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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Proposed State Park camping pass. **Date:** Thursday, February 22, 2024 2:41:38 PM

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The proposed rule changes in General are tolerable save one.

The elimination of annual camping passes is absurd! As a Disabled Veteran, I have been utilizing the State Park System for too many years to count. Alot of us travel and camp at New Mexico State Parks many, many times a year. The Veterans Camping pass has made it affordable to do so. If you eliminate this pass, you will alienate all us Vets and make it so we can't and won't visit the State Parks to camp. I'm quite sure that after the recent implementation of recreational marijuana, that the state has MORE than enough money to allow us Veterans who fought for the right of Freedom, to enjoy some of the benefit of doing so.

I have become So dissolutioned with MY Native State Government in the last Several Years, that I am on the Verge of moving to Arizona. A State that Enjoys much more freedom, with less restrictions of God given Rights. You people ALMOST make me regret my Service and fighting for the Country! I have to remember that I did NOT fight for the Government, I fought for the people, and to keep our Freedoms..

And the State of N.M.,

IS Slowly eliminating those very Freedoms! Shame on YOU!

If you go through with these asinine rules, I shall cease visiting New Mexico State Parks and consider alternate living areas..You all had best consider all the effects before implementing just ridiculous rules.

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