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To whom it may concern;

My husband and I are from Buffalo, NY. We are retired and for the past 3 years we have been enjoying 6 months of beautiful weather in your wonderful parks. We spend local-gas stations, restaurants, groceries to name only a few. With the proposed fee changes we are looking elsewhere for winter camping. Arizona state parks have superior facilities (warm showers and bath houses, a visitor center that is staffed). Reservation fees are much smaller and there is a 1 year booking window. I am sorry to have to leave your state parks, but they will become out of reach for us with the proposed changes.

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