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A&T kept airport running during major reconstruction

Kamloops, BC—Even with 14 months of major reconstruction that resulted in a 50 per cent expansion in the terminal building, the Kamloops Airport didn't have to close for travelers once.

A&T, a local project development company, was the lead contractor on the project and they worked with the Kamloops Airport to make sure that flights could keep running as scheduled and passenger safety was their number one concern.

"We worked carefully with Kamloops Airport Ltd. To implement a Construction Management Plan that would consider airport passenger safety and security measures throughout construction," said Doug Mackenzie, project manager at A&T.

The reconstruction of the airport included; upgrades to the check-in and security area, a brand-new arrivals and baggage claim area, improved customs and immigration service area and improvements to the runway and navigation aids.

Each of the renovations was done in a different phase, which resulted in more challenges for A&T.

"Since it was a fast track project I got new drawings as the job progressed from phase to phase," said Kelly Murphy, project manager at A&T. "This made it difficult to plan ahead and keep everybody happy."

Luckily, thanks to A&T's strong team, they worked through the challenges and completed the project with flying colours.

"In order to excel at major projects you need a very strong team of individuals," Mackenzie said. "Our team is made up of people who know the business, work extremely hard, know how to get things done and are able to dig deep when the project gets challenging."

A&T has a vast amount of experience in the area of commercial renovations where the business needs to remain operational with minimum disruptions. They have done similar renovations on Royal Inland Hospital, schools and the Kamloops Courthouse.