

SILGA MISSION STATEMENT

- SILGA works to represent each community within the Southern Interior Region to provide a strong and effective voice of common issues and regional initiatives.
- SILGA meets on average 6 times a year; the meeting location varies between SILGA communities.





2009 SILGA EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

President, Councillor Kevin Flynn
City of Salmon Arm

Past President, Director Rhona Martin

Columbia Shuswap Regional District

1st Vice President, Director Noreen Guenther

District of Lake Country

2nd Vice President, Harry Kroeker

City of Merritt

Director at Large, Mayor Wayne Lippert

City of Vernon

Director at Large, Councillor Ryan Nitchie

City of Armstrong

Director at Large, Councillor Pat Wallace

City of Kamloops

Director at Large, Stu Wells

Town of Osoyoos

Director at Large, Ida Makaro

Village of Cache Creek

Director at Large, Brian Given

City of Kelowna

Director at Large, Bert Walker

District of Clearwater

Secretary/Treasurer, Alison Slater

Kamloops

WHAT IS OUR PURPOSE?

- To speak as ONE voice for local government issues of our members.
- To enhance the quality and level of service provided by local government to its citizens
- To promote and advance to the UBCM proposed changes in legislation, regulations or Government policy
- Coordinate communication between SILGA members



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WHO ARE SILGA MEMBERS?

City of Armstrong

City of Enderby

City of Kamloops

City of Kelowna

City of Merritt

City of Penticton

City of Revelstoke

City of Salmon Arm

City of Vernon

District of Barriere

District of Clearwater

District of Coldstream

District of Lake Country

District of Lillooet

District of Logan Lake

District of Peachland

District of Sicamous

District of Summerland

District of Westside

Central Okanagan RD

Columbia Shuswap RD

North Okanagan RD

Okanagan Similkameen RD

Squamish Lillooet RD

Thompson Nicola RD

Town of Oliver

Town of Osoyoos

Town of Princeton

Township of Spallumcheen

Village of Ashcroft

Village of Cache Creek

Village of Chase

Village of Clinton

Village of Keremeos

Village of Lumby

Village of Lytton

WHAT ARE SILGA'S GOALS?

- To identify issues that affect our members
- To encourage communication and sharing of best practices
- To provide a strong, effective voice for common issues
- To champion regional issues to UBCM and senior governments
- To provide professional development and education





HOW WILL WE ACHIEVE OUR GOALS?

- Meet with all SILGA membership prior to the annual convention.
- Engage our membership on issues affecting them.
- Encourage our members to submit resolutions for the annual SILGA convention for discussion and support at the UBCM convention.
- Continue to increase communication with senior levels of government.



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SILGA SUCCESSES

- Successfully lobbied to prevent privatization of Coquihalla Highway
- Small Community Policing

 worked with UBCM to
 extend grace period for
 small communities paying for policing.
- Lobbied the province for improved community connectivity - cell phone and high speed internet
- Lobbied for amendments to meat processing regulations



CURRENT ISSUES SILGA IS WORKING ON

- BC transit improvements on regional highways
- Community filtration requirements from Interior Health
- Watershed Lots







2009 SILGA ANNUAL CONVENTION

Where? Osoyoos

When? April 29 - May 1

What are the benefits of attending the Convention?

- Gold Star Resolutions
 - Special Sessions
- Networking with Peers

Bring your boogie board to the dance. Surf's up!



