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BCSSGA Mission Statement

THE BRITISH COLUMBIA STONE SAND AND GRAVEL ASSOCIATION is committed to affordable, sustainable development of BC's aggregate resources, providing information to the public, ongoing input to the province, and maintaining government regulations while fostering positive constructive communications

with aggregate industry members and mining

related associations across Canada.

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President's Message

2023, what a year so far! It is an honor to be serving as the first Northern President of the Association. I remember well when the BCSSGA Board came to Prince George approximately 4 years ago to have a meeting and brought the message of why the Association brought value to all regions of the province. A few of us northerners attending asked some tough questions of the southerners regarding the Association that had existed for many years and had never reached out to us before to any degree; northerners are a suspicious lot by nature! The Association's message was clear and they could understand why we asked those questions but said a new group had taken over and their mandate was to be a voice for our industry and for the entire province.

Reflecting on the last 4 years, I marvel at the work this Association has acted on for the benefit of all Producers large and small. Our Board of Directors is a group of dedicated volunteers that take ownership of the Association, want it to grow and want to make it better.

Recently, we toured the Minister of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation, the Honourable Josie Osborne (MLA for Mid-Island-Pacific Rim) through some operations in the Lower Mainland to showcase what our industry is doing and in particular the various stages of pit reclamation. One site we visited was once a blueberry field that has become a key source of construction aggregate for the area. It was being progressively reclaimed using excavated materials from local construction sites then re-graded and turned back into even higher yielding blueberry fields. The tour was an excellent example of how our Association has worked with the government, earned their trust and become a valuable industry resource.

We are working hard to keep on top of matters that affect us all. This includes equipment guarding, working with governing bodies such as the Master Municipal Construction Document Association (MMCD) and the Ministry of Transportation (MoTI) to encourage and increase the use of recycled aggregates. Permitting is another area that we can never lose sight of and we are working diligently with the government to ensure we have a seat at the table so that industry has an opportunity to provide input when decisions are made regarding policy and regulation.

Every new president



has an area they would like to work on and leave a little better by the end of their term. My wish is to bring more education to our industry. This will be accomplished by grass roots development of training and educational courses that will be relevant and available to our Membership. We are only as strong as our Membership, and I encourage you all to give a little of your time to help make this Association the best it can be. I look forward to working with you all to continue the success and growth of our organization.

Rick Kovach, President, BC Stone Sand and Gravel Association

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Workplace Health and Safety Innovation Award





The Workplace Health, Safety & Innovation Award recognizes a workplace practice, policy, program, process, or tool which demonstrates improvements in the area of health and safety. This includes anything which could be considered proactive, unique, creative or forward thinking. Please see our website **www.gravelbc.ca** to nominate someone you know who is taking safety to the next level.

Our 2023 Workplace Health, Safety and Innovation Award Sponsored by FuelEx winner was **Woodbrook Aggregates**. David Rogalsky accepted the award on behalf of the team at Woodbrook for their innovative design of a system to heat, cool and pressurize the crusher control booth using clean, filtered air.



From L-R Robert Sims, David Rogalsky, and Jeff Adams.

2024 EMLI Deputy Minister's Community Service Award



B.C.'s aggregate industry plays an important role in building an affordable and prosperous British Columbia. However, aggregate producers play a much larger part in our communities than purely providing the necessary resources for the construction of homes, public infrastructure, and roads. Their contribution takes a variety of forms including volunteering labour and equipment for community projects and events and supporting local organizations.

The Deputy Minister's Community Service Award recognizes the outstanding contribution the aggregate industry provides to communities across the province.

Information and nominations for awards can be emailed to **sustainability@gravelbc.ca**

Membership

Welcome new BCSSGA Members so far in 2023:

Black River Contracting Ltd. **www.blackrivercontracting.ca**

Strathcona Nanaimo Engineering Services www.strathconaengineering.com BIDADOO www.blakem@bidadoo.com Apex Oilfields (2000) www.apexsiterentals.com

Upcoming Events

September 21, 2023 Member Meeting - Prince George Marriott Courtyard Hotel **December 7, 2023** Christmas Luncheon - Surrey, Northview Golf and Country Club May, 2024 2024 Trade Show and Convention, Location TBD.

News and Highlights

2023 BCSSGA Trade Show and Convention

The Trade Show, Convention and Annual General Meeting was held this past May at the River Rock Hotel and Casino in Richmond, B.C. The Associated hosted over 140 delegates from across the province as well as local government officials and provincial government delegates from the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation. The Trade Show features vendors from more than 20 companies who had the opportunity to mix and mingle while showcasing some amazing products. Highlighting Day 1 of the Convention was a private whale watching tour for the group with some up close and personal encounters with our southern resident killer whales, eagles and sea lions in the Salish Sea.



