

New Security Lanes Open as part of the First Glimpse of the \$200 million Hobart Airport Expansion

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Hobart Airport has today revealed a first glimpse of its \$200 million terminal expansion ahead of the official opening of the first stage tomorrow – a new Security Screening Area.

The terminal expansion started in 2024, will be completed in 2027, and includes a doubling of the size to provide more space, more choice and more jobs for Tasmanians.

Hobart Airport CEO Norris Carter said the opening of the new Security Screening Area tomorrow was a major milestone for the Airport and Tasmanians.

“Our \$200 million terminal expansion will create an unmistakably Tasmanian experience for travellers when they touch-down at the state’s most popular gateway,” Mr Carter said.

“The walls are a Russet Tan inspired by the Bay of Fires, the upholstery is a forest green, and blackwood tables together with log benches crafted from recovered timber from an old 1880s bridge in the States’s South West showcase icons of our island.

“It’s really exciting to be able to give Tasmanians a first glimpse of all the work that’s been going on behind the scenes, and to unveil the new Security Screening Area too.”

Mr Carter said the new Security Screening Area would change the departures experience for every traveller when it’s officially up and running from tomorrow.

“From Monday, travellers will experience the new, simpler, security screening area, which include body scanners, CT bag x-ray and an automatic tray return system,” he said.

“The big news is that you will no longer have to unpack your laptop, devices or aerosols from your carry-on luggage, making security screening a lot simpler.

“We’ll also have three lanes instead of the current two to accommodate the record number of travellers coming through Hobart Airport.

“I think travellers are really going to love this first stage of what’s to come as part of Hobart Airport’s investment.

“We’re doubling the size of our terminal to provide more space, more choice and more jobs for Tasmanians.

“Security Screening is the first step, next we’ll be moving the car rental offices inside the terminal

to a new external office space, which will ease congestion when heading to the baggage carousel.

“We had a record-breaking year, with more than 2.8 million passengers moving through our terminal last financial year, and with growth forecast to reach 3.5 million by 2030, our expansion can’t come soon enough.”

TIPS FOR TRAVELLERS

- *Grab a tray and place your belongings inside.*
- *Laptops, devices and aerosols stay in your bag.*
- *Remove your jacket and belt and place them in the tray.*
- *Empty your pockets and check for any loose items.*
- *Boots above the ankle need to be removed and placed in the tray.*

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