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Funding supports Pemberton airport infrastructure project

PEMBERTON – Pemberton Regional Airport will receive \$194,755 in funding from the B.C. Air Access Program this year for apron rehabilitation and an emergency access road, announced MLA for West Vancouver-Sea to Sky Jordan Sturdy, on behalf of Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Todd Stone.

“From food to music to the mountains, the Pemberton Valley is a jewel and a Sea to Sky must-see destination,” said Sturdy. “The investments we are making at the Pemberton Regional Airport will help support tourism in the area, our local air crews, and economic activity at the airport and in 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.

“This funding will position the Pemberton Regional Airport as a valuable place to invest in while increasing the safety of our airport users and guests,” said Mayor of Pemberton Mike Richman. “We are grateful that the Province recognizes the importance of this project, and for the funding support to complete these essential works that will provide economic benefits to the community and region.”

The ministry has committed \$24 million over the past three years for the B.C. Air Access Program. This year’s program is providing \$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 \$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.

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