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I disagree with having no daily fee at NM State Parks. I have visited many of the state parks, and it seems that the day use areas are more littered and more heavily used than the campgrounds. I think a \$5 daily use fee does not limit anyone from using the parks. That is less than the typical Starbucks coffee price.

The day use folks often come in large family/friend groups and stay for many hours, using the parking areas, picnic tables, trash cans, and restrooms. I think a \$5 daily fee for NM residents is very reasonable. People generally take better care of something they have paid for, even a small fee. A higher day use fee for out of state residents would be fine.

I also question the non-motorized boat launch fee. Will that apply to canoes, kayaks, and paddleboards? Many are easily concealed in trucks, campers, etc. How will it be enforced as those craft can be launched from anywhere and don't require a boat ramp. People will just put them in the water a few feet outside the park boundary.

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