

Cascade Airways says Walla Walla will have 144 flights per week starting Sunday when new flights are added.

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Cascade adds Pendleton flights

Additional flights out of Walla Walla by Cascade Airways, including service starting Sunday to Pendleton, will boost the city to an even more important role as "hub" of operations for the airline.

The number of departures each week from Walla Walla will then be increased from 97 to 144, according to Mark A. Nilson, director of sales and service.

The number of pilots now stationed

at Walla Walla will be 51, with the addition of nine to the Cascade payroll with the increased flights, Nilson said.

Other personnel will also be added, he said.

Total personnel to be stationed in Walla Walla with the increases will be more than 70, Nilson said. He said there will be 10 mechanics and 11 station agents stationed in Walla Walla besides the pilots.

Cascade bases seven of its aircraft

nightly in Walla Walla, now the primary maintenance and crew base for the firm's three-state operations.

The addition of Pendleton will see flights leaving Walla Walla for Pendleton at 5 a.m., 10:20 a.m. and and 4:30 p.m., Nilson said.

Flights from Pendleton to Walla Walla will leave daily at 1:30 p.m., 10 p.m. and at 11 p.m.

The new flight to Pendleton at 10:20 a.m. each day will also mean ad-

that flight continuing on to the Idaho city from Pendleton. A new flight from Boise will leave daily at 1:25 p.m. for Walla Walla. In addition to the new flights and increased personnel, Cascade will be adding two more aircraft, bringing the firm's fleet to 10 Beech 99 Airliners.

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Nilson said the schedule expansion results from record traffic growth throughout the Northwest for Cascade.