# WINTER OPERATIONS AT REGIONAL AIRPORTS

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#### Overview

#### **Uncommon Layout**

### Time Management

# **Equipment Efficiencies**

### **Combined Services Staff**



#### Uncommon Layout









#### Time Management

The airport has 24/7 operations

- Staff On call from 01:00 to 04:00
- On-call rotation for all Airport Technicians while on shift





#### Time Management

# Managing medevac flights after-hours & Getting snow cleared before startup

- On-call Airport Technician 2
- Calling in additional resources for overtime





## Equipment Efficiencies

# Enough Equipment to keep up with precipitation

- 2 plow trucks with sweepers
- 1 sand truck and 1 chem truck
- 1 self-powered snowblower
- 1 grader and 1 loader with mounted snowblower attachment
- 1 skid steer with sweeper attachment



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Combined Services Staff

During moderate to heavy snow events, challenge to get runway cleared just in time

- 2 Ops staff clearing airside
- 1 Ops staff clearing groundside



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### Combined Services Staff

Snow-clearing personnel are the same folks providing ARFF coverage.

- Cat 6 airport
- 2 of 3 staff on ARFF
- 1 staff maintaining centre 100'





**Operational Uptime** 

No weather-related runway closures in 10 years

# Crew hard work and ingenuity keep YXJ running





#### Thank you for your time today.