



REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

China Creek Marina & Campground Café, General Store & Equipment Rentals

The Port Alberni Port Authority operates China Creek Marina & Campground, which is located approximately 10 kms south of the City of Port Alberni surrounded by the spectacular natural west coast setting of the Alberni Inlet. The facility includes a marina with over 2300 lineal feet of side tie moorage and 200+ campsites ranging from large, fully-serviced sites to accommodate large RVs to cozier, quieter sites for those who prefer a more traditional camping experience. Amenities include a marine fuel dock; heated washrooms and showers; coin-operated laundry; playground & children's bike park; picnic area and stunning natural tidal beach area with some of the best, most easily accessible diving waters on the west coast. The head of the famous Alberni Inlet Trail is also accessed from the campground. The marina and campground has been a favorite annual destination for families who continue to return year after year for generations for world famous salmon fishing in the Alberni Inlet and many other outdoor recreation and relaxation.

The Port Alberni Port Authority has been, and will continue to invest, in a number of improvements and partnerships to China Creek Campground & Marina's facilities and marketing efforts to expand its customer base. For example, the campground is one of BC Ferries Vacations featured packages. We are working hard to attract those seeking an easily accessible, but "a world away," spectacular setting that represents the best of what the west coast has to offer without the hustle and hassle of other more well-known destinations in the region.

In order to continue to enhance the amenities offered the Port is seeking proposals for the rental of 970 sq. ft. of space in the China Creek Campground and Marina main office building. The area offers potential as a desirable social gathering space for campers and can be dedicated to food and beverage services and includes room for preparation & storage areas. The area is large enough to offer assorted sundries and "General Store" items that are desired by leisure campers. We also encourage interested parties to consider taking advantage of the natural surroundings to offering water sports and hiking equipment rentals.

The Port recognizes the seasonal nature and location for this business and is open to considering additional revenue opportunities that proponents may wish to pursue under this RFP as well as any additional areas that may be required. Other incentives to the successful proponent, such as a full-serviced campsite for those wishing to live on location in their own RV may be available.

All interested candidates are encouraged to send a business proposal that also includes relevant experience and references.

All rental terms will be negotiated between the successful candidate and Port Alberni Port Authority.

To view the facility, please contact: Mike Carter, Director of Operations at 250-720-6771

Interested parties must email their proposals to:
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Proposals will be accepted & reviewed until an agreement is reached with a suitable proponent