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Hello,

I support just about all the fee changes with a few exceptions:

1. Keep dump station costs as free. People are going dump their waste and if they have to pay? We will have pools of toxic waste all over the place. It costs less to offer free dump stations than to cleanup the illegal dumping.
2. I think \$10 additional is excessive for water, electric and sewage. Most units don't use sewage, yet us smaller sized campers pay for behemoth bus and 5th wheels' sewage and excessive use of water and electricity.

Have 2 frees for utilities based on the size of the rig.

I support the increases and changes because:

- A. Overall, it is time to eliminate the annual camping passes. Our state parks have turned into homeless camps in recent years. For \$136/month (annual+\$4), people are living in our parks full-time.
- B. Local businesses won't miss the alleged revenue from these "campers" bc these campers are living on shoestrings. they are dreaming if they think a transient is going to add to their bottom line.
- C. The multitude of transients living in our parks makes it feel a lot less safe.
- D. The proposed rates are completely in line with other state's fees.
- E. Annual passes induce people to reserve more spots than they will ever use. There are always last min cancellations by these folks. Makes it hard to plan my two to three trips in advance.
- F. Consider increasing the penalty for cancelling less than two weeks before a reservation to 50% of total cost plus reserve America fee. Less than a week? 75% penalty.

Thank you,

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