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British Columbia Highway #97A "Sicamous to Vernon (alternate route to Vancouver)"

MILE	KM	ITEM	SUMMARY	MILE	KM
0.0	0.0	Sicamous, BC - Elevation 352m (1155ft.)	Junction of Highway 1 (TransCanada Highway) and 97A. the entrance to Eagle Pass, BC. Sicamous, BC, located on the shores of Lake Shuswap, BC & Mara Lake, BC. Sicamous is the 'Houseboat Capital of Canada,'. The first settlers in Sicamous were from Finland. In 1864 gold was discovered on the BC, Columbia river. Seymour Arm became a supply centre in the Big Bend gold rush. In 1885 permanent settlers arrived after the driving of the Last Spike at Craigellachie, BC, which linked Canada sea to sea.	53.4	86.0
0.2	0.4	Sicamous Museum, BC.		53.2	85.6
1.7	2.8	TP Tent & RV Resort	45 sites, full hook-ups, coin showers, sani-station, sandy beach, coin operated laundry. No pets please.	51.7	83.2
1.8	2.9	Shoreline Resort	4 cabins completely self contained, 50 campsites, bumper boats, 15 & 30 amp service, beach, store, laundry, boat and aqua bike rentals, mini golf, jet skis and cartoon theatre.	51.6	83.1
1.9	3.0	Mara Lake Inn	West of highway.	51.6	83.0
2.7	4.3	Beachcomber Resort	cabins with kitchens and cable TV. Campsites with full and partial hookups, coin showers. Boat launch and moorage	50.8	81.7
3.1	5.0	Photo view from highway	Driving south on Highway 97A, Looking at Mara Lake, BC.	50.3	81.0
5.4	8.7	Scenic Pullout	Pull out overlooking Mara Lake, BC. Fishing in Mara Lake, one can catch, Rainbow, Dolly Varden, Kokanee, and Lake trout.	48.0	77.3
5.6	9.0	Rest Area	Rest area overlooking Mara Lake. Toilets and Picnic area.	47.8	77.0
6.2	10.0	Alpine Village Resort	Cabins, R.V. & Tenting Sites, pool, full& partial hook-ups some pull-through sites showers, toilets,laundromat,pay phone,ice,public boat launch playground	47.2	76.0
6.7	10.8	Hummingbird Resort	West of highway	46.7	75.2
8.0	12.8	'Our Place on Mara' Resort	Housekeeping cottages with 250 feet of private sandy beach, swimming, fishing, picnicking firepits,playground and paddleboat rentals	45.5	73.2
8.1	13.0	Kingbaker Creek Resort	5 cabins, 26 campsites, power and water, beach, showers, laundry, store, boat dock, launching, fire pits. No pets in July and August	45.4	73.0
9.9	16.0	Mara Provincial Park	Public boat launch, change rooms, toilets & sandy beach. No camping facilities	43.5	70.0
10.0	16.1	Rogers Falls Resort	Beach access across the road. 20 large, grassy & treed sites, some hook-ups & firepits. 1 kitchenette unit, 3 sleeping units, 2 modern condos	43.4	69.9
10.1	16.2	Club Mara Resort	Year round RV park. Full hook-ups. No pets, selling deeded RV sites. Spacious landscaped lots up to 2500 sqft	43.4	69.8
10.2	16.4	Willow Shores Resort	Modern housekeeping cabins, large sites, gradual sandy beach,playground, marina, coin showers, laundry, fire pits, charge for pets.	43.2	69.6
10.5	16.9	Crystal Sands Resort		42.9	69.1
11.6	18.7	Da-Mara-Leine Cabin & Campsites	beach,boatlaunch,camping,cabins,free firewood, family reunions. Pets on leash welcome	41.8	67.3
11.9	19.1	Whispering Pines Tent & RV Park	160 sites, mini golf, heated pool, pull through sites, seasonal RV site rentals,groups, reunions and weddings welcome, catering laundromat and volleyball.	41.6	66.9
17.6	28.3	Birchdale Par 3 Golf Course	9 hole par 3 course, easy walking, rentals, licenced coffee shop, pro shop wheelchair accessible Can hold local tournaments/BBQ's	35.9	57.7
18.2	29.3	Shuswap River, BC	The Shuswap River is famous for its spawning grounds east of Enderby, where coho, spring and sockeye salmon return each year to spawn in the gravel beds. Excellent Kayaking for the experienced on the Skookamchuck Rapids, BC out of Enderby, BC on Mabel Lake Road. Tours.	35.2	56.7
18.2	29.3	Photo view from highway	View of Shuswap River, from bridge	35.2	56.7
18.3	29.4	Grindrod Boat Launch	Boat launch on the south side of the Shuswap River, BC, by the ball diamonds.	35.2	56.6

