



London's Future Prosperity The International Air Freight Opportunity

As an expanding international gateway, London International Airport has emerged as a centre of aviation in Southwestern Ontario. With a catchment area population of close to 1.7 million people, the airport continues to attract new business and increase the volume of passenger activity at the airport.

An established economic generator for the city and region, the airport provides 1,700 direct jobs and over \$350 million annually to the local economy. It is the one of the largest and most successful airport in Southwestern Ontario with 50 businesses operating on site.

Currently London International Airport serves a large area of Southwestern Ontario with the majority of passengers from the region. London International Airport intends to replicate the success of regional air service development to international air cargo in a foreign trade zone environment.

The geographic proximity of London to two major USA border crossings means that 300,000 tonnes of air cargo flies over or drives by London. Diverting this cargo to a new International air cargo terminal will provide significant and sustainable jobs in the handling facilities and provide low cost direct international shipments for local manufacturing.

A full service cargo facility will be established, catering to the requirements of all cargo products and players. This new cargo terminal will be a springboard for the establishment of a cargo village with a mix of a multimodal services. The air cargo terminal will have full air/truck intermodal capability to allow for safe and efficient handling of cargo.

This expanding gateway will incorporate airport and surrounding industrial areas, together with air links and trucking facilities, to attract, bundle and channel the International movement of cargo to and from points in North America and the world.

Through this partnership, the City of London, the London International Airport and the Government of Canada are contributing to phase one of the Cargo Village Gateway project, which will provide Southwestern Ontario the key to delivering effective supply chain management with access to an extensive international route structure, easy access to continental highway network and state of the art cargo facilities to make the airport a primary gateway to North America.

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