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State Park Ranger Caleb Bellah Receives “Best Student Achievement Award for Academics” at State Law Enforcement Academy

Farmington, NM: State Park Ranger Caleb Bellah received the “Best Student Achievement Award for Academics” at the Department of Public Safety’s December 1st graduation ceremony. Bellah, of Navajo Lake State Park, is one of only a few park officers from New Mexico State Parks to receive that honor.

“The Division is proud to have a leader and an all-round ranger joining the team at Navajo Lake State Park,” said Barry Lucero, Law Enforcement and Boating Safety Bureau Chief. “Ranger Bellah’s academic average at the academy was 95.49% and he is a wonderful addition to our parks law enforcement team and will be a great asset to the Division.”

Bellah is the son of Roger and Tracy Bellah and is a 2008 graduate of Carlsbad High School.

The “Best Student Achievement Award for Academics” is awarded to the student who receives top overall scores in academics during the 16-week session. The Department of Public Safety trains law enforcement recruits for most state, county, and municipal law enforcement agencies from around the state except for New Mexico State Police and the Albuquerque Police Department, which have their own academies.

“The Academy was difficult and challenging, but I look forward to serving New Mexico State Parks as a Ranger,” said Bellah. He began work on January 16, 2017 at Navajo Lake State Park.



New Mexico State Park Ranger Caleb Bellah was awarded the “Best Student Achievement Award for Academics” at the State Law Enforcement Academy recently. He is photographed with Barry Lucero, Boating and Law Enforcement Bureau Chief at the graduation ceremony.

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