



Conference and 58th Annual Meeting
Thursday, November 17, 2022
ATEC, Big Bend Community College, Moses Lake, WA

The CBP as a Solution: Water, Climate, Food Security

8:30am

Check in

9:00am

Welcome

- Sara Higgins, Executive Director, Columbia Basin Development League, Cashmere
- Dale Pomeroy, Vice Chair, Columbia Basin Development League, Warden

Opening Keynote: The Three C's of the Columbia Pacific Northwest Leadership Moving Forward

- Jennifer Carrington, Regional Director Columbia-Pacific Northwest, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Boise, ID

Columbia Basin Project Economic Impact

- Barbara Wyse, Principal and Senior Economist, Highland Economics, Portland, OR

Break & Networking

A Long View from the Canals

- John O'Callaghan, Secretary-Manager, South Columbia Basin Irrigation District
- Roger Sonnichsen, Secretary-Manager, Quincy-Columbia Basin Irrigation District
- Craig Simpson, Secretary-Manager, East Columbia Basin Irrigation District
- Marc Maynard, Field Office Manager, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Ephrata

11:30am

Lunch Buffet & Networking

Invocation offered by John Moody

Lunch Continues; Annual Meeting & Awards

Called to Order by Matt Harris, Chair, Columbia Basin Development League, Moses Lake

- Financial Report
- Board Election Outcomes
- Awards and Honors

CBP Ground Water Irrigation: Natural vs Artificially Stored Ground Water, Current and Future Use

- Jamie Short, Section Manager- Eastern Regional Office, Department of Ecology

- Marc Maynard, Field Office Manager, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Ephrata
- Tom Tebb, Director, Office of Columbia River, Department of Ecology, Yakima

OGWRP: System Designs and the NRCS PL 566 Watershed Planning Project

- Jon Erickson, Development Coordinator, East Columbia Basin Irrigation Dist., Othello
- Kristina Ribellia, Executive Director, Columbia Basin Conservation Dist., Moses Lake
- Larry Johnson, State Conservation Engineer, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Services, Washington State Office

Break & Networking

Other Funding Sources for OGWRP and the CBP

- Mike Schwisow, Owner, Schwisow & Associates, Olympia
- Melissa Downes, Financial and Projects Section Manager, Office of Columbia River, Department of Ecology, Yakima

Implications of Climate Projections on the CBP

- Nick Bond, Climatologist for Washington State, Seattle

Closing Keynote: Food Insecurity, Policy, and Western Irrigated Agriculture

- Mike Wade, Executive Director, California Farm Water Coalition, CA

4:30pm

Safe Journey Home