



## KAMLOOPS AIRPORT

### MEDIA RELEASE

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Kamloops Airport Ltd. announces the passenger and aircraft movement results for January 2006 and an update on improvements at the airport.

In January, 15,376 people used Kamloops Airport in their travel plans. This is on par with January 2005 when 15,560 people used Kamloops Airport, and also meets the forecast expected for January.

In January, 1,997 aircraft used Kamloops Airport, which far exceeded January 2005 when only 1,380 aircraft were reported. This matches anecdotal reports from pilots that activity has increased since the opening of the flight lounge for non-commercial flights. Providing a level of privacy, comfort and flight planning tools within the lounge is attracting pilots who previously chose another airport to operate into.

For the month of January 6 scheduled passenger flights were delayed due to Kamloops weather out of more than 220 flights that regularly operate. That gave Kamloops Airport a reliability factor of 97% for the month. The aviation industry considers reliability of 97% or greater to be excellent.

The lighting upgrade project will be getting under way again as fixtures and poles have now been given defined delivery dates. This project will see the replacement of existing fixtures with modern energy efficient fixtures and better quality light. The suppliers have been having great difficulty in meeting production requirements, but have assured our contractor that the product can now be delivered. Look for work to pick up in late February with construction expected to continue into March.

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Kamloops Airport Ltd. (KAL) is a subsidiary of Vancouver Airport Services. Our mission is to serve the Kamloops community and trading area of the BC Interior by providing airport facilities that are safe, clean, efficient, profitable, friendly and that reflect a local sense of place.

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