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Train Stop Survey results released

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(Kahnawake – 14, Tsothohrkó:wa/January 2016) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke (MCK) would like to inform the community that the results of the survey to gauge public opinion on a project being proposed to have a commuter train stop built and operated at Adirondack Junction is now available for viewing at www.kahnawake.com. The seven question survey was launched online on December 9, 2015 and closed on December 31st. There were 201 respondents.

Of note, the survey shows that close to 400 people minimum would use the stop at least once per week as long as it had ample Parking for Park & Ride and basic security features, such as lighting or cameras and a small shelter for rain/snow. 57% wanted a bus service and that figure was consistent with both Kahnawà:ke respondents and those who live outside of Kahnawà:ke. The vast majority of outside responses lived in Chateaugay.

The survey is not technical and has no accuracy percentage. Promotion of the survey was strictly in Kahnawà:ke, but given that 24% of respondents live outside of Kahnawà:ke, leads us to believe that even more people from outside of Kahnawà:ke, especially Chateaugay, would likely use the train stop if a similar survey took place there.

On average, each participant in the survey represented 2 persons in their household that would use the stop if one were built. On average, one person in each household would use the stop for work with the other using it for school. Those from outside of Kahnawà:ke would mostly use the stop for work (67%) while most of those from Kahnawà:ke would use it for leisure or school. This statistic makes sense given how many people from Chateaugay work on the island of Montreal while a large majority of Kahnawà:ke work in Kahnawà:ke, but both CEGEP & University students in both areas attend schools in Montreal.

“It’s very encouraging to see that our people are fully in support of the project,” said Chief Carl Horn. “I want to make life easier for our people, especially our youth that are in school.”

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