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## **American Airlines to Offer New Summer Seasonal Service to Dallas and Chicago in 2020**

**(Fairbanks, Alaska)** - Fairbanks International Airport (FAI) is pleased to announce American Airlines daily seasonal nonstop service, scheduled for next summer. American Airlines will join Air North, Alaska Airlines, Condor, Delta Air Lines, 40-Mile Air, Ravn Alaska and United Airlines serving travelers during summer 2020.

Service will begin May 7, 2020, and operate through Oct. 5, 2020. The daily flights will depart FAI at 8:30 p.m. and arrive in Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport (DFW) at 5:55 a.m. and Fairbanks to Chicago's O'Hare International Airport (ORD) will depart at 8:05 p.m. and arrive at 7:25 a.m.

"Air service development is a priority at FAI and we are proud to add American Airlines to the growing list of carriers providing service to visitors and Fairbanks residents alike. We are fortunate to have the support and partnership of so many groups throughout our community including our partners at Explore Fairbanks and we look forward to adding Dallas to FAI's route map," said Angie Spear, FAI Airport Manager. "This service expansion demonstrates that FAI continues to be open and ready for business."

"I will say it again, Alaska is open and ready for business," said Alaska Governor Michael J. Dunleavy. "Across the state we continue to see increased air traffic, as is evident with FAI's record number of passengers. We continue to pursue all new global opportunities, expanding business and educating investors that Alaska is the future. Alaska, is truly the crossroads of the world."

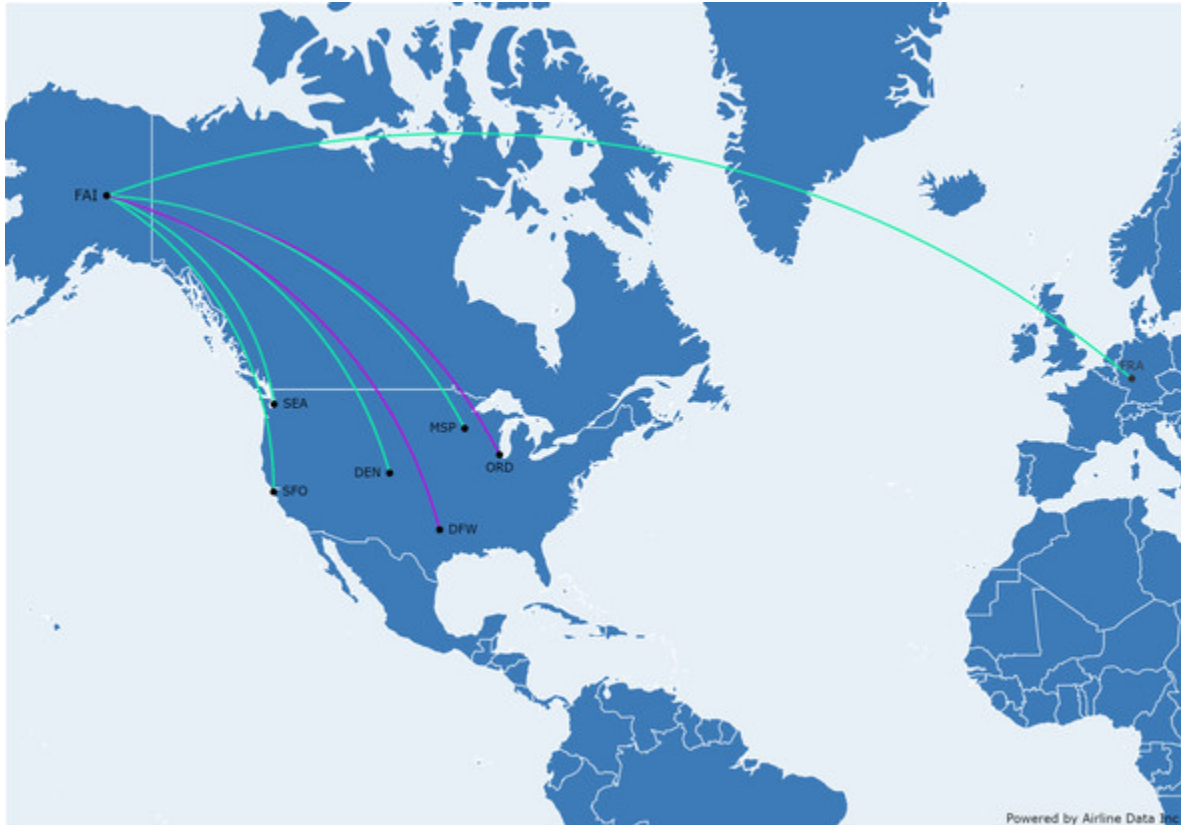
Flights to DFW will operate in time to connect to American's recently announced new service to Tel Aviv, Israel starting next September, in addition to more than 900 daily flights to 224 destinations. And flights to ORD from FAI will connect to the new service to Krakow, Poland; Prague, the Czech Republic; and Budapest, Hungary starting next summer with just one stop.

Seat capacity increases are crucial not just for the Fairbanks community, but also to accommodate additional seats needed by the growing cruise industry that offer land and sea tour packages.

"We look forward to welcoming American Airlines in the upcoming summer tourism season," said Deb Hickok, president and CEO of Explore Fairbanks. "These new American schedules combined with already existing service from Alaska, Condor, Delta and United Airlines offer even more options for visitors as well as residents in summer 2020."

Flights will be available for purchase beginning Sept. 1, 2019, at [www.aa.com](http://www.aa.com). To view the American Airlines announcement click [here](#).

For more information regarding FAI's concessionaires and amenities visit [www.fai.alaska.gov](http://www.fai.alaska.gov).



FAI Route Map - August 2019

#### **About Fairbanks International Airport**

Fairbanks International Airport is the gateway to Alaska's interior and Denali National Park. It's one half of the Alaska International Airport System and serves more than a million passengers annually. Equipped to handle any size and type of aircraft, anytime, with state-of-the-art landing systems and terminal facilities. Accounts for 1 in 20 jobs for a total of 1,900 jobs in Fairbanks.

#### **About DOT&PF**

The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities oversees 239 airports, 10 ferries serving 35 communities, more than 5,600 miles of highway and 731 public facilities throughout the state of Alaska. The mission of the department is to **"Keep Alaska Moving** through service and infrastructure.

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