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\$1 Million Mega Millions® Ticket Sold in Boron!

SACRAMENTO – A California Lottery player is celebrating this Wednesday after they won big in a small town. A Mega Millions ticket worth \$1,019,032 was sold in Boron (Kern County) for last night's draw. That ticket was sold at the Love's Travel Stop on Boron Frontage Road North near the junction of Highway 58 and US-395. That ticket matched the numbers **53-54-31-55-35**, missing just the Mega Number 24.

No one won last night's Mega Millions jackpot, so that means that Friday's jackpot is now an estimated \$476 million. Californians have more than <u>23,000 options for where to buy their tickets</u>. Mega Millions draws take place Tuesdays and Fridays at 8 p.m. PT. Players must buy their tickets before 7:45 p.m. on the day of the draw in order to be included. Any tickets purchased after 7:45 p.m. would be eligible for the following draw. Players can find all the details about Mega Millions, including odds of winning at any prize level, on the <u>California Lottery website</u>.



(Image of Love's Travel Stop in Boron)

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The California Lottery's mission is to provide supplemental funding to California public schools, including kindergarten and grades 1-12, community colleges, the California State University, the University of California, and other California public educational entities. The funds the Lottery transferred to public education totaled approximately \$2 billion for fiscal year 2021-22, which amounted to a modest percentage of education's overall budget. However, this funding is largely discretionary, meaning schools can use this for important, yet unfunded instructional programs they would otherwise not afford. During the same period, the Lottery generated more than \$8.8 billion in sales, more than 95% of which went back to the community in the form of prize payments, retailer commissions and bonuses, and contributions to education. If you feel you have a gambling problem or know someone who does, you can get free confidential help by calling the California Problem Gambling Helpline at 1-800-GAMBLER.

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