



Media Advisory

NOTICE TO USERS

PUVIRNITUQ AIRPORT (CYPX) RUNWAY RENOVATIONS

July 15 - September 24, 2024

Kuujuuaq, Québec, July 30, 2024 – The Kativik Regional Government (KRG) informs air travelers and users of Puvirnituk Airport of the following changes to the 2024 runway resurfacing schedule, and postponement of Phase 2 of the project to the summer of 2025.

The new construction schedule now permits the airport to be fully operational between 9am to 7pm daily throughout the summer, with night-time 7pm to 9am restrictions limiting airport use to Medevac aircraft only.

Runway resurfacing this summer will result in Puvirnituk Airport having a significantly improved runway surface capable of accommodating smaller and larger aircraft, including cargo and passenger jets that have gravel kits.

Completion of the entire runway resurfacing project is not possible this summer due to the necessary further Québec Ministry of Transport (MTMD) testing of runway gravel material to ensure it meets higher standards for quality and safety. This testing is ongoing throughout the summer.

The necessary quantity of high-quality finishing gravel will be available to complete runway renovations in summer 2025. When completed next year, a higher quality runway surface will be in place, similar to a paved runway. This will enable jet aircraft that are unequipped with gravel kits, including newer aircraft, to safely operate on the runway.

Please consult the table below for details on renovation activity being completed this summer. It is very important to note that all dates listed are subject to change.

Carriers and pilots are encouraged to consult NOTAMs to stay informed.

PHASE 1 – JULY 15 TO AUGUST 6, 2024	
Expected duration	3 weeks, between 7 p.m. and 9 a.m.
Description of runway works	Contractor Preparation and Reloading Work
Remarks	<u>Between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.</u> No operational constraints
	<u>Between 7 p.m. and 9 a.m.</u> Runway closure; Medevac helicopter restricted to apron Medevac use on runway with 3-hour notice

PHASE 3 – AUGUST 14 TO SEPTEMBER 10, 2024	
Expected duration	4 weeks, between 7 p.m. and 9 a.m.
Description of runway works	Runway shoulder repair and resurfacing work
Remarks	<u>Between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.</u> No operational constraints
	<u>Between 7 p.m. and 9 a.m.</u> Runway closure with displaced threshold Medevac use on runway with 3-hour notice

PHASE 4 – SEPTEMBER 11 TO 24, 2024	
Expected duration	2 weeks, between 7 p.m. and 9 a.m.
Description of runway works	Completion of small works and crushing of gravel material
Remarks	<u>Between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.</u> No operational constraints
	<u>Between 7 p.m. and 9 a.m.</u> Medevac use on runway with 3-hour notice

Further, KRG has updated [FAQ](#) on the revised runway renovation schedule and the potential impact on air travel.

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