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Hi,

I am a traveler. I just wanted to let you know that on many occasions with other travelers and people in general we have mutually complemented New Mexico on its rest stops and campsites. The care and concern the state has towards hospitality is evident. Campsites and rest stops are well designed, beautiful and are a credit to the state. The fees are also reasonable which we are grateful for. You guys put richer states like California to shame. Camping is an affordable (often the only affordable vacation for a lot of working families. In California they are priced out of enjoying the state because of exorbitant campsite and parking fees. For example on the California side of Lake Tahoe it is \$15 to park and on the Nevada side it is \$2, some campsites in California cost \$60 a night with no amenities)

It's understandable that the state parks cost money to run and employees need a living wage. Raising fees are perhaps the only option. I would urge you to please honor the interagency passes that give discounts to veterans and seniors.

Thank you - New Mexico truly is 'The land of Enchantment'

Sincerely

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