From:	Langenegger, Jared, EMNRD on behalf of emnrd-parkscomments, EMNRD
То:	Kevin Duncan
Subject:	RE: [EXTERNAL] Camping prices increase
Date:	Monday, March 4, 2024 2:40:19 PM
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Good afternoon Kevin,

Thank you for taking the time to provide comments regarding our proposed fee changes. We appreciate your interest in State Parks. I have read your comments, and they will be added to the file for our rule making process. Our official rule hearing will be April 1, 2024, at the Wendell Chino Building, Pecos Hall, 1220 S. St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505 at 6:00 p.m. You are welcome to attend this public meeting and provide further input if you like. If you need further information, please let me know. Thank you,

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"Far and away the best prize that life offers is the chance to work hard at work worth doing" - Theodore Roosevelt



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Hi my name is Kevin Duncan. I have lived in the state of New Mexico since 1990. And enjoy your camping and boating.

And on your state parks.

I'm also 66 years of age, and my wife is 62. Looking forward to her retirement and we live on social security.

Which is a fixed income for us and many more New mexicans.

So therefore we are concerned about your increasing the park site and utility rates as well as adding dump station fees, boat Launch fees. Eliminating senior annual camping permits

We aren't opposed to rising your fees gentle increases over time would be appreciated! Our economy is in bad shape in the last 3yrs and getting worse! This should also be taken into consideration for a gentle increase in fees state wide.

I see that you want to charge \$10 for electric \$10 for water \$10 for a dump. Or if you have a full hook up. That would be a total of thirty dollars per day for utilities , which in my opinion , is outrageous

prices for utilities, electric

Charging is more than what we pay in a month for our house!

I also feel that the fees should be related to the size of r v that you are living in at the state park.

Also, water and electric usage varies by the size of the RV as well. The larger the RV the more air conditioners that they have, and the more water Usage appliances that they have, like dishwashers and washing machines and dryers in the bigger moterhomes and larger 5TH wheels.

Where 30ft RV, pop up style, conversation vans,slide on truck canpers use alot less water and electric, less black an gray water.

Then there are tent campers, motorcycle campers that use very little water or electric.

In my opinion, I feel like the fee should represent the type of camping and the size of the RV that are being in the the State Parks. Tent camping =\$20.00 daily

Small RV, Conversion vans, pop-up campers Up to 30' that was small amounts of water, electric, and waste water =\$30.00 daily

Large moterhomes, 5th wheels that are 30 ft plus with 2 ac units, washer/dry that use larger amounts of water and electricity, larger amounts of waste water.=\$45.00 Daily

And these fees would Include electric water dump station,

Full hook up,water, sewer, electric should be five dollars more per day. These fees should be all inclusive per site, daily fee

I'm including some attachments that show the basic monthly usage for water, electric for various size of RVs

Also I'd like to address the issue of annual senior camping permits an Veterans passes

Speaking for all New Mexicans senior and veteran's, I would like see these stay available to help us enjoy our senior years! As we are on a fixed income.

I also feel the state parks should also do an annual increase. Just like they do with the adjustment of social security this year, it was 3.5%.

Or if the economy goes down, it should remain the same and adjust accordingly if the economy goes up.

Thank you for your consideration in this very important matter to the campers of New Mexico and their families, and children so that we can enjoy our great state and country assets in the different counties throughout the state.

Kevin and Calisse Duncan Santa Fe, NM

P.S A reply from you would be greatly appreciated! Be Blessed