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## **State Parks Announces Reopening of Pecos Canyon State Park**

**Santa Fe, NM** – Today, officials of the Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, State Parks Division, announced Pecos Canyon State Park will re-open to the public for normal operations beginning Friday, September 2.

The new order from the United States Forest Service reopens portions of the Pecos/Las Vegas Ranger District of the Santa Fe National Forest that includes the area encompassing Pecos Canyon State Park. Pecos Canyon State Park has been closed to protect the public from unsafe conditions resulting from the Hermits Peak and Calf Canyon Fire.

For Terrero and Mora Campgrounds, visitors can reserve campsites through the <u>Reserve America</u> website or by calling at 1-877-664-7787. The Bert Clancy Campground is a first-come first-served recreation area. Park officials encourage visitors to make campsite reservations in advance because cell phone service is not reliable in Pecos Canyon.

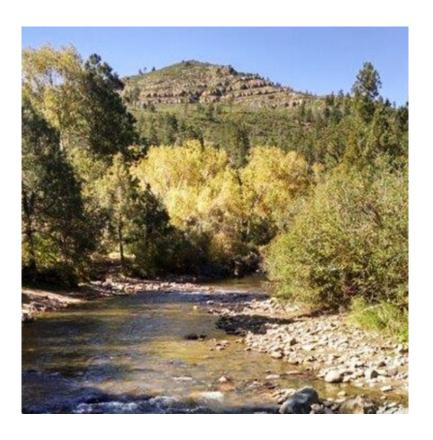
Pecos Canyon State Park is a jewel near the Pecos Wilderness of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains in north central New Mexico. The park is a great place for fishing, camping, hiking and more.

"I am pleased that New Mexicans and visitors to our state can now access Pecos Canyon to camp, fish, hike, and spend time alone or with family and friends," said State Parks Director Toby Velasquez. "Pecos Canyon is always a popular destination for the Labor Day weekend and fall season."

For more information, go the State Park's Find a Park webpage.

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