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I understand that costs have increased, but your failure to plan and now trying to nearly quadruple the cost of camping for 3 nights? How can you possibly justify such a sharp increase in such a short period of time? The State Parks failure to plan ahead is now falling on the taxpayers to fund mis-management!

I am sorry, but that is absurd and needs to be re-evaluated. A young family that is barely getting by now needs to spend nearly \$200 for a 3 night camping trip. Our proposed cost is higher than our neighboring states, that makes zero sense!

What is the rationale for eliminating annual passes?

Your inflation comparisons are valid, but again, maybe you should have been doing this for the last 4 decades, rather than try and catch up in one major cost increase.

Your plan is very aggressive and IF it works, you will be successful, but if your projections on annual stays are below forecasts, you will fail very quickly and be in an even deeper hole. Your assumptions are based on static occupancy, that will not be the case. If you raise costs, your occupancy will go down, so your projected revenue increase will fizzle.

I would think someone with a little economic knowledge would have helped you with your projections, but I do not think they are accurate.

Respectfully,
Jacob P. Armijo