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AAA congratulates Brisbane Airport on terminal expansion

The Australian Airports Association (AAA) has congratulated Brisbane Airport on its \$135 million expansion of the northern International Terminal and apron, which was officially opened by Acting Prime Minister Hon Michael McCormack MP today.

AAA Chief Executive Officer Caroline Wilkie said the new facilities would meet growing international passenger demand and enhance the passenger experience.

“This is a great example of airports investing to meet growing passenger demand as a critical driver of state and national economies,” Ms Wilkie said.

“With Brisbane Airport recording seven per cent international passenger growth last year, today’s opening provides more room to grow as the airport continues to support Queensland’s important visitor economy.

“These new facilities will not only make the passenger experience seamless and easy, but also create a real sense of place that is unmistakably Brisbane.”

The expansion provides 11,000 square metres of additional space at the International Terminal, along with 55,000 square metres of new pavement, aircraft taxiways and parking bays.

Its 90-metre floor to ceiling artwork by Queensland College of Art Master of Visual Art student Michael Phillips is also a standout feature of the new facilities.

Ms Wilkie said the terminal expansion was just one part of a \$3.8 billion infrastructure program underway at Brisbane Airport, and today’s opening was an opportunity to celebrate the results of their investment.

“With Brisbane Airport’s new runway to open in 2020, there is a great deal to be excited about for the local community and local businesses,” Ms Wilkie said.

“We expect to see the Queensland economy reap the rewards of Brisbane Airport’s investment as it builds capacity and positions its city and state for growth.”

The new facilities integrate with the latest technology, provide increased aircraft docking and parking space and improved passenger experience and processing efficiency to cater for future growth.

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