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Airport Completes Parking Expansion

December 15, 2011 Deer Lake, NL The Deer Lake Regional Airport has completed an expansion to its long term parking facility just in time for the busy holiday season.

Due to the increase in demand during the past year, the Airport Authority has added 145 spaces to the 532 parking lot which was constructed in 2007. The total number of long term parking spaces at the airport now totals 677.

Todd Lee, Chair of the Airport Authority, indicated that the demand has surpassed all expectations. "The significant expansion that occurred in 2007 was forecasted to meet our requirements for at least 10 years," said Lee. "It's only four years later and we have added 145 spaces due to the heavy usage and limited space during busy travel periods," added Lee.

Traffic at the airport is up 9% to date as compared to last year. The CEO of Deer Lake Regional Airport, Mr. Jamie Schwartz, attributed the growing demand for more parking to the increase in traffic. "Passenger traffic drives demand for all of our services," said Schwartz. "The increase in traffic, combined with our attractive long-term parking rates leads to more travelers leaving their vehicles at the airport". "We recognize that it is convenient to leave your vehicle at the airport and we are pleased that we can accommodate these travellers during the busy holiday season and throughout the year," added Schwartz.

The Deer Lake Regional Airport provides regular or seasonal domestic and charter passenger services with several airlines including Air Canada, Air Canada Express, Canadian North, Provincial Airlines, Sunwing and WestJet.

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