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Hello,

We totally understand the need to increase state park fees, and we have appreciated everything you have done to make the state parks clean and accessible and to upgrade boat ramps with the funds you have had. We support increased fees to keep the state parks a NM treasure.

For the past couple of years, we have purchased the annual park pass. It's a great convenience as we are anglers, often going to reservoirs at state parks when there is no one in the kiosk--or there's no kiosk--to take the entrance fee. Part two of the request to keep the annual pass is that each park seems to have their own fee structure, and you need cash. Who carries cash these days?

We are not opposed to the entrance fees or increasing those fees, but we hope you reconsider and continue with the annual park pass, at whatever annual fee is established. For us, the convenience of the annual pass is big! We do not mind paying more for that convenience.

The last question is related to passes for senior citizens: We have the lifetime National Parks Pass. Can you create something like that for NM state parks, in lieu of the annual pass?

The main reservoirs we fish are Bluewater, Abiququ, the Butte, Navajo, Ute, and Conchas. Beautiful!! We love fishing NM state park waters!!

Thank you,
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