Local businesses to open in GSP Airport

$115M facelift to accommodate new vendors

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Some local faces will be among the new vendors setting up inside Greenville-Spartanburg International Airport, currently in the midst of a multi-year, $115 million overhaul.

Thomas Creek Grill, a dining option from Upstate microbrewery Thomas Creek, will have locations in both concourse areas, according to brewery owner Tom Davis.

"It's going to give us quite a bit of exposure," Davis said. "It's like having a live billboard right there in the airport."

The restaurants are expected to open in April and are part of a larger renovation goal to bring local vendors into the mix, according to Rosylin Weston, airport spokeswoman.

As the terminal is expanded, Thomas Creek Grill will open alongside national eateries Chick Fil-A, Green Leaf's, which features salads and sandwiches, and Dunkin Donuts, to be located in the baggage claim area, Weston said.

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Another local business, Fly and Shine, has already moved inside Garage B next to the airport's daily parking lot.

The car wash service is an extension of Precision Detailing on State 14 in Greer, just a few miles down the road.

Weston said Fly and Shine adds to the airport's commitment to customer service that sets it apart from other competitors.

Meanwhile, crews are wrapping up construction on the new baggage carousel and have begun work on the airport terminal's facade, which will feature a new curbside canopy and 700 feet of glass panels.

The renovation, branded as WINGSPAN, is scheduled to be finished in early 2016. Most of the project is being constructed with existing airport funds. Another 20 percent comes from the Federal Aviation Administration's grant program and the Transportation Security Administration.