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Canberra Airport releases a Preliminary Draft of its 2020 Master Plan

Canberra Airport has released a Preliminary Draft of its 2020 Master Plan, which focuses on bringing more inbound passengers into Canberra, on more aircraft, and across a wider range of airlines. Canberra Airport's latest draft plan shows that within the next five to eight years, the Canberra Airport team will be working to bring in more international and low-cost carriers, resulting in more passengers than ever before.

"The airport currently serves more than three million passengers a year, but those numbers are forecast to rise to more than nine million by 2040 if all goes to plan," says Michael Thomson, Head of Aviation, Canberra Airport. "We continue to collaborate with the ACT and NSW Governments, who support our plans for growing our aviation business, and we are optimistic about future growth. Our region has a lot to offer Australia and the world."

Canberra Airport's 2020 Master Plan is a Preliminary Draft that has been prepared in accordance with the Airports Act 1996. The airport will be accepting written comments about the Preliminary Draft until Wednesday 6 November 2019. You can read the Preliminary Draft during the consultation period at the Canberra Airport website: <u>https://www.canberraairport.com.au/masterplan/</u> or purchase a copy for \$60, during business hours, at Capital Airport Group reception, 21 Terminal Avenue, Plaza Offices West, Level 4, Canberra Airport. Written submissions will be accepted via email at <u>planning@canberraairport.com.au</u> or at the address above, until the close of business Wednesday 6 November 2019.

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