

NM State Parks

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My husband & I have lived in NM for 19 years & have thoroughly enjoyed our state parks. We are retirees and set a goal of RVing monthly in the state parks.

We do understand the need to harvest more monies to maintain the parks.

I am requesting that some form of the senior annual camping pass remain. As seniors on a fixed income, we will have to greatly curtail our camping opportunities, ~~especially~~ ^{especially} with camping fee increases.

A comment on the dump fee proposal —

The dump fee payment will fail to capture revenue with staff shortages — people will dump & not pay. It would be more efficient to include dump fee or dump expenses with the nightly camping fee. Please delete out of state annual camping pass.

Do not install a credit card service at the dump services! We have seen out of state parks install the system, only to embrace many failures with the system. The result is rangers at all hours must manually unlock the dump facilities.

We would hope if state park fees increase on any level, we would see improvements / upgrades on the bathroom facilities, trash removal, general maintenance proportionately.

Campers are frustrated with the camping reservation system. Please dedicate a portion of camp sites to first come first serve.

The natural environs are NM greatest treasures!

Thank you for your consideration

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