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I attended a fee study public meeting and wanted to add my comments.

I am a Senior Annual Camping Pass holder, and I also volunteer as a camp host for 3 months in the summer at a NM State park.

1) Please don't eliminate the Senior pass for NM residents, this is a great benefit and incentive to seniors to get out and camp. It appears out of state campers are abusing this privilege, so why not just eliminate out of state annual passes? And as far as people making multiple reservations and clogging the system, this can be easily remedied by Reserve America in their reservation system. They could easily prevent multiple reservations.

2) Fee charge for Dump stations. Please don't do this. No other state charges to dump in their parks, and many offer this at rest stops on the highway. If you charge for this at the dump station, people are going to dump on the ground at the parks. As a camp host, I see where they dump trash all the time, these same people will dump their waste if forced to pay for it. Also, you proposed a \$10/day fee when camping at a site with full hookups, this is excessive, most RV's only need to empty the tanks every 3 days, so you'd be drastically overcharging for this.

3) Kayak launch fee. \$5 per launch seems excessive, if I'm camping for 14 days, that \$70! If there has to be a fee, please consider an annual pass, at a much lower rate than a polluting small boat.

Thank you.