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I have calculated how much the cost would be for a typical month (30 days) of camping in a developed site with water and electric, if the proposed fee increases are enacted. It would be \$1250 per month!!! That includes site fees, utilities fees, reservation fees, and 2 dump fees in that month. As a retired senior citizen, \$1250 per month is unaffordable for me. That is way too much expense for recreational use. And how are young families to afford the proposed fees? They already have so many living costs in addition to recreation.

Please reconsider these astronomic fee increases.

As a solution from me, I would be willing to buy an annual out-of-state pass for \$300, and pay an \$8 nightly fee for water/electric utilities combined.

Another solution would be for the legislature to enact a law that would use a portion of the surplus New Mexico state budget amount to subsidize the state parks.

Thank you for listening to my input and those of the other state park campers.

Respectfully,

Jan Forseth