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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Feedback regarding proposed changes to State Park fees  
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Dear Parks Representative,

I recently started living in my RV and have spent the past few months in New Mexico.

I am a legal resident of Texas.

Giving New Mexico residents free day access to state parks and charging out of state residents \$10 is not very welcoming for us out of state people. I have spent a lot of money here in the past few months supporting local businesses as well as paying sales taxes.

I would suggest you look at Texas and their fee structure. They charge \$80 a year for a day use pass regardless of what state someone lives in. For those without a pass it is usually \$5 per vehicle. The fees are supplemented by money from the state legislature, sporting goods fees as well as fishing and hunting fees.

All the changes to the camping fees seem reasonable. Although I don't like the existing one sleeping unit per campsite rule. Why not let two small vans share a site. Technically a van pulling a trailer would not be allowed to camp at all.

Thanks for your consideration.

Christopher Perry