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As a senior New Mexican I would like to express my dismay at the removal of the Annual Camping Passes, I do understand the need to raise rates, but what is being suggested will take us out of camping. \$30 per night \$10 charge to dump in the parks, and \$12 to reserve a campsite, will disenfranchise us on fixed income from camping. We have enjoyed the benefits of AC's for the last 10 years and have explored much of our beautiful state, with fuel prices and the suggested changes, our travels will be curtailed.

When the NM State Parks were closed during COVID, we camped in AZ and paid "Out of State" rates for the privilege. When we fish in CO, we pay "Out of State" rates. Why is that not an option for the out of state campers who come to NM?

As a tax paying senior, I am asking that you review these changes and help the local population continue to enjoy our State Parks.

Thank you in advance for your consideration, Marilyn Stewart