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## **Construction to Begin to Renovated Ground Transportation Center**

*Cleveland, March 24, 2020* —Starting April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 construction will begin on the new Ground Transportation Center (GTC) at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport (CLE).

The renovated GTC will be located at the north end of baggage claim where the shuttles and limos have been picking up and dropping off passengers for the past year. During construction, this operation will be moved to the previous location adjacent to the Smart Parking Garage to ensure safety during the project.

“We are looking forward to the completion of this project and the major upgrade to customer service it will bring,” said Airport Director Robert Kennedy. “The need to remove traffic from the area has left us with some challenges, but this project will be a welcomed improvement.”

The \$3 million project will feature new canopies with ample covered and heated seating areas for passengers waiting to board shuttles. The area will be designed with safety and efficiency in mind to create easy to navigate boarding areas for both the shuttle drivers and the passengers they are picking up and dropping off.

Included will be a new vestibule for passengers to enter and exit from the terminal building. The new pavement will be regraded to be ADA friendly for our guests who have limited mobility.

During the project, Primary Road will also be closed for the replacement of water and gas lines underneath the roadway until November. The construction will not impact access to the airports Red Lot or Blue Lot parking.

The project will be completed by Ozanne Construction Company in time for the busy Thanksgiving holiday travel period in November.

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