

## Suggestions for the NM Parks

1. Keep the annual day use pass for seniors over the age of 65 and has a New Mexico ID or drivers license only. Too many people from other states are using in state addresses of friends or families to obtain hunting and fishing permits.
2. Raise the overnight camping permits for the nonresidents to \$40 per night, and an additional \$15 if they want water and electric hook ups. Right now, there are people from all over living in our State Parks for the entire Fall and Winter season.
3. Eliminate third party companies from running our parks. There are enough people employed by NM Parks to handle the issuing of park permits and overnight camping permits. These third-party companies have closed some of our favorite day use parks such as City of the Rocks to overnight camping only. There are no designated picnic areas in the entire park.
4. Improve the facilities in the parks. It is disgusting to walk into a restroom that has not been cleaned in days. This happens more times than you might think. They are either dirty, have no supplies, or are out of order.
5. Do away with the resident yearly camping permit, it does not help the regular Joe, only the wealthy who can afford to pay the \$14 per night.
6. Start taxing the Big game guides on all of their out of state hunters. Take 20% as a fee, this would generate big bucks, and would not cost the tax payer any additional cost.