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Top New Mexico Parks Featured Internationally

Santa Fe, NM – Two New Mexico state parks made the list of New Mexico's Top 10 National and State Parks in the U.S. version of *The Guardian*, a British national daily newspaper.

Cerrillos Hills State Park and City of Rocks State Park were featured among national treasures such as Bandelier National Monument and Carlsbad Caverns National Park. Author Mary Caperton Morton wrote that Cerrillos Hills State Park, outside Santa Fe, has well-marked trails, beautiful views, information about the productivity of the Cerrillos mines and tales of the miners who carved a rugged living.

City of Rocks State Park was also featured by Morton, who wrote that the unique volcanic boulders in the park have created a paradise for hikers. Camping within the rocks is a visitor favorite and the park features night-sky programs and wildlife viewing.

"City of Rocks and Cerrillos Hills State Parks are in good company on the listing and this is a true honor," said State Park Director Tommy Mutz. "We are proud of the scenic landscapes, natural resources and amazing histories that all of our 35 New Mexico State Parks have to offer."

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