

Construction begins on the REM station at YUL

Montréal, July 19, 2019 – ADM Aéroports de Montréal today held a groundbreaking ceremony to officially launch construction of the future Réseau express métropolitain (REM) station at YUL Montréal-Trudeau International Airport. The first REM metro car will enter the station in 2023.

The construction of the REM station is part of a much larger project, the cityside development program, which will include rebuilding the multi-level parking complex and the drop-off/pick-up zones at YUL, access infrastructures that are at the end of their useful life and at full capacity. A new space, YULtransit, will also be built underground where modes of public transport will converge.

Representing an investment of more than \$2.5 billion from ADM, this program is one of the largest private infrastructure projects in Québec and marks a new milestone in the history of Montréal-Trudeau Airport.

To support execution of the work, ADM has awarded the project management contract to a consortium composed of firms with specialized expertise: Pomerleau, SNC-Lavalin and Kiewit (PSK Construction). As partners of the program, they will be mandated to identify opportunities for optimizing the schedule and phasing of the work while ensuring that impacts on passenger service are minimized.

Highlights

- The construction of the REM station will be completed in 2023;
- The REM will transport users from downtown to the airport in around 20 minutes;
- ADM will assume the \$250 million investment related to the construction of the REM station;
- The installation of technical equipment (platform screen doors, rails, electric power supply, communication and control systems, etc.) will be carried out as part of the REM project;
- Excavation to build the station will be at a depth of 35 meters under the multi-level parking complex;
- The capacity of the new YUL drop-off/pick-up zones will be tripled;
- The multi-level parking complex will be completely covered by a green roof with solar panels;
- Depending on current needs, sufficient spaces will be reserved for electric vehicles at the front-end of the new multi-level parking complex as soon as it opens;
- The project will be built in keeping with sustainable building standards with the goal of obtaining [Envision](#) certification.

Quotes:

"We are delighted to begin construction of the REM station. For over 25 years, we have been waiting for our international airport to be connected to downtown Montréal by an efficient rail link. This structuring project is the first step in an ambitious redevelopment of our access infrastructures that will enable us not only to respond adequately to the growth of passenger traffic at YUL, but also to improve the inter-modality of the airport site to make it more accessible for the benefit of travellers, as well as to put an end road congestion challenges." –*Philippe Rainville, President and Chief Executive Officer of Aéroports de Montréal.*

“Today, we are starting to build a new gateway to our metropolis and marking an important step in the realization of the REM. In just a few years, Quebecers will have access to an extensive, reliable and frequent transportation network to get to the airport, regardless of traffic. For visitors, this will be a new, fast and efficient link to the heart of the city’s activities on modern metro cars with a unique view of the city.” –*Macky Tall, President and Chief Executive Officer of CDPQ Infra.*

“This station will significantly reduce travel times between downtown and the airport. I have no doubt that business people, tourists and the Greater Montréal population will appreciate this new service that will make it easier to travel to and from Montréal. Anyone travelling in the world today values this type of accessible mobility between an airport and downtown and we are delighted to have such a service coming to Montréal.” –*Benoit Dorais, President of the Executive Committee of the Ville de Montréal*

“The Government of Québec is proud to be marking this important step that will enable citizens and visitors to move around on the REM, a modern, efficient and electric public transit infrastructure. Thanks to the REM, users will be able to travel easily between the city centre and YUL without having to worry about traffic congestion. This is an additional step to improve mobility in the greater metropolitan area by facilitating the inter-modality and interconnection of various modes of transportation.” –*François Bonnardel, Minister of Transport and Minister responsible for the Estrie Region*

“Our government understands the importance of public transit and that is why we are investing heavily in structuring projects such as the REM and the Montréal Metro blue line. The REM will benefit communities in the Greater Montréal region and enable travellers and tourists passing through the airport to reach downtown through an accessible and integrated public transit system.” –*The Honourable Marc Garneau, Minister of Transport*

About Aéroports de Montréal

ADM Aéroports de Montréal is the airport authority for the Greater Montréal area responsible for the management, operation and development of YUL Montréal-Trudeau International Airport and the YMX International Aerocity of Mirabel.

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