

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING**

The State of New Mexico, Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department (EMNRD), State Parks Division hereby gives notice of the following proposed rulemaking. The State Parks Division proposes to amend its rule, 19.5.2 NMAC, Park Visitor Provisions, by adding a new section, 19.5.2.38 NMAC - Foster Families, and renumber or amend subsequent sections 39, 40, 41, 42 and 43 of 19.5.2 NMAC to reflect the new section 38. The State Parks Division also proposes to amend 19.5.6 NMAC- Park Fees, and 19.5.7 NMAC- Filming in State Parks, to reflect the changes made to 19.5.2 NMAC.

**Purpose of Amendment.** The State Parks Division proposes the amendment to 19.5.2 NMAC to add a new section 19.5.2.38 NMAC to reflect Laws of 2019, Chapter 5, which provides for free day-use admission to state parks for foster parents and children in the custody of foster parents who are New Mexico residents. Eligibility is contingent upon demonstration of proof of identity, residency, and status as a foster parent or child in the custody of a foster parent in accordance with State Parks Division rules.

**Legal Authority.** The State Parks Division proposes this rule amendment under the authority of Law of 2019, Chapter 5, NMSA 1978, Section 16-2-7, and NMSA 1978, Section 9-1-5(E).

**The full text of the proposed rule amendment is available** from Amanda Calderon at (505) 476-3360 or amanda.calderon@state.nm.us or can be viewed on the State Parks Division's website at <http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/spd/> or at the State Parks Division's regional offices in Aztec, Carlsbad, Dona Ana, Santa Fe, and Tucumcari or at state park offices.

**Public Hearing and Comment.** EMNRD will hold a public hearing on the proposed rule amendment on June 11, 2019 at 9 a.m. in Porter Hall, Wendell Chino Building, 1220 South Saint Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505.

Those wishing to comment on the proposed rule amendment may make oral or written comments or submit information at the hearing or may submit written comments by June 11, 2019 at 9 a.m. by mail or email. Please mail written comments to Amanda Calderon, EMNRD, State Parks Division, 1220 South Saint Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 or submit comments by email to amanda.calderon@state.nm.us.

**Technical Information that served as a basis for the proposed rule amendment includes:**

8.26.4 NMAC, Licensing Requirements for Foster and Adoptive Homes

A copy of the technical information can be obtained from Amanda Calderon at (505) 476-3360 or amanda.calderon@state.nm.us or can be viewed on the State Parks Division's website at <http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/spd/>.

**If you are an individual with a disability** who needs a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing, please contact Amanda Calderon at (505) 476-3377 or through the New Mexico Relay Network at 1-800-659-1779 one week prior to the hearing. Public documents can be provided in various accessible formats. Please contact Amanda Calderon at (505) 476-3360, if a summary or other type of accessible format is needed.