

News Release

Air Canada Celebrates First Year of Service at Red Deer Airport

RED DEER, September 3, 2014 - The Red Deer Airport (YQF) and Air Canada celebrate the one year anniversary of the inaugural flight linking Central Alberta with daily service conveniently and directly to their Calgary hub. The celebration also marks the start of a month long competition to win tickets on Air Canada. Since beginning service one year ago, Air Canada has become Central Alberta's "hometown connection". To congratulate Air Canada on its successful service there will be a ceremonial cake cutting at the Red Deer Airport.

"One year ago today, the first flight arrived at YQF launching a new era of economic prosperity and travel for Central Albertans. Air Canada has opened the Central Alberta region to the world," said RJ Steenstra, Chief Executive Officer of Red Deer Airport Authority. "Regions today succeed when they are connected and competitive in the global marketplace. I look forward to celebrating today's milestone and to a continued successful partnership with Air Canada building future growth and success."

"Air Canada is very pleased with the response we have received from the Central Alberta community in support of our three times daily service to Calgary. Today Red Deer is connected to the world and one stop away from Asia, Europe, South America, along with most major centers in Canada and the US," said Kevin Howlett Senior Vice President, Regional Markets. "We thank the community for supporting this service and are proud to have Red Deer as part of our extensive global network."

The service has been extremely popular with both outbound & inbound leisure and business travellers providing seamless connections to key business centers across the world while also allowing people living in Central Alberta the opportunity to travel to a wide range of worldwide destinations from their local airport.

Flight #	Frequency	Depart YQF	Arrive YYC	Flight #	Frequency	Depart YYC	Arrive YQF
AC7205	MTWTFSS	5:35	6:15	AC7200	MTWTFSS	8:20	9:00
AC7201	MTWTFSS	9:40	10:20	AC7202	MTW-FSS	14:55	15:35
AC7203	MTW-FSS	15:55	16:35	AC7204	MTWTFSS	21:40	22:20

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Serving Central Albertans, Red Deer Airport offers scheduled passenger service through airline partners NorthWestern Air and Air Canada Express. YQF continues to be one of the busiest regional airports in Canada and a vital and vibrant transportation link for Central Alberta. The Red Deer Airport Authority is a not-for-profit, non-share Capital Corporation incorporated under the Alberta Regional Airports Authorities Act. Since 1992, it has been responsible for the management, maintenance and development of Red Deer Airport.

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