

Oregon Parks and Recreation Department

Commenter name (if provided): Judy Zimmerman Date comment received:

August 14, 2024 07:33 AM

Commenter email (if provided): hardy_hiker@yahoo.com

Location (if provided): Parkdale, OR

Public comment:

Please consider honoring the federal Interagency America the Beautiful Pass. I avoid state parks for camping due to the cost. As a retiree on a fixed income the discounted fees the pass offers are necessary.

Thank you,

Judy Zimmerman Parkdale OR



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Commenter name (if provided): Robin H Date comment received:

August 14, 2024 09:26 AM

Commenter email (if provided): robin.hopkins24@gmail.com

Location (if provided): Bend, OR

Public comment:

OPRD,

I am writing today to oppose increasing the fee range for tent sites in Oregon State Parks. Tent camping in Oregon State Parks at the current rates is decently affordable for everyone: teenagers, the elderly, people on fixed incomes, those with families. Moreover, tent camping, for everyone, is at the heart of the Oregon State Parks experience.

If OPRD needs breathing room, I encourage the department to seek it from RV users. If they can afford to drive a \$100k vehicle to the park where they require electricity, sewer, and water, they can afford a fee increase.

Robin H Bend, OR



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Commenter name (if provided): Judith Bevilacqua Date comment received:

August 14, 2024 12:48 PM

Commenter email (if provided): jackjudybevilacqua@gmail.com

Location (if provided): Gresham, OR

Public comment:

I really get the need to support/fund our State Parks, but I also want to advocate for those of us who can't afford hotels or motels, and like us, bought 20 ft. "very used" RV's or tent trailers etc. to allow us to enjoy our beautiful state. It seems that simplicity is not in our budget. Even leaving a small footprint, and being low maintenance, we find it hard to find an affordable way to do that. It is now difficult to find a way to pay for our high RV gas bill, high grocery bill and high camping bill...spending hundreds of dollars for just a 3-day outing. It feels rather defeating. We are hoping the price for camping off-season will give us a break.

Thanks for this opportunity to tell our story.



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Commenter name (if provided): Grant Seibold Date comment received:

August 19, 2024 03:11 PM

Commenter email (if provided): gtrh@comcast.net

Location (if provided): Brookings, OR

Public comment:

I think we should get rid of free tow vehicles. If two compact cars are in a site one has to pay the extra vehicle fee. If a humongous motorhome pulls in towing a full size vehicle there is no extra fee for that towed vehicle. The motorhome with the tow vehicle is a greater burden on all of our systems.