Your 2023 Convention Delegates

A big thank you our sponsors, guest speakers, invited guests and the many Producers and Associates that took the time to attend and make the event a huge success. Please check out the **2023 May Special Issue of Screenings** for more details on our speakers and sponsors.





Guest Speaker, Chief Inspector of Mines, Hermanus Henning

Keynote Speaker, Mike Smyth



Event Organizer Victoria Holmes along with Chris Foreman and Jack Foreman – having some fun!



Whale Watching Tour

Pit Tour with Minister Osborne

This past September the Association hosted the Honourable Josie Osborne, Minister of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation (EMLI) for a tour of various sand and gravel operations in the Fraser Valley. Minister Osborne was elected the MLA for Mid Island – Pacific Rim in 2020 and was the former mayor of Tofino, where she resides. A small group from your Association Executive joined the Minister in Abbotsford and toured a number of operations highlighting the completed and progressive reclamation ranging from homes to parks to berries. Thank you to Mainland Construction Materials, Fraser Valley Aggregates, Lafarge and Eco Agg Recycling for opening up your sites and showcasing your operational excellence.





Committee Updates

From the Government Relations Committee:

The Government Relations (GR) Committee is tasked with addressing the most pressing matters for membership with law-makers and regulators from the various levels of government. Our goal is to meet as often as necessary with representatives from government and advocate for both the industry and membership in terms of policy, legislation, strategic direction and mandates. While individual matters are not tackled directly, they often lead the committee in search of root causes and most of all development of solutions which we can work through with government. Our regional representatives play an important role on the committee as they bring forward news and emerging issues from across the province for review and consideration.

In late 2022, the Ministry of Mines commissioned a study, aided by the BCSSGA, on the socio and economic impacts that the aggregate industry plays in the province. The study was released this year and can be found here: Aggregate Study

One of the primary focuses this year for the Committee is the alignment of permitting aggregate sites in the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR). Many of our Members have been struggling with their mining permits being delayed due to difficulty with the Land Commission making timely and informed decisions regarding the temporary nature of mining in the ALR. One of the solutions we have put forward is the use of Delegated Authorities whereby Ministry of Mines Inspectors are able to make decisions on behalf of the Land Commission similar to the model used by the BC Energy Regulator, formerly the BC Oil and Gas Commission

The Aggregate Guidance Handbook, a manual developed to help new and existing Producers navigate the regulatory framework in BC for aggregate operations is in final review by the Ministry of Mines and we hope to release it publicly this fall.

In-Person Meetings have been another focus of the Committee this year and we have met with Assistant Deputy Minister for Mines Authorizations and Competitiveness Tania Demchuk along with Executive Director Nini Long, Regional Directors and the Minister so far this year! Newly appointed Assistant Deputy Minister of Health and Safety, George Warnock (formerly Chief Permitting Officer) will be a guest speaker at the Prince George meeting in September.

As always, this is your Association so we really do need to hear from you. What is your main concern and how can we as a Committee and Association work for you? Please feel free to email us and join in the conversation.

Sincerely,

Derek Holmes, Chair, BCSSGA Government Relations Committee gr@gravelbc.ca



From the Safety Committee

The Safety Committee is continuing with our agenda for 2023 as presented at our AGM. We have grown the safety committee to have wider producer participation. We are still interested in more participation from our smaller producer members. If you are interested, please reach out at safety@ gravelbc.ca.

Safety Toolkit Review and Refresh: The committee is continuing to review items in our safety tool kit (https://gravelbc.ca/safey-tool-kit/), adding relevant codes and links to resources. We have connected with the Safety Committee for ASGA and hope to share our knowledge. Look out for updates to our web site.

Trucking Safety: Trucks and truck drivers are an essential part of our business. The committee is working with Safety Driven (Trucking Safety Council of BC, **SafetyDriven.ca**) to draft template multi-lingual signs to better communicate safety messages to drivers on our sites. Safety Driven is also looking for aggregate hosts across BC for Safety Carnivals, where they will run events which deliver safety messages through fun-filled activities to the attendees. These events are typically free of charge, and a great opportunity to get your safety message out! Reach out to **SafetyDriven.ca** directly or **safety@gravelbc.ca** for more information. **Working Alone:** The committee had a great presentation from Jennifer Martin, Safety Coordinator of FuelEx on their Working Alone program and their use of CheckMate. CheckMate is program that is also used by a number of aggregate and concrete producers in British Columbia and is a great tool for protecting lone workers trough safety monitoring and checks.

