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Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

Funding supports Nanaimo Airport infrastructure project

NANAIMO – Nanaimo Airport will receive \$175,607 in funding from the B.C. Air Access Program this year for the North Apron Expansion Project, announced MLA for Parksville-Qualicum Michelle Stilwell on behalf of Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Todd Stone.

“The Nanaimo Airport has served our community’s needs for decades, helping hundreds of thousands of people get to where they need to go every year,” said Stilwell. “The expansion of the north apron will allow the airport to expand their services, creating opportunity for economic growth and benefits for the community.”

Through the B.C. Air Access Program, the ministry cost shares with public airports on projects such as lighting and navigational systems, terminal building expansion or upgrades, and runway improvements. These types of projects will allow airports to improve safety, accommodate larger aircraft and more frequent flights, and further support the continuing growth of local and provincial economies.

The ministry has committed \$24 million over the past three years for the B.C. Air Access Program. This year’s program is providing over \$10 million for airport infrastructure improvement projects throughout the province. The program also encourages funding partnerships with the federal government, local and regional governments and agencies, and the private sector. Last year, the program provided over \$8 million toward improvements at 23 regional airports.

The B.C. Air Access Program is part of B.C. on the Move, the Province’s 10-year transportation plan. Over the next three years the ministry and its partners are investing over \$4.6 billion in priority transportation investments as part of this plan.

Learn More:

For information on the B.C. Air Access program, go to:
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