



Brandon Municipal Airport Benefits from Modern Maintenance Building

Completion of the Brandon Municipal Airport Maintenance Building Adds to Efficient Airport Operations

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The City of Brandon is pleased to announce the completion of the Brandon Municipal Airport Maintenance Building Replacement project. The Maintenance Building provides a much-needed space to store necessary fire rescue and maintenance equipment to ensure uninterrupted airport operations. With 20,000 annual landings and approximately 50,000 commercial passenger movements, proper maintenance and storage of the necessary equipment is essential.

The new building is 11,000 square feet with six equipment and vehicle bays, three of which are drive-through compatible. The additional storage has resulted in the space required to store necessary equipment without shifting or disrupting already-stored equipment. The location of the new maintenance building is closer to the runway, which allows for quicker response to aircraft incidents, snow-clearing operations, and efficient access to equipment previously stored in multiple buildings that may be required at a moment's notice.

The replacement of the aging maintenance building was a necessary component to providing more efficient airport operations at the Brandon Municipal Airport. The expanded airport and maintenance building serves the entire southwestern Manitoba region in its growing desire for closer and more convenient air travel options, securing the region for enhanced economic growth and elevating Brandon's capacity as a regional travel hub.

On July 14, 2017, the Government of Canada and Government of Manitoba announced that the Brandon Municipal Airport Maintenance Building was approved under the Small Communities Fund Program, with approved federal and provincial funds of \$833,333 per share for the project. The Small Communities Fund program supports priority public infrastructure projects in communities with fewer than 100,000 residents across Canada. The City of Brandon matched the contributions made by the provincial and federal governments with an \$833,333 investment that was announced in 2019 toward the total eligible project costs of \$2.5M.

"The Brandon Municipal Airport will benefit from this modern maintenance building that will house vital fire rescue and maintenance equipment essential to efficient airport operations. This strategic investment in community infrastructure will help improve airport safety and emergency readiness, keeping airport staff and travellers safe. Canada's infrastructure plan invests in thousands of projects, creates jobs across the country, and builds cleaner, more inclusive communities."

The Honourable Daniel Vandal, Minister of Northern Affairs, on behalf of the Honourable Catherine McKenna, Minister of Infrastructure and Communities

"Investing in the infrastructure and long-term growth of our airports will help secure Manitoba as a must-visit destination for generations to come. The Brandon Airport is an important asset to our Province and is a gateway for Western Manitoba, and I am confident that these upgrades will improve both efficiency and safety at the airport."

The Honourable Reg Helwer, Minister of Central Services



“We’re pleased to have been able to partner with the provincial and federal governments to see the completion of the new Brandon Municipal Airport Maintenance Building. The modern design has resulted in a more efficient environment for staff and has lowered operating costs.”

His Worship Rick Chrest, Mayor of the City of Brandon

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