



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **COVID 19 UPDATE: AIR CANADA SUSPENDS FLIGHTS INTO THE SMITHERS REGIONAL AIRPORT FOR THE REMAINDER OF MARCH 2020**

SMITHERS – Air Canada just announced the suspension of their commercial flights into the Smithers Regional Airport for the remainder of March and the entire month of April 2020.

Following this announcement, the Airport Administration Office and the Town of Smithers confirms that essential airport services such as access for emergency medical evacuations, charter flights, runway maintenance, and our ability to receive supplies will continue to be maintained.

If you have questions regarding Air Canada flights please contact the airline directly at phone 1-888-247-2262 or online at [www.aircanada.com](http://www.aircanada.com)

Airport Staff have been directed to take appropriate precautions with respect to social distancing, to self-isolation if they are symptomatic or have recently returned from travel, and other hygiene practices as recommended by Provincial authorities.

We want to reassure the community that we are regularly monitoring the ongoing circumstances related to the COVID-19 Pandemic, and are adjusting service levels in line with the advice of health authorities.

At the same time, we will continue to guarantee that air access in and out of Smithers is possible if it is needed in emergency situations.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

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