

## MEDIA RELEASE

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## Local Food Options Soaring at Thunder Bay Airport

Between December 10 and mid-January, customers will notice the introduction of multiple local food service brands in the Air Terminal Building.

On December 10, the Thunder Bay based catering company; Pinetree Catering will open "Nomad", a new food service café in the secure departure lounge. "We are excited to open with a large selection of local food and beverage options for departing passengers. Our mix of products will have something for everyone regardless of the time of day," according to Nikos Mantis, owner of Nomad.

Starting in mid-January, food service on the public side will also be overhauled to showcase new brands including many that are local. "2019 marks 25 years of food service by Aramark at the Thunder Bay Airport. Aramark's mission to enrich and nourish lives means responding to consumer trends to create a more fulfilling dining experience. We look forward to marking this anniversary with a refresh of our food service to include new and local products."

"Thunder Bay is gaining a well-deserved positive reputation for its culinary skills", said Ed Schmidtke, President & CEO of the Airport Authority. "It is appropriate that a visitor to the Airport would be able to shop local."

A media event is scheduled for Thursday, December 6, at 10:00am on the main floor of the Air Terminal Building to introduce the media to the local vendors that will soon be available at the airport.

## About TBIAA

TBIAA is the private, non-shareholder corporation responsible for the operation of the Thunder Bay International Airport. TBIAA receives no government funding for the operation of the Airport. Economic activity related to the Airport is responsible for an estimated \$645 million dollars in GDP annually and over 5000 jobs.

Customers are encouraged to visit <u>www.thunderbayairport.com</u> for more information on services and facilities offered by Thunder Bay International Airport.

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