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I am writing in support of funding to protect our wildlife and implementation of the state Wildlife Action Plan. This funding can support a wide array of activities, including advancing wildlife connectivity and passages.

About .25% of the funding will go towards ODA's anti-poaching efforts, as well as securing funding for the wolf compensation program. This helps ranchers and livestock producers also reduce conflicts with wildlife.

A small portion, about .1%, of this funding will be directed towards the Oregon Conservation Corps, helping with workforce development and wildfire risk reduction efforts across the state.

With uncertainty swirling around federal and state funding for wildlife and land stewardship, we need to establish a dedicated source of revenue to help protect Oregon's wildlife for future generations.