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Hobart Airport awarded Level 2 Airport Carbon Accreditation

To mark Earth Day today, Hobart Airport has announced it has received Level 2 Airport Carbon Accreditation.

Hobart Airport is one of just six airports in Australia with a Level 2 accreditation from the global program that encourages and rewards airports for neutralising their carbon footprint.

In 2017, Hobart Airport was awarded Level 1 Mapping Accreditation and have now been upgraded to Level 2 Reduction Accreditation following a reduction in energy and water use, fuel consumption and waste generation.

Environment Manager Kirsten Leggett said she was thrilled to see their environmental work recognised on a global scale.

“It is a real testament to our entire organisation and the commitment of our team towards becoming a more environmentally sustainable airport,” Ms Leggett said.

“With our Carbon Management Plan now in place to guide and measure our future environmental efforts, we hope to keep up this momentum. We have our sights set on achieving a Level 3 Accreditation in the coming years.”

As part of their environmental efforts, Hobart Airport has recently introduced a three-stream waste management system in the terminal, segregating recycling, organics and general waste.

Ms Leggett said the airport has already observed outstanding rates of success in segregating waste generated within the terminal and diverting waste from landfill.

“We have also been working with our food and beverage tenants to introduce compostable packaging and coffee cups at all outlets, which is now disposed of as organic waste,” Ms Leggett said.

“Moving forward, we plan to implement more sustainable practices including arrangements to phase out plastic straws.”

Hobart Airport perform regular monitoring of air, water and soil quality as well as energy efficiency as part of their environment strategy with the aim of continually minimising the organisation’s impact on the environment.



Ms Leggett said the airport has a range of biodiversity values that are unique to our island state which require careful management including vegetation communities that are listed at both the State and Commonwealth level and a range of threatened flora and fauna species.

“To manage these values effectively we need to balance the protection of our biodiversity values with the operational aspects of wildlife management,” Ms Leggett said.

“We work with external organisations and use camera traps to better understand the range of animals that call the airport home.”

Hobart Airport has also ramped up energy saving measures as the first airport in Australia to introduce a low power High Intensity Approach Lighting (HIAL) and taxiway system, using Light-Emitting Diode (LED) lighting in their Runway Extension Project.

In addition to this, Hobart Airport have installed LED apron flood lights as part of their newly constructed wide body parking apron positions which will support Antarctic operations and international aircraft in the future.

The transition from halogen to LED lighting technology was made to improve operations and reduce the airport’s energy consumption.

Hobart Airport will release an Annual Environment Report summary by the end of this calendar year.

For more information on the environmental efforts of the airport visit <https://hobartairport.com.au/business/environment-planning/environmental-efforts/>

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