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LEAGUE ELECTS 2011 BOARD AND OFFICERS

Since its inception in 1964, the League has supported the Federal Reclamation Columbia Basin Project. While the initial and long-term focus of the Columbia Basin Development League is on continued development of the Project, current focus is on preventing economic and environmental disaster by replacing groundwater withdrawals from the Odessa Aquifer with Project water supplies. The League plays a strong role in facilitating discussion and action among stakeholders including Federal and State agencies, farmers, businesses, civic and economic groups and individuals interested in the Project.

The League recently elected its 2011 officers:

Chair: Ron Fode, Moses Lake
Past Chair: Heath Gimmestad, Moses Lake
Vice Chair: Milton Johnston, Ellensburg
Treasurer: Jake Wollman, Jr., Warden
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The remaining 2011 Board of Trustees includes:

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Since 1964, the Columbia Basin Development League has supported the Columbia Basin Irrigation Project and its future development. We protect its water rights and educate the public on the renewable resource and multiple-purpose benefits of the project.