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After reading the article in the March 20, 2024 edition of the Las Cruces Sun-News, we would like to share our opinions on the fee changes.

Some of the fees seem fair; others seem outrageous.

Here are the fees we agree with:

- A \$10.00 dump station fee.

- Waiving the \$5.00 day use fee for New Mexico residents

Here are the fees we disagree with:

- Doubling and more than doubling of the fee for primitive and developed camping sites

- Eliminating the annual pass.

- Tripling the vessel registration fees

We understand the need to raise fees, but the heavy handed increases are draconian. Please consider no more than a 25% increase in the fees if you must. In 5 years, you could increase the fees by another 25%.

Perhaps you could appeal to the legislature for an increased budget since our state coffers seem to be overflowing and tourism is our biggest industry.

Thank you for considering our opinions.

Sincerely,

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