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"Far and away the best prize that life offers is the chance to work hard at work worth doing" - Theodore Roosevelt



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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Park fee increase comment

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Dear Mr. Langenegger,

As a former state park employee of 17 years, I am writing to unequivocally support fee increases for NM State Parks. The budget decrease between 2010 (\$29.4M) and 2024 (\$28.9) in your PowerPoint presentation says it all – the legislature does not fund parks, and the statute mandates the Division raise their own operating costs. Dedicated park personnel have made up the difference between underfunded reality and public expectations and safety for years with their personal time and resources. It is time to bite the bullet and raise fees.

Sincerely,

Sarah Wood Santa Fe, NM

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