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Dear friends,

I want to first tell you what a pleasure I find enjoying the many state parks in our wonderful state.

Regarding fee changes: it is clear changes are in order after 40 years since fee structure was set. I use the parks often- sometimes one or two weeks at a time. I am a NM resident and have an annual pass. It is a super good deal and I would hate to see it go away but I will tell you I would happily pay \$200 or even \$300 and consider it a fair deal. I think out-of-state visitors would pay even more. I notice many many license plates from states that are much more expensive to live in than New Mexico, and they have spent the fuel cost to get here and I think they would pay higher fees all the way around to access our system.

I would not mind paying a dump station fee. \$10 sounds very fair.

I would like to see undeveloped camping remain free for annual pass holders.

Perhaps raise registration fee to \$15 or \$20?

Continue charging for day use. As stated above if people have money for gas they have \$5 to put in an envelope.

I hope for an equitable and fair outcome so I don't have to cut back on my enjoyment of the Park system!

Respectfully,
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