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Horry County Department of Airports MYR Welcomes 1.0M Arriving Passengers

Myrtle Beach, SC, October 17, 2018 – During September 2018, a total of 188,223 passengers passed through the Myrtle Beach International Airport (MYR), a decrease of 8.0-percent compared to the same month last year.

At MYR, total passenger traffic in September 2018, which includes enplanements and deplanements, totaled 188,223 compared to 204,520 last year. The number of people arriving on flights, or deplanements, totaled 92,981 compared to 99,071 last year.

"The month of September was a challenging month for the entire Grand Strand and airlines serving MYR," said Scott Van Moppes, director of airports. "Year-to-date August 2018, passenger counts at the Airport were trending up about 16-percent over 2017, then year-to-date September traffic growth slowed to 13-percent due to Hurricane Florence. Despite the slowdown passenger volumes at MYR are trending well-above last year's record setting pace. For the first nine months of 2018 we have welcomed more arriving passengers than ever before, 1.03 million people. We are optimistic that passenger levels will bounce back in October and at year-end the Airport should exceed last year's record breaking passenger counts."

Detailed passenger statistics are located at flymyrtlebeach.com, under "About MYR."

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, Elite Airways, Frontier Airlines, Porter Airlines, Spirit, United Airlines and WestJet. Learn more at: www.flymyrtlebeach.com