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MEDIA RELEASE

REX REDEPLOYS PROPOSED MERIMBULA IMPROVEMENTS TO MORUYA

Regional Express (Rex) today announced that it will redeploy the proposed flight schedule improvements for the Merimbula to Sydney route over to the Moruya to Sydney route. Rex will also not proceed with plans to expand the Merimbula to Melbourne service.

On 4 August 2017 Rex publicly withdrew its offer to expand its air services from Merimbula to both Sydney and Melbourne due to Bega Valley Shire Council (BVSC) flip flopping on its position numerous times. Rex undertook a full review at its recent board meeting and decided to redeploy the aircraft, crew resources and Sydney airport slots that had been set aside for the Merimbula to Sydney route, over to the Moruya to Sydney route.

With effect from Monday 30 October 2017, this will see a new dedicated (non-shared) service from Sydney to Moruya at 8.10am and from Moruya to Sydney at 9.30am. The current morning service that operates from Sydney to Moruya to Merimbula will operate from Sydney to Cooma to Merimbula. The number of flights between Merimbula and Sydney on Saturday will also be reduced. (See flight schedule in the attached Annex.)

General Manager Network Strategy & Sales Mr Warrick Lodge said, "Rex entered into a five year partnership agreement with the Eurobodalla Shire Council with effect from FY16 so it became the natural choice when additional slots and capacity became available."


"Rex has also implemented a new \$119 Community Fare between Moruya and Sydney. The Community Fare will be made available on the new Moruya flights (ZL115 & ZL116) subject to booking class availability outside of 30 days prior and all remaining unsold seats will be made available one day prior to departure. We are confident that with the improved services, additional capacity and introduction of the community fare, that the Moruya to Sydney passenger numbers will flourish."

Regional Express (Rex) is Australia's largest independent regional airline operating a fleet of more than 50 Saab 340 aircraft on some 1,500 weekly flights to 59 destinations throughout all states in Australia. In addition to the regional airline Regional Express, the **Rex Group** comprises wholly owned subsidiaries **Pel-Air Aviation** (air freight and charter operator), **Air Link** (Dubbo-based regional airline) and the **Australian Airline Pilot Academy**.

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Annex – Moruya to Sydney and Merimbula to Sydney Timetables

Sydney - Moruya


SYDNEY - MORUYA**									
FLIGHT NO.	DEPARTURE	ARRIVAL	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
ZL115**	8:10 am	9:00 am	●	●	●	●	●	●	
ZL133	2:20 pm	4:20 pm	●	●	●	●	●		●
ZL139	6:50 pm	7:40 pm	●	●	●	●	●		●


MORUYA - SYDNEY**									
FLIGHT NO.	DEPARTURE	ARRIVAL	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
ZL114	7:15 am	8:15 am	●	●	●	●	●	●	
ZL116**	9:30 am	10:30 am	●	●	●	●	●	●	
ZL134	4:40 pm	5:40 pm	●	●	●	●	●		●

* Schedule is effective 30 October 2017 and is subject to change.

** New non-shared service.

Sydney - Merimbula

SYDNEY - MERIMBULA**									
FLIGHT NO.	DEPARTURE	ARRIVAL	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
ZL717**	9:00 am	10:50 am	●	●	●	●	●		
ZL117	9:05 am	10:15 am						●	
ZL123	12:05 pm	1:15 pm							●
ZL133	2:20 pm	3:30 pm	●	●	●	●	●		●
ZL139	6:50 pm	8:25 pm	●	●	●	●	●		●

MERIMBULA - SYDNEY**									
FLIGHT NO.	DEPARTURE	ARRIVAL	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
ZL114	6:30 am	8:15 am	●	●	●	●	●	●	
ZL118	10:35 am	11:50 am						●	
ZL718	11:10 am	12:25 pm	●	●	●	●	●		
ZL126	1:35 pm	2:50 pm							●
ZL134	3:50 pm	5:40 pm	●	●	●	●	●		●

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** Service operates via Cooma.