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Abbotsford, Tuesday March 10, 2009 – Abbotsford International Airport (YXX) is completing renovations this year to increase convenience for travelers, stated Dave Kandal, Chair of the Abbotsford Airport Authority today.

“We have made some improvements to our services and our terminal to increase the convenience to all of our clients,” said Kandal. “Recent renovations have increased the space and improved traffic flow in both our domestic and international terminals.”

An airside lounge and Ravens Bar and Grill opened last spring, and recent parking lot improvements including an automated pay on exit system have increased the ease and convenience for travelers. Further improvements for this year include new public restroom facilities as well as a renovated check-in area.

The Abbotsford Airport is also working closely with other airports to develop an Airport Reservation System that will ensure the orderly processing of unscheduled air traffic during the period of the 2010 Winter Olympics Games.

“We are very excited that the games are coming to Vancouver and that the Abbotsford Airport will be involved in helping to make the games a success,” said Kandal. “We will work hard to accommodate as many aircraft as possible within our existing capabilities and, as a portal airport our preparations also include the augmentation of our existing screening facilities to accommodate non-scheduled aircraft that wish to proceed on to Vancouver Airport.”

Last year the Abbotsford International Airport provided service to more than 500,000 customers.

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Abbotsford International Airport is the Fraser Valley’s regional airport and serves over 500,000 passengers annually from Surrey to Hope. Conveniently located off the trans-Canada highway, Abbotsford International offers daily service to Edmonton, Calgary and Vancouver Island as well as a seasonal weekly charter service to Mexico. With close, affordable parking, on-site wi-fi service, and self-serve check in kiosks, Abbotsford is the preferred choice for travelers wanting a friendly, easy and stress-free travel experience.