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18.3	29.5	Township of Grindrod, BC	Grindrod, BC, is located on the west bank of the Shuswap River. Grindrod's main industry is agriculture.	35.1	56.5
20.8	33.5	Photograph of Enderby Cliffs, BC	North of the Highway 97A are the spectacular Enderby Cliffs. One of the best hiking trails in the area for a view of the North Okanagan Valley and Shuswap River. The Enderby Cliffs tower high above the city of Enderby, BC, offering breathtaking views of the Shuswap and the North Okanagan, BC.	32.6	52.5
23.6	38.0	Enderby, BC Information Pullout	Pullout and map of area	29.8	48.0
24.2	38.9	City of Enderby, BC	Located is on the banks of the Shuswap River, BC, with the Enderby Cliffs, BC to the east. Attractions: Enderby and District Museum, art & craft galleries.	29.3	47.1
25.5	41.1	Mabel Lake Road	East to Mabel Lake, BC. East access to Kingfisher Environmental Interpretive Centre Salmon Fish Hatchery, 26 kms. Every fall the Coho, Spring, Sockeye, and Kokanee salmon return to their spawning grounds. There trails and information kiosks on watershed restoration projects. Interpreters available in summer. Admission is free. Editors note: This is a must see, children enjoy looking at different growth rates of the Salmon that are on display or when the salmon are running. - Telephone to see if open 250-838-0004	27.9	44.9
35.1	56.5	Log Cabin Fruit Stand	Seasonal fruitstand with ample parking, petting zoo, local fruits in season. Very popular	18.3	29.5
37.3	60.1	Chickadee Ridge	Chickadee Ridge is a working farm and home to 150 beautiful Miniature Horses. Canada's largest Miniature Horse breeding farm is open to the public seasonally. Groups welcome. A variety of other miniatures and creatures make this a must see for the whole family.	16.1	25.9
38.1	61.3	Okanagan Great Divide Pull-off	picnic tables, toilets, geologically significant	15.3	24.7
39.1	62.9	City of Armstrong	Cheese Capital of British Columbia and Home of the Inter Provincial Exhibition (IPE). Armstrong is located in the the beautiful Spallumcheen Valley, BC. The influence of Dutch immigrants settling in the valley after the Second World War is represented by their cheese-making knowledge, and Armstrong is well known today for the cheese it produces. Attractions in Armstrong, BC: Inter Provincial Exhibition -	14.4	23.1
40.0	64.3	Royal York Golf Course	An excellent public 9 Hole course. driving range, restaurant and lounge,club and cart rentals.	13.5	21.7
40.3	64.8	Bee World	Tours,a functioning bee farm and supply source for bee products	13.2	21.2
40.8	65.7	Sweetwater Springs	All natural artesian spring bottled water facility,	12.6	20.3
43.7	70.4	Eagle Rock Mobile Home and RV Park		9.7	15.6
44.7	72.0	Rogers Foods	A flour and cereal mill, gift shop, tours	8.7	14.0
47.4	76.3	Junction of Highway 97 and 97A	End of Highway 97A. Junction of Highways 97 to Kamloops and 97A, Okeefe Historic Ranch (one of the areas first settlers),tours, (5kms) Spallumcheen Golf Course challenging 18 hole public course, driving range (5kms) NOTE: For Highway travel north or south via BC highway #97 - See Milebymile.com Road Map Highway Travel Guide - Okanagan Valley, Vernon, Kelowna , Osoyoos, Canada / United States Border, Washington State, for highway driving directions/information	6.0	9.7
47.9	77.1	Atlantis Waterslides	Waterslides, minigolf, seasonal	5.5	8.9
48.5	78.0	Swan Lake Fruit Market and Garden Centre	West side of highway. Vernon's largest fruit stand is the Swan Lake Fruit Market and Garden Centre, located just north of Vernon on Highway 97. fresh produce, deli, ice cream bar, extensive garden nursery and public restrooms, a perfect stop.	5.0	8.0
51.6	83.1	Weigh Scales	Government weigh scale, all large trucks, buses with out of province plates must stop.	1.8	2.9
52.4	84.3	Roadside highway turnout - City of Vernon, BC	Long paved turnout. West side of highway, Tourist information and rest area. Welcome to the Okanagan Valley, 'Home of Ogoopogo'. Ogoopogo is the name given a lake monster reported to live in Lake Okanagan, British Columbia. The first documented sightings of the Ogoopogo by European settlers date back as far as 1860.	1.1	1.7

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52.4	84.3	Welcome to beautiful Vernon, BC	With the arrival of the fur traders in 1811, each spring, large brigades journeyed south with shipments of furs and returned north in the fall with winter supplies, using the Hudson's Bay Brigade trail on the west side of Okanagan Lake. By the 1850's, fur traders had given way to miners throughout B.C. In the Okanagan Valley, gold was discovered at Mission Creek, Cherry Creek, and along the east arm of Okanagan Lake.	1.1	1.7
53.4	86.0	City of Vernon, BC	City of Vernon. Most northern part of Lake Okanagan, BC and Kalamalka Lakes. Gateway to the Monashees, Home to Silver Star Mountain Ski Resort, BC, Sovereign Lake Nordic Centre, BC. Attractions in and around Vernon, BC: Allan Brooks Nature Centre - Atlantis Waterslides Park - Cruise Okanagan - Davison Orchards Country Village & Gift Shop - Downtown Mural Tours - Ghost Tours of Vernon - Historic Oâ€™Keefe Ranch, BC - Okanagan Science Centre - Planet Bee Honey Farm & Gift Shop - Silver Star Mountain Resort, BC - Greater Vernon Museum & Archives.	0.0	0.0
53.4	86.0	City of Vernon, BC - Photo Looking at Kalamalka BC Provincial Park - Juniper Beach	Kalamalka BC Provincial Park. This park offers a variety of day-use activities accessed from three main parking areas: Red Gate, Cosens Bay and Jade and Juniper Bays. Photos of Interest around Vernon and area beaches. For more information/directions/photos, of Beaches in the Vernon area - See Vernon Beaches.com link below.	0.0	0.0
53.4	86.0	City of Vernon, BC - looking at Okanagan Lake, BC - Ellison Provincial Park beach.	Photo of Interest. Ellison Provincial Park Campground, located on the northeastern shore of Okanagan Lake, Ellison Provincial Park includes 200 hectares of forested benchlands above a rocky shoreline of scenic headlands and sheltered coves. Ellison Provincial Park is located west on 25th Ave (Okanagan Landing Road) 16 kms from highway #97 Camping facilities include; 71 vehicle accessible campsites, 8 of which are double sites. There are no pull through sites at this park, one pit and eight flush toilets, water, shower building, no sani-station/dump facilities.	0.0	0.0