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As a frequent out of state user, I perceive the new proposed fees as ruining my ability to enjoy New Mexico State Parks. About a dozen times per year my wife and I will load up the kayaks Friday after work and camp Friday night, spend Saturday on the lake and pack up and come home on Sunday or maybe Monday if I'm lucky enough to get the time off. This has always been a bargain at \$20 to \$30. At \$80 to \$120 to spend the same weekend primitive camping is absurd regardless of whether it is within my budget or not. I think you are overestimating what the public is willing to pay.