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## Center Runway at Dulles Airport Closed for Reconstruction Project

Runway 1C/19C at Washington Dulles International Airport temporarily closed in July for the first phase of a project to reconstruct approximately 6,200 feet of runway and adjacent taxiways. This runway was part of the original construction of Dulles Airport and has been in continuous operation since the Airport opened in 1962. The reconstruction project is necessary to reconstruct areas in need of repair and to construct tie-ins for taxiways to provide direct access to the new Runway 1L/19R, which opened in November 2008.

The Airport's other two north-south runways (1R/19L and 1L/19R) and the east-west runway (12/30) will share aircraft operations while Runway 1C/19C is closed. Runway 1C/19C is scheduled to re-open in November for the holiday travel season before it closes again in the spring so the final phase of work may be completed.

The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority is using \$14.9 million in funds from the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA) of 2009 for this project. This project consists of the reconstruction of approximately 6,200 ft of Runway 1C/19C and partial construction of connector Taxiways W2, W3, W4, D and E. The project also reconstructs Taxiway Y6 and approximately 200 feet of Taxiways Y4 and Y5. The work includes the demolition of miscellaneous items including removal of existing concrete pavement, installation of erosion and sediment control measures, earthwork and embankment, construction of new Portland cement concrete pavements and bituminous pavements, construction of pavement underdrains, installation of airfield lighting, marking and signage, and seeding and sodding.

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