



**Charlo Regional Airport Authority
La Régie régionale aéroportuaire de Charlo**

**2018 SEES DOUBLE DIGIT GROWTH AT THE
CHARLO REGIONAL AIRPORT**

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Charlo, NB – 2018 was a positive year at the Charlo Regional Airport with overall traffic increases seen in many areas including the critical air ambulance services and our main scheduled airline partner PAL Airlines. Overall 2,112 passengers travelled through the Charlo Regional Airport with PAL Airlines, an impressive increase of 23% over 2017. In addition, a record 158 air ambulances, 5% more than last year, used the Charlo Regional Airport to transfer patients to hospitals in New Brunswick and other provinces.

“We are pleased to see PAL Airlines flourishing and other partners such as air ambulance services and Forest Protection Limited increasing their use of the Charlo Regional Airport”, states Stéphanie Clark, Chief Executive Officer. “We do need the community’s support to continue to grow PAL Airlines services to Halifax, and Newfoundland and Labrador, and build the case for expanded air services in the future.”

Overall traffic movements remained flat in 2018. This was due in part to the slight decrease with the summer corporate and tourism charter services, and the slowdown from PAL Airlines in the Spring caused by labour unrest in Labrador. 2019 is looking positive and with many new initiatives planned that will include the development of a long-term strategy for the Charlo Regional Airport Authority, working closely with PAL Airlines to grow their services, and pursuing other strategic business opportunities to meet the needs of our region.

The Charlo Regional Airport Authority is pleased to be working closely with our regional stakeholders and as a key partner in our community’s economic and tourism development.

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About the Charlo Regional Airport (YCL)

The Charlo Regional Airport is located in Charlo, New Brunswick and serves a large region of northern New Brunswick as well as the Gaspé Peninsula. Under the direction of a fifteen-member Board of Directors, Charlo Regional Airport Authority is the not-for-profit owner and operator of the Charlo Regional Airport, and is an important catalyst linking the economic needs and growth opportunities of the region.

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