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To Whom It May Concern:

One of the big benefits of living in New Mexico is the ability to camp at it's State Parks with an Annual Camping Permit. For retired people who try to live on a limited (and sometimes stressed) income, this is a real benefit. We are able to spend two weeks a year, and. sometimes more out enjoying New Mexico without the daily costs of camping at an RV campsite.

We could understand if you needed to increase the Annual Camping Permit fees SLIGHTLY since all of the costs are going up, but eliminating them would be a detriment to a LOT of people to benefit a few.

You might also consider some form of 'Military Discount' on the Annual Camping Permits to allow for the retired military people to continue enjoying the lakes, mountains and campgrounds of New Mexico.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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