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Hello,

I have always said the Lottery is a RENEWABLE resource to use to pay for many services and expenses for the states. I agree with funds being used to pay for wildfire and other hazard expenses. The Lottery has millions of dollars including interest earned on its bank account funds. People willingly contribute to the Lottery on a DAILY BASIS, NO QUESTIONS ASKED. Spreading the wealth would be very beneficial. Besides no one winner needs a billion dollar jackpot. If we don't assist with wildfire hazards, there won't be any fish habitat, wildlife habitat, forests, forage, animals, etc. It will all be gone. I live in Gates OR that suffered the Beechie Creek Fire Sept 7, 2020 and I see the devastation that occurred and even in 5 years, we don't have the habitat return as needed. I appreciate your willingness to address a great resource. Thank you!

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