



Hobart Airport welcomes Master Plan approval

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Hobart Airport has welcomed the approval of its 2015 Master Plan by Deputy Prime Minister and Commonwealth Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development, the Hon Warren Truss.

CEO Rod Parry said the 2015 Master Plan is an important document that outlines the Airport's future plans and underscores the important role this essential piece of infrastructure continues to have in supporting economic growth and social connectivity for Tasmania.

The approval of the 2015 Master Plan is an important milestone in the company's plans to continue to develop and invest in the Airport. Over the past 5 year master plan period Hobart Airport has seen an increase in passenger numbers from 1.8 million passengers in 2009 to 2.18 million in the 2015 financial year, with a forecast of 2.6 million by 2020.

The Master Plan paves the way for Hobart Airport to be able to cater for the forecast growth and continue to improve services to our customers. The document also provides a comprehensive environmental strategy, land use and traffic study.

Over the past 3 years Hobart Airport has completed over \$30million of capital works, and has recently commenced a \$25million terminal redevelopment. In 2016 construction of the \$40million runway extension project which will enable new economic opportunities for Tasmania will commence.

The development of the 2015 Master Plan involved many Stakeholders including Local and State governments, Airline and aviation partners and the wider community. We would like to thank all those who contributed for their support and time in developing this exciting future vision for Tasmania's major gateway.

The 2015 Master Plan includes the Hobart Airport runway extension. As per the Airports Act 1996, approval for this specific project will be subject to the approval of the Major Development Plan, currently undergoing a period of community consultation prior to being submitted to the Minister for their consideration in the new-year.

Hobart Airport is now finalising details of the Master Plan document with the Commonwealth Government.

The 2015 Master Plan will be available on the Hobart Airport website within 50 business days as outlined in the Airports Act 1996.

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