



SKYTRANS FILLS MACAIR VOID

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In light of today's announcement that MacAir has stopped all flights into all ports, Skytrans is working with key stakeholders and Government officials to try and fill the void in North Queensland and get passengers to their destinations as quickly as possible.

"Today's announcement is a sad one for the region and our thoughts are with the MacAir owners, staff and passengers. We will be doing our best to assist in whatever way we practically can to alleviate the situation for passengers and get them to their destinations. Some of the 33 ports in which MacAir flew into, such as Burketown, where residents are tonight stranded due to flooding, were Government regulated ports. Skytrans is currently working with Queensland Transport to find solutions," said Skytrans Chief Executive Officer, Simon Wild.

Skytrans plans to commence scheduled passenger services into many of the MacAir unregulated ports early next week such as Kowanyama and Edward River.

"We would hope to have this approval by early next week," he said. "We will have up to the minute schedule announcements on our website - www.skytrans.com.au so I would encourage everyone who is needing to access flights to go online and view the flights as they become available," Mr Wild said.

Regular press releases with flight announcements will also be issued to raise the awareness of the flight availability throughout the community.

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