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NEWS RELEASE

Delta Air Lines leaving Durango-La Plata County Airport

Durango, CO: Delta Air Lines has announced daily nonstop flights between Salt Lake City International Airport (SLC) and Durango-La Plata County Airport (DRO) will be cancelled, effective Nov. 1, 2021.

The Delta Connection service, operated by SkyWest Airlines, has operated twice daily seven days per week since May 26 following a spring announcement that the airline would return to the Durango market for the first time since 2008.

The Delta service to Salt Lake City was part of a record-breaking summer at DRO in 2021. A total of 137,124 travelers arrived at or departed from DRO from June through August, putting passenger numbers at a remarkable 18% above the previous record-breaking summer in 2014. Delta carried just over 9% of all passenger traffic at DRO during this period.

"We are disappointed that Delta service to Salt Lake City, operated by SkyWest Airlines, will end on Nov. 1," said Aviation Director Tony Vicari. "However, air service remains very strong at Durango-La Plata County Airport. Travelers flying through DRO continue to have access to daily nonstop flights to Dallas and Phoenix on American Airlines, daily nonstop flights to Denver on United Airlines, plus twice-weekly flights to Denver and Las Vegas on Frontier Airlines."

"Passenger traffic at DRO through late September remains above pre-pandemic levels, highlighting the resilience of our market," Vicari said. "Travelers have been using DRO at record-setting levels all summer, and we're confident our convenient location, comfortable facilities, and strong airline route network will continue to fulfil the air travel needs of our community."

Travelers with existing reservations on Delta Air Lines at DRO for November 1 or after can [cancel online](#) or call 1-800-221-1212 for help with refunds or rebooking.

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About Durango-La Plata County Airport

Durango-La Plata County Airport (DRO) is the primary regional airport for Southwest Colorado, Northwest New Mexico, and the entire Four Corners region. DRO welcomed over 390,000 passengers in 2019 and contributes over \$290 million annually to the regional economy. DRO is served by three major U.S. airlines (American, Frontier, and United), offering year-round daily nonstop routes to Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW), Denver (DEN), and Phoenix (PHX), twice-weekly nonstop service to Las Vegas (LAS), and seasonal nonstop service to Los Angeles (LAX).

DRO operates as an enterprise fund of the City of Durango and generates self-sustaining revenue from airport tenants and users in the form of airline rent and landing fees, terminal concessions, ground leases, and parking fees. The airport does not receive any local tax funding.

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