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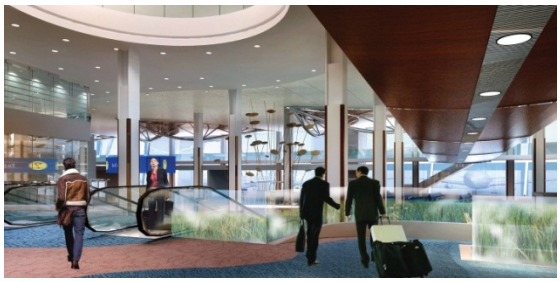
Building a Better Airport for British Columbia

Vancouver Airport Authority is investing $1.8 billion in a 10-year strategy to keep Vancouver International Airport (YVR) competitive and an economic generator for British Columbia. The Airport Authority will upgrade terminals, improve baggage systems and enhance safety and security. Below are some renderings of planned improvements, as well as examples of ways we've attracted new routes and carriers and improved the customer experience over the past 19 years. Please contact media_relations@yvr.ca or 604.880.9815 for high resolution photos of these projects.

Sample of Future Construction Projects 2012 – 2021

Pier A/B



Domestic Terminal: View from passenger security screening area toward atrium and gates. Scheduled for completion in 2015.

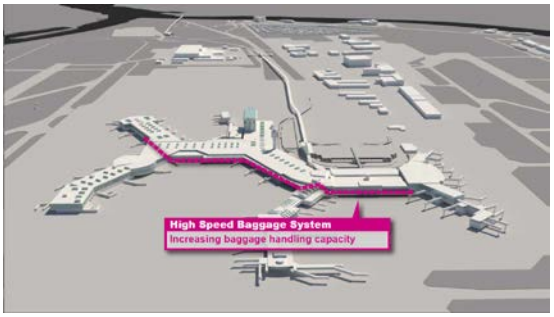
Pier A/B

Domestic Terminal: View of Pier A/B atrium. Scheduled for completion in 2015.

Pier A/B

Domestic Terminal: View of Pier A/B passenger boarding area. Scheduled for completion in 2015.

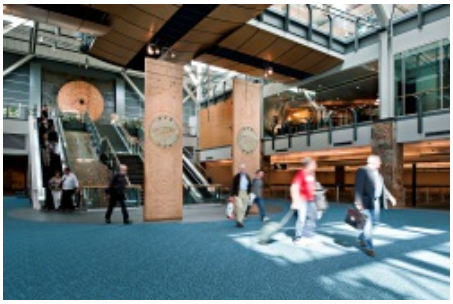
High-Speed Baggage System



A new high-speed baggage system will ensure passenger luggage can transit from one end of the terminal to the other in half the time it takes today.

Major Construction Projects 1993 - 2011

International Terminal Building - 1996



The newly constructed International Terminal building with 16 aircraft gates featured a bright, open-plan design with glass walls, overhead walkways and the distinct land, sea, sky architectural theme.

North Runway - 1996

A new 3,030-metre parallel runway with Canada's first Category III instrument landing system went into operation in 1996. This provided YVR with three runways.

International Terminal Building US Gates - 1999

Due to growth in passenger traffic, improved passenger facilities and a seven-gate expansion of the International Terminal was needed.

Domestic Terminal Building Upgrades - 2001

An open floor plan, natural lighting, state of the art baggage sortation system, flight information displays and self-serve check-in kiosks were all part of the Domestic Terminal upgrades.

Foreign Object Debris Radar - 2006

The Airport Authority is constantly upgrading safety on the airfield. Two major recent projects were the runway lighting upgrade and the installation of a foreign object debris (FOD) radar detection system; a day and night camera was added to the system in 2009.

International Terminal Building Expansion -2007

The International Terminal expansion added four new aircraft gates, a water-themed retail, food and beverage area, dual loading bridges and expanded passenger seating.

Domestic Terminal Upgrades - 2009

Upgrades to the Domestic Terminal building included an expanded retail area with new dining and shopping options and a Public Observation Area.

Link Building - 2009

The Link Building connected the Domestic and International Terminals, and provided check-in capacity to support the International Terminal expansion, and a new baggage transfer facility for international to domestic connecting baggage.

Domestic Terminal Upgrades - 2009

The Domestic Terminal's Pier C received a five-gate expansion and a new retail and food and beverage area.

Canada Line - 2009

The Airport Authority funded construction of the Sea Island portion of the Canada Line rapid transit project and designed and built the three on-island stations. Canada Line connects YVR with Richmond and downtown Vancouver.

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