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Hi,

You folks sent us a new email regarding solicitation of input from long time customers. We've been coming there since 1968 as I was stationed at Sandia Base in Albuquerque.

I don't know what to say really.

One of the items in the FAQ section says: "Eliminating the Day Use Fee for New Mexico Residents directly addresses inequality in outdoor recreation and removes barriers to full, equitable enjoyment of state parks." How do you see this? 90% of the folks there are illegals and not valid residents Taking away the fee just fills every available slot (reservations were always a 6 months in Adv anyway and esp for handicapped (wife and I are both). We come from Houston, Tx and spend several thousand dollars in your state each trip. We have a 30ft RV but don't bring it as it won't fit in any of the HC slots at Fenton. Plus there is only water, or electric and now black or grey water for 30+ miles and 3000ft elevation change.

Then you say "Park staff will verify residency by looking for New Mexico Driver's Licenses and vehicle license plates." You KNOW you won't be doing that as Joe Biden has virtually prohibited ANY for of ID requirements or even ASKING for ID. NM is flooded with too many criminals also as Albq has become a sewer and too dangerous to even stay overnight. And after a 1000 mile drive to get there, this is a bit much. I guess well start going east.

I checked online and the only update to the NM Fenton lake Mgt and dev plan is for 2003-2006. Just a tiny bit out of date ya think?

We rarely went anywhere else anyway.

The last time we were there, all the side roads were full of off grid and non-english speaking campers in every form of vehicle possible. We worry for our safety and probably wont be back until that is resolved.

I reviewed the proposed rules and they generally don't make any sense except maybe to dissuade illegals from camping there and I can't imagine how that would actually work or help.

Most of it is just dumb. (launch fees for a paddleboat/board. Really ???) Fenton doesn't allow even elec motors so this seems to be a scam charge.

Its been fun but as far as I can see...no thanks, well go elsewhere.

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