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As a resident and annual pass holder, I greatly appreciate the value and affordability of New Mexico State Parks. If additional revenue is needed, I can see a justification for slight price increases. Perhaps as follows:

*maintain \$5 resident day pass (so that it doesn't exceed pricing for day use national parks like Dripping Springs in Las Cruces)

*\$7-10 day pass non residents (still very reasonable considering parks like White Sands are \$25 per day)

*\$45 annual park pass for residents - still a great deal

*Evaluate camping/utility fee increase for non residents

New Mexico State Parks are such hidden gems and I would love to see additional funding; it's one of the few uses of my tax dollars that I appreciate

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