



**Note to Editors:**

On Wednesday, August 26, YQQ will hold an airport-wide FOD (Foreign Object Debris) walk at 10 a.m. to ensure the area is clear of debris that could pose a threat on the ramp. Preceding this event will be a 15-minute safety talk on the same topic. Members of the media are welcome to attend this ramp safety initiative. For more information please email: [cwile@comoxairport.com](mailto:cwile@comoxairport.com)

**YQQ joins with Canadian airports to launch first-ever Canadian Airports Safety Week**

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Comox - Today the Comox Valley Airport, along with 23 other airports across Canada, kicked-off Canadian Airports Safety Week, a new airport-led initiative to promote healthy and safe work practices among airport employees.

The first program of its kind for the Canadian aviation industry, Canadian Airports Safety Week aims to reach thousands of airport employees across the country with various safety talks, themed messaging and events, which were developed in collaboration with participating airports.

The Comox Valley Airport will be offering safety talks and holding events for employees throughout the week to address various safety topics including: hazard reporting, security, safe driving and ramp safety.

“Ensuring the safety of our passengers and our employees is the most important part of our operations and this is a value that is shared across the Canadian aviation industry,” said Comox Valley Airport CEO, Fred Bigelow. “We are proud to join with other Canadian airports to promote this shared commitment to safety.”

**About:**

**Canadian Airports Safety Week**

Canadian Airports Safety Week is an airport-led initiative to promote healthy and safe work practices among airport employees. Currently in its first year, there are 24 airports across Canada participating in the initiative.





### The Comox Valley Airport

YQQ is operated by the Comox Valley Airport Commission, which was established in 1996 as a non-share capital and not-for-profit organization to operate the civil aviation facilities, including the terminal and apron at YQQ. The airfield and its associated systems, including air traffic control, are operated by the Royal Canadian Air Force at 19 Wing Comox on a continuous 24-hour basis.

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### Participating Airports:

