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Columbia Regional Airport announces regional jet service

Delta Air Lines has announced plans to upgrade the aircraft on one of the currently scheduled round trip flights out of Columbia Regional Airport to a 50-seat **regional jet beginning on February 11, 2010.**



"This is another firm step toward achieving the community's vision of continuously improving air service out of Columbia Regional," said Columbia City Manager Bill Watkins. "Delta looked at the facts and made a commitment to work with us as our passenger numbers continue to climb. We're very pleased with Delta's decision. " Regional jets will be used for the last arrival of the day from Memphis International Airport **and** the first departure of the morning from Columbia Regional. This change is expected to be loaded into the Delta reservations system on December 19, 2009 to allow for reservations to be made beginning with the February implementation dates. The remainder of the flights will still utilize the Saab 340.

The number of passengers boarding at Columbia Regional continues to remain high. Counts for the last three months of service include: September- 2,081 passengers; October - 2,204

station's on-time performance at 94.8% for service at Columbia Regional Airport.

For more information about flying from Columbia Regional Airport, log onto the airport's website at www.FlyMidMo.com, call 573-874-7508.

Remember the Airline Check-in Policy

Please arrive **ONE HOUR** before your scheduled flight to ensure all flight arrangements and security measures are complete. **The ticket counter closes 30 minutes prior to departure** and the airline will not issue boarding passes or check baggage less than 30 minutes prior to departure.

