

## **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST- DISTRICT OF CARLETON NORTH TOURISM ASSET**

**LOCATED AT: 9207 MAIN STREET, FLORENCEVILLE-BRISTOL, NB**

**SHOGOMOC TRAIN RESTAURANT: RESTORED CP RAIL CAR KITCHEN AND DINNING ROOM**

### **OVERVIEW**

The District of Carleton North is seeking Expressions of Interest (EOI) from entrepreneurs/enterprises interested in leasing and developing a tourism sector-related businesses at the restored CPR Railcar kitchen and dining room.

**The restored CPR Railcar kitchen and dining room:** This former destination railway-themed dining facility has capacity for up to twenty-six (26) patrons and includes a well-equipped institutional-grade kitchen (see details in Appendix A).

We envision the Shogomoc Train Restaurant as a **contemporary dining establishment offering a unique and memorable experience** for residents of the District of Carleton North and serving as a **destination location for travelers**. The restaurant should complement and enhance our current tourism attractions by providing a distinctive culinary offering in the region.

The District's current tourism experiences include:

- **Shogomoc Trails**
- **Outdoor Summer Market**
- **National French Fry Day**
- **Riverbend Balloon Festival**
- **Snowmobile Trails**

The addition of a contemporary fine dining restaurant will help solidify the area as a vibrant tourism hub, drawing visitors from far and wide while enriching the experiences available to our local community.

### **SITE VISITS AND INFORMATION**

For more information or to arrange interior and exterior site visits regarding this facility, please contact:

Sharon Johnston, Tourism, Heritage & Culture Manager  
506-392-6763 ext. 209  
sharon.johnston@carletonnorth.com

## **INTERESTED PARTIES**

***Interested parties must submit in writing a brief concept proposal addressing the following:***

1. Proposed use of the railcar and type(s) of operations, including specific/detailed reference regarding suitability to the site and structure.
2. Proposed periods (seasonal vs. year-round) and days and hours of operation.
3. Although not required at the EOI stage, any available details concerning the proposed business name, business registration, and tax number, etc., would be considered an asset.
4. A summary regarding any proposed capital requirements (infrastructure). Detailed cost estimates are not necessary at this stage.
5. Anticipated start-up date of the proposed operation.

Special consideration applies to proposals that address the following aspects:

- Job creation.
- Enhanced quality of life for the residents of the District of Carleton North.
- New services/products offerings.
- Encouragement in welcoming newcomers.
- Contribution to the clustering of tourism businesses within and surrounding the District of Carleton North.
- Low environmental impact.

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## **SUBMISSION DETAILS**

Interested parties may submit proposals confidentially no later than **January 31, 2025** via email in PDF format to [sharon.johnston@carletonnorth.com](mailto:sharon.johnston@carletonnorth.com) or in hard copy to:

District of Carleton North  
Attn: Sharon Johnston  
Tourism, Heritage & Culture Manager  
19 Station Road,  
Florenceville-Bristol, NB E7L 3J8

*Proposals will be reviewed, and selected applicants will be contacted for further discussions.*

### APPENDIX A – The Restored CP Railcar kitchen and dining room:

Railcar #1 is approximately 675 sq. ft. (dining area) and Railcar #2 is approximately 270 sq. ft. (kitchen), providing a total of 945 sq. ft. Public washrooms are housed in the adjacent Shogomoc Train Station. The following outlines the current list of equipment housed within the kitchen and foodservice area:

- One Frigidaire Upright Household Refrigerator
- One Garland Double Char broiler ED-30B
- One Garland Oven Master 200 Serial 0703100235478
- Two Garland Burner Units ED – 15 HSE 9 'Burner Designer Series
- One Stainless Bar Fridge Model SE 80106-2 Serial 69050124
- One Moyer Diebel Dishwasher Model 401HTM3 Serial W13759
- All Dining Tables and Chairs
- Two Oxblood High Back Armchairs, Queen Anne style



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