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Hello, as an educator and leader of a Las Cruces nature homeschool group, I fully support the proposal to eliminate fees for NM residents. This would allow my families to visit our local state parks more frequently and take advantage of beauty in our backyards, whether it is along the Rio at Leasburg Dam, or bird watching at Mesilla Valley Bosque. One of the things I hear often from families is that the parking fee can add up for them and so they dont visit as often as they would like. It would allow my group to conduct more educational opportunities at the parks as well. Thank you

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