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Good Morning.

I have comments on the proposed changes

• Elimination of day-use fees for New Mexico residents.

These fees should remain in force but at an increased fee to \$6.00 or more but less than a non-resident fee

• Implementation of a non-resident day-use fee.

YEs absolutely Implement at \$10

Eliminating Annual Passes.

These fees should remain but at an increased fee to \$50.00

• Adjusting camping and utility fees.

Agreed

Adjusting boat registration and launching fees.

Agreed

• Adjusting entrance fees at Living Desert Zoo and Gardens State Park and Smokey Bear Historical Park.

Agreed

These fees are a necessity for helping with the maintenance and oversight of our State Parks which the SONM tax payor's should not bare the cost of if they don't use them. The people that utilize the State Parks should pay to use them and as a resident of NM I don't mind paying fees to utilize them.

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