

Pacific Coastal Airlines Resumes Vancouver – Anahim Lake Service

Richmond, BC – Pacific Coastal Airlines will be resuming service between Vancouver International Airport South Terminal (YVR) and Anahim Lake (YAA) on Tuesday, March 1.

The Cariboo Regional District has been working since 2011 on a runway extension vital for ensuring scheduled service is possible into the airport. Major works were required to meet new Transport Canada regulatory standards and significant grant funding was necessary to complete the improvements. The airport also provides back-up service to passengers bound for Bella Coola when poor weather in the valley prevents service to that community.

“We are very excited to resume scheduled flight and cargo service to the community of Anahim Lake. We’ve been working closely with the Cariboo Regional District as they achieved airport improvements to have the previously announced curtailed usable runway length removed,” said Pacific Coastal Airlines Vice President of Customer & Commercial, Johnathan Richardson. “Pacific Coastal can now resume offering sustainable flight service to the community and will do so starting on March 1, 2022.”

“The Anahim Lake Airport is a critical piece of transportation infrastructure for the West Chilcotin,” says Cariboo Regional District Director Gerald Kirby (Area J). “The return of scheduled service helps local economic development, improves accessibility, and delivers important benefits to the region overall. We are grateful to the Province of British Columbia’s Community Economic Recovery Infrastructure Program (CERIP) for the \$300,000 in grant funding that made the runway project possible.”

The scheduled flight service will operate on the Beechcraft 1900 between Vancouver and Anahim Lake (with one stop in Bella Coola) two days a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Beginning May 1, scheduled service will operate three days a week on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

March 1, 2022 and April 30, 2022:

Route	Frequency	Departing	Arriving	Effective
Vancouver (1 stop in Bella Coola) to Anahim Lake	Tuesday and Thursday	10:50 a.m.	12:55 p.m.	March 1, 2022
Anahim Lake to Vancouver	Tuesday and Thursday	1:20 p.m.	2:35 p.m.	March 1, 2022



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May 1, 2022 and June 25, 2022:

Route	Frequency	Departing	Arriving	Effective
Vancouver (1 stop in Bella Coola) to Anahim Lake	Monday, Wednesday, and Friday*	10:50 a.m.	12:55 p.m.	May 1, 2022
Anahim Lake to Vancouver	Monday, Wednesday, and Friday*	1:20 p.m.	2:35 p.m.	May 1, 2022

*No operation on Friday, May 6 & Friday, May 13, 2022 (as Friday QBC/YAA services does not resume until Friday, May 20)

June 26, 2022 and September 10, 2022:

Route	Frequency	Departing	Arriving	Effective
Vancouver (1 stop in Bella Coola) to Anahim Lake	Monday, Wednesday, and Friday	10:30 a.m.	12:35 p.m.	June 26, 2022
Anahim Lake to Vancouver	Monday, Wednesday, and Friday	1:00 p.m.	2:15 p.m.	June 26, 2022

Tickets are now available for purchase. To book a flight visit pacificcoastal.com, contact the Call Centre at 1-800-663-2872, or speak with your travel agent. Visit Pacific Coastal Airlines [website](#) for more information.

Pacific Coastal Airlines also offers [air cargo service](#) to Anahim Lake from 17 destinations throughout their network to transport time-sensitive cargo. With various levels of shipping priority, they offer shipping solutions tailored to customer requirements at competitive rates.

Pacific Coastal Airlines has adopted additional safety measures to ensure the health and safety of staff and customers. The measures include enhanced aircraft sanitation practices, reduced contact points, and as per Transport Canada, the requirement for all customers to travel with a mask and answer health check questions before boarding. Learn more about the [additional safety measures online](#).

About Pacific Coastal Airlines

Pacific Coastal Airlines is a privately owned British Columbia based regional airline operating from Vancouver International Airport's South Terminal (YVR) that currently flies to 18 airports in British Columbia. Connecting to additional destinations along the south coast of British Columbia through its affiliate airline Wilderness Seaplanes, located in Port Hardy on northern Vancouver Island. Pacific Coastal is also the operator of WestJet Link, providing service from its base in Calgary to eight airports in Alberta and BC.



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