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Exercise Plover to test airport response

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COOKTOWN

Airport staff and local emergency services will spring into action in response to a simulated bird strike incident at the Cooktown Airport next week.

Dubbed Exercise Plover, the event will help airport and emergency personnel assess their preparation and procedures. Exercise participants will respond to a simulation of a Cessna Caravan which crashes on take-off after a bird strike.

The exercise will involve Cook Shire Council staff, Queensland Police, Queensland Health, Queensland Ambulance Service, Queensland Fire and Emergency Services, State Emergency Service and Hinterland Aviation.

There is not expected to be any disruption to regular air services on the day of the exercise.

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