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I agree that there is a need to raise prices to help state parks continue to provide great facilities and experiences. However, you should keep the day use fee for all users (resident and non-resident). This fee is already established and provides significant revenue for the operations of the State Parks.

Eliminating the day use fee will increase the amount of non-recreational use of the State Parks, much more than the non-recreational use from the abuse of the annual camping permit that is discussed in the fee study.

Day users would not pay their fair share of administration, operational and maintenance costs for park facilities and activities. The cost associated with these would be on the camper and general fund.

Additionally, by keeping the day use fee, the launch fee for non-motorized vessel would not be necessary.

Thank you,  
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