport.com.

About The Connecticut Airport Authority

The CAA was established in 2011 to develop, improve, and operate Bradley International Airport and the state’s five general aviation airports (Danielson, Groton-New London, Hartford-Brainard, Waterbury-Oxford, and Windham). The CAA Board consists of 11 members with a broad spectrum of experience in aviation-related and other industries, as well as government. The goal of the CAA is to make Connecticut’s airports more attractive to new airlines, bring in new routes, and support Connecticut’s overall economic development and growth strategy. For more info, visit <https://ctairports.org/about/caa-ten-year-anniversary/>.

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The image is a blue banner with a white logo on the left and a list of airports on the right. The logo consists of the letters 'CAA' in a large, bold, sans-serif font, with a stylized white airplane icon to the right of the 'A'. Below the logo, the text 'CONNECTICUT AIRPORT AUTHORITY' is written in a smaller, all-caps, sans-serif font. To the right of the logo, a vertical white line separates it from a list of six airports, each written in all-caps, sans-serif font: BRADLEY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, DANIELSON AIRPORT, GROTON-NEW LONDON AIRPORT, HARTFORD-BRAINARD AIRPORT, WATERBURY-OXFORD AIRPORT, and WINDHAM AIRPORT. At the bottom left of the banner, the text '(860) 292-2107 | MEDIA@CTAIRPORTS.ORG' is written in a small, all-caps, sans-serif font. At the bottom right, the text 'VIEW CAA MEDIA GUIDE' is written in a small, all-caps, sans-serif font.