

The Lillooet Agriculture and Food Society was incorporated under British Columbia's *Society Act* on March 11, 2016. When incorporated, the society's mandate was:

- To enhance the agricultural viability of the Lillooet region;
- Promote awareness, education and research around local agriculture and food security; and
- Assist in localizing all aspects of the food system.
- Promote best management practices in agriculture

During the winter of 2018/19 the Board of Directors of the Lillooet Agricultural and Food Society engaged in a series of meetings to create a Strategic Plan to guide the organization through its next phase of development.

They began by reviewing the goals and objectives of the SLRD Agricultural Plan Implementation Strategy:

"The Squamish-Lillooet Regional District (SLRD) Area B, District of Lillooet & St'át'imc Agricultural Plan (Ag Plan) Working Group created an independent non-profit society, the Lillooet Agriculture and Food Society (L.A.F.S.), to implement the Agricultural Plan and advance agricultural economic development in the Lillooet area. The SLRD Board adopted the Agricultural Plan on October 1, 2014; it is the culmination of a year-long public dialogue concerning the future of agriculture in the Lillooet area. This Agricultural Plan is unique amongst agricultural plans in BC in that it was developed with extensive input from St'át'imc community members. Significant input was also gathered from agricultural community stakeholders and the public – this is a plan made for and by the community."
<https://www.lillooetagricultureandfood.org/about/>

Through this process the L.A.F.S. Board clarified their Vision, Values and Mandate. The discussion created a framework for structuring the work they plan to embark upon. They developed a SWOT analysis of their current position, and a Strategy Screen, two tools that they will refer to during future planning. They clarified operational objectives for the year ahead, identifying key operational objectives and indicators of success for the future.

A review of the official mandate resulted in this revised version:

- To enhance the agricultural viability of the Lillooet region;
- To promote awareness, education and research related to agriculture, enterprise, sustainability and food security;
- To support and connect local food and agricultural enterprises; and
- To build community support for our local food system and unique food culture.

[LAFS Board of Directors] moves to change the official mandate of the society from the original version, to the revised version above.