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I am writing to comment on the proposed state park fee increases. I fully understand the need to raise fees. Especially given that according to the fee proposal they have not raised fees in 25 years. Very few of the NM parks seem to have sites with sewer hookups so the fee for an Electric & Water site will be \$40.00. Not unreasonable. What I find a little unreasonable is the additional \$10/dump even if camping. I am curious how the payment of the dump fee will be monitored/enforced. I have seen commercial parks with a kiosk that operated a magnetic lock on the dump station cover. Payment was either by credit card or a card provided by the campground office to paid campers. I am also concerned about an increase in gray water dumping in the primitive dispersed camping areas that the per dump fee may cause.

The \$10/vehicle day use pass is not outrageous for two or more individuals, but for someone like myself that accesses a park alone to fish it seems a little high given that nonresidents already pay more for a fishing license. Perhaps you could offer an individual day use and a multi-occupancy vehicle pass. Perhaps accept a nonresident fishing license as a day use permit for fishing in areas like Cimarron Canyon. I am also concerned that the elimination of the day use fee for residents will increase use of already crowded areas like Cimarron Canyon and decrease the quality of the fishing experience. I would not object to a reasonable increase in the annual day use pass to \$80.00-100.00 for nonresidents.