

Collaborating on major infrastructure projects for economic and community growth.

Calgary's infrastructure focuses on building a vibrant and resilient city for both current and future generations. Collaborating on and supporting major infrastructure projects helps the city invest in creating inclusive, accessible, connected and resilient communities.



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PLANNING-LEVEL COST:

\$1.56 billion

The estimate will be refined through the current design process. The City and Government of Alberta have committed funding to advance planning and design; construction funding has not yet been secured.

Airport Transit Connector – Blue Line to Calgary International Airport



The Airport Transit Connector would provide a direct rapid-transit connection between the Blue Line in northeast Calgary and Calgary International Airport, serving travellers, employees, surrounding industrial areas, and nearby communities.

By closing a major gap in Calgary's transportation network, the project would strengthen connections between downtown, the airport, and the broader region while supporting labour mobility and economic growth.

Federal investment in the Airport Transit Connector will connect Calgary International Airport to Calgary's rapid-transit network, addressing a significant connectivity gap in Canada's major urban transportation system, aligning with the Government of Alberta's Passenger Rail Master Plan.

PROJECT BENEFITS:

Usage:

- Estimated 13,000 passengers per weekday

Reduced Emissions:

- Saves up to 5,300 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions a year

Job Creation:

- Estimated 2,929 regional jobs during construction period
- Improved Mobility:**
- Estimated 12,500 Calgarians living within 800m of the station in 2048
- Estimated 10,700 jobs within 800m of the station in 2028

Service Enhancements:

- Provides a direct, reliable transit connection for airport employees, residents, business travelers and visitors while improving access to surrounding employment areas.
- Improved airport transit access will support labour mobility and reinforce Calgary's role as a transportation, logistics and tourism hub.

Status:

- The City and Government of Alberta have committed **\$24.6 million and \$2 million**, respectively, to advance project planning and design between 2024 and 2027.
- Public engagement, field investigations and technical studies have been completed, and design development is underway.
- Current work is refining scope, technology, costs, staging and delivery approaches.
- Construction funding has not yet been secured.

PROJECT FEATURES:

- 6 km between 88 Avenue NE Station and Airport Terminal
- 3 new transit stations
- Supports Calgary, Alberta and Canada's Economic Strategy by connecting rapid transit lines and enhancing access between the Downtown, airport and the region.

PASSENGER-RAIL ALIGNMENT:

- Designed to accommodate phased delivery and future regional and intercity rail integration
- The project is a foundational component of Alberta's passenger-rail vision. The preferred airport connection preserves an east-west link between the Blue Line, Calgary International Airport and future Green Line service, while allowing compatibility with future regional and intercity rail. The completed Calgary Airport Rail Connection Study was provided to Alberta to inform its Passenger Rail Master Plan.



Federal participation would build on municipal and provincial investment already underway and help position this nationally significant airport connection for future delivery.