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NEWS RELEASE

New Mexico State Parks Waives Fees for Veterans, Active Duty Military on Veterans Day Nov. 11

SANTA FE, N.M. – New Mexico State Parks will honor military veterans and current military service members on Veteran’s Day Nov. 11 by waiving day use and camping fees at all New Mexico State Parks for veterans and active-duty military and their families.

“This is one way we can say thanks to our veterans,” said State Parks Director Dave Simon. “Public parks are one of the great things about America that veterans have served to protect.”

The waiver applies to all active duty and retired veterans and their immediate families (spouse and children) at all New Mexico state parks on Veteran’s Day only. Veterans should identify themselves as such to State Parks staff or campground hosts upon entrance to the parks.

Vietnam Veteran’s Memorial State Park in Angel Fire also will present three first-person stories of Vietnam veterans during its Veteran’s Day ceremony Nov. 11, with guest speakers and music by the Cimarron High School band. This year’s theme, *We Were There: Veterans Stories*, features veterans who will briefly share their individual experiences in Vietnam. For more information about New Mexico State Parks, call 877-NMPARKS or visit www.nmparks.com.

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