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Greetings,

I own a home in Eagle Nest and spend a third or more of each year living in and thoroughly enjoying the great state of New Mexico. I also pay a sizeable amount of taxes to the state and merchants in the community where my cabin is. I realize that i am not considered a legal resident but I still support the state through these methods mentioned. I am not against you supporting your residents as you are suggesting in your proposed changes, but I think that people that support the state as I do should not be punished by being subjected to the nonresident fees. I use the state parks in the Eagle Nest area at least 2 or 3 times a week. With the fees that are being suggested I would have to pay 20 or 30 dollars a week just to use the state parks in the area. I would suggest that you consider this when proposing the rules and consider letting people that spend a considerable time in the state still purchase an annual park permit. I am not opposed to an increase in the other fees, but if you charge us each time we visit the state park , we will be paying as much as 100 to 150 dollars per month park fees. I feel that the proposed changes are unfair to people in my situation that pay a fairly substantial amount of taxes to your state.

Thanks,

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