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Vancouver Airport Services Celebrates Grand Opening of Newly Expanded Terminal at Kamloops Airport

Kamloops, B.C. – (October 23, 2009) – Today, Vancouver Airport Services along with the Kamloops Airport Authority Society and federal, provincial, municipal and First Nations partners celebrated the inauguration of Kamloops Airport's expanded and renovated terminal building.

The terminal project added about one-half more space and a number of features designed to accommodate large jets and international flights. The 34,000 square foot terminal building now offers seven double-sided check-in counters, expanded pre-board screening, a larger secure waiting lounge and two baggage belts in the arrivals area.

The new Canada Border Services Agency area, built to improve service for travelers arriving on international flights, is Canada Border Services' newest facility and a new Canadian benchmark design for regional airports.

A Bread Garden restaurant complements the new facilities. Its menu offers a healthy selection of food with an international appeal that can be prepared quickly for the busy traveler.

The expanded terminal can now serve 200 travelers at any time in an open and light-filled setting. The terminal features a Kamloops sense of place: inside, a ceiling of local Pine Beetle wood and traditional Tk'emlúps Indian Band art; outside, environmentally-sensitive xeriscaping (water-conserving landscaping) and a Tk'emlúps Indian Band inspired Coyote rock cairn.

The airport's runway was extended by 2,000 feet to serve large charter jets; a taxiway loop was added, and navigational aids are being upgraded to improve year round reliability.

"We are very pleased with the exceptional work done by the entire team involved in the expansion of Kamloops Airport," says Vancouver Airport Services President George Casey. "This project would not have been possible without the vision of the Kamloops Airport Authority Society. We could not have delivered the project without the support of our numerous partners, contractors, consultants and suppliers. The airport expansion helps us to achieve our shared goal of offering more complete services to Kamloops residents and visitors. We are proud to have brought our international experience to the project, and honoured to have contributed to its success."

The 24-months of design and construction began with the runway extension in the fall of 2007 after the Kamloops Airport Authority Society engaged Vancouver Airport Services as project manager.

Although the initial scope of the project significantly increased, the overall project was delivered on time and within the approved budget. The expansion was funded by the provincial and federal governments as well as the Society's Airport Improvement Fee.

“Not only has the expansion remained on track financially, it has also been completed to the highest construction standards while keeping the airport operational and safe at all times,” adds Casey.

Kamloops contractors and suppliers provided a large portion of the design, construction and materials used for the expansion project, including terminal design by Stantec, terminal construction management by A & T Project Developments, runway construction by Dawson Construction, environmental consulting by Urban Systems, archaeological services provided by Golder and Associates with review provided by the Tk'emlúps Indian Band and landscape design by L.A. West Associates.

Vancouver Airport Services through its subsidiary Kamloops Airport Ltd. has been responsible for the management and operation of Kamloops Airport since 1997.

Vancouver Airport Services is North America's leading global airport investment, management and development company. It is jointly owned by Vancouver Airport Authority and Citi Infrastructure Investors. Vancouver Airport Services currently manages 18 airports around the world. In 2008 its network of airports reported revenues of more than \$500 million and combined passenger traffic totaling more than 29 million.

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Kamloops Airport Expansion Backgrounder

Airport Terminal

Starting Floor Area	2,212 m ² /23,810 sq ft
Expanded Floor Area	3,156 m ² /33,970 sq ft

Runway Expansion

Starting Runway	6,000 ft
Extended Runway	8,000 ft

- Since 1997, Vancouver Airport Services (YVRAS) through its subsidiary Kamloops Airport Ltd. has been responsible for the management and operation of Kamloops Airport. YVRAS was awarded the project management contract for the Airport Expansion Program in 2007
- The terminal was expanded and renovated to serve 200 travelers at any time, up from the starting capacity of 100 travelers
- Despite scope increases, the terminal project has been completed on time, within the approved budget and with consistently high quality
- Expanded check-in area with seven double sided check-in counters for 14 airline agents
- Expanded pre-board screening with two X-ray lines
- Expanded baggage handling area behind the scenes
- Expanded secure waiting lounge with washrooms, beverage and snack vending machines and improved seating, all within an open concept design
- Expanded arrivals area with two baggage conveyors and an impressive waiting area for those meeting arriving travelers
- New Canada Border Services Agency area, providing improved service for arriving international flights
- The open concept design incorporates large windows and natural light and uses local Pine Beetle wood for the ceiling. The exterior features xeriscaping (water-conserving landscaping). Tk'emlúps Indian Band inspired art is featured inside and outside the terminal
- Two new dykes were built around the airport to prevent flooding
- Runway extension and dyke works were completed on schedule in fall 2008
- Navigational aids are being installed in partnership with NavCANADA. An Instrument Landing System (ILS) and Glide Path is scheduled to be operational on December 17, 2009, improving the reliability of year-round all-weather access
- Regional contractors and suppliers provided much of the design, construction and materials:
 - Design of terminal renovations and additions: Stantec, Kamloops office
 - Construction management: Kamloops contractor A & T Project Developments Inc.
 - Landscape design: L.A. West Associates
 - Runway design and consulting services: EBA Engineering Consultants Ltd.
 - Environmental consulting: Urban Systems
 - Archaeological services: Golder and Associates with review provided by the Tk'emlúps Indian Band
 - Completion of runway extension with Kamloops sub-trades: Dawson Construction Ltd.