

Media Release

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FLIGHTS TAKE OFF FROM NEW BENDIGO AIRPORT TERMINAL

Travellers can enjoy a new departure lounge in Bendigo with works well underway to deliver the Bendigo Airport Terminal Expansion thanks to support from the Andrews Labor Government.

Minister for Regional Development Harriet Shing today announced the first stage of the Bendigo Airport terminal expansion is complete. Airline staff are now operating from the new building with the departure lounge, cafe, screening area, restrooms, office space and equipment shed now complete.

The new terminal is on track for completion in December and will be almost four times larger to deliver more space for thousands of additional passengers.

The Labor Government is backing the expansion of the terminal with \$4.5 million in funding. It's part of the City of Greater Bendigo's broader Bendigo Airport terminal precinct upgrade.

The old terminal building will be demolished in August paving the way for construction of the terminal building's next area which will feature an entry foyer, security screening, baggage check-in and baggage claim areas. The airport will remain operational throughout the course of the works.

The airport terminal upgrade is creating up to 45 jobs during construction. Works are being carried out by Nicholson Construction, which specialises in public buildings construction in regional Victoria.

The new airport terminal will support Greater Bendigo's growing population which is projected to reach 155,000 in 2036.

The project is part of the Government's record investment of more than \$41 billion across rural and regional Victoria since 2015. For more information go to rdv.vic.gov.au.

Quote attributable to Minister for Regional Development Harriet Shing

"It's great to see the Bendigo Airport terminal expansion nearing completion – this will deliver enormous benefits for the growing number of people travelling in and out of regional Victoria."

Quote attributable to Member for Bendigo East Jacinta Allan

"With plenty of space for more passengers, this upgrade will make Bendigo Airport an even better place to visit."

Quote attributable to Member for Bendigo West Maree Edwards

"This upgrade is an excellent development for Bendigo, not only will it attract more visitors to the region, it will also generate jobs."

Quote attributable to Mayor Cr Andrea Metcalf

"The first half of the new terminal building is more spacious and features improved amenities. It offers a better passenger experience and I really look forward to seeing the project completed in December."

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