

## **IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## Horry County Department of Airports Passenger Counts Slow in March 2019

*Myrtle Beach, SC, April 18, 2019* During March 2019, a total of 173,138 passengers passed through the Myrtle Beach International Airport (MYR), a decrease of almost two-percent compared to March 2018.

At MYR, total passenger traffic during March 2019, which includes enplanements and deplanements, totaled 173,138 compared to 176,388 in March 2018. The number of people arriving on flights, or deplanements, totaled 88,319 compared to 91,131 in 2018.

"March passenger levels slowed just a bit compared to last year" said Scott Van Moppes, director of airports. "Despite lower counts in March, year-to-date passenger traffic continues to trend at a record pace. In addition to March, we expect April to be slower than last year as the carriers adjust flight schedules around holidays. However, based on new non-stop service and increased flights starting, offered by our airline partners, we anticipate that the airport will be extremely busy starting in May. It's going to be another exciting year at the Myrtle Beach International Airport."

Detailed passenger statistics are located at flymyrtlebeach.com, under "Facts and Figures."

**About the Myrtle Beach International Airport (MYR)** The Myrtle Beach International Airport is the gateway to Myrtle Beach, SC and the Grand Strand. The Myrtle Beach International Airport is owned by Horry County and operated by the Department of Airports. MYR is served by Allegiant, American Airlines, Delta Air Lines, Frontier Airlines, Porter Airlines, Spirit, United Airlines and WestJet. Learn more at: <a href="https://www.flymyrtlebeach.com">www.flymyrtlebeach.com</a>