BC Construction Safety Alliance: BCSSGA has an associate seat on the BCCSA Board and continues to participate. Please consider joining BCCSA or sending your safety professionals to the upcoming Health & Safety Conference **https://www.bccsaconference. com/** October 19 – 20, 2023 in Vancouver. For your members in Kelowna, there is also a BCCSA session on mental health highlighting resources from the reMIND website **https://re-mind.ca**/ with speaker Diana Vissers **https://www.bccsa.ca/index. php?id=504**

If you have any questions or ideas for the committee, please reach out to us at **safety@gravelbc.ca**.

Sincerely,

Robert Sims, Chair, BCSSGA Safety Committee safety@gravelbc.ca



From the Sustainability Committee

As we embrace the change of seasons, it's a time to reflect on the driving forces that help move our Sustainability Committee forward. Our commitment to advancing sustainable practices within the aggregate industry remains strong, as we champion environmental stewardship, responsible resource management, and community engagement.

In tandem with this, we also recognize the importance of sustaining our Association's membership and interaction with community. To that end, we're engaged in preliminary discussions on how the Committee can seamlessly collaborate with the Communications team of the BCSSGA. By aligning our efforts, we aim to enhance our reach, effectiveness, and impact in promoting sustainable practices and industry advocacy.

We're happy to share our success in growing our social media presence, with Facebook and Instagram pages beginning to flourish. Our next goal is to reinvigorate our LinkedIn presence, providing a more comprehensive platform to connect with our members and stakeholders. Your continued support is invaluable in achieving this, and we encourage you to follow and engage with us on our social media platforms: **Instagram: @aggregatesbc** and **Facebook: BC Stone, Sand, and Gravel Association**.

We also extend our gratitude to those who have shared their photos and stories with us. Your contributions provide insights into the diverse and commendable work undertaken within our industry. Our inbox is always open, so please don't hesitate to share the exciting and impactful initiatives you're involved in, to **sustainability@gravelbc.ca**.

Sincerely,

Danielle Gutwillinger, Chair, BCSSGA Sustainability Committee <u>sustainability@gravelbc.ca</u>



BCSSGA Associate Member Directory

Company Name	Phone Number	Email / Website
Alternative Belting	604-853-2638	<u>Altbelt.com</u>
Apex Oilfield Services 2000	1-877-347-1628	info@apexsiterentals.com
BIDADOO	604-316-9191	blakem@bidadoo.ca
BRANDT	604-882-8888	mladd@brandt.ca
Cassiar East Yukon Expediting	604-926-8454	Geology, geomorphology, Sedimentology (no website)
Diachem Polymers	604-789-2498	diachem.ca
Diamond Equipment Group	604-425-1400	Diamondequip.com
Dyno Nobel	1-800-473-2675	Dynonobel.com
Eco-Agg Concrete Recycling	604-613-9080	Recycleconcrete.ca
Finning (Canada)	1-888-346-6464	Finning.com
Foreman Equipment	1-888-852-9021	foremanequipment.com
Frontline Machinery	1-855-625-2009	frontline-machinery.com
FuelEx Energy Ltd.	604-563-3639	fuelexenergy.ca
Great West Equipment	604-882-5051	gwequipment.com
Haver & Boecker Niagara	778-775-1515	mkopper@havercanada.com
Holmes Mining Consultants	604-309-3028	holmesmining.ca
Inland Truck and Equipment	1-250-613-1086	Inland-group.com
Innovative Mining Services	1-844-556-7625	Ims-group.ca
LIEBHERR Canada Ltd.	604-270-3266	Todd.james@liebherr.com
Lonetrack Equipment	604-856-7278	lonetrack.com
Machinery Supply	1-403-503-7877	machinerysupply.ca
Metro Testing & Engineering	604-543-8871	metrotesting.ca
Mormak Equipment	1-250-542-7350	mormak.com
ProTrack	604-396-1120	Protackbc.com
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About the Association and Benefits of Membership

The BC Stone Sand and Gravel Association (BCSSGA) is a professional Association that represents all of the Aggregate Producers in British Columbia. Our members are Aggregate Producers, Associates who work with and supply to Producers and we focus our efforts on issues that matter most to our members: government relations, sustainability and safety/ training.

The aggregate industry is highly regulated with legislation and government policy developing quickly. Our strength is in our direct line of communication with the various levels of government who consult with our association whenever changes are considered in the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low-Carbon Innovation (EMLI) affecting mining in the province. We also engage with local governments on behalf of our members to help municipalities understand the challenges our industry faces and lobby for regulations that work for Producers.

Sustainability is not a new concept in the BCSSGA but has been re-branded to reflect how we are perceived in public and push initiatives that build a grassroots knowledge of the value of aggregates in our schools. The Sustainability Committee also manages the Deputy Minister's award that recognizes outstanding community relations by aggregate producers in the Province.

Safety and training are foundations of the aggregate industry and the Association makes sure that we inform our members about changes to the Health Safety and Reclamation Code for Mines in BC. We have a seat at the table of the Code Review Committee to ensure that the Code works for all mines in BC, not just the large metal mines which only account for a small number of overall provincial permits. The safety committee is also dedicated to providing resources for small operators to ensure their business has the latest and most up to date information available for their safety program.

Becoming a member in the Association ensures we

have the numbers and resources to stay relevant with government and non-government entities. Producers benefit by having a strong industry voice advocating for them so they can stay focused on their business and regular updates and meetings to share and learn from others. We have government representatives attend and speak at every one of our meetings. Associates benefit from the networking opportunities and meetings hosted by the BCSSGA during the year with access to key decision makers in the organization and the ability to advertise their business.

For more information please contact **victoria@gravelbc.ca** or **778-571-2670**



BC Stone, Sand & Gravel Association MEMBERSHIP PACKAGE

The British Columbia Stone Sand and Gravel Association is the voice of the aggregate industry in BC. Since 1988, the Association has been actively representing the industry and its interests at all levels of government and in communities throughout BC.

Member Benefits:

- Regular access to other membership to learn from, coordinate with, and improve industry performance and standards, while ensuring a reasonable regulatory environment is maintained by governments
- Effective representation at all levels in government to ensure decision makers from the local council to the cabinet chamber hear the voice of aggregate producers and understand our interests as an industry
- Regular engagement with the Executive and Board of Directors to make sure that membership's voice is heard and conveyed to government and regulatory decision makers
- The inside scoop on potential impacts to the industry, be that regulatory change, tax changes, or potential technological advances that can give you the edge in your business
- Access to the association's newsletter, *Screenings Magazine*, and the ability to contribute to the ongoing dialogue



Government Relations

Legislative and regulatory issues impacting your business are faced on an ongoing basis. The BCSSGA represents the collective voice of BC's aggregate producers with all three levels of government. Get updates on regulatory issues facing the industry and your business and bring your concerns to the table. Harnessing our power in numbers, the BCSSGA is an effective conduit to for industry consultation and engagement with government agencies and representatives. This is your opportunity to help advance the industry's interests and competitiveness.

Communications

BCSSGA's quarterly publication, *Screenings*, will be delivered to your inbox throughout the year with pertinent information about the aggregate industry, regulatory issues facing the industry, and updates on the Association's activities. Articles that appear in the newsletter could make a difference in your company's operations. BCSSGA also offers advertising opportunities to promote your company's goods and services to our industry focused distribution list.

BCSSGA Members also receive exclusive access to the **BCSSGA Weekly News Clipping service** which brings a round-up of industry news to your inbox every Friday. The Weekly News includes association updates and important news bulletins. Make sure you are in the know.

FEES

The Association's annual fee structure is based on total annual production.

Category	Tonnes	Fees / Year	GST	Total
#1	1 - 20,000	\$750	\$37.50	\$787.50
#2	20,001 - 50,000	\$1,000	\$50.00	\$1050.00
#3	50,001 - 100,000	\$1500	\$75.00	\$1575.00
#4	100,001 - 500,000	\$3000	\$150.00	\$3150.00
#5	500,001 - 2,000,000	\$4000	\$200.00	\$4200.00
#6	Over 2,000,000	\$7000	\$350.00	\$7350.00

Producer Members

Associate Members

Category	Tonnes	Fees / Year	GST	Total
#7	No Production	\$1000	\$50	\$1050.00

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The **British Columbia Stone Sand and Gravel Association** is the voice of the aggregate industry in BC. Since 1988, the Association has been actively representing the sector and its interests at all levels of government and in communities throughout BC. The industry itself is comprised of 1,500 operators that employ 10,000 people and generate over 1 billion dollars of business while producing 80% of the aggregate supply in the province.

WHY ADVERTISE?

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