

**Transportation/Aviation Update**

October 31, 2025

NEXT WEEK

The House is not expected to be in session next week.

Senate

Hearing: DOT Nominations. On November 5, the Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee will hold a hearing on the nominations of these individuals to policy positions at DOT:

- Ryan McCormack to be Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy.
Mr. McCormack currently serves as DOT Deputy Chief of Staff. Previously, he served as former Rep. Duffy's Legislative Director. He has also served as chief of staff at the Export-Import Bank.
- Daniel Edwards to be Assistant Secretary of Transportation for Aviation and International Affairs.
Mr. Edwards currently serves as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs, where he oversees policies that impact the economic health and international competitiveness of the US aviation industry. Prior to joining DOT, he served as CEO of privately held businesses in aircraft maintenance, as well supply chain and distribution. He served 23 years in the USAF and USAF Reserves as both a KC-10 pilot and airfield civil engineer.

THIS WEEK

The House was not in session again this week and there were no transportation events in the Senate.

White House

Aviation Roundtable. On October 30, Vice President Vance and Transportation Secretary Duffy met with aviation unions and several airline CEOs to discuss the impact of the government shutdown. Following the meeting, several airline CEOs called on Congress to pass a clean Continuing Resolution and end the government shutdown.

Essential Air Service Funding. On October 30, DOT announced that it had secured \$111 million to keep EAS air service funded through November 18. The source of the funding has not been announced